

Never forget

Remembrance ceremony planned Sunday at mall

By AMANDA MORENO

Staff Writer

Ten years and counting, but not forgotten.

September 11, 2001, is a day that was marked as one that would live in infamy, and it has. No one has forgotten where they were when terrorists flew planes into the Twin Towers and the Pentagon, and how that act forever changed lives.

The remembrance ceremonies may not be what they once were, but they still exist, especially in Big Spring. The Big Spring Mall will be the location for a 2 p.m. memorial service Sunday.

"Each year I think to myself maybe it's enough, but when a mother and father come up to you with tears in their eyes and Tarpley throw their arms

around you and say thank you for not letting our son be forgotten ... that's when you realize you have FALLEN HERO

HERALD photo/Amanda Moreno

Mike Tarpley, Vietnam veteran and memorial service coordinator, finishes the Fallen Soldier Wall at the Big Spring Mall. A memorial service on the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the mall.

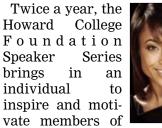
to do it one more time," said Mike Tarpley, Vietnam veteran and memorial service coordinator.

According to Tarpley, this year — the 10^{th} anniversary of 9/11 — will be a special ceremony. Special guests will be in attendance, including U.S. Rep. Randy Neugebauer and

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will deliver her speech in the form of a discussion in order to allow those attending to take even more from the experience. "I want to create a forum for them to ask questions and

Dawes — an Olympic gold get involved in what I am some of what I said." medalist and motivational saying and provoke thought It has been 15 years since speaker — will not only be so they can walk away with her Olympic career came to speaking to the audience, but something positive. My hope a close, but Dawes continues is I am able to plant seeds of wisdom and motivation for those times they are stuck in a challenging situation," Dawes said. "Hopefully, in those types of situations they can look back, think and use

to travel and deliver speeches to the world's youth as well as women and corporations. She began her motivational speaking in 1996 and has

It's all about the journey to success - at least that's the message Dominique Dawes hopes to bring during the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Healthy Woman event scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Dawes community. the The event is free, but a ticket is required.

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Brownfield man killed in rollover

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

A Brownfield man was killed Tuesday in Martin County in a one-vehicle rollover on Highway 349 north of Midland, according to Texas Department of Public Safety officials.

Ricardo A. Martinez Jr., 42, of Brownfield was pronounced dead at approximately 6:45 p.m. by Martin County Justice of the Peace Pam McAnally, according to DPS reports.

The accident happened on Highway 349, approximately one-half mile from FM 176, and was reported at 5:33 p.m. Martinez was traveling south

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The United Way sign went up Tuesday afternoon, marking the beginning of the 2012 campaign. Pictured from left are Lori Metcalf, board member; Donna Wright, secretary; Debbie Wegman, first vice president and campaign chair; Jessica Rivera, board member; Amanda Moreno, board member; and Sandy Stewart, executive director.

United Way under way

By AMANDA MORENO

Staff Writer

The goal is set, the meter is up and the campaign is under way.

This year, the goal for United Way of Big Spring and Howard County is set at \$275,000. Last year's campaign goal was set at \$250,000 and surpassed with a total contribution of \$288,000.

"The community really stepped up last year and we

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Take Note

• Texas Department of State Health Services, located at 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28B, will no longer be giving immunizations on a walk-in basis. Call 432-263-9775 and leave a message regarding name, birthdate and call-back telephone number. A nurse will call you within 24 hours with the date and time of your appointment. It is imperative you bring your child's immunization record with you when you come for your appointment.

Immunizations will only be given Tuesdays and Wednesdays by appointment only.

• ISAIAH 58 Food Drive will take place until Sept. 23. Drop off locations are at the Big Spring Herald office, United Way office, Walmart and H-E-B. All non-perishable foods are accepted.

 American Cancer Society will have their board meetings starting noon, Sept. 13 on the second Tuesday of the month through April. Lunch will be furnished. Meetings will take place at Home Hospice, located at 111 E. Seventh.

• Are you a 1971 BSHS graduate? Come to our 40th reunion Sept. 30-Oct. 1. For information, contact bshs71@yahoo.com or Susan Green McLellan at 432-267-5759.

• Home Hospice is seeking volunteers. Training will be provided and geared to your time frame. Volunteers are need for in office duties as well as sitters, deliveries and crafts. To find out more information or to volunteer contact Sherry Hodnett at Home Hospice by calling 264-7599.

• Every 10 years, Texas requires that marks and brands be re-registered in the county or counties in which you operate. The next re-registration period begins Aug. 31 and runs through Feb. 29, 2012. At the conclusion date, all marks and brands that have not been re-registered are automatically available for registration by another party. For additional information, contact the Howard County Clerk's Office at 264-2214 or 264-2213.

• Hangar 25 Air Museum needs your help! We are in need of volunteers to fill a variety of positions such as tour guides, front desk, clerical, events, and many others. Set your hours and days of the week you are available. Meet new people and enjoy a rewarding experience. For more information, contact Emma Bogard at 432-267-2963.

 Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union is raising money to benefit Maurine Pittman, who is undergoing cancer treatment in a Dallasarea hospital. For more information, call the credit union at 263-8393.

• A benefit fund has been established at Western Bank for Eric Kelly, a 24-year-old Big Spring resident with cystic fibrosis who is recovering from a double lung transplant in Dallas. All donations are appreciated. For more information, call 432-213-0795

• The Salvation Army is holding its annual fan drive and is in dire need of fans. Community members can donate new or used fans. Monetary donations are also welcomed. Donations can be made at the main office, located at 811 W. Fifth St., Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Police blotter

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

 ASHLEY RENEE GARCIA, 18, of 1002 N. Gregg, was arrested Thursday on a warrant from another agency and a local warrant for theft – shoplifting.

• DANIEL RIOS, 25, of 905 E. 16th St., was arrested Thursday on charges of criminal mischief, evading arrest or detention, resisting arrest, search or transportation and a warrant from another agency.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1400 block of Park.

• THEFT was reported:

In the 1300 block of Madison. In the 100 block of E. FM 700. In the 1200 block of E. 17th Street. In the 200 block of W. FM 700.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 82 inmates at the time of this report.

• CRYSTAL ANN BURCHETT, 30, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid.

 DANIEL RIOS, 25, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of bondsman off bond - unlawful transfer of handgun to someone under 18 years of age, criminal mischief, evading arrest or detention and resisting arrest, search or transportation.

• ASHLEY GARCIA, 18, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on warrants for failure to attend school and theft.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. and noon, each lasting an hour. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

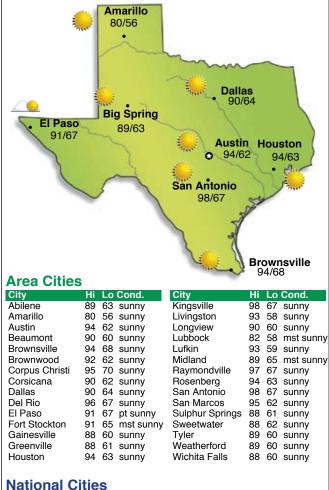
FRIDAY

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program, is held at Cornerstone Covenant Church, 706 E. 12th St. at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call at 264-0015 or visit www.cccbigspring.org



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Atlanta	81	57	sunny	Minneapolis	85	63	sunny
Boston	79	61	pt sunny	New York	82	70	t-storm
Chicago	71	60	rain	Phoenix	99	77	t-storm
Dallas	90	64	sunny	San Francisco	74	60	pt sunny
Denver	73	50	mst sunny	Seattle	82	58	pt sunny
Houston	94	63	sunny	St. Louis	73	62	t-storm
Los Angeles	81	60	sunny	Washington, DC	82	71	t-storm
Miami	90	78	t-storm	•			

Moon Phases



• Fridays are live band dance nights at Big Spring Senior Center, 1901 Simler. Senior adults are invited to an evening of fellowship (and good exercise) from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. each Friday. Cost is \$6 per person. For more information or to find out what band is playing, call the Senior Center at 432-267-1628.

SATURDAY

· Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.



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LOCAL

Symphony season set to begin

HERALD Staff Report

The Big Spring Symphony Association is sponsoring a wine and cheese event to celebrate the symphony's 30th season and the 10th anniversary of Dr. Keith Graumann as symphony conductor. Tickets are \$25.

Charlotte Beil Wilhoit will provide a medley of familiar tunes, accompanied by her mother, Joan Beil and her former music teacher, Joyce Bradley.

Season tickets will be for sale.

Make reservations by Friday by calling 267-8514.

The event will be from 7 to 9 p.m. at Moss Creek Ranch on Moss Lake Road east of Big Spring.

The first concert of the season will be music by Latin American composers with guest conductor Maestro John Giardano. It will be at the First Baptist Church on Sept. 17.



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Dale Patterson and Odis Franklin look at one of the entries in the West Texas Rod Run. The run took place Saturday morning at the Old Settler's Pavilion in Comanche Trail Park. Entrants included locals, cars from Houston, San Angelo and other surrounding areas.

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local country and western artist Jody Nix.

"Ten years ago we were a nation undivided and now it's not that way. However, I would like to get back to that way and see everyone fly their flag like we did 10 years ago,"

Tarpley said. He said, as a Vietnam veteran, "We all took the

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oath to not allow any other soldiers to be treated like we were treated."

The public is encouraged to attend Sunday's ceremony, which will also honor those from Howard County who have died in Iraq and Afghanistan since 9/11.

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DAWES

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found a passion for it. Almost seven years ago, she realized where the true connection is when it comes to her speaking engagements - youth and women.

"I still speak to corporations, but I feel the place where I am most connected and those who get the most out of it are the youth and the women. We are moldable thinkers. We are constantly thinking."

Speaking to colleges gives her the perfect platform to reach her target audience. College students are constantly being reminded about the soon to come "real-world" and Dawes wants to not only help with that entrance, but offer them a little bit of preparation.

control and they can decide the direction their life goes," Dawes said.

One of her coaches, who she credits with making a huge impact on her life, taught her the way of analysis paralysis — the understanding of what is going on in her mind.

"There are numerous times when we talk ourselves into doing something and there are those times when we talk ourselves out of doing something. We tend to create doubt and allow it to paralyze us," she said.

"It's about taking the time to think about what you are thinking about. It's something I challenge everyone to do. What we think about truly does affect actions we take or don't take, and our attitudes."

All too often, people are seeking guidance, motivation and wisdom, according to Dawes, and that can be achieved by listening to one another, whether it be about triumphs or failures. "A lot of people like to hear about my Olympic career and I do speak on that, but I also

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at 267-5201 or email her

at uway@bigspringtx.

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of so many." Stewart

For those wanting to

contribute to this year's

United Way campaign,

donations can be made

at the United Way of-

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"Donating whatever

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speak on my other journeys as well. I tend to focus more on the obstacles more than the triumphs because it's the adversities that have taught me more," Dawes said.

The success she has gained was made possible through her passion, planning and perseverance. She knew where she wanted to take gymnastics and she stayed committed to that goal.

"There are always going to be hardships. I tell people if they aren't experiencing hardships then they need to reach for a little bit harder goal," Dawes said. You use the passion and go for it. Success is all about the journey, not a destination."

To request a free ticket to the event visit howardcollege.edu or smmccares.com. Also, contact Laura Hughes at 268-5063, Kim Howell at 268-4842 or Anita Cline at 268-4721.

high rate of speed — when he failed to negotiate a curve. The 2004 Chevrolet SUV the victim was traveling in rolled several times, according to communications officers with the regional DPS office in Midland. Martinez was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash.

on Highway 349 — at what DPS officials describe as a

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not only met, but actually surpassed our \$250,000 goal," said Sandy Stewart, executive director.

During the campaign, one of the primary fundraisers will be Dine-Out-Days. Each week, a local restaurant will donate a portion of its profits to the United Way campaign. Herman's Restaurant, located at 1601 S. Gregg, was the first restaurant to take part this year. Papa Chon's will be the Dine-Out-Days restaurant for Sept. 12-18. Sonic will take part Sept. 19-25.

For the fifth year, First Christian Church, H-E-B, Big Spring Independent School District and Howard College Art Departments will sponsor the Empty Bowls event, scheduled Nov. 17.

"This is an event that was started by a vision of Pastor Ken McIntosh," Stewart said. "Each year, Kay Smith donates her art for this event as well.

Those interested in taking part and creating a bowl for the event can contact Stewart. There will be three classes which will hold about 30 students and are scheduled for the first two weeks of October.

"Participants will create a bowl and on the day of the event the lunch guest will select a bowl to purchase and use for the soup dinner," Stewart said. "They will keep the bowl as a reminder that "empty bowls" always exist in the world."

The local United Way supports 15 agencies

"It's all about being prepared, not only on the outside, but on the inside. You have to have that inner drive. At this point they are so eager to absorb and I like to let them know, even though the world will continue on without them, they do have

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To find out more about Dawes visit her website, dominiquedawes.com or follower her on Facebook and Twitter.

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OUR VIEWS

Bike, swim, run at the triathlon

his weekend Comanche Trail Park and Lake will become a competition ground for the Comanche Warrior Triathlon. For the past three years triatheletes have traveled to Big Spring to compete. In previous years, according to Debbie Wegman,

executive director of Convention and Visitors Bureau, there have been about 120 participants. This year Wegman said the same number or at least close to it is expected again.

The race will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday with registration taken from 6 a.m. until 7:15 a.m. A pre-race meeting for all registered participants will take place at 7:30 a.m. For those wanting to register in advance, which is recommended, go to comanchewarriortriathlon.com.

Registration will also take place at the Dora Roberts Community Center Friday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Registration will be \$55 for individuals and \$100 per team in advance and \$60 for individuals and \$120 per team the day of the race.

At 8 a.m. racers will start the swim portion of the triathlon, which consists of 500 meter open water swim in Comanche Trail Lake and transition to the 18.6 mile bike ride on Wasson Road and conclude with a 5k run inside Comanche Trail Park.

The Dora Roberts Community Center area will be used as the transition area for the participants.

Along the path volunteers will be lined up to cheer on the participants. According to Debbye ValVerde, volunteer coordinator for the triathlon, previous years participants have complimented the amount of support they receive along the route during the race in Big Spring.

Apple's Steve Jobs: Creative but still not quite Henry Ford

teve Jobs has the rare privilege of attending his own funeral. Who among us hasn't wanted to do that to see who's there, who's not; who's crying and who seems perfectly calm, even bored?

He's not dead, of course, but ever since he stepped down as chief executive of

Apple last month, people have treated him as though he were. Virtual obituaries, eulogies, and testimonials are flowing unendingly.

And I'm sure he's pleased with the reviews. They're very, very good. A visionary on

the level of Henry

Ford, they say. The greatest entrepreneur of his time. A business genius.

And so he was, I mean is. More or less.

He didn't invent the computer or the cell phone or the Internet. But he did bring them to the fingertips of the average person and make them a virtual necessity.

He was a hard-driving executive who hired brilliant engineers and drove them relentlessly to do things they didn't realize they could do, all with the consumer in mind.

Above all, he brought an elegant sense of aesthetics to an industry that was, up to then, innocent of it. Just walking into an Apple store makes you feel cleaner.

Once, having been ousted as Apple's leader, he bought Pixar. He developed it into the most in-

novative and best of the animated Chinese workers. film companies and made himself another fortune in the bargain.

He owns nearly 300 patents, but his main skill was (there I go again — is) as a kind of editor. He worked with his teams to craft and shape their inventions to correspond with his signature style and unique vision.

It can be said that he transformed his industry and in doing so changed the way we live. Yet, even with all that, he was no Henry Ford.

Ford was born during the Civil War in 1863 into a world of horses and wagons, oil lamps and outdoor plumbing. By the time he died in 1947, just after World War II, it was in a world largely of his making, dotted with giant factories and crisscrossed with paved highways lined with cars capable of traveling 100 miles-an-hour.

It was a world of exploding suburban growth, with an interstate highway system just over the horizon and the decline of our great industrial cities just about to begin, victims of their (and his) success.

Ford didn't invent the automobile any more than Jobs the computer. Yet, like Jobs, he brought his remarkable machine within reach of the average man and eventually made it all but a necessity of life.

In doing so he changed where we live, where we shop, where we work, and the very air we breathe. Parenthetically, he also did a lot for teenage sex.

Under Jobs' leadership, Apple offshored most of its factory jobs to contractors employing hundreds of thousands of poorly paid

Ford, however, championed the first auto assembly line, making his cars affordable for the middle class. Then he instituted the \$5-aday wage (worth about \$110 in today's dollars), allowing his workers to join that class.

It's difficult to overestimate how shocking that was to the nation in 1927. The Wall Street Journal (no more far-seeing then than now) wrote that Ford had sown the seeds of the destruction of our society. Instead, the best workers flocked to his plant and he got richer, as did the rest of society.

Not all of the changes wrought by these two great men worked out for the better, unfortunately.

It can be said, if somewhat uncharitably, that Steve Jobs created gadgets that robbed our youth of their attention span, while Ford created an economic environment that, while it fueled the greatest prosperity the world had ever known, released forces that now threaten to destroy the planet through climate change.

Ford was a crank genius, a virulent anti-Semite with fascistic tendencies. He was undeniably a greater force for both good and evil than Jobs has been.

Still, for a guy who dropped out of college after one semester, Jobs has done all right for himself. There aren't many Henry Fords in our history. Jobs came closer than almost anyone else.

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Regret and remorse — the difference between the two

t wasn't exactly a conversation I expected to have at the time, but before it was over I had found a little bit of inspiration and a lot of reassurance.

There are people in our life, whether they are passing

what we are left with when we decide to take an action, walk away or turn our back on a situation or person.

The feeling of wanting to return to that situation, take back the choice and erase the words we said. Remorse is wishing we could turn back time. I know there have been plenty of moments where my remorse was beyond belief. Those moments usually come after I have a heated argument and say those things we all think, but most of us are smart enough not to say because we know where they will lead us. Remorse is the feeling we are left with when we make a decision, follow through with it, most of the time, without thinking about it. It's one of those feelings that we can't always take back, but wish we could. Sometimes our actions lead us in a direction we can't return from, even if we wanted to. However, sometimes not traveling down that path leads us to regret. Regret on the other hand is not being able to let go of the situation. Wishing we would have made a different choice, taking the opportunity which stood before us. Regret is one of those things none of us should live with, but many of us do. It's one of those things we all could afford to have elimnated from our lives. Regret, I am sad to say, has been a major part of my life. Too often I have regretted not telling someone how I felt, not taking a moment —which all too often was the last one I had with that person — and speaking the truth, my feelings and my thoughts. As much as it hurts to live with those regrets, it has made me stronger, brought a new outlook and pushed me further in the direction I need to be going.

get to a place of serenity. As they say sometimes it is through losing something or someone that we are finally able to see just how much we appreciate it or them.

It shouldn't take having to lose something to open our eyes, but



DONALD

KAUL

Area residents are invited to come out and show their support Saturday morning.

Also in preparation for the triathlon. Keep Big Spring Beautiful had their annual Love our Lake cleanup a few weekends ago.

This weekend gives Big Spring the chance to put our best face forward, show a warm welcome to all those coming in for the race and have a little bit of fun.

Ready ... set ... run!

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

With You, Lord, we're in the right place at the right time.

through or have a permanant fixture in our lives, who make a difference even if they don't really intend to or know it.

Too often there are choices in our lives where we don't know what to do.

We make the choice to not do something because

of the fear or we go against what we want because we are too afraid to find out what's on the other side. No matter the reason behind it, we are left with a feeling we just can't seem to shake.

As I was told this weekend, there are two things — remorse and regret. Too often people don't know the difference and it's the lack of knowing and understanding which sometimes causes us to make the choices we do.

The choice is ours, but whatever decision we make we deal with the consequences.

Of course, being the person I am, I had to find the definition of each before I could completely jump into this column.

Remorse is defined as moral anguish arising from repentance for past misdeeds or bitter regret. It's also defined as obsolete compassion.

Regret is defined as disappointment, distressed about or to feel sorry. Also to remember with a feeling of loss or sorrow, mourn.

To feel regret is defined as a sense of loss and longing for someone or something gone, a feeling of disappointment or distress about something that one wishes could be different. Putting it simply ... remorse is

I have also learned that sometimes it's only through regret we are able understand remorse and in some cases it's the only way.

If we were to have life follow the direction we want it to without any bumps in the road would we be happy?

I would like to think life would be perfect if we lived without flaws, but then again I know there would only be something else to take it's place.

Regret and remorse are fixtures in our lives that will probably never go away and as many "what ifs" they may bring they are important.

Being able to have remorse lets us know there was something good about the situation we left behind. Regret helps us to see there is more out there for us to experience. Both are there to help us along the way.

The main thing to remember when trying to make a decision is to stop and think, even if only for a second, and ask yourself will there be regret ... will there be remorse ... which is the better option?

No action usually leads us to regret and taking the action too quickly leads us to having remorse.

Either way you look at it, there really isn't a right path, but each path will come with it's own lessons, journeys and eye opening experiences.

Our lives are ours to live, nobody will be able to tell us which path to take, even though it would be nice.

Just remember, take every chance you get so you won't have to regret it later, but at the same time, don't act too quickly and be left with remorse.

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FEATURES

Getting to the bottom of 'kit and caboodle'

few days ago I was chatting with a young lady who threw out an old saying I remembered from years ago: the whole kit and caboodle.

I mentioned I hadn't heard that saying in years and we laughed but I thought right then and there, "I've got to research that and find the original meaning." So, I did and here is what I found — I hope it's also interesting to you.

The saying appears to

date back to mid-18th century, probably British in origin, and is connected to a "kit bag," the bag that a soldier used to carry his entire **PARENT'S** belongings

CORNER in, which was DARRELL RYAN thusly called a whole kit.

I guess a cowboy would call his saddle bags his kit bags. That's the foundation for the

word kit.

Now, caboodle is a different story.

I discovered the original word was "boodle" and the "k" sound was added just to give the saying some rhyme. The word was used to describe a collection of things or even a collection of people. It was also sort of a legal term, meaning "estate" and was used in legal documents.

So, a kit and caboodle could have meant to bring your entire belongings or your host of friends or anything else

you'd like to bring. It goes on to connect the phrase to "bootie" or the gathering of treasures of war

or battle. It appears that boodle may have originated from the Dutch word "boedel," which meant inheritance or possessions, or from the English word "buddle," which meant a bunch.

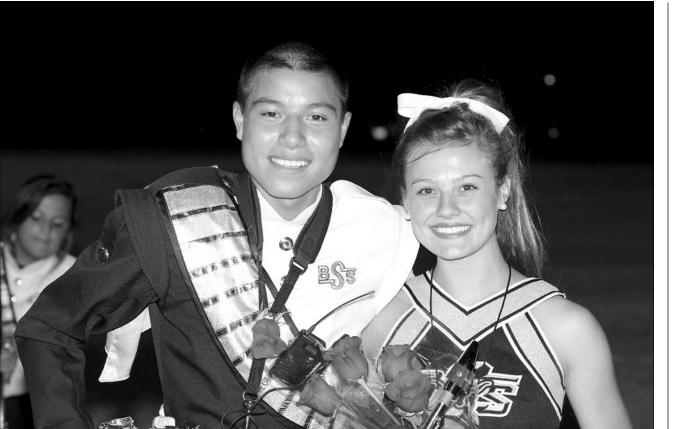
So, apparently the word "caboodle" migrated from boodle or boedel and is pronounced with a "k" sound and placed with kit to give it a poetic nature.

Either way, we get the idea. It is interesting the saying "the whole caboodle" was being used in 1848.

The entire saying, "the whole kit and caboodle" was used in 1884.

Now that our knowledge has been thusly expanded, I wonder - can we have our cake and eat it, too?

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



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Big Spring High School band members Marc Segundo and Scarlet Robertson were named Band Beau and Sweetheart during halftime of the Steers' game vs. Frenship at Memorial Stadium Friday evening.

Kids with Bush on 9/11 recall infamous day

By MITCH STACY

Associated Press SARASOTA, Fla. — The 16 children who shared modern America's darkest moment with President George W. Bush are high school seniors now — football players, ROTC members, track athletes, wrestlers and singers.

They remember go-

chaotic events of Sept.

11.

Sept. 11, 2001, was a steamy Tuesday in southwest Florida. The children were sitting in two neat rows in room 301 of Emma E. Booker School. Elementary Bush planned to sit in the classroom with them before moving to the media center to talk

the president followed along with his own copy.

As they began the story, some of the children sensed something was different about the president.

"One kid described his face as (like) he had to use the bathroom," Guerrero said. "That's men, this is a difficult how we saw it in second moment for America,' grade. He just looked Bush began. Teachers like he got the worst and students standing news in the world." Teacher Kay Daniels was sitting next to Bush and knew something was amiss when Card came out of the adjoining classroom and approached the president. Everything about the day was so choreographed, and that wasn't supposed to happen. Bush dissected those moments recently in an interview with the National Geographic TV channel. "At the back of the room, reporters were on their cell phones. They were getting the same message I got, which meant a lot of people would be watching my reaction to this crisis," he said. "So I made a decision not to jump up immediately and leave the classroom. I didn't want to rattle the kids. I wanted to project a sense of calm." After the story, Bush quickly shook hands with the children and left each with some M&Ms in a box bearing the presidential seal.

Then he disappeared into the adjoining classroom, which had been set up as a command center for the visit. Minutes later in the media center, he stepped up to the podium and told the country about the attacks.

"Ladies and gentleclosest to him could see tears well in his eves. Just behind him, visible in most of the photos and video footage of the speech, stood Stevenson Tose'-Rigell, the principal's son. He was a fifth-grader whose class was chosen to be on the riser with the president during the speech about the reading initiative. Now a 20-year-old college student, Tose'-Rigell said his mother had staunchly defended Bush against criticism that he didn't get up and act quickly enough after being told of the attacks. "She knows kids, obviously, and she knows how kids react, and Bush did the best that he could by remaining calm, not going hysterical or anything like that and really just making a smooth transition,' Tose'-Rigell said.

Odds and ends Man found butchering cow in Utah driveway

OGDEN, Utah (AP) - Authorities are considering charges after a Utah man was found butchering

a cow in his driveway. The Standard-Examiner of Ogden reports that authorities received a call Sunday afternoon from an Ogden resident who reported a neighbor cutting up a cow in his driveway. The caller told authorities they heard what sounded like a gunshot shortly before the butchering began.

Police say when officers arrived, the man was removing the cow's head. He denied shooting the animal.

Over 1,000 play Duck, Duck, Goose

KENOSHA, Wis. (AP) — More than 1,000 people with hopes of smashing a world record gathered in Kenosha for a giant game of Duck, Duck, Goose.

In the end, the 1,103 participants fell short of the record — set Tuesday night when 1,634 people played the game as part of a back-to-school gathering at the University of Central Oklahoma.

Still, the Kenosha News reports Sunday it took nearly two hours to get the crowd together for Saturday's game. And the circle took up both sides of 6th Avenue for about four blocks.

The idea was inspired by 6-year-old Landrik Wagner, who said he wanted to play the game with "a million people" because his family was too small to play.

San Francisco may pass public nudity restrictions

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Something could soon be coming between San Francisco's proud nudists and their unusual freedom to bare it all.

Walking around naked is legal in the city under most circumstances, but a city supervisor concerned about public health and sanitation introduced legislation Tuesday that would require the clothing averse to put a cloth or other barrier under their bottoms if they take a seat in public.

Supervisor Scott Wiener's proposal would also re-

ing over an eight-paragraph story so it would be perfect when they read it to the president on Sept. 11, 2001. They remember how Bush's face suddenly clouded as his chief of staff, Andrew Card, bent down and whispered to him that the U.S. had been attacked. They remember how Bush pressed on with the reading as best he could before sharing the devastating news with the nation.

"It was like a blank stare. Like he knew something was going on but he didn't want to make it too bad for us to notice by looking different," said Lenard Rivers, now a 17-yearold football player at Sarasota High.

What the students can't say for sure is how that moment changed them. They were just second-graders. Their memories were only beginning.

"I think we all matured maybe a little bit," said Chantal Guerrero, now a 17-year-old senior at Sarasota Military Academy. "... But since we were only 7, I'm not sure what kind of impact it had, because we didn't know how things were before."

Lazaro Dubrocq, now a 17-year-old senior and captain of the wrestling team at Sarasota's Riverview High School, said it wouldn't be until middle school when he started seriously pondering his place in the

about a national reading initiative.

Booker Elementary, in a low-income area of Sarasota, was chosen for the Bush visit because

Principal Gwen Tose'-Rigell had turned it into a high-performing school.

As presidential trips go, it was routine, mundane even. The children were chosen because they were some of the best readers.

Tose'-Rigell, who died of cancer in 2007, told The Associated Press in 2002 that Bush knew when he arrived at the school that some kind of plane had hit one of the World Trade Center towers in New York. But the news was sketchy, and the decision was made to proceed with the program at Booker. The moment when Card whispered to the president about the terrorist attack came when the children were reaching under their desks for a book called Reading Mastery II. On Page 153 was "The Pet Goat," the story the children read aloud as

quire nudists to cover up in restaurants.

"What this does do," Weiner told the San Francisco Chronicle "is require that people show some basic courtesy and decency toward their fellow citizens when they are naked."

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Perry, Romney spar vigorously on jobs, Social Security in GOP faceoff

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — Quick to tangle, Republican presidential rivals Rick Perry and Mitt Romney sparred vigorously over job creation and Social Security Wednesday night in a feisty campaign debate that marked a contentious new turn in the race to pick a 2012 challenger to President Barack Obama.

Far more than in earlier GOP debates this summer, the candidates mixed it up in their first faceoff since Perry entered the race and almost instantly overtook Romney as front-runner in opinion polls. Those two — as well as other contenders on stage sniped at one another, contradicted allegations and interrupted media questioners to demand opportunities to take each other on.

"Michael Dukakis created jobs three times faster than you did, Mitt," Perry jabbed in the debate's opening moments, referring to one of Romnev's Democratic predecessors as governor of Massachusetts.

"As a matter of fact, George Bush and his predecessors created jobs at a faster rate than you did," Romney shot back at Perry, the 10-year incumbent Texas governor.

The debate was the first of three in as many weeks, at a time when the economy is struggling. unemployment is seemingly stuck at 9.1 percent and Obama's popularity is sinking in the polls — all events that could make the GOP nomination worth more than it appeared only a few months ago.

Obama making face-to-face appeal to Republicans on jobs

WASHINGTON (AP) — With millions of Americans out of work and out of patience, President Barack Obama is going before a skeptical Congress to pitch an economic plan aimed at creating jobs urgently and forcing Republicans to own the problem with him.

The underlying political strategy: If Obama can't get his ideas passed heading into his re-election year, he at least hopes to show why he shouldn't take the fall.

In his speech Thursday, Obama is likely to offer at least a \$300 billion package of ideas that would affect people in their daily lives — tax relief, unemployment insurance, spending to support construction jobs, aid to states to keep people in their jobs. Businesses would get their own tax breaks. And he will promise a long-term plan to pay for it all.

Yet all of it ultimately will depend on a Republican-controlled House that has a different economic approach and no political incentive to help a Democrat seeking a second term.

So, however cooperative his tone, Obama's goal is also to put Republicans on the spot to $\operatorname{act}-\operatorname{in}$ their face, and in their chamber.

Congressional debt reduction panel starts its work

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats on a special congressional debt-reduction supercommittee want it to include jobs creation as part of its work, a task

that would complicate the newly created panel's already formidable assignment.

The bipartisan, 12-member committee was scheduled to hold its opening meeting Thursday, a session that was supposed to be limited to opening statements and approval of its rules. The initial meeting was expected to be far less rancorous than this summer's bitter partisan brawl over extending the federal debt ceiling, which ended with a deal between President Barack Obama and lawmakers that created the supercommittee.

The panel is charged with finding, by Thanksgiving, \$1.5 trillion in savings over the next decade, no easy task given the capital's sharp partisan divisions. Democrats want to produce a mix of spending cuts and revenue increases. Republicans have insisted they would oppose tax increases, though some have indicated they might accept the closing of some tax loopholes.

"Failure is not an option," Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., said Wednesday. He said congressional leaders have appointed serious lawmakers to the panel, "and we fully anticipate they will meet their goals. And we'll see whether they can even go beyond that."

Many in Washington, though, are pessimistic that the panel will take a serious bite out of the nation's enormous \$14 trillion in accumulated debt, especially with next year's elections approaching. They note that Democrats are ardently against cuts in expensive benefits like Medicare while Republicans are adamantly against higher taxes — the two most plentiful sources of potential budget savings.

Fugitive Gadhafi denies rumor he fled Libya

BENGHAZI, Libya (AP) – From hiding, Moammar Gadhafi denied rumors he fled Libya, vowed never to leave the land of his ancestors and exhorted followers to keep fighting, according to an audio message broadcast Thursday on a loyalist TV channel.

Gadhafi, who ruled Libya for nearly 42 years before opposition forces forced him to flee Tripoli late last month, hasn't been seen in public for months. A military official in Libya's new leadership had said a day earlier Gadhafi was cornered and would soon be captured or killed, but another senior defense official contended his whereabouts are unknown.

In Thursday's five-minute-long audio, aired on Syrian-based Al-Rai TV, a man who sounded like Gadhafi denounced reports that he had fled to neighboring Niger and claimed he is still in Libya. He called those who ousted him "a bunch of mercenaries, thugs and traitors."

"We are ready to start the fight in Tripoli and everywhere else, and rise up against them," Gadhafi said. "All of these germs, rats and scumbags, they are not Libyans, ask anyone. They have cooperated with NATO."

Niger officials have said senior members of Gadhafi's regime led by his own security chief crossed from Libya on Tuesday. Niger said the group of 13 did not include Gadhafi, and U.S. officials have said they have no reason to believe Gadhafi is not in Libya. But reports of the apparent defection of some of

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his top aides — and rumors that it involved a large number of senior soldiers who left with money and gold — were believed to have undermined morale among Gadhafi lovalists.

Rainy remnants of tropical storm floods soggy, weary Northeast

WINDHAM, N.Y. (AP) - From Maryland to New England, the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee flooded roads and highways, swelled waterways and put emergency responders still weary from dealing with last week's cleanup back on alert.

As rivers and streams rose dangerously from flash flooding, many East Coast residents Wednesday began the now familiar process of bailing water from basements or even heading to public shelters.

At least one rain-related death was reported. Police in Derry Township, Pa., said a man who was removing water from his basement was killed when the house's foundation collapsed.

"Now it's getting on my last nerves," said Carol Slater, 53, of Huntersfield, N.Y., on the northern edge of New York's Catskill Mountains and just outside of hard-hit Prattsville.

NYC mayor says surveillance didn't unfairly target any group

NEW YORK (AP) - New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg says the New York Police Department's surveillance of the city's ethnic neighborhoods had not unfairly targeted any group in an effort to root out possible terror connections, and compared it to screening kids for measles.

An Associated Press investigation found that NYPD dispatched undercover officers into ethnic communities to monitor daily life and scrutinized more than 250 mosques and Muslim student groups in the years after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Bloomberg refused to comment directly on the details of the AP's investigation.

Later in an interview he said: "If there is a community where the crime rate is very high, to not put more cops in that community is ridiculous. If you want to look for cases of measles, you'll find a lot more of them among young people. That's not targeting young people to go see whether they have measles or not."

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More people applied for unemployment benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) - The number of people seeking unemployment benefits ticked up slightly last week, evidence that the job market isn't improving.

applications Weekly for unemployment benefits rose 2,000 to a seasonally adjusted 414,000, the Labor Department said Thursday.

The report suggests companies aren't sigincreasing nificantly layoffs, despite weak economic growth. But it also signals that little hiring is taking place. Applications need to fall below 375,000 to indicate sustainable job growth.

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Scouting event tonight at FBC

Herald Staff Report

Youth and adults interested in Scouting are invited to attend a "School Night for Scouting" event at 7 p.m. tonight in the First Baptist Church gymnasium.

Scouting programs are open to boys and girls in first grade and older.

The "School Night" event was scheduled to allow children and parents to get a first-hand look at what Scouting has to offer, organizers said.

A Pinewood Derby track, pushmobile and interactive camp site will be on display, and

demonstrations of knot tying and other Scouting crafts will be held, said Brian Sweeney, director of the local Scouting organization. Parents who have questions about Scouting, or are interested in volunteering their services to the organization, also are encouraged to attend.

"This will be a great opportunity for them to come in if they want to volunteer," Duncan added.

First Baptist Church is located at 705 W. FM 700.

News in brief

Central Texas wildfires destroy nearly 1,400 homes

BASTROP (AP) - Wildfires have destroyed nearly 1,400 homes in Central Texas where firefighters have been battling to get the blazes under control for days.

Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Robbie Barrera says 1,386 residential structures have been destroyed as of Thursday. Barrera says the fires are about 30 percent contained.

The Texas Forest Service reported Wednesday that nearly 800 homes were burned in the Bastrop area.

Two deaths are blamed on the fires about 25 miles east of Austin. Barrera says about 5,000 residents remain evacuated.

Obama telephones Perry on Texas wildfires

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama has telephoned Gov. Rick Perry, one of the Republicans who want Obama's job, to express concern for residents threatened by one of the most destructive wildfires in Texas history.

The White House says Obama made clear that the federal government will continue to provide assistance to state and local officials fighting the fire. Obama also assured Perry that requests for additional assistance would be quickly assessed.

Additionally, Obama has directed his national security staff to continue working closely with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the U.S. Forest Service and the state of Texas to ensure that all resources are being made available.

At least two people were killed in the blaze, which was fanned by winds from Tropical Storm Lee. Nearly 800 homes have been lost.

1 of 2 fire victims identified

BASTROP (AP) — Officials have identified one of two people killed in Texas wildfires this week.

Forty-nine-year-old Michael Troy Farr, an employee of Austin Electric since 2003, died at his home in Smithville on Tuesday.

Bastrop County Judge Ronnie McDonald announced Farr's death during a news conference on Wednesday.

Officials did not immediately release the identity of a second victim found at a different location.

New Mexico sends help to Texas to fight fires

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The New Mexico State Forestry Division's Bernalillo, Chama and Cimarron districts are sending help to Texas to battle wildfires.

The Albuquerque Journal reports three fire engines with three crew members are headed to Texas.

The state Forestry Division says the fires have burned more than 40,000 acres.

Retail gasoline prices

up penny in Texas

 $\dot{\mathrm{HOUSTON}}$ (AP) — Retail gasoline prices have gone up a penny this week across Texas.

budget cuts, which Gates says would have a "catastrophic effect." He warned that the U.S. "must not diminish its ability to reply to threats."

Gates discussed the cuts in a wide-ranging speech Wednesday night at the University of North Texas in Denton as part of the school's events commemorating the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11.

Gates, the former director of the CIA, says there was an understanding of a terrorist threat but no urgency in the years leading up to the attacks, as budget cuts and no increases hurt the intelligence community.

Texas investigators look to Okla. in 1983 stabbing

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - Police from Denton, Texas, are in Oklahoma to look for clues in the unsolved 1983 stabbing death of a man in a Denton hotel.

The body of 42-year-old Frank Narvaez of San Antonio was found Sept. 30, 1983, in his hotel room. His car was found later that morning in northeast Oklahoma City.

Authorities say Narvaez was on a business trip to Denton when he was killed.

Denton police investigator Keith Smith told The Oklahoman that he strongly believes the killer has ties to the area in Oklahoma City where the car was found.

To applause, Perry

defends Texas death penalty

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) - Texas Gov. Rick Perry is defending the death penalty in Texas and says he's never struggled with whether any of the inmates executed during his time as governor might have been innocent.

When Perry defended capital punishment, he drew strong applause from the scores of people in the audience at the Republican debate Wednesday night at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library.

As of today, 234 people have been executed in the 10-plus years that Perry has served as governor of Texas. That's the highest number of any American governor.

The audience first applauded when NBC News anchor Brian Williams cited the number of executions in Texas. Perry says he believes that such a response reflects how much Americans support capital punishment for particularly heinous crimes.

5 jailed in lamb thefts

FREDERICKSBURG, Texas (AP) - Five suspects have been accused in the theft of 6,000 lambs worth an estimated \$1 million from a Gillespie County feedlot.

A special ranger from the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and Texas Rangers made the arrests. The five were being held in the Gillespie County jail on bonds ranging from \$200,000 to \$750,000.

TSCRA Special Ranger Max Hartmann said the investigation was ongoing, and the arrests so far were due to multi-agency efforts that included the Gillespie, Mason and Burnett County sheriff departments and the Fredericksburg police.

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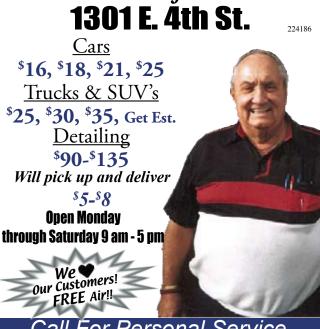
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The association says Amarillo has the most expensive gasoline, at \$3.58 per gallon. The least expensive gasoline, in the group's weekly survey, was found in Houston, at \$3.43 per gallon.

Market analysts say there's an expectation that a weaker global economy will demand less oil. Hurricane concerns have also kept upward pressure on retail gasoline prices.

Gates: More defense cuts would be security threat

DENTON (AP) — Former U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates says the \$400 billion in cuts that the Pentagon is facing over the next 10 years should be manageable. But anything more would threaten national security.

Some lawmakers have suggested doubling those

Convicted triple killer seeking evidence for DNA

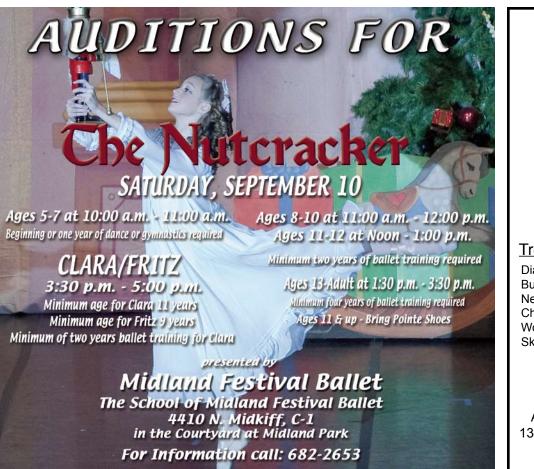
PAMPA, Texas (AP) - Lawyers for convicted triple killer Hank Skinner, who is facing execution in November, want a court to order DNA testing of evidence untested by investigators before Skinner's 1995 trial.

Attorneys for Skinner cite a state law that just took effect Sept. 1 that allows for testing if there's a reasonable likelihood the results will be more accurate.

Skinner's attorneys also want a Gray County judge to lift his Nov. 9 execution date.

At the same time, they're awaiting a federal judge's decision in a lawsuit against the Gray County district attorney seeking release of evidence they want tested. Prosecutor Lynn Switzer has refused, arguing the court actions are delays to keep the 49-year-old Skinner alive.

The Texas attorney general's office told the Pampa News Wednesday the filing was under review.



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Former camp officer pleads quilty

AUSTIN(AP) - A former federal immigration camp officer has pleaded guilty to groping female detainees in his custody.

Wednesday, Donald Dunn pleaded guilty before a federal magistrate to two federal deprivation of rights charges. He faces up to a year in federal prison and maximum fine of \$100,000 per count. Sentencing has not yet been scheduled.

Dunn confessed to fondling women during unscheduled stops while he was driving them from the T. Don Hutto Residential Center in Taylor to either the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport or a bus terminal.

Sports BIG HERALD Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Robert Griffin at 263-7331, Ext. 237. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com Page 1B Thursday, September 8, 2011 Buildogettes helping fire victims

By ROBERT GRIFFIN Sports Editor

When Savannah Neff heard what happened on to her coach's Facebook page and read of the grief and concern being poured out from someone she respected and appreciated, she knew something had to be done to help. The Coahoma High School sophomore came up with an idea. After talking with Coach Mitzi Bell to get permission, the Bulldogette basketball player and her teammates are organizing a donation drive to help the families whose lives have been uprooted by the current fires in Bastrop.

The Bastrop fire, destroying well over 25,000 acres of land and over 500 homes, is being called the worst fire in Texas' history. According to the Texas Forest Service, it has destroyed more than all of the other Texas fires combined this year.

Coach Bell coached and taught in Bastrop for years and knows many people affected by this fire. When her players saw her concern for friends and families, they knew they had to do something.

"It is so refreshing," Coach Bell said. "All too often, we see kids with their hand out, wanting something, but these girls are reaching their hands out to help."

It is not the first time, the group has pulled together to help others. Last month, the team completed a drive to help Howard County residents affected by recent fires. Before that, it was their Adopt an Angel program, where the girls collected money and bought Christmas presents for Coahoma youngsters.

So when Neff came to Coach bell, asking if it would be alright to do something for the people in Bastrop, the coach was not surprised.

"It has become their nature, to care about other people," Coach Bell said of the girls in Coahoma's basketball program.



HERALD photo/Robert Griffin

Members of the Coahoma Bulldogettes basketball team are organizing a donation drive to help families affected by the Bastrop fires.

"I have always believed my job was not to build better basketball players, but better people. And these are some great girls."

The Bulldogettes will be in the Bealls parking lot at the Big Spring Mall Saturday, Sept. 17 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. accepting donations.

Aaron Custer, Coahoma ISD's Ag teacher has volunteered to drive the items to Bastrop where they will be given to the local Red Cross volunteers.

Coach Bell said it would be impossible to transport large items, due to space. Items suggest for donation include: shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, razors, socks, under garments, diapers, cases of water and clothes. Coach Bell said gift cards for Wal-Mart and HEB would be really appreciated.

"The cards would be very easy to transport," she said. "Plus, the people would be able to purchase exactly what they needed."

Steers hope first win is waiting in Plainview

By ROBERT GRIFFIN

Sports Editor

The Steers will be hitting the trail this week, making the long drive to Plainview for their first road game of the season. The 0-2 Steers will be squaring off against the Bulldogs with a healthy Garrett Stuteville at the reins, hoping to put one in the win column.

"Garrett has practiced all week," Steers' Head Coach Phillip Ritchey said. "He is ready to go this week, a lot healthier than he was last week. He is having no trouble at all on the field." Plainview is coming off of a 28-15 road win against Andrews and will be playing in front of their hometown crowd for the first time. "We expect the Bulldogs to run a lot," Coach Ritchey said. "They run a lot of

quick sweeps around the end. They also have a quarterback with a good arm. He doesn't run a lot, but he is accurate when he throws."

Plainview ran for 140 yards and passed for 180 more in their win last week in Andrews. The arm of McCutcheon combined with the athleticism of his favorite receiver Salazar will be one of the main things the Steers will be focused on stopping this week.

"We are getting better every week," Coach Ritchey said. "Frenship was a much

6-man preview

Sands vs. Loop 7:30 p.m. Friday at Sands

The Sands Mustangs will put their 2-0 record on the line Friday night when they host the Loop Longhorns. The 'Stangs are coming off of a 56-0 handling of Guthrie, while Loop found their first win last week, defeating Whiteface 54-6. One for the ages, one for the record books? We will find out Friday night.

Grady vs. Rankin 7:30 p.m. Friday at Grady

Coming off of a devastating 74-30 loss to Meadow, the Grady Wildcats hope to improve on their 1-1 record when they face the Rankin Red Devils. The 2-0 Devils are coming off of a 70-20 trouncing of Midland Trinity.

better team than Fort Stockton and I think we played them pretty well, better than we played the first game. Our goal in these nondistrict games has been to improve each week and get ready for Brownwood in October. As far as I can see, we are doing just that."

The game starts at 7:30 p.m. Friday night.

Garden City vs. Paducah 7:30 p.m Friday at Garden City

Coming off of a 68-56 loss to Sterling City, the Bearkats hope to improve on their 0-2 start this week when they host the Paducah Dragons, who are also 0-2. Somebody will get their first win in this one.

Forsan, Stanton back in action

By ROBERT GRIFFIN

Sports Editor

The Stanton Buffaloes look to continue their winning streak this week as they face the Ozona Lions in Friday night's homecoming game. The 2-0 Buffaloes outscored Grape Creek and Reagan County to the tune of 74-6.

The Lions are coming off of a 28-14 loss to Iraan last week and will be looking for their first win of the young season. But the Buffaloes are averaging over 350 yards of offense per game so far and will be looking to make an even better showing in front of the hometown crowd.

Meanwhile,the Forsan Buffaloes look to get back on track Friday night after suffering a 49-23 loss at the hands of Sonora last week. This week, the Buffaloes travel to Irion County to battle the undefeated Hornets.

In their two wins, the District 6-1A Hornets have held opponents a 10-point average.

Irion County has a quarterback who stands well over six feet tall and accounted for over 1,000 yards of offense last season. They also have two all-district defensive linemen who will be doing everything they can to slow down Foster Burchett, Ty Johnson and company.

Overall, the two teams match up fairly evenly in regards to size, but a slight speed advantage should go to Forsan, giving them an edge in the game.

Coahoma hoping for spark in homecoming

By ROBERT GRIFFIN Sports Editor

The Coahoma Bulldogs will celebrate their homecoming Friday night as they host the Wink Wildcats. The game is the first in a three-game home stand for the Bulldogs, leading into the district portion of their schedule.Wink will roll into town undefeated in 2011 on the heels of a 43-36 nail-biter against Jal last week.

The District 5-1A Wildcats will be bringing back their star running back after he missed most of last season with an injury. He is a large reason for Wink's success this season. And with the spread offense the Wildcats run, is one back Coahoma will want to stop Friday night.

"We match up pretty well with Wink," Coahoma Head Coach Trey Gardner said. "Probably better than anyone we have looked at so far. Our speed advantage should show itself in this game."

The Bulldogs are coming off of a disappointing 36-20 loss in Comanche last week and hope to rebound in their first game at home.

Coach Gardner says

the team is healthy and ready to get back on the field. The Bulldogs faced a noticeable disadvantage in size during their last two games,but came out relatively healthy.

The team, led by quarterback Tanner Ruiz, will be missing one player Friday night. For precautionary reasons, linebacker Alex Hill will sit the game out, after an injury last week. Coach Gardner says Hill is cleared to play, but he wants to rest him another week, just to be safe.

The game starts at 7:30 p.m. Friday night in Coahoma.



Sports

Aggies may be in Big 12 Bear trap

MONTGOMERY (AP) – Texas A&M and the Southeastern Conference have a roadblock standing in the way of their anticipated union: Baylor.

After SEC presidents and chancellors unanimously embraced adding the Aggies to the 12-member league, it turns out there was no such unanimity in the embattled Big 12 conference.

Baylor is considering suing if Texas A&M leaves and Big 12 Commissioner Dan Beebe said in an e-mail obtained by The Associated Press that the SEC must get waivers from each institution in his conference.

The SEC doesn't want any part of a court battle over the Aggies.

The legal infighting "has derailed SEC expansion for the moment," said LSU Chancellor Mike Martin

"Clearly there is instability and a bit of chaos within the Big 12, which we hope will be resolved for the sake of Texas A&M and, indeed, for all of college sports," Martin said.

Beebe said he "re-

grets" the confusion, but he's also fighting to keep the Big 12 from unraveling.

He said it is unprecedented for a school and rival conference to ask for a waiver preventing suit for damages sustained because of realignment.

And though the Big 12 Board of Directors agreed on Sept. 2 to waive any legal action from the league or its members if Texas A&M leaves, Beebe said Wednesday that "the waiver did not and could not bind the individual member institutions' governing boards to waive institutional rights."

"If the departure of Texas A&M results in significant changes in the Big 12 membership, several institutions may be severely affected after counting on revenue streams from contracts that were approved unanimously by our members, including Texas A&M," Beebe said in a statement.

"In some cases, members reasonably relied on such approval to embark on obligations that will cost millions of dol-

lars."

Mississippi Chancellor Dr. Dan Jones said Texas A&M and the Big 12 must resolve their problems before the SEC can move forward. If and when the legal issues are resolved, the SEC will make the Aggies the league's 13th team to complete a courtship Texas A&M initiated in July. It could lead to a massive realignment of the college football landscape and maybe a significant push toward 16-team super conferences.

The 12 presidents and chancellors all voted Tuesday in favor of making the SEC the first BCS conference with more than a dozen members.

Then the deal hit a snag with Baylor's resistance.

"The SEC has stated that to consider an institution for membership, there must be no contractual hindrances to its departure," said Florida President Bernie Machen, chairman of the SEC leaders.

SEC spokesman Charles Bloom declined further comment on Wednesday.

Texas A&M President R. Bowen Loftin said in a statement the Aggies "are disappointed in the threats made by one of the Big 12 member institutions to coerce Texas A&M into staying in Big 12."

Jones said the SEC is not willing to get into a domestic dispute between Texas A&M and the Big 12.

"We've been clear that we'd be happy to receive them if they're unfettered of obligations," he said. "We gathered to have a vote. We had a letter that clearly gave us legal clearance. It was frustrating to be gathered and then have things pulled out from under Texas A&M like that. We're disappointed for Texas A&M."

Texas A&M has made it clear it wants a higher profile and more revenue and that the Aggies are unhappy with the creation of the Longhorn Network at rival Texas.

And the SEC would also reap additional revenue and extended visibility as a result of a move into the state of Texas.

"You know how many

households there are in rector Jeff Long told the Texas? 8.9 million," a person familiar with the situation has told AP previously, adding that the league had to listen when the Aggies came knocking.

"Why would we want to hand that to the Pac 12 or any another conference?"

The person said it's a "business decision" for the SEC.

The Aggies will likely have to pay an exit fee for leaving the Big 12. It cost Nebraska \$9.25 million and Colorado \$6.9 million.

But that shouldn't hold up the move, considering the SEC distributed a record \$18.3 million in revenue to each of the 12 members this year.

With that kind of money - and possibly evenmore to be had - conference realignment across the country could be on the horizon.

"The landscape is changing," said Tennessee coach Derek Dooley. "It's that old saying: It's not about the money, it's about the amount."

The poaching of schools is already well under way.

Arkansas athletic di- family."

AP that his school had been contacted about joining the shrinking Big 12 -which has already lost Nebraska (Big Ten) and Colorado (Pac-12).

Oklahoma president David Boren said last week that multiple conferences have expressed interest in the Sooners and he expects a decision within a few weeks.

Oklahoma State billionaire booster Boone Pickens also said he doesn't think the Big 12 will survive much longer and predicted the Cowboys will eventually join the Pac-12.

The speculation on the SEC swiftly changed from who might be a likely 14th team to will there be a 13th?

David Williams, Vanderbilt's vice chancellor for university affairs and athletics, thinks the SEC would be fine with only 13 — or 12.

"The Big 10 stayed at 11 for quite awhile," he said. "I think that our folks at the conference, they'll work all of this out; 12, 13, 14 whatever it is, we'll be a happy

Astros fall to Pirates 5-4

PITTSBURGH (AP)

— Without a hit in the majors in almost five months, Jason Jaramillo took a simple approach when he came up as a pinch hitter in the eighth inning of a tie game.

His grounder through the hole at second enabled Andrew McCutchen's multi-homer game to count for a win.

McCutchen hit his 21st and 22nd home runs, Jaramillo singled Wilton Lopez (2-6). Jaramillo then produced the only run of the game that did not come on a home run.

"That was a good piece of hitting," Hurdle said of Jaramillo's oppositefield hit.

Lee and Downs hit consecutive homers off Brian Burres in the first, the second time this season the Astros hit backto-back shots.

Lee has 15 homers, but four have come in his past 14 games. Downs made it two Burres pitches, two home runs to left, when his line drive struck the foul pole.

first pitch.

"You don't want to not ready until after the first pitch; you want to be ready every single pitch," McCutchen said. "That's my thought process — be ready. And he grooved me a couple fastballs, and I was able to hit them out."

Making his third start since a three-week stint in the minors during August, Happ gave up four runs on five hits and four walks in five innings. He tied a season high with eight strikeouts.

than three runs in any of his previous seven career starts against Pittsburgh.

Making his second start since being promoted from Triple-A, Burres allowed four runs on seven hits in 3 2-3 innings.

"I had some command issues, pretty much, with all the pitches," Burres said. "And I left some out over the fat part of the plate, and they got hit pretty hard." Notes: Hurdle, who kept the ball from his victory, milestone said LHP Jeff Locke

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home pinch-runner Chase d'Arnaud for the go-ahead run and the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the Houston Astros 5-4 on Wednesday night, giving Clint Hurdle his 600th career managerial victory.

"I was just looking for a good pitch out over the plate," said Jaramillo, who was on Pittsburgh's opening day roster but spent most of the season in Triple-A or injured. "I know in that situation you hear that a lot, but honestly, I was just trying to stay as quiet as possible, and it worked out. I got a pitch out over the plate and just put a good swing on it."

McCutchen hit a solo homer in the first after Houston had taken a 3-0 lead and a three-run shot in the fifth to tie the game at 4.

"It was a good night for him," Hurdle said of McCutchen. "He basically jump-started the whole offense."

Carlos Lee, Matt Downs and Clint Barmes homered for the Astros, who have lost five of six.

The Pirates' bullpen combined for 5 2-3 innings of scoreless relief, with Tony Watson (2-2) getting the final out in the eighth and Joel Hanrahan working a perfect ninth for his 36th save in 39 opportunities.

Garrett Jones and Ryan Doumit hit consecutive pinch-hit singles with one out in the bottom of the eighth off

"We went up early," said Downs, "but there was a lot of game left when we went up.

"When you go up early, there's a lot of game left to fight back, so it's just one of those nights.'

Barmes hit a solo shot in the fourth, his 10th, giving last-place Houston its second three-run lead.

"That was our game to win," Astros manager Brad Mills said. "We've had a few tough ones to lose, and that definitely is one of them."

McCutchen tied it in the fifth when he connected against J.A. Happ. It was his fourth career multihomer game and second this season. McCutchen has a career-high 22 home runs. Both of his shots Wednesday came on the

Happ had allowed one earned run in his two previous starts since bring promoted back to the majors. He also hadn't allowed more

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He can increase his chances substantially by drawing only two rounds of trumps with the A-K. Ile then leads a diamond to the king, a diamond back to the ace, a club to the ace and another diamond toward the Q-7.

In the actual deal, as well as against several other possible distributions, the defense is rendered helpless by this succession of plays. What can East do when the eight of diamonds is led from dummy? If he ruffs, declarer follows low and later discards a heart from dummy on the queen of diamonds. He eventually ruffs his losing heart in dummy, so the only trick he loses is East's diamond ruff.

If East does not trump the eight of diamonds, South wins with the queen and ruffs the diamond seven in dummy with the jack of trumps. The only trick declarer loses against this defense is a heart.

From the outset, South aims to extract every ounce of mileage out of his trumps. Two rounds of trumps are exactly the right number to draw before starting the diamonds. The suggested method of play is by no means guaranteed to win, but it gives declarer a much better chance of making the slam.

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This cosmic tug-of-war

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At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

This project consists of supply and installation of approximately 4.5 miles of 18-inch diameter DR 13.5 High Density Polyethylene Pipe. Specifications are available and may be examined without charge in the office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79721 during norma business hours. Inquires may be directed to

Kyle Krueger, Staff Engineer, telephone (432)267-6341. #7087 August 25 and September 1, & 8, 2011

Legals

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Package Booster Pump Station at Big Spring

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Advertisement, bid phase information and complete Contract Documents can be downloaded free of charge at the following web site: http://construction.freese.com Printed copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased at the website for the cost of printing. The cost for printed Contract Documents is not refunded. COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT John W. Grant, General Manager #7088 August 25 and September 1 & 8, 2011

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Public Notice WesTex Towers is proposing an extension of its 160' tower to 260' south of Big Spring on Boykin Road. Any questions or parties interested in submitting comments regarding any potential effects of the proposed facilities on Historic Properties may do so by calling Ray L. McKim, III CPL/ESA at 432-685-0509 or to PO Box 2356, Midland, TX 79702. This ad was published in the Big

Tomorrow's Horoscope

million times and be successful.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may find it challenging to stick to your schedule. Much of it just doesn't sound appealing to you anymore. You crave new and exciting twists. Your association with a Gemini could provide just what you need.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You are highly imaginative and will benefit from pursuing your artistic whims. Be careful not to metaphysical seek а explanation for a problem that could be solved easily through practical means.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You will find inspiration as you withdraw from the mainstream and investigate new venues. You may do this via the Internet, though it will be more motivating to talk to people face to face and see an environment first hand. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.

21). There are some things in your life that you haven't thought to question until recently. Now you're filled with questions, and you will find answers as you bring your quiet and luminous gaze to the moon.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You will be someone's analyzing contributions and interactions with you. To you, it feels like the kindness this person shows motivated is bv selfish fundamentally reasons, and you may very well be right.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Parenthood, Jan. 19). friendship and romance are not normally classified as competitive events. However, today presents an

interesting scenario. If it's not a competition, you don't know what is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). What you consider to be trivial, someone else considers to be deeply profound and personal. You aware of are these differences in opinion and will tread carefully.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You are even more resilient than usual and will shake off the troubles of yesterday and come bounding into brand-new troubles that are far more interesting, exciting and glamorous.

BIRTHDAY: TODAY'S (Sept. 8). This year sees you becoming a master of your time. You'll make meaningful connections this fall, and many hours will be spent with a special loved one. October brings a happy development in the realm of health. A work cycle ends in December. and new exciting projects start in 2011. April and August are ideal for travel. Pisces and Aries people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 14, 38, 11 and 27.

ASTROLOGICAL

INSIGHTS -- MERCURY IN VIRGO: If you could sit and stargaze from planet Mercury, you might be struck by the awesome contrasts in the heavens above you. The Mercurial view features the sun appearing about twice the size of how it looks from Earth, but in spite of the big bright sun, the sky looks black, even in the middle of the day. This is because of Mercury's lack of atmosphere. A Mercury dweller could conceivably stargaze at any time of day

or night, which would be a convenient way to pass the time, since one day/night cycle takes about 180 Earth days. Of course, said Mercury dweller would first have to get past the thousand-degree weather.

The reason I bring it up is that Mercury is featured today's in astrological events as he travels retrograde from the realm of Leo into the realm of Virgo. In Virgo, Mercurv is "exalted," which is an astrological omen that has lasted through the ages. Also, Mercury rules Virgo, so this placement is doubly auspicious. The lucky omens may even override some of the more tricky aspects of a typical Mercury retrograde.

CELEBRITY

PROFILES: Pink may be a rebellious pop star, but motherhood suits her nurturing Virgo instincts beautifully. Her sun. Mercury, Venus and Saturn in Virgo indicates a highly involved parenting style, as well as a vigilant and protective motherly instinct. Mars in Cancer, the sign of mothers. suggests that Pink will be reborn artistically as a result of this new influence in her life and work.

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Annie's Mailbox .: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: When I divorced three years ago, my ex-husband and I worked out a visitation schedule whereby he gets children three our weekends a month. Now that our older child is 13, she is involved with a great extracurricular many activities and has a busy social life. "Sydney" has canceled quite a few weekends with her father in order to do other things.

addition, Sydney In then he gets angry that he hasn't spoken to her. When I ask why he doesn't call her back, he claims he's too busy. In the past three years, he has never called once. When he needs to pick-up make arrangements, he has his

Dear Not: Well, we don't recommend the "shut up" part. Visitation schedules often altered as are children get older. When ex-spouses can set aside their differences for the child's sake, this can be worked out amicably. Unfortunately, it doesn't seem to be the case for you. Part of the problem is that Sydney doesn't want her father to think ill of her, so she gives the impression

conversation with the caller. She often gets several calls during the time we're there. Those playing have to sit and wait for her to finish. As far as we can tell, none of these calls is an emergency or anything that couldn't wait until the rest of us have gone home. Would you comment on this, please? --Interrupted

Dear Interrupted: When you invite guests to your

all the canceled weekends. always has to call her father on those weekends she stays home. She often gets his voicemail, and

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Legals

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Now he is accusing me of withholding visitation.

spring, Last Sydney signed up for a musical production stage that included twice-a-week practices and two weekend shows in a row. She told her father I was "forcing" her to do the show, even though she knew when she that signed up the production was dependent on her and she couldn't miss too much time. She wanted to do it. My ex believes I am to blame for girlfriend do it.

It is frustrating being responsible for initiating contact between my daughter and her father, and I am sick and tired of hearing him complain. Sydney is a teenager, and I rarely get to see her myself. Isn't there some kind of loophole that says a refuse teenager can visitation? Can I tell him to shut up and get a lawyer so my daughter can tell a judge what she wants? --Not Withholding the Child

that you are to blame. She should learn to take responsibility for her decisions. And her parents should talk this over with a mediator.

Dear Annie: Once a week, a group of us gets together to play games at one of our houses. When the phone rings, the hostess will usually let it go to voicemail.

However, at one home. the hostess not only answers the phone, but she proceeds to have a long

home, it is rude to allow non-emergency phone calls to repeatedly interfere with socializing. One of you should take the woman aside and ask her to please stop doing this. Or, when she picks up the next call, say, "Oh, Doris, since you're going to be talking, we'll just play your hand you." That should for shorten the conversation substantially.

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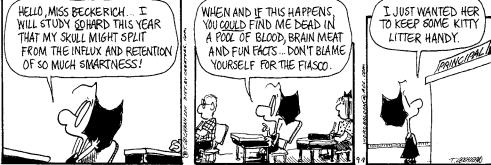
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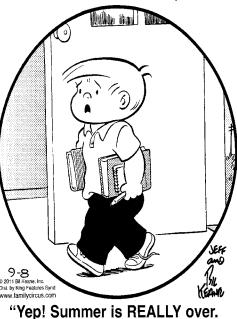


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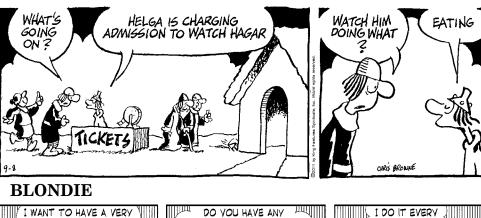


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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Sept. 8, the 251st day of 2011. There are 114 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept 8, 1941, the 900-day Siege of Leningrad by German forces began during World War II.

On this date:

In 1892, an early version of "The Pledge of Allegiance," written by Francis Bellamy, appeared in "The Youth's Companion."

In 1900, Galveston, Texas, was struck by a hurricane that killed an estimated 8,000 people.

In 1921, Margaret Gorman, 16, of Washington, D.C., was crowned the first "Miss crowned the first America" in Atlantic City, N.J.

In 1935, Sen. Huey P. Long, D-La., was shot and mortally wounded inside the Louisiana State Capitol; he died two days later. (The assailant was identified as Dr. Carl Weiss, who was gunned down by Long's bodyguards.)

In 1951, a peace treaty with Japan was signed by 49 nations in San Francisco.

In 1971, the John F. Kennedy Memorial Center for the Performing Arts made its official debut in Washington, D.C., with a performance of Leonard Bernstein's (BUHRN'-stynz) "Mass."

In 1974, President Gerald R. Ford granted an unconditional pardon to former President Richard Nixon.

In 1981, civil rights activist Roy Wilkins, former head of the NAACP, died in New York at age 80.

In 1986, "The Oprah Winfrey Show" began the first of 25 seasons in national syndication.

In 1994, a USAir Boeing 737 crashed into a ravine as it was approaching Pittsburgh International Airport, killing all 132 people on board.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Sid Caesar is 89. Ventriloquist Willie Tyler is 71. Actor Alan Feinstein is 70. Pop singer Sal Valentino(TheBeauBrummels) is 69. Author Ann Beattie is 64. Cajun singer Zachary Richard (ree-SHARD') is 61. Musician

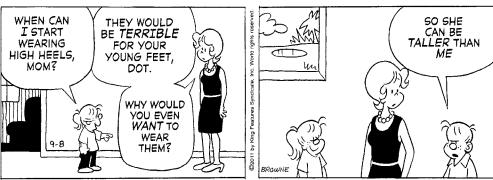
Actress Heather Thomas is 54. Singer Aimee Mann is 51. Actor Thomas Kretschmann is 49. Rhythm-and-blues singer Marc Gordon (Levert) is 47. Gospel singer Darlene Zschech (chehk) is 46. Alternative country singer Neko (NEE'-koh) Case is 41. TV personality Brooke Burke is 40. Actor Martin Freeman is 40. Actor David Arquette is 40. Rock musician Richard Hughes (Keane) is 36. Actor Larenz Tate is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Pink is 32. Actor Jonathan Taylor Thomas is 30.

Thought for Today: "We shall seek the truth and endure the consequences." — Charles Seymour, American educator and historian (1884-1963). © 2011 The Associated Press.

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55 CBS forensic

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alternative 63 Word wailed in

64 Ballerina outfit 65 It may be

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takeoff 5 Nightclub **6** 1776 protagonist

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7 Start of Caesar's boast 8 Carrier of 50 Down 9 "No more seats"

situation

67 "Fine" locale predicament 11 Baseball pitch 68 Approvals 12 Row your boat 69 Woody Guthrie's 13 Basic cable DOWN 1 Take out 2 Singer Morissette 3 Strafe 4 Travel before

network 21 "It wasn't me!" 22 Conversation filler 26 Old oath 27 Recital performance 29 Horton Hears 30 Pamplona runners 31 Destruction 34 Web-address starter 35 Part of Q&A

36 Gen. Patton

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37 Irked, with "off"

10 Pago Pago

38 Some circus stars 42 Big Apple addr. 43 Don't listen to 44 In some respects 45 Par for the course 49 Angler's tool 50 Nation since 1948 51 Deceives 53 Puzzle with pictures 54 Public spat 57 Pew area 58 Shade changers 59 Former sunscreen ingredient

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