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ISD funding a waiting game

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Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District officials are playing a financial waiting game of sorts as they try to determine just how big an economic impact the state's budget shortfall will have lo-

With Texas facing a projected budget shortfall in excess of \$15 billion, it stands to

reason that state aid to school districts such as BSISD will be reduced this coming fiscal year. The question local educators are facing is: How big will the reduction be?

Sandra Waggoner, BSISD Chief Financial Officer, said the news coming out of Austin is better than it was just a week ago, but that doesn't mean the news is necessarily

"As of right now, it appears we're looking at a 15 percent reduction in state funding," Waggoner told school trustees last week. "For us, that would mean a loss of revenue of about \$4 million."

The loss of that much state revenue would mean BSISD would have to look for even more cuts from a prospective budget that was already going to be fairly lean, Waggoner said. School districts are in a particularly tough fix because they have to start planning for the next budget cycle without knowing for sure what kind of state aid will be available. At best, legislators will not adopt the state budget until May, and it is highly possible the process could take even longer.

"Until we have more num-

bers to work with, we have to plan with the numbers we have," Waggoner said.

BSISD is already looking at several areas to trim costs, such as putting off indefinitely the purchase of new technology, buses and other vehicles.

And while no staff positions are on the chopping block as

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OPINION

Just say 'I love you'

Roses, chocolate, dinner by candlelight. Yes, it's Valentine's Day.

Whatever your take on this day — full-blown celebration or a simple card, perhaps - Valentine's Day represents

It's message is "I love you." It's a powerful message, whether it is between husband and wife, mom and daughter, grandmother and grandson. Despite all the symbols — the cards, the candy, the flow-

ers — that we bestow on each other on this day of the year, love is something that cannot be purchased. Love can't be summoned on demand. That's because it's

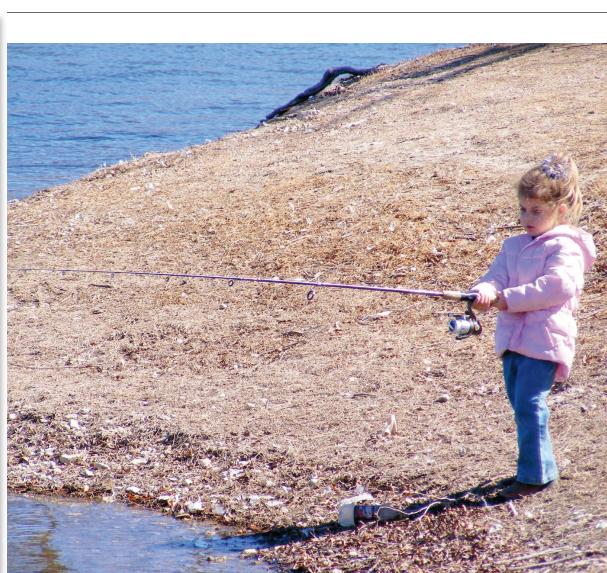
something given freely from the heart. Love is shared and should be nurtured — not just today,

but every day. Better yet, it should be cherished and cultured every mo-

So, today, on this Valentine's Day, we encourage each of you to do just that.

Regardless of the manner you choose, let those you love the most know they fill a special place in your heart and your life. And tell them "I love you." It will do you no harm.

Here's wishing you and yours a happy Valentine's Day.



Three-year-old Spencer Patterson, replete in pink coat and pink fishing pole tries her luck during the Rotary Club's annual Youth Fishing Tournament Saturday afternoon at Comanche Trail Lake.

Pianist to perform here for CARE fund benefit

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer You might not expect to

find an Italian pianist of international acclaim in the

Crossroads area, but that will be exactly the case Feb. 25, as Francesco Attesti will perform a piano concert to benefit the

Attesti — who is consid-

Churchwell local CARE Fund.

ered one of the finest interpreters of the Romantic and early 20th Century Repertoire — will be performing a program largely based on the works of Pol-

ish composer Fryderyk Chopin at the Hall Center for the Arts on the Howard College campus at 7:30 p.m. According to CARE Fund spokesman Tommy Churchwell, when Attesti

is referred to as world-re-

nowned, it's anything but

lip service

"Last month he was touring in France," Churchwell said. "He's a busy guy, playing all over the world. So, when we say he's internationally acclaimed, we mean it." According to Church-

well, Attesti began practicing the piano at the age of 6 and gave his first concert at 11, performing a transcription of the Toccata and Fugue in D minor by J.S. Bach.

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Center for the Arts on Feb. 25.

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Obituaries

Raoul Robles Jr.



Raoul Robles Jr., 66, of Big Spring died Thursday, Feb. 10, 2011, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Msr. Bernard Gully officiating. Burial with military honors will be held at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Raoul was born July 14, 1944, to Maria and Raoul Robles Sr. in San Angelo. He married Anita Martinez on April 16, 1970, in Big Spring. Raoul was a veteran of the United States Air Force, serving from 1965 until 1968. He had been a cook at Coker's, Herman's and the Veterans Administration Medical Center from where he retired in 2003 due to

Raoul was in the prison ministry since 2007. He was a lifetime member of St. Thomas Catholic Church. His hobbies were carpentry, paper airplanes and his grandchildren.

Raoul leaves behind his wife of 40 years, Anita Robles of Big Spring; two daughters, Gloria Ramos and husband Mario of Dallas and Anna Robles of Big Spring; four sons, Raul Robles III and wife Natividad, Lucas Robles, Steven Robles and wife Melinda and Jacob Robles, all of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren, Abel Diaz, Corban Ramos, Mathew Ramos, Raul Robles IV, Adam Joshua Robles, Trinidad Robles, Mariah Cervantez, Sebastian Cervantez, Zachary Robles, Zoie Robles and Marlie Ausbie; one brother, Jimmy Robles and wife Nellie of Big Spring; and two sisters, Maria Elena Byrd and husband Charles of Dallas and Elodia Mosier and husband Herb of North Carolina.

In addition to his parents, Raoul was preceded in death by one grandson, Trinidad Robles.

Pallbearers will be Juanito Robles, Arturo Robles, and Manuel DeLeon.

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

Paid obituary

Scott Allen

Scott Allen, 45, died Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2011, at his home in Big Spring. Services will be at a later

He was born June 27, 1965, in Sioux Falls, S.D. He graduated from Fargo North High School in 1982 and graduated from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks in 1986. He is survived by his mother, Jean Allen of

Mansfield; a brother, Daniel Antkers and wife Angela, and their two children.

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

Aubrey Weaver

Aubrey Weaver, 89, of Big Spring died Saturday, Feb. 12, 2011, in a local hospital. Private services

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big of property less than \$50 with previous conviction. Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www. npwelch.com

Police blotter

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

• JOHNNY RAY PAYNE, 31, of 1509 E. Stadium, was arrested Saturday on warrants for public intoxication, being in the city park after hours and riding without a safety belt.

• GREGORY SHANE ROBERSON, 28, of 711 Washington, was arrested Saturday on warrants for assault – family violence and a warrant from

another agency. • IRMA MORIN YANEZ, 37, of 1610 Cardinal, was

arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous convic-• RONNIE RENE RIVERA, 31, of 1801 S. Owens,

a controlled substance. • EDWARD MYERS JR., 66, of 519 Hillside Dr.,

was arrested Saturday on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid – no insurance, failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear (two counts), driving while license invalid and two warrants from another agency.

• TAMMY SUE RANGEL, 42, of Borger, was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while license invalid/suspended with a previous convic-

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• MATTHEW LEE EARHART, 22, of 108 Canyon, was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while

• MANUEL REY CHAVARRIA, 28, of 2526 Fairchild, was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction. • ROBERT RUBEN SANCHEZ, 46, of 1023 Stadium,

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15th St., was arrested Saturday on a charge of public • LARRY DALE PAYNE, 48, of 1746 Purdue, was

arrested Saturday on a warrant for dog or cat running at large. • JAMES HOWARD JENNINGS, 57, of Cisco, was

arrested Saturday on charges of resisting arrest, search or transportation and public intoxication. • SHANNON LEE BOUDREAUX, 40, of 406 State,

was arrested Saturday on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction, failure to maintain financial responsibility, no driver's license – when unlicensed and failure to appear (two counts). ALICIA GONZALES, 34, of 1510 Sunset Ave...

was arrested Saturday on a warrant from another • MONICA MONIC SOLIZ, 28, of 908 S. Nolan, was

arrested Sunday on warrants for failure to control speed, expired license plate, no driver's license when unlicensed and failure to appear. KAYDRA NICOLE FRANCO, 21, of 503 N. Goliad,

was arrested Sunday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. CHRISTINA CANALES, 28, of 1002 N. Main St.,

was arrested Sunday on warrants for possession of a controlled substance, consumption of alcohol by a minor, failure to appear (two counts), failure to maintain financial responsibility and no driver's license – when unlicensed. • ABEL YHARTE GOMEZ, 25, of 1306 Johnson,

was arrested Sunday on warrants for possession of a controlled substance, assault - family violence, and open container. • SAMMY FERRELL, 49, of 509 N. Johnson, was

arrested Sunday on warrants for theft (two • LIANDRO LEE VENTURA, 41, of Smithville, was arrested Sunday on charges of public intoxica-

tion and two warrants from another agency • JOSEPH ALTON MURLEY, 31, of 1405 Tucson, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while Santos Lujan Jr., Sammy DeLeon, Ismael Lujan license suspended/invalid with a previous convic-

> arrested Sunday on warrants for failure to use a safety seat system for a child, driving while license invalid and failure to appear. COREY PRESTON HOFFPAUIR, 34, of 207 E.

> Ninth St., was arrested Sunday on a charge of disorderly conduct – language. ERICA KATHYANN ESCAMILLA, 23, of 210

> Loop, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while license invalid. CYNTHIA JEAN WHITE, 46, was arrested Sunday on a charge of failure to obtain Texas driv-

> er's license. BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 300 block of Young Street.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 45 inmates at the time of this LISA MARIE MENDEZ, 44, was arrested for

driving with license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final restitution. PAMELA LEE VARDY, 55, was arrested for theft

• MARK CLINTON ROBERSON, 20, was arrested

for burglary of a vehicle. ANDREA ALENDER, 38, was arrested on the

charge of theft of property totaling more than \$50

• LARRY JONES HINOJOSA, 37, was arrested for possession of marijuana, less than two ounces.

 ALEJANDRO ROJAS, 44, was arrested on a fugitive indictment bond – revocation for possession of marijuana.

 RICKY DON CLAYTON, 39, was arrested and sentenced for third or more DWI.

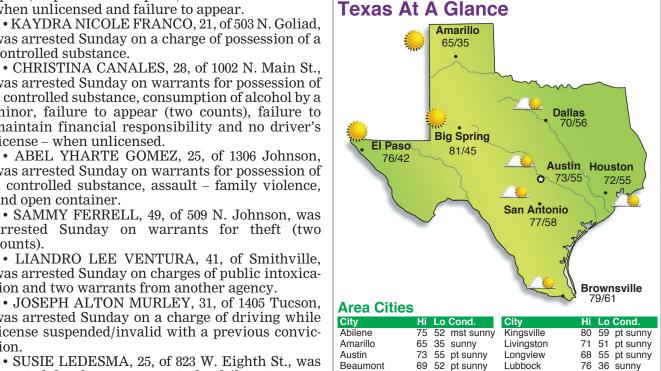
RAUL JOHN GARZA JR., 40, was arrested for failure to identify/ giving false or fictitious information.

• EDWARD MYERS JR., 66, was arrested for operating an unregistered motor vehicle; driving while license invalid; violate promise to appear while license invalid; violate promise to appear fail to maintain financial responsibility; driving with license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final restitution.

• JOMAR DEMOND ADAMS, 28, was arrested for was arrested Saturday on a charge of possession of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free

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State briefs

More cold weather-surviving turtles back to Gulf

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — More green sea turtles that survived this month's cold weather in Texas have been returned to the Gulf of Mexico.

Rescuers have been retrieving the cold-stunned

Organizers say a crowd of about 2,000 showed up Sunday to witness the return of more than 270 turtles to warmer waters in the Corpus Christi area.

Donna Shaver with Sea Turtle Science and Recovery at Padre Island National Seashore says about 1,400 green sea turtles have been found on the Texas coast since Feb. 1.

Austin leaders to take up urban rail plan

AUSTIN (AP) — Austin leaders could spend \$1.2 million for more studies of a proposed light rail line or a streetcar system.

The Austin City Council on Thursday is sched-

uled to consider approving \$700,000 for a federally mandated environmental study. About \$500,000 is sought for a joint project with Capital Metro to update the area's transit plan. A commuter line, Capital Metro's MetroRail,

opened in March 2010 with service connecting Leander (lee-AN'-der) and downtown Austin. The Austin American-Statesman reports a for-

mal bond proposal on the city's \$1.3 billion urban rail plan is not expected to go before voters until at least November 2012. About \$2.6 million already has been authorized for consultant studies.

Rail critic Jim Skaggs says the city has not done an unbiased alternative analysis or cost-effectiveness studies.

Father, son die in San Antonio shootings

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Police say an apparent ar-

gument led to gunfire that has left a father and son dead in South Texas. San Antonio police say 69-year-old William Pat-

terson allegedly shot his 23-year-old son before

turning the gun on himself. Police say William Patterson was found dead at the family's home on Police say Christopher Patterson was transported

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to a San Antonio hospital. The Bexar (bayr) County Medical Examiner's Office says Christopher Patterson died Sunday. Police are trying to determine why the father and

son had argued.

San Antonio couple, 92, to marry Saturday SAN ANTONIO (AP) — She calls him Mr.

He's looking forward to calling her his wife.

About 150 people are expected to attend Satur-

day's wedding in San Antonio for 92-year-olds Jewel Etter and Holman Massey. The San Antonio Express-News reports that Et-

ter and her betrothed, who's a former mayor of the town of George West, met about three years ago in a grief counseling group. Both of their spouses had Etter and Massey became bridge partners. They

share a love for the San Antonio Spurs.

Massey is a retired lieutenant colonel who spent 26 years in the Air Force. Etter worked at San Antonio City Hall.

Their children are helping with the wedding arrangements.

Off-duty Texas cop accused of driving drunk

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A San Antonio police officer has been placed on administrative leave after his arrest on suspicion of driving while drunk.

Office Roland Alvarado was off-duty when he was taken into custody Friday night after he cashed into a parked vehicle in northeastern San Antonio.

Mike Helle is president of the San Antonio Police Officers' Association. He tells the San Antonio Express-News says that aside from the administrative leave, Alvarado will be prohibited from doing any police work until internal and criminal investigations are completed.

A call to a telephone number listed for Alvarado found the line disconnected.

State considers \$100 surcharge on gas-guzzlers

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — State officials are considering levying a \$100 surcharge on some new vehicles that fall short of federal fuel efficiency

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram says no legislation has been filed to add the surcharge, but it's among several recommendations in a recent Legislative Budget Board to cover an anticipated massive budget shortfall. The board is a joint committee of top Teas House and Senate members, including Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Joe Straus.

The report says light-duty trucks and sport utility vehicles pollute more than average size vehicles and are less energy-efficient.

Other suggestions include repeal of the prohibition of liquor sales on Sunday and raising the amount state employees pay for their health insur-

Lawmakers propose \$10 million for film productions

DALLAS (AP) — Lawmakers eager to attract film productions to Texas have proposed allocating \$10 million for the task as a time when cuts appear increasingly likely in education and health care pro-

The proposals face a tough future, however.

State Sen. Bob Deuell, R-Greenville, has been an advocate of state support for film, television and video game productions in Texas, and he acknowledges those tough times. He says that even he has higher priorities. In his words, "This is a time to prioritize, and health and education are more important."

That troubles state Rep. Dawnna Dukes, D-Austin and a champion of tax incentives for productions. Says she, "The immense reduction (from a \$60 million budget) will cause television series and film opportunities to flee Texas."

BSISD

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of now, the district recently approved an "early resignation notice" incentive for employees, which could save BSISD money on salaries in the long run, Waggoner said.

And, if worse comes to worse, the district can dip into its reserve funds (currently in excess of \$9 million), but that, Waggoner said, is an extremely short-term solution. Another reason officials are hesitant to use reserve funds is that they may be needed to cover any unexpected cost over-runs during the upcoming construction "Especially with the build-

ing projects in mind, we need to keep the fund balance as healthy as we can," Waggoner

If there is any good news in the entire budget dilemma, it is that a lot can change between

now and the time legislators formally adopt the next fiscal "Everything will change as

we go through the process," Waggoner said. "And the process will go through at least May ... So, maybe in a month or so, we'll have some better

For more information on the CARE Fund or upcoming concert, con-

tact Churchwell at 432-

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PIANIST

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At the age of 16, Attesti met Sergio Perticaroli who, impressed by the youth's capabilities at the piano, invited him to attend the Summer Masterclass at the Mozarteum of Salzburg. There, Francesco was immersed in the Romantic repertoire, particularly the works of Chopin and Liszt.

Attesti continued to study with Maestro Perticaroli for several years in Rome, refining his skills and winning several national and international piano competitions.

Currently, Attesti performs regularly in internationally prestigious

concert halls, such as Philharmonia Hall of Saint Petersburg, Tchaikovsky Conservatory of Moscow, Mozarteum of Salzburg, Philharmonie Essen, International Piano Festival of Warsaw, Sarajevo Winter Festival, Cambridge University, Leicester University, Columbia University in New York, Denver University in Colorado

Tickets for the concert are \$25, according to Churchwell, with all proceeds going to the local CARE Fund.

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and the Conservatory

"G. Verdi" in Milan.

"You can purchase tickets at the Spring Herald, Chamber of Commerce or at Churchwell Insurance," he said. "This concert is not only a great chance for area residents to hear an amazing pianist without ever leaving

to the people here." Churchwell, who is currently working to educate the public on the CARE Fund, said it is designed to help shoulder some of the financial burdens a long-term illness can cause, items that are not covered by insurance.

Big Spring, it's also an

excellent chance to help

the CARE Fund and

spread word of the fund

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year," Churchwell said. "But it has to begin with \$10,000 or more. This fund is aimed at people who have a hardship, but it's not designed to pay for medical treatment. It's aimed at their travel expenses, overnight stays, babysitting, things that there is no insurance for. You can't buy coverage for these kinds of things.

"What we want to do is be able to find these people, people that are ruined by these sort of expenses. The kind of person that is working, has a house and car, but this is such a long term burden on them, every extra dollar they have goes toward gas, hotels and things like that, which really add up. The fund is there to help soften the blow a little bit. It's never going to make any one inall their needs. It's designed to work a little bit here and there." Churchwell said the

dividual whole or solve

CARE Fund will act reimburse financial hardships related long-term illness through local charitable organizations, who will be responsible for determining the needs and requesting the funds.

"In this particular case, it's more like a reimbursement. It's not money that's handed out ahead of time," Churchwell said. "There are so many people that are in need of just gas money to go to Midland and get cancer treatments every week, sometimes as many as five times a week. Where do you get that money? I don't know of any other place you can get that kind of money for individuals."

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Left to right: Hope Cimino, Regan Newsom and Coach Jan Sims.

Forsan students place first in district debate at Denver City

Special to the Herald

FORSAN — Regan Newsom and Hope Cimino placed first in the District CX Debate competition in Denver City. The team will advance to state March 14. Newsom and Cimino have debated together

and were state qualifiers last year.

advanced teams nine before contest." out of the last 10 years.

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Sierra Mancha, fourth grader, is the spelling bee champion at Bower Elementary and will be advancing to regionals with six other students from Big Spring. Students advancing will compete in Midland on Feb. 26.



Be mine, Valentine

Contest winners wed atop **Empire State Building**

NEW YORK (AP) - A Louisville, Ky., couple has exchanged vows atop the Empire State Building, with the groom exclaiming: "We can only go up from here."

Air Force Capt. Jon Wu and Stephanie Hull were the grand prize winners of a nationwide contest hosted by TheKnot.com. They had a sunrise ceremony Monday on the 86st floor observatory.

Hull wore a strapless, creamy white gown with a long train. She said she was "on cloud nine."

Their prize includes a honeymoon in the Bahamas.

They are among 14 couples from eight states exchanging vows on Monday at the landmark building. The other ceremonies will be on the 61st floor with full views of New York

Wu proposed to Hull by spelling out 'will you marry me" in Christmas lights on a lawn.

Valentine kissing contest still going at 36 hours

PATTAYA, Thailand (AP) — It was one long kiss — one world-breaking embrace for mankind.

Seven determined couples locked lips for more than 36 hours to celebrate Valentine's Day in this southern Thai beach resort town, a landmark "kissathon" that organizers claim marked the longest recorded smooch in history.

The previous record -32 hours, 7 minutes and 14 seconds — was set in 2009 by a couple in Germany, according to Guinness World Records.

Fourteen mostly Thai pairs entered the contest when it kicked off Sunday morning at 6 a.m. local time. By Monday afternoon, half were still puckering up on the white-marble corridor a shopping mall, where tourists gawked and smiled at the spectacle, snapping pictures with glowing mobile phones behind a red rope.

"We didn't think we would find anybody that could break the record," said Somporn Naksuetrong, the manager of Pattaya's Louis Tussaud's Waxworks museum, which organized the competition. That seven couples apparently did, he said, "is amazing."

By late Monday evening, three more pairs had dropped out and four couples were still left smoothing. The last left kissing wins a diamond ring worth 50,000 Thai Baht (1,606 dollars), and a 100,000 Baht (3,213 dollar) cash

According to the rules, the lovebirds' lips cannot part at any time. They are allowed to drink things like water, coffee, milk or juice — but only through straws while continuing to kiss. They also have to remain embraced during bathroom breaks possible every three hours — accompanied by contest monitors. The harshest rule: no sitting or

sleeping. One woman participating with her boyfriend fainted just half an hour after it began Sunday.

Feathers fly in Calif flash mob pillow fight

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Feathers flew in a fluffy frenzy of pre-Valentine's Day silliness on a downtown

together at noon Sunday at Cesar

Chavez Plaza.

San Jose street. A flash mob pillow fight inspired by Facebook postings and Twitter feeds brought about 100 costumed people

The San Jose Mercury News says participants clutching pillows lined up on opposing sidewalks, then with the blow of a whistle, charged one an-

No one was hurt, no one was arrested and organizers cleaned up af-

The pillow fight phenomenon has erupted in recent years at Justin Miller Plaza in San Francisco to celebrate Valentine's Day. But city officials there considered a crackdown two years ago when a pillow fight on a rainy day left thousands of dollars in cleanup costs.

Indonesian Muslims warned against Valentine's Day

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — An Indonesian Muslic cleric has warned his young followers against celebrating Valentine's Day, saying it is the same as promoting faiths other than Islam and could lead to forbidden sex.

Amidhan Shaberah, the chairman of the Indonesian Council of Clerics, said Monday that the romantic holiday historically stems from Christianity. He added that unmarried young people expressing affection with kisses could lead to forbidden sexual relations.

Small groups of a few hundred also staged protests against Valentine's Day in several cities in the world's

most populous Muslim nation. Indonesia's 200 million Muslims practice a moderate form of the faith. Attitudes toward Valentine's Day vary in the Muslim world.

Zimbabwe launches Valentine's Day blood drive

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — Zimbabwe is launching a blood drive on Valentine's Day to ease dire shortages at the national blood bank.

Officials say 130,000 blood donors are needed for this year's "give love, give blood" campaign. Last year, only 57,000 people gave blood to the state blood transfusion service.

Health Minister Henry Madzorera said Monday that Zimbabweans generally are needle-shy and believe there are enough donors already. Some are also afraid to learn their HIV status official figures put Zimbabwe's HIV infection rate at about 13 percent.

Most blood supplies — more than 70 percent — come from schoolchildren. Adults received 80 percent of those donations. The two-week campaign, aided by the U.S. Centers for Diseases Control and Prevention, targets

Couple urges others to kiss and make up

SEVIERVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — As Valentine's Day is celebrated, a Sevier County couple has proclaimed themselves "the happiest married couple we know."

Carol and Wayne Pitsenberger of Pigeon Forge, who met 30 years ago and quickly hit it off, enjoy the reactions they get from their KSNMKUP (kiss and make up) vanity license plate.

Says Wayne, "It's fun to watch them in my rearview mirror."

Wife Carol says, "It takes some time for them to get it, and then they

According to The Mountain Press, Wayne says sometimes cars pull up next to him and the women inside blow him kisses.

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Obituaries

Oneda 'Aunt Dodo' Thompson



MCKINNEY — Oneda "Aunt Dodo" Thompson, 98, died Saturday, Feb. 12, 2011, in a McKinney hospital. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2011, at Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel with the Rev. Jimmy Griffith officiating and directed by Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel.

Oneda was born Sept. 12, 1912, the first child of James and Etta (Shouse) McWilliams at Shep in Nolan County. She married E.R. "Shorty" Thompson June 18, 1938. He preceded her in death May 23, 1997.

The good Lord provided the McWilliams and Thompson families with a guardian angel by giving us Aunt Dodo. She helped many members of the family in so many ways. Dodo loved to draw, crochet and cook. She worked for a five and dime store in

Houston when her husband served in the Army. Once, they moved to Big Spring and Shorty began his own car repair company and Dodo served in several capacities at church, sold clothing at home parties for which she won an award and was a babysitter. She began to study accounting and became the accountant for Shorty's company.

Over the years, she met many people. Everyone liked her and wanted to make a connection, even when she was in her 90s.

Survivors include numerous nieces and nephews that loved her and felt that Aunt Dodo was a very important and special part of their family. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two sisters and six

You may view and sign the online guestbook at www.starbuckfuneralhome.

Paid obituary

Take Note

• Former Big Spring law enforcement officer Mike Eggleston will have a book signing from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Heritage Museum. Eggleston has written "Distorted Pillars" under the pen name Mike Ev-

 Canterbury and Canterbury North will host a Senior Sweetheart Dance from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. tonight. The dance will be held at Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster, and is open to all seniors. Admission is free. Music will be provided by RC.

World Briefs

Obama offers budget with \$1.1 trillion in deficit trims, GOP says

bolder cuts are necessary

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Barack Obama, facing a determined effort by Republicans to attack soaring deficits, is putting forward his own plan that offers \$1.1 trillion in deficit reductions over the next decade. One-third of the savings would come from higher taxes, including a revived effort to limit tax deductions for wealthy Americans.

But even before Obama's new budget for 2012 was unveiled on Monday, Republicans were complaining that it did not go far enough.

They branded Obama's budget solutions as far

too timid for a country facing an unprecedented flood of red ink that has pushed annual deficits to all-time highs above \$1 trillion.

"We're broke," House Speaker John Boehner said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press." He was defending a Republican effort not only to squeeze more savings out of Obama's 2012 budget but also to seek \$61 billion in cuts for the current budget

House Republicans, many of whom were elected on an anti-deficit pledge, forced their own leaders to nearly double the savings they will seek in the seven months left in the 2011 budget year. Congress has been unable to pass a budget for the current year, and the government has been operating on a stopgap spending bill that expires on March 11.

Jacob Lew, the president's budget director, appearing on CNN's "State of the Union," refused to say what size cuts for 2011 would be acceptable to the administration. He stressed a desire to find a compromise that would avoid a government shutdown, something that last occurred during a protracted budget battle between Congress and the Clinton administration.

Egyptian state workers protests for better pay in labor unrest following Mubarak's ouster

CAIRO (AP) — Hundreds of Egyptian state employees are protesting in Cairo to demand better pay and conditions in the latest outbreak of labor unrest unleashed in the uprising that ousted President Hosni Mubarak.

Outside the Nile-side TV and state radio building, hundreds of public transport workers are demonstrating to demand better pay. Several hundred protesters from the state Youth and Sports Organization protested Monday in Tahrir, or Liberation, Square with similar demands.

The Central Bank of Egypt ordered banks across the country closed following a strike by employees of the National Bank, the largest state bank.

The military council ruling Egypt says security and a return to normalcy are among its top priori-

Official: US to expand military training in Yemen where al-Qaida group plots attacks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Faced with an increasingly alarming threat from al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, the U.S. military will begin a new training program with Yemen's counterterrorism unit so it can move against militants believed to be plotting attacks on America from safe havens there.

The effort will mark the first time the U.S. has trained the counterterrorism unit, which has traditionally focused on protecting Yemen's capital, according to a senior defense official. Under the plan, the training would begin in the next few months, and the Yemenis could more than double the size of their counterterror force, which now numbers about 300.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity

because details are still being worked out.

The plans come as the U.S. watched rippling public unrest rattle many of its Middle Eastern allies, including autocratic leaders such as Egypt's former President Hosni Mubarak, who stepped down

On Sunday Yemeni police used truncheons to stop protesters, many of them university students, from reaching the capital's central Hada Square.

Palestinian Prime Minister Salam Fayya dissolves Cabinet in new

response to Egypt crisis

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — The Palestinian prime minister has dissolved his Cabinet — in a new gesture that appears to be inspired by unrest rocking the Arab world.

President Mahmoud Abbas announced Monday he had accepted the decision by his prime minister, Salam Fayyad.

An aide to Fayyad says his boss hopes to form a new Cabinet dominated by technocrats who can build up Palestinian institutions. He has up to six weeks to name the Cabinet.

The decision is the latest in a series of dramatic moves by the Western-backed Palestinian Authority following the unrest in Egypt and Tunisia. Mass protests have spurred calls for democracy throughout the Middle East.

The Palestinian government said over the weekend it would hold long-overdue general elections later this year.

Leading favorite Eminem walks away with just 2 awards; Lady A wins 5, Arcade Fire best CD

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Grammys love Eminem. Over his decade plus career, they've showered him with 13 Grammy Awards — and gave him two during this year's ceremonies. But their love for Eminem seems to only extend

to the rap categories.

Despite being regarded as one of music's geniuses, he has never won a Grammy outside of the genre — a streak that continued on Sunday.

Eminem, who went into the Grammys as the leading nominee with 10 nominations, including in the prestigious album, record and song of the year categories, walked away with just two: best solo rap performance and best rap album for "Recovery," which was last year's best-selling album and marked a triumphant comeback for an iconic figure who stumbled in recent years due to a former drug addiction.

He lost album of the year to Arcade Fire's "The Suburbs," and his Rihanna-assisted "Love The Way You Lie" lost to Lady Antebellum in the record and song of the year categories.

Radical Indonesian cleric goes on trial on terrorism charges; faces maximum penalty of death

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Indonesia's bestknown radical Islamic cleric went on trial Monday on charges of forming a terrorist cell to plot highprofile assassinations and attacks on foreigners in the world's most populous Muslim nation.

Abu Bakar Bashir, 72, faces a maximum penalty of death if found guilty.

"These charges against me are fabricated," the smiling, white-bearded imam said before arriving at the tightly guarded South Jakarta District Court

in an armored personnel carrier. "All I ever wanted to do was defend Islam." Indonesia, a mostly moderate and secular nation

of more than 237 million people, has been hit by a string of suicide bombings blamed on Jemaah Islamiyah, the al-Qaida-linked network co-founded by Bashir just over a decade ago.

More than 260 people in Indonesia have been killed by terrorist attacks since 2002, many of them foreign tourists.

Calif tests technology to block phones used by cult killer Manson, other inmates

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California prison officials seized nearly 11,000 cell phones last year, some used to arrange extortions and assaults, others used by the likes of cult killer Charles Manson to connect with the outside world after more than four decades behind bars.

Manson became an unlikely face of the prison cell phone problem after he was caught calling and texting people in California, Florida, New Jersey and British Columbia.

He had missed calls from Arkansas, Indiana and Massachusetts on the phone that guards discovered in March 2009, and he was caught with a second phone last month.

Officials have become so outraged at the notion of violent inmates like Manson possessing cell phones that they are trying new ways to strike

Corrections officials tell The Associated Press that they are preparing to test a system that would capture every cell phone signal from a prison and block unauthorized calls, as California and other states search for technology to stop what has become a growing problem inside prison walls.

California legislators are also considering three proposed changes to state law that would step up enforcement against cell phone violators in pris-

With time, effort and some internal rewiring, injured brain can regain some lost abilities

NEW YORK (AP) — Compared to a sleek new laptop, that three-pound mass of fatty tissue called the brain may not look

like much. But when it's injured, it adapts and rewires its circuits in new ways.

That's the kind of flexibility that doctors and rehabilitation specialists hope to encourage in Gabrielle Giffords, the brain-injured Arizona congresswoman.

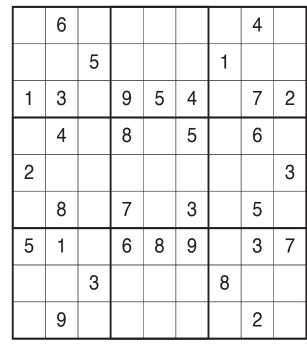
Details about her recovery have been thin. But members of her staff say she recently began speaking for the first time since the Jan. 8 attack by a gunman in Tucson. Brain injury patients who regain speech typically begin to do that about four to six weeks after the injury, experts say. Still, recovery for the 40-year-old Giffords will be

a long, tough journey, as it is for anyone with a significant brain injury. Patients can make remarkable progress. But experts caution that they shouldn't expect to return to exactly the way they were before.

Too little has been revealed and it's too early to say if Giffords might be able to return to her job in Congress. One expert questioned whether that would be the best thing for her to do.

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By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

South dealer. East-West vulnerable NORTH **♠** J 8 2 **♥**K 10 9 ♦ Q 8 **♣**KQJ43 **EAST** WEST **♠**65 **♥**85 ♥OJ7642 ♦ A 5 4 3 ♦ J 10 9 7 6 2 **4**98652 **SOUTH ↑** A K Q 10 7 4 3 **♥** A 3 ♣A 10 7 The bidding: South West North East

Pass Pass Pass 4 NT 6 💠 Opening lead — jack of diamonds. This deal contributed substan-

tially to the victory by a U.S. team over Pakistan in the finals of the 1986 world championship When the hand was first played, with a Pakistani pair sitting North-South, the bidding went as shown. South's two-club opening was strong and artificial, after which the bidding was natural, except for North's cue-

bid of hearts at his second turn.

When Blackwood revealed that

North had no aces, South settled for a small slam in spades.

East, Robert Lipsitz, won the opening diamond lead with the ace and quickly concluded that his side's — and probably only — chance to defeat the slam was to find his partner with a void in clubs. So he returned a club at trick two and was delighted to see West ruff for down

The deal seemed headed for an identical result at the second table when the American North-South pair also reached six spades. Here, however, because of a quirk in the U.S. pair's bidding methods, North bid spades first and was therefore about to become the declarer. But this development prompted West to double six spades, hoping to steer East to

a club lead. West's plan would have worked beautifully had everyone passed (and East led a club). But North, interpreting the significance of the double perfectly, wisely retreated to six notrump, a contract that was safe against any lead. Indeed, had East not cashed the ace of diamonds at trick one, declarer would have made all 13 tricks

The combined result of plus 990 at one table and plus 50 at the other gave the U.S. a total gain of 1,040 points, or 14 IMPs, on the deal.

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Woods falls short in Dubai

The Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Tiger Woods stumbled in a bid for his first victory in 15 months Sunday, leaving Alvaro Quiros to win the Dubai Desert Classic with a wild round that included a hole-in-one and triple bogey.

The 70th-ranked Quiros shot a 68 to finish at 11-under 277, one stroke ahead of Anders Hansen of Denmark (70) and James Kingston of South Africa

Woods had a 75 to end tied for 20th at 4-under

"There were quite a few positives this week but a couple of glaring examples of what I need to work on," Woods said.

He entered the round one stroke off the lead, but for the second straight day he started with two bogeys in his first three holes. He managed to claw a shot back when his approach on the sixth ended up a few feet from the pin. However, Woods offset two birdies with two bogeys on the back nine and then double bogeyed the 18th.

"All my old feels (for the clubs) are out the window when the winds blow," he said. "That's the thing when you are making change. It's fine when the wind is not blowing. But when you have to hit a shot when the wind blows ... the new swing patterns get exposed."

Woods had trouble for much of the day with errant drives, and his putting — which he credited with helping him shoot a 66 Friday — also was shaky, leading to several missed birdie chances. He also showed flashes of anger, at one point yelling at photographers for disturbing his shot.

Woods, who won in Dubai in 2006 and 2008, is now in the longest victory drought of his career. His last title came at the Australian Masters in November

Coming into Sunday, it was still anyone's tournament and Woods was among the top players who seemed poised for victory. Northern Ireland's Rory McIlroy was tied at the top with Hansen, and a resurgent Sergio Garcia of Spain was tied with Woods and five others a shot back. Twenty players, including Kingston, were within three shots of the lead and many of them made runs Sunday.

Quiros struck early with an eagle on No. 2 and two birdies on the next three holes to take a three-shot lead. But just as dramatically, he fell back into a tie with Hansen and several others at 8 under when he triple bogeved the eighth hole — hitting an unplayable drive and then a second shot into a tree.

The Spaniard recovered quickly with a birdie on nine and then a dramatic hole-in-one on the 11th, hitting a wedge 145 yards that landed on the green and rolled into the cup to give him the lead.

But Hansen went back up by a stroke after he eagled the 13th and Quiros had a bogey on No. 14. Quiros regained the lead with a birdie on No. 16 and Hansen's bogey on 15. The Dane could have tied it down the stretch, but missed several birdie putts, including a 30-footer on the 18th.

Quiros also was battling an injury, saying he had a "tight ligament" and had started taking pain kill-

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No. 3 **Texas** beats **Baylor**

The Associated Press

Texas AUSTIN keeps winning. Is a return to No. 1 next?

Freshman Tristan Thompson had 17 points and 13 rebounds and No. 3 Texas held off a furious rally by LaceDarius Dunn and Baylor to remain undefeated in the Big 12 with a 69-60 victory Saturday.

The Longhorns have won 10 in a row. And given top-ranked Ohio State's loss to Wisconsin and the fact that Texas handed No. 2 Kansas its only loss of the season, the Longhorns could find themselves sitting at No.

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HERALD Photo/Tony Claxton

Howard College's Melanie Vasquez catches a strike during the Hawks' softball game against Lubbock Christian Junior Varsity Saturday. The Hawks won both games of the doubleheader, 9-2 and 10-1.

Stojakovic scores 22, Mavs beat Rockets 106-102

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Peja Stojakovic is settling in with his new team, adding a valuable dimension to the Dallas Mavericks' offense.

Stojakovic scored 22 points and broke a tie with Dale Ellis for fourth place in career 3-pointers as the Mavericks beat the Houston Rockets 106-102 on Saturday night.

Dallas acquired Stojakovic on Jan. 24, and the 3-time All-Star wasn't in playing shape because he'd been sitting out since November. He went 1-for-11 from long range in his

first three games before rediscovering his touch on Saturday night and going 4 for 6.

"I was getting good looks in the last couple of games, too, it was just that the shots wouldn't go," Stojakovic said. "It's easy to play with the guys. I get so many good looks because they draw so much attention. Tonight (Saturday), I was able make

Stojakovic now has 1,723 career 3s and trails only teammate Jason Kidd (1,756), Reggie Miller (2,560) and Ray Allen (2,562) in NBA history.

Allen passed Miller for the lead Thursday, and Kidd wouldn't mind at all if Stojakovic eventually leapfrogs

"That's an added dimension that we've been missing, and it just makes us deeper and stronger," Kidd said. "As long as he keeps making them, he can pass me. I'm just happy to be in the top 5."

Dirk Nowitzki also scored 22 points and Shawn Marion had 14 points and nine rebounds for the Mavericks, who have won 12 of their last 14 and eight of their past 11 games in Houston.

As Stojakovic chatted with reporters after the game, Nowitzki walked by and yelled, "There's a Peja sighting, baby! There he is!"

Nowitzki went 8 for 16 from the field and he's eager to see how much Stojakovic's shooting will benefit him by spreading out opposing defenses.

"He's arrived," Nowitzki said. "That was fun to see."

Kyle Lowry scored 26 points and Kevin Martin added 17 for the Rockets, who have dropped 17 of the last 23 meetings with Dallas.

The Mavericks built a 23-point lead in the second half, but then had to stave off a rally by the Rockets in the

closing minutes. "We let them get out to a big lead, so we had to do something to come back," Lowry said. "We just fight hard and

scrap, but it was too late." The Mavs stretched the lead over 20 early in the third quarter as the Rockets continued to misfire. Nowitzki and Stojakovic swished 3s to make it 72-49 and prompt cheers from

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Taylor, No. 1 Badgers send Ohio State to first loss

The Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — Nobody's per-

Jordan Taylor and Wisconsin found themselves in a huge hole against previously unbeaten Ohio State, but the Badgers only needed about 13 minutes to shatter the Buckeyes' chase at an undefeated season.

"We knew we had a run in us," Tay-

Taylor scored 21 of his 27 points in

the second half, rallying No. 13 Wis-

consin from a 15-point deficit to beat No. 1 Ohio State 71-67 on Saturday and keep Division I without a perfect team since Indiana in 1975-76.

Taylor was the catalyst, sparking a 15-0 run with eight straight points, then keeping the Badgers calm down the stretch with his poise.

"(He) made all the difference in the world. He came down and hit those back-to-back 3s and got us right back into it, and from there you could just see we had some momentum," Wisconsin's Jon Leuer said. "It was unbelievable what he was able to do in such a short period of time, when we were battling adversity."

Wisconsin (19-5, 9-3 Big Ten) topped a No. 1 opponent for the first time since 1962, when it was also Ohio State. The Badgers joined Florida as the only programs to knock off the same No. 1 school in both football and men's basketball in the same academic year. The Gators also beat Ohio State in both sports in 2006-07.

Fans at the sold-out Kohl Center stormed the court, just like when they rushed the field at Camp Randall Stadium following the Badgers' 31-18 win there over then-No. 1 Ohio State

"I kind of like ours because it just happened," coach Bo Ryan said. "I loved football because I was there at the game. It's just all good for the school."

William Buford scored 21 points for Ohio State (24-1, 11-1). Freshman Jared Sullinger made an easy layup

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Sports in brief

Spring football sign-ups

Sign-ups are taking place through March 5. For more information or details, contact Kevin Boyce at (432) 816-3855.

Chicano Golf Association

The association's Membership Drive Tournament takes place Feb. 20 at Comanche Trail Golf Course. It is a four person scramble and golfers select their own foursome. Membership fee is \$25. The tournament is scheduled for a 10 a.m. shotgun start and 9:30 a.m. sign-up deadline. For more information, contact Bobby Cordova at (432) 935-0410.

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the realm of relationships. ARIES (March 21-April 19). Others might

grumble or shriek when a project hits a bit of turbulence, but you see the opportunity within this excitement. The energy is moving, and you love it!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have virtues and vices, and your friends find both equally attractive on you — you wear them well. Right both categories seem to be aligned in the most delightful balance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Doing what is right and fair comes easily to you, and your sense of justice makes sense to many around you. You will make an interesting proposition and will get an intriguing response.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You give people your attention, and they open up. It will be impossible to learn the whole story, but if you try to get as much of it as you can, you will find much success.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

Right now, they seem to be at odds with each other, but with some careful planning, thoughtful delegating and speedy action, you can align the two.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's like you're hearing a broken record. If you think you're tired of the repetition, just imagine how the one who is doing the repeating must feel! Do something to jolt this pattern, and it fixes itself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your passion for learning grows exponentially as you enjoy getting into the more nuanced layers of a subject. For you, it's not becoming about expert. The joy of learning is its own reward.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There are many reasons to go for a goal that is popular. If you succeed, your rewards will be plentiful. And if you don't, the life lessons you learn will be in high demand. You can always write a book!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You love someone with the kind of intensity and passion that you wish was bestowed upon you. But wait — is it possible that it is and just not by the person you think?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You are very curious about current company and will be inclined to prod your subjects for answers. But if you relax a bit, they will be forthcoming with all the information you want to know.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-You have dreams, and Feb. 18). You don't set out

you have responsibilities. on an adventure — you you intend on sticking just set out. The adventure happens in spite of your best intentions. You'll see this as a gift later, after you've made it over the obstacles and through the excitement.

> PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People have very short attention spans for explanations complaints. instinctively know this, and that's why you tell stories instead. Your audience will give you their complete attention.

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THE **SWEETEST WORDS:** What does your loved one most want to hear this Valentine's Day? ARIES wants praise being so loyal, for responsible and exciting. TAURUS wants promises of all the fun you'll have creating a future together. GEMINI wants lighthearted banter, so flirt, be silly and laugh together into the evening. CANCER wants to know that you love and appreciate the way he or she takes care of you. LEO will thrill to the sound of your compliments on the subject of his or her attractive appearance and many talents. VIRGO would love to know that

around for a long time just because you love how it feels to be close. LIBRA will be moved when you tell your version of the first time you met. For SCORPIO, the words don't matter as much as the way you deliver them — with full, lovely and lingering eye contact. SAGITTARIUS wants to remember your past adventures and plan a new one. CAPRICORN longs to hear how committed you are to making this the best relationship it can be. AQUARIUS will love to share ideas about injecting your relationship with fresh creativity. PISCES will love to hear why you believe your relationship was meant to be.

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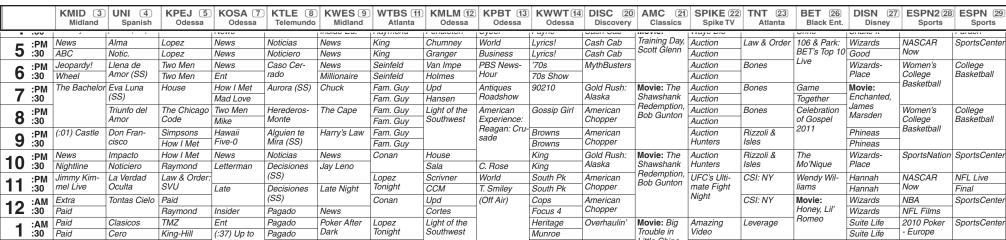


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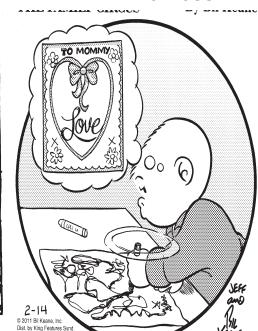






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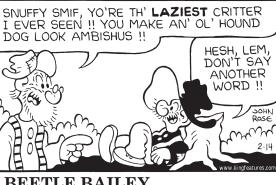
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Feb. 14, the 45th day of 2011. There are 320 days left in the year. This is Valentine's Day.

Today's Highlight History: On Feb. 14, 1961, the radioac-

tive element lawrencium was first synthesized at the University of California, Berkeley.

On this date: In 1778, the American ship

Ranger carried the recently adopted Stars and Stripes to a foreign port for the first time as it arrived in France. In 1859, Oregon was admitted to the Union as the 33rd state.

In 1895, Oscar Wilde's final play, "The Importance of Being Earnest," opened at the St. James's Theatre in London. In 1903, the Department of

Commerce and Labor was established. (It was divided into separate departments of

Commerce and Labor in 1913.) In 1912, Arizona became the 48th state of the Union

In 1920, the League of Women Voters was founded in Chicago; its first president was Maud Wood Park. In 1929, the "St. Valentine's

of Al Capone's gang were gunned down. In 1941, "Reflections in a Golden Eye" by Carson

Day Massacre" took place in a

Chicago garage as seven rivals

McCullers was first published. In 1979, Adolph Dubs, the U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, was kidnapped in Kabul by Muslim extremists and killed

in a shootout between his

abductors and police.

In 1989, Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini called on Muslims to kill Salman Rushdie, author of "The Satanic Verses," a novel condemned as blasphemous.

Today's Birthdays: TV personality Hugh Downs is 90. Florence Actress-singer Henderson is 77. Actor Andrew Prine is 75. Country singer Razzy Bailey is 72. New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg is 69. Jazz musician Maceo Parker is 68. Movie director Alan Parker is 67. Journalist Carl Bernstein is 67. Former Sen. Judd Gregg (R-N.H.) is 64. TV personality Pat O'Brien is 63. Magician Teller (Penn and

Teller) is 63. Cajun singermusician Michael Doucet (doo-SAY') (Beausoleil) is 60. Actor Ken Wahl is 54. Opera singer Renee Fleming is 52. Actress Meg Tilly is 51. Pro Football Hall of Famer Jim Kelly is 51. Singer-producer Dwayne Wiggins is 50. Actor Enrico Colantoni is 48. Actor Zach Galligan is 47. Actor Valente Rodriguez is 47. Rock musician Ricky Wolking (The Nixons) is 45. Tennis player Manuela Maleeva is 44. Actor Simon Pegg is 41. Rock musician Kevin Baldes (Lit) is 39. Rock singer Rob Thomas (Matchbox Twenty) is 39. Actor Matt Barr is 27. Actress Tiffany Thornton is 25. Actor Freddie Highmore

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Newsday Crossword

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- **16** Money in Spain
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- puckering
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- bulletin board
- 25 Anger
- 30 Tofu bean
- **34** Spin stories

 - men
- 48 Child's plea
- 52 Flowing back
- distance, often

- 9 Air-rifle pellets

- 22 It's "split" for
- soup
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- deposits
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- 23 Placed on a
- residue
- mattress
- 39 Bro's sibling
- **50** Speedometer
- 51 Potato bud
- 58 Unpleasant

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- 28 Fireplace
- **31** Frame for a
 - about
- 41 Superior or Erie
- 45 Pet feline
- 56 Lubricate
- 59 Lose one's heart
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VALENTINE'S DAY by Billie Truitt

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 - 37 Gala event 40 Addition total
- 10 Small stream 43 Mom's mate 11 Pan-fry
- **44** Cold symptom 13 Trouser edge 46 Goes bad
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TEXAS

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1 come Monday.

They hope not.

"We don't want No. 1," sophomore forward Jordan Hamilton said.

That's understandable considering what happened last season: Texas started 17-0 and reached No. 1 for the first time in school history before a quick losing skid left them unranked in a matter of weeks.

Thompson wasn't around then, but doesn't want anything to bring back reminders of what happened.

"I don't want to be No. 1," he said. "Enjoy No. 3 and keep climbing that mountain."

Baylor pushed Texas harder than anyone else in the Big 12 so far.

Dunn scored 22 points in the second half as the Bears cut an 18-point deficit to three in the final 2 minutes. Texas led 65-60 when Dunn's 3-pointer rattled in and out with about 25 seconds left. Texas' Gary Johnson made two free throws to put the game awav.

Texas (22-3, 10-0) could have settled the game much earlier, but went 22 of 37 from the free throw line.

"I liked the fight," Baylor coach Scott Drew. "You play a game like this and walk away a better team."

Texas was in complete control after a blistering first half, then looked helpless to stop Dunn in the second as he seemed to score at will.

"He heated up for them and kept them in the game," Thompson said.

Baylor (16-8, 6-5) has more size than Texas has seen this season with three starters at least 6-foot-10. and the Bears tried to use that bulk to match Texas' physical style of play. The game featured several early dunks as Thompson and Baylor's Perry Jones III, two of the top freshmen in the Big 12, were locked in a battle under the basket. Jones had 13 points and six rebounds.

Texas looked unstoppable in the first half. The Bears got in early foul trouble and the Longhorns shot 61 percent over the first 15 minutes, slicing up Baylor's zone defense by shooting over it or driving through it with ease. Hamilton had 12 points in the

first half and his baseline dunk for a three-point play put Texas ahead 34-15. Texas led 38-22 at halftime and opened the second with Thompson's dunk on an alley-oop pass from Dogus Balbay. But Thompson was whistled for a

technical foul for hanging on the rim. Dunn made one of two free throws to start a 7-0 Baylor run — including another dunk by Jones. The Bears had clearly found their

rhythm and cut Texas' lead to 44-36 when Dunn hit a tough shot over Balbay and converted a three-point

"I think we came out with an edge," Dunn said.

OSU

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to push the Buckeyes' lead to 47-32 with 13:21 left, setting the stage for the comeback.

"We got a good, old piece of humble pie, so we're back hungry," Sullinger said. "This team wants to get back and practice tonight unfortunately, we can't due to NCAA rules." Mike Bruesewitz and

Leuer scored 12 points apiece, while freshman Josh Gasser added 11 for Wisconsin, which won its 17th straight at the Kohl Center and improved to 150-11 at home under Ryan. Sullinger scored 19

points and had 12 rebounds, for the Buckeyes, whom coach Thad Matta said has bigger objectives ahead than an unbeaten season. "The goal for this bas-

ketball team when we set out was not to go undefeated," Matta said. "We'll see our character of how we recover when we come back into practice."

Wisconsin was sharp from beyond the arc, hitting 12 of 24 3-pointers to key the upset, but it sure didn't look like the Badgers would be close after falling behind big.

Taylor sparked the first big run, hitting a floater and two deep 3-pointers, then Wisconsin went on another 10-0 run down the stretch to hold on.

"They had to play for that stretch damn near perfect to get us and they did," Matta said. "They deserve the credit for that." After the Badgers' first

spurt, Ohio State took a 55-52 lead on two free throws by Aaron Craft with 7:11 left. Bruesewitz tied it with

a 3 and when Sullinger tried to crash the offensive glass, he tripped and left Keaton Nankivil open on the other end for a jumper. Taylor then made a 3 from the left side and added two free throws to give Wisconsin a 62-55 lead with 4:18 to play.

Diebler Jon Sullinger each hit two

free throws cutting it to 65-63 with 58 seconds left in a last-gasp run. But Bruesewitz hesitated at the top of the arc trying to find Leuer or Taylor, and took an open 3 instead, hitting it to make it 68-63.

"I shot faked, and then I was thinking about kicking it to Jon because Jon was open, but they jumped to him and I was like, 'Oh, I guess I'm going to shoot this and knock this down," Bruesewitz said.

Craft then lost the ball out of bounds, and the crowd began pouring down to the lower level for the celebration to come moments later. Leuer was hoisted by the crowd and pumped his arms for more noise in the middle of the mad-

ness. Buckeyes, who The black "3407" wore patches on the twoyear anniversary of the crash of Continental Connection Flight 3407 that killed everyone on board maintained their composure in the noisy environment over the opening minutes.

MAVS

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large contingent of Dallas fans in the crowd.

Houston missed 16 of its first 20 shots after halftime and trailed 83-67 after three quarters. Stojakovic went 3 for 4 from 3-point range in the quarter, and the Mavs hit 10 of 17 shots overall.

The Rockets closed the gap in the fourth, as the Mavs started missing shots and giving away turnovers. Houston also started hitting 3-pointers, and finished 6 for 14 in the final quarter alone.

"Didn't finish the way we wanted to, and made it a lot closer than we needed to," Nowitzki said.

Aaron Brooks, who missed his first eight shots, and Shane Battier sank 3-pointers and the Rockets cut the Mavs' lead to 10. Dallas pushed the lead back into double digits, before the Rockets rallied

Battier swished a 3-pointer from the corner, and Brooks flipped a behind-the-back pass to Jordan Hill for a layup that made it 95-90 with 3 minutes left. Lowry scored inside with 2:18 remaining to cut the gap to three.

Nowitzki hit a wing jumper with 1:57 left and then Jason Terry chased down a loose ball and found Kidd for an easy layup to put Dallas up 99-92.

The Rockets missed their next three shots from 3-point range, and the Mavericks finished it off at the free-throw line.

Houston has lost five of eight.

"I don't care how many games we have left, or what our record is," coach Rick Adelman said. "You've got to try to continue to succeed and get better as an individual, and as a team, and that's what we have to do."

Stojakovic swished his first 3 in front of the Dallas bench with 44 seconds left in the half to break the tie with Ellis (1,719) for fourth all-time. The Mavs stood and cheered when the shot went down, apparently aware of its significance.

Dallas shot 61 percent (25 of 41) in the first half and led 57-44 at the break. Houston went 1 for 8 from 3-point range in the opening half.

Notes: The Mavs have scored 100 points in 10 of their last 11 games. Dallas is 27-2 when it reaches 100 points this season. ... Dallas has hit a 3-pointer in an NBA-record 992 consecutive games. ... Martin was held under 20 points for the first time in six games. He went 0 for 4 from 3-point range, snapping a streak of 12 consecutive games with at least two 3-pointers.

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WOODS

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ers after he aggravated it on No. 8. He could be seen several times holding it as if he were in pain. "It was incredible for you guys, out-

side but for me it was a difficult situation," Quiros said of his fifth European Tour victory. "The beginning of the day was perfect, but after the eighth hole I was shaken."

The hole-in-one restored his confidence.

"It was the perfect shot. Once a year, it happens," he said. "It was a big point in the round. After the 10th hole, I was second or third with some of the other guys and then after the hole-in-one I was the leader."

The 70th-ranked Hansen, who had

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his best finish since taking second at last year's Singapore Open, was left to rue his missed chances.

"Obviously, a little disappointed," he said. "I gave myself a chance after leading and got myself out of it early but brought myself back in it. Thought I played nicely but Alvaro played great."

Woods was not alone among the big names on the star-studded leaderboard to falter down the stretch.

Garcia, who lost the lead Saturday after two bogeys and a double bogey, had similar problems Sunday. He briefly tied for the lead after a birdie on the opening hole, but fell back with a bogey on the fifth and ended his chances on the ninth with a triple bogey after his ball ended up in the water. The Spaniard shot a 75 to finish with Woods among the group of eight tied for 20th.

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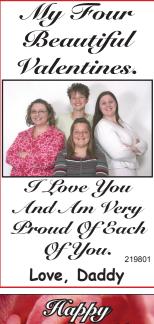
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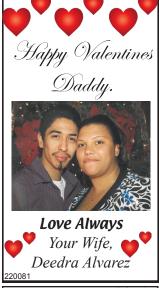




















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