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## Burglary suspect shot by victim

*One man in critical condition, no arrests made, investigation ongoing*

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

A Big Spring man was transported to a Lubbock hospital with a gunshot wound to the chest area early Monday morning after he was allegedly shot while burglarizing a vehicle in the 1300 block of Park, according to law enforcement officials.

**"The complainant has reported several burglaries of his work vehicle in the last two to three months. In each case, electrical wire was taken."**



—Sgt. Tony Everett, BSPD information officer

formation officer with the Big Spring Police Department, said officers went to a home in the 1300 block of Park Street

at 5:23 a.m. Monday. "Officers responded to a report of a vehicle burglary in progress where the victim (of

the burglary) was shooting at the actor," Everett said. "Officers contacted the complainant ... who advised the officers he had caught a male subject in the back of his truck stealing wire.

"He came out of his residence with a weapon and fired numerous shots at the suspect. The complainant has reported several burglaries of his work vehicle in the

last two to three months. In each case, electrical wire was taken."

According to Everett, while officers were speaking with the complainant, other officers were responding to Scenic Mountain Medical Center in reference to a gunshot victim in the emergency room.

"Officers found the See **SHOOTING**, Page 3

## 65 years of fiddlin' around

### Jody Nix commemorative dance planned Saturday

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

For music lovers of the Crossroads — and West Texas, for that matter — one name remains synonymous with traditional country and western music, a fact second-generation musician and entertainer Jody Nix is more than just a little passionate about.

Dubbed one of the "flame keepers" working to keep traditional country and western music alive and well in and around the Lone Star State, Nix will mark 65 years of music for his family Saturday at the legendary Stampede with the group's annual commemorative dance.

The show — which will



Courtesy photo

**Local country and western musician Jody Nix will mark 65 years of music in the Crossroads area for him and his family Saturday at the historic Stampede.**

feature past and present members of the band — along with fellow country music musician Bobby Flores and the Yellow Rose Band, has become a Howard County

mainstay since Nix's family began the tradition some 60-plus years ago.

"We're celebrating 65 years of music in the Nix family," said Nix. "The tradition

started with my dad, Hoyle, and my uncle, Ben, right here in Big Spring on Nov. 11, 1946. They both had long

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## Antiques, gold, coins sought by Premiere

**HERALD Staff Report**

It's a little early for spring cleaning, but while pulling out your Christmas decorations from the attic, you might look around for some long-forgotten collectibles.

The Premiere Antique, Coin and Currency Buyers are in Big Spring all week at the Holiday Inn Express and will be purchasing all types of items.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Holiday Inn Express is located at the intersection of U.S. N. Highway 87 and Interstate 20.

PACCB exponents are hoping to see items such as coins and paper currency issued prior to 1965 and gold items including class rings, mis-

matched earrings, broken necklaces, gold coins and bullion.

"Antique collectors are very serious about their hobby — so serious that they will pay a lot of money for the items that they are looking for," a PACCB spokesperson said. "Nearly all coins, vintage jewelry, bullion, Krugerrands and paper currency from the early 20th century and later are sought-after by collectors."

PACCB's experts make offers based on what collectors are willing to pay. Those who decide to sell their property get paid on the spot.

"Keep an open mind when going through your attics, basements, garages and closets. You could come across the next big find. Whether

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## Forsan HS Band places 6th at state

**HERALD Staff Report**

The final note has been played and the results are in.

Forsan High School band made it to state and walked away with a sixth-place finish overall. The band competed at the San Antonio Alamodome Monday in the Class 2A state competition.

The band placed fifth in the preliminary competition with a composite score of 31. Its composite score of 25 in the finals placed the Buffaloes sixth out of seven in the state.

Queen City High School took first place, Redwater High School captured second place with Yoe High School walking away with third place. White Oak High School came in fourth, Clifton High School placed fifth, Forsan High School placed sixth and Melissa High School placed seventh.

Forsan High School band director Jim Rhodes was unable to be reached at press time. The band will return home today.

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## Obituaries

### Geraldine 'Geri' Lopez



Geraldine "Geri" Lopez, 63, of Big Spring died Sunday, Nov. 6, 2011, at her residence. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home with a vigil to be held at 7 p.m. Memorial mass will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

She was born Sept. 6, 1948, in Taft, Texas, to Ofilia and Manuel Flores. The family moved to Big Spring in 1960. She worked at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in the canteen. She was a chiropractic assistant to Dr. Chrane and more recently worked as a home health care provider. She was a very active member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church, especially with the youth. She was also very active in the St. Vincent DePaul Society.

She is survived by two daughters, Bonnie Garcia and husband Rene of San Angelo and Morgan Lopez of Big Spring; mother, Ofilia Flores of Big Spring; one brother, Juan Flores and wife Karen of Fort Smith, Ark.; five sisters, Oralia Tovas and husband John, Angie Foster and Anita Massey, all of Big Spring; Mary Powell and her husband Loren of Beverly, Kan., and Margie Martinez and husband Johnny of Fort Worth; four grandchildren, Marcy Garcia, Mercedes Garcia, Asia Garcia and Chastity Garcia, all of San Angelo; two great-grandchildren, September and Kye; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Marcy Lopez, a Vietnam veteran who died in 1972. She was also preceded in death by her father, Manuel Flores; sister, Daisy Battles; and a brother-in-law, Hugh Massey.

The family suggests memorials to the St. Vincent DePaul Society, or any pro-life organization, c/o Holy Trinity Catholic Church, P.O. Box 951, Big Spring, Texas 79721; or Compass Hospice, 1003 E. FM 700, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

*Paid obituary*

### Harold Brantley



Harold Brantley, 89, of Stanton died Monday, Nov. 7, 2011, in a Crane nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011, at the Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton, Texas.

He was born Dec. 7, 1921, in Woodson, Texas, and married Lillian Inez Allen on May 27, 1944 in Holliday, Texas.

Harold served in the United States Army as a sergeant and platoon leader during World War II. He worked as a pipeline welder and had worked on the Alaskan pipeline. He also worked with his brother, Henry Brantley of Monahans, moving oil rigs.

He was a member of Belvue Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian Brantley of Stanton; one son and daughter-in-law, Roger and Sherry Brantley of Stanton; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Dennis Brantley.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

### Norman Webb Jr.

Norman Webb Jr. of San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Nov. 7, 2011, in San Angelo. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

### Jack Walter Mitchell



Jack Walter Mitchell, 81, of Big Spring died Sunday, Nov. 6, 2011, at his residence. Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011, at the Senior Citizens Center.

He was born March 4, 1930, to Sarah and Luther Mitchell in Corbin, Ky. He lived in Michigan most of his life where he owned his own roofing and contracting business. He was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in Japan from 1947 to 1950 and in Germany from 1952 until 1954. He moved to Big Spring in March of 2009. He was active at the Senior Citizens Center and was a Baptist.

He is survived by his children, Christina Chalker and husband Eric of Ferndale, Mich., Kathleen Oliver and husband Alan of Warren, Mich., Darcy Kovach of Big Spring, Madeline Brasel of Big Spring, Mitchell and Lenore Mitchell of Hazel Park, Mich., Laurena VandeWeerd and husband James of Big Spring, and Jacqueline Oszczudlak and husband Wally of Detroit, Mich.; 16 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; and numerous other family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

### Leonard G. Porter

Leonard G. "Leo" Porter, 75, of Colorado City, formerly of Big Spring died Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011, at his residence. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011, at the Pavalion at the Big Spring State Park in Big Spring.

Leo was born Feb. 23, 1936, in Chicago, Ill. He grew up in North Carolina and came to Big Spring when stationed at Webb Air Force Base. He was an aircraft mechanic for the United States Air Force and later became a pumper in the oilfield, retiring from Tameric Petroleum.

Survivors include one daughter, Jennifer Wilcox and husband Steve of Midland; two granddaughters; one grandson; and two sisters, Margaret Toburen of Raleigh, N.C., and Doris Jones of Alpharetta, Ga.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Margaret (Nungesser) Porter.

The family suggests memorials be made to Home Hospice of Big Spring, 111 E. Seventh St., Suite A, Big Spring Texas 79720.

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

## Police blotter

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

- AMADOR RIOS JR., 30, of 4215 Dixon, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- DANIEL LORENZO TORRES, 29, of 1408 Wood, was arrested Monday on a warrant from another agency.
- RONDEL WAYNE BROCK, 58, of 2800 Macauslan, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone.
- BOBBY LEE AGUERO JR., 29, of 1402 Mt. Vernon, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.
- JOE ERNEST VALENCIA SR., 48, of 202 N.E. Third St., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1200 block of E. FM 700.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported: In the 200 block of Grant Avenue. In the 2900 block of Cherokee.

## Support Groups

### WEDNESDAY

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

### 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. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. 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.ccbigspring.org](http://www.ccbigspring.org)

### 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.

## Sheriff

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

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

• MARY JANE CASTILLO, 43, was arrested Monday by DPS on municipal warrants for speeding and violation of a promise to appear.

• RICKEY WINTERS, 58, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

• RONDEL WAYNE BROCK, 58, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone.

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• JOE VALENCIA, 48, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.

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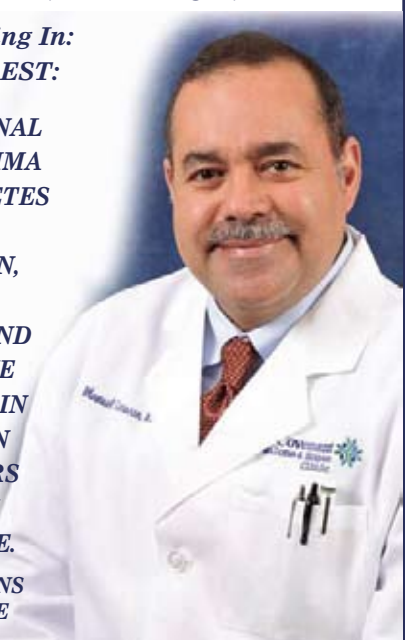
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<b>60/34</b> Partly cloudy skies. High around 60F. Winds NNE at 10 to 15 mph.	<b>62/38</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 30s.	<b>70/46</b> Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the mid 40s.	<b>78/52</b> Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the low 50s.	<b>81/48</b> Mainly sunny and windy. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 40s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:10 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:50 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:10 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:49 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:11 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:48 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:12 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:48 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:13 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:47 PM

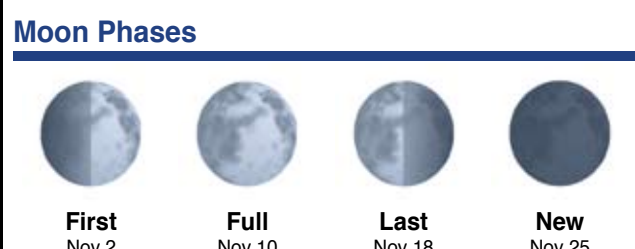


**Texas At A Glance**



Area Cities					
City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi Lo Cond.
Abilene	60	35	mst sunny	Kingsville	75 49 windy
Amarillo	54	26	sunny	Livingston	66 40 mst sunny
Austin	66	42	windy	Lubbock	61 39 mst sunny
Beaumont	71	46	mst sunny	Lufkin	56 27 mst sunny
Brownsville	74	51	cloudy	Midland	65 40 mst sunny
Brownwood	62	38	mst sunny	Raymondville	60 34 pt sunny
Corpus Christi	73	50	windy	Rosenberg	75 50 cloudy
Corsicana	61	39	mst sunny	San Antonio	70 47 mst sunny
Dallas	62	40	mst sunny	San Marcos	70 45 windy
Del Rio	68	44	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	67 41 windy
El Paso	60	35	pt sunny	Sweetwater	62 39 mst sunny
Fort Stockton	60	36	pt sunny	Tyler	59 35 mst sunny
Gainesville	59	36	mst sunny	Weatherford	61 39 mst sunny
Greenville	60	37	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	60 35 mst sunny
Houston	70	47	mst sunny		

National Cities					
City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi Lo Cond.
Atlanta	71	49	rain	Minneapolis	47 30 sn shower
Boston	65	50	sunny	New York	64 54 sunny
Chicago	55	31	rain	Phoenix	68 47 sunny
Dallas	62	40	mst sunny	San Francisco	66 49 pt sunny
Denver	43	26	sunny	Seattle	55 42 rain
Houston	70	47	mst sunny	St. Louis	50 34 windy
Los Angeles	72	49	mst sunny	Washington, DC	66 50 sunny
Miami	81	66	pt sunny		



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**SHOOTING**

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subject, 35-year-old Christopher Myrick of Big Spring, had at least one wound to the chest area and was in serious condition," Everett said. "He was transported by helicopter to a Lubbock hospital."

Everett said no arrests have been made at this time, although the investigation is ongoing.

"Once the case is completed, it will be presented to the district attorney's office for their

consideration," Everett said.

The repeated theft of the wire and other metals is part of a growing problem in the Big Spring area, according to Everett.

"We've seen a tremendous surge in thefts involving metals, especially copper, which will fetch a pretty good price," he said. "The wire that was being stolen out of the vehicle on Park Street was copper wiring. What we have been seeing in previous cases is people stealing these kinds of metals,

then turning around and selling them to support a drug habit. I can't say that's what happened in this case because we're not that far along in the investigation, but that has been a pretty common theme in other cases we've investigated lately."

Everett declined to comment on whether or not the complainant in the case — the victim of the theft and the man firing the gun — could face charges for shooting the alleged thief.

"That's a decision that will have to be made by

the district attorney's office," Everett said. "There are different schools of thought in a case like this, but when it comes down to it, that's not up to us."

According to Eric Finley, communications manager for University Medical Center in Lubbock, Myrick was listed in critical condition Monday afternoon.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

**NIX**

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careers and left a legacy and trail of music I've kept alive, and I plan to keep alive as long as I can.

"This has been a really big event for us the last several years. I started doing this in November of 1996 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of when this all started, and we've just kept it going through the years. We had several reunions of the former West Texas Cowboys, and it finally got to where so many of them had gotten older and couldn't come anymore, so we had to let that go. But we've asked Bobby (Flores) to join us and keep the tradition alive, and it's gone pretty well."

Hoyle and Ben Nix shared a long career in the music business, according to Jody, starting out at a place called Yell's Inn on the west side of Big Spring, owned by a family friend, Elliot Yell.

As the band grew more popular and began playing other towns — including the likes of Stanton, where the

Stanton Stomp was held on Wednesday and Saturday nights, as well as Brownfield, San Angelo, Sweetwater, Abilene, Snyder, Colorado City and all points in between — they built the Stampede in 1954, which would go on to become another family legacy and a West Texas landmark.

"Hoyle wrote 'Big Balls In Cowtown' and recorded it the first time in 1949 on Talent Records out of Dallas, Texas," Jody Nix said. "It has been recorded numerous times by big-name entertainers such as Mel Tillis, Asleep At The Wheel and George Strait. The West Texas Cowboys will long be remembered as one of the finest dance bands ever to play anywhere in West Texas and they had a following like no other. They also worked with the great Bob Wills many times at the Stampede and many other places in the area."

Jody has been in the music business for more than 50 years, starting professionally at the age of 8 with his father, playing drums five nights a week all over West Texas. At 11, he began

playing the fiddle, and at 16 he began singing with the band.

After his father, Hoyle, passed away, Jody took over the band and has been traveling and making his own mark.

Flores, who has performed at several Nix anniversary shows, is a Grammy Award-winning artist who has performed with Ray Price, Willie Nelson, Johnny Bush and Doug Sahm, showcasing his talents on the guitar, fiddle and voice.

"Bobby is a wonderful musician, singer and fiddle player," said Nix. "He's a keeper of the flame, like me, that plays the traditional country music, classic country and a little bit of western swing. We're very happy to have him back here this year. This is the fourth or fifth year he's played with us for this occasion."

Doors are set to open at 8 p.m. and the show expected to last from 9 p.m. until around 1 a.m. at the Stampede — located just off FM 700 on Texas Highway 350.

Admission is \$20 per person, and while tickets will be available at the door, Nix said reser-

vations for the celebration tend to go quickly.

"They come from all over the place to see this show, and we're more than appreciative of that fact," said Nix. "My favorite part is the nostalgia. Remembering how all of this started and where it's come to today. We've kept a tradition alive all these years, and people have supported us. And it honors the men who started the whole thing."

For more information — or to make reservations — contact Nix at 267-2060.

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**COINS**

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Material things lose their luster quickly,  
Lord, but Your love for us is forever.  
Amen

# Andy Rooney was really real

It was odd becoming a personal friend of Andy Rooney so late in his life and so far into my own. I'd seen him on "60 Minutes" for all 33 years, first while sitting on the rug in my parents' house. Through one of Andy's close friends and neighbors, I actually got to know him 10 years ago. To answer the question, "Was Andy really like that?" I say, "Yes, totally."



FROMA HARROP

What you saw on the screen was what you got — a plain old guy interested in the ordinary and short on patience. He was so unfancy that you quickly forgot you were with an American icon, and that's how he wanted it. If I went on too long with a story, Andy would break in with a grouchy "that's enough." Meanwhile, I could say, "You don't know what you're talking about, Andy," and he'd smile.

In public, there was no doubt of being in the company of major-league celebrity. When Andy wound his way through his favorite restaurant, Owest on Manhattan's Upper West Side, drinkers packing the bar parted in a wave and smiled like crazy. Bill Clinton was once there, spotted Andy, rushed over to express his admiration and sat down. Andy was surprised at the time, because he had been bashing Clinton every week.

It was striking how young immigrants had bonded with this retro emissary of the old American heartland. (Andy came from Albany, N.Y.) A doorman who spoke little English once got a group of us a cab. When someone offered the doorman a tip, he refused the money, saying, "I love that man."

Don't believe Andy's spiel that he didn't like being famous. He did.

Andy lasted so long, in part, because of his plainspoken wit, a rare talent that drew comparisons with Will Rogers. Like "Auld Lang Syne" on New Year's Eve, Andy offered continuity.

Those asking why he wasn't replaced on "60 Minutes" years ago didn't get it: His job was to always be there.

Andy's New York apartment was a shabby affair in a slightly down-at-the-heels building. A shower stall missing the handle was outfitted with a looped piece of string. His television was an old tube job, unattached to recording devices. Andy watched TV in real time. He did his own cooking (chocolate mint ice cream was a specialty), drove his own car and parked it on the streets.

You know his much-quoted column about how much he appreciated older women? Well, Andy didn't write it. Over dinner one time, he listed several famous "Andy Rooney columns" done by who-knows-who, and chuckled.

When Andy officially retired from "60 Minutes," the snark patrol snickered that "the old

guy was long past his sell date." I disagree.

Out of that jowly sourpuss came some of the most courageous freethinking in American journalism. After 9/11, when even liberal media were pushing for the march into Iraq, Andy came on and said he despised the idea. When CBS radically downsized its news staff, Andy turned the cannons on his longtime employer. Cable TV is full of fresh young faces dishing stale opinions. Andy's shopworn mug delivered exactly what he thought, the heck with political correctness.

Did the end of the run on "60 Minutes" hasten Andy's death? Many no doubt wonder about that. Actually, it was only the latest of several recent losses — of his wife for more than 60 years, of his best friend Walter Cronkite, of his vitality as he entered his 90s.

Know what I think? I think that when the "60 Minutes" gig came to an end, he said, "That's enough," and let old age quickly take him.

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# Let's talk about the leftist exploitation of race issue

It's almost 2012, and we have a black president, yet the white ghost of racial tensions still haunts our national politics. Will it ever end?

Far too many liberals continue to paint conservatives as racists based on their ideological leanings and party affiliation. Some believe it; others know better but milk it for their political gain. Still others selfishly and recklessly cling to this view to make themselves feel morally superior, wholly indifferent to their own immorality in impugning a category of people in the same way racists categorically impugn entire races of people and wholly indifferent to the facts.

Columnist Tony Norman recently argued that "most blacks" are amazed that some blacks can make so many white conservatives feel comfortable with them. These blacks do so, in Norman's opinion, by blaming themselves for their own plight. No one, says Norman, has perfected this art more than Herman Cain. It's the same old song; nothing has changed for those who are too embittered to quit singing it or who refuse to consider the possibility that their prejudicial assessments are wrong. Nothing will be allowed to change by others who profit politically and financially for exploiting racial acrimony.

Will any liberals criticize Norman for saying that white conservatives will only accept blacks who pander to them? It can't be that conservatives embrace Cain because he's a charismatic, competent conservative with proven leadership credentials, can it?

Will they give Norman a pass for implying that Cain is a panderer, presumably because he preaches a conservative message that resonates with conservatives? It can't be that Cain actually believes in the principles he's espousing, the expression of which requires far more courage than adopting the pat liberal line, can it?

Are conservatives allowed to take exception to Norman's categorical condemnation? How many "white conservatives" does he know? How does he know they are racists? Is it because of the policies they support? Does he know Herman Cain or what motivates Cain to support the conservative agenda?

Juan Williams, a liberal and also a man of color, objects to the patronizing treatment Cain is receiving at the hands of his fellow liberals. Williams says: "The whole idea is he's a token; he's a puppet; he's being manipulated; he's someone who is being used by white people. I mean, it's unbelievable. They would deny this man his own independent intelligence, his will, his own success. It is an outrage."

According to Norman, 99 percent of blacks had a falling out with the Republican Party "after it was taken over by Dixiecrats and Southern defectors from the Democratic Party during the height of the civil rights struggle."

Without debating that point, why do such an overwhelming majority of blacks continue to vote Democratic? Is it that they buy into the malicious propaganda that conservatives are racist or that their policies result in harming blacks?

If it's the former, there's not much I can say other than, "It's not true, and shame on those who perpetrate that lie to the detriment of so many." If it's the latter, what policies are we talking about?

Are conservatives racist because they are ardent capitalists and support welfare reform and school choice — and other policies encouraging self-reliance — and oppose affirmative action? Or is it because they find it repugnant that liberals insist we always view things through a racial lens rather than aspire to colorblindness?

It seems to me that the conservative approach is more egalitarian in both spirit and practice than the liberal one.

Conservative policies reflect their belief in the equal dignity of every person irrespective of race, ethnicity or religion, as well as their dedication to promoting equal opportunity for all.

How about results? Look at the smashing success of welfare reform, which Bill Clinton had to be browbeaten into signing. President Obama, despite uncontroverted evidence proving it reduced black childhood poverty and illegitimacy, partially reversed it. Obama Democrats also oppose school choice, though it has been shown to help liberate minorities from inner-city schools.

But it's Obama's record itself that is the most damning. The black unemployment rate, at 16.7 percent, is nearly double that of the national average. Obama's response to blacks: "Stop complaining and fight."

Conservatives believe in a safety net, but we don't support policies in the name of compassion that are cynically designed to expand the dependency class but that, in practice, only expand Democratic voter rolls, such as 99-week extensions of unemployment benefits, which exacerbate unemployment, and mandating mortgages for people who can't afford them.

Even if some can't overcome their ill will toward conservatives based on false charges of racism, could we at least see a little more fairness, beginning with a refusal to continue to indulge the despicable abuse of black conservatives by liberal elites who depict them as Aunt Jemima in their art or who call them demeaning names in their writings. Actual racist slurs by liberals make their phony charges of racism against conservatives that much harder to stomach.

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## Paws for Veterans

Nepal wags his tail and stares with love at his companion, Jason Morgan.

Nepal is more than a loving \_\_\_\_\_ for Jason. Jason is an Air Force veteran who was \_\_\_\_\_ in the line of duty 11 years ago, leaving him paralyzed from the waist down. Thanks to an organization called \_\_\_\_\_ Canine Companions, Jason now has more independence than he ever thought \_\_\_\_\_.

### Help is a Four-legged Word

Nepal helps Jason in many ways. He picks up \_\_\_\_\_ objects, opens drawers and doors, pulls Jason's wheelchair and can even push \_\_\_\_\_ buttons.

Jason says some of the most important help comes at the grocery store. "Having had, I guess, nine or ten \_\_\_\_\_ on my back, I appreciate that he retrieves things off the ground and puts them in my lap," Jason said of Nepal.

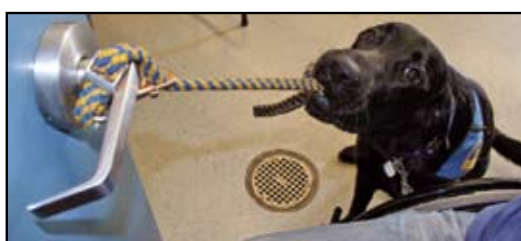


ABOVE: Jason Morgan and Nepal. LEFT: Nepal opens a door.

Photos courtesy Canine Companions for Independence.

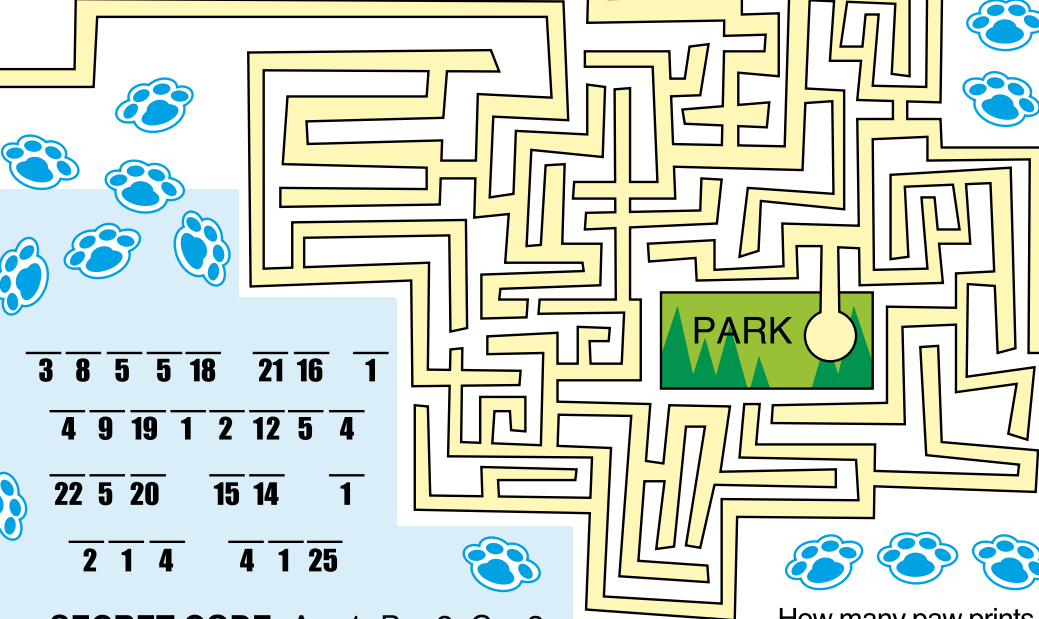
### Replace the missing words.

- POSSIBLE
- PET
- INJURED
- ELEVATOR
- DROPPED
- SURGERIES



Standards Links: Reading Comprehension: Read from a variety of informational texts (biography).

Help Nepal find the way to the park.



### New Adventures

Jason Morgan likes a life of adventure. Coping with a disability has been a big change in his life.

"It's a struggle. To go from jumping out of airplanes to a wheelchair has been really tough," said Jason.

Fortunately, a canine companion like Nepal can offer more than physical service. Use the code to find out what else canine companions can do.

Standards Links: Health: Know behaviors that communicate care.

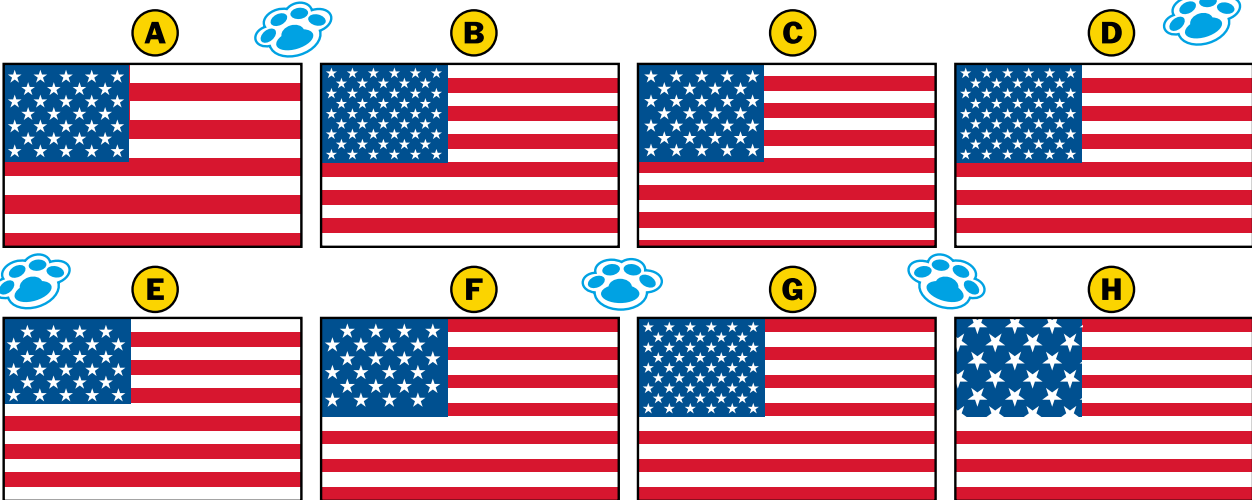
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2 1 4 4 1 25

SECRET CODE: A = 1, B = 2, C = 3 and so on, all the way to Z = 26.

How many paw prints can you find on this page in 60 seconds? Have a friend try. Who found more?

### A Grand Old Flag

On Veteran's Day, many Americans fly flags as a sign of gratitude and respect for those who have served in the military. Only one of the American flags below is correct. Can you find it?



Standards Links: Visual Discrimination: Find similarities and differences in familiar objects.

### Extra! Extra! Word Pals

Find, in today's newspaper, five sentences containing at least one adjective each. Underline each adjective in red. Underline the noun it describes in blue. Use this list of adjectives and nouns to write five new sentences.

Standards Links: Grammar: Recognize adjectives and nouns.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

Fill in the letters above the lines to make vertical 3-letter words. The answer is something you could say to a veteran.

H  
O I N A I E A S  
E P T P D S K E  
U  
E G U A A M A A  
T G N K P P R T

Standards Links: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.



Watch a video of Jason with Nepal at:  
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### Double Double Word Search

- COMPANIONS
- APPRECIATE
- PHYSICAL
- VETERAN
- CANINE
- DOORS
- TOUGH
- WAIST
- NEPAL
- STORE
- PICKS
- TASKS
- DUTY
- PUSH
- DOGS

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

L L A C I S Y H P Y  
A P P R E C I A T E  
P I A L D I F U C E  
E C S O O H D A T H  
N K D K G F N S S A  
D S O U S I U T V  
S N O I N A P M O C  
E T R E W N T T R U  
R E S N A R E T E V

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### Give the Gift of Art!

Wounded veterans are people who have been injured while serving their country.

The National Museum of the Marine Corps is calling on young artists to submit art that will decorate recovery facilities and brighten the days of wounded Marines.

#### Children's Artwork for Wounded Marines

Create your picture on an 8 1/2" x 11" piece of paper.

Package your work in a flat, rigid envelope.

Submit your art by December 10, 2011.

#### Mail all submissions to:

The National Museum of the Marine Corps  
Attn: Teacher-in-Residence  
18900 Jefferson Davis Highway  
Triangle, VA 22172-1938



Taking some time to create some artwork for these heroes is something every kid can do! Let's send in LOTS of artwork to let the Marines know how much we appreciate all they do for us.

Standards Links: Visual Arts: Know how different media and processes communicate ideas.

### Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **HONOR**

The verb **honor** means to respect a person or place.

The concert was held to honor veterans who had served overseas.

Try to use the word **honor** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

### Kid Scoop-doku

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word NEPAL in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.



### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

**Heroes**  
Look through the newspaper or your newspaper's website and clip pictures and articles about heroes, past and present. Make a "Heroes" poster. Tell the reason each person is a hero.  
Standards Links: Civics: Understand how participation in civic responsibilities helps preserve democracy.

### Have you thanked a veteran today?

On the 11th month, the 11th day, at the 11th hour in the year 2011, take a moment to remember those who served.

### Write On! Best Friend

What qualities make a best friend? In what ways are you good to people?

# Helping our kids become successful

We all want our children to be successful and to develop to their fullest potential, so what can we do to assist them in that quest?

The challenge is how to encourage children to stretch their abilities without breaking their spirit. There are certain things we should keep in mind as we work to inspire our students toward their goal.

One thing we can do is establish an environment that celebrates success and be sure to find small victories for every child. This environment should support struggling students, enrich the achievers and push those in the middle as well. We should offer activities that are appropriate for every child and refrain from demanding a "performance" in front of their peers unless the child has had an adequate amount of time to prepare.

## PARENT'S CORNER

By  
DARRELL RYAN



It is always good to allow the child a choice in these activities. This is an optimal way to differentiate for all kids and providing choices increases buy-in, engagement, and success. A child may excel at one activity and find other activities more challenging. The key is to provide a wide variety of activities so every child can be a "star" in some area.

Self-confidence has a ripple effect. When children feel capable in one area, the feeling is likely to spread to other areas. By providing each child with some activities in which they excel, they will be more willing to

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# Drought takes its toll

The summer that year had been drier than most. Even with the autumnal equinox, or first day of fall, came no seasonal rains.

Halfway through November, the number of raptors needing help had increased. With bruised or broken limbs, pellets from gunshots, blackened feet from electrical mishaps, or starving, the "big birds," or hawks were an endless procession.

Whether accepted or not, the effects of an oncoming drought were becoming more noticeable in wildlife. To us, the absence of food sources was an obvious clue for the inevitable.

When she called to say she had a hawk, Diane Tracy, who works within our permit, added San Angelo to a growing list of communities that reported downed birds of prey. From Wink, Monahans, Odessa, Midland, Big Spring and St. Lawrence came numerous calls regarding raptors.

Alerted to a bird that was found on the



**Almost 23 inches in length, the red-tailed hawk is an awesome raptor. Seen year round, the bird of prey is a skilled hunter of rabbits, ground squirrels, rats, mice and snakes. During times of drought, the species has a difficult time when its environment can no longer sustain the food it seeks.**

ground and wouldn't fly, San Angelo's Animal Control had answered the call. Able to approach a red-tailed hawk, an officer had encountered no resistance in picking it up. Describing it as weak, he told Diane he would deliver it.

Although its right wing hung slightly lower than the left, Diane could find no breaks.

She suspected a soft tissue injury, or bruising of the wing. When she called us, she stressed that the bird was in terrible shape. "It's so thin. Emaciated."

"Another one?" was Art's question as we headed toward Sterling City to meet Diane. The steady stream of raptors was becoming worrisome.

As she opened the

door to her carrier, Diane mentioned that the red-tail had eaten everything she offered it. We agreed it must have been starving. As she closed the back of her vehicle, she added, "Too weak to fly."

Once home, and having given the red-tail an avian supplement before placing it in a large carrier, we offered a platter of mice that it could eat at its leisure. An hour later, they were gone.

That afternoon, another offering of rodents was also quickly devoured. As evening approached, one final look-see was encouraging. Perched on a log roost, the hawk had

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persist in other, more challenging activities. We should establish an environment that says "we are all learners here," and make sure each child feels safe and can learn in an atmosphere that's non-threatening.

We should use activities that allow for social interaction to ensure students feel comfortable sharing what they know or don't know and understand. We must have clear expectations for how kids treat each other and model the respect we want them to display. This type of culture can only be attained when the teacher or parent makes an effort to really know the strengths, weaknesses, likes, dislikes, fears and dreams of their children.

Teachers can attain this assessment through a result of surveys, interviews, conferences

and informal conversations and just talking to the students to find out who they are. Parents should ask leading questions to learn what really motivates their children and use those things to assist their children to be successful.

Finally, we should praise the effort given. Children work longer when they know that adults notice them. Commenting on children's effort tells them you notice and appreciate their attempts, even if they are not totally successful. It also conveys the message that effort is important. To be effective, praise must be honest, immediate and specific; being careful not to offer praise to the point that it loses its meaning.

By paying attention to the types of activities offered and the ways in which we respond to children, we can encourage them to take on challenges, rather than to shy away from them. We

all should remember an old proverb: It doesn't matter how many say it cannot be done or how many people have tried it before; what we should realize is that anything new our kids are doing, it's new to them and it's their first attempt at it.

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a telltale bulge in its crop. Apparently, its snack had been appreciated.

The next morning, anticipation of what was to come was evident in the hawk's demeanor. Pacing sideways on the roost, the bird kept leaning forward and searching for its morning's rations. They were quickly eaten.

After a call to Gail Barnes in Lubbock, we decided to deliver the red-tail to the wildlife center early that afternoon. When I started to open the gate to the carrier to move the hawk to another enclosure for travel, the bird thought it was mealtime again.

With lightning-quick speed, its feet hit the gate. Releasing its grip quickly, it returned to the roost, only to attack the area again as I tried to open the door. Having already sensed the raptor was gaining in strength, I had worn my Kevlar gloves, just in case.

The talons of both feet were now embedded in the outer leather of my right glove. With Art's help, I was able to put my left hand on top of the red-tail and press it against the glove. After I brought the bird from the carrier, Art placed a towel over the raptor to calm it. Then he carefully removed each talon from the glove.

The magnificence of the specie was still evident even though it would need a few weeks for recovery. Brown above and creamy beneath, it had the streaked belly and rusty tail so often seen from a distance.

No longer passive, the red-tail was definitely showing signs of recovery. Although it would be harder to handle, it was displaying normal behavior in a captive setting.

At the wildlife center, the same reception met Gail as she tried to remove the hawk from our carrier. Upon examining the bird, she agreed that it needed lots of R&R. Underweight, the red-tail would be held long enough to regain body fat. Since it had been unable to fly, muscle tone and stamina would also need to be strengthened.

As the Thanksgiving holiday approached, the progress of the raptor was obvious. Diet and exercise had enabled it to progress to the flight cage where the highest perches were easily reached. Flying back and forth the length of the facility was only a prelude to the freedom it eventually earned two days before our national event.

Fortunately, the red-tail had been found before succumbing to the death that had awaited it. Now, in 2011, we are still witnessing the effects of a drought on wildlife.

Long before this fall's migration began, hawks and other raptors were found in barren cotton fields. Although hunting relentlessly, they were unable to find enough to eat during the summer months.

The phenomenon of La Nina continues to linger this year as another autumnal equinox,

Solsticio de Otono, has come and gone. The severity of its lessons was subtle at the onset, but the reality of its impact will govern events and generations to come.

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

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**SMOKIN JOE**

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“our father’s homecoming celebration” as soon as possible.

Manny Pacquiao learned of it shortly after he arrived in Las Vegas for his fight Saturday night with Juan Manuel Marquez. Like Frazier in his prime, Pacquiao has a powerful left hook that he has used in his remarkable run to stardom.

“Boxing lost a great champion, and the sport lost a great ambassador,” Pacquiao said.

Don King, who promoted the Thrilla in Manila, was described by a spokesman as too upset to talk about Frazier’s death.

Though slowed in his later years and his speech slurred by the toll of punches taken in the ring, Frazier was still active on the autograph circuit in the months before he died. In September he went to Las Vegas, where he signed autographs in the lobby of the MGM Grand shortly before Floyd Mayweather Jr.’s fight against Victor Ortiz.

An old friend, Gene Kilroy, visited with him and watched Frazier work the crowd.

“He was so nice to everybody,” Kilroy said. “He would say to each of them, ‘Joe Frazier, sharp as a razor, what’s your name?’”

Frazier was small for a heavyweight, weighing just 205 pounds when he won the title by stopping Jimmy Ellis in the fifth round of their 1970 fight at Madison Square Garden. But he fought every minute of every round going forward behind a vicious left hook, and there were few fighters who could withstand his constant pressure.

His reign as heavyweight champion lasted only four fights — including the win over Ali — before he ran into an even more fearsome slugger than himself. George Fore-

man responded to Frazier’s constant attack by dropping him three times in the first round and three more in the second before their 1973 fight in Jamaica was waved to a close and the world had a new heavyweight champion.

Two fights later, he met Ali in a rematch of their first fight, only this time the outcome was different. Ali won a 12-round decision, and later that year stopped George Foreman in the Rumble in the Jungle in Zaire.

There had to be a third fight, though, and what a fight it was. With Ali’s heavyweight title at stake, the two met in Manila in a fight that will long be seared in boxing history.

Frazier went after Ali round after round, landing his left hook with regularity as he made Ali backpedal around the ring. But Ali responded with left jabs and right hands that found their mark again and again. Even the intense heat inside the arena couldn’t stop the two as they fought every minute of every round with neither willing to concede the other one second of the round.

“They told me Joe Frazier was through,” Ali told Frazier at one point during the fight.

“They lied,” Frazier said, before hitting Ali with a left hook.

Finally, though, Frazier simply couldn’t see and Futch would not let him go out for the 15th round. Ali won the fight while on his stool, exhausted and contemplating himself whether to go on.

“It was unworldly what

we had just seen,” Arum said. “Two men fighting one of the great wars of all time. It’s something I will never forget for all the years I have left.”

It was one of the greatest fights ever, but it took a toll. Frazier would fight only two more times, getting knocked out in a rematch with Foreman eight months later before coming back in 1981 for an ill advised fight with Jumbo Cummings.

“They should have both retired after the Manila fight,” former AP boxing writer Ed Schuyler Jr. said. “They left every bit of talent they had in the ring that day.”

Born in Beaufort, S.C., on Jan 12, 1944, Frazier took up boxing early after watching weekly fights on the black and white television on his family’s small farm. He was a top amateur for several years, and became the only American fighter to win a gold medal in the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo despite fighting in the final bout with an injured left thumb.

“Joe Frazier should be remembered as one of the greatest fighters of all time and a real man,” Arum told the AP in a telephone interview Monday night. “He’s a guy that stood up for himself. He didn’t compromise and always gave 100 percent in the ring.”

**CTLGA ends golf season with win**

By **ROBERT GRIFFIN**  
Sports Editor

In their season-ending tournament, the Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association saw an elevated game from Annie Ward. The CTLGA member won the low gross the last two tournaments for the association, with Dee Jenkins and Mary Galbraith taking the low nets.

Galbraith had the fewest putts among the la-

dies Thursday, with 14, while Ramona Harris took the honor Monday with 15 putts.

This ends the season for the CTLGA, but it was a season to be remembered, as the team of Joan Daniel, Debra Lusk, Connie Fowler and Jo Ann Hilger represented the association well, winning the Permian Basin Women’s Golf Association annual tournament.

**Steers compete at Regional Meet**

By **ROBERT GRIFFIN**  
Sports Editor

ARLINGTON — The Steers cross country team represented Big Spring this week at the Regional Meet, with the boys finishing in ninth place overall and the girls crossing the line at 13<sup>th</sup> place.

Gustavo Lugo led the way for the boys, claiming the fifth spot overall with a time of 16:20.20. Right behind Lugo, in sixth place, was Thomas King. The Big Spring sophomore posted a time of 16:33.70.

Mike Williams finished in 31<sup>st</sup> place, Nathan Jimenez came in 84<sup>th</sup>, Mason Ford crossed the line in 94<sup>th</sup> and Joshua Means ranked in at

the 130<sup>th</sup> spot.

In the girls races, Jaycee Williams was the Lady Steer to beat, finishing ahead of all Big Spring runners with a time of 12:57.34. The run was good enough for a 16<sup>th</sup> place overall finish. Karina Alvarado was the second Big Spring runner to break the tape, coming in 18<sup>th</sup> place, with a time of 13:03.

Lil Alvarado, Vicky Sotelo and Mika Mendez rounded out the Lady Steers runners, with finishes of 78<sup>th</sup>, 111<sup>th</sup> and 130<sup>th</sup> overall.

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**BEARS**

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But Vick made a poor throw into double coverage that was picked off by Wright, who returned it 36 yards to the Bears 48.

The teams met for the fifth straight year. Chicago has won four of those games. Beloved former Eagles coach Buddy Ryan was honored at halftime.

Vick was 21 of 38 for 213 yards and one interception. He fell to 0-4 as a starter against the Bears.

Cutler was 18 of 32 for 208 yards and two TDs.

Ryan, who is battling cancer, was Chicago’s defensive coordinator during their Super Bowl championship season in 1985. He came to Philadelphia the next season and led the Eagles to the playoffs from 1988-90.

Ryan got a loud ovation and fans chanted “Buddy! Buddy!”

Notes: Eagles FS Nate Allen left with a concussion. ... Bears return specialist Devin Hester left with an ankle injury.

**Contract Bridge**

By **Steve Becker**

**That Number 13 Again**

South dealer.  
Neither side vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ A 9 6 4  
♥ A Q J  
♦ Q 9 3  
♣ K 6 2

**WEST**  
♠ J 8 7 2  
♥ 6 3  
♦ 10 8 7 4 2  
♣ 9 7

**EAST**  
♠ 10 3  
♥ 10 8 5 4 2  
♦ J 5  
♣ J 10 8 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ K Q 5  
♥ K 9 7  
♦ A K 6  
♣ A Q 5 3

The bidding:  
South West North East  
2 NT Pass 7 NT

Opening lead — four of diamonds.

To a bridge teacher, one of the game’s enduring mysteries is why so many players seem to have trouble adding up to or subtracting from the number 13.

Take this case from a regional team contest. At both tables, seven notrump was reached quickly after South opened two notrump.

The first declarer won the opening diamond lead and noted immediately that to make the grand slam, he needed to pick up an extra trick in one of the black suits. Declarer thought that his only chance was to find a 3-3 break in spades or clubs, so he cashed the K-Q-A of spades, and when that suit failed to divide evenly, he tried the same thing in the club suit. When that suit also split 4-2, he had to go down one.

At no point did South ever consider any other line of play, such as a squeeze, which would work if either opponent had four or more cards in both black suits. Even worse, he did not stop to weigh the potential significance of the fall of East’s ten of spades on the second round of the suit, which gave South the option of finessing dummy’s nine of spades on the third round.

This option was not lost on the declarer at the second table, who also cashed the K-Q of spades after winning the first diamond. When the spade ten appeared, South decided to try to find out more about the opposing hands before continuing spades. So he cashed his two remaining diamonds and three hearts, learning that West started with five diamonds and East with five hearts.

Declarer next played the A-K-Q of clubs, disclosing the 4-2 break. This did not bother him in the least, however. Since East was now known to have started with five hearts, four clubs, two diamonds and the two spades played earlier — which added up to 13 — he could not have another spade, so South led a spade to the nine to bring in the grand slam.

Tomorrow: Stay awake!  
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**Notice of Application for Commercial Disposal Well Permit**

Lynx Operating Co. Inc., 2100 Ross Ave. Ste 860, Dallas, Texas 75201, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a commercial disposal well permit to dispose of produced salt water and oil and gas waste into a porous formation that is not productive of or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres formation, Johnson, DC Lease, Well No. 202. The proposed disposal well is located approximately 2.5 miles in a northwest direction from Knott, Texas, in the Sleeper Reef (Canyon) Field. The waste will be injected into the strata in the subsurface in a depth interval of 3,273 feet to 4,600 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended; Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended; and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application, should be submitted in writing within fifteen (15) days of publication to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, PO Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711-2967 (Telephone 512-463-6792). #7167 November 8, 2011

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). In order to achieve your aims, you must first define them well. It will be easy for you to get specific now because you have excellent examples close at hand. The more detailed you are the luckier you will be. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Take yourself out for a shopping date. Even if you don't buy anything, you'll be creatively inspired by the experience. You also will home in on the kind of impression you really want to make.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). While doing something you happen to be great at, you'll spread sunshine and make people smile. So it's a win-win all around. Tonight, you'll reach out to someone who may need more than a little coaxing to reach back.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Be patient with the current state of things. You will have more than one career in your lifetime and several big adventures. Whenever you're in a lull, as you may be now, rest up and take full advantage.

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**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Career issues arise. Give yourself plenty of time to make your next move. Right now, you don't need any extra pressure. Tonight, reward yourself with a teeny, tiny portion of the treat you've been craving.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Someone wants to join in your fun, but is afraid of possibly being rejected. If you want the added input, just give the signal. Dreams will be especially vivid and powerful tonight.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Talking about people who aren't there complicates matters that could be simple. It's better to say nothing or go right to the source for answers.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A training process or area of learning is open to you, though you may have to do a little investigating to find it. There's money to be made in this, so seize your opportunities.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your intelligence will be recognized by a like-minded individual, and you'll be given special treatment and preference

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**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you ever wanted to live in a candy house or have a unicorn for a pet, you realize that some childhood dreams are not appropriate for adult reality. But don't let that stop you from dreaming altogether.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Today features the sharing of secrets, directions and information. Write down or otherwise record the information that is given to you. Leave nothing to speculation.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Relationships advance because you get more in sync with another person. You won't have to offer anything new. You'll create affinity by falling in step with the other person's actions and behavior.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Nov. 8). What's good for you makes others happy, too. You'll try things that others wouldn't dare. Part of it is your sheer determination. The other part is that you have a feeling it's going to work, and it will. The professional risks you

take will coincide with the risks you take in your personal life, and both turn out well. Aquarius and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 15, 39, 20, 14 and 30.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I'm a Taurus, and I travel for work. My job has required the same amount of travel for the past five years. I have had the same job since I met my wife five years ago. She now gets more upset about my frequent trips than she used to, reminding me of all I am missing in our life together. We fight about my job more often. This is so confusing to me because it's been the same all along. She seems to be less angry when I call her a couple of times a day from the road. Still, why is she suddenly so needy? She knew my deal when she met me. I shouldn't have to change for her, and she shouldn't need so much reassurance from me. She's a Cancer." You're a stable Taurus, steadfast in your intent and a creature of habit. You're not expecting big changes from yourself; rather, you prefer an

even climb toward your goals. She's a wondrously shifting Cancer, gauging her feelings with the moon. Whether or not she "should" need the reassurance, she does. You already have the solution to your problem: Calling her more often is easy. Don't be too stubborn to make both of you happier.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Actress Parker Posey has been heralded as a darling of independent film, though she'll soon be sharing the screen with mainstream movie stars Nicole Kidman and Clive Owen in "Hemingway and Gellhorn," a movie exploring the relationship between the author and his wife, who was the inspiration for "For Whom the Bell Tolls." Posey was born with her sun and Neptune in intuitive Scorpio.

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**Annie's Mailbox**

**Dear Annie:** I am a retired 70-year-old single senior and live on a fixed income. I try to be self-sufficient so I won't have to depend on my children for anything. They have their own financial issues.

Two years ago, my daughter, "Alice," asked if I would like to earn some extra money by helping at her workplace in the summers. I agreed, as it is a job I once did many years ago. I only work 10 to 12 days. It's an hour away from my home, so when I'm working, I stay with Alice and her family.

I have some major expenses coming up and asked the boss for more hours. My request was granted. I also told the boss I do not want to infringe on my daughter's hours and was reassured I would not. However, when I discussed this with Alice, she told me she doesn't like working with me. She feels she always has to look out for me and also has to watch what she says. She added that my

staying with her puts a strain on her family.

Annie, I am healthy and can work circles around most of the crew. I understand that Alice has to watch her conversations when I'm there, but I think she could deal with that for those few days a year. I drive separately to work and take lunch alone to give her space.

I told Alice she should be happy that I am able to pay my own bills. Otherwise, I'd have to come to her for occasional financial assistance. Both options would put stress on our relationship. Is my daughter being selfish, or am I? Is there a compromise? — *Confused Senior*

**Dear Confused:** Alice did a nice thing, only to discover that the result is harder to deal with than she anticipated. Could you arrange your workdays so they don't coincide with your daughter's?

Could you drive the hour commute some of

the time so you aren't staying with her for two weeks every summer? Is it possible to find another part-time or temp job that will earn you the same amount of money? Talk to Alice, and see whether the two of you can come up with a way to make this work. This job isn't worth alienating your child.

**Dear Annie:** My husband was given up for adoption 61 years ago. Recently, a change in adoption laws permitted him to obtain a copy of his original birth certificate. Through the Internet, I learned that his birth parents married and had four other children. His birth mother is deceased, but his birth father lives nearby, as do three of the siblings.

Two months ago, through an attorney, we contacted the father and asked for a medical history. We also said that my husband would be willing to see him. There has been no response. The father is 87, so

there's not a lot of time to lose.

My husband feels rejected and says to let it go. But he's waited such a long time that I think he should try again, perhaps via the siblings. What do you say? — *Still Waiting*

**Dear Waiting:** It's possible the father is ill or otherwise incapable of responding. Having a relationship is beside the point. A medical history is a reasonable request and is important to have. If you can contact the siblings, we think you should do so. Good luck.

*Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Ste. 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.*

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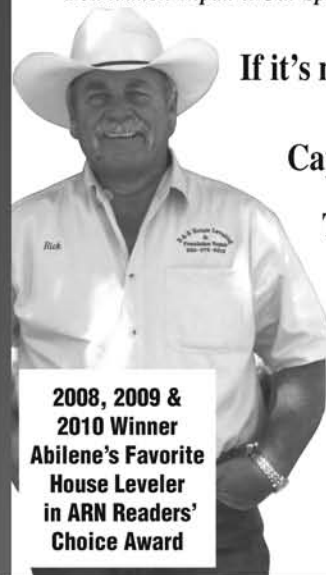
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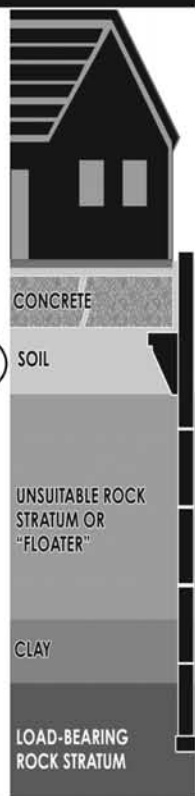
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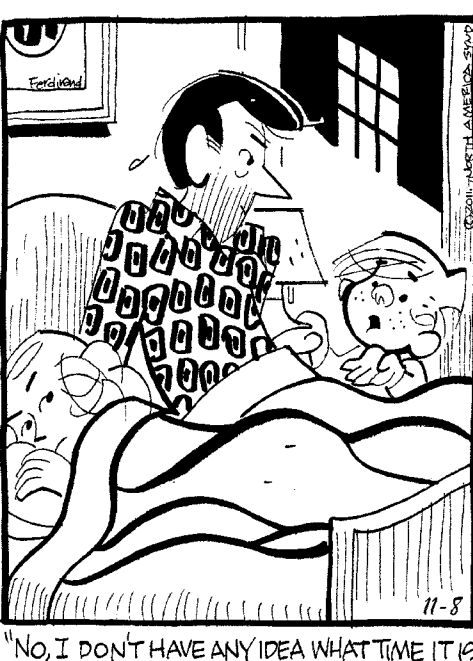
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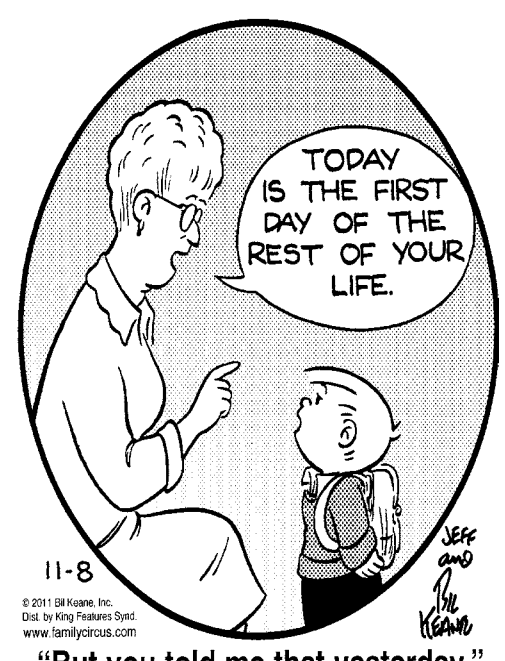
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5:PM	News ABC	Alma	Big Bang	News	Noticias	News	King	Scrivner	News	Til Death	Cash Cab	Rocky III, Talia Shire	Auction	Bones	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	ANT Farm	NFL32	SportsCenter
6:PM	Jeopardy!	Notic. Cuando Me	Big Bang	CBS	Noticiero	News	King	Uri Harel	Business	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Auction	Auction	Bones		ANT Farm	NFL Live	E:60
7:PM	Wheel	Two Men	Two Men	News	Caso Cer-rado	News	Seinfeld	Mark Blitz	PBS News-Hour	Seinfeld	Dirty Jobs	Auction	Auction	Bones		ANT Farm	NFL Live	E:60
8:PM	Last Man Standing	Familia-Suerte	Glee	NCIS (DVS)	Mi Corazón Insiste	The Biggest Loser	Big Bang	Upd	Secrets of the Dead	90210	Auction	Movie: Rocky IV, Burt Young	Auction	Bones	Black Girls Rock!	Shake It	College Foot-ball: Teams TBA.	Roll Tide/War Eagle
9:PM	Dancing With Stars	Fuerza-Des-tino	New Girl	NCIS: Los Angeles	Flor Salvaje (SS)	Big Bang	Big Bang	Alewine	Frontline	Ringer	Auction	Auction	Bones		My Babysitter's a Vampire	Shake It	2011 World Series of Poker: Final Table.	
10:PM	In the Spot-light	Protagon. Ahora	Simpsons	Unforgettable	La Casa de al Lado	Parenthood	Big Bang	Big Bang	Women, War	Cops	Til Death	Movie: Rocky V, Burt Young	Auction	Bones	Re.- Lines	Shake It		
11:PM	News	Impacto	How I Met	News	Noticias	News	Conan	Chevalme	Charlie Rose	King	Auction	Flip Men	Southland	Re.- Lines	Shake It	Roll Tide/War Eagle	SportsCenter	
12:AM	Nightline	Noticiero	Raymond	Letterman	Sin Senos no	Jay Leno	Dr.	Dr.	World	South Pk	(-45) Auction	Flip Men	CSI: NY	Re.- Lines	Shake It	Roll Tide/War Eagle	SportsCenter	
1:AM	Jimmy Kim-mel Live	Hasta que el Dinero	Law Order: CI	Late	Decisiones (SS)	Late Night	Office	Ministerios	T. Smiley	South Pk	(-45) Auction	Flip Men	CSI: NY	Re.- Lines	Shake It	Roll Tide/War Eagle	SportsCenter	
2:AM	Extra	Destilando Amor	Raymond	Fam. Guy	Insider	Pagado	Conan	Upd	World	Roseanne	Auction	Flip Men	CSI: NY	Re.- Lines	Shake It	Roll Tide/War Eagle	SportsCenter	
3:AM	Paid	La Jaula	American	Ent	Pagado	(:06) Today	Seinfeld	Light of the Southwest	(Off Air)	Focus 4	Auction	MAN	Rizzoli & Isles	Random	Roll Tide/War Eagle	SportsCenter		
4:AM	Paid	Par Ases	TMZ	Paid	Empresa		Seinfeld	Light of the Southwest		Homecoming	Dirty Jobs							

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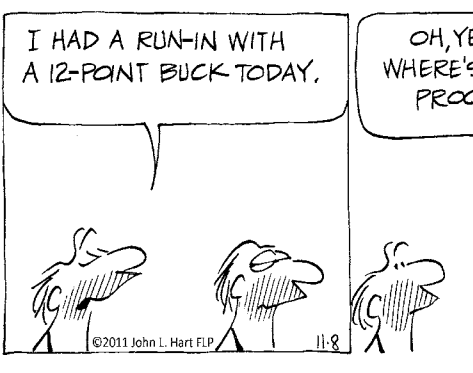
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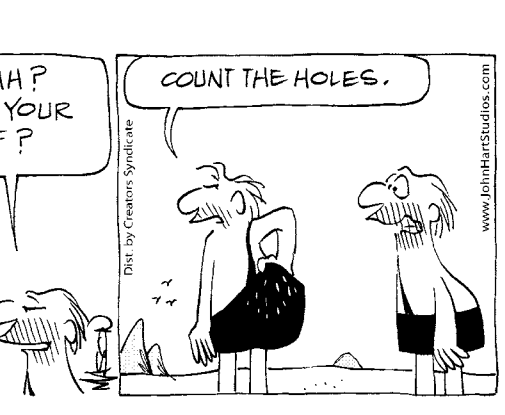


IN AN HOUR MAYBE? GIMME 45 MINUTES

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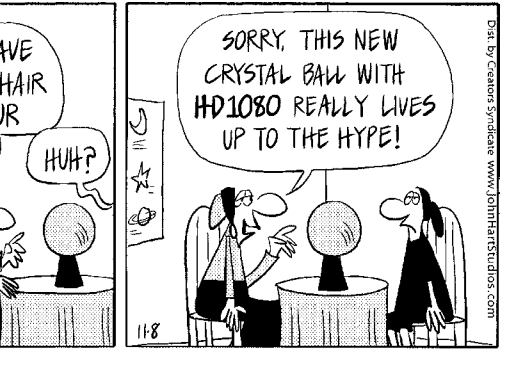


COUNT THE HOLES.

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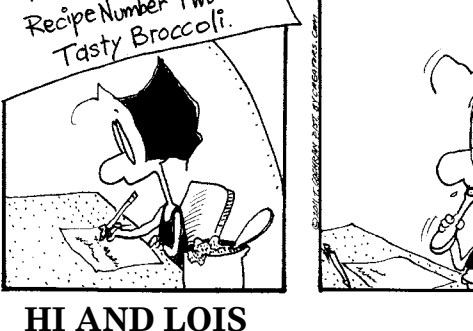


I SEE YOU FROM AFAR IN A LARGE, CROWDED CITY



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AGNES



The Agnes Cookbook Recipe Number Two - Tasty Broccoli.



Author will try again after she branches out into epic fiction.

HI AND LOIS



I'M WEARING MY "I VOTED TODAY" STICKER.



I SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET SERVED NOW.

THE OTHER COAST



I JUST SIGNED UP FOR A PAINTING WORKSHOP AT FAMED ARTIST GADOTT FLAMBEAU'S HOUSE. I CAN'T WAIT TO HONE MY PAINTING SKILLS!



TERRIBLE TURNS OUT WE WERE JUST THERE TO PAINT HIS WORKSHOP.

SNUFFY SMITH

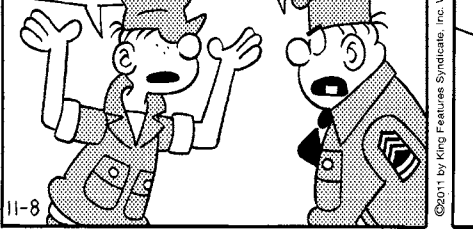


THAT'S A WHOLE PASSEL O' FOOLS RUNNIN' FER OFFICE, SNUFFY !!

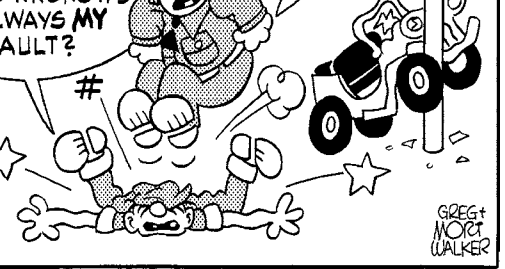


HECK, THAR ALL PROMISIN' !! BUT THAR AIN'T A ONE THAT CAN DELIVER !!

BETLE BAILEY



ANYTHING THAT CAN GO WRONG, WILL GO WRONG



WHY IS IT WHEN ANYTHING DOES GO WRONG IT'S ALWAYS MY FAULT?

This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 8, the 312th day of 2011. There are 53 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 8, 1861, during the Civil War, the USS San Jacinto intercepted a British mail steamer, the Trent, and detained a pair of Confederate diplomats who were enroute to Europe to seek support for the Southern cause. (Although the Trent Affair strained relations between the United States and Britain, the matter was quietly resolved with the release of the diplomats the following January.)

On this date:

In 1889, Montana became the 41st state.

In 1909, the original Boston Opera House first opened with a performance of "La Gioconda" by Amilcare Ponchielli.

In 1923, Adolf Hitler launched his first attempt at seizing power in Germany with a failed coup in Munich that came to be

known as the "Beer-Hall Putsch."

In 1932, New York Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt defeated incumbent Herbert Hoover for the presidency.

In 1942, Operation Torch, resulting in an Allied victory, began during World War II as U.S. and British forces landed in French North Africa.

In 1960, Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kennedy defeated Vice President Richard M. Nixon for the presidency.

In 1980, scientists at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., announced that the U.S. space probe Voyager 1 had discovered a 15th moon orbiting the planet Saturn.

In 1986, former Soviet official Vyacheslav M. Molotov, whose name became attached to the incendiary bottle bomb known as a "Molotov cocktail," died at age 96.

In 1988, Vice President George H.W. Bush won the presidential election, defeating Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis.

In 1994, midterm elections resulted in Republicans winning a majority in the Senate while at the same time gaining

control of the House for the first time in 40 years.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Norman Lloyd is 97. Singer Patti Page is 84. CBS newsmen Morley Safer is 80. Singer-actress Bonnie Bramlett is 67. Singer Bonnie Raitt is 62. TV personality Mary Hart is 61. Former Playboy Enterprises chairman and chief executive Christie Hefner is 59. Actress Alfre Woodard is 59. Singer-songwriter Rickie Lee Jones is 57. Author Kazuo Ishiguro ("The Remains of the Day") is 57. Rock musician Porl Thompson (The Cure) is 54. Singer-actor Leif Garrett is 50. Chef and TV personality Gordon Ramsay is 45. Actress Courtney Thorne-Smith is 44.

Answer to previous puzzle

NAPS	CHEW	PERIL
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TENN	OVER	TALON
IMAGINARY	FRIEND	
TEN	AOL	
TRADE	ADARN	DUD
RESUME	ELM	PESO
IMPOSSIBLE	DREAM	
PIES	COT	DREDGE
STN	HOUSE	ASSES
BAR	SAP	
IMPORTANT	PERSON	
TIARA	LIAR	OHNO
CRIES	ONTO	LOUD
HERDS	TEEN	LOSS

Newsday Crossword

FOR FIREFIGHTERS by Billie Truitt  
Edited by Stanley Newman  
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- ACROSS
- 1 Had in mind
- 6 Recipe amts.
- 10 Complete collections
- 14 Give voice to
- 15 Slanted typeface: Abbr.
- 16 Greenish blue
- 17 Unlike lean meat
- 18 Numbers to crunch
- 19 Jam-packed
- 20 Firefighter's illumination
- 22 Make simpler
- 23 Affirmative votes
- 24 Book of maps
- 25 Unclear, as speech
- 29 Gent's partner
- 31 Washed outdoors, perhaps
- 32 Make over
- 36 Characteristic
- 39 British noble
- 40 Move farther apart
- 42 Fireplace residue
- 43 "Once \_\_\_ a time..."
- 44 Not-to-be-missed show
- 46 Between ports
- 49 Just passable
- 50 Tail end
- 51 Firefighter's extrication gear
- 57 Voice above tenor
- 58 Small bills
- 59 \_\_\_ over (helped through difficulty)
- 60 Radar-screen image
- 61 Leg joint
- 62 Fix firmly
- 63 Rational
- 64 Has lunch
- 65 Down and out
- DOWN
- 1 Botch up
- 2 And others: Abbr.
- 3 "\_\_\_ girl!" ("Good going!")
- 4 Butterfly catchers
- 5 Make every effort
- 6 Neatened
- 7 Group of male deer
- 8 Walkway
- 9 Venetian blind part
- 10 Firefighter's protective gear
- 11 Be identical to
- 12 Oklahoma city
- 13 "Red tag" events
- 21 Drain-cleaner chemical
- 24 Needless fuss
- 25 Females
- 26 Air-show stunt
- 27 Annapolis sch.
- 28 Firefighter's descent gear
- 29 Hawaiian neckwear
- 30 Picnic invader
- 32 Lab-maze runner
- 33 Sounds of contentment
- 34 Oak or elm
- 35 If that doesn't work
- 37 Overly
- 38 Compete in a sprint
- 41 Govt. pollution watchdog
- 42 With equal frequency
- 44 Peat \_\_\_ (gardener's purchases)
- 45 GI show sponsor
- 46 Many Middle Easterners
- 47 "I cannot \_\_\_ lie..."
- 48 Luxurious fabric
- 49 Sugary
- 51 Furry line
- 52 Fictional Karenina
- 53 Green citrus fruit
- 54 "\_\_\_ glad to!"
- 55 Supply dinner for
- 56 Whirlpool

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Courtesy photo  
The Garden City Lady Kats cross country team took the Bronze team medals at the Region II Class A meet in Arlington Saturday. The team, from left to right, consists of: Vanessa Cardenas, Hannah Halfmann, Holly Halfmann, Kamie Halfmann, Maggie Huerta, Brylie Schaefer. Coach Amy Hoch-Niehuesis behind the girls.  
Kamie Halfmann placed third with a time of 12:27.96, Magdaly Huerta 17th in 13:26.60, Vanessa Cardenas 25th in 13:37.13, Hannah Halfmann 50th in 14:02.42, Holly Halfmann 68th in 14:18.77 and Brylie Schaefer 104th in 14:47.55.  
The team will compete at the State Cross Country meet in Round Rock at Old Settler's Park Saturday.

# Caddie apologizes to Woods for comment

SYDNEY (AP) — Tiger Woods says he received an apology from former caddie Steve Williams over a racial slur when the two met and shook hands Tuesday.

"We talked this morning, we met face to face and talked about it, talked it through," Woods said, ahead of the Australian Open at The Lakes Golf Club.

Williams' disparaging comment came during a caddies' awards party Friday in Shanghai.

"It was a wrong thing to say, something that we both acknowledge," Woods said. "He did apologize. It was hurtful, certainly, but life goes forward."

Woods said it was not up to him to call for sanctions against Williams. The PGA Tour and European Tour have said

no action would be taken against Williams for the comment.

"Stevie's certainly not a racist," Woods said Tuesday. "There's no doubt about that. It was a comment that shouldn't have been made and was certainly one that he wished he didn't make."

He was asked how two people so close together for more than a decade — Williams was with Woods for 13 of his 14 majors over 13 years — could become so distant so quickly. Woods fired Williams in July.

"That's a great question, I don't know that one," Woods said. "For me personally it was a tough decision to make to go in a different direction in my personal life,

but as far as personally, I don't know how it could have happened the way it did. But it just did and here we are.

"It's just one of those things where we'll see what time does and as we all know, time does heal wounds."

Asked for the source of the animosity between them, Woods said: "That's between Stevie and me. We talked it through, and we'll leave it at that."

On Monday, Greg Norman called Williams' comment stupid, but also said he felt the New Zealand caddie was not a racist. "We've all made stupid comments at stupid times, unfortunately his stupid comment became global news," Norman said.

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ANSWERS

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