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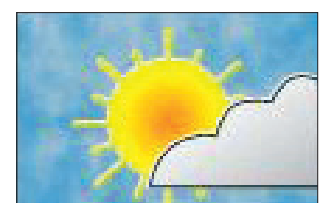
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Cecilia Scott and Janie Conley, members of the Rodeo Queens, will be among the artists participating in Petticoats on the Prairie, set for Oct. 22-23 near Ira.

Petticoats on the Prairie to feature unique crafts

By **NANCY KOGER**

Special to the Herald
Petticoats on the Prairie is coming to West Texas. "Petticoats on the Prairie is a vintage article and antique showcase that West Texas people can come to for the weekend and not have to travel across the state," explained free-lance designer Cecilia Scott, who, with nine other women who call themselves the Rodeo Queens, are behind the event. Scott, a Colorado City native who came back to West Texas to live in the family home made from an old church, believes wide open rural spaces foster a greater percentage of creativity than cities. Janie Conley and Cindy Grant of Big Spring met Cecilia at Round Top, the premier vintage and antique show near Brenham. They

What: Petticoats on the Prairie arts and crafts show.
Where: Black Locust Farm, east of Ira.
When: 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22 and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23.
Admission: \$3 adults, children 12-under free.

ferred and when they visited Black Locust Farm near Ira, they knew they had found it. Paul and Fran Farmer, who built a large building as a workshop for making display cases, have turned their place into a venue for weddings, dances and other celebrations. Driving across the prairie and coming upon the cedar-fenced grove of black locust trees, pines and buildings gives one the idea of a mirage. "It's a show stopper," described Conley, "a lovely place to go." The building has space for 30 vendors, with more situated outside. There are indoor restrooms in the barn, but decorated port-a-potties will be available outside. Marsha Jordan, flower shop

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Local man dies in motorcycle crash early today

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

A Big Spring man was killed early Wednesday morning in a motorcycle crash on Interstate Highway 20 west of Big Spring. Joshua Lane Howell, 28, was pronounced dead at 2:46 a.m. by Howard County Justice of the Peace Quail Dobbs near the 169 mile marker on Interstate Highway 20. According to Department of Public Safety Operator Regina Sutton, Howell was traveling east on I-20 on a 2007 Harley Davidson motorcycle when he veered to the right, then overcorrected.

"He overcorrected, causing

the motorcycle to go into a roll," Sutton said. "The accident was reported at approximately 1:25 a.m. Howell was not wearing a helmet at the time of the accident." Sutton said the accident was investigated by DPS Trooper Kenneth Reed of the Big Spring DPS office, who reported the roadways were dry and clear at the time of the accident. Howell's services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

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Farmer's Market to close Oct. 23

It's been a successful venture, organizers say

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Customers will have three more chances to get fresh-from-the-farm produce this year. The Farmers Market, which has been open Tuesdays and Saturdays at Heart of the City Park since early July, will close down operations for the year Oct.



Newton

23, organizer Sherry Newton said. The event was originally scheduled to run through the end of October, but cooler-than-normal temperatures are forcing vendors to shut down operations a week early, Newton noted. "The nights have been really cool ... and the vegetables are just shutting down," she said.

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Rangers win ALDS

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Big Spring ISD trustees to get FIRST report Thursday evening

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Students aren't the only ones who receive report cards — school districts get them, too. The public will get a chance to comment on Big Spring Independent School District's financial status when trustees meet at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in the high school board room. BSISD officials will discuss the district's latest Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) ranking for the district and will hold a public hearing to allow citi-

zen input. FIRST is a system devised by the Texas Education Agency to rate how well school districts manage their money. "It looks at a variety of indicators, such as fund balance, investments and interest investments," BSISD Business Manager Debbie Green said. "Overall, there's six critical indicator areas TEA looks at when compiling the report." TEA's verdict on Big Spring is that the local system is managing its money very well, thank you.

Green said the school district received a rating of Superior Achievement on its FIRST report, the ninth consecutive year BSISD has received such a ranking. In fact, the district fell only one point shy of receiving a perfect score from TEA. "I think this shows our taxpayers that Big Spring ISD is financially sound, according to the measurements that TEA established," Green said. In other business Thursday, trustees will consider:

- Bids for engineering services at the baseball field. Green said this is a necessary preliminary step the district must take prior to installing artificial turf at the facility.
- Bids for fleet vehicles and student letter jackets.
- Personnel matters.
- Discussion items on the district's technology audit and baseball field upgrades.

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Rangers ALCS-bound, beat Rays in 5

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — The Texas Rangers mobbed Cliff Lee in front of the pitcher's mound before trotting off to the clubhouse for a celebration 50 seasons in the making.

Champagne was on ice, but first the AL West champions slipped on red t-shirts, fitted themselves with goggles and toasted the first playoff series victory in franchise history with plastic bottles of ginger ale.

The bubbly flowed only after Josh Hamilton left the room.

The major league batting champion, who overcame alcohol and drug problems to revive his career, appreciated the show of support.

"I'm speechless. This is so unbelievable," Hamil-

"It's something a lot of these guys have never been a part of, I've never been a part of, so it's exciting. We'll be ready."

Josh Hamilton,
Texas Rangers

ton said Tuesday night after the Rangers beat Tampa Bay 5-1 in the decisive Game 5 of the AL division series.

"For my teammates to understand why I can't be part of the celebration, for them to adapt it, it's amazing," he added. "It shows a lot about them."

Cliff Lee added another impressive line to his sparkling October resume, striking out 11 in a six-hitter that stopped the Rays from finishing an im-

probable comeback in a series in which the road team won every game — a first in major league history.

"It was a lot of fun, I know that much," Lee said. "We had our back against the wall today and we came out and performed."

The Rangers will host the defending champion

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HERALD Photo/Tony Claxton

Big Spring quarterback Garrett Stuteville (pictured) and safety Dennis Merworth, who has experience at quarterback, are prepared to take the injured DaVonte Anderson's place if needed against Sweetwater Friday.

Plug and Play

Stuteville, Merworth ready to play at QB if Anderson ruled inactive

BY ADAM COLEMAN

Sports Editor

Big Spring head coach Phillip Ritchey senses a curse surrounding his team as the Steers dive deeper into District 5-3A play.

A lot of the injuries on this team are happening to the wrong players at the wrong time.

"We're kind of jinxed," Ritchey said as practice ended Tuesday. "Seems like the last couple of weeks, we've gotten the neck (cornerback Terrell Demerson) and three ankles this last game."

Those three ankles injuries belong to three vital players: wide receiver/safety Mike Menefield, defensive tackle Pernell Parker and quarterback DaVonte Anderson.

The latter might raise a few eyebrows as Sweetwater comes to town at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Memorial Stadium — a game Ritchey believes the Steers need to win.

Anderson hurt his left ankle late in the second quarter during the Steers' 56-21 loss at Brownwood Friday running up the middle for a first down and falling forward after being tackled from behind, which caused a fumble. He was slow to get up and was helped off the field, not returning to the game, but on the sidelines on crutches. Anderson said he thought a player fell on his ankle as he was being tackled.

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HERALD Photo/Tony Claxton

Cerbi Ritchey sets the ball in the Big Spring volleyball team's sweep of Snyder Tuesday in Steer Gym. She had 17 assists against Snyder.

BSHS volleyball sweeps Snyder

BY ADAM COLEMAN

Sports Editor

Get off to a fast start and more than likely, you'll win. Big Spring volleyball players have heard that all season from head coach Lynn Osborne.

But they've listened and it showed on the court in a sweep, 25-15, 25-13, 25-23, against Snyder Tuesday in Steer Gym.

"It's something that we've really needed to work on all season," Osborne said. "I think we're finally starting to come out ready to play. I think some of that is preparing and having a good pregame. I think

that's something they've learned along the way."

Just how good was the start to the game? In the first set, Diamond Mayes and Morgan Slaughter teamed up on a block that sent the ball back over the net where the Lady Tigers couldn't keep the volley going. The Lady Steers (18-15, 4-1 in District 5-3A play) then had a 22-10 lead. A kill from Mayes sealed the 10-point set win.

Taylor Seaton led the way with 10 kills, Valerie Ross and Bridgette Tuitt had 12 digs each and Cerbi Ritchey piled on 17 assists with seven kills and eight digs.

Osborne was certainly more pleased with the

start to this game compared to the last one at Brownwood.

The Lady Steers still won the first set of that game, but Osborne stressed a lack of focus and intensity. The Lady Steers never put Brownwood away for good in the first set.

There were no questions about Tuesday's game.

The first set win led to another dominant win in the second set and although close, the Lady Steers wrapped things up in the third.

Seaton said getting off to a good start is all

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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.

80 2-man scramble on Oct. 23 and 24. The starting times are at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. The entry fee cost \$80 per person plus the cart. The entry fee also includes lunch on Oct. 23. For more information or to enter call (432) 758-3808.

ament (six holes scramble, six holes low ball and six holes modified alternate shot) at 1 p.m. Oct. 23 and 24. Entry fee is \$60 per player plus the golf cart. Private carts are welcome. Entry fee includes barbecue on the course Oct. 23. Field will be flighted by first round score. Number of flights determined by number of entries.

For more information or to enter, call the Pro Shop at (432) 267-5354.

Over 80 2-man scramble

Gaines County Golf Course is hosting an over

Golf tournament

Big Spring Country Club is hosting a 6-6 tour-

Obituaries

Barbara Webb

Barbara Webb, 68, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2010. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Joshua Lane Howell

Joshua Lane Howell, 28, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2010, in Big Spring. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Police blotter

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

- SAMANTHA C. LINDQUIST, 25, of New Mexico, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- AMANDA LYNN MORROW, 31, of 603 W. 17th St., was arrested Tuesday on warrants for driving while license invalid/suspended with a previous conviction, speeding, driving while license invalid (two counts) and failure to appear.
- LORYN REA ESCOVEDO, 17, of 109 Pettus, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for driving without safety belt, no driver's license - when unlicensed (two counts) and failure to appear.
- MARTIN ALBARES MORA, 33, of 1401 Nolan, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for failure to use safety seat system for a child, failure to appear (two counts) and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 200 block of Circle.
- ASSAULT was reported:
In the 1300 block of Mt. Vernon.
In the 2000 block of S. Johnson.
In the 1300 block of Tucson.
In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.
In the 800 block of E. 11th Place.
- THEFT was reported:
In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.
In the 1700 block of W. FM 700.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main Street.

Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 70 inmates at the time of this report.
- DAVID WAYNE GRANT, 39, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a probated judgment for driving while intoxicated - second offense.
- CYNTHIA ANN MORELION, 46, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a warrants for driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.
- MARKUS DEWAYNE GRAVES, 25, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of open container.
- ATANASIO GUTIERREZ III, 21, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for unlawfully carrying a weapon.
- DONNI KAY ROBERTSON, 25, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and charges of driving while license invalid and violation of a promise to appear.
- SAMANTHA CYBIL LINDQUIST, 25, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- LORYN RAE ESCOVEDO, 17, was transferred to

the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for violation of a promise to appear, no driver's license (two counts) and no seat belt.

- AMANDA LYNN MORROW, 31, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension and municipal warrants for speeding, driving while license invalid (two counts) and violation of a promise to appear.
- CALVERT DWAIN JAMERSON, 28, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of a controlled substance - more than 200 grams, less than 400 grams.
- COREY D. DANCER, 27, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on charges of issuance of a bad check, no liability insurance, violation of a promise to appear and criminal mischief.
- MARTIN A. MORA, 33, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for unrestrained child less than two years of age, violation of a promise to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.
- RICHARD ARLEY ACUFF, 23, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 600 block of E. Sixth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 300 block of E. 24th Street. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of N. Scurry. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 4200 block of Hamilton. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Birdwell Lane. Service refused.
- TRAUMA was reported near the 169 mile marker of Interstate Highway 20. Service refused.

Take Note

• Crispy's Restaurant, 1904 Birdwell, is the United Way Dine Dine Out Restaurant of the Week. A portion of the proceeds received through Sunday at Crispy's will be donated to the 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. Delivery is available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by calling 263-2084. Plates are \$10 each.

• A fund has been established at Citizen's Credit Union for the Lupe Chavarria family, who lost all of their possessions in a recent house fire. For more information, contact the credit union at 267-6373.

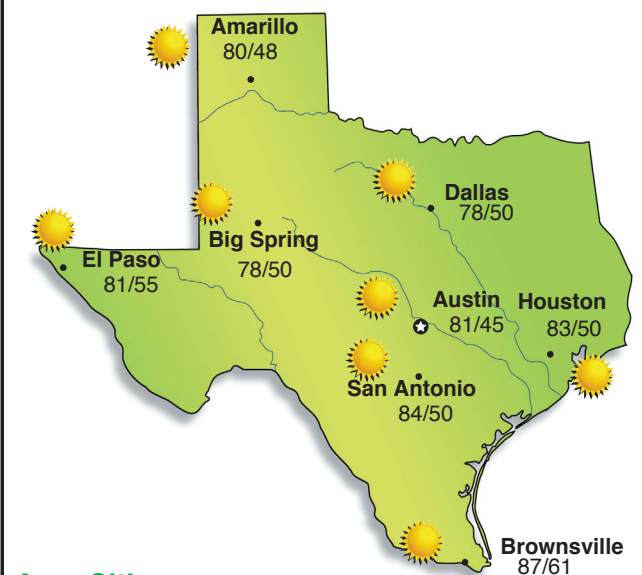
• Local resident Gale Pittman is planning to decorate a Christmas tree for the Heritage Museum Christmas Tree Forest in honor and memory of service men and women now on active duty and those who gave their lives for their country. The loved one does not need to be from Big Spring and it does not matter what war they fought in. Families should send information on their service man or woman to Gale Pittman, 3401 Sherrod Rd., Big Spring 79720.

Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

| Thu 10/14 | Fri 10/15 | Sat 10/16 | Sun 10/17 | Mon 10/18 |
|--|--|---|--|---|
|  78/50 A mainly sunny sky. High 78F. Winds light and variable. |  82/51 More sun than clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 50s. |  81/54 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 50s. |  81/56 A few clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 50s. |  83/57 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 50s. |
| Sunrise: 7:49 AM Sunset: 7:15 PM | Sunrise: 7:50 AM Sunset: 7:13 PM | Sunrise: 7:50 AM Sunset: 7:12 PM | Sunrise: 7:51 AM Sunset: 7:11 PM | Sunrise: 7:52 AM Sunset: 7:10 PM |

Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
|----------------|----|----|-------|-----------------|----|----|-------|
| Abilene | 80 | 55 | sunny | Kingsville | 86 | 54 | sunny |
| Amarillo | 80 | 48 | sunny | Livingston | 82 | 42 | sunny |
| Austin | 81 | 45 | sunny | Longview | 77 | 46 | sunny |
| Beaumont | 82 | 48 | sunny | Lubbock | 80 | 47 | sunny |
| Brownsville | 87 | 61 | sunny | Lufkin | 81 | 43 | sunny |
| Brownwood | 82 | 49 | sunny | Midland | 80 | 53 | sunny |
| Corpus Christi | 84 | 56 | sunny | Raymondville | 88 | 59 | sunny |
| Corsicana | 78 | 48 | sunny | Rosenberg | 83 | 49 | sunny |
| Dallas | 78 | 50 | sunny | San Antonio | 84 | 50 | sunny |
| Del Rio | 85 | 55 | sunny | San Marcos | 82 | 45 | sunny |
| El Paso | 81 | 55 | sunny | Sulphur Springs | 76 | 48 | sunny |
| Fort Stockton | 80 | 52 | sunny | Sweetwater | 79 | 52 | sunny |
| Gainesville | 77 | 47 | sunny | Tyler | 77 | 45 | sunny |
| Greenville | 77 | 45 | sunny | Weatherford | 77 | 47 | sunny |
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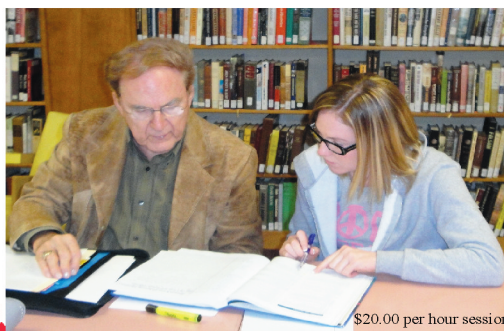
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Goodell, Favre could meet

CHICAGO (AP) — NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell has no plans to meet with Brett Favre — for now.

Goodell said Tuesday at the NFL owners meetings that there is no timetable for wrapping up an investigation of an Internet report that the Vikings quarterback sent racy text messages and lewd photos to a former New York Jets game hostess.

“We’re just looking for facts now,” Goodell said at the meetings. “I am going to deal with it as we get the facts.”

As for meeting with the game’s all-time passing leader, Goodell said nothing is planned “but if it is something that would help us get to a conclusion and it is warranted, I will do so.”

The investigation, announced last week, centers on a report by the sports website Deadspin that in 2008 Favre, then with the Jets, sent the photos and

messages to Jenn Sterger.

Sterger’s manager, Phil Reese, declined to say if his client has talked with the NFL.

“This is something that allegedly happened two years ago,” Reese said in an e-mail to The Associated Press. “We don’t want a quick resolution, but the proper resolution.”

Favre could be fined or suspended under the NFL’s personal conduct policy.

“One of the reasons we instituted the personal conduct policy ... to make everyone understand their responsibilities,” Goodell said. “We’re not going down a line of speculation and hypothetical situations.”

Favre has not responded to questions about the Deadspin report.

Deadspin received the voicemails include a man asking to meet with Sterge.

STEERS

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Ritchey said whether Anderson will play against Sweetwater or not will be a game-time decision, meaning backup Garrett Stuteville and safety Dennis Merworth are preparing to take snaps under center if needed Friday.

Stuteville took over for Anderson against Brownwood and only completed a pass for six yards in two attempts, but he had eight rushes for 41 yards.

Where Stuteville has the advantage is his ability to pass the ball as a pocket quarterback. Merworth fits the Steers’ system as the original choice at quarterback during two-a-days before coaches decided the senior was needed at safety. Ritchey said he is similar to Anderson with the ability to make plays on the run and use his speed.

Both Stuteville and Merworth playing Friday is possible and both are prepared for anything the coaches decide.

“Since junior high, I’ve always played quarterback,” Merworth said. “Sophomore year is when I kind of moved away from that

position. But yeah, I’m excited to be playing, leading this team again. We’re going to give it our best.”

Stuteville, who is in the middle of his first year on varsity, said Friday’s action against Brownwood helped him. He expects Merworth to get the start if Anderson is unable to go.

“It gave me a little more experience,” he said. “Made me get used to the varsity level a little more. ... I’ll be ready for whatever happens.”

The ideal situation for the Steers, Ritchey said, is to have Anderson sit this game out with Abilene Wylie on tap next week. The less pressure he puts on the ankle, the better.

But Ritchey also said if Anderson is needed, the Steers will have to play him. Anderson wants to play, but the senior said he understands if he has to wait until next week.

He’ll have a better idea of what he can do today.

“We had a three-day weekend, so I did a whole bunch of rehabbing, training, a lot of exercise,” said Anderson, who was off crutches and watched practice Tuesday. “It’s gotten a whole lot better and (today) I’m going to get out there and do a little bit of

moving around. See if I can move around and go from there.”

No one has to remind Ritchey what Anderson means to the offense. His 103 carries for 786 yards and six touchdowns have sparked the Steers all season.

But Ritchey said it doesn’t matter who suits up for Big Spring Friday. Avoiding an 0-2 start to district play is enough motivation for any player to pull out a win Friday.

“We feel like the team we’re going to have on the field Friday is going to be ready to compete and they understand how big a game this is for us and our season,” he said.

Menefield’s injury isn’t as serious. Ritchey said he is expected to play Friday. Toby Rodgers took reps in his spot in practice Tuesday. Menefield hurt the ankle planting his foot for a cut on a kickoff return.

Parker, on the other hand, is questionable for Friday’s game. Ritchey said bringing a solid class of sophomores and junior varsity players to varsity — i.e. Jared Deporto, Micheal Oliva — alleviates the impact of the injuries.

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SNYDER

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about game preparation, and if that’s good, everything will fall into place.

“We warmed up really good, so I think that played into it,” she said. “We were talking from the beginning. That played a big part. We used their mistakes and got our momentum quick.”

The third set was a little closer than the previous two and it came as no surprise to Osborne. The second-year coach knew Snyder would continue fighting back.

Seaton’s dig late in the third set led to one of her kills and a 24-22 Big Spring lead. Even though the Lady Tigers got that 23rd point, Big Spring still clinched the win.

“They’re a well-coached team and they saw our weaknesses,” Osborne said. “They were trying to capitalize on them. Our girls did a pretty good job not panicking. That was a good team. They were just trying to take hits at our weakness.”

The sweep is the third in District 5-3A play for the Lady Steers and is a far cry from the four-set win at Snyder on Sept. 28.

With two wins over Snyder and a win over Brownwood and Sweetwater, things are looking up for the Lady Steers. Brownwood and Sweetwater still have to visit Steer Gym this season and a non-district game against Greenwood and a rematch at

No. 3 Abilene Wylie — the lone district loss for Big Spring — are all that remains.

Osborne said the players believe they can really make noise in this district if they keep winning, but it’s important they don’t look past any team leading up to that rematch at Wylie on Oct. 22.

“I think we’re starting to hit our peak,” Big Spring’s Haley Dimidjian said. “We’re putting things together.”

Big Spring Varsity vs. Snyder
25-15
25-13
25-23

Setters
Cerbi Ritchey - 19 assists, 7 kills, 8 digs
Clara Benavides - 8 assists, 2 digs, 1 Ace

Offense
Taylor Seaton - 10 kills, 1 dig.
Desiree Anderson - 6 kills, 1 blocks, 11 digs, 1 aces.
Haley Dimidjian - 4 kills, 1 dig, 2 assists

Defense
Valerie Ross - 12 digs
Bridgette Tuitt - 12 digs, 3 kills, 1 assist, 100% serving

Season Record
18-15
District Record
4-1

Big Spring JV vs. Brownwood
18-25
21-25

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25-22
25-12

TO confirms breaking NFL tweet rule

CINCINNATI (AP) — Terrell Owens acknowledged on Tuesday night that he violated the NFL’s rules against tweeting shortly before games by sending one out an hour before a loss to Tampa Bay.

His defense? It was for a good cause.

The Bengals receiver said on the first episode of a new cable television show Tuesday night that he won’t ob-

ject if the NFL fines him for breaking the rules. Coaches and players are prohibited from using social networks 90 minutes before a game, during a game and shortly afterward.

The policy went into effect before last season. The only one to violate it until Sunday had been teammate Chad Ochocinco, who was fined \$25,000 for tweeting shortly before and during a preseason game in August.

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Yankees in the opener of the best-of-seven ALCS on Friday night. Texas’ three previous playoff appearances ended with first-round losses to New York, in 1996, ‘98 and ‘99.

The teams split eight games during the regular season, including Texas’ three-game sweep at home in September. Lee beat the Yankees twice in last

year’s World Series for Philadelphia.

“It’s something a lot of these guys have never been a part of, I’ve never been a part of, so it’s exciting,” Hamilton said. “We’ll be ready.”

Ian Kinsler hit a two-run homer in the ninth inning for Texas, the only active major league franchise that hadn’t won a playoff series.

Lee improved to 6-0 with a 1.44 ERA and three complete games in seven career postseason starts, striking out 54 and walking six in 56

1-3 innings. He had 21 strikeouts and no walks in 16 innings against Tampa Bay.

“I don’t think you can ask any more of a guy,” Rangers manager Ron Washington said.

The left-hander, acquired from Seattle in July, allowed just two baserunners after working through a third-inning jam and retired his final nine batters.

“He was the Cliff Lee that everybody is used to seeing and he got the job done tonight,” said Rays outfielder Carl Crawford, who might have played his last game with Tampa Bay because he can become a free agent after the World Series.

When B.J. Upton popped out to shortstop for the final out, Lee didn’t even watch the ball drop into Elvis Andrus’ glove.

He simply walked toward catcher Bengie Molina and the two hugged as Rangers players poured onto the field to mob them.

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Workers rescue seventh of 33 men trapped for 69 days in Chilean mine in ongoing operation

SAN JOSE MINE, Chile (AP) — To hugs, cheers and tears, rescuers using a missile-like escape capsule began pulling 33 men one by one to fresh air and freedom at last early Wednesday, 69 days after they were trapped in a collapsed mine a half-mile underground.

Seven men were pulled out in the first hours of the apparently problem-free operation in the Chile's Atacama desert — a drama that saw the world captivated by the miners' endurance and unity as officials meticulously prepared their rescue.

First out was Florencio Avalos, who wore sunglasses to protect him from the glare of bright lights. He smiled broadly as he emerged and hugged his sobbing 7-year-old son, Bairon, and wife, then got a bearhug from Chilean President Sebastian Pinera shortly after midnight local time.

A second miner, Mario Sepulveda Espina, was pulled to the surface about an hour later — his shouts heard even before the capsule surfaced. After hugging his wife, Elvira, he jubilantly handed souvenir rocks from his underground prison nearly 2,300 feet (700 meters) below to laughing rescuers.

Then he jumped up and down as if to prove his strength before the medical team took him to a triage unit.

Judge rules as gays, Pentagon divide over quick or slow end to 'don't ask, don't tell' policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge's ruling that the military must stop its "don't ask, don't tell" policy comes amid conflicting concerns of gays who think the government is moving too slowly to let them serve openly and Pentagon officials who believe that moving too quickly might disrupt a military engaged in war.

Gay rights groups have said they are disappointed that legislation to override the ban is likely to languish in Congress until next year, when Democrats could have fewer seats and less power to override Republican objections.

Defense Secretary Robert Gates and Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Mike Mullen, the military's top

uniformed officer, have supported lifting the ban on gays serving openly. But Gates and Mullen also have warned that they would prefer to move slowly.

Meantime, despite a federal judge's ruling in San Diego on Tuesday, the battle in the courts over gays in the military may be far from over.

The Justice Department's first response may well be another trip to the courtroom of U.S. District Judge Virginia Phillips in San Diego to seek a stay, or temporary freeze, of her ruling. If Phillips turns down the request, the Justice Department likely turn to the federal appeals court in California.

State attorneys general set to announce joint investigation into foreclosure-documents mess

WASHINGTON (AP) — Up to 40 state attorneys general are preparing to launch a joint investigation into the mortgage industry over the foreclosure-document mess.

If the states have their way, mortgage companies will have to revamp the way they handle foreclosures, pay penalties for violations and expand help to homeowners on the verge of foreclosure.

The top law enforcement officials of states around the country are already weighing the outlines of a potential settlement with the industry, said Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller, who will lead the investigation. The inquiry will be announced Wednesday morning.

Miller said one idea being discussed is to create an independent monitor to review whether banks have fixed their problems.

"We want the companies to put in a system such that this will not happen again," Miller said in an interview with *The Associated Press*. "We want to explore what other remedies might be available, in a way that makes homeowners and the general housing economy better off."

5 bodies found after cargo plane slams into Afghan mountain shortly after take-off; 3 missing

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Five charred bodies were recovered from the wreckage of a cargo plane Wednesday that slammed into a mountaintop east of Afghanistan's capital Kabul with eight people

aboard.

Searchers scoured the blackened site high up the mountainside for three other crew members missing and feared dead, said police Gen. Zulmayi Horya Khail.

The plane went down east of the capital shortly after take-off from Bagram Air Field, the main U.S. military base in Afghanistan, at about 8 p.m. (1530 GMT) Tuesday. The cause of the crash wasn't immediately known. Weather conditions were clear at the time.

An *Associated Press* photographer near the scene saw wreckage ablaze on the mountainside Tuesday night.

Hundreds of Afghan security forces in fatigues carrying M-16 rifles gathered at the bottom of the mountain Wednesday. Smoke could be seen rising from the scattered wreckage several hundred yards (meters) straight up.

Texas gov. says reported beheading of investigator in border lake shooting meant to intimidate

AUSTIN (AP) — A Mexican police commander investigating the reported shooting of an American tourist on a border lake plagued by pirates was decapitated, a Texas sheriff says.

The death of Rolando Flores, commander of state investigators in Ciudad Miguel Aleman, was a message from gangsters for investigators to "stay out of their territory," Texas Gov. Rick Perry said. Flores was part of a group investigating the reported shooting of David Hartley on Falcon Lake.

"I think their attempt is to intimidate law enforcement, no matter who they are or where they are," Perry told *The Associated Press*.

Flores' decapitated head was found Tuesday in a suitcase outside a Mexican Army base, Zapata County Sheriff Sigifredo Gonzalez told the AP.

Cartels have used beheadings in the past to terrorize the public and send messages to Mexican law enforcement. U.S. officials have said threats from drug gangs who control the area around Falcon Lake have hampered the search for Hartley, though divers have been in the lake searching this week.

Hartley was reportedly shot Sept. 30 while touring the lake with his wife on Jet Skis.

MARKET

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But Newton added that vendors will still have a good variety of products for sale during the remaining Farmers Market events.

"We'll still have okra, pumpkins, pears, tomatoes ... spaghetti squash and acorn

squash, fresh eggs and plenty of jams and jellies," she said. "In addition, we have a couple of crafts booths open, featuring some very unique hand-crafted items ... There's still a bunch of stuff people can come and buy."

Times for the event are 7 a.m. until noon.

The event, which first started in 2004, has been an unquali-

fied success this year, Newton said.

"Things have gone quite well," she said. "One of the things I really like is that we had a big influx of younger people this year.

"I would really like to thank the people who were so supportive of us this year," Newton added. "We've had a larger number of vendors and a larger

variety of items for sale than ever before."

In conjunction with the final Farmers Market Oct. 23, the Chamber of Commerce will host a chili cook-off at Heart of the City Park.

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PRAIRIE

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owner from Colorado City, is decorating the potties, which the women promise will be a "must see." Other décor will include the unique seating: "Enchanted Chairs," antique chairs decorated with pumpkins, leaves and fairy wings, only for looking at; and "Texas Toadstools," upholstered cut-off tree stumps, used for real seating areas.

The vendors cover a wide range from antique items to vintage wares of

all types, as well as new items. A woman who makes original mohair clothing items will present her offerings, as well as a man from Seminole who offers architectural artifacts.

No such event would be complete without food vendors; these will include barbecue, fajitas and hamburgers. A woman from Amarillo will sell fudge, another offers pound cakes.

"One woman from Dimmit who couldn't do a booth is just coming to help with our event," said Scott. "That's shows how excited people are to have something like

this in our area."

Petticoats on the Prairie begins at 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, goes until 9 p.m., and continues from 9 to 5 Saturday, Oct. 23. Admission is \$3, with children under 12 free. Each day the first 50 people who enter will receive a designer shopping bag. During the event a silent auction, benefiting Gateway Family Services Inc. in Snyder, will be conduct-

ed. That center serves victims of domestic violence.

"We are inspired by the creativity and talent here in our area, and we want to inspire others to share their talent, insists Scott. "If this is the success we hope it will

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OUR VIEW

Remember, now's time to register entries for parade

The Christmas season is fast approaching and will officially begin in Howard County on Saturday, Dec. 4, when Santa Claus arrives to take part in the 25th annual Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade. And we've made a few changes this year.

Registration forms are already coming in from individuals, businesses and church, civic and school groups who are planning their entries in keeping with this year's theme — "Star-Spangled Christmas."

The parade, which first wound its way down Gregg Street in 1986, will again be a lighted parade. And this year's parade will return to almost its original route, now that Gregg Street construction efforts have been completed.

Plans call for the route to begin lining up as it has traditionally done and the procession will actually begin at the intersection of 24th and Gregg Streets, proceed north on Gregg to Eighth Street, turn east one block before turning north and proceeding to Heart of the City Park on Scurry Street.

Entries will again be judged five categories. And as has been the case in recent years, the entry judged "Best of Show" will receive a \$100 cash prize. The Publisher's Trophy, for best use of lighting, will earn one entrant \$75 and the Grand Marshall's Award, for best costuming, will receive \$50.

The parade is again set to begin at 5:30 p.m. that Saturday and we here at the Herald want to encourage everyone to come out and help us in getting the Christmas season off to a rousing start.

While it may seem there's plenty of time to make decisions about the Christmas season, it's important to remember that a parade this size takes time to plan and coordinate.

That's why we're reminding our readers about the need to get those entries submitted no later than Nov. 12.

Entry forms have been printed in several editions of the Herald and is again included in this edition. In addition, entry forms are available at the Herald's offices located at 710 Scurry.

So, if you are involved in any of the many organizations or businesses that annually take part in the Christmas Parade, get your entries filled in as soon as possible and let us know what you're planning to do.

Entry forms should be mailed to the Herald at P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1431. For additional information concerning the parade, call 263-7331.

As always, we're asking the community to help us make this the best Christmas parade Big Spring has ever had.

So come on and join us.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we make our mark in this world, Lord, for You.

Amen

It's 'She said, She said'

Here we go again Meg Whitman says she had no idea that she was employing an illegal immigrant for nine years and fired Nikki Diaz Santillan as soon as she found out.

Gloria Allred says she did know and alleges the Social Security Administration told Whitman and her husband in a letter, found with his handwriting on it, six years before they fired her.

Whitman says she'll take a polygraph test. Her husband isn't talking. Allred admits she's supporting Brown.

Does it matter? Colin Powell admits that there are people who do work around his house who are almost certainly not documented. It's one more reason why I like Colin Powell. Or two: He's honest, and he's not a hypocrite.

As in most such cases, it is almost certainly impossible to reach an objective conclusion as to what Whitman knew and when she knew it. It's certainly plausible that the housekeeper intercepted the mail; it's very likely that Whitman and her husband relied on the employment agency to make sure the woman they were hiring was in

this country legally and qualified to work.

What bothers me is every time Whitman says her housekeeper was a member of her extended family and that she feels sorry for her.

Is that why she fired her?

Is that why she opposes creating a path to legalization for women like Nikki, who have worked hard, who are members of our families, who have cleaned our houses and raised our children?

I should add that when I say "our," I don't mean "my" — but I do mean many people I know, including many who agree with Whitman on the issues. My housekeeper — who is a member not of my extended family but of my family, period — is a United States citizen.

I pay Social Security and provide health insurance. I have no plans to run for office or to be confirmed for anything. I do it because we're both getting on, and I want her to be able to retire with dignity.

I thank my lucky stars that I insisted on the health insurance. After years of her telling me that it was just a waste of my money, she got sick last year. She will be the first to tell you that she almost certainly would have died had the wonderful doctors at Kaiser Permanente — paid for by that insurance — not taken such good care of her.

It's not about what the law requires, but what decency demands. When someone comes into your home and takes care of your children, the obligations go in both directions. When my kids were younger, other mothers would literally tell me that my babysitter was "poisoning the well" by telling their sitters that I was encouraging her to take English classes, giving her time off to do so and tutoring her for her citizenship exam, not to mention the Social Security payments. And in the next breath, they would tell me that they opposed "amnesty." For whom?

Meg Whitman is a billionaire. She has spent more than \$100 million on mostly mediocre campaign commercials that have left her either tied or trailing. Couldn't she spare something for the woman who helped free her to make all that money, who did the errands while she was at work, picked up her children and did their laundry? Why didn't she give her money for a lawyer, give her help in exploring her options, take good enough care of her that she wouldn't be vulnerable to be "used" by Allred? And why does she oppose the very sort of path to legalization that she says she was willing to help Nikki with, only to be told that none was available?

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SOCIAL SECURITY PRIVATIZATION?

CONGRESSIONAL REPUBLICANS HAVE UNVEILED THEIR "PLEDGE TO AMERICA," AN OUTLINE OF THEIR AGENDA SHOULD THEY RETAKE CONTROL OF CONGRESS IN NOVEMBER. THE DOCUMENT IS STRANGELY VAGUE ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY AND OTHER ENTITLEMENT PROGRAMS, CALLING ONLY FOR A "FULL ACCOUNTING."

JOHN NICHOLS OF THENATION.COM ANSWERED THIS QUESTION: "EITHER THE PLEDGE IS AN OUTLINE FOR MASSIVE NEW PEBTS AND DEFICITS, OR IT IS A ROADMAP TO THE PRIVATIZATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND OTHER ENTITLEMENT PROGRAMS."

PRIVATIZATION MEANS TURNING SOCIAL SECURITY OVER TO WALL ST. SO IT'S NOT SURPRISING REPUBLICANS WON'T GET SPECIFIC ABOUT THEIR PLANS FOR THE POPULAR ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM.

AT LEAST NOT BEFORE THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS.

SOURCES: THE NATION.COM, CFPNEWS.COM

GOVERNMENT'S GRIBBY LITTLE FINGERS ARE ALL OVER SOCIAL SECURITY! NOW WHAT?

THE REPUBLICAN PLEDGE AND A DUST CLOTH, THAT'S WHAT!

AFTER SOCIAL SECURITY IS REMOVED FROM THE FILTHY CLUTCHES OF BIG GOVERNMENT, IT'LL BE TURNED OVER TO THOSE MODEL CITIZENS ON WALL ST!

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Republican pledge BECAUSE WALL ST. WANTS TO CLEAN UP

An ex-anchor's definition of bigotry

Last week, CNN fired anchor Rick Sanchez after he called Jon Stewart a bigot in a radio interview during which he also questioned whether Jews face discrimination. Quoth Sanchez, "Everyone who runs CNN is a lot like Stewart, and a lot of people who run all the other networks are a lot like Stewart, and to imply that somehow they, the people in this country who are Jewish, are an oppressed minority? Yeah."

Implying that Jews run the media is the sort of boneheaded anti-Semitic slur that rates a firing, to be sure. In fact, it's so outrageous that you'd think it wouldn't matter that Sanchez called Stewart a bigot.

Yet the Stewart angle has dominated this story because, well, you don't call a liberal a bigot. You can call conservatives bigots, and people hardly notice. Indeed, Sanchez equated Stewart and Stephen Colbert to Fox News' Bill O'Reilly and Glenn Beck, calling them all "very prejudicial." No biggie.

But to call a liberal comedian a bigot, to say that he represents

"a white, liberal establishment point of view," well, that's just not done.

Meanwhile in California, GOP gubernatorial nominee Meg Whitman is getting grilled because she didn't assume that her immigrant housekeeper was a liar.

In 2003, the Social Security Administration sent Whitman and her husband a letter that indicated the Social Security number given by Nicandra Diaz Santillan did not match her name. Rather than interrogate Diaz and demand another look at her papers, the couple asked Diaz to clear the problem up. I mention this simply as the latest example of the double standard when it comes to issues involving minorities: No matter what they do, conservatives can't win and liberals can't lose.

Back to Sanchez. His problem always has been that he's a gaffe machine. He's the anchor who marveled at the Iceland volcano, saying, "You think it's too cold to have a volcano there." He once read out loud instructions telling him to ad-lib. You can guess how he mispronounced "annals."

With those whoppers, of course Stewart made fun of Sanchez. Even President Obama made fun of Sanchez's volcano blunder at May's White House Correspon-

dents' Dinner.

If he were a savvier individual, Sanchez would at least pretend to have a sense of humor about his slip-ups. Instead, Sanchez turned to the more alluring view that, as a Cuban American, he is a victim of prejudice.

In the past, this habit never hurt his career.

You could hear the personal pain when Sanchez explained, "When you turn on a show or listen to someone's writings and they minimize you and treat you like you don't matter, like you're just a piece of — you're just a dumb ... jock or a dumb woman or a dumb Puerto Rican or a dumb Cuban or another dumb Mexican, which is the way I feel whenever I watch Jon Stewart."

At one point, an amazed Pete Dominick reminded Sanchez that Stewart is "on the same side as you on immigration." Dominick also asked Sanchez why he was being "so sensitive." Dominick simply couldn't get over Sanchez calling a liberal prejudiced.

Guess what. It sucks. Even when it isn't true. Even when the target invited the ridicule. Even when the self-styled victim doesn't hire Gloria Allred.

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B.P. Galloway has written an interesting account of a "common soldier" during the Civil War. "The Ragged Rebel" (973.746 GAL B) is the account of David Carey Nance, a young, Northern-bred Texas farmer who opposed slavery, but got caught up in the war as a soldier in W.H. Parsons' Texas Cavalry. This is a well-written account of the day-to-day activities during one of the most horrific wars fought on American soil. Galloway had access to an extensive library of primary sources. Galloway was a history professor at Abilene Christian University and was hired by Chancellor Don H. Morris, who was Nance's grandson.



HOLLIS McCRIGHT

Another interesting non-fiction book just received is "One Dog at a Time: Saving the Strays of Afghanistan," (636.083 FAR P) by Pen Farthing. Farthing was a soldier in the Royal Marines stationed there. Many of the soldiers became attached to the stray dogs that roamed the streets. The companionship of dogs (unlike cats) who became their mascots and friends, made the war a little more bearable. I have read through it and found it enlightening.

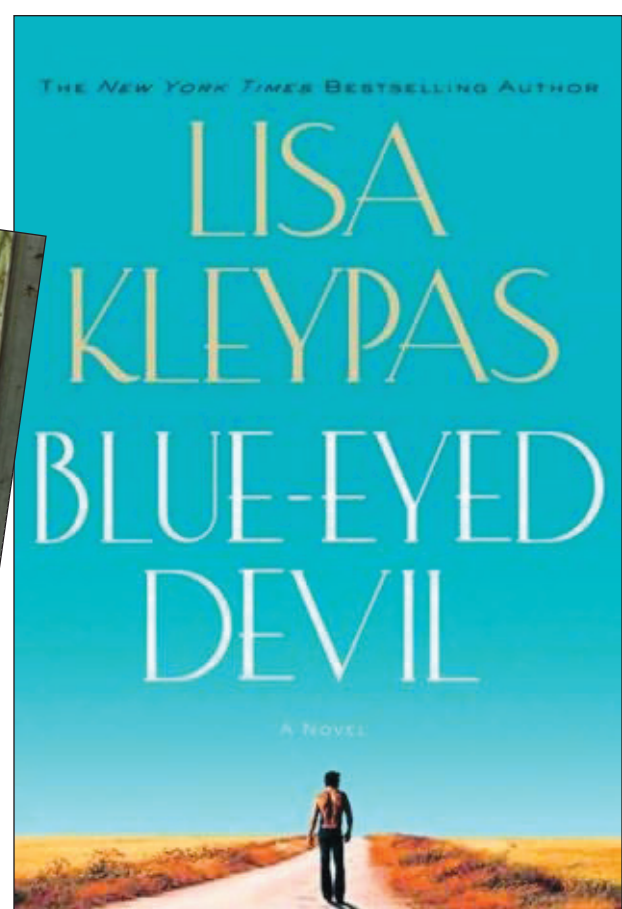
Robert B. Parker was known for his mysteries starring Spencer and Hawk. He also wrote westerns and in his Virgil Cole and Everett Hitch series, he copies the formula that stood him so well. Virgil and Everett's job is to stand for justice and to kill people who cross that line. In "Blue-Eyed Devil" (LP W PAR R), the third in the series, Virgil and Everette are back in the town they once tamed. Times have changed in Appaloosa and Everette and Virgil are there to see the town through it.

On a more "local" level (given the size of Texas), is the account of "The Mason County 'Hoo Doo' War, 1874-1902," (976.460 JOH D) by David Johnson. In 1874, the Hoo Doo War erupted in Mason County with the rise of a mob led by Sheriff John Clark. However, it was not until the

premeditated murder of rancher Timothy Williamson, that it spiraled into all-out war. With a formidable body count, this deadly conflict ranged on for more than 25 years. This feud/war ranks high in the history of such activities within the old West.

Everybody knows everybody in The Hollows, a quaint, charming town outside of New York City. It's a place where neighbors keep an eye on everyone's kids, where people say hello in the grocery store, and where high school cliques and antics are never quite forgotten. As a child, Maggie found living under the microscope of small-town life stifling. But as a wife and mother, she has happily returned to The Hollows' insular embrace. As a psychologist, her knowledge of family histories provides powerful insights into her patients' lives. So when the girlfriend of her teenage son, Rick, disappears, Maggie's intuitive gift proves useful to the case — and also dangerous. In "Fragile," (F UNG L) Lisa Unger provides a chilling insight into the town itself and the people who live there. This thrilling novel about one community's intricate yet fragile bonds will leave readers asking, how well do I know the people I love and how far would I go to protect them?

Wow. I have a bad habit of just reading the last chapter or a book to see if I want to read it or not. I may check this one out. In "Maybe This Time," (F CRU J), Andie Miller is ready to move on in life. She wants to marry her fiancé and leave behind everything in her past, especially her ex-husband, North Archer. But when Andie tries to gain closure with him, he asks one final favor of her before they go their separate ways forever. A very distant cousin of his has died



and left North as the guardian of two orphans who have driven out three nannies already, are getting worse. What follows is a hilarious adventure in exorcism, including a self-doubting parapsychologist, an annoyed medium, her Tarot-card reading mother, an avenging ex-mother-in-law, and, of course, her jealous fiancé. And just when she thinks things couldn't get more

complicated, North shows up on the doorstep making her wonder if maybe this time things could be different between them. Now, if Andie can just get rid of all the guests and ghosts, she's pretty sure she can save the kids, and herself, from the past.

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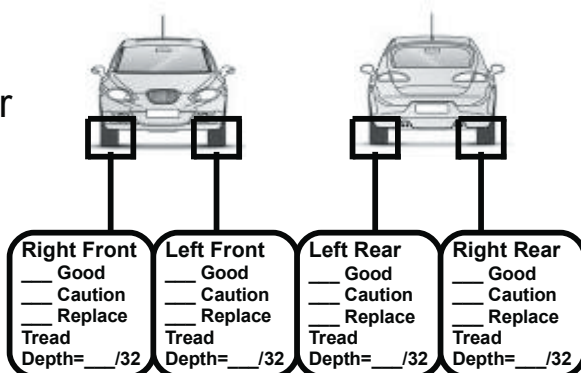
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In the very early stages of her studies, primatologist Jane Goodall famously discovered chimpanzees using plant stalks as tools, indicating a mental acuity once thought to be reserved for humans. Primates and humans alike are apt to discover useful tools and find innovative ways to use them under this waxing Capricorn moon.



ARIES (March 21-April 19). Someone who doesn't quite understand your business could nonetheless have a viable lead for you. So try not to make assumptions about what people can or can't do for you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It's been suggested to you before, but now you'll know firsthand — getting what you wish for can be tricky business. You'll be offered just the assistance you wanted. So why doesn't this make you absolutely ecstatic?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You deserve to be "discovered" for your talents, good looks and witty personality. In some subtle way, this will happen now — not in the form of a modeling contract, but in the form of a genuine friendship.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Good fortune is flowing to you, perhaps because of all the good will that is radiating out of you. All the information and resources you need and want will be at your fingertips.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your standards are high. However, this has not stopped you from being playful, rebellious and immature when the situation calls for it. Creativity springs from an attitude of levity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your friends support you when you want them to and also when you don't. Sometimes they share opinions you don't want to hear. There is some validity to the points they bring up now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). One of your projects seems to have taken over your life. It's a constant companion, ever the subject of your next thought. It changes your point of view and alters your mood. This is how it will be until the project is complete.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are usually not a demanding person, but when you represent those who cannot request things for themselves, your protective instincts take over. You'll ask for the moon!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There is a

Tomorrow's Horoscope

hefty swirl of inspiration hovering just above your head. One caution: Before you go public with your good ideas, do check to be sure that they actually originated with you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've enjoyed a degree of consistency in a relationship and have come to expect certain things. However, what you are asking today might be simply too tall an order. Go easy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You enjoy learning, though right now you wish you could get the information and skills a lot quicker. Perhaps you can. Investigate different teachers and texts.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A conservative approach to spending is suggested. You will be very clever in your negotiations. There's no shame in trying to get the best deal. Also, you may be able to recycle used items.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 13). The next six weeks bring a surge of personal power, and you'll be inspired to travel, too. Your private life centers around one sparkling connection. Your speech will influence others in November. In March, you can finally fill out a missing piece in your education. You'll uncover a mystery in July. Aquarius and Gemini people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 15, 10, 3, 22 and 40.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "What do you have to say about the future of a person whose birthday is Nov. 24 (1996) and a person whose birthday is Jan. 3 (1995)? Could their stars cross? Could they marry? Also, is it already written in the stars who I'll marry?"

I believe a person has a choice about whom they marry, and that destiny's part is to show the options. Could the two birthdays you describe marry? Anything is possible, but mostly, it's too early to tell! A person born on Nov. 24 is a Sagittarius and wild at heart. This person's spirit of adventure is fueled by a desire to see the world and experience as much of it as is possible in one lifetime. This does not usually go hand in hand with a young marriage unless the other person is also a serious adventurer. A person whose birthday is Jan. 3 is a Capricorn with the sun, Mercury, Uranus and Neptune all in this practical, organized and ambitious sign. It's a fire and earth combination, and they don't always have the same values. There are differences to work out here, but these two also balance each other's energies and can learn a great deal from each

CELEBRITY

PROFILES: Rock and Roll Hall of Famer, restaurateur and Cabo Wabo tequila mogul Sammy Hagar is an inspired Libra, with his sun, moon and Neptune all in this sign of harmony, music and happy relationships. Hagar's natal chart is also heavily influenced by Leo's energy of playful showmanship, as Mars and Saturn are both stationed in this gregarious, creative placement.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
This Is Sylvia

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 9 7 6
♥ Q 10 8
♦ K 2
♣ A K 8 7 3

WEST
♠ K J 4
♥ K 9 4 2
♦ 7 5
♣ Q J 10 9

EAST
♠ Q 8 5 3
♥ A J 7 5 3
♦ 8 4
♣ 6 2

SOUTH
♠ A 10 2
♥ 6
♦ A Q J 10 9 6 3
♣ 5 4

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♣ Pass 5 ♦ All Pass
Opening lead — queen of clubs.

The most remarkable part of Sylvia's game was her uncanny ability to distort the most elementary principles of play and twist them to her own advantage, much to the discomfort of her opponents.

Take the defenders' rule of second-hand low, for example. In the actual deal, if a low spade were led from dummy, the normal thing for East to do would be to play low. This type of play is so commonplace that it would not be mentioned here except that Sylvia one day carried the principle a step further.

She was declarer in five diamonds, and when West led the queen of clubs, Sylvia played the three from dummy! This play might astound some readers, but to Sylvia it was automatic. Hadn't she been taught to play second-hand low? No one had bothered to tell Sylvia that the rule applied to defenders' play and not to declarer's.

West was so delighted with the success of his opening lead that he continued with the jack. Sylvia, by this time seeing no sense in following a rule that she didn't understand in the first place, took the jack with the king.

With a losing heart and two losing spades still in her hand, and facing an apparently hopeless assignment, she decided to grab whatever tricks she could. So she ruffed one of dummy's low clubs, then played the ace of diamonds and another diamond to the king.

In dummy for the last time, she cashed the ace of clubs, discarding a heart, and next led dummy's last club, discarding a spade. Much to Sylvia's amazement, this last club somehow or other held the trick. She thereupon conceded a spade and so made five diamonds.

Subsequent analysis showed that the only way to make the contract was to duck the opening lead! A little knowledge — albeit misapplied — can, it seems, do wondrous things.

Tomorrow: Alert defensive play.
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On September 24, 2010, David M. Pappajohn filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission seeking authorization to assign the license of KBYG(AM), 1400 kHz, Big Spring, Texas, to Weeks Broadcasting, Inc.

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A copy of the application, including any related material, is available for public inspection during regular business hours at 2801 Wasson Dr, Big Spring, Texas.

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Law punishing fake heroes may go to Supreme Court

DAN ELLIOTT

Associated Press Writer
DENVER — The Justice Department is battling to save a federal law that makes it illegal to lie about being a war hero, appealing two court rulings that the statute is an unconstitutional muzzle on free speech.

The fight could be carried all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, where it would face an uncertain fate, legal analysts said.

"This is a Supreme Court that is friendly to parties asserting speech rights and skeptical about restrictions on those rights," said Kannon Shanmugam, a former Justice Department official.

Supporters of the law



take the opposite view. "It could wind up being the kind of landmark decision that the Supreme Court is going to have to give very serious and very broad consideration to, and I think they'll come down on our side," said Doug Sterner, a military historian.

The Stolen Valor Act makes it a crime punishable by up to a year in jail to falsely claim to have won a military medal, whether or not an impostor seeks financial gain.

A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco and a federal

district court in Denver have both ruled the law is unconstitutional on First Amendment grounds.

Last week, government lawyers in California asked the full 9th Circuit to reconsider the ruling, calling it a decision of "exceptional importance." Prosecu-

tors noted that the three-judge panel was split 2-1 with sharply differing views, and that the law is also under challenge in Colorado.

The 9th Circuit hasn't said whether it will take a second look.

In Colorado, prosecutors announced last week they would ask the 10th Circuit to overturn the district court decision. That appeal is expected to be filed in early November.

The Stolen Valor Act, which breezed through Congress in 2006, revised and toughened an existing statute that forbade anyone to wear a military medal that was not earned.

The California and Colorado cases were among the early prosecutions under the newly strengthened law.

Xavier Alvarez, a local water board official from Pomona, Calif., was indicted in 2007 after saying at a public forum that he was a retired Marine who received the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest military decoration. Alvarez

apparently never served in the military.

Alvarez pleaded guilty on condition that he be allowed to appeal on First Amendment grounds. The 9th Circuit ruled in his favor in August.

His attorney, Jonathan Libby, said Friday he believes both the full 9th Circuit and the U.S. Supreme Court would also find the law unconstitutional.

Rick Glen Strandlof, who founded a veterans group in Colorado Springs, was arrested in 2009 after claiming he was an ex-Marine who was wounded in Iraq and had received the Purple Heart and Silver Star. The Marine Corps said it had no record that Strandlof ever served.

A Denver federal judge threw out the case against Strandlof in July.

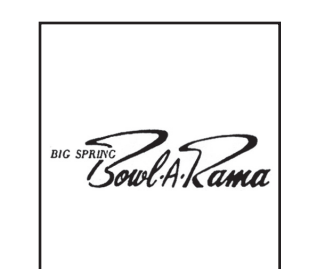
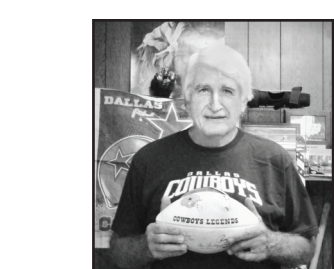
Strandlof's attorney, Robert Pepin, said he is optimistic about winning at the appeals court or at the Supreme

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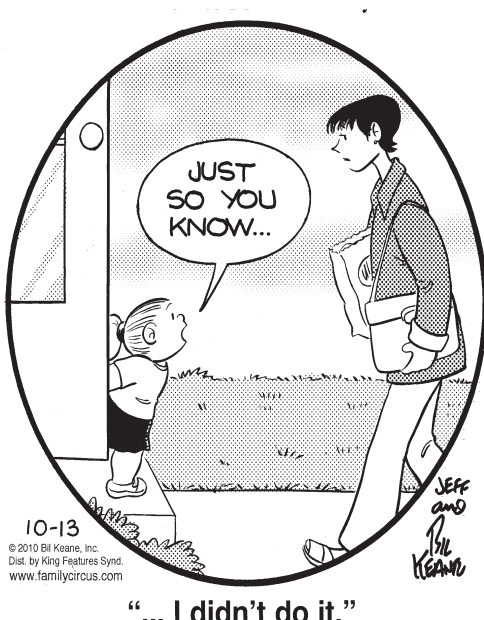
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| 6:PM | Jeopardy! Wheel | Llena de Amor (SS) | Two Men Two Men | News Ent | Caso Cer-rado | Millionaire | Seinfeld American | Faye H. Cortes | PBS News-Hour | 70s 70s Show | MythBusters | | UFC Un-leashed | Bones | | Phineas Baseball | | |
| 7:PM | Middle Better | Hasta que el Dinero | Hell's Kitchen | Survivor: Nicaragua | El Clon (SS) | Undercovers | Payne House | Upd | American Songbook | Top Model | MythBusters | Movie: Cliffhanger, Michael Rooker | UFC Un-leashed | Bones | Movie: A Low Down Dirty Shame | Movie: The Little Vampire | 30 for 30 | College Foot-ball: Central Florida at Marshall. |
| 8:PM | Family Cougar | Soy Tu Dueña (SS) | | Criminal Minds | El Fantasma de | Law & Order: SVU | Browns Browns | Light of the Southwest | God in America (DVS) | | Hellcats | MythBusters | UFC Un-leashed | Bones | | Fish | Poker | |
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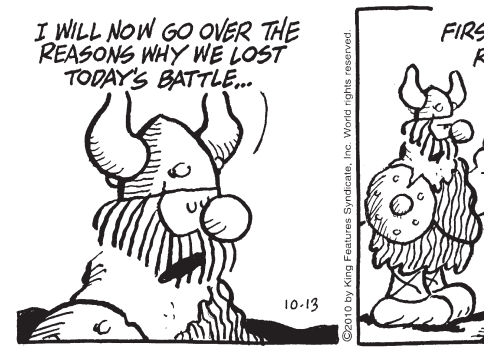
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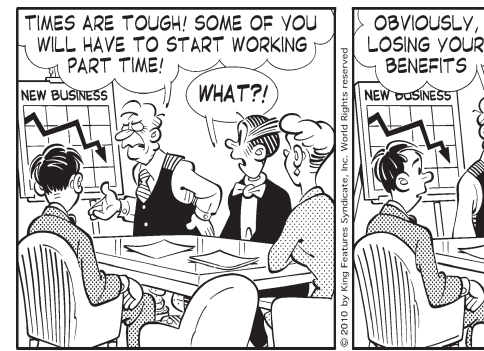


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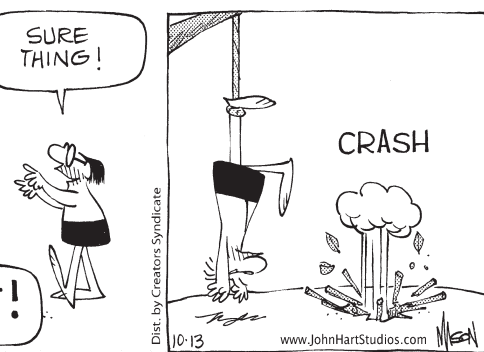
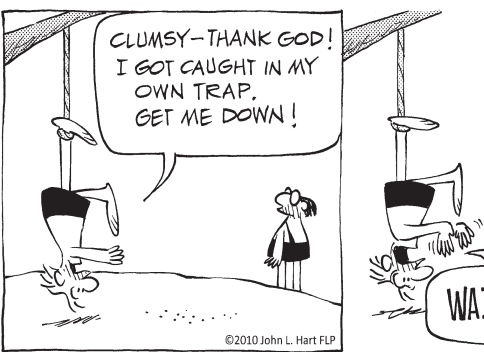
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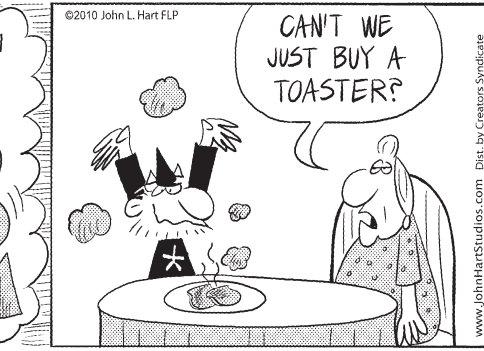
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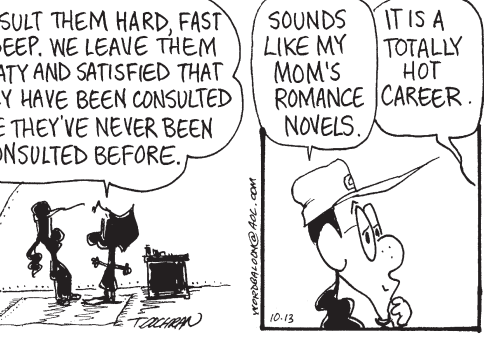
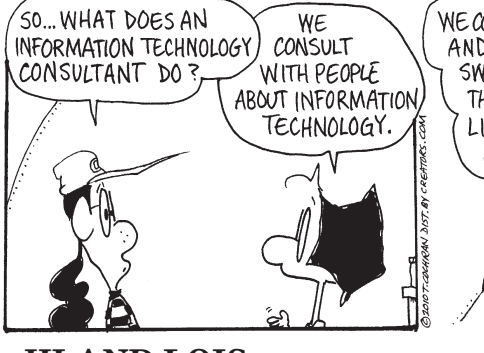
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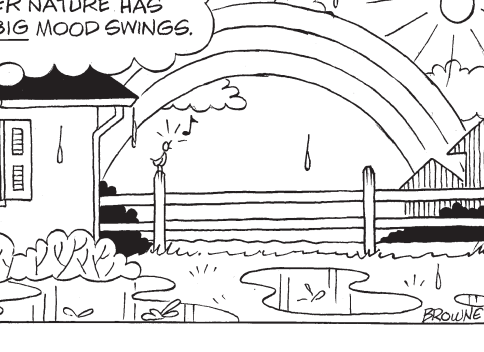
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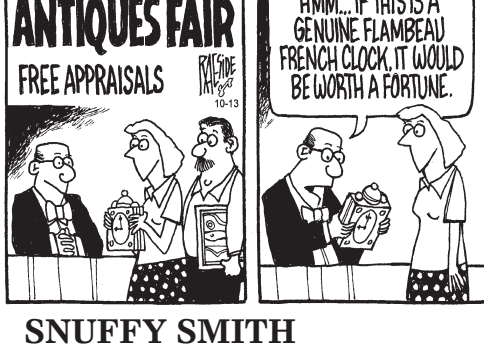
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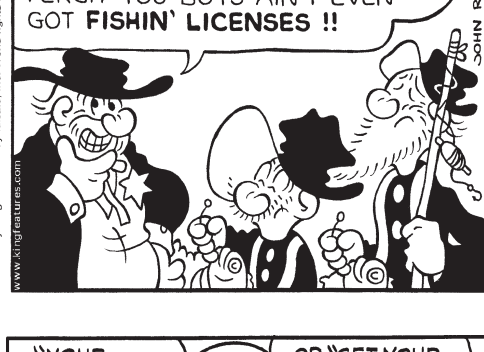
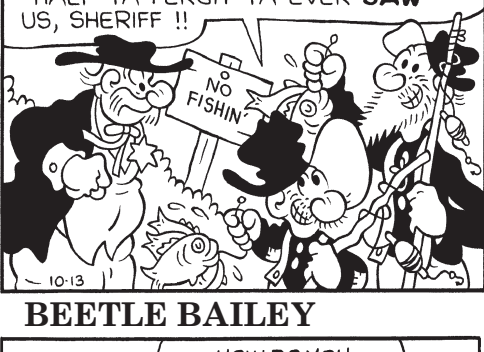
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 13, the 286th day of 2010. There are 79 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 13, 1960, the Pittsburgh Pirates won the World Series, defeating the New York Yankees in Game 7, 10-9, with a home run hit by Bill Mazeroski.

On this date:

In A.D. 54, Roman Emperor Claudius I died, poisoned apparently at the behest of his wife, Agrippina (ag-rih-PEE'-nuh).

In 1775, the United States Navy had its origins as the Continental Congress ordered the construction of a naval fleet.

In 1792, the cornerstone of the executive mansion, later known as the White House, was laid during a ceremony in the District of Columbia.

In 1843, the Jewish organiza-tion B'nai B'rith (buh-NAY' brith) was founded in New

York City.

In 1858, the sixth debate between senatorial candidates Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas took place in Quincy, Ill.

In 1943, Italy declared war on Germany, its one-time Axis partner.

In 1944, American troops entered Aachen, Germany, during World War II.

In 1960, Richard M. Nixon and John F. Kennedy participated in the third televised debate of their presidential campaign. (Nixon was in Los Angeles; Kennedy was in New York.)

In 1962, Edward Albee's play "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" opened on Broadway.

In 1990, Le Duc Tho (lee duhk toh), co-founder of the Vietnamese Communist Party, died in Hanoi a day before his 79th birthday.

Today's Birthdays: Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher is 85. Playwright Frank D. Gilroy is 85. Gospel singer Shirley Caesar is 72. Actress Melinda Dillon is 71. Singer-musician Paul Simon is 69. Actress Pamela Tiffin is 68. Musician Robert Lamm (Chicago) is 66.

Country singer Lacy J. Dalton is 64. Actor Demond Wilson is 64. Singer-musician Sammy Hagar is 63. Actor John Lone is 58. Model Beverly Johnson is 58. Producer-writer Chris Carter is 54. Actor Reggie Theus (THEE'-us) is 53. Sen. Maria Cantwell (D-Wash.) is 52. Singer Marie Osmond is 51. Rock singer Joey Belladonna is 50. NBA coach Doc Rivers is 49. Actress T'Keyah Crystal Keymah (tuh-KEE'-ah KRYS'-tal kee-MAH) is 48. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Jerry Rice is 48. Actress Kelly Preston is 48. Country singer John Wiggins is 48. Actor Christopher Judge is 46. Actress Kate Walsh is 43. Rhythm-and-blues musician Jeff Allen (Mint Condition) is 42.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Wednesday Crossword

EVEN-STEVEN by Fred Jackson III
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- ACROSS**
- 1 ___ cheese dressing
 - 5 It's a long story
 - 9 Agricultural yields
 - 14 Portions of corn
 - 15 Pro ___ (proportionally)
 - 16 Third-party candidate of '92
 - 17 Breakfast order
 - 20 "Zzzzzz" sound
 - 21 Flowerpot filler
 - 22 Bend, as muscles
 - 23 "It's my turn"
 - 25 Web access co.
 - 27 Landlocked African republic
 - 30 Type of bed
 - 36 Farm cackler
 - 37 Army outview
 - 38 Come into view
 - 39 Navel type
 - 41 Even-steven situation
 - 43 Well-informed
 - 44 Magician's exclamation
 - 46 "Let's go!"
 - 48 Prescription, for short
 - 49 Bodybuilder's pride
 - 51 Retired planes: Abbr.
 - 52 Alphabetic trio
 - 53 Little litter critter
 - 55 Health-plan cos.
 - 59 Author Ferber
 - 61 Bakery enticer
 - 65 Music CD ancestors
 - 68 Guessed wrong
 - 69 German auto
 - 70 Columbo portrayer
- DOWN**
- 1 Puts money (on)
 - 2 Tennis surface
 - 3 Slangy suffix for "switch"
 - 4 Log-on requirement
 - 5 Unit of energy
 - 6 Globetrotter's document
 - 7 "Ditto!"
 - 8 Delicacy from the deep
 - 9 EMT's skill
 - 10 Navigation hazard
 - 11 Nonwritten test
 - 12 Pretense
 - 13 Underworld river
 - 18 Prized person
 - 19 Run off for romance
 - 24 Mysterious radar blip
 - 26 Fictional salesman
 - 27 Party snacks
 - 28 Artist Matisse
 - 29 Add, as territory
 - 31 New York city
 - 32 Clinch, with "up"
 - 33 Mine cars
 - 34 Marsh bird
 - 35 Marsh grasses
 - 37 Greek cheeses
 - 40 25 Across, for one
 - 42 Affectionate one
 - 45 Santa's reindeer, e.g.
 - 47 Sch. in Columbus
 - 50 Friends actress
 - 51 Attack from a plane
 - 54 Singer ___ "King" Cole
 - 55 Take seriously
 - 56 Swampy ground
 - 57 Dictatorial boss
 - 58 Backyard structure
 - 60 Western wine valley
 - 62 Milky stone
 - 63 Pell- ___ (hastily)
 - 64 Sets as a price
 - 66 NFL scores
 - 67 Air France alternative

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Uncertainties still face Gulf

MATTHEW DALY

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Deep water oil drills quieted by a six-month moratorium will again hum off the Gulf Coast, helping an industry that, despite its dangers, puts needed money in the pockets of thousands along the Gulf Coast. What's less certain is just how soon the jobs on hold because of the six-month ban will come back to a region trying to recover.

Thirty-three deep water operations were halted by the moratorium imposed as the BP oil disaster unfolded. Meeting new federal safety requirements imposed since then will take time for oil companies.

"Those big rigs that left the Gulf, it's going to take them a while to come back," said Ronnie Kennier, an Empire, La., fisherman working in BP's vessel of opportunity oil clean-up program.

The Obama administration, under heavy pressure from the oil industry and Gulf states and with elections nearing, on Tuesday lifted the moratorium that it imposed in April. The ban had been scheduled to expire Nov. 30, but Interior Secretary Ken Salazar moved up the deadline, saying new rules have strengthened safety and reduced the risk of another catastrophic blowout that caused more than 200 million gallons of crude to spew from BP's well a mile beneath the Gulf.

A federal report said the prohibition likely caused a temporary loss of 8,000 to 12,000 jobs in the Gulf region

and drilling is unlikely to resume for at least a few weeks.

Todd Hornbeck, CEO of Covington, La.-based Hornbeck Offshore Services, said lifting the ban would still leave the industry in a "de facto moratorium stage" until the government fully explains how new drilling permits will be issued.

"We're still in the dark," said Hornbeck, who heads one of the companies that sued to block Interior's initial moratorium. His company provides vessels and other services for the offshore industry.

"Right now, I'm skeptical that it will be anytime soon that permits will be issued even if the moratorium is lifted," he said.

On the Gulf, oil stands with fishing and tourism as economic linchpins. All three were hit hard by the spill that began when the oil rig Deepwater Horizon exploded on April 20, killing 11 workers about 50 miles off the Gulf Coast. It took three months to cap the well that was finally killed last month. Fishing was severely curtailed, tourists stayed away and the safety of the oil industry was assailed.

"When you took oil away, you pretty much took all the jobs away, you slow down the whole place," said Acy Cooper, a shrimper in Venice, La.

He said fishermen, too, often depend on oil-field jobs to make ends meet. "In the winter time, fishermen go into the oil field."

With BP facing massive fines, he said he felt comfortable that other

drillers will be more careful. BP killed the well last month and expects to eventually pay at least \$32 billion to handle cleanup and damage claims.

"The rest of them don't want to go through that," he said. "They learned their lesson."

Republican Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal said he was "glad they are beginning to reverse this job-killing policy."

Though the administration's policy only addressed deep water operations, "severe bottlenecks in the federal permit review process have resulted in a de facto moratorium for shallow water drilling," he said.

Jindal said since early June, only 12 new permits have been issued for shallow water wells, compared to the pre-deepwater-moratorium average of 10 to 14 a month.

The administration's decision comes just weeks before midterm elections in which Democrats face widespread criticism for overextending government actions on the economy, including the health care overhaul, the economic stimulus plan and

the drilling moratorium.

Steve Ham, 60, a retiree who lives on Grand Isle, La., where beaches were covered by oil, opposed the stoppage.

"I never thought they should have had the moratorium in the first place. Everything would have been fine, we wouldn't have had any oil spill if they had enforced the rules and regulations that were in place. Bush and Obama both failed to enforce the regulations," he said.

Drillers aren't the only companies affected. Caterers feed workers on drilling rigs, helicopters ferry them often hundreds of miles into the Gulf and shipping companies haul equipment and provisions to the rigs.

Salazar said he knows that some people will say the new rules are onerous.

"Others will say that we are lifting the deep water drilling suspension too soon. They will say there are still risks involved with deep water drilling," he said.

Salazar emphasized the move would include new requirements for those seeking to drill exploratory wells.

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Court.

"It really ends up being a very interesting argument, with solid arguments on our side and strongly articulated arguments on their side," he said.

If government lawyers can't persuade the appeals courts to reverse the law, they will likely ask the Supreme Court to hear the case, said Shanmugam, who served as the Justice Department's assistant solicitor general under President George W. Bush. The solicitor general is the government's top lawyer in arguments before the Supreme Court.

"When a federal court declares a federal statute unconstitutional, the solicitor general feels a strong obligation to defend the statute, where a reasonable argument can be made," Shanmugam said.

Shanmugam and others cited two 2010 Supreme Court rulings as indicators that the justices might overturn the Stolen Valor Act.

In one, the court overturned campaign spending limits on corporations and unions, and in the other it struck down a federal ban on videos that show graphic violence to animals. Both were viewed as free-speech cases.

Jonathan Turley, a professor at George Washington University Law School, said the Stolen Valor Act answers no real legal need but was written for political reasons, so lawmakers could show they are on the side of real heroes by punishing impostors.

"There's already a considerable deterrent for people who are engaged in this kind of conduct," he said. "Many of these people are charged with fraud. If someone is only wearing medals without seeking any form of gain, it becomes highly questionable."

Eugene Volokh, a UCLA law professor,

said the court traditionally requires the government to prove it has a compelling interest to restrict free speech, which could be difficult in this case.

"I don't think that anybody's going to stop being a brave soldier, or be a less brave soldier, or have less respect for a brave soldier, because some number of people lie about it," he said.

Sterner, the military historian, said he believes the law has a good chance of surviving, citing the divided vote by the three-judge panel of the 9th Circuit.

"The fact that we had

a 2-1 split bodes well at the 9th Circuit," said Sterner, whose wife, Pam, wrote a policy analysis in college that became the basis of the bill.

The bill's author in Congress, Colorado Democratic Rep. John Salazar, defended the law and said the rulings against it were misguided.

"You go out and you sacrifice and you earn these awards because of heroism. If somebody comes and tries to act like a hero, it kind of degrades what they did," he said. "It's defending their honor, as I see it."



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News in brief

Testimony begins in Fort Hood shooting hearing

FORT HOOD (AP) — An investigating officer has started to hear testimony at a military hearing to determine if an Army psychiatrist accused in last year's deadly Fort Hood shootings should go to trial.

Sgt. Alonzo Lunsford, based at Fort Bragg, N.C., is the first witness to the Nov. 5 shootings to testify at the Article 32 hearing.

Maj. Nidal Hasan is charged with 13 counts of premeditated murder and 32 counts of attempted premeditated murder. The attack was the worst mass shooting at an American military base.

Col. James L. Pohl, a military judge presiding over the hearing as its investigating officer, made no mention of the defense team's request for a delay to the hearing until Nov. 8 as the hearing resumed Wednesday.

Dyer drops out of Texas congressional race

IOWA PARK (AP) — An Iowa Park man who has suspended his independent bid for Congress says he apparently is ineligible after voting in the March GOP primary.

Keith Dyer ceased campaigning Tuesday, but his name will remain on the Nov. 2 ballot for U.S. House District 13.

Secretary of State's Office spokesman Randall Dillard says the deadline to remove a name from the ballot was Aug. 20.

Dyer says his office received an e-mail Tuesday from the elections agency in response to a question about his eligibility. The agency's website says an

independent candidate may have his or her name added to the general election ballot if he or she is not affiliated with a political party.

Fort Hood soldier gets life for slaying

BELTON (AP) — A jury in Belton has ordered life in prison for a Fort Hood soldier convicted in the shooting death of a homeless man.

Jurors late Tuesday decided the penalty for 23-year-old Spc. Jared Lee Bottorff.

The case involves the August 2009 slaying of 36-year-old Dan Smith Jr. after a party at Bottorff's house in Killeen. Investigators say Smith had hitched a ride with Bottorff.

Attorneys for Bottorff claimed the shooting was self defense. Bottorff was convicted early Saturday of murder.

High court considers

Travis County ballot dispute

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Supreme Court has been asked to allow a challenge to the Travis County electronic voting system to proceed.

The 2006 lawsuit by the Texas Civil Rights Project also names the secretary of state's office.

The Austin American-Statesman, for its Wednesday editions, reported the suit alleges the electronic system violates state law because it does not produce paper ballots, so voters have no way of knowing whether their picks are properly recorded.

Appeals lawyer Kristofer Monson, representing Secretary of State Hope Andrade, says voters cannot show they have been harmed and the lawsuit should be dismissed.

Attorney Timothy Herman, for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, says a paper record is necessary to protect voting rights.

Police say 3 dead, 1 wounded in Haltom City

HALTOM CITY (AP) — Police say gunfire in a suburban Fort Worth neighborhood has left three men dead and a fourth wounded.

Haltom City police Sgt. Eric Peters says police are investigating whether one of the four people shot early Wednesday was the gunman and what led to the attacks.

Peters told The Associated Press that a pistol was recovered at the street scene, where two men were found dead around 1 a.m. Wednesday. A third man

was transported to a hospital, where he died.

Peters says the fourth man drove himself to the hospital, had surgery and was in intensive care. No further details on his condition were immediately released.

Peters says police are attempting to identify the four men and whether one lived at a nearby residence. Police checked the house and found nobody home.

Librarian in San Antonio convicted of 2008 murder

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A librarian at a San Antonio-area community college has been convicted in the 2008 shooting death of a colleague at their workplace.

The penalty phase was scheduled Wednesday for 64-year-old Alan Godin, who faces up to life in prison.

Jurors on Tuesday rejected an insanity defense and found Godin guilty of murder in the October 2008 killing of 37-year-old Devin Zimmerman. Prosecutors say the two had previous job-related arguments.

The victim was fatally shot at Northeast Lakeview College.

Land commissioner candidates to debate

AUSTIN (AP) — State Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson and Democratic challenger Hector Uribe will face off in debate in Austin.

The Wednesday night debate will be at St. Edward's University and will be hosted by the university's School of Humanities.

The Republican Patterson is seeking a third term while fellow former state senator Uribe is running for statewide office for the first time.

Supreme Court hears convict's appeal in DNA case

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Texas death row inmate found with the blood of murder victims on his clothing is seeking the Supreme Court's help in getting access to other evidence for DNA testing that might implicate someone else.

Hank Skinner was convicted of pummeling his girlfriend with a pickax handle and stabbing her two sons on New Year's Eve in 1993 in their Texas Panhandle home.

DNA evidence at his murder trial showed that blood on his clothing was from at least two of the victims.

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