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Giving back

Glider organization donates \$6,000 to kids

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

For years, hang glider pilots have raved about the hospitality they find in Big Spring. Saturday night, they displayed some generosity of their own.

On the eve of the U.S. Hang Gliding Association National Championship, The Cloudbase Foundation, a charitable group financed through hang glider pilot donations, gave away \$6,000 to three local organizations which specialize in helping children.

Big Spring Independent School District, Howard Cottage and the local Child Welfare Board each received \$2,000 checks from the pilots' organization during a welcoming reception for the pilots at Hog Heaven Party



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David Glover, right, director of the U.S. Hang Gliding Association, addresses the crowd at a Saturday evening welcoming reception at Hog Heaven Party Barn for participants in this week's national hang gliding championship, which is being held at McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark.

Officials relieved to reach plan for park

With Howard County and city of Big Spring pitching in, state park status will remain

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

As the fiscal dust surrounding the 82nd Texas Legislative Session settles, it appears the Big Spring State Park has avoided the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's budgetary axe, saved by an inter-local agreement between Howard County and the city of Big Spring.

Both local governments have agreed to chip in \$10,000 each — to be paid to the TPWD — to help fund the continued operation of the Big Spring State Park.

As part of the agreement between the local government agencies and the state offices, the \$20,000 a year will allow

the park — which had been on the TPWD cutting block early in the legislative session — to remain open and longtime Park Manager Ron Alton to remain at the facility's helm.

Officials with Howard County and the city of Big Spring stepped in shortly after the list of state parks to be placed on the fiscal cutting block was released earlier this year.

The legislature, faced with a massive funding shortfall that cut into the TPWD 2012-2013 budget by more than 20 percent, handed down a whopping \$162 million cut to the department's estimated coffers.

Part of those cuts involves TPWD transferring more



than a half-dozen parks out of state control, as well as the elimination of two state park regional offices.

Among the parks targeted for transfer were Big Spring State Park, Blanco State Park, Daingerfield State Park, Lock-

hart State Park, Lake Casa Blanca International State Park near Laredo, Sebastopol State Historic Site in Seguin and Wyler Aerial Tramway in El Paso.

Per the agreement between the government agencies, the salary for Alton will continue to be paid by TPWD.

"In the end, these financial changes for the park won't equal any changes in the service here at the park," Alton said. "We'll continue to operate the way we have been. There is no admission fee, however, donations are certainly welcome."

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Mental health 'first aid' workshop planned

Special to the Herald

West Texas Centers and Howard College are offering Mental Health First Aid Sept. 7 and 8 to people who are interested in knowing how to respond to people with mental health issues.

The two-day class will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Howard College Tumbleweed Room. The class costs \$100. To register, contact the Howard College Registrar's Office at 432-264-5106



Mental Health First Aid helps those experiencing mental health problems before they seek professional help and support, said West Texas Centers CEO Shelley Smith, LMSW.

Smith "It is similar to 'First Aid' and 'CPR,'" Smith said. "It is designed to give members of the public key skills to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a

mental health crisis. It is not geared toward professionals in the mental health field, but they can learn from this training."

Mental health problems — such as depression, anxiety, impulse control and misuse of alcohol and other drugs — are common in the United States, Smith said. More than one in four American adults will have a mental health problem in a year.

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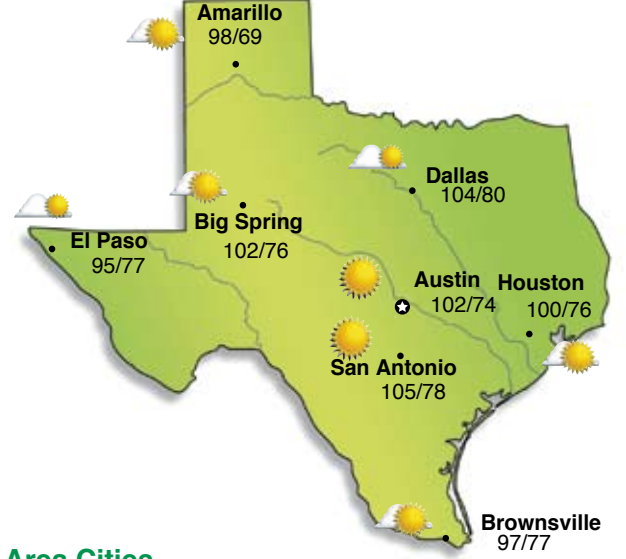
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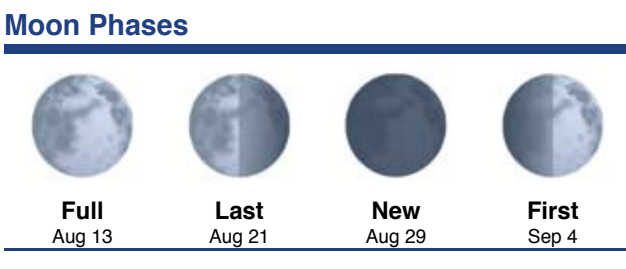


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Austin	102	74	sunny	Longview	101	78	mst sunny
Beaumont	98	74	mst sunny	Lubbock	99	74	pt sunny
Brownsville	97	77	mst sunny	Lufkin	101	75	mst sunny
Brownwood	104	77	mst sunny	Midland	102	78	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	98	77	pt sunny	Raymondville	100	76	mst sunny
Corsicana	103	78	pt sunny	Rosenberg	101	76	mst sunny
Dallas	104	80	pt sunny	San Antonio	105	78	sunny
Del Rio	102	80	sunny	San Marcos	103	75	sunny
El Paso	95	77	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	102	79	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	100	74	pt sunny	Sweetwater	101	75	mst sunny
Gainesville	102	78	pt sunny	Tyler	101	77	mst sunny
Greenville	102	77	pt sunny	Weatherford	104	78	pt sunny
Houston	100	76	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	106	79	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	89	66	sunny	Minneapolis	84	69	pt sunny
Boston	76	62	rain	New York	79	69	rain
Chicago	83	65	sunny	Phoenix	103	83	pt sunny
Dallas	104	80	pt sunny	San Francisco	67	56	mst sunny
Denver	88	60	t-storm	Seattle	75	52	sunny
Houston	100	76	mst sunny	St. Louis	87	69	mst sunny
Los Angeles	82	63	pt sunny	Washington, DC	88	72	t-storm
Miami	89	78	t-storm				



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Obituaries

Lyndon Gene Priest



Lyndon Gene Priest, 74, of Big Spring went home to his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Sunday morning, Aug. 14, 2011. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at College Baptist Church with the Rev. Ken McMeans officiating. Graveside services with military honors will be at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Sweetwater Cemetery.

Gene was born March 11, 1937, at Bertram, Texas to Jessie and Lathel Priest. He was a veteran, serving four years in the Navy. He came to Big Spring in 1959 from Sweetwater, and worked 35 years at the VA Medical Center. He was a member of College Baptist Church.

Gene is survived by his wife of 53 years, Dean Priest of Big Spring; two children: Kathy Daniels and her husband Gordon, and Kenneth Priest, all of Big Spring; four grandchildren: Kendra Matthews-Smith and her husband Andrew, Kevin J. Matthews and his wife Jessica, Rory Kristen Wheeler and her husband Asa; and Acacia Daniels, all of Big Spring; great-grandchildren: Derian, Jesse, Aislin, and Danni Raelyn, all of Big Spring; and three brothers: Dalton Dean Priest of Coleman, Sam Priest and his wife Corrine of Greenville, N.C., and Wayne Priest and his wife Jackie of Moline, Ill.

In addition to his parents, Gene was preceded in death by one son: Danny Gene Priest; one great-grandson: Aiden Matthews; and son-in-law: Kenneth Matthews.

Honorary pallbearers will be members of the Men's Open Door Sunday School Class at College Baptist Church.

The family will be at 4112 Dixon. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Paid obituary

Larry Dean Lasater

Larry Dean Lasater, 72, of Midland, died Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011, in a local hospital. Funeral services for Larry Dean and his son, Joe Dean Lasater, who also died Saturday, will be held at 10 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 18, 2011, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel in Midland with the Rev. Herbert Crisp officiating.

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

Joe Dean Lasater

Joe Dean Lasater, 50, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011, at his residence. Funeral services for Joe Dean and his father, Larry Dean Lasater, who also died on Saturday, will be held at 10 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 18, 2011, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel in Midland with the Rev. Herbert Crisp officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2011, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

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

Joel Diaz Lopez



Joel Diaz Lopez, 63, of Big Spring died Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center. A prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Reynaldo Bennett, pastor of Light House Restoration Center, officiating. Burial with military honors will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

He was born May 23, 1948, in Big Spring, Texas, to Hortencia and Ponciano Lopez. He was a Vietnam veteran, having served in the Army. He worked at the Veterans Administration Medical Center for 15 years before retiring. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was a member of the Light House Restoration Center.

He is survived by his wife: Lupe Lopez of Big Spring; one daughter: Rosa Linda Lopez of Big Spring; two sons: Ben Gonzales and Chris Gonzales, both of Big Spring; two brothers: Santos Lopez of Lubbock and H.D. Lopez of Big Spring; three sisters: Martha Sandoval of Nebraska, Anna Lopez of Big Spring and Rosa Flores of Colorado City; seven grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

The family will be at 1110 South Johnson. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Take Note

• Holy Trinity Catholic Parish is having CCE pre-registration Wednesday from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary cafeteria to start the new school year. Please bring your child's birth certificate with you. This is very important that you attend.

• Join us for a band booster meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Coahoma Band Hall. If you cannot attend but would like to help in some way, please contact any of the board members and let them know. They are Diane Ewing, Steph Ferguson, Melissa Hardy, Melissa Sanchez and Heather Maddox.

• Hangar 25 Air Museum is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of positions such as tour guides, front desk, clerical, events and others. For more information, contact Emma Bogard at 432-267-2963.

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News in brief

56 killed when bombs rip through Iraqi cities, dozens injured

KUT, Iraq (AP) — Bomb blasts ripped through more than a dozen Iraqi cities Monday morning, killing 56 people — most of them in the southern city of Kut — in a wave of violence that shattered what had been a relatively peaceful holy month of Ramadan.

The violence struck from the northern city of Kirkuk to the capital of Baghdad to the southern Shiite cities of Najaf, Kut and Karbala, and emphasized the persistent ability of insurgents to wreak havoc at a time when Iraqi officials are weighing whether they are able to protect the country without the assistance of American troops.

The blasts were coordinated to go off in the morning and included a combination of parked car bombs, roadside bombs and a suicide bomber driving a vehicle that rammed into a police station.

The scope of the violence — seven explosions went off in different towns in Diyala province alone — emphasized the still dangerous ability of insurgents to coordinate and carry out attacks despite repeated crackdowns by Iraqi and U.S. forces.

The worst violence came in the southern city of Kut, 100 miles (160 kilometers) southeast of Baghdad, where twin explosions went off as construc-

tion workers were gathered in a market selling generators and other appliances.

Egypt's Mubarak back in court for trial with his sons

CAIRO (AP) — Former President Hosni Mubarak returned to a Cairo court Monday on a stretcher for the next session of his trial on charges of corruption and complicity in killing protesters during Egypt's uprising.

The ailing, 83-year old Mubarak arrived in a helicopter from a Cairo hospital where he has been held since his first court appearance on Aug. 3. He was then wheeled into the metal defendants' cage on a bed with his two sons, Gamal and Alaa, by his side. The sons are facing only corruption charges.

Mubarak appeared in a blue jumpsuit. His two sons wore white prison uniforms. As is traditional in Egyptian trials, they were inside a metal defendants' cage.

The trial of Mubarak, who ruled with unquestioned power for 29 years, was one of the main demands of the protesters who forced the longtime leader out of office in Feb. 11. It came after weeks of protests and street pressure on the country's military rulers, who took charge after Mubarak stepped

down.

The start of the trial was a relief for many protesters. But many are still wary that it may come at the expense of other changes the protest movement is pushing for. Many protesters are mistrustful of the ruling generals and wonder if they are really willing to weed out former regime officials or introduce drastic political reforms.

Hacker group posts confidential information

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — San Francisco's mass transit system prepared for renewed protests Monday, a day after hackers angry over blocked cell phone service at some transit stations broke into a website and posted company contact information for more than 2,000 customers.

The action by a hacker group known as Anonymous was the latest showdown between anarchists angry at perceived attempts to limit free speech and officials trying to control protests that grow out of social networking and have the potential to become violent.

Anonymous posted people's names, phone numbers, and street and email addresses on its own website, while also calling for a disruption of the Bay Area Rapid Transit's evening commute.

DONATE

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Barn.

The charitable foundation was formed less than three years ago, said Belinda Straub, who presented the donations Saturday night.

"It was started by a group of pilots who went down to Ecuador and were struck by the level of poverty there," Straub said. "The next year they went, they brought money with them to donate to the people there ... We said, 'You know, we could do this every year.'"

The foundation typically makes donations at several meets a year as a way of building an emotional bridge between the pilots and the communities where they compete.

"We feel grateful to come to Big Spring and we definitely enjoy being here," Straub said. "We don't think of Big



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Belinda Straub, left, of the Cloudbase Foundation, a non-profit charitable organization funded by hang gliding pilots from around the world, presents a \$2,000 donation to Rebecca Moughon, center, and Dr. Javier Flores of Howard College during a Saturday welcoming reception for pilots participating in this week's national championship at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

Spring as a poor place, but these are rough economic times, and we know there are children here who need a helping hand."

BSISD will use its donation to purchase school supplies for needy children and Howard Cottage, the daycare center operated by Howard

College, will use its donation for parents who can't afford the Cottage's services. The Child Welfare Board, meanwhile, will use its money to

purchase various items for its Rainbow Room, which services children who have been removed from their homes.

Rebecca Moughon, who accepted the donations on behalf of both Howard Cottage and the Child Welfare Board, said the groups were very appreciative of the pilots' generosity.

"These are wonderful contributions," Moughon said. "At Howard Cottage, the money will be used for parents to help them get daycare for their children ... and at the welfare board, the money will be put to use to meet some of the special needs of the kids we help."

The U.S. Hang Gliding Association National Championship began Sunday at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark and will continue through Aug. 21. Spectators are welcome.

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PARK

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most is the elimination of a second park employee. I'll be running the park by myself. However, we have such a wonderful community, people are



Alton

always willing to step up and help, so I'm not really worried about that."

The park will remain in the ownership of TPWD and maintain its state park designation, a matter which was of utmost importance to local officials.

"The state park designation makes it a travel destination, so that was one of the things we were ready to fight for,"

County Judge Mark Barr said. "It's well worth the funds we are putting forth to keep the facility open and to keep the state park designation."

Alton said he hopes to see funding for TPWD restored in the coming years.

"Looking at the financial situation in Washington, D.C., it's hard to imagine, but we're

really hoping the state budget will turn a corner in the coming years and some of the funding will be restored," Alton said. "At that point we will hopefully be able to get the state park up to a comfortable staffing level."

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Behavioral Healthcare has begun working with communities throughout the nation, including West Texas Centers to implement Mental Health First Aid to arm the public with skills to help individuals who are developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis.

tative evidence behind the program demonstrates that it helps the public better identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness, thus improving outcomes for individuals experiencing these illnesses.

Participants of Mental Health First Aid are introduced to risk factors and warning signs for mental health or substance use problems; engage in experiential activities that build understanding of the

impact of illness on individuals and families; and learn information about evidence-supported treatment and self-help strategies. Participants receive a course

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For more information on Mental Health First Aid, visit www.thenationalcouncil.org.

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Perry, Bachmann compete on the same issue: jobs

WATERLOO, Iowa (AP) — They're competing with each other and currently leading the pack of Republican presidential hopefuls, but Texas Gov. Rick Perry and Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann are riding the same issue out of Iowa: jobs.

One day after Bachmann's victory in the Iowa straw poll and Perry's announcement of his candidacy, the candidates told party faithful attending Black Hawk County's Lincoln Day dinner in northern Iowa they have credibility and experience creating jobs.

"I happen to think the biggest issue facing this country is that we are facing economic turmoil, and if we don't have a president that doesn't get this country working, we're in trouble," Perry told about 300 Republican activists in Waterloo's Electric Park Ballroom. "And I've got a track record."

Bachmann touted her experience running her family's small business in Minnesota.

"We started our own successful small company," she

told reporters. "We know how to build from scratch, putting capital together and starting a business from scratch and building it up so that we can actually offer jobs to people."

A segment of the GOP's establishment and economic conservatives have sat on the sidelines in the early months of the race, waiting for an alternative to former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney. Support for Romney, positioning himself as the Republican most associated with job creation, has been muted in some parts of the GOP primary electorate.

Perry was mobbed by dozens of reporters at the Lincoln Day dinner, his first appearance as a candidate in the leadoff caucus state. He plans to hold private meetings with GOP elected officials as he travels around the state Monday and Tuesday in a motor coach splashed with his name and the slogan "Get America Working Again." On Tuesday, Perry plans to hold an economic roundtable with businesspeople in Dubuque.

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—Rick Perry

"We're going to spend a lot of time in Iowa," Perry told reporters.

The reaction to Perry was a sharp contrast to another part of the room, where presidential hopeful Rick Santorum, a former Pennsylvania senator, moved through the crowd with less commotion.

Perry struggled to move from table to table. "It's going to be a big time," Perry told Cedar Falls Republican Jeanie Balthazor.

In the 24 hours between Perry's announcement in Charleston, S.C., and his ar-

rival in Iowa, the ground had shifted profoundly.

Bachmann, a Minnesota congresswoman, beat her home-state rival Tim Pawlenty by more than 2-to-1 in the Iowa straw poll, an early test of caucus campaign strength. Pawlenty, a former two-term Minnesota governor, had put all his chips on a strong showing in the poll. But his distant third-place finish, behind Texas Rep. Ron Paul, prompted Pawlenty to quit the race Sunday morning.

Bachmann, on the other hand, rose sharply to the top of Iowa polls since launching her campaign in June and made an aggressive push for straw poll support with evangelical pastors and Christian home-school backers.

Bachmann waited on her campaign bus in the ballroom parking lot while Perry spoke at the fundraiser, and entered the hall to her trademark introduction theme, Elvis Presley's version of "Promised Land."

A vocal opponent of the deal reached in Congress to raise

the national debt ceiling, Bachmann sought to broaden her appeal to include budget hawks and noted her tea-party backing to project herself as appealing to a range of voters.

"It's a movement coming together. It's a movement of social conservatives, a movement of fiscal conservatives, particularly on the debt ceiling issue," she said.

But she also stressed her opposition to abortion rights and gay marriage, issues Perry did not touch in his remarks.

"Without social conservatives it will be very difficult to beat Barack Obama in 2012," Bachmann said.

On Sunday, Gallup's daily tracking poll had President Barack Obama's approval rating at 39 percent, his lowest in more than a year.

Bachmann and Paul, the libertarian favorite, combined to receive more than 60 percent of the vote at the straw poll, sending a strong anti-establishment message from Iowa's GOP activist base.

Google to buy Motorola Mobility for \$12.5 billion

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AP) — Google Inc. is buying cell phone maker Motorola Mobility Holdings Inc. for \$12.5 billion in cash. It's by far Google's biggest acquisition and a sign the online search leader is serious about expanding beyond its core Internet business and setting the agenda in the fast-growing mobile market.

Google will pay \$40.00 per share, a 63 percent premium to Motorola's closing price on Friday.

Google's Android operating system runs smartphones that compete with iPhones, BlackBerrys and Windows-based mobile devices. Motorola Mobility was separated from the rest of Motorola in January. The company has remade itself as a maker of smartphones based on Android, but has struggled against Apple Inc. and Asian smartphone makers.

"Motorola Mobility's total commitment to Android has created a natural fit for our two companies," said Google CEO Larry Page in a statement. "Together, we will create amazing user experiences that supercharge the entire Android ecosystem for the benefit of consumers, partners and developers."

The acquisition has the approval of both companies' boards.

Indiana fair honors 5 killed

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indiana's lieutenant governor opened a memorial service for five people killed in a weekend stage collapse at the Indiana State Fair with a prayer expressing thanks for those who rushed to help immediately after high winds toppled stage rigging.

Lt. Gov. Becky Skillman told about 500 people gathered for the service at the fairgrounds' Free Stage that the people who rushed to help "set aside their personal concerns and moved toward the accident and not away" to help the injured Saturday.

She said selfless spirit "is and will continue to be the silver lining in times of disaster."

Gov. Mitch Daniels and others sat in folding chairs on the stage lined with bouquets of sunflowers while many in the audience sobbed or hugged each other.

Wind gusts between 60 and 70 mph toppled the stage where an estimated 12,000 people were waiting to see the country band Sugarland on Saturday night. About four dozen people, some critically injured, were taken to

hospitals.

Four of the victims died at the scene: Alina Bigjohny, 23, of Fort Wayne; Christina Santiago, 29, of Chicago; Tammy Vandam, 42, of Wanatah; and 49-year-old Glenn Goodrich of Indianapolis. Nathan Byrd, a 51-year-old stagehand from Indianapolis who was atop the rigging when it fell, died overnight.

Santiago managed programming for the Lesbian Community Care Project at Howard Brown Health Center in Chicago and was named to the Windy City Times' "30 Under 30" list in 2007.

Jamal M. Edwards, the center's president and CEO, said she was one of the organization's "brightest stars" and worked to improve the lives of women, especially those who were lesbian, bisexual and transgender. Santiago attended the concert with her partner, Alisha Brennon, who was severely injured, Edwards said.

Bigjohny had been recently hired to teach seventh grade in Muncie, *The Journal Gazette* of Fort Wayne reported.

"She was funny, spontaneous.

She was just amazing," said Danielle Stoy, who attended Manchester College with Bigjohny. She said Bigjohny attended the concert with another friend, Jennifer Haskell, who also was critically injured.

The fair canceled all activities Sunday as officials began the long process of sorting out what happened and fielded difficult questions about whether the tragedy could have been prevented.

Daniels called the accident an "unthinkable tragedy" and said the wind burst was a "fluke" that no one could have foreseen. Dan McCarthy, chief meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Indiana, said the gust was far stronger than those in other areas of the fairgrounds.

The seemingly capricious nature of the gust was evident Sunday at the fair, where crews placed a blue drape around the grandstand to block the view of the wreckage. A striped tent near the grandstand appeared unscathed, as did an aluminum trailer about 50 yards across from the grandstand.

Legal beef: Sara Lee, Kraft escalate wiener war

CHICAGO (AP) — The nation's two largest hot dog makers are taking their legal beefs Monday to federal court in Chicago, where a judge will determine whether Oscar Mayer or Ball Park franks broke false-advertising laws in their efforts to become top dog.

Legal arguments in the long-ranging wiener war between Chicago companies pit Sara Lee Corp, which makes Ball Park franks, against Kraft Foods Inc., which makes Oscar Mayer. The case could clarify how far companies nationwide can go when boasting that their product is better than a competitor's.

Thousands of pages of filings in three years of pre-trial litigation by both food-industry giants demonstrate that the stakes are high.

Sara Lee fired the first volley in a 2009 lawsuit singling out Oscar Mayer ads that brag its dogs beat out Ball Park franks in a national taste test. Those

tests, Sara Lee argued, stacked the deck against Ball Park in part by altering the way the hot dogs were cooked and served.

The lawsuit also contends that Oscar Mayer touts its Jumbo Beef Franks as "100 percent pure beef," arguing that the claim is untrue, cast aspersions on Ball Park franks and damaged their sales.

Kraft defends the "100 percent pure beef" tag, saying its intent was to state that the only meat used is beef. Some industry hot dogs include a mix of turkey, pork, chicken or other meats. Kraft further argues that the "pure beef" label is justified because surveys show a perception among some consumers that hot dogs contain "mystery meats."

Kraft filed its own lawsuit in 2009, alleging Sara Lee ran false and deceptive ads including a campaign where Ball Parks are heralded as "America's Best Franks." The ad further asserts that other hot dogs "aren't even in the same league."

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Man buys 150 pizzas from Mass. restaurant

STOUGHTON, Mass. (AP) — A Mississippi man who grew up in Massachusetts goes to great lengths for a good pizza.

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David Schuler returned to Jackson, Miss., last weekend with 150 pies from Town Spa Pizza, a restaurant in his home town of Stoughton, near Boston.

It's a tradition he started years ago when he couldn't find a good slice in Mississippi.

He returned with 150 frozen, vacuum-sealed pies. That was a record for him. They cost \$1,200.

He made the 16-state trek in 24 hours, munching on Town Spa pizzas he kept on the passenger seat.

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My mother-in-law has issues, Annie. Help!

Dear Annie: My mother-in-law has always had issues with her self-image and is borderline anorexic. Recently, Mom had surgery. As a result, she lost weight and has been unable to gain it back. She also suffers from depression, for which she takes medication.

Recently, her mind has been slipping more and more, and she seems disorganized in her thinking. My husband brought this to her attention, and she says her anorexia is making it difficult for her to eat enough to gain back the weight, and she has no idea what else could be wrong. We asked her to talk to her doctor. I believe her poor eating habits are interfering with her ability to function normally.

I am upset and frustrated because I want to help her. My husband, on the other hand, has dealt with this for most of his life and says the best he can do is bring it to her attention. He feels what she does with the information is up to her. Is there

something more I could do? If not, how do I get past the frustration? — *Concerned in New York*

Dear N.Y.: Mom's confusion could be linked to any number of things, including post-operative complications and various medications, as well as long-term anorexia. She should not be self-diagnosing. You cannot force her to take better care of herself, but please urge her to talk to her doctor about her confusion, and offer to go with her if you think it will help.

Dear Annie: My husband's brother owes us money. We helped him pay off a debt of several thousand dollars with the agreement that it would be repaid. That was three years ago, and we haven't seen a dime.

Recently, this same brother asked us to purchase a watch he wanted, saying he'd give us the money next week. I told him we were in no position to cover this expense and although I'd be happy



KATHY MITCHELL
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to pick it up for him, he'd have to give us the money in advance.

This was a luxury item, and it made me angry that he'd expect us to front more money for him. So I reminded him of his still-outstanding debt. Now my husband is angry, saying I had no business speaking to his brother about it. But, Annie, the money he borrowed is half mine, as we pool our equal salaries.

When you marry into a family, do you not have a say

in these financial matters? Is he just old-fashioned? — *Memphis*

Dear Memphis: The money may be half yours, but the brother is all his, and this is why your husband reacted so strongly. He felt it was his place to deal with his sibling, and normally, we would agree. However, by failing to hold his brother accountable for the debt, he put you in that position by default. He knows this, which also could be contributing to his anger, as it likely embarrasses him. Gently broach the subject with your husband in private, and see if the two of you can reach some agreement.

Dear Annie: This is in response to the letter from "S.," the widow who has joined various organizations, but hasn't found romance after 20 years. I would like to recommend something you've never mentioned — square dancing.

My husband and I have belonged to a square dancing

club for 13 years. It is great exercise for both body and brain, and gets you away from the TV. If you go to the lessons alone, you will more than likely find a partner.

There are a lot of widowed men and women who keep dancing with our group because of the friendships they have formed. The rest of us gladly loan our spouses so they will have partners. That makes them feel welcome, and over time, all the nice men and women who wanted to find a partner have done so. -- Salem, Ore.

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Michael Oliva (22) gave Mustangs' players, not to mention coaches, fits in Saturday's scrimmage.

Big Spring gets season started

By **ROBERT GRIFFIN**
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers were finally able to get their feet wet just a bit Saturday as they traveled to Andrews and took on the Mustangs in the team's first scrimmage match of the season. The outcome of the game was 0-0, as neither team found the end zone, but don't tell Phillip Ritchey that the game did not mean anything.

"No one comes out with the intent of winning a scrimmage game, not on the score board, anyway," Big Spring's head coach said. "We came out here to win the battles on the field and see where we are as a team."

And where exactly are they as a team?

"Right where we need to be," he answered. "We saw some things that are going to need some fine tuning, but overall, we were really pleased with the effort the boys gave."

The first series run by Big Spring's starting offense was a display of Michael Oliva's quickness, toughness and durability.

The Steers marched down the field with relatively ease as Oliva carried the ball time and time again.

However, the short passing game, meant to compliment the ground attack, fell short and left the Steers with no points.

When Andrews took over on offense, it looked like it was going to be a long day. A missed tackle up front allowed the Mustang runner to break free and

scamper 60 yards before he was eventually run down from behind.

But Big Spring got tough after the first play let down and only allowed a few more offensive yards, capping the stand off with a forced fumble inside the five yard line.

Steer quarterback Garrett Stuteville seemed to fall into a better rhythm on the second series and started hitting the little screens and short passes in the flats.

Though the drive sputtered before reaching pay dirt, it allowed the coaches to get a good look at what the offense looks like when it is clicking along according to their game plan.

Overall, the Steers forced and recovered two fumbles and intercepted Andrews' quarterback three times, while recording no turn overs of their own.

Devin Roberson got the first interception for the Steers when he jumped a Mustang receiver's route, finishing the play off with an exceptional catch.

The big offensive line opened plenty of running lanes for Oliva.

"I told the boys before the game that we might not be the most dynamic team on the field, but we would be the most physical," Coach Ritchey said.

The Steers will play their second and final scrimmage game Friday night in Big Spring against Lubbock Estacado. The time for that game has not been announced.

Murphy's single sweeps Oakland under Texas' rug

OAKLAND (AP) — David Murphy hit a tiebreaking RBI single with two outs in the ninth inning, and the Texas Rangers beat the Oakland Athletics 7-6 on Sunday for a three-game series sweep.

Mitch Moreland hit a sacrifice fly, Michael Young and Mike Napoli each drew bases-loaded walks against former Ranger Rich Harden and first-place Texas extended its winning streak in the rivalry to eight games.

The Rangers (69-52) also moved a season-best 17 games over .500.

Mike Adams (1-1) pitched a 1-2-3 eighth for the victory, then Neftali Feliz finished for his 23rd save in 29 chances as Texas won its fourth straight road game heading into a key four-game series with the Angels in Anaheim.

Andrew Bailey (0-3) issued a one-out walk to Moreland in the

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Astros swept on road

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hiroki Kuroda had to share the spotlight with new teammate Justin Sellers on Sunday, and the right-hander didn't mind one bit.

Kuroda pitched seven strong innings, Sellers hit a three-run drive for his first major league homer and the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Houston Astros 7-0 on Sunday to sweep their three-game series.

Sellers was promoted from Triple-A Albuquerque when rookie Dee Gordon went on the disabled list on Friday. The 25-year-old shortstop is from nearby Bellflower and made frequent visits to Dodger Stadium with his parents when he was a child.

"It was very special, exciting and emotional for me, my family and my friends who have been there supporting me ever since day one," said Sellers, whose father Jeff spent four seasons in the big leagues as a pitcher for the Boston Red Sox.

Sellers chased rookie Jordan Lyles with a drive into the lower seats in the left-field corner for his first three RBIs in the ma-

jors. The sixth-inning homer came in Sellers' ninth big league at-bat.

"My first reaction was: 'I knew I got it.' Running around the bases was just the most incredible feeling I've ever had," said Sellers, whose favorite Dodgers growing up were sluggers Eric Karros, Mike Piazza, Darryl Strawberry and Eric Davis. "It was awesome to have my family here and get it. When I got to the dugout I got a lot of high-fives and hugs and stuff. I've got chills right now talking about it."

Sellers' teammates were certainly pumped — particularly catcher Dione Navarro, who surprised him with a shaving cream pie in the face while he was doing a postgame TV interview on the field.

"All home runs are exciting, but you never really forget your first one," said Matt Kemp, one of several players who urged Sellers to acknowledge the curtain call he received from the crowd of 36,339. "That's a good

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Briefs

Steer season tickets on sale

The athletic department of the Big Spring Steers has announced the dates for season ticket sales. Fans can purchase their season ticket books through Aug. 17 from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The ticket books are \$25 and include all five home games. For more information, contact Kay Cook at 432-264-3662.

Football, cheerleading signups start Saturday

This is the last week of sign-ups for CYFA's youth football and cheerleading. The cost of the programs are \$125 for divisions one and two, \$75 for flag football and \$100 for cheerleading.

Signups will be taken Aug. 16 and 18, between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. For more information, contact Jeff Vidal at 432-816-6871.

Climb to the top handicap bowling

tournament Aug. 28

Bowl-A-Rama is hosting a bowling tournament with a \$600 guaranteed first place prize. The tournament, which will take place at 1 p.m. Aug. 28, is open to the first 24 bowlers with an average of 199 or less. Entry fee is \$60 and must be received by 6 p.m. Aug. 25.

For additional information, contact Greg Clarke at 432-264-6480 or John and Diana Dodd at 432-267-7484. Further information can be obtained on Bowl-A-Rama's website at www.bigspringbowlarama.com.

Quarterback Club meeting Monday

Big Spring Quarterback Club meetings to be held Mondays at the ATC. The meetings will start at 6 p.m. All parents of football players in grades 7-12 are encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Denise Carrillo at 432-816-1685.

Soccer signups

Soccer signups will be held at the Big Spring Mall Aug. 15-19 at 5:30 p.m. In addition, players can register between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Aug. 20.

Lady Steers take 2nd place in Monahans tournament

By **ROBERT GRIFFIN**
Sports Editor

The Lady Steers were back on the court this weekend as they participated in a volleyball tournament in Monahans.

The girls of Big Spring came within a point of forcing a third match in the championship game with El Paso Montwood, but in the end, they had to settle for bringing the second place hardware back to Big Spring. After defeating Wolfforth Frenship by scores of 25-23 and 25-20 in the championship round, the Lady Steers fell to El Paso 17-25 and 24-26.

Against Frenship, Cerbi Ritchey led the setters,

recording 14 assists, five kills, five digs and two blocks. Morgan Seaton had nine assists, two kills and six digs.

Taylor Seaton provided most of the offense for Big Spring, as she hit 11 kills, two aces, five digs and had six blocks. Carson Reibe had seven digs and an ace in the game as well.

The Lady Steers found themselves in the championship round after wins against Midland Christian (25-14 and 26-24), Odessa High (25-22 and 25-16) and Andrews (25-16 and 25-17).

Stat leaders during the pool play portion of the tournament for Big Spring were: Ritchey with 23 as-

sists, 17 kills, 20 digs and six blocks; Morgan Seaton with 23 assists, four kills, 19 digs and five blocks; Taylor Seaton with 13 kills, nine digs, 10 blocks and one ace; Haley Dimidjian with nine kills, three blocks and two digs; Clara Benavides with five kills, 13 digs, one ace, one block and one assist; Reibe with 36 digs, one ace and one kill; Diamond Mayes with seven kills, eight blocks and four digs.

The Lady Steers (5-2) will be playing at Steer Gym Tuesday in their home-opener against Frenship. The freshman and JV squads will play at 4 p.m. and the varsity team will take the court at 5:30 p.m.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

It still feels like there is much to sort out under this Pisces moon. And though most of what needs organizing is emotional, it can be handled through the physical moving of objects. You process feelings as you tidy up and arrange your possessions in a pleasing manner. And you lose emotional baggage when you take out the trash.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's something fierce and mystical in your approach. Ever the warrior, it will be as though you are driven to march on by some distant battle hymn that only you can hear.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Matters of timing will arise. If you get the feeling that you might be too busy to make a commitment to someone, say "no" straight away instead of waiting to see what happens. A swift "no" will free you both to find a solution.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll be in a position to decide with whom you'd most like to work and socialize. Go for the one with a gentle smile and a happy face. This person will bring out the best in you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A loved one will be there to provide a touch of kindness when you really could use one. It's moments like these that make you realize why you chose this person to be in your life in the first place.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your cat qualities will come out. You'll be smart, chic and mysterious. You'll quietly observe, in no hurry to get involved unless you see the perfect opportunity. Then you'll pounce.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Some relationships are best kept on the formal side. You get along with almost anyone, as long as you stick to the boundaries that best suit the particular relationship.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). In order to know what action to take next, you must first know the wisdom of inaction. In the stillness, you will feel all of your different options and make a powerful choice.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Destiny is a weaver. She threads together your life with the life of another to create an intricate design. You'll love the pattern and will want it to repeat. Pay close attention and it will.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You may make a to-do list, but you won't be a slave to it. You realize the value of staying open to the possibilities. An impromptu invitation will bring a touch of spontaneous social

magic to your day.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Gather more information and connections. You can never have enough. Plus, it's so attractive the way you light up when you learn something new or meet someone for the first time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You have several projects at various levels of completion, and you won't be satisfied until at least one of them is put to rest. So focus on the one that's nearly finished. Be ruthless. Keep working until it's done.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The glass is neither half-full, nor half-empty. It's all the way filled and brimming over. Sure, some of the content is water, and some of it is air, but both are necessary to live. This is the way the true optimist sees things.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 15). You will launch into a brand-new adventure and overcome the fear and obstacles that held you back in the past. You'll enjoy love and friendship as you make more time for social fun in October. Business booms, and you'll have money to invest in November. Vacations in December and June make you the envy of friends. Libra and Gemini people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 32, 15, 39 and 25.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "My husband and I don't seem to be communicating very well lately. We're both Pisces, and we used to be able to practically read each other's minds. It's not like that anymore. I feel like he's on another planet, talking a different language. He is clueless about what I do with my day, even though I tell him. He

seems constantly confused by my schedule with our children, even though it's the same schedule every week. His dumb questions let me know that he doesn't really ever listen to me. How can I get back on the same page with him?"

If you're annoyed with him for not remembering that the kids have soccer practice on Wednesday, no matter how nicely you try to tell him where you're going, he's going to get the vibe that you're mad at him. That will shut off his ears to you. Anything you say afterward, he won't hear. Pisces are emotional communicators, so it will be important for you to recognize the feeling and tone that come across in your communication and try to adjust them in a genuinely pleasant direction. Also note that the first and last few minutes of the day are times when you both will be particularly receptive to hearing each other.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Academy Award-winner Halle Berry had a stressful personal life this past year. Her involvement in a slew of movies will take her out of the drama of an ongoing custody battle and into the lives of the characters she will play on screen. Leos are invigorated by the challenges of giving a stellar performance, and they are positively revived by the sound of applause.

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HOLIDAY MATHIS

"Classic Ann Landers"®: Reconsidering advice

Editor's Note: Hundreds of Ann Landers' loyal readers have requested that newspapers continue to publish her columns. These letters originally appeared in 1999.

Dear Ann Landers: I think you've been out in the sun too long. "Nameless, Faceless and Placeless" discovered that her fiancé, Jeremy, was online, pretending to be unattached, and looking to meet women. She planned to trap him by pretending she was one of those mystery females. Now, he wants to meet her. She asked for your advice, because she said she loves the guy and doesn't want to lose him. You told her to stop playing games.

Annie, this guy is a LOSER, and you should have told her to dump him. She has been living with him for more than a year, and they

are engaged to be married. He is no immature child. He is in his 40s, and so is she. Why is this jerk looking in the online personals to meet other women? Furthermore, she must have suspected he was not entirely faithful, which is why she resorted to duplicity to find out exactly what he was up to.

You should have told her to get rid of the creep. The wedding ring on his finger will not keep him from straying. Better she should know NOW what kind of guy she is involved with. Please, Ann, reconsider your advice. — *No Mystery in Centereach, N.Y.*

Dear Centereach: You are right. My "duh" response was less than helpful. A betrothed male who is still surfing the Internet looking for women needs to be evaluated more carefully. Thanks for cleaning up after me.

Dear Ann Landers: The season of frantic gift-buying is upon us. May I offer some gift ideas?

My husband and I are in our late 60s, and have lived in the same house for over 40 years. At this stage of our lives, we are trying to downsize and simplify. Please don't give us things that need dusting, storing or hanging, no matter how cute you think they are. If you know us well enough to give us a gift, you ought to know our preferences, hobbies and health needs. Here are a few ideas:

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From our youngest grandchild, we would love a blank scrapbook for his artwork, some chocolate chips or wal-

nuts to put in her favorite cookies, flower bulbs we can plant together in the spring, or school photos for our wallets. Ask us to teach you to sew or fly a kite. We would love any of the above.

Our closets and dressers are jammed, but you may have noticed that my socks are getting thin and the dish towels need replacing. Maybe you have discovered a super gunk remover or a sponge that lasts longer than two weeks. Please, dear ones, do not add to our collection of gadgets and whatchamacallits. On the other hand, if a child or grandchild hopes to inherit one of our gadgets or whatchamacallits, please let us know. It would give us great pleasure to give it to him or her now.

Please — NO MORE STUFF. We will thank you from the bottom of our hearts for any gift, of course, but you really don't need to give anything but yourselves. — *JoAnne in Michigan*

Dear JoAnne: I could not have said it better. Thank you.

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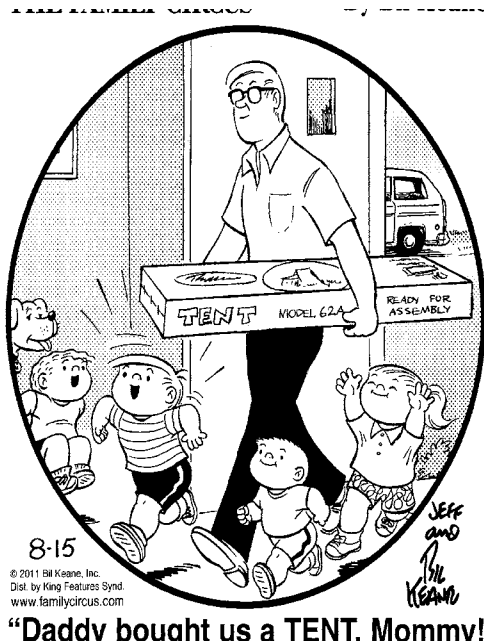
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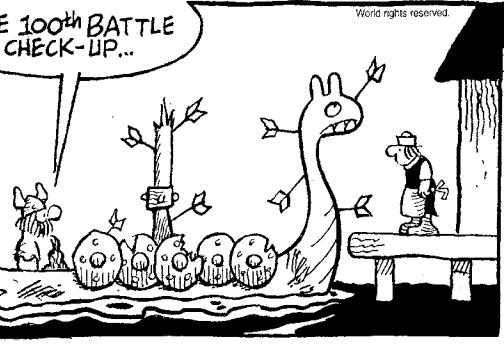
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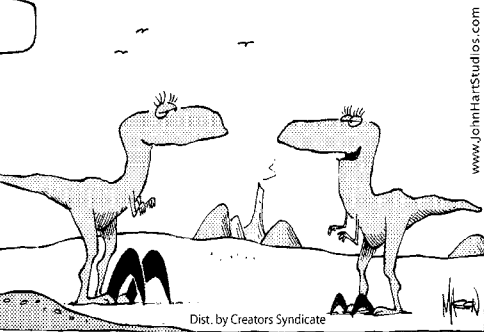
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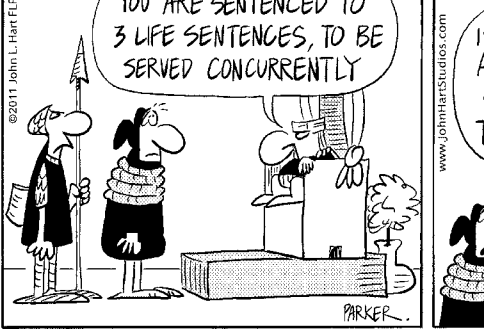
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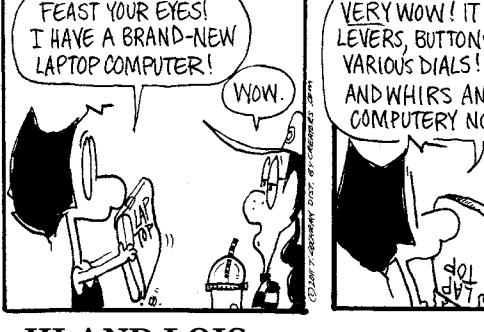
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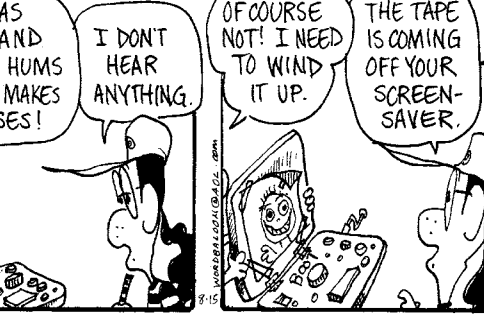
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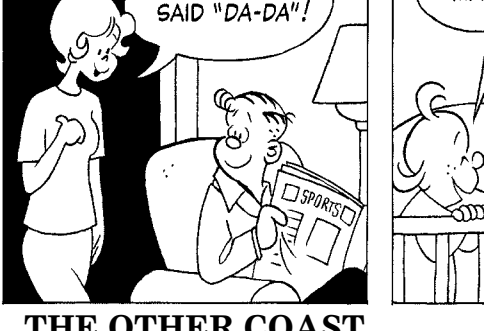
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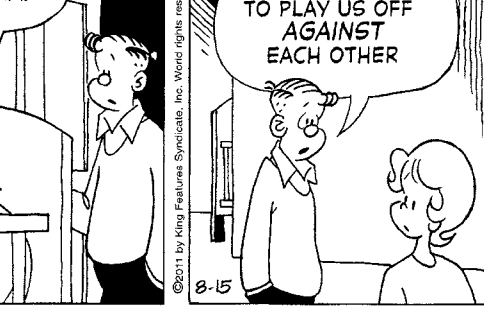
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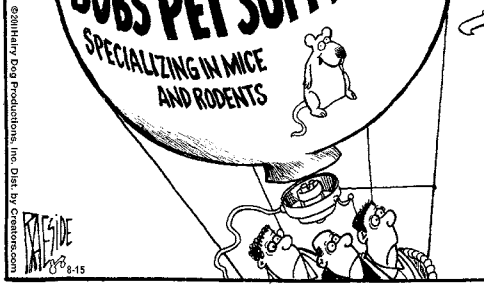
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ASTROS

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feeling. I know what it felt like to get my first home run. He's from this area and had his family here, so it was a special moment. I'm happy for him. Hopefully, there's more to come."

Kemp matched his career high with his 28th homer for the Dodgers, who had lost four in a row before the lowly Astros came to Chavez Ravine. Navarro also went deep and scored twice.

Kuroda (8-14) allowed five singles, struck out six and walked one. The 36-year-old right-hander, who came in tied with recently demoted Astros left-hander J.A. Happ for the most losses in the NL,

won for only the third time in his last 15 starts despite a season ERA of just 2.88.

Kuroda's last five victories have come in games in which he didn't allow a run, dating to his 2-0 win at Pittsburgh on May 11.

"I'm not really used to having this many runs. I'd much rather have it than not have it, but my approach to pitching isn't any different," Kuroda said through a translator. "I'm a starting pitcher, and I want to keep the game close. So the less home runs I give up the better, but it's not because of a lack of run support."

The rebuilding Astros have dropped a season-worst six straight games and 13 of 16 since unloading outfielders Hunter Pence and Michael

Bourn before the non-waiver trade deadline.

Houston's 38-83 record is the worst in the majors. The Astros trail NL Central-leading Milwaukee by a whopping 32 games — their largest deficit since ending the 1975 season a franchise-record 43½ games off the pace.

Lyles (1-7) gave up seven runs and seven hits in 5 1-3 innings, including all three home runs. The right-hander, who at age 20 is the youngest player in the majors, has a 5.31 ERA in 13 starts since beating the Chicago Cubs in his big league debut on May 31 at Wrigley Field.

"I just made mistakes throughout the entire game and they made me pay," Lyles said. "On Sellers' home run, I was trying to punch him out

with runners on first and second and then just hung a mistake over the plate."

Navarro hit a two-run shot in the second inning for his fifth homer and Kemp made it 3-0 in the third with his second homer in two days after a season-worst 11-game drought.

Dodgers first baseman James Loney pulled off a slick unassisted double play to end the fourth inning, making a leaping grab of Carlos Lee's line drive and spinning around to tag J.D. Martinez as he dove back to the bag.

NOTES: Four of Navarro's five homers this season have come in day games, one of them against Astros RHP Wilton Lopez in the eighth inning of a 1-0 victory on June 19 at Los Angeles. Kuroda

also started that game and ended up with a no-decision after allowing just three hits in seven innings. ... Pitching at Dodger Stadium for the first time, Lyles walked his first two batters of the game — equaling the number he had in 32 1-3 innings over his previous five starts. ... The Dodgers' only other three-game sweep this season came against San Diego at Chavez Ravine in the final series before the All-Star break. The Padres and Astros, both last in their respective divisions, are a combined 92-151 and 46½ games out of first place. ... The Dodgers begin 10-game road trip through Milwaukee, Colorado and St. Louis on Monday night. 2B Jamey Carroll is batting a major league-best .344 on the road.

RANGERS

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ninth. Craig Gentry came in to run for Moreland and stole second to put himself in good position on Murphy's single to center.

This marks the A's longest skid against the Rangers since dropping nine in a row from June 19-Sept. 30, 1986. Texas outscored Oakland 23-8 in the series.

Hideki Matsui hit a tying RBI single in the sixth after he was brushed back twice by reliever Darren Oliver, once even going to the ground to get out of the way.

A day after the A's committed four errors, they had another blunder. Right fielder David DeJesus dropped a routine fly ball by Ian Kinsler in the fifth, allowing two runs to score.

In the bottom half, Kinsler misplayed a bouncing grounder to second that went under his glove and brought home Oakland's first two runs.

This game had a little bit of everything: an Oakland comeback, a hit batter, the two defensive mistakes and a balk. Texas starter Matt Harrison even turned his attention for a brief moment to the folkloric dancers who performed on "Fiesta Day" right behind home plate as he warmed up in the middle of the sixth.

Harrison was done that inning. He allowed Scott Sizemore's leadoff double, an RBI single to Kurt Suzuki one out later and then Brandon Allen's RBI double. No. 9 hitter Cliff Pennington walked and Rangers manager Ron Washington turned to Oliver.

Late lineup addition and newcomer Allen provided the highlights for Oakland.

Allen singled leading off the third for his first hit since joining the A's, then produced another base hit to start the fifth. He also doubled in the sixth.

Allen, acquired in last month's trade with Arizona that sent reliever Brad Ziegler to the Dia-

mondbacks, was called up from Triple-A Sacramento on Saturday.

Harrison received a mound visit from pitching coach Mike Maddux after loading the bases with one out in the third. He calmly got out of it unscathed, retiring Matsui on a flyout and cleanup hitter Josh Willingham on a swinging strikeout.

Harden fell behind right away against his former team. He hit leadoff man Kinsler with a pitch, then got Elvis Andrus on a fly-out before four straight Rangers reached base. Texas' first run scored on a wild pitch, then Napoli drew a bases-loaded walk and Moreland added his sacrifice fly.

Harden walked in another run in the fourth when Young drew a free pass. Harden wound up with a season-high five walks over four innings. The right-hander hadn't issued five walks since last Aug. 23 while with Texas.

The reigning AL champion Rangers released Harden after the 2010 regular season, in which he struggled with injuries and control. Harden received a \$1.5 million, one-year contract in December to rejoin Oakland, his original team.

NOTES: Rangers DH Yorvit Torrealba extended his hitting streak to 12 games with a lead-off single in the fourth. Young's hitting streak ended at 12 games. ... Oakland scratched 1B Conor Jackson from the lineup because of neck tightness. Allen took his place. ... A's CF Coco Crisp returned to the lineup after missing six games with a strained right calf. ... Texas has won 17 of 21 vs. the AL West since May 15. ... LHP Gio Gonzalez (9-10) pitches Monday's series opener for the A's against Baltimore trying to end a four-start losing streak. Gonzalez is 0-5 with a 5.82 ERA in six starts against AL East clubs this year. ... RHP Alexi Ogando (11-5) takes the ball in Texas' opener with the Angels. Ogando looks to take over the team lead in victories.

Bradley posts unlikely PGA win

JOHNS CREEK (AP) — In a major with names hard to remember, Keegan Bradley delivered a comeback difficult to forget. Five shots behind with three holes to play in the PGA Championship, Bradley made back-to-back birdies to begin his rally. Equally stunning was the collapse from Jason Dufner, who was flawless on the home stretch until Sunday, when he made three straight bogeys with the Wanamaker Trophy on the line.

Bradley won a three-hole playoff, making him only the third player in at least 100 years to win a major in his first try.

He also became the first player to win a major with a long putter — a belly putter — and it proved to be the most important club in his bag. Bradley rattled in a 35-foot birdie putt on the 17th hole in regulation to keep alive his chances, then showed the perfect touch with a two-putt across the 18th green for a par to close out a 2-under 68.

Dufner, now winless in 148 starts on the PGA Tour, stooped over on the 18th fairway in the playoff before hitting his final shot, knowing that he had thrown away his best chance at finally winning — in a major, no less.

And so ended the final major of the year — a guy in a red shirt pumping his fists along the back nine of Atlanta Athletic Club, providing excitement that the PGA Championship had been missing until the final hour.

Until then, this major had been remembered for Tiger Woods missing the cut by six shots and looking lost as ever, and for U.S. Open champion Rory McIlroy hitting a tree root in the opening round and playing the rest of the week with

his right wrist heavily taped.

Bradley, best known until now as the nephew of LPGA great Pat Bradley, was No. 108 in the world after having won the Byron Nelson Championship earlier this year in a sudden-death playoff, again after the leaders had faded on the closing holes.

"He's got a good pedigree with Pat Bradley in the family," Dufner said. "I'm sure he's picked up a few things from her about winning, attitude and golf in general. He's probably got a pretty strong future out here."

Bradley now moves to No. 29 in the world, and ends the longest American drought in the majors at six tournaments. Phil Mickelson had been the last American at the 2010 Masters, and perhaps that's only fitting.

Mickelson has been playing money games during practice rounds at the big tournaments with Bradley, wanting him to be prepared to play for something more prestigious than cash. The kid must have taken the lessons to heart. He never gave up when he had every reason to do just that.

Bradley was two shots behind when he arrived at the pivotal stretch of the course. From left of the 15th green, he hit an aggressive chip that came out too hot and rolled into the water, leading to a triple bogey. That put him five shots behind with three to play.

Dufner watched it all unfold from high on the hill as he waited on the 15th tee, his lead suddenly up to four shots over Anders Hansen, who was in the process of making bogey. Dufner, so unflappable all day, had played the ferocious four-hole closing stretch in a combined 3 under for the

first three days without every making bogey. This was different. This was Sunday. Dufner, for the first time showing even a trace of emotion, winced slightly when he saw the flight of his tee shot. It found the pond to the right of the green, yet he poured in a 12-foot putt to at least escape with bogey. His lead was still four shots, and when he split the middle of the 16th fairway, he seemed to be on his way.

Bradley stuffed his

shot into 8 feet for birdie on the 16th. Behind him in the final group, Dufner hit into the right bunker, blasted out to 10 feet and made bogey. Now his lead was down to two shots.

Dufner arrived on the 17th tee in time to watch as Bradley rattled in a 35-foot putt, pumping his fists as his caddie stood behind the hole holding the flag over his head with both arms. three-putted for bogey. Just like that, they were tied.

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♥ A K 2
♦ J 6 4 3
♣ J 9 8 6

EAST
♠ 10 9 6 4
♥ 5
♦ 10 8 2
♣ A 7 5 4 2

SOUTH
♠ A Q 8 5
♥ Q J 6 4 3
♦ A 9
♣ 10 3

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 4♠* Pass
4♥

* Strong heart raise.

Opening lead — three of spades.
On some deals, it appears that the contract is sure to fail because of an unlucky lie of the opposing cards. Today's hand, from the 1988 Spingold Teams, certainly seems to be one of this type.

West leads the three of spades, taken by dummy's king. South plays a trump, and West wins and returns his remaining spade. Declarer leads a second trump to West's ace, East signaling with the club seven. West then plays a club to East's ace, and East's spade return is ruffed by West for down one.

Once West leads a spade initially, it's not easy to see what South can do to prevent this scenario from unfolding. But when all-time great Bill Root was declarer, he managed to get home safely even though the defense functioned perfectly.

The early play went exactly according to form, with Root winning the first spade and leading a trump, and West continuing a spade after taking the heart king. But there the similarity ended.

Unwilling to accept his fate without putting up a fight, Root decided to try to do something to thwart the impending spade ruff. So instead of leading a second trump at trick four, he cashed the A-K-Q of diamonds, discarding a club. He then led dummy's seven of diamonds and, when East showed out, discarded his last club on it!

This presented West with an unexpected diamond trick in exchange for declarer's club loser. But, more importantly, it robbed East of the entry he needed to give West his spade ruff.

From there on it was easy. West tried to reach East with a club, but Root ruffed and led a trump. West took his ace, and declarer had the rest of the tricks after drawing the last trump. His only losers were two hearts and a diamond.

Tomorrow: Perseverance pays off.
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