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## Fireworks show 'pops' at city park

By **AMANDA MORENO**  
 Staff Writer

Pops in the Park went off with a bang this year. Despite the dry conditions, Crossroads residents were able to enjoy a safe fireworks display Sunday evening in Comanche Trail Park. "Everything was well thought out, well planned and well executed," Howard County Volunteer Fire Department Chief Tommy Sullivan, said. "We knew we could take care of it." Pops began with a performance by the Fab4 Beatles tribute band and was followed by a presentation of the colors ceremony and music from the Big Spring Symphony. "Most towns don't have anything

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Howard County celebrated all weekend and into Monday, Independence Day. Counterclockwise, from top left, two young girls have fun at Pops in the Park Sunday evening; decked out in flags and balloons, Maddy Haddad takes part in the annual Highland Parade; the Funtastic Fourth Festival in downtown Big Spring featured live music and more than 100 vendors; Scouts "bring in the flags" at Comanche Trail Park Ampitheater; and fireworks light the night sky above the park.

Area veterans gathered outside the West Texas VA Medical Center Monday for an hour-long demonstration. Veterans were expressing their concerns of what they termed as decreased services and the "closure" of the facility from the inside out.  
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# Obituaries

## Milton 'Dean' Wood



Milton "Dean" Wood, 56, of Coahoma, died Sunday, July 3, 2011, at his residence. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 6, 2011, at the Coahoma Cemetery with the Revs. Wes Massey and Elwin Collom officiating.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 5, 2011, at the funeral home.

He was born Feb. 21, 1955, in Big Spring, Texas. Dean graduated from Coahoma High School and had worked as a correctional officer for more than 20 years. He loved Harley-Davidson motorcycles, pigeons, dogs and New York Yankee baseball. He was passionate about his two grandchildren.

He was a member of First Baptist Church in Coahoma.

Survivors include one daughter, Suzanna Wells and husband, Jarod of Coahoma; one sister, Nancy Doss and husband, Joe of Amarillo; two brothers, Lathan Wood of Fort Worth and Norman Wood and wife, Mary of Houston; two grandchildren, Landon Wells and Hannah Wells, both of Coahoma; a favorite nephew, Justin Doss of Amarillo; his mother, Velma Ruthe Wood of Coahoma; other nieces and nephews, Keith Wood, Kristie Wood Lugo and daughter, Trinity, and Karrie Wood, all of Houston; and numerous aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his father, Roney Wood.

The family suggests memorials be made to Big Spring Humane Society, P. O. Box 823, Big Spring, Texas 79721-0823.

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

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## Al Clanton

Al Clanton, 86, of Big Spring died Saturday, July 2, 2011, at Hospice House in Odessa. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

## James Galloway

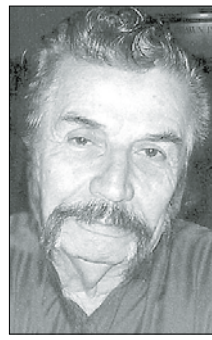


James Galloway, 46, of Big Spring, passed away Saturday, July 2, 2011, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Chaplain Dean Thomas officiating.

He was born Nov. 3, 1964, in San Angelo to Helen and James Galloway. He lived most of his adult life in Houston, moving to Big Spring in 2006. He owned several businesses including novelty shops.

He is survived by his mother, Helen Galloway

## Felipe Ramirez



Felipe Ramirez, 83, of Dallas, formerly of Big Spring, died Friday, July 1, 2011, in a Dallas hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Wednesday, July 6, 2011, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

A Prayer Vigil will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 5, 2011, in Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Felipe was born Oct. 26, 1927, in Del Rio, Texas. He was a dedicated custom boot craftsman who worked six days a week at his craft. He was still making boots up until the week he passed away at age 83.

## Lois Rhoton



Lois Rhoton, 84, of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 29, 2011, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Graveside Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 7, 2011, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Derrick Looney officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She was born Oct. 2, 1926, in Howard County to Callie and Alton Smith. She married Cromwell Rhoton, Jr. on Feb. 15, 1944. They farmed and ranched in Luther Community. They were also Howard County Election Judges. She was a volunteer for 4-H, teaching sewing and cooking and working with stock shows.

She is survived by her husband, Cromwell Rhoton of Luther; one son, Brent Rhoton and his wife,

of Big Spring; one brother, Jason Galloway of Big Spring; one niece, Brittany Galloway English and her husband Robert of College Station; three nephews, Josey Galloway, George Galloway, and Clayton Galloway, all of Moran; and two great nephews, Landon English and Aiden English, both of College Station.

He was preceded in death by his father on July 14, 2004.

The family suggests memorials to Relay for Life, attn: Sandy Griffin, 1217 E. 17th St., Big Spring, TX 79720

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Survivors include three sons, Roman Ramirez of League City, Texas, Felipe R. Ramirez of Dallas, and Fabian R. Ramirez of Dallas; seven daughters, Paula Perez of Big Spring, Elizabeth Florez of Big Spring, Christina Ramirez of Saginaw, Belinda R. Ramirez of Dallas, Michele R. Ramirez of Dallas, Sandra R. Ramirez of Crandall, and Francis R. Ramirez of Dallas; 24 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; two sisters, Teodora Ramirez and Guadalupe Gonzalez, both of Big Spring; and his caregiver, Margie Rodriguez of Dallas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Felipe and Teodora (Tellez) Ramirez; one son, Felipe Ramirez III; three brothers, Joe, Camilo, and Octaviano Ramirez; and one sister, Frances Carrillo.

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Jody, of Sherman; two grandchildren; one great-grandson; one brother, G. B. Smith and his wife, Patsy, of Big Spring; one niece; and a number of cousins.

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# Police blotter

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

- **JOE DAVID FLORES JR.**, 40, of Lubbock, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **BRANDON SOLIZ**, 17, of 2519 Albrook, was arrested Monday on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- **JOE THOMAS RODRIQUEZ**, 45, of 501 N.E. Ninth St., was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **STEVEN DWANE SMITH**, 51, of Lubbock, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **BRANDI NICOLE RIGDON**, 20, of 1416 Stadium, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- **SALLY ANN GOMEZ**, 34, of 1005 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ERNEST WILLIAM CLARK**, 71, transient, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported: In the area of First Street and Main. In the 900 block of W. Fourth Street. In the 100 block of E. 15<sup>th</sup> Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 2600 block of S. Gregg Street.
- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.

# Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 68 inmates at the time of this report.






- **RICHARD D. LOFTIN**, 34, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for running a stop sign and violation of a promise to appear.
- **BOBBY LYNN DYKES JR.**, 30, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of modified conditions of community supervision.
- **ANGELITA GAVIA SOLIS**, 32, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- **VALENTIN ESPARZA MONTOYA**, 26, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on a judgment/sentence for burglary of a building.
- **JERROD LEE HESSON**, 28, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated.
- **SCOTT HUNTER MANLY**, 61, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ERNEST WILLIAM CLARK**, 71, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.
- **LARRY GUTIERREZ**, 37, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a municipal warrant for driving while license invalid.
- **JUNIOR JONES**, 24, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of driving while license invalid, violation of a promise to appear, driving while license invalid — suspended (surcharges due — no insurance).
- **MARTY EVANS**, 21, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana — two ounces or less, public intoxication and urinating in public.
- **VIDAL GALINDO JR.**, 26, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of accident involving damage to a vehicle.
- **ROBERT DALE HOWLAND**, 40, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of assault causing bodily injury to a family member.
- **SALVADOR GUTIERREZ PEREZ**, 40, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a

charge of public intoxication.

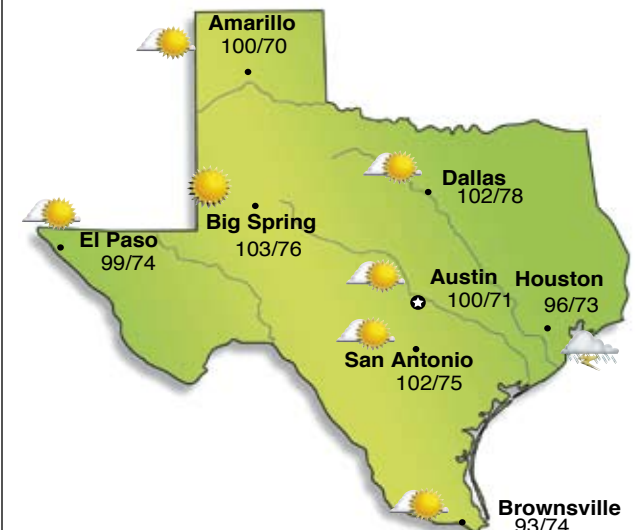
- **KENNETH ALAN POTTER**, 42, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of assault — family violence.
- **ROY MARVIN COLLIER**, 36, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **MAY DOROTHY SMITH**, 48, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a municipal warrant for no insurance.
- **ANTONIO TORRES MARTINEZ**, 51, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated (open container) — third or more offense.
- **DAMIEN RAY DANIELS**, 24, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana — two ounces or less.
- **CHAD DANIEL DEAX**, 37, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JESSICA LYNN DELBOSQUEZ**, 30, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a Midland County warrant for motion to revoke probation for theft.
- **WOODY DALE HARRELL**, 28, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a Andrews County warrant for motion to adjudicate guilt for deadly conduct — discharge of a firearm.
- **ANDREW AGUIRRE SR.**, 60, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ANDREW ALCANTAR AGUIRRE JR.**, 39, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **TAMMY LOCKHART COKER**, 34, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication and a municipal warrant for no seat belt — passenger.
- **JESUS FLORES**, 33, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana — two ounces or less.
- **ESPERANZA GARZA**, 41, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- **SALLY ANN GOMEZ**, 34, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CASEY WAYNE REID**, 28, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on charges of disorderly conduct — language and public intoxication.
- **CASEY CHANCE HARRISON**, 42, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of expired driver's license.
- **CRYSTAL CLEAR HILARIO**, 28, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of a dangerous drug.
- **ERNEST WILLIAM CLARK**, 71, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **SCOTT HUNTER MANLY**, 61, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JUAN GABRIEL MORAN**, 37, was arrested Monday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated — open container.
- **CODY CRAIG FLARITY**, 24, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the TPWD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JAMES CANTU**, 41, was arrested Monday by DPS on charges of failure to identify — giving false information, driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended.
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# Today's Weather

## Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 7/6	Thu 7/7	Fri 7/8	Sat 7/9	Sun 7/10
 <b>103/76</b> Sunny skies. Near record high temperatures. High 103F.	 <b>105/78</b> Sunny. Highs 103 to 107F and lows in the upper 70s.	 <b>103/78</b> Mostly sunny. Highs 101 to 105F and lows in the upper 70s.	 <b>102/76</b> Plenty of sun. Highs 100 to 104F and lows in the mid 70s.	 <b>102/76</b> A few clouds. Highs 100 to 104F and lows in the mid 70s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:45 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:56 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:46 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:56 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:46 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:56 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:47 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:56 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:47 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:55 PM

# Texas At A Glance



## Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	104	78	sunny	Kingsville	97	71	mst sunny
Amarillo	100	70	mst sunny	Livingston	98	71	t-storm
Austin	100	71	mst sunny	Longview	99	76	pt sunny
Beaumont	93	74	t-storm	Lubbock	102	73	sunny
Brownsville	93	74	mst sunny	Lufkin	97	72	t-storm
Brownwood	105	75	mst sunny	Midland	102	77	sunny
Corpus Christi	95	73	mst sunny	Raymondville	95	73	mst sunny
Corsicana	100	76	mst sunny	Rosenberg	96	72	t-storm
Dallas	102	78	mst sunny	San Antonio	102	75	mst sunny
Del Rio	101	77	mst sunny	San Marcos	100	72	mst sunny
El Paso	99	74	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	101	77	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	100	74	sunny	Sweetwater	104	76	sunny
Gainesville	102	75	mst sunny	Tyler	99	75	pt sunny
Greenville	100	75	mst sunny	Weatherford	103	75	mst sunny
Houston	96	73	t-storm	Wichita Falls	108	78	mst sunny

## National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	92	70	t-storm	Minneapolis	85	65	sunny
Boston	89	67	mst sunny	New York	90	73	mst sunny
Chicago	83	62	pt sunny	Phoenix	103	84	pt sunny
Dallas	102	78	mst sunny	San Francisco	71	56	pt sunny
Denver	81	60	t-storm	Seattle	80	58	sunny
Houston	96	73	t-storm	St. Louis	89	73	pt sunny
Los Angeles	80	65	pt sunny	Washington, DC	91	75	t-storm
Miami	85	77	t-storm				

## Moon Phases



## UV Index

Wed 7/6	Thu 7/7	Fri 7/8	Sat 7/9	Sun 7/10
<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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# POPS

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like this," said Ron Moulton, a Fab4 member playing Paul McCartney.

During the flag ceremony, attendees were witness to a four-plane fly over from the Commemorative Air Force Museum. The fly over included the missing man formation.

"The turnout was really good and the work the firefighters did to prepare was excellent," said Debbye ValVerde, executive director of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. "This is something we can

give back to the community and we hope everyone enjoyed it."

Despite the controversy leading up to the fireworks presentation — some residents were understandably concerned since the area hasn't received significant rainfall since last September — this year's fireworks went off with out any major problems. According to Sullivan, the firefighters didn't encounter anything different this year than in previous years.

"This year went extraordinarily well. We were expecting some small fires, as we always do," Sullivan said. "We had a few small fires, but

none that were a danger to the people."

The fireworks display lasted about 45 minutes. "This year went amazingly well. Even with the dry conditions everything went well," said Jan Hansen, Pops in the Park chairperson. "This was a hard year, especially the few weeks leading up to Pops, but we are thankful we could have it. We owe a large thank you to the firefighters for their help and cooperation."

As always, Pops in the

Park is a free event for Crossroads residents, but nonetheless it's only made possible through the generous contributions from area residents and local sponsors. The Pops in the Park committee will continue to accept donations for next year's display.

For those wanting to donate, contributions can be mailed to P.O. Box 1391, Big Spring.

"The fireworks display here is light years ahead of ours. The amphithe-

ater is a jewel and I hope Big Spring residents appreciate what they have here," Moulton said. "The display and Big Spring are fabulous."

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# Why are the kids coming home

The age of "residential adolescence" is upon us, apparently. Nearly 45 percent of adults ages 20 to 24 now live at home with their parents. That's 1.7 million more than in 2005.

Nicholas Retsinas, a real estate expert at Harvard Business School, blames the trend in part on tough times. Jobs are hard to come by, and lenders have become super-strict about writing mortgages. Economics no doubt play a part.

But this return to the nest didn't start with the 2008 economic meltdown. Many children were already moving back home because — pardon the bluntness — they are slackers, and their parents are doormats.

The phenomenon was central to the 2006 movie "Failure to Launch," about a 35-year-old still living with his suburban parents and whose best friends were living with theirs. In scenes meant to be funny, the mother serves him a pancake-and-sausage breakfast and vacuums the crushed chips from his bedroom rug. The parents eventually trick him into leaving, then apologize(!) when he discovers their ruse.

Retsinas sees a change in the traditional adolescent yearning to "escape from parental rules, schedules and oversight." I see children returning to homes

where there is none of the above. If anything, they're freer, since any money earned can be spent on fun things, not food, shelter and cable TV.

One mother I know hires someone to mow the grass, as her 25-year-old son and girlfriend hang out in his (now their) room. They ditched their apartment last summer, arguing that they needed a few rent-free months to save for their own place. Almost a year has passed, they're still there — and they're working almost not at all.

I appreciate that young people have lost jobs and take on household duties when they move home.

Some contribute rent. Some have returned to school. And some are even supporting unemployed parents.

But I've seen too many cases of children simply living off hard-working parents. A divorced manicurist told me that her at-home daughter had dropped out of college a few years ago. I asked her what the 26-year-old was doing. "Nothing," she responded, somewhat embarrassed.

But what about the freedoms of having one's own pad as immortalized in such TV shows as "Friends" and "Sex in the City"? In my observation, most "unlaunched" 20-somethings pretty much do as they please. Parents who didn't ask their high-schooler where she was at 2 a.m. are not about to confront their 24-year-old.

Some bring home lovers for the night. There was a time when unmarried sex partners, even if

acknowledged, could not share a bedroom in the parental home. It is now no longer rare to see middle-class parents taking in their unmarried daughter, her baby and the boyfriend.

Why do parents do this? For starters, they may never have established an identity apart from being parents. Perhaps their homes had already become motels, with each teen having had his or her own room with cable, high-speed Internet and a parking space. (All that was missing was a minibar.) Perhaps they lack the guts to say "go."

A reviving economy will surely change some of these dynamics, as children genuinely stuck at home find the resources to leave. Some parents may finally get fed up. But many adult children will conclude that living for nothing with full Mommy services and adult freedoms is too sweet a deal to end.

As for the parents, what can you say about people who do their grownup child's laundry? If they truly want their kid to leave, they should insist that he do their laundry, while noting that real-estate prices have rarely been lower.

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# What if Obama had said this

What if — instead of blaming Republicans, big oil, the "wealthy" and corporate jets — President Obama had used his recent news conference to say the following?

"Look, I've tried my solutions, and they've had ample time to work. If they were going to work, they would have done so by now. So I'm going to ask my party to join with Republicans in focusing on the national debt instead of ginning up envy, jealousy and animosity among people who earn different amounts of money. I'm going to prove that I share the American people's fear about this debt crisis and that I recognize there will have to be structural reform to entitlements. It may involve some cuts in benefits, but if we don't do this now, eventually everyone will lose his benefits, because Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security are headed for insolvency — and much sooner than we thought.

"Endless government spending, I now see, will not stimulate economic growth. I should have accepted that before based on the historical evidence, but my professors kept insisting that Keynesian pump priming would work if we would just spend enough money. But \$800 billion wasn't enough? Come on, fellas, whom do we think we're fooling here?"

"Accordingly, I'm also going to get real about discretionary spending cuts because trillion-dollar deficits are hardly sustainable. Do the math; you people aren't idiots. In order to close the gap between revenues and expenditures, I also promise to quit demagoguing the tax issue. Though I couldn't see it before, we have a dynamic economy, and I won't be able to raise appreciable revenues by raising tax rates, especially on the highest-income producers and small businesses, which,

incidentally, provide so many jobs for Americans.

"Continuing to malign the wealthy and big oil — as much fun as it is — will simply not generate any revenue. And about these cuts in discretionary spending, I'm talking about non-defense spending. While my philosophy inclines me to drastically cut defense spending, I must admit that I'm enjoying the luxury of deploying our military assets in various places around the world, even where the United States has no discernible national interest. All this takes money, as did killing bin Laden, which, as you may recall, I did — virtually single-handedly.

"Moreover, though I promised that the Affordable Care Act would bend the health care cost curve down, I can now see, based on recent scorings by the Congressional Budget Office and other things that have occurred since we crammed the bill through Congress against the will of the American people (e.g., 1,400 waivers), that my bill will in fact increase costs.

I don't deny that I'd prefer to keep this flagrantly unconstitutional bill in place because my ideology teaches that government is better-equipped to micromanage health care decisions than are millions of American consumers in a free market who have no earthly idea how to come together on reducing health care costs, let alone choose their medical treatment. But for now, I'll agree to shelve this boondoggle and forgo other recreational federal spending until we make some progress on reducing the debt.

"Speaking of recreational spending, I'll also have to temporarily back off my demand for high-speed rail, even though I enjoy dictating to the states as much as I do to the American people.

"Alas, the most difficult lark to abandon will be my various quixotic renewable energy ruses. If I'm going to be serious about changing course, I'm going to have to get my boot off the neck of domestic oil

producers. With the other boot on BP, it's difficult to maintain my balance. This bold action is likely to depress the demand for mopeds — and perhaps even spoil Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood's scheme to get us out of our gas guzzlers and onto bike paths — but shared sacrifice means czars have to take it in the shorts, too.

"I'm sorry for blaming George W. Bush for everything. My goodness, I've been in charge of the executive branch for almost three years, so it's probably high time I acknowledged ownership of this economy. Not only that, but despite what I've been saying since I took office, I did help create this mess. My party was instrumental in pushing affordable housing on everyone, which was the biggest culprit in our financial meltdown. I was in the Senate for much of this time, and I went along with Barney Frank and others in obstructing remedial action proposed by President Bush.

"But what's done is done. There is a way out of this mess. It is to quit expanding the federal government and smothering the private sector and to implement comprehensive reforms substantially equivalent to Rep. Paul Ryan's road map to prosperity. I'm asking you to join with me in supporting Ryan's plan and getting America back on the road to economic recovery and a sound fiscal condition. Thank you."

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

When we put our trust in You, Lord, we carefully weigh all our options for success.

Amen



# The machine shop gets a lodger

His early morning ritual of opening the huge doors of the machine shop preceded the sun's announcement of another day. Seventy-nine degrees and a gentle breeze wouldn't last long. Anticipating another scorching afternoon, he decided to check his inventory before the pipe yard became a sweltering test of endurance. Only an occasional bird's awakening song broke the silence as his footsteps crunched on the caliche and gravel base.



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Interrupted in his count by an employee, he entered the cavernous structure that could accommodate the designs of numerous, industrial businesses. The familiar aromas of lubricants and machinery were a part of his

daily routine. After answering several phone calls and determined to finish outside, he left the building again. In a corner of the yard, tiers of pipe resembled the shape of ancient pyramids. Since portions were scheduled for use the following day, he wanted to "double-check" and be sure his company would complete a job on time. The last stack was the tallest. Out of the corner of his eye, as he entered the final number on his clipboard, he detected movement inside a pipe. Slowly kneeling, then turning his head toward the opening, he met two large yellow eyes staring back at him.

Accustomed to finding rattlesnakes, field rats, and mice in the pipes on or near the ground, he had never imagined he would be face to face with what appeared to be an owl.

Paging several employees, he asked for their help. Having told them to approach slowly and quietly, he

waited for them to cross the yard.

"Look in every pipe, but watch for snakes," he warned. On hands and knees, the men began their search.

Several minutes later one of the men yelled, "There's another one!" It had been found two rows beneath where the first one had been discovered. Unsure of whether the owls would leave during the night, and knowing their temporary roost would be disturbed during the day, the man decided they would move the owls to a safer environment.

Since the stack of pipes was about three feet from the property's chain-link fence, two employees would stand at that end and be prepared to capture each owl. From the opposite end, workers would have inserted a smaller pipe the length of the larger one in order to nudge each bird in the right direction.

After the man finished telling me about his ordeal with the burrowing owls, he added

there were no rabbit holes or prairie-dog burrows nearby. He guessed the young raptors had simply chosen to roost safely in the pipe for a while.

Although he thought they had flown over his fence topped with razor wire,

I wasn't so sure. Not having seen the youngsters or their flight abilities, I wondered if they had managed to walk into the yard. Gaps in gates, whether underneath or in the middle, had afforded entry into many areas we'd never considered.

His description of their coloration and markings indicated they were fledglings. Resembling their parents in stature, they lacked the distinct markings of adults. Over time they would acquire the brown mantle spotted with white. Bold white eyebrows and upper throats would accent their colorful eyes. Their buffy under parts would become distinctly barred with brown.

Since the wildlife cen-



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**Weighing a mere six ounces, the burrowing owl has a two-foot wingspan. Long legged, with a stubby tail, the small raptor dines on insects and rodents. It is the only small owl that may be seen on the ground in an open area, during daylight.**

ter in Lubbock had several resident burrowing owls, the errant two-some were welcomed and adapted readily to the company of other owls. Tearing mice and eating on their own, they graduated to a mew where they could exercise and strengthen flight abilities. Catch-

ing and killing live food, they were soon ready for placement in a developing colony of burrowing owls.

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# There's more to communication than talking

I have heard it said your actions speak so loud I cannot hear what you are saying. Others have said, "The words you say will teach if you practice what you preach!" We must always remember communication is not only about what we say. It is said only 10 percent of communication is through words and the rest is



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through things like the tone of your voice, facial expressions, posture, gestures, actions, etc.

What nonverbal communication is coming through from us? Are we authentic when we speak? If we say we feel great, but we speak in a monotone with no excitement in our voice and there are dark circles under our eyes, the person will probably think we are not feeling great and we need more sleep.

How do we shake hands? If we have a "weak" handshake it is assumed we are lacking in confidence.

Do we drive people nuts with annoying habits like gum chewing or fooling with our hair?

Do we stand tall or do we slouch?

Do we have eye contact with people?

Do we walk and talk with authority or do we apologize and speak softly?

Are our clothes neat and clean or looking like we wore them to bed the night before? We don't have to spend a fortune on our wardrobe, but neat and clean does help determine other's opinion of us and whether they want to listen to us.

There is a quote that's good to remember:

"People aren't going to remember what we say; but they will remember how we made them feel."

With only 10 percent of communication coming from what we say, we need to be thinking about what nonverbal clues we are leaving.

When people talk to us they want to be heard. When listening to people are we thinking about what we are going to say next or do we really listen and then formulate our comments?

Are we able to empathize with others? Can

we can stand in their shoes to see where they are coming from? Do we interrupt or finish their sentences? Do we lift people up or drag them down?

These things are important to think about as we deal with others.

It's also important when communicating with our children, do we really listen? How do we make our children feel or our friends or our employees?

We must remember communication is a lot more than just words. Therefore, if only 10 percent of our communication is represented by what we say, how

is the other 90 percent represented?

Some research shows 30 percent is represented by our sounds; and 60 percent is represented by our body language. In other words, how we say things plays an extremely critical role, and how we say things is much more important than the words we use.

In the words of Mahatma Gandhi, "What we do in the future depends on what we do in the present."

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## Hot dog eating champ downs 20K calories

NEW YORK (AP) — Hot dog eating champion Joey Chestnut estimates he eats about 20,000 calories in one shot at food competitions, but he says his doctor doesn't mind.

"In the long run I'm really not consuming that many more calories than most people," the four-time Nathan's Famous International Hot Dog Eating Contest champion said Friday at an appearance ahead of the yearly Fourth of July eat-off. "I run. I really try to stay healthy. I

count my calories rigorously when I'm not doing the contests."

The San Jose, Calif., resident said that at 27, he's young enough to get away with his competitive binging for a few more years. His doctor checks his blood work and has told him not to worry as long as he gives himself time to recover, doesn't gain weight and doesn't develop diabetes, Chestnut said.

Chestnut is 6'1" and weighs 218 pounds. A physically active man of his age, weight and

height should be eating 3,200 calories a day to maintain his weight, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

In 2009, the contest's reigning champion set a world record when he ate 68 hot dogs and buns in 10 minutes.

On Friday, Chestnut gathered near New York's City Hall with other eaters including the presumed female front-runner, 105-pound Sonya "The Black Widow" Thomas.

Last year's competi-

tion was overshadowed by the arrest of previous six-time champion Takeru Kobayashi, who jumped on the stage after Chestnut's victory. The 33-year-old from Japan has refused to sign a contract with Major League Eating and so was barred from competing.

This year, Kobayashi will hold his own unofficial event miles away on a Manhattan rooftop. He'll watch the Nathan's contest on TV and try to out-eat all the competitors.

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## News in brief

### AP Enterprise: Bin Laden's quiet nemesis, CIA analyst hunted the terrorist for nearly a decade

WASHINGTON (AP) — After Navy SEALs killed Osama bin Laden, the White House released a photo of President Barack Obama and his Cabinet inside the Situation Room, watching the daring raid unfold.

Hidden from view, standing just outside the frame of that now-famous photograph was a career CIA analyst. In the hunt for the world's most-wanted terrorist, there may have been no one more important. His job for nearly a decade was finding the al-Qaida leader.

The analyst was the first to put in writing last summer that the CIA might have a legitimate lead on finding bin Laden. He oversaw the collection of clues that led the agency to a fortified compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan. His was among the most confident voices telling Obama that bin Laden was probably behind those walls.

The CIA will not permit him to speak with reporters. But interviews with former and current U.S. intelligence officials reveal a story of quiet persistence and continuity that led to the greatest counterterrorism success in the history of the CIA. Nearly all the officials insisted on anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to reporters or because they did not want their names linked to the bin Laden operation.

The Associated Press has agreed to the CIA's request not to publish his full name and withhold certain biographical details so that he would not become a target for retribution.

### GOP using budget, nomination fights to nibble away at

#### Obama's financial overhaul law

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's financial overhaul law is nearly a year old. For congressional Republicans, the fight to weaken it is just starting.

Wary of trying to repeal the entire statute and being portrayed as Wall Street's protectors — banks rank among the country's least popular institutions — GOP lawmakers are trying to nibble away at the behemoth measure. It's a crusade they've waged all year, despite lacking the White House and Senate control they need to prevail.

Days ago, one Republican-run House committee approved bills diluting parts of the law requiring reports on corporate salaries and exempting some investment advisers from registering with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Another House panel voted to slice \$200 million from Obama's \$1.4 billion budget request for the SEC, which has a major enforcement role.

Meanwhile, Senate Republicans are continuing a procedural blockade that has helped prevent Obama from putting Elizabeth Warren or anyone else in charge of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, which opens its doors in two weeks.

The law hurts "the formation of capital, the cost of capital and access to capital, and you can't have capitalism without capital," said Rep. Jeb Hensarling, R-Texas, a leader of the House Financial Services Committee. "So Republicans in the House will be examining each and every one of the 2,000-plus pages" of the law, which he called "a job creator's nightmare."

### Indian health minister calls homosexuality a 'disease' during HIV conference

NEW DELHI (AP) — India's health minister has derided homosexuality as an unnatural "disease" from the West, drawing outrage Tuesday from activists who said the comments set back the country's campaign for gay rights and its fight against HIV.

The comments Monday by Health Minister Ghulam Nabi Azad at a conference on HIV/AIDS in the Indian capital echoed a common refrain in the conservative South Asian nation that homosexuality is a Western import.

"Unfortunately this disease has come to our country too ... where a man has sex with another man, which is completely unnatural and should not happen, but does," Azad said at the conference.

Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, Congress Party leader Sonia Gandhi and a slew of government ministers were also present at the conference. There was no immediate comment from the health ministry.

### Mexican rescuers search Gulf of California for 7 missing U.S. tourists whose boat capsized

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) — Mexican rescuers scoured the Gulf of California for seven missing U.S. tourists whose boat capsized two days ago, saying they were extending the search because the castaways could still be alive in the warm, calm waters.

One American has been confirmed dead in the accident, which came after a flash storm upended the boat before dawn Sunday, spilling dozens of tourists and crew members into the water. The identity of the dead man was not released.

By early Monday, 19 of the tourists and all 16 crew members had been picked up by the navy or other fishing boats after clinging to coolers, rescue rings and life vests for more than 16 hours.

Mexican Navy, army and state officials met late Monday to discuss the search and there were reports they would call off rescue efforts. But instead they announced the search would continue over an extended area.

Mexican navy Capt. Benjamin Pineda Gomez said that with the warm weather and water temperature in the Gulf of California, it's still possible that the missing tourists are alive.

### Mountain snowmelt swells Yellowstone River, complicating Exxon's oil spill cleanup in Montana

LAUREL, Mont. (AP) — The initial cleanup along the oil-fouled Yellowstone River could be tested Tuesday as rising waters make it harder for Exxon Mobil Corp. to get to areas damaged by the crude spilled from a company pipeline.

The National Weather Service predicts the Yellowstone River, swelling with mountain snowmelt amid hot summer temperatures, will peak at Billings on Tuesday afternoon — a day after Exxon Mobil Pipeline Co. President Gary Pruessing promised to do "whatever is necessary" to mop up oil spilled from the duct at the river bottom. That pledge included sending crews to walk the river banks in search of pooled oil once the flooding river recedes.

The 12-inch pipeline burst Friday upstream from a refinery in Billings, where it delivered 40,000 barrels of oil a day. Up to 1,000 barrels, or 42,000 gallons, of crude oil oozed into the legendary Yellowstone before the leak was stopped, according to Exxon Mobil estimates.

After downplaying assertions from state and federal officials that damage from the spill was spread over dozens of miles, Exxon Mobil acknowledged under political pressure Monday that the scope of the leak could extend far beyond a 10-mile stretch of the river. Company officials also said their statements were misconstrued.

### End of an error? Space shuttle's promise of frequent flights, small costs didn't materialize

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The space shuttle was sold to America as cheap, safe and reliable. It was none of those.

It cost \$196 billion over 40 years, ended the lives of 14 astronauts and managed to make less than half the flights promised.

Yet despite all that, there were some big achieve-

ments that weren't promised: major scientific advances, stunning photos of the cosmos, a high-flying vehicle of diplomacy that helped bring Cold War enemies closer, and something to brag about.

Former President George H.W. Bush, who oversaw the early flights, said the shuttle program "authored a truly inspiring chapter in the history of human exploration."

NASA's first space shuttle flight was in April 1981. The 135th and final launch is set for July 8. Once Atlantis lands at the end of a 12-day mission, it and the other two remaining shuttles are officially museum pieces — more expensive than any paintings.

### British PM Cameron shocked by allegations paper hacked murdered schoolgirl's cell phone

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister David Cameron said Tuesday he is shocked by allegations that a British tabloid hacked into the cellphone of a murdered schoolgirl after she went missing.

"If they are true, this is a truly dreadful act and a truly dreadful situation," Cameron said about the latest hacking allegations against the News of the World.

"What I've read in the papers is quite, quite shocking, that someone could do this actually knowing that the police were trying to find this person and trying to find out what happened," he added.

The prime minister spoke while on a brief trip to Afghanistan as the phone hacking scandal in Britain deepened with claims that the tabloid's intrusion into the missing girl's voicemail system may have disrupted the U.K. police investigation.

The case involves charges that the newspaper's representatives broke into the voicemail of 13-year-old Milly Dowler when she was first reported missing in 2002. She was later murdered by a nightclub doorman.

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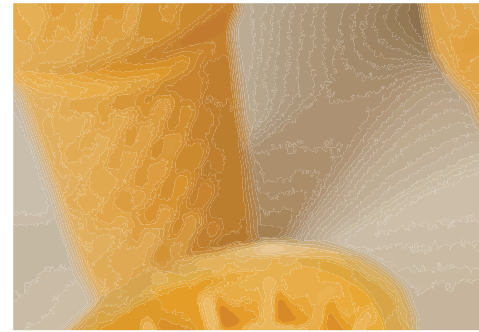
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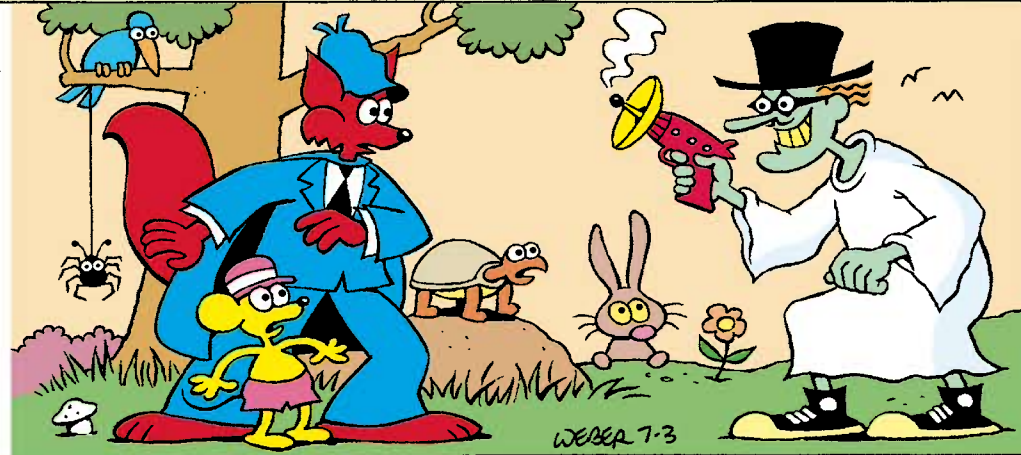
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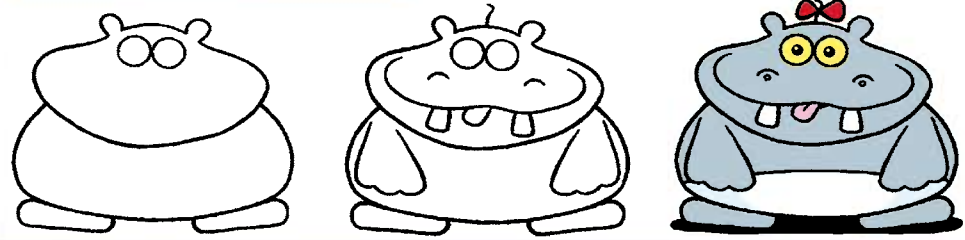
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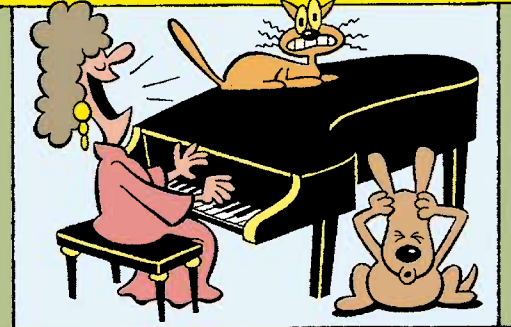


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The red, white and blue was much in evidence in Big Spring during the July 4 weekend. In the top photo, a group of children wait for the start of the annual Highland South July 4 Parade Monday morning; in the bottom photo, a Girl Scout participates in the flag processional during Sunday's Pops in the Park celebration at the Comanche Trail Park amphitheater.

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#### Free junior tennis clinics

Free Junior Tennis Clinics will be held every Monday night from 5:30 to 6:30 at Figure 7. The cost is free and will be conducted by local coaches, players and pros.

Just bring a racquet (some can be provided if needed). Balls and water will be provided. For more information, call Dana Jones at 432-557-3831.

#### Howard County Westexags shootout July 16

A golf tournament with a four-man Sherrill scramble format will be held July 16 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course. The start time will be 8 a.m. The cost is \$75 per person (carts not included). Respond by July 1 to westexags@hotmail.com or by calling 432-263-7969.

There will also be a five-stand and skeet shotgun shoot at 2 p.m. benefiting the scholarship fund. The entry fee for this event will be \$150.

For more information, call Kelly Gaskins at 432-517-1471

#### Volleyball camp July 25-28

BSISD's volleyball camp will be held July 25-28, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The camp is open to students in grades 3-8 for a fee of \$25. T-shirts can also be purchased for \$10. Call 432-264-3662 for information.

# Rangers provide fireworks in win

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Endy Chavez was met at the dugout steps by his excited manager after a long home run that put the Texas Rangers ahead to stay.

Chavez still had another big hit left.

After pulling a pitch down the right-field line for a two-run homer in the second,

Chavez sliced a two-run double into the left-field corner an inning later for his first four-RBI game in more than eight years. The Rangers won 13-4 over the Baltimore Orioles and former manager Buck Showalter on Monday night.

"(Chavez) came up and he's blown everybody away," said

David Murphy, who drove in a pair of runs with three hits.

Chavez, who had been out of the majors for nearly two years before joining the Rangers in mid-May, snapped a 6-for-39 slide with his 383rd homer that broke a 2-all tie and put Texas ahead to stay. His only other four-RBI game came June 10, 2003, while

playing for Montreal at Seattle.

"Chavez, he's going to make contact. He caught a curve ball and got us a big double," manager Ron Washington said. "That's nice when you put extra guys in and they can supply you with some

See **TEXAS**, Page 2B

# Astros still can't hold lead

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pirates fans aren't used to watching relevant baseball in July. They've responded favorably to it.

Rookie Alex Presley had three of the Pirates' 14 hits and Pittsburgh moved three games over .500 this late in the season for the first time in 12 years with a 5-3 win over the Houston Astros on

Monday.

Chase d'Arnaud, Garrett Jones, Neil Walker and Lyle Overbay each had two hits for Pittsburgh, which played in front of its fourth consecutive home sellout crowd — another sign of how rare it is for the Pirates to be in contention.

Paul Maholm (5-9) allowed one earned run in six innings

for the Pirates, who entered the day 1½ games behind Milwaukee and St. Louis the National League Central — the first time they were less than two games from a division lead this late in a season since 1997.

"It's fun, but we need to continue to play well,"

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# Jeter goes hitless in return

CLEVELAND (AP) — On a tradition-filled day, Derek Jeter was back at shortstop and batting leadoff for the New York Yankees.

It doesn't get much more fireworks and hot dogs than that.

Sidelined since June 13 with a calf injury, Jeter was activated from the 15-day disabled list Monday to continue his quest to reach 3,000 career hits. He went 0 for 4, reaching on an error and played error free in the field in the Yankees' 6-3 loss to the Cleveland Indians.

"I felt fine, no problems, no issues," Jeter said. "I was nervous at the beginning, almost like it was opening day again. It was just nerves. Three hits is definitely a long time to be out. I felt better as the game went on."

Manager Joe Girardi didn't hesitate writing Jeter's name at the top of his lineup card.

"It's easy to put him back in there. It's like he never left," Girardi said. "You just put him right back in there."

The Yankees' captain, named to his 12th All-Star team Sunday, needs six more hits to become the 28th major leaguer to reach 3,000. Although he has struggled this season, batting just .260

in 62 games, Jeter is also just a few swings from becoming the first player in New York's storied history to eclipse 3,000 — a distinction that would separate the 37-year-old from all previous pinstriped greats.

Jeter said he hasn't spent a moment dwelling on the milestone, which will only add to a Cooperstown-worthy resume.

Jeter said he and Girardi will discuss how he'll be used in upcoming games.

"I want him to get to 3,000 as soon as he can," Girardi said. "I'm going to manage him more from a physical standpoint than 3,000 hits."

Jeter's absence was felt way beyond the boxscore.

"You miss his leadership and his consistency on a daily basis," Girardi said.

To make room for Jeter, the Yankees optioned outfielder Chris Dickerson to Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. Dickerson will .300 (6 for 20) in 31 games for New York.

As he dressed before the game, Jeter quietly chatted with former major leaguer Bobby Bonilla, who now works for the players' union. Alex Rodriguez walked into the Yankees' clubhouse af-

ter getting a haircut and faked being surprised when he walked up to Jeter, who shared a hug with his teammate.

Jeter was eligible to come off the DL last week, but needed more time to strengthen his calf. The AL East-leading Yankees went 14-4 without him and young shortstop Eduardo Nunez showed he may be the one who one day replaces Jeter. Nunez went 7 for 8 with a homer and three doubles in two weekend games against the Mets.

Jeter said before the game it wasn't disappointing to see the Yankees thrive without him.

"I wish they went 18-0," he said. "We did a great job, especially in interleague play. Hopefully, it will continue."

Jeter signed a three-year, \$51 million contract this winter but he is clearly on the decline. There has been renewed debate about how long the Yankees should wait before moving one of the most popular players in Yankees history out of the top of the lineup. Jeter said he doesn't feel any pressure to perform in the season's second half to silence critics.

### Briefs

#### Football skills lineman camp

Coach Tony Johnson, former TCU line coach, will be hosting a one-day camp for linemen in Big Spring July 16. The camp, which will run from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m., will cost \$55 per player and is open to players 9-18 years old.

For more information, contact Coach Johnson at 913-620-0167.

#### BSHS cheerleader rag ball tournament

Big Spring High School Cheerleaders will be having their ragball tournament at Roy D. Anderson Complex July 8 from 6 p.m. until midnight and July 9 from 8 a.m. until the last game is played.

To register contact Kelli Wash at 213-3206, Brandi Borchardt at 816-2334 or Val Robertson at 213-8315.

Registration deadline will be July 8 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the complex. Fees are \$10 per person. Remember to get your receipt.

A full concession will be open.

#### Public hunting permits

Applications for public hunting permits on the O.H. Ivie Reservoir wildlife management areas will be accepted by mail only, beginning July 15 and ending Aug. 15.

Permits will be limited and requests for information and application packets should be made by calling Colorado River Municipal Water District at 432-267-6341 or writing to:

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A public drawing for the WMA public hunting permits for the 2011 hunting season will be held at 1 p.m. Sept. 16 at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir field office, located near the north end of the dam.

# Clemens' perjury trial begins this week

WASHINGTON (AP) — Roger Clemens' tenacious pursuit of victory on the pitcher's mound re-emerges this week as he goes on trial on charges he lied when he denied using drugs and confronted his chief accuser, the former friend who says he injected Clemens with steroids and human growth hormone.

Clemens is charged with perjury, false statements and obstruction of Congress for telling a House committee under oath that he never used performance-enhancing drugs during his 23-season career. The record-setting pitcher who once seemed a sure bet for baseball's Hall of Fame now could face prison if 12 jurors agree that he lied and unanimously agree to convict him.

The trial of the United States vs. William R. Clemens, scheduled to begin Wednesday and last 4-6 weeks, will bring a parade of celebrity athletes and plenty of sordid details to the staid Washington federal courthouse. It will feature testimony about illicit drugs, bloody evidence of injections, an abscess on

Clemens' backside allegedly caused by steroid use and allegations that his accuser is a serial liar and a rapist.

Clemens isn't the only all-star baseball player to be criminally charged with lying about drug use, and prosecutors have a mixed record. Infielder Miguel Tejada pleaded guilty in 2009 to a misdemeanor for withholding information about an ex-teammate's use of drugs when questioned in 2005 by congressional investigators. But in their first jury test, prosecutors were able to convict home run king Barry Bonds of just one count of obstruction of justice in April for giving an evasive answer to a grand jury when asked about drug use. The jury deadlocked on the three remaining counts that Bonds made a false statement by saying he never knowingly received steroids and human growth hormone from his trainer.

But unlike the Bonds trial, where the trainer who allegedly provided injections refused to testify against his former boss and friend, Clemens' strength trainer, Bri-

an McNamee, is the prosecution's leading witness.

For a decade, McNamee worked out intensely with Clemens and helped shape "The Rocket" into one of the most powerful pitchers in the major leagues, even into middle age. McNamee also says he injected Clemens with steroids and human growth hormone, and even kept the used needles that will be key scientific evidence at trial.

But McNamee, a former New York City police officer, is not an ideal witness for the prosecution. He acted as a drug dealer to several major league players and acknowledges he hasn't always told the truth when asked about Clemens' drug use and other matters. McNamee initially denied giving Clemens drugs, he says out of loyalty to his best and longtime client, but eventually admitted to federal agents he injected the seven-time Cy Young Award winner.

Clemens' main defense has been to discredit McNamee, whom Clemens' attorneys described in a recent court filing as "the only person in the entire world who has ever al-

leged that he witnessed Mr. Clemens use performance enhancing drugs at any time in his storied career."

Clemens' lawyers accuse McNamee of being a "congenital liar" who made up the allegations against their client to save himself from drug charges. They also want to introduce evidence that in 2001 McNamee drugged and raped a woman, then lied to police who investigated the allegation but never charged McNamee with a crime. "If Mr. McNamee's mouth is moving, he's making an inconsistent statement," Clemens attorney Rusty Hardin said during a recent hearing.

Prosecutors are fighting to keep out evidence of the sexual assault investigation and plan to call several witnesses to back up McNamee's allegations against Clemens. Among them are Clemens' former Yankee teammates Andy Pettitte, Chuck Knoblauch and Mike Stanton, who all admit getting performance enhancing drugs from McNamee. Pettitte is particularly important because he's the only witness who says he spoke with Clemens.



# Bassmaster Classic stays in Shreveport

SHREVEPORT (AP) — The 2012 Bassmaster Classic is still set for Shreveport and Bossier City next February and is not in jeopardy of jumping to Birmingham, Ala., or another city, according to Michael Mulone, director of site selection and local marketing for BASS. There had been speculation regarding the event possibly moving. "We are working with all the relevant parties to ensure we have a successful event there," said Mulone. "Of course something could stall it, but I don't anticipate that happening." BASS currently has a contract with the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority, just as it did in 2009 when this

area produced the most successful Classic in the event's history. A capacity crowd of 9,300 bass fishing fans attended the event's final weigh-in on Sunday in what is now the CenturyLink Center and saw California angler Skeet Reese slip away with the 39th Classic title after weighing in 54 pounds, 13 ounces of bass. Reese eased by New Jersey angler Mike Iaconelli, who finished with 54.2 pounds. BASS officials were ecstatic that more than 137,000 folks participated in the event that included stops at the Red River South Marina and the Shreveport Convention Center. They quickly made plans to return to northwest Louisiana, although the landscape

has since changed. SRSA executive director Mary Ann Tice, responsible for bringing both the 2009 and the 2012 Classics along with their \$24 million economic impact to the community, is no longer affiliated with the organization she ran for more than a decade. Despite the fact that the SRSA's funding from the Caddo Parish Commission is currently in limbo, BASS doesn't appear to be wavering about a second trip to the twin cities in four years. "From a business perspective we don't publicly discuss the ins and outs of our contracts, but we are speaking with all the interested parties," Mulone said.

# ASTROS

Continued from Page 1B Maholm said. "In September, it will be a lot more fun. For any of us who have been here, it's uncharted waters, but you're seeing a group that's having fun and likes playing in front of big crowds. Today was cool. These were all Pirates' fans and you had 10,000 military personnel here, too. It was really a special day." Jeff Keppinger had two hits and scored two runs and Hunter Pence went 2 for 3 to extend his hitting streak to nine games for the Astros, who have lost four consecutive, nine of 10 and 12 of 14. "They have the majors' worst record — a distinction that last season belonged to the Pirates. But Pittsburgh is 14 games better than it was at this point of 2010. The Pirates have won three of four and nine of 13. "The energy and attitude is completely different," said Presley, who was recalled six days earlier after having played in 19 September games for Pittsburgh last season. "We had already been eliminated when I got called up. Now, we're a game out of first place and we feel like we're going to win every time out. It's fun and just totally different. We had a good crowd and I really got to see what Pittsburgh fans are like this time." Pittsburgh scored more runs Monday than it had in all but two of the previous 17 starts by Maholm, who allowed five hits and three walks with three strikeouts. Maholm has won four of his past six decisions, lowering his ERA to 3.08. Daniel McCutchen, Jose Veras and Joel Hanrahan each followed with a scoreless inning of relief. Named an All-Star on Sunday, Hanrahan worked a perfect ninth to improve to 25 for 25 in save opportunities, a Pirates record for most consecutive saves without a blown save. It also tied the team mark for most saves prior to the All-star break. With the game tied at 3 in the fifth, Walker singled to right, scoring d'Arnaud. Presley's two-

out triple in the sixth scored Brandon Wood to make it 5-3. Those runs came after the Pirates had rallied to tie Houston twice after trailing 1-0 and 3-1. "A lot of things went on in the first three innings," Pirates manager Clint Hurdle said, "but we were able to slow things down and Paul was able to settle down. "Defensively, we patched things up. We swung the bats consistently again," Hurdle added. "(Brett) Myers throws everything at you. For us to stay after it to catch up and go ahead showed a lot of moxie on our part." Houston's two-run third came the result of three Pittsburgh errors, but the Pirates tied it the following half-inning when d'Arnaud doubled and scored on Andrew McCutchen's double. Overbay then drove McCutchen in with a single. Myers (3-8) allowed five runs — four earned — with no walks and one strikeout in six innings. "Balls were hit on the ground; they were right to the holes," Myers said. "I guess that's the way it's going. I felt like I made good pitches and they were just finding holes and making me work deep into counts."

A day after matching a season high for hits with 16 hits, the Pirates had 13 off Myers — the most he's allowed in 234 career starts. "He didn't walk anybody, but they seemed to put the ball in play on him and kept fouling him off and fouling him off and kept getting the pitch count up," Astros manager Brad Mills said. "But he battled all the way through and gave us those six innings, and gave us that chance." NOTES: Before the game, Hurdle criticized those involved with the selection process for next week's All-Star game for not including McCutchen. "I think everybody whiffed on this one," Hurdle said. McCutchen's .904 on base-plus-slugging percentage ranked fifth among NL outfielders heading into Monday. ... Pirates 3B Josh Harrison left the game after the third inning due to dizziness. He had collided with Astros C Carlos Corporan at home plate in the second. Harrison was being administered post-concussion tests Monday. ... The crowd of 36,942 ensured the first time the Pirates sold out four consecutive games in the history of 11-year-old PNC Park.

# TEXAS

Continued from Page 1B offense." Murphy, like Chavez, isn't an everyday player in an outfield that includes sluggers Josh Hamilton and Nelson Cruz. Adrian Beltre also homered for the Rangers, who had 18 hits. Michael Young had a single, double and an RBI triple. Young also had a deep flyout in the sixth before being pinch-hit for in the eighth when Mike Napoli doubled after coming off the disabled list earlier Monday. Washington said he wasn't aware that Young was only a homer shy of hitting for the cycle. The manager thought Young had two doubles in the game, though Young said nothing to him about being taken out of the game. "I screwed that one up, my card had two doubles," Washington said. "Michael is a class act." Colby Lewis (8-7) won his third straight decision over his last four starts, allowing three runs on a pair of homers over seven innings. The right-hander struck out four and walked three on the ninth anniversary of his first major league victory. Orioles starter Chris Jakubauskas (2-2) gave up six runs and seven hits while facing only 13 batters. The right-hander was done after he walked Hamilton to start the third and Beltre followed with his 16th homer. The shot that just cleared the 14-foot wall in left for a 6-2 lead. "He didn't have good command. He had too many pitches up in the zone," Showalter said. "We didn't put up too much opposition." Showalter, who still has a house in the Dallas area where both of his children attend college, managed a game at Rangers Ballpark for the first time since he was fired in

Texas after the 2006 season. His four years with the Rangers included a memorable 2004 season when they

were in playoff contention until the final week of the regular season. Just like the Yankees and Diamondbacks did.

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♣ A K 8 7 4  
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♣ J 10  
EAST  
♠ K J 10 9 5  
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ready-made tricks — two spades, two hearts and two clubs — and needs three more for the contract. Declarer can lead a diamond to the queen and lose to the ace — which East, on the bidding, is likely to have — but this will give South only two additional tricks and leave him one trick shy of his goal. Or declarer can play the A-K and another club, hoping the opposing clubs are divided 3-2, but this also will bring him to only eight tricks. Since both methods of play lead to a dead end, South should start looking elsewhere for a way to develop his three additional tricks. And if he studies the situation carefully enough, he should spot an approach that will give him an excellent shot at the contract. At trick two, he leads a club to the king and returns a low diamond from dummy. East can't afford to rise with the ace, which would hand declarer three immediate diamond tricks, so let's say East ducks and allows South to win the diamond with the king. Having "stolen" this trick, declarer now abandons diamonds and plays the ace and another club. When the suit breaks normally, he has nine solid tricks. A little in-depth analysis at the start pays off in the end.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You feel the pressure as much as anyone



**HOLIDAY MATHIS**

**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

around you, but instead of feeling squeezed out, you interpret the sensation as a push in the right direction. Momentum is on your side.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). While the sun is up, you'll convey the appropriate sense of seriousness in all you do. People will look to you for behavioral cues. When the sun goes down, it takes your seriousness with it. Evening will be light and lively.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You are emotionally fluid now, moving through different states without getting hung up for too long on any one feeling. And the day offers a sufficient variety of stimuli.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You've heard the old adage that you should dress for the job you want, not the job you have. You won't go wrong following this advice now. The style and quality of clothing you wear will make a difference.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Some people are takers. Their mentality may be hard for you to understand, but it is just as necessary to the world balance as your giving mentality. Stay aware.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Feedback is a gift, although, unfortunately, not the kind that can be exchanged for something you like better. Whether or not you asked for a critique, you'll get one and find the value in it.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You should in no way feel guilty for spending money to look your best. When you feel good about your image, you'll make a lasting

impression. Clothing and accessories are an investment in your future.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You give the impression of being much younger than you are, which can be a good thing. However, there is an opportunity today to earn the respect of your peers, and a serious approach will be best.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You may notice something amiss in your social interaction with others, but it's best not to apologize, complain or explain. The classiest move is to wait until you can fix it in private.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A friend who comes into your living space will have interesting things to say about it. This will allow you to look at your environment with fresh eyes and make decisions about what, if anything, to change.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You will be feeling generous in every way and will contribute much more than you had planned to. You'll walk away from the exchange feeling richer, and that's how you'll know it was the right move for you.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll get a chance to ask questions and will be careful not to probe too deep. You are also sensitive about not mentioning the past mistakes of others. You understand human frailty.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (July 5). You'll take excellent care of yourself, realizing that success is easier when you look and feel your best. Your connection to nature, especially to animals, will guide your August activities. September and October bring financial moves that will help you with your long-term goals. November is the most romantic month. Leo and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 14, 49, 24 and 11.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "You say that Geminis are supposed to be communicators. So why do I freeze up when it's my turn to talk?"

It's because you have so much you could say. Push yourself to jump into the conversation and

be fine with whatever you contribute. It will get easier.

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**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino was born on Independence Day and has a rebel spirit to show for it. This "Jersey Shore" star is raking in millions of dollars in endorsements, has put out a workout DVD, is launching a clothing line and is writing his autobiography — he's unstoppable. His moon, Uranus and Neptune in the high-energy, pioneering sign of Sagittarius will keep him exploring new realms.

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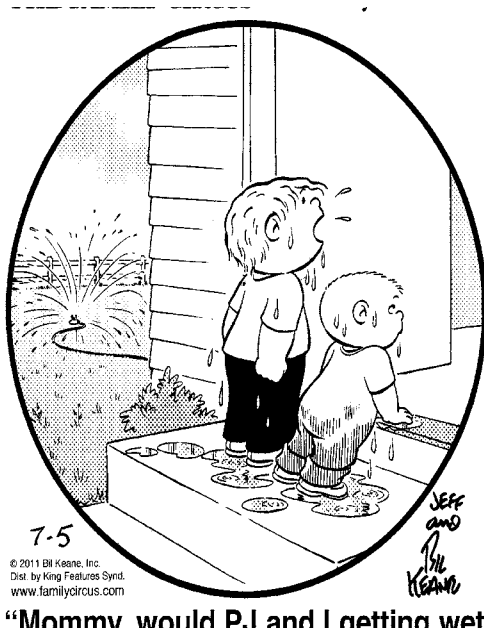
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"IT'S HARD TO SEE THE SCENERY WITH ALL THE MOUNTAINS AN' TREES IN THE WAY."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Mommy, would PJ and I getting wet be a GOOD idea or a BAD idea?"

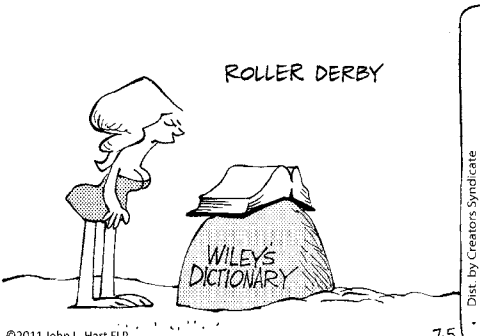
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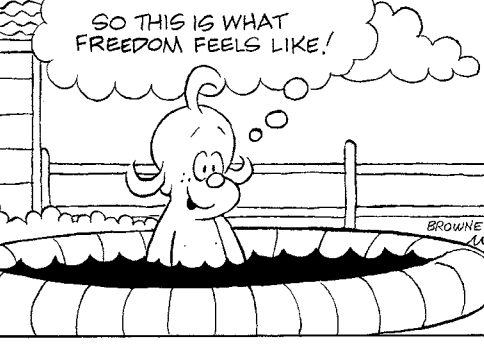
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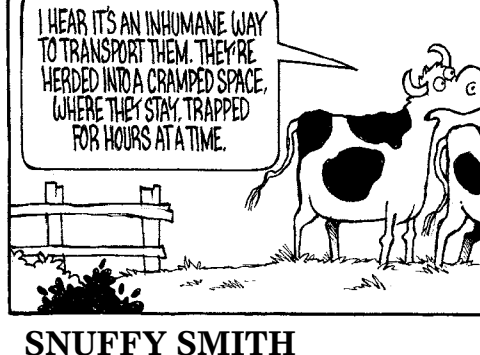
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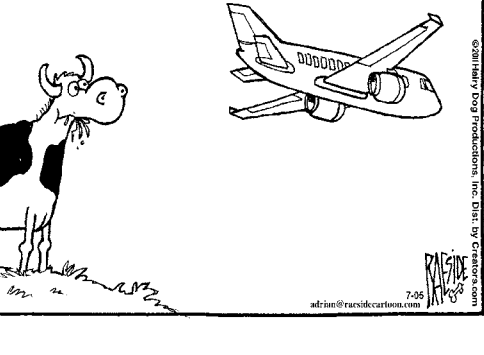
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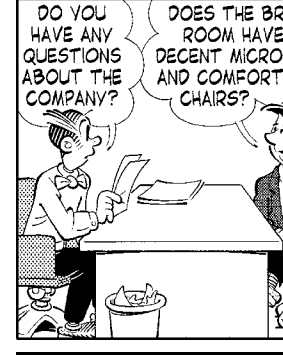
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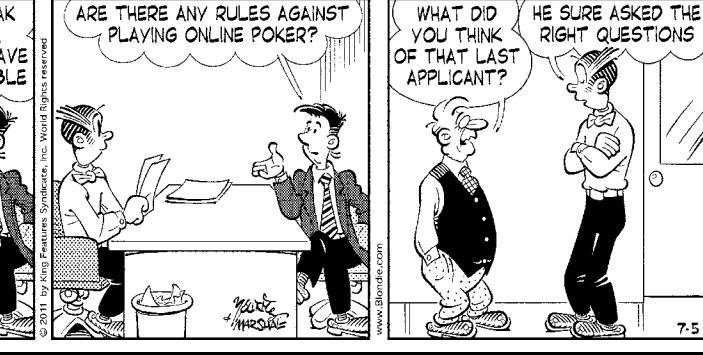
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, July 5, the 186th day of 2011. There are 179 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 5, 1811, Venezuela became the first South American country to declare independence from Spain.

On this date:

In 1865, William Booth founded the Salvation Army in London.

In 1911, French President Georges Pompidou was born in Montboudif.

In 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the National Labor Relations Act.

In 1946, the bikini, created by Louis Reard (ray-AHRD), was worn by Micheline Bernardini during a poolside fashion show in Paris.

In 1947, Larry Doby made his debut with the Cleveland Indians, becoming the first black player in the American League.

In 1948, Britain's National

Health Service Act went into effect, providing government-financed medical and dental care.

In 1971, President Richard Nixon certified the 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which lowered the minimum voting age from 21 to 18.

In 1975, Arthur Ashe became the first black man to win a Wimbledon singles title as he defeated Jimmy Connors.

In 1984, the Supreme Court weakened the 70-year-old "exclusionary rule," deciding that evidence seized in good faith with defective court warrants could be used against defendants in criminal trials.

In 1991, a worldwide financial scandal erupted as regulators in eight countries shut down the Bank of Credit and Commerce International.

Actress Mildred Dunnock died in Oak Bluffs, Mass., at age 90.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Katherine Helmond is 82. Actress Shirley Knight is 75. Singer-musician Robbie Robertson is 68. Julie Nixon Eisenhower is 63. Rock star Huey Lewis is 61. Baseball Hall-of-Fame pitcher Rich "Goose" Gossage is 60. Country musi-

Answer to previous puzzle

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61 Pub missile  
62 High-spirited horse  
63 Uncomplicate

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1 Baby cow  
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6 Marshmallow-topped beverage  
7 Trophy or medal  
8 Gentleman's date

9 Jr. naval officer  
10 Start of a stage play  
11 Lose one's nerve  
12 Diner handout  
13 Lambs' moms  
21 That girl  
22 Firecracker parts  
24 "Present!"  
25 Grain-storage building  
26 Stage accessories  
27 Funny joke  
28 Races, as an engine  
29 Farm-equipment giant  
31 Factual  
32 Best-seller

34 High-fiber cereal  
36 Orchard fruit  
37 Dice spin  
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44 Got the soap out of  
45 Tree with acorns  
47 Get out of bed  
48 Run out, as a subscription  
49 Surrounded by  
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53 Kissing pair  
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