

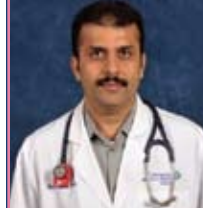
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# Shots fired in home

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Local law enforcement officials are investigating a report of a foot chase that gave way to gunfire Monday morning in the 500 block of State Street.

According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the Big Spring Police Department, the altercation involved several black, male suspects. "Officers responded to a residence in the 500 block of State in reference to a report

of shots fired," Everett said. "On arrival, officers found that a family was inside their home when a black male subject banged on the door and then forced his way inside. "As he ran through the house, two more black males came through the door chas-

ing him. One of the subjects was armed with a handgun. Two shots were fired at the victim. The two suspects then fled out the door, running to a red or maroon, small vehicle. They fled in the vehicle." Everett said the suspect who had first forced his way

inside the home fled from the home to the east, running down an alleyway. "No one was hit (by the gunfire) and the family in the home had no idea who the subjects were or what the See **SHOTS**, Page 3A

# Murder suspect sought

*Sunday shooting in Martin County leaves Lamesan dead*

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

MARTIN COUNTY — What is believed to have begun with an argument turned deadly during the weekend in Martin County, leaving one Lamesa man shot to death and a second on the run.

According to law enforcement officials, the shooting was reported at 8:51 a.m. Sunday when a local resident called 911 to say someone had been shot at their residence in the 3100 block of County Road D 3600 in central Martin County.

Deputies with the Martin County Sheriff's Office arrived on the scene to find 32-year-old Anau Rodriguez Villagrana of Lamesa suffering from a single gunshot wound to the head.

According to MCSH Chief Deputy Ernest Wakefield, Villagrana was still breathing when emergency responders transported him to Midland Memorial Hospital. However, the Lamesa man was pronounced dead just before noon by Justice of the Peace Joe Matlock.

A murder warrant has since been

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Contractors spent part of Monday cutting tree limbs away from power lines on Highway 350 less than a mile from Big Spring. According to local fire officials, electrical lines have caused a number of wildfires in the past several months.

# Louisiana company furnishing free bottled water in Big Spring

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

As city officials deal with a shrinking water supply, an unexpected helping hand is arriving from hundreds of miles away.

More than seven truckloads of drinking water — 79,000 bottles in all — were scheduled to arrive in Big Spring this morning from Evamor, a Convington, La.-based artesian water company.

The water will be available free of

charge to anyone showing up at the Dora Roberts Community Center this afternoon. Big Spring Police Department Lt. Terry Chamness said people will be able to take up to a case of water with them.

In addition, Evamor water will be distributed to local churches, the Big Spring Independent School District Athletic Department, Scenic

Mountain Medical Center and other local agencies.

During a Monday news conference announcing the donation, Big Spring Mayor Tommy Duncan said he was contacted by Damion Michaels, a vice president with Evamor, about two weeks ago.

"I received an e-mail from him a couple of weeks ago saying they would like to help out with the drought by

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# Timeframe wanted for state park pact

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners voted Monday morning to table an inter-local agreement with the city of Big Spring to provide financial support for the Big Spring State Park, citing the lack of an established timeframe as the reason.

According to County Judge Mark Barr, his

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# College trustees OK budget, tax rate

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

One of the most difficult tasks Howard College officials have faced in recent memory is over — until next year.

College trustees formally approved the district's 2011-2012 budget and tax rate during their monthly meeting Monday afternoon, and no one was sad to see the process completed.

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issued for 36-year-old Jose Americo Garcia, whose last known address is in Lamesa, according to law enforcement records.



Garcia

La w enforcement officials said Garcia has ties to the Lubbock area and Mexico. The Texas Rangers are assisting with the investigation.

Reportedly, Garcia is driving a 1999 Black Chevrolet Suburban with Texas license plate number 747-LDT and is likely traveling with his wife and two children, a 5-year-old girl and a 4-year-old boy.

Martin County Sheriff John Woodward said Garcia is assumed to be armed and dangerous. Anyone with information regarding his location are asked to call 911 or the Martin County Sheriff's office at 432-756-3336.

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donating us a few bottles of water," Duncan said. "I later found out 'a few bottles' of water turned out to be a few truckloads of water."

Michaels said national coverage of the drought in Texas — particularly plans by the Colorado River Municipal Water District's plan to convert waste water into drinking water — convinced him that the company should lend a helping hand.

"We have a lot of water just sitting in Arkansas," Michaels said. "We decided, 'What better use for it than here?'"

Tony Modisette, superintendent of the city's water treatment plant, said the company's help was welcome.

"The water situation is reaching a critical point in West Texas," Modisette said. "The biggest problem is with evaporation. We've done a good job of managing the resources we have, but as the drought continues, there are no easy answers to our problem."

"To be definite about it, if we don't have substantial rainfall by late 2012 or early 2013, we will not have any surface water available to us," he added.

Duncan and Michaels both hope the donation will provide a buffer of sorts and allow the city to conserve some of its dwindling water supply.

Michaels also hopes the donation spurs other agencies and businesses to help drought-stricken Texas cities.

"We want to bring attention to the water quality issues across Texas," he said. "Water quality issues are paramount to our company. We're very blessed with a great water supply ... and we hope that other businesses will be able to donate water to other Texas communities."

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office received the agreement Monday morning, part of an ongoing effort by local officials to keep Texas Parks and Wildlife Department from closing the local park.

Both local governments have agreed to chip in \$10,000 each — to be paid 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 long-time Park Manager Ron Alton to remain at the facility's helm.

"We need to have Josh (Hamby, County Attorney) look this agreement over since we just received it this morning," Barr said.

Precinct 4 Commissioners John Cline said he would like to see the contract be renewed on an annual basis, a preference the remaining commissioners and Barr echoed.

"The state is going to

take our money as long as we give it," Precinct 3 Commissioner Jimmy Long said. "We need to have some sort of time-frame before we approve this agreement."

Barr said it would be at least two years — when the legislature next meets — before there will be any chance of the state picking up the whole tab from the local facility.

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

Currently, Big Spring State 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," Barr said. "It's well worth the funds we are putting forth to keep the facility open and to keep the state park designation."

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A series of cuts in state financing forced administrators to log plenty of overtime as they struggled to craft a balanced budget, Executive Vice President Terry Hansen said.

"We've just completed a budget process like no other," Hansen told trustees. "We worked on it for the better part of the last year and a half. We saw the headlights coming down the tunnel, and it was a train."

The oncoming train Hansen referred to was a series of cuts in state revenue over the past 18 months that totaled more than \$2 million and severely affected operations at both Howard College and SouthWest Collegiate Institute for

the Deaf.

To make up for that shortfall, officials sought to increase revenue through tuition and fee hikes, as well as securing outside sources of money such as grants and donations. In addition, the college instituted a hiring freeze, letting some positions stay vacant and eliminating others outright.

"Our goal all along was not to have any layoffs or terminations," Hansen said. "Virtually everything was done through attrition or shifting job responsibilities."

The end result, Hansen told trustees, is a \$36.6 million budget that is both balanced and features a cut in the tax rate.

The new budget has been slashed by almost \$1.5 million from the previous year, he noted. SWCID's budget also

was pared significantly, down almost \$500,000 from last year.

The new tax rate — 23.85 cents per \$100 valuation — is more than 4 cents less than last year's rate, but will raise the same amount of money, thanks to an overall increase in the district's property valuations, Hansen said.

Also Monday, the college board voted to rename on-campus streets after original college trustees Otis Grafa, Leroy Echols, A.J. Stallings, L.H. Thomas, Mrs.

J.E. Brigham and R.T. Piner.

In other business, trustees:

- Learned that summer enrollment at all Howard campuses was 2,503, an increase of 7 percent from the previous year.
- Approved bids and handbook and catalog changes.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

With You, Lord, our judgment is better than usual. Amen

## Commentary pages are no tea party

Several columnists recently referred to the tea party "patriots" as terrorists. The terrorist label set off a stormy protest among the group's legion of message writers.

I was one of those columnists. I figured that had some radical sheik sitting in his cave threatened to blow up the American economy — that is, push the United States into default on its debt — if his demands weren't met, few would have questioned use of that unflattering term.

The partiers' most plausible defense was that "everybody knew" the government was not going to default in the end. But everybody didn't know that, certainly not the businesses and investors forced to prepare for that doomsday scenario, even if the odds were against it. And though a last-minute deal did pull us from the brink, the manufactured chaos embarrassed the United States globally and played a role in Standard & Poor's downgrade of our credit rating. It sent the stock market into a paroxysm of volatility and helped ravage consumer confidence just as it was beginning to recover.

That little stunt continues to pain the jobless, investors and U.S. companies while weakening American power abroad. But the hurt the tea party writers most complained of was to their feelings. I had engaged in name-

calling, they kept saying. One professing to want more civility in our national conversation, as I do, should not be flinging around the "terrorist" word.

May I presume to disagree? Civility is a subjective concept, to be sure, but hurting people's feelings in the course of making solid arguments is fair and square. The decline in the quality of our public discourse results not so much from an excess of spleen, but a deficit of well-constructed arguments. Few things upset partisans more than when the other side makes a case that bats home.

"Most of us know that effectively scoring on a point of argument opens us to the accusation of mean-spiritedness," writes Frank Partsch, who leads the National Conference of Editorial Writers' Civility Project.

"It comes with the territory, and a commitment to civility should not suggest that punches will be pulled in order to avoid such accusations."

Partsch served as editorial page editor of the Omaha World-Herald for a quarter-century. I'm currently the NCEW president.

Name-calling is not foreign to respectable commentary. Some journalists swear off name-calling altogether. It does not advance an argument. But in the right hands, it can spice up an essay.

Let us revisit some columns by H.L. Mencken, whom conservatives revere for his hostility to government. In a 1925 essay for The (Baltimore) Evening Sun, Mencken referred to the followers of populist William Jennings Bryan as "half-wits," "gaping pri-

mates," "rustic ignoramuses" and a "forlorn mob of imbeciles."

Calling Bryan "a walking fever," Mencken wrote: "If the fellow was sincere, then so was P.T. Barnum. The word is disgraced and degraded by such uses. He was, in fact, a charlatan, a mountebank, a zany without sense or dignity."

The above was published the day after Bryan died.

My definition of incivility is nonfactual and uninformed opinions hidden in anonymity or false identities, and Internet forums overflow with them. When the comments gush in from orchestrated campaigns, other thoughtful views get lost in the flood. That can create two desired outcomes for the organizers. One, the writer gets cowed into thinking he or she has done something awful and holds back next time. Two, commentators outside the group see what's up and don't bother participating.

Vitriol without a smart argument is a bore. It's not the vitriol alone that makes people most angry. It's a strong argument that hits the bull's-eye.

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## Autocrats: know your limitations

Why aren't more people offended by the autocrat President Obama for always telling people what to do on economic matters when he obviously has no idea what he's doing?

I might have used the term "dictator" or "tyrant," but seeing as Obama is telling carmakers what kind of cars they should make, "autocrat" is especially fitting.

You can't make this up. He told carmakers that they should concentrate on building smaller and more fuel-efficient automobiles. He said: "You can't just make money on SUVs and trucks. There is a place for SUVs and trucks, but as gas prices keep on going up, you have got to understand the market."

That's right. That's exactly what he said, unless my sources misreported the beleaguered chief executive. With no experience in business and with no appreciation for how markets work, he's telling businessmen they need to understand the market.

Anyone who understood the market wouldn't suggest that suppliers start making product they have no reason to believe would be sold. Anyone who understood the market would know that a private-sector manufacturer's fiat works no better than a president's to stimulate demand, unless, perhaps, there were a monopoly environment and manufacturers could collude to produce only the product that they wanted to sell, and even then it would be highly unlikely.

But this is nothing new for Obama, who once convened a group of businessmen to tell them they had to start hiring more people, as if the decision to hire more people were solely a function of an employer's will rather than involving a cost benefit analysis — and as if their hiring more people would jump-

start the economy.

Then there was the time he said that under his then proposed health care plan (he never actually had his own concrete plan), waste would be greatly reduced because he would get doctors together to discuss their procedures and ensure there wasn't duplication of tests and services.

This is truly breathtaking stuff, folks. High-school students should know better than to make such statements. I'd be embarrassed for Obama except that the liberal media never call him out on such ludicrous assertions and thus the poor fellow apparently doesn't even realize he has become a parody of himself.

This is unnerving. How can someone have made it this far in life with such fundamental cluelessness? Has everyone only told him "yes" the past few decades, or was he too arrogant to listen to dissenting answers?

Was it Socrates or "Dirty" Harry Callahan who said, "A man's gotta know his limitations"?

Well, Harry learned that lesson from life experiences — experiences that we must assume Obama missed.

From what we know of his scandalously sketchy background and what we observe of his behavior in office, it would seem that Obama had no life experiences following adolescence other than academics and politics in their various forms. He appears to have no idea why things don't happen automatically as they did on the professors' chalkboards.

As an academically indoctrinated central planner whose tutors trained him to believe the government can create economic growth by using borrowed federal money to pay people to dig ditches and fill them back up again, it's no wonder he is mystified that his stimulus package didn't create jobs.

But he's more than mystified. He's frustrated, because he believes he ought to have carte blanche authority — akin to that of the econ professor to create widgets with the snap of a finger — to inaugurate round two, with

the building of high-speed rail, more infrastructure and anything else he darn well pleases.

I trust you know I'm not fabricating this. Just the other day, he repeated his lament that he has to work within this messy system called "democracy." He believes that if he just had sole control, he could match in the real world the economic results the professors produced in the classroom.

Meanwhile, Obama is conducting his government-subsidized campaign bus tour as if everything were just wonderful, except for the refusal of American businesses to do as he says.

But there is a silver lining. Though Obama doesn't have the humility or wisdom to know what he doesn't know, the American people are fed up to the point that the liberal media's shameless covering for him is no longer working.

The latest Gallup poll shows that only 26 percent of Americans approve of his handling of the economy and that a whopping 71 percent disapprove. Even fewer, 24 percent, approve of his job creating performance. If a Republican president were in office, there would be wall-to-wall coverage on this.

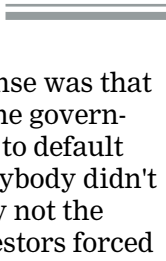
Oh, how we must pray and work our tails off to ensure that this national nightmare will come to an end in 2012 and that we can then begin, in earnest and with humility, the arduous process of restoring America's financial stability.

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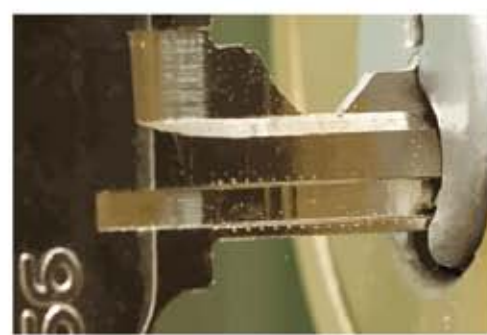
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- 3) Beavers
- 4) Porcupines
- 5) Squirrels

Answer -- All of the above!

**Spot six differences between these panels.**



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Answer -- Towel, brush handle, bandage, water drop, tooth and rabbit's tail.

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# Caring for a red-shouldered stranger

Pulling hoses around the corner of the house, the woman would spend another day replenishing the moisture needed for her thriving garden. With the drought's lingering threat, she had no alternative.

Walking back to the faucet, she saw it. In the mid-morning light, its breast, heavily

streaked with brown, was noticeable against its dark wings and back. Recognizing it as a hawk, she wondered why it did not

fly as she approached.

For a moment, the two beings just stood and stared at each other. Convinced the raptor needed help, she decided she would have to capture the bird.

Frayed and aging, her pet's cherished blanket, left atop its doghouse to air, would have to do.

Surrounding the hawk with the tattered cloth brought little resis-

tance.

Hurriedly entering the back door, she called to her son for help. As he drove her to the home of someone who had previously handled and cared for raptors, she hoped she was not too late in finding the bird.

Recognizing the symptoms of dehydration and starvation, the former rehabber hurried to give the hawk fluids and food. After delivery of the bird to the Texas Parks & Wildlife office, we received an interesting call.

At first glance, the rehabber had thought the bird was a Swainson's hawk, a common summer visitor. Then came the realization it wasn't because of its size. That it was a juvenile, or first year young, was evident.

Only after searching through several books, and extending its wings again, did the rehabber



Courtesy photo

**Capable of soaring to great heights, diving dramatically, and gliding effortlessly, the red-shouldered hawk relishes its time in the sky. As a hunter, the raptor excels at catching mice, rabbits, squirrels, lizards, snakes, insects, fish, snails and earthworms.**

have the answer as to identification. Emerging on top of each shoulder were the rusty patches that would be more pronounced as an adult. It was a red-shouldered hawk.

Frequenting eastern and southern river bottoms and forests, the raptor was a remarkable stranger to our arid western clime. Perhaps the loss of bottomlands, or the clearing of land for livestock and reservoirs, had influenced its parents' choice of new terrain.

After walking

through the reception area at TP&W and into the conference room, the receptionist asked if we knew what it was. Then she added, "They told me to tell you it threw up what they tried to feed it."

Another symptom of the plight of the hawk was the inability to hold down solid food in spite of its hunger. Fortunately, in our freezer were tiny baby mice. Easily digested, they were the perfect remedy. Dipped in an avian supplement, and fed a few at a time with

a hemostat, the "pinkies" began to make a difference.

The next day, I wondered if the hawk would start eating on its own. On a platter were pinkies, as well as some small mice. By late morning, the hawk had not eaten, but had moved the food with its beak. Healthy, it would have been able to tear a mouse to shreds.

When I cut everything in small bites, donned an old pair of gardening gloves, and offered the food to the red-shoulder in the palm of my hand, the hawk seemed interested. Soon my glove was empty after it took

first one, then another. Obvious was the difficulty it had had in picking up food from the bottom of its container.

After we delivered the red-shoulder to the wildlife center in Lubbock two days later, I mentioned the trouble it had when trying to eat.

Shortly after we returned, the phone rang.

Deciding to force-feed the raptor, volunteer Gail Barnes had discovered the bird had cracked its lower bill. That was the reason it

had difficulty eating. With vet bond applied, the hawk would recover.

Five days later, the hawk was eating whole mice. Exercising in a mew and graduating to the flight cage, the bird's progress was notable.

Twenty days after being found, the red-shouldered hawk was released near Aspermont on a fork of the Brazos River.

After acquiring its adult plumage, the raptor's throat, breast, belly and thighs would be barred with rufous or orange. Each shoulder would be adorned with a rusty or reddish patch and its dark tail would be accented with narrow white bands.

Learning of its freedom, we wondered if, in the future, the hawk would return to our high, dry and windy locale. Although we might never know its future migratory habits, we couldn't help but remember a stanza from a song about another tenderfoot. "East is east, and West is west, and the wrong one I have chose."

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

## sudoku

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

1	5	2						
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7		3		1				
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	9		1				4	
4				7				
			4		2			9

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## Let your children know they're special

We are beginning a brand new school year and our kids are

excited. They are looking forward to starting the year and being with their friends.

However, parents and

students alike realize the beginning of school is a time when many extracurricular activities begin and it is easy for students to become overloaded with "extras." While out-of-school activities, like sports and music contribute greatly to a child's development, it is important students not be overloaded, particularly at the beginning of a school year when they are already adjusting to change.

Show your child you value learning and education. Ask questions about what is going on at school. Often general questions like "How was school?" or "What did you do at school today?" receive answers like "fine" and "nothing" and leave parents feeling frustrated and uninvolved.

Try to ask more

specific questions like: What new words did you learn today? Are you working on any projects? What part of the project are you working on now? Who else is in your group? What other projects did people choose? Have you learned how to take notes? What notes did you take in Social Studies/Science/History, etc., today? What is the most important part of the science project you are working on now? Are you reading any new books?

Remember, a child's learning starts at home and a parent's interest and encouragement enhances that continued learning experience. Let's encourage our children to enjoy learning and let's let them know we want to learn with them.

Let's also allow our children to know we think they are special and if they could see themselves as others see them they would realize how special they are.

I read a poem several years ago from an unknown author that says it pretty well. It's called I'm Special:

In all the world there's nobody like me. Nobody has my smile, my hair, my nose, my voice! I'm special.

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♥ A 5 3  
♦ A 10 8 7 2  
♣ K J

**WEST**  
♠ K Q 10 9 8  
♥ K Q 10  
♦ 6 3  
♣ 10 7 5

**EAST**  
♠ 5 3  
♥ J 9 8 4  
♦ K 4  
♣ 9 6 4 3 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ A J 2  
♥ 7 6 2  
♦ Q J 9 5  
♣ A Q 8

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

Opening lead — king of spades.  
The art of falsecarding is a study in itself. Most falsecards are well-known to the experienced player, but some of them are so rare that they are almost never seen. Today's deal features an exceptional falsecard that enabled declarer to make a contract that otherwise would have gone down.

West led the king of spades, and South saw immediately that he could make the contract if West had the king of diamonds, since a simple finesse would yield five diamond tricks. So South had to consider what

might happen to him if East had the king of diamonds.

It was clear that if he won the spade king with the ace and tried the diamond finesse, he would go down if the finesse lost and East had a spade to return. South also realized that if he instead ducked the king of spades, West would almost surely shift to a heart rather than continue a spade after he saw East's discouraging signal. In the actual deal, had South followed low, West would have shifted to the king of hearts, and the contract would have been doomed.

And so, fully cognizant of the danger of playing the ace of spades at trick one and the futility of playing the deuce, South played the jack instead!

This extraordinary falsecard produced the desired effect. West naturally assumed that South had started with the A-J doubleton and continued with the queen of spades. Declarer won, led the queen of diamonds and finessed. Fast took the king but did not have a spade to lead, so South wound up with nine tricks.

Note that if East had had a third spade to return — which would mean West started with only four spades — South would have made the contract anyway, since West would have had only two more spades to cash.

Tomorrow: A risk-free play.

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# It's alive! NASA humanoid robot awakes

By **MARCIA DUNN**

AP Aerospace Writer  
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA's humanoid robot has finally awakened in space.

Ground controllers turned Robonaut on Monday for the first time since it was delivered to the International Space Station in February. The test involved sending power to all of Robonaut's systems. The robot was not commanded to move; that will happen next week.

"Those electrons feel GOOD! One small step for man, one giant leap for tinman kind," Robonaut posted in a Twitter update. (All right, so a Robonaut team member actually posted Monday's tweets under AstroRobonaut.)

The four visible light cameras that serve as Robonaut's eyes turned on in the gold-colored head, as did the infrared camera, located in the robot's mouth and needed for depth perception. One of Robonaut's tweets showed the view inside the American lab, Destiny.

"Sure wish I could move my head and look around," Robonaut said in the tweet.

Robonaut — the first humanoid robot in space — is being tested as a possible astronaut's helper.

The robot's handlers at Mission Control in Houston cheered as everything came alive. The main computers — buried inside Robonaut's stomach — kicked on, as did the more than 30 processors embedded in the arms for controlling the joints.

"Robonaut behaved himself," said deputy project manager Nicolaus Radford. "Oh, Robonaut definitely got an 'A.' He won't be held back a grade, if that's what you want to know."

"It was just very exciting," he said. "It's been a long time coming to get this thing turned on."

The robot was deliv-

ered on space shuttle Discovery's final flight. It took this long for the operating software to get up there, and for the astronauts to have enough time to help with the experiment

On Sept. 1, controllers will command Robonaut to move its fingers, hands and arms.

For now, Robonaut exists from the waist up. It measures 3 feet 4 inches tall and weighs 330 pounds. Each arm is 2 feet 8 inches long.

A pair of legs currently are being designed and should be launched in 2013.

Radford said if everything continues to check

out well, the robot may be able to take on a few mundane chores — like taking air velocity measurements inside the space station — early next year.

For now, Robonaut — also called R2 — is designed to stay inside the space station. Future versions might venture

out on spacewalks, saving astronauts time while keeping them safe.

During Monday's two-hour test, U.S. astronaut Michael Fossum and Japanese spaceman Satoshi Furukawa took Robonaut from its sleeping bag, placed it on its fixed pedestal, then

floated away as ground controllers took over. The robot went back into its bag following the test.

Because Robonaut has some flammable parts, NASA wants it stored in its fireproof bag.

Controllers were tempted to make the robot move, but held off.

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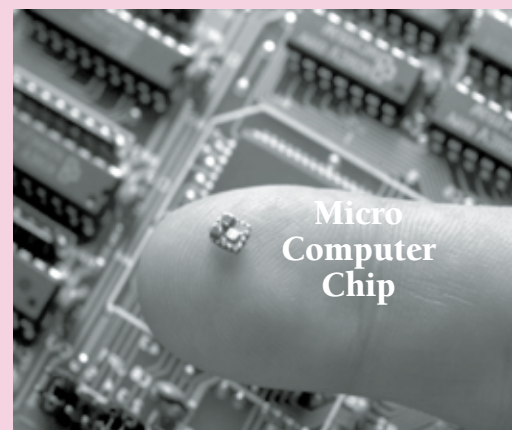
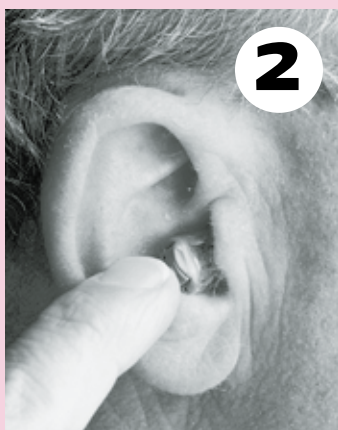
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## RYAN

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phony!

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I will accept my differences.

And I'm beginning to see that I was made special for a special purpose.

There is a job for me that no one else can do as well as I can.

That job is for me alone because I'm special.

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

## sudoku

ANSWERS

1	8	5	6	2	9	7	3	4
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## News in brief

### Gadhafi son shows up free, rallies supporters to fight back

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP) — Moammar Gadhafi's son and heir apparent Seif al-Islam resurfaced free and defiant early Tuesday, thwarting Libyan rebel claims that he had been captured and boasting the regime still has control in Tripoli and will crush the rebellion.

Seif al-Islam's sudden — even surreal — arrival at a Tripoli hotel where foreign journalists are staying threw the situation in the capital into confusion just a day after rebels entered the capital with surprising ease, sparking a wave of euphoria. It underlined the potential for Gadhafi, whose whereabouts remain unknown, to lash back even as his grip on power seemed to be slipping fast.

Rebels say they control most of Tripoli, but they faced pockets of fierce resistance from regime loyalists firing mortars and anti-aircraft guns. Rebel spokesman Mohammed Abdel-Rahman, who was in Tripoli, said the "danger is still there" as long as the longtime Libyan leader remains on the run.

He warned that pro-Gadhafi brigades are positioned on Tripoli's outskirts and could "be in the middle of the city in half an hour."

The rebel leadership seemed stunned that Seif al-Islam was free. A spokesman, Sadeq al-Kabir, had no explanation and could only say, "This could be all lies."

### Libya's stability could affirm Obama strategy

WASHINGTON (AP) — The dramatic advance of Libyan rebels over the forces of longtime strongman Moammar Gadhafi offers vindication, at least for now, for President Barack Obama's decision to refrain from using U.S. troops on Libyan soil and to let NATO take the lead in degrading Gadhafi's military power. But there are still hazards for the White House.

How the country moves from turmoil to stability presents a new challenge for Obama and could determine how the public views not only his foreign policy, but in some measure the economy as well.

Yet, the news for Obama on Monday could not have been better. The Libyan street was euphoric, Gadhafi was in hiding and the price of oil — a contributor to dangerous economic lethargy — was dropping.

"The Libyan intervention demonstrates what the international community can achieve when we stand together as one," Obama said at his vacation retreat in Martha's Vineyard, Mass.

Obama was careful to emphasize that uncertainty

remained and that Gadhafi's regime could still pose a threat. What's more, it will take several months even under a stabilized Libya before its oil fields are producing enough crude to start exporting again. But any extra shipments could lower the price of gasoline, which has already come down more than 40 cents a gallon from its peak in May.

### Prosecutors recommend dropping Strauss-Kahn charges

NEW YORK (AP) — Early in the sexual assault case against Dominique Strauss-Kahn, prosecutors held out his accuser as its strongest point. Her account was "compelling and unwavering," complete with "very powerful details" and corroborated by a medical exam, they said.

When they moved Monday to drop the biggest case on their docket, the woman was portrayed as its fatal weakness. She "has not been truthful on matters great and small" and has an ability to present "fiction as fact with complete conviction," and medical and DNA evidence is "simply inconclusive" as proof of a forced sexual encounter, they wrote.

"Our grave concerns about (her) reliability make it impossible to resolve the question of what exactly happened" between the hotel maid and the former International Monetary Fund leader, they wrote.

With that, the Manhattan District Attorney's office asked a judge to put an end to a case that created a cross-continental sensation. A formal dismissal is expected at Strauss-Kahn's court date Tuesday, though the maid, Nafissatou Diallo, is asking the judge to boot the DA's office off the case and put it on hold until a special prosecutor can be appointed.

Still, if the criminal case is dismissed, efforts to shed light on what transpired in Strauss-Kahn's luxury suite May 14 are bound to continue in civil court, where Diallo has sued Strauss-Kahn.

### Hurricane Irene is 1st to threaten U.S. in years

MIAMI (AP) — The rapidly intensifying Irene that's already cut a destructive path through the Caribbean is the first hurricane to seriously threaten the U.S. in almost three years, a worry for some emergency management officials who hope people haven't become complacent about the dangers.

Predictions by the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said Irene was likely to become a major Category 3 hurricane Tuesday. By Thursday as it roars toward the U.S. coast over warm open waters, it could become a Category 4, NHC hurricane

specialist John Cangialosi said late Monday. Winds in such a storm can blow from 131 to 155 mph (210-249 kph).

The last hurricane to make landfall in the U.S. was Ike, which pounded Texas in 2008.

For now, the first Atlantic hurricane of the season had maximum sustained winds early Tuesday around 100 mph (160 kph) and was centered about 50 miles (85 kilometers) northeast of Puerto Plata in the Dominican Republic. The hurricane was moving west-northwest near 12 mph (19 kph) and could eventually land in Florida, Georgia or South Carolina.

Bryan Koon, director of the Florida Division of Emergency Management, said after a meeting Monday with Gov. Rick Scott that the two have frequently discussed raising awareness since the Atlantic hurricane season began June 1 and is still predicted to be active.

### Economists doubt another recession within 12 months

WASHINGTON (AP) — Another recession isn't likely over the next 12 months. Neither is any meaningful improvement in the economy.

That's the picture that emerges from an Associated Press survey of leading economists who have grown more pessimistic in recent weeks. They say high unemployment and weak consumer spending will hold back the U.S. economy into 2012.

Their gloominess comes at a time when Europe's debt crisis threatens to infect the global financial system. It also coincides with an annual economic conference late this week in Jackson Hole, Wyo., and speculation about whether Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke will unveil any new steps there to help the economy.

Worries that another recession is nearing and that the European crisis will spread have led to a roughly 15 percent drop in stock prices in the past month. Economists say the Great Recession ended in June 2009.

What makes a solution so difficult is that the fear gripping investors isn't just a symptom of economic distress; it's also a cause of it. Sinking stock prices frighten consumers and businesses. They then spend and invest less. Investors respond to lower corporate sales by selling stocks, worsening the market declines.

### Activists say Syrian troops have killed 7 following visit by UN team

BEIRUT (AP) — Syrian security forces killed at least seven people in a flashpoint central city following a visit by members of a U.N. humanitarian team, activists said Tuesday.

The United Nations, meanwhile, said the overall death toll from President Bashar Assad's crackdown on dissent has reached 2,200.

Seven people died on Monday, four of them when troops opened fire to disperse anti-government protesters in Homs. The protesters had gathered in the city's main square ahead of the arrival of a U.N. humanitarian team.

Amateur videos posted by activists online showed crowds of people thronging several cars with the blue U.N. flag, flashing banners that read: "SOS" and "We will never stop until we get our freedom."

The protesters chanted for freedom and the downfall of the regime.

### Biden praises Japanese resolve during tsunami zone visit

SENDAI, Japan (AP) — U.S. Vice President Joe Biden on Tuesday praised the resolve of the Japanese people in their efforts to recover from the tsunami and reaffirmed the two countries' alliance as vital for regional peace and prosperity.

In a speech at Sendai's airport, which American military personnel helped clear of debris after the tsunami, Biden spoke of the U.S. public's admiration of Japan after the March 11 disaster, which left about 20,000 people dead or missing and ravaged hundreds of miles (kilometers) of coastline.

"The disaster met its match in the legendary industriousness and relentless perseverance of the Japanese people," he said.

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Big Spring's Haley Dimidjian prepares to go up for a block in recent action at Steer Gym.

## Lady Steers split games in tourney

By **ROBERT GRIFFIN**

Sports Editor

The Lady Steers were back on the court in this weekend, participating in the annual tournament in Granbury. The Big Spring representatives went 2-2 Friday and then 1-1 Saturday, putting any hopes of bringing hardware home out of their reach.

### Friday's games:

Big Spring fell to Grace Prep by scores of 24-26 and 15-25. Cerbi Ritchey and Morgan Seaton each had seven assists for Big Spring and combined for eight digs, 12 kills and one block.

Carson Reibe and Clara Benavides led the defense 15 digs between them, as well as two kills and two aces, while Taylor Seaton added three kills, four blocks and one dig to the stat sheet.

The Lady Steers rebounded against District 6-3A's Bowie Lady Rabbits, taking the game easily 25-12 and 25-8. Ritchey led the setters with nine assists, eight kills and three digs, while Morgan Seaton added seven assists, four kills and six digs.

Carson Reibe made her presence felt in this one, rounding up 12 digs, five aces and an assist.

Big Spring found itself on the short end of the stick against Trinity, falling by scores of 21-25 and 16-25. Diamond Hayes had four blocks at the net, with two kills, while Reibe and Logan Yarbar combined for 13 digs.

Ritchey added seven assists, 12 digs, 11 kills and one block, while Haley Dimidjian had two

kills and one ace. Ritchey and Dimidjian were joined by Team Seaton, Morgan (six assists, nine digs, one kill) and Taylor (six kills, one dig, one assist and one block)

Big Spring evened out their record for the day against Boswell, winning with scores of 25-19 and 25-12.

### Saturday's games:

Big Spring began the day in a tough one against Arlington Heights, but found a way to win 25-30 and 25-20. The girls then went up against Burleson in what turned out to be one of the toughest games of the tournament. The Lady Steers fell in three matches 20-25, 25-16 and 20-25.

Ritchey led the Lady Steers, recording 33 assists, 23 digs, 23 kills, three blocks, three aces and two blocks in the two Saturday games.

Morgan Seaton put up 20 assists, 14 digs, 11 kills and two blocks.

Taylor Seaton added 18 kills, 13 blocks, five digs and one ace.

On defense, Reibe led with 22 digs, three aces, three kills and one assist. Logan Yarbar recorded 19 digs and a kill, while Kelsie Guinn had four digs, two aces, two blocks, an assist and one kill.

Clara Benavides had 17 digs on the day, along with four kills and two assists. Diamond Mayes added five blocks, three kills and one dig to the team's stat sheet.

The Lady Steers will be back on the road this evening, as they face San Angelo Central. The game is scheduled to start at 5:30 p.m.

## Rangers blank Red Sox in playoff preview

ARLINGTON (AP) — C.J. Wilson stood at his locker after pitching 6 2-3 scoreless innings for Texas wearing a T-shirt he designed bearing the image of teammate Mike Napoli with a chef's hat and holding a spatula.

So appropriate.

Wilson's 13th win and Napoli's three-run homer were the primary ingredients for the Rangers in a 4-0 victory over the Boston Red Sox on Monday night in the opener of a four-game series that is a potential playoff preview.

Napoli's 21st homer, in the sixth off Erik Bedard (4-9), extended the Rangers' 1-0 lead and his hitting streak to a season-best 11.

"That situation right now, we had Bedard on the ropes. ... He got a fastball up to Mike, and he didn't miss it," manager Ron Washington said. "We certainly needed it because we never know what may happen in a one-run ballgame. It gave us a cushion

and it gave us an opportunity to hold on."

Wilson (13-5) struck out four while limiting the Red Sox to four singles, improving to 3-0 with a 1.37 ERA in his four August starts. The left-hander had finished July by allowing 14 hits and 13 runs (10 earned) in 7 2-3 innings over two starts.

The Rangers were coming off a 7-3 roadtrip that ended with three losses in four games, the last 10-0 at the Chicago White Sox.

"To come back home and put the red (jerseys) on and prevent scoring was a big deal," Wilson said. "Getting the win and getting a shutout for the team is pretty awesome."

The Red Sox had runners at first and third, the only time they had a runner 90 feet from home plate, when Wilson came out of the game. Koji Uehara immediately got Jarrod Saltalamacchia on a groundout.

Mike Adams and Neftali Feliz each pitched a scoreless inning without allowing a hit to wrap up the Rangers' 15th shutout, which ended on second baseman Ian Kinsler's diving stop up the middle and a throw off his knees to get Carl Crawford out at first with two runners on base. Boston was held scoreless for the ninth time.

Napoli homered to left-center on a ball that kept drifting and dropped into the first row of seats just beyond the 14-foot-high wall. With his back turned to the plate watching, Bedard could only say "Wow!" Josh Hamilton and Michael Young had reached on consecutive one-out singles.

Wilson couldn't keep a straight face wearing his unique T-shirt after the game.

"There was a joke earlier in the season that Nappy looked like the chef in the Detroit Tigers clubhouse when he had

the long hair so we started calling him Cheffy," Wilson said. "On the menu is what we joke about."

And Napoli delivered on a fastball that stayed up in the zone.

"I tried to throw strikes out there and keep the team in the ballgame," Bedard said. "It was a good hit by Napoli and that was the deciding factor."

Bedard is 0-2 in his four starts for the Red Sox since being acquired July 31 in a trade from Seattle. The left-hander struck out four and allowed seven hits over six innings.

Texas (74-55) extended its division lead over the idle Los Angeles Angels to 4½ games while the Red Sox (77-50), who have the second-best record in the AL, dropped a full game behind the New York Yankees in the AL East.

Boston hasn't won a game against the Rangers this season. The Red Sox were swept

in a three-game series at Texas to open the season as part of their 0-6 start.

Texas had a season-high scoreless streak of 17 consecutive innings before Elvis Andrus' RBI single in the third after a potential inning-ending double play instead became a blown call and hit for Ian Kinsler.

Ian Kinsler's sinking liner to right in the third appeared to be caught by Josh Reddick.

Baserunner Craig Gentry was stranded between first and second base unsure which way to go until umpire Doug Eddings finally waved safe, ruling that the ball was trapped. Gentry scooted to second while Reddick threw to first thinking he had completed a double play.

"I know he caught it," manager Terry Fancona said. "But the umpire says he's sure, and he's not, I don't

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## Grady featured at 6-man showcase in McCamey

By **ADAM ZUVANICH**

Sportswriter

The West Texas Six-Man Shootout was patterned after a similar event in Hico, which is entering its eighth year of existence and has the Dallas Cowboys, Nike and the United States Air Force among its sponsors.

McCamey six-man football showcase, which will celebrate its second year on Saturday, isn't there yet but aspires to be. Coaches who have gone to both have talked about how nice a job they did at McCamey last year, Borden County Head Coach Trey Richey said. They are able to do it many more years in a row, I think the popularity of it will just continue to grow. Borden County, which

is the top-ranked Division I team in the state according to sixmanfootball.com, beat Rankin in last year inaugural event at Badger Stadium. This year five-game slate concludes with a rematch between the Coyotes and 14th-ranked Red Devils, which is one of the marquee six-man matchups of the season opening week.

The all-day football fiesta begins at 10 a.m. with a game between Buena Vista and Eden, followed by matchups between Sanderson and Grady, Blackwell and Water Valley, and Fort Davis and Robert Lee. Borden County and Rankin are scheduled to kick off at 8 p.m.

Admission is \$8, which includes all five games. Expect all of Rankin to

be there, especially for such a big game, Rankin Coach Shannon Williams said. It is kind of a neat deal to play so close to home on such a nice turf. Hopefully we have people from the surrounding towns coming out there Saturday."

Fort Davis Coach Jess Roberts, who participated in last year's event as Buena Vista coach, said it was a special experience for the players. They were treated to a steak dinner by the hosts from McCamey, who will be providing fajitas to all the teams this year. They also got to play on an artificial surface that rivals any around according to Richey, whose Coyotes have competed at

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## Briefs

### 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. Simply go to www.bigspring-bowlarama.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.

### Lady Steers Booster meeting

The Big Spring Lady Steers' Booster Club will have its monthly meeting Monday at 6:00 pm in the library at Big Spring High School. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Cheri Reibe at 432-268-9587.

# Dallas Cowboys 2011 schedule

Sunday, Sept. 11	@ NY Jets (NBC)	7:20 PM
Sunday, Sept. 18	@ San Francisco (FOX)	3:05 PM
Monday, Sept. 26	WASHINGTON (ESPN)	7:30 PM
Sunday, Oct. 2	DETROIT (FOX)	
Sunday, Oct. 9	BYE	
Sunday, Oct. 16	@ New England (FOX)	3:15 PM
Sunday, Oct. 23	ST. LOUIS (FOX)	3:15 PM
Sunday, Oct. 30	@ Philadelphia (NBC)	7:20 PM
Sunday, Nov. 6	SEATTLE (FOX)	Noon
Sunday, Nov. 13	BUFFALO (CBS)	Noon
Sunday, Nov. 20	@ Washington (FOX)	Noon*
Thursday, Nov. 24	MIAMI (CBS)	3:15 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 4	@ Arizona (FOX)	3:15 PM
Sunday, Dec. 11	NY GIANTS (NBC)	7:20 p.m.p
Saturday, Dec. 17	@ Tampa Bay (NFLN)	7:20 PM
Saturday, Dec. 24	PHILADELPHIA (FOX)	3:15p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 1	@ NY Giants (FOX)	Noon

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know what to do.”

Replays showed clearly that Reddick caught the ball a few inches off the ground.

Andrus followed with his single to left-center with Kinsler going to third, but he cost the Rangers the chance of another run.

With Hamilton at the plate, Andrus was caught off the base by catcher Saltalamacchia. Hamilton then hit a flyball that would have been deep enough to score Kinsler, but instead was the third out.

Notes: Napoli struck out two pitches after it appeared he had been hit by a pitch in the second. Home plate umpire Paul Nautert ruled foul ball despite Napoli showing him a mark on his hand and Washington sprinting out of the dugout to argue. ... Texas native John Lackey (11-9) starts for the Red Sox on Tuesday night. The right-hander, coming off a loss to Tampa Bay that snapped his career-best six-game winning streak, is 6-6 with a 6.78 ERA in 17 career starts at Rangers Ballpark. He allowed nine runs in 3 2-3 innings there the second game this season. ... Colby Lewis (11-8), who beat Lackey in April, starts for Texas.

# Astros hitting, but not winning

DENVER (AP) — The Houston Astros' bats were lively against Jhoulys Chacin — except when it counted.

Chacin threw seven solid innings and had a two-run double while Carlos Gonzalez homered and drove in three runs to help the Colorado Rockies beat the Astros 9-5 on Monday night.

Chacin (10-10) rebounded from his shortest outing of the season with an effective effort. He was tagged for 11 hits and struck out just two but consistently pitched out of jams with the help of three double plays.

“They're aggressive hitters. I was able to throw my fastball for a strike and use my breaking ball and changeup when I had runners on base to get the out,” Chacin said. “I'd prefer to give up a base

hit than a walk.”

The Astros had a hit in every inning but the seventh. They just couldn't come up with the big one when it counted. Twice they had runners on third base, but Chacin came up with the right pitch to get out of the inning.

“He surrendered 11 hits but because of walking only one guy and getting key outs he turns it into a good outing,” Rockies manager Jim Tracy said.

Chacin also got some early offense to work with. All nine starters reached base for Colorado, which won its third straight. It's just the second time since June 18 the Rockies have won three in a row.

They needed all the offense against Houston righthander Brett Myers. Myers (3-13) came into Monday 7-0 with

a 3.47 ERA in eight appearances against Colorado, seven of those as a starter.

The Rockies changed that with a big first inning. Eric Young Jr. led off with a walk, Dexter Fowler doubled and Gonzalez knocked both in with a double. One out later, Todd Helton singled to score Gonzalez, Ty Wigginton doubled and Helton scored on a groundout.

Chacin capped the inning with a two-run double over the pulled-in outfield that made it 6-0.

“We had a good scouting report on him,” Gonzalez said of Myers. “His fastball is not the same, he's around 88, 90. The first pitch I saw was a curveball and I swung and missed.

“I thought he was going to come back with another breaking ball. I was expecting that pitch and I was able to drive it to right field and get two runs early.”

Gonzalez made it 7-0 with a solo homer in the second, his 22nd of the year.

Myers gave up seven hits in the first 10 batters he faced but settled down. He went five innings and allowed seven runs on nine hits, struck out three and walked two.

“The ball was flat tonight. It didn't have any angle, it was straight,” Myers said. “The ball was flat and they were just putting good swings on it. The ball didn't have any life on it.”

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Abilene Shotwell Stadium and Lubbock Lowrey Field in recent years.

The event also provides a convenient scouting opportunity for the coaches. Fort Davis and Rankin both compete in Six-Man District 7 Division I, while Buena Vista and Sanderson are members of Six-Man District 6 Division II.

McCamey High School principal Jay McWilliams, who founded the event along with McCamey superintendent Donny Wiley said

it also is great for the school district and the community in general. The West Texas Six-Man Shootout will bring an influx of visitors to the town of about 1,600 residents, and those visitors likely will spend money on food, fuel or commemorative T-shirts.

It also gives McCamey a chance to show off Badger Stadium, which was renovated prior to the 2009 season.

McWilliams said the school did not host any playoff games that year, but last year season-opening event led to Badger Stadium hosting three six-man playoff games.

McWilliams said the first six-man shootout was a draw for McCamey residents, too, and it funded \$1,000 scholarships for two of McCamey graduates in the spring.

McWilliams, the former football coach at McCamey, said a few other schools have requested to join the event lineup in future years. He would like to accommodate them, but he agreed to give the 10 original teams the first option if they choose to remain part of the event. Either way, Class 1A McCamey plans to make six-man football one of its traditions.

# Fishing in danger

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Sitting in Hall B of the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center last week surrounded by members of the \$658 million fly-fishing industry he represents, Jim Klug considered the anti-environment campaign in Congress and had this advice for his fellow businessmen and sportsmen:

“They better wake up to what the House is trying to do before it's too late,” said Klug, chairman of the American Fly Fishing Trade Association. “Our industry depends on a clean environment, and if you take that away, you don't just take away a hobby and pastime, you take away entire industries.

“No one who cares about fishing or these industries can sit on the sidelines any more. Frankly, a lot of us have just been stunned.”

They are stunned by the comprehensive nature of the House attack and by the politicians

leading it.

They were surprised by the billions cut from conservation programs because it made no accounting sense; the investment is a win for taxpayers because the industries the programs support return billions more to the treasury.

More frightening was the long-term agenda for the environment spelled out by the GOP majority in the dozens of policy riders attached to some bills. These included ordering federal agencies not to enforce regulations protecting streamside wetlands, waterfowl-nesting habitat, carbon pollution, pesticide application, roadside runoff and mountaintop mining, among others. These will have no effect on the deficit, but are merely million-dollar giveaways to favored industries.

Then there were the loud attacks against global-warming science and environmental regulatory action by the

GOP's leading presidential candidates, attacks filled with outright falsehoods.

This came the same week a peer-reviewed study published by the National Academy of Sciences warned the current rate of warming could result in the loss of more than half of all trout habitat in Western states during the next 70 years.

Polls show most sportsmen identify themselves as conservatives and Republicans. So this anti-environmental march by their party has left many of them stunned and angry, including Klug.

“I've always been a Montana Republican, and I never thought I would see the Republican Party doing this kind of stuff,” he said.

“I guess I think of myself as a Teddy Roosevelt Republican, someone who is conservative fiscally, but who cares about protecting the environment.

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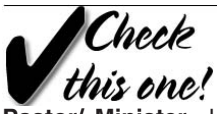
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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Many people have a tendency to underestimate the actual time it takes to complete a task. You will give yourself ample time for everything on your list and finish the day feeling like a total success.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You'll have an errand to do. Think about it before you leave the house. With a little organization, you could handle three errands instead and save yourself a trip or two.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You may suddenly recognize a pattern in your behavior as self-defeat in motion. Luckily, there is still ample time to interrupt the cycle and choose differently.



**HOLIDAY MATHS**

# "Classic" Ann Landers®

*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:** My wife, age 52, was diagnosed with kidney cancer three years ago and had a kidney removed.



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When Mildred returned home from the hospital, she began to see a psychologist who recommended she contact a man in our town who had had a similar operation and could act as a mentor.

My wife called "Harry" and invited him to our home. He was 48, divorced, warm and outgoing, and owned a prosperous business. Harry visited Mildred occasionally, and they discussed how best to

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You need the support of your loved ones — not because you are failing, but because you could do so much more with a little help. Tell them about your dreams and wishes.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You will be defined by how you show up and what you do. Later, someone will describe you based on the impression you make today. Knowing this, you'll put a little extra thought into it.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll embrace a new plan at work, a plan that cuts through your fear and passivity and concentrates your energy on taking the next step and the one after that.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). All it takes is one small, smart idea to set a major change in motion. Brainstorm freely. Allow your thoughts to burble to the surface and be expressed. Your

creativity will shine in constructive company.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). As the great composers know, sometimes silence is more beautiful than sound. A well-timed silence can ring out loud. Use this principle to make sweet music in a relationship.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're so imaginative now, and you'll conjure vivid mental pictures, both terrible and fabulous. To stay on the bright side, surround yourself with sunny people.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You benefit from encouraging people to tell you their dumb ideas. It never fails — a brilliant solution always falls accidentally into the mix.

The input you receive will invigorate a tired scene.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Love isn't a barter system. If you try to trade your attention

and affection for favors or forgiveness, you'll lose every time. You will give from the heart, and the reward is that giving feels good.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You will be there for a special friend in his or her time of need. But there's no reason to wait for that time to do something nice, like send a card. It's the things you do unexpectedly and for no apparent reason that will have impact.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Aug. 23). You won't let anything interfere with your industriousness. In September, you will rise to the challenge of a competitive situation. Good fortune comes to you through your relationship with an intellectual individual. There's an exciting journey in November. New family additions come in March. Aries and Gemini people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 39, 1, 24, 35 and 3.

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What do you make of this? — *East-Coaster*

**Dear East-Coaster:** No mystery here. Harry and Mildred have been getting together. Mildred telling Harry that she can't see him anymore indicates that she is ending the relationship.

Her saying "You knew I had a husband from the beginning" is interesting. She knew it, too, so there is plenty of blame to go around.

Apparently, whatever was going on is over, so forgive and forget.

**Dear Ann Landers:** Do you remember the old saying "April showers bring May flowers"? Well, the true story I am about to tell is a takeoff on that adage.

There was a man in our town named August Flowers. He married a woman named May. She then became May Flowers.

In time, they had a baby girl and named her April. One day, friends came over to meet the newcomer. When the mother brought her out, after all the "oohs and aaahs," she sat the baby on her lap for more

admiring comments.

Suddenly, the mother looked stricken. It seems the baby had wet all over her lap. The mother then good-naturedly said, "Well, it's true. April Flowers brings May showers." — J.P. in Gilroy, Calif.

**Dear J.P.:** I wonder if that good-natured mother ever heard of plastic pants that go over cloth diapers. I recommend them.

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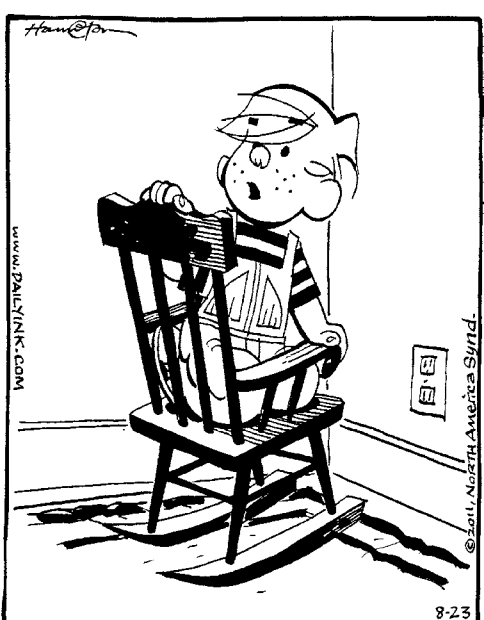
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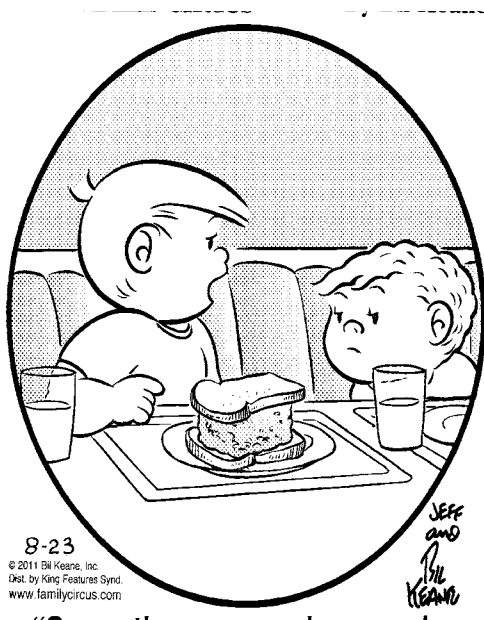
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9:PM	Combat Hospital	Aquí y Ahora (SS)	Simpsons	NCIS	La Casa de al Lado		Office		POV	CW 2011 Browns	D. Money	Movie: Jurassic Park III, Tea Leoni	Auction	Law & Order	Born to Dance	Vampire	WNBA	Baseball Tonight
10:PM	News	Impacto	How I Met	News	Noticias	News	Conan	Brad	Charlie Rose	Roseanne	Auction		Repo	CSI: NY	Born to Dance	Vampire	Liberty at Mercury	SportsCenter
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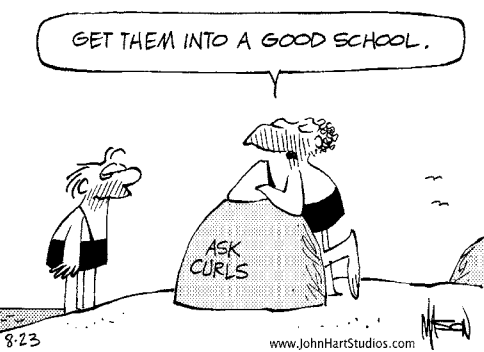
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Aug. 23, the 235th day of 2011. There are 130 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 23, 1775, Britain's King George III proclaimed the American colonies to be in a state of "open and avowed rebellion."

On this date:

In 1305, Scottish rebel leader Sir William Wallace was executed by the English for treason.

In 1754, France's King Louis XVI was born at Versailles (vehr-SY).

In 1914, Japan declared war against Germany in World War I.

In 1926, silent film star Rudolph Valentino died in New York at age 31.

In 1927, amid protests, Italian-born anarchists Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were executed in Boston for the murders of two men during a 1920 robbery.

In 1939, Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union agreed to a non-aggression treaty, the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact, in Moscow.

In 1944, Romanian prime minister Ion Antonescu was dismissed by King Michael, paving the way for Romania to abandon the Axis in favor of the Allies.

In 1960, Broadway librettist Oscar Hammerstein (HAM'-ur-STYN') II, 65, died in Doylestown, Pa.

In 1973, a bank robbery-turned-hostage-taking began in Stockholm, Sweden; the four hostages ended up empathizing with their captors, a psychological condition now referred to as "Stockholm Syndrome."

In 1989, in a case that inflamed racial tensions in New York, Yusuf Hawkins, a 16-year-old black youth, was shot dead after he and his friends were confronted by a group of white youths in the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Vera Miles is 81. Political satirist Mark Russell is 79. Actress Barbara Eden is 77. Pro Football Hall of Famer Sonny Jurgensen is 77. Actor Richard Sanders is 71. Ballet dancer Patricia McBride is 69. Former Surgeon General Antonia Novello is 67. Pro Football Hall of Famer Rayfield Wright is 66. Country singer Rex Allen Jr. is 64. Singer Linda Thompson is 64. Actress Shelley Long is 62. Actor-singer Rick Springfield is 62. Country singer-musician Woody Paul (Riders in the Sky) is 62. Queen Noor of Jordan is 60. Actor-producer Mark Hudson is 60. MLB All-Star pitcher Mike Boddicker is 54. Rock musician Dean DeLeo (Army of Anyone; Stone Temple Pilots) is 50. Tejano singer Emilio Navaira (nah-VY'-rah) is 49. Country musician Ira Dean (Trick Pony) is 42. Actor Jay Mohr is 41.

Answer to previous puzzle

ALES	CORDS	TSPS
LIVE	OVERT	ROUT
ASIA	NAVAL	AURA
SALSA	CLUB	RIPEN
ABUSE	PELTED	
AMPLER	LIASSO	
COAT	CHANT	NIP
SET	SNOOZES	USO
SET	HONEY	STEP
ERODE	PAUSES	
BABIES	CLIPS	
IPODS	SAUCEPANS	
BLAG	FLUNG	ELIE
LORE	BULGE	NOTE
ENDS	IRKED	DEED

Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

1 Camel's back feature

5 Gear tooth

8 Doorbell sound

13 Panama waterway

14 Physicians' org.

15 Continue without a break

16 Where Beijing is

17 Mayonnaise holder

18 Privileged group

19 "Don't bother!"

22 Sunbather's goal

23 Approves

24 Fuss over

28 24-hr. cash sources

30 Casino action

33 Woodwind instruments

34 Arctic ice sheet

35 Mountain lion

36 Mall regular's motto

39 Very long time

40 Signals to actors

41 Wallpaper adhesive

42 Physicians: Abbr.

43 Looked at

44 Nun's title

45 A/C unit

46 Enjoyment

47 Purchase something sight unseen

55 Laces into

56 Jazz instrument

57 Valentine's Day bouquet

58 Nostalgic song

59 Be deceitful

60 Stubborn animals

61 Boscs and Bartletts

62 Conclude

63 Conclude

DOWN

1 "Very funny!"

2 Ph.D. issuer

3 Horse's hair

4 Try out, as a board game

5 Louisiana cuisine

6 Poet Khayyam

7 Attire

8 Small streams

9 Does a luau dance

10 "What's \_\_\_ for me?"

11 Insect drawn to light

12 Point opposite WSW

13 Medicine amts. implement

21 Juliet's love

24 Sat for a photo

25 Detest

26 Natural satellites

27 Invigorates, with "up"

28 Director Woody

29 Yoyos, for example

30 Break open

31 Overact

32 Come to a point

34 Chimney duct

35 Hand-held organizers: Abbr.

37 Freeze over

38 Indignant

43 Washington and Wyoming

44 "Green" energy source

45 How jet-setters travel

46 Repaired

47 Hay bundle

48 Beef-inspection agcy.

49 Maui or Tahiti

50 Acquire

51 Wear a long face

52 Norway's capital

53 Hold on to

54 Double-curve letter

55 Move like a rabbit

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