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Lonnie Prater, owner of Loco Flamingos, and Kelly Priebe have been working on organizing the Spring KoKo LoCo Arts and Crafts Bazaar set Saturday and Sunday. Admission is free.

Arts and crafts show planned this weekend

By AMANDA MORENO
Staff Writer

Bring on the arts and crafts.

For two days, Saturday and Sunday actually, the Spring KoKo LoCo Arts and Crafts Bazaar will be taking place at Kokopelli's.

"This has been an idea in the works for a couple years,"

Kelly Priebe, organizer of the bazaar, said. "I brought it up to a couple of people about two years ago and they have been asking me when we are going to do it and I figured it was time to put it together."

The bazaar will include something for everyone, according to Priebe. There will be booths with jewelry,

baby items, silk scarfs, knitted items, baked goods, hair bows, wreaths, tutus and more. Kent Ivey will be on hand, making one or more of his creations.

"There is no telling what he will be crafting," Priebe said. "He will be set up

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Drought control

As anticipated, outside watering to be slashed

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

As expected, Big Spring City Manager Gary Fuqua is slated to announce new restrictions to ongoing municipal water restrictions Tuesday, part of the city's efforts to comply with cuts in water deliveries from the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

Fuqua warned the council approximately two weeks ago the new restrictions — which will take the city from a schedule that allows for outside water use twice a week to a single two-hour period — were on their way.

"We've received our letter from CRMWD telling us what our allotment will be through the summer time," Fuqua told the council. "Beginning April 1, we will be limited to 6.3 million gallons per day. Just to kind of give you an idea where we were at the same point last

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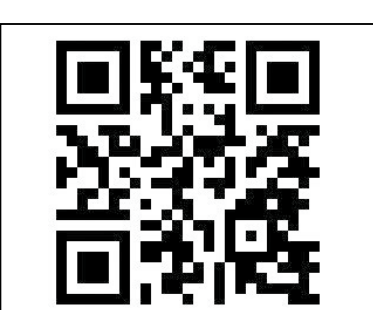


—City Manager Gary Fuqua

year, we were working with 6.8 million gallons per day, so we need to reduce by approximately 500,000 gallons a day."

According to Fuqua, many of the other cities currently served by the Colorado

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Empowerment topic for women's seminar

Event on sexual assault to be held on two occasions

By AMANDA MORENO
Staff Writer

Being prepared and empowered is the focus of the Healthy Woman March presentation, "You are Not Alone."

The topic will center around sexual assault awareness and take place on the fourth floor in the activity room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. There will be two opportunities to attend — Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. with a light lunch provided and Thursday at 5:30 p.m. with snacks available.

"This is not necessarily a comfortable or fun topic, but it is educational and something we need to be informed about," Kim Howell, SMMC marketing director, said. "We are always looking for topics that fit into our mission of empowering women and this

topic does that."

Howell said it is important for women to be educated on the frequency of sexual assault occurrences and the signs to look for.

The program will include a tour of the SANE (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner) room, given by Christine Everett, RN, and she will speak about the importance of the exams for sexual assault survivors.

"This is a reality that occurs daily. It happens to all races, all genders and all classes," Everett said.

Statistics show that every five minutes a sexual assault occurs and each year 200,000 are reported. However, there



Everett

is an estimated 60 percent that go unreported.

Guest speaker will be Sandy Allen. She will share her firsthand experience of the devastating after-effects of domestic violence. She is raising her three grandchildren after her step-daughter was brutally murdered by her estranged husband.

Victim Services will also be providing statistics and discuss victim issues and how those interested can become advocates for victims.

"April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and this is a great lead-in to that," Howell said.

To reserve your spot — the event is free, but reservations are requested — call Howell at 268-4842 or Anita Cline at 268-4721.

Gasoline prices continue to rise

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 4.9 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.77/g Sunday. This compares with the national average that has increased 4.5 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.86/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were 31.8 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 22.3 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 21.9 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 29.5 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"The national average has risen 21 consecutive days, according to our data, a troubling sign. Typically we expect such increases to occur more so in April," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan.

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Obituaries

Josephine Lewis Massey



Josephine Lewis Massey, 87, of Big Spring died Saturday, March 24, 2012, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Monday, March 26, 2012, at the funeral home. She was born Oct. 2, 1924, in Big Spring, Texas, and married Vernon Lewis on Dec. 30, 1942, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death April 13, 1993. She then married David L. Massey Jr. on Jan. 2, 1999. He preceded her in death Oct. 26, 2003.

Jo was a lifelong resident of Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1942. She worked as the office manager at Lee Optical for a number of years. She enjoyed her cats and bird watching.

She has been a member of the Church of Christ for more than 60 years and most recently the Garden City Church of Christ.

Survivors include one daughter, Nancy Murphy and husband Bill of Garden City; one sister, Brenda Kiker and husband Monty of Midland; a sister-in-law, Jo Ann Cross of Warner Robins, Ga.; two grandchildren, Brant Murphy and wife Stephanie of Pflugerville and Dusti Williams and husband Justin of Austin; and four great-grandchildren, Christopher, Rachel and Hannah Murphy and Colton Williams. After marrying David Massey she was blessed with three more children, Linda Johnson and husband Elmer of Wichita Falls, John Massey and wife Cheryl of Enterprise, Ala., and David Massey III of Houston; as well as more grandchildren, Andy Johnson and wife Melissa of West Africa, Sabrina Hynd and husband Eric of Oklahoma City, Okla., Eric Massey and Stephanie Massey, both of Enterprise, Ala.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Van and Edna Boggs; one sister and brother-in-law, Mildred and Bill McMahan; two sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Maurine and Red Kelley and Laverne and Auda V. Lewis; and her best friend, Dorothy Manley.

The family suggests memorials be made to New Mexico Christian Children's Home, 1356 NM 236, Portales, N.M. 88130; Crossroads Hospice, 421 S. Main St., Big Spring, Texas 79720; or to a favorite charity.

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

Paid obituary

Joe Jones Sr.

Joe Jones Sr., 75, of San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring died Saturday, March 24, 2012, in San Angelo. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

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

- JAMES WARREN TIPTON, 23, of 538 Westover Rd. Apt. 250, was arrested Sunday on two warrants from other agencies.
- ROBERTO RAMOS, 60, of 910 E. 15th St., was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- KELLEN EUGENE BROWN, 31, of Andrews, Texas, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- FREDDIE RAMOS, 26, of 505 S. Goliad, was arrested Sunday on charges of improper turn, driving while license invalid – DWI related, evading arrest or detention and evading arrest or detention using a vehicle or watercraft.
- ISMAEL HOLGUIN, 44, of Stanton, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated – second offense.
- JESSICA KINGSTON, 25, of 110.5 Terry Rd., was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- ASSAULT was reported:
In the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
In the 100 block of E. 15th Street.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
- THEFT was reported in the 800 block of Baylor Blvd.

Sheriff

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 61 inmates at the time of this report.
- DANIEL ERNEST WRIGHT, 56, was booked into the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - LEROY ZUBIATE, 28, was booked into the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated and a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
 - MATTHEW JOSEPH CONTO, 25, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a municipal *capias* warrant for running a stop sign.
 - CHELLSIE BREANN CLAY, 17, was booked into the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to identify – giving false information.
 - DANIEL ERNEST WRIGHT, 56, was booked into the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - ELIAS DANIEL DELEON, 22, was booked into the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
 - BILLY SAM, 57, was booked into the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - JUSTIN PUENTE, 21, was booked into the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of no driver's license – when unlicensed and municipal warrants for minor consuming alcohol and failure to appear.
 - JOSE LOPEZ CHAVEZ III, 42, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of theft of property – more than \$500 and less than \$1,500.
 - MATTHEW WILLIAM VANDERPOOL, 24, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
 - ROBERT ESPINOZA RAMOS SR., 60, was booked into the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - KELLEN EUGENE BROWN, 31, was booked into the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - FREDDIE RAMOS, 26, was booked into the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle, evading arrest or detention, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension and improper right turn.
 - JAMES WARREN TIPTON III, 23, was booked into the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of no liability insurance and driving while license invalid.
 - KIMBERLY HILL, 24, was booked into the county jail Sunday by the Martin County Sheriff's Office on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
 - JESSICA ELLAINE KINGSTON, 25, was arrested

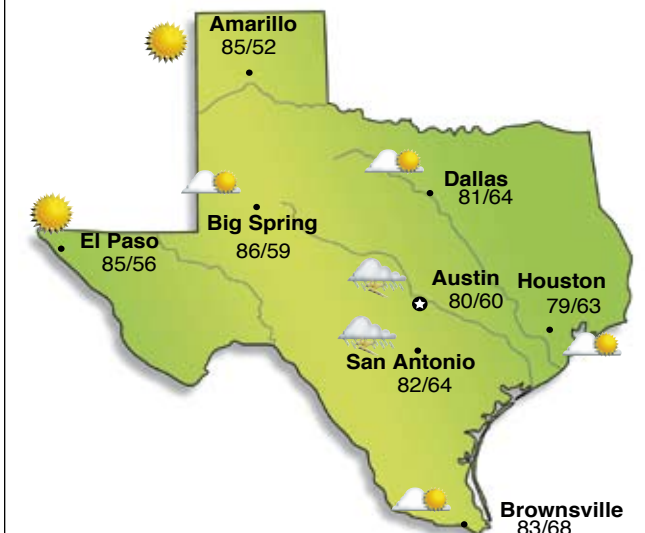
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 3/28	Thu 3/29	Fri 3/30	Sat 3/31	Sun 4/1
86/59 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 50s.	81/58 Mostly cloudy. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 50s.	87/57 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the upper 50s.	89/55 Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	89/55 Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 50s.
Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 8:03 PM	Sunrise: 7:37 AM Sunset: 8:04 PM	Sunrise: 7:36 AM Sunset: 8:05 PM	Sunrise: 7:35 AM Sunset: 8:06 PM	Sunrise: 7:34 AM Sunset: 8:06 PM



Texas At A Glance



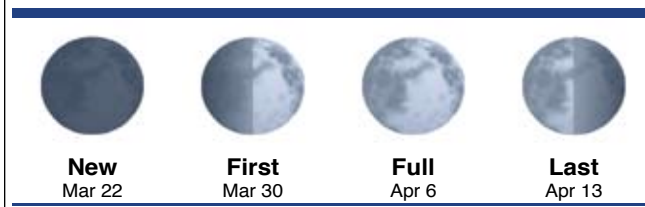
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	83	61	pt sunny	Kingsville	84	66	pt sunny
Amarillo	85	52	sunny	Livingston	80	58	pt sunny
Austin	80	60	t-storm	Longview	80	62	pt sunny
Beaumont	80	62	pt sunny	Lubbock	86	54	sunny
Brownsville	83	68	pt sunny	Lufkin	82	60	pt sunny
Brownwood	83	62	t-storm	Midland	87	60	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	79	68	pt sunny	Raymondville	85	66	pt sunny
Corsicana	78	62	pt sunny	Rosenberg	79	62	pt sunny
Dallas	81	64	pt sunny	San Antonio	82	64	t-storm
Del Rio	82	65	t-storm	San Marcos	80	61	t-storm
El Paso	85	56	sunny	Sulphur Springs	79	64	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	85	59	pt sunny	Sweetwater	84	60	pt sunny
Gainesville	80	60	pt sunny	Tyler	80	62	pt sunny
Greenville	78	61	pt sunny	Weatherford	80	60	pt sunny
Houston	79	63	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	84	61	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	81	58	pt sunny	Minneapolis	53	39	pt sunny
Boston	51	41	rain	New York	59	49	rain
Chicago	65	39	mst sunny	Phoenix	83	55	sunny
Dallas	81	64	pt sunny	San Francisco	60	53	rain
Denver	77	45	mst sunny	Seattle	51	46	rain
Houston	79	63	pt sunny	St. Louis	80	50	pt sunny
Los Angeles	66	52	cloudy	Washington, DC	75	54	t-storm
Miami	78	68	pt sunny				

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ed Monday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.

• ISMAEL HOLGUIN, 44, was booked into the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated – second offense.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of Hillside. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported near the intersection of 17th and Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported near the intersection of 18th and Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2200 block of Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of

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Texas briefs

Trial to begin for man accused in 2 deaths at bar

TEXAS CITY, Texas (AP) — The capital murder trial is expected to begin for a 62-year-old man accused of fatally shooting two men and injuring a woman at a Texas City bar in 2010.

Jury selection is expected Monday in the trial of Robert Hernandez Ramos, charged with capital murder of multiple persons and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

He's accused in the deaths of his father-in-law, Robert Sias Cantu, and bar patron Roger Robinson, a former Houston police officer. A woman at a jukebox sustained non-life-threatening injuries when a bullet struck her.

The Galveston County Daily News (<http://bit.ly/H8MFv>) says testimony is expected to start Wednesday.

The district attorney decided not to pursue the death penalty. If convicted of capital murder, Ramos would be sentenced to life in prison without parole.

1 of 2 suspected in teen's death arrested

ENNIS, Texas (AP) — One of two people suspected in the death of a 15-year-old girl whose body was found burning by an Ennis road this month has been arrested.

Ennis Police Chief John Erisman said Sunday that 29-year-old Jose Manuel Alvarado was arrested Saturday in the Dallas suburb of Grand Prairie.

Alvarado, charged with murder, remained in Ennis police custody Monday. No bail has been set. Police did not have attorney information.

The Dallas Morning News reports the Dallas

County medical examiner's office confirmed Moriah Gonzales' body was found March 17.

Authorities say the teen from Waxahachie wasn't attending school and had been staying with her sister in Ennis, about 35 miles south of Dallas.

Police say Gonzales and Alvarado were former co-workers.

A woman also wanted is still at large.

Students begin STAAR testing

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Students across Texas are beginning STAAR standardized tests this week.

Exams start Monday for the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness in English I and III writing.

On Tuesday, students take 4th grade writing exams; math exams for grades 5 and 8; and hold the first day of writing tests for seventh graders. Subsequent tests will follow throughout the week with Friday as a makeup day.

STAAR is replacing the much-maligned Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills.

Its scores had been set to count 15 percent of ninth graders final grades in core subjects. But the state decided to allow districts to defer that requirement for one year.

STAAR costs \$90 million annually to administer, or \$3 to \$7 per test given. That's slightly more than its predecessor cost.

San Antonio teen accused of fatally injuring baby

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — An 18-year-old San Antonio teenager has been accused of fatally injuring his girlfriend's 5-month-old infant boy.

Antonio Santos Garcia-Vera has been charged with knowingly injuring a child, causing serious

According to City Finance Director Peggy Walker, the contract between the city and the oil giant has undergone a number of changes over the years and will likely undergo more very soon.

"We've already met several times with officials from Alon USA regarding a rate increase, and while they don't want to pay any more than they absolutely have to, they understand the city's plight," Walker said. "The last rate increase that was made to the contract — which was originally signed in 1957 — was in 1997, and it called for the refinery to pay the city's cost for the water plus 5 cents. So, whatever rate the city has to pay CRMWD for water, plus a nickel, is what they have been paying since then."

Walker said Alon USA also pays a portion of the overhead cost the city pays to CRMWD — approximately \$304,000 — a situation that could change in the near fu-

ture.

"Alon is planning to put in some water wells, decreasing the amount of water they use from the city," Walker said. "That sounds good at first, however, it could have some drastic effects on our fiscal situation. They pay 25 percent of the overhead cost, which is based on how much water they use. However, if they decrease that amount drastically and cause that percentage to drop — say from 25 percent to 10 percent — the city will still have to pay the same amount to CRMWD."

"It's a really tough situation, which is why we're looking so closely at the negotiations. One one hand, we have to decrease our use and conserve as much water as possible. However, if our costs go up because Alon is paying less of that overhead cost and we can't recover that in water revenue, we're going to be in a tough situation."

bodily injury, the San Antonio Express-News reported Sunday. Bail has been set at \$1 million.

Police say Remii Apollo Shaw-Antwine died three days after he was left alone with Garcia-Vera. Police say Garcia-Vera told them he got frustrated with the crying infant at about 7 p.m. Wednesday. According to the arrest affidavit, Garcia-Vera lifted the baby to his chest and patted his back vigorously, "causing the victim's head to bounce back and forth."

Feud erupts at Dallas-area party

DALLAS (AP) — At least one person was shot dead and seven others were hurt when a fight erupted at a traditional birthday party for a 15-year-old girl near Dallas.

Ellis County Sheriff's Lt. R.D. White says Sunday the argument at the quinceanera — a traditional party for a girl turning 15 — rapidly turned violent, according to The Dallas Morning News reported. By the time police arrived, four people had been shot, two had been stabbed and two beaten.

EMS

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W. 24th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1300 block of Mulberry. Service refused.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. Service refused.

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of E. Fifth Street and Nolan. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of Kenneth Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAUMA was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 220 block of S. Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of W. Fourth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1300 block of Sixth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of W. Fourth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1100 block of Terry Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of Hillside. One person was transported to SMMC.

WATER

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River Municipal Water District — which has found itself drought stricken and with a dwindling supply of water at its reservoirs — have moved to a system of allowing watering for only two hours each week.

The city of Big Spring currently allows for four hours each week, including Saturdays between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. for residential customers and Tuesdays from 6 a.m. until 10 a.m. for businesses.

Under the new schedule, residential customers with addresses ending in an odd number will be allowed to water for a two-hour period Tuesdays between 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Residential customers with addresses ending in an even number will be allowed to water for a two-hour period Thursdays between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Commercial establishments will be allowed to water in accordance with the Drought Contingency Plan for a two-hour period Wednesdays from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.

The cut in water deliveries isn't without a silver lining, according to Fuqua, as the 500,000 drop shouldn't force the city into a stricter stage of its Drought Contingency Plan, which the council adopted last year.

"We will continue to be in Stage 3 (of the Drought Contingency Plan)," he said. "We won't be going into Stage 4, which is a big relief for everyone because going into Stage 4 will adjust some of the restrictions on us. We'll be monitoring this on a daily basis and any changes will be brought to the council."

Also during Tuesday's meeting, the city council is to consider amending its raw-water agreement with Alon USA, owner of the Big Spring Refinery.

SHOW

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outside, but there is no telling what he will be making."

There will also be a couple of booths set up raising money for Relay For Life and Maurine Pittman, who has been battling cancer. The Big Spring Education Employers Federal Credit Union will be selling drinks and other items, with all proceeds going

to benefit Pittman, according to Priebe.

"There are not that many arts and crafts shows around locally," she said. "We figured we had a great spot to hold it and we were already looking for people to have their stuff at Loco Flamingo so we figured we could get a few of the artists and crafters together for a show," Priebe said.

The show will be maxed out at 22 vendors due to space, but at this

point, there are still a few slots available. A 10-foot by 10-foot space is available for \$50.

"This is something we want to try and do twice a year. This being our first time, we are going to find out what things we need to improve on next time, but one thing for sure is it will be a fun time."

Doors will be open to the bazaar from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Kokopelli's is

located at 4007 Chaparral Road. Admission is free. For more information, contact Priebe at 816-9694.

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ANSWERS

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Debbie Hicks Puente, 37, died Thursday. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, at Gateway Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jose "Chepe" Marquez Hernandez, 83, died Friday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Joe Jones, Sr., 75, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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News briefs

Obama urges North Korea to 'have the courage to pursue peace'

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — President Barack Obama is warning North Korea and Iran that their options are few and their friends fewer as those nations refuse to back down from actions the world sees as menacing.

"By now it should be clear," Obama said, addressing North Korea from the South Korean capital only about 30 miles away. "Your provocations and pursuit of nuclear weapons have not achieved the security you seek, they have undermined it. Instead of the dignity you desire, you are more isolated."

Obama also met separately with leaders of the two nations — Russia and China — that have thwarted US diplomatic efforts on Syria, and to a lesser extent Iran. But the looming threat posed by nearby nuclear-equipped North Korea was the main event.

Seoul warned Monday that it might shoot down parts of a North Korean rocket if they violate South Korean territory, as worries about what Washington calls a long-range missile test overshadowed an international nuclear security summit. The summit of more than 50 nations opens with a dinner Monday.

In a direct challenge to North Korean leaders, Obama implored them "to have the courage to pursue peace."

Supreme Court begins review of far-reaching Obama health law

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's health care overhaul is front and center at the Supreme Court for three days of hearings to determine the fate of a law aimed at extending health insurance to more than 30 million Americans.

The justices will hear arguments beginning Monday in a highly partisan legal fight between the Obama administration and the 26 states that are leading a challenge to the largest expansion in the nation's social safety net in more than four decades.

A decision is expected by late June, in the midst of a presidential election campaign in which all of Obama's Republican challengers oppose the law and promise its repeal, if the high court doesn't strike it down first.

People hoping for a glimpse of the action have waited in line all weekend for the relatively few seats open to the public. The justices allotted the case six hours of argument time, the most since the mid-1960s.

The court will release audio recordings of the arguments on the same day they take place. The first time that happened was when the court heard argument in the Bush v. Gore case that settled the 2000 presidential election. The last occasion was the argument in the Citizens United case that wound up freeing businesses from longstanding limits on political spending.

Santiago gets its day in the sun as Pope Benedict XVI visits

SANTIAGO, Cuba (AP) — This sun-scorched city is accustomed to playing second fiddle to Havana at the other end of Cuba. On Monday, Santiago de Cuba gets a real day in the sun because Pope Benedict XVI is beginning his Cuba trip here.

Authorities have built huge steel arches in the shape of a papal miter above a blue-and-white temporary altar where Benedict will celebrate Mass on Monday and urge residents of this communist-run country to seek salvation in faith.

Roman Catholic youth held a prayer vigil Sunday night to celebrate the pontiff's arrival, and workers buzzed about Revolution Square putting final touches on the stage, testing power cables and setting out chairs under the direction of priests. Some people hung welcome posters in their windows.

The pope's decision to make this city on the eastern end of Cuba his first stop on the island has ensured the world's spotlight will be fixed on this coastal city of a half million inhabitants that is often overlooked by outsiders.

"As a Santiagan, I am very proud to be able to receive him with joy," said 35-year-old Luzmilka Barza. Although she described herself as only "a little bit Catholic," she said that "it will be something that moves us all for a person such as him to visit."

Director James Cameron returns to the ocean's surface after journey to Earth's deepest point

HONOLULU (AP) — "Titanic" director James Cameron dove to the Earth's deepest point in a specially designed submarine, the National Geographic Society said, making him the first man to travel alone to the near 7-mile depth of the Marianas Trench.

The Hollywood icon, also the director of "Avatar" and other films, touched down in the western Pacific Ocean's low point shortly before 8 a.m. Guam time Monday (Sunday evening in the U.S. East Coast), the Geographic said.

He reached a depth of 35,756 feet and stayed on

Woman gets 42 years in case involving missing boys

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — A former Colorado woman accused of pocketing more than \$150,000 in government support for her adoptive sons without reporting the boys' disappearance years earlier has been sentenced to 42 years in prison.

The Gazette reported District Judge Timothy J. Schutz sentenced former Monument-area resident Linda K. Bryant on Friday. Bryant, 55, pleaded guilty in January to four counts of theft, two counts of conspiracy to commit theft and 48 counts of attempting to influence a public servant.

Schutz said her crime threatened to erode public support for adoption programs that help the community's "most vulnerable citizens."

Bryant's estranged husband, Edward Bryant, 58, is scheduled to go on trial in April on similar charges.

Prosecutors say the Bryants' adoptive sons, Edward Dylan Bryant and Austin Eugene Bryant, had disappeared by 2003, when Austin would have been 7 and Edward 11, but the couple continued receiving welfare payments for the boys' support, even after moving to Texas around 2005.

An investigation into the boys' disappearance started about a year ago after former foster children of Linda Bryant's daughter approached authorities. They told authorities that they had uncovered contradictions in what they were told about why the boys were no longer with the Bryants.

Linda and Edward Bryant told investigators the boys ran away from home but gave conflicting answers as to when.

The boys' whereabouts are still unknown, and no criminal charges have been filed in connection with how they disappeared.

the bottom for about three hours before he began his return to the surface, according to information provided by the expedition team. He had planned to spend up to six hours on the sea floor.

"Cameron collected samples for research in marine biology, microbiology, astrobiology, marine geology and geophysics," the Geographic said.

He also spent time filming the Marianas Trench, about 200 miles southwest of the Pacific island of Guam.

Beagle sniffs out contraband food hidden in international luggage

NEW YORK (AP) — On a recent busy afternoon at Kennedy Airport, a beagle with plaintive-looking eyes was lying on the floor of Terminal 4, oblivious to the chaos of rolling luggage and human activity teeming all around her.

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"Izzy," Caffery said, a note of exasperation in her voice. "You've only been here an hour."

The 6-year-old beagle, who works for U.S. Customs and Border Protection, can't be faulted for taking a break. She spends most of her time trotting briskly around the baggage carousels with Caffery in tow, searching for illegal food stowed in luggage arriving from international flights. Thousands of bags stream through this terminal every hour, and Izzy is the first line of defense against food or plants that could wreak havoc on American agriculture.

"Some flights are, you know, just apples or sandwiches that people had from the plane they forgot in their bags," said Caffery, an agriculture specialist canine handler. "Some flights are notorious for bringing in sausages or fresh fruits."

Japan shuts down another nuclear reactor; all could be off line by May

TOKYO (AP) — Another Japanese nuclear reactor was taken off line for maintenance on Monday, leaving the country with only one of its 54 reactors operational following last year's devastating earthquake and tsunami.

The last reactor is expected to be shut down by early May, raising the possibility of power shortages across the nation as demand increases in the hot summer months.

The No. 6 reactor at the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa complex was taken off line early Monday by the Tokyo Electric Power Co. The utility also runs the plant in Fukushima, northeast of Tokyo, that suffered meltdowns, explosions and radiation leaks after the March 11 quake and tsunami.

Japanese reactors are taken off line every 13 months for regular checks. With concerns over nuclear safety high following the Fukushima crisis, none of the reactors that have been shut down for checks, and none that were already off line at the time of the disaster, have been allowed to restart.

The last reactor, on the northern island of Hokkaido, will be shut down in May. The timing for when any reactors will be restarted remains unclear.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

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♦ A 7 6 4 3
♣ K 9 7 5
SOUTH
♠ Q 9 7
♥ A J 7 5 2
♦ 8 5
♣ A 10 2

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Dble 4♥ Dble
Opening lead — king of diamonds.
A **questionable bid** can come back to haunt the perpetrator in many ways. It might, for example, cause the partnership to go overboard during the bidding, or to double an opposing contract that cannot be defeated. It might also lure partner into misdefending during the play.

A **case in point** is this deal from the 1988 Spingold team championship. North-South were Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell, pitted against Norman Kay, West, and Edgar Kaplan, East.

After Rodwell had opened with one heart, Kay elected to make a light takeout double, no doubt influenced by the favorable vulnerability. When Meckstroth leaped to four

hearts, Kaplan, holding the best hand at the table, expressed his doubt: that declarer could make that contract.

Kay led the king of diamonds, and Kaplan overtook with the ace in order to shift to his singleton spade. He planned to split his trump honors when a heart was led from the table, win the next heart and then put Kay in with the ace of clubs to gain a spade ruff. These four tricks plus the king of clubs would yield a 500-point set.

But Kay did not have the ace that Kaplan thought he had to have for his double, and disaster ensued. After winning the spade return with dummy's king, Rodwell led a trump to the queen and ace, and conceded a trump to the king. Kaplan returned a club, but, unfortunately, Rodwell produced the ace.

Declarer drew the last trump, cashed the Q-A of spades and ruffed a spade. He then ruffed a diamond and discarded a club on dummy's established spade to make his contract for a score of 790 points.

Had Kaplan shifted to a club at trick two, as he no doubt would have without Kay's double, declarer would have had to lose two clubs, a heart and a diamond for down one.

At the other table, Kaplan-Kay's teammates, sitting North-South, defeated five diamonds doubled one trick for plus 100. Their team thus lost a net of 690 points instead of gaining 300, a swing of nearly 1,000 points on the play of just one card.

Tomorrow: A question of probabilities.

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Hawks start strong, split with Midland

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

Howard College, fresh off of a 1-1 split with Midland College Friday on the road, hosted the Chaparrals at Jack Barber Field Saturday to conclude the four-game series.

Again, the Hawks split with Western Junior College Athletic Conference foe Midland, winning game one by a score of 9-5 and dropping the nightcap with a disappointing 12-4 loss.

It wasn't the most impressive weekend defensively, according to Coach Britt Smith, but the Hawks' reliable lineup produced enough runs during game one to back up winning pitcher Clayton Crum, who now boasts a 5-0 record on the season.

Crum struck out five Midland batters in five and two-thirds of an inning before Dominic Moreno was brought in as a reliever and picked up the save.

The offense was led by Colt Bickerstaff who reached base four times on two hits and a pair of walks, also driving in two runs for the Hawks and scoring twice. Paul Hendrix scored two runs on two hits with an RBI and Brett Bell scored twice as a result of being walked three times during the outing. Elliot Richoux also scored a run, as well as picked up two hits and two RBI and Jordan Allen got a hit



Photo by Tony Claxton

Howard Colleges' Paul Hendrix throws to first base Saturday during game one of a doubleheader at home. The Hawks went 1-1 on the day, bringing their overall record to 20-5 on the season.

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Sports Calendar

TUESDAY

Softball

- Lubbock Roosevelt at Forsan, 5:30 p.m.
- Coahoma at Denver City, TBA.

WEDNESDAY

Baseball

- Big Spring at Abilene Wylie, 4 p.m.

Softball

- Big Spring at Abilene Wylie, 4:30 p.m.

Golf

- Big Spring (Girls) at Abilene, TBA.
- Forsan vs. Coahoma at Comanche Trail Golf Course, TBA.

To submit a calendar item, please call 263-7331, ext. 237, or e-mail sports@bigspringherald.com

Baylor among top eight teams to reach finals

DOUG FEINBERG

AP Basketball Writer

KINGSTON, R.I. — All season long, the top teams in women's basketball have set themselves apart.

Now they are all that is left.

The top eight seeds have reached the regional finals of the NCAA tournament, but making the next step to the national semifinals may not be so easy.

"Every kid's dream, every coach's preparation is for the Final Four," Connecticut coach Geno Auriemma said. "If you notice when coaches and kids talk, they talk about the Final Four. The thing in their mind is the Final Four."

"That one game (the regional final) means your 40 minutes

away from the Final Four. That's when it starts to hit the kids. 'This is it, this is the one I've been waiting for. If we win this game we're going to the Final Four.' Some rise to the occasion and some are beaten down by the pressure of it." Auriemma's team has consistently risen to the top and they hope to make it five trips in a row to the national semifinals when they face Kentucky on Tuesday night.

Top seeds Baylor, Notre Dame, Connecticut and Stanford have run through their opponents to advance to the regional finals. The four have won by an average of 26 points.

Some of the No. 2 seeds have had a little tougher time. While

Duke has cruised through the first three rounds, Kentucky, Tennessee and Maryland all had harder times. The Wildcats had to survive a tough game against Wisconsin-Green Bay in the second round. The Lady Vols and Terps had to pull off huge rallies in the round of 16 to still be playing.

It is the fourth time the top eight teams advanced to the regional finals. The eight remaining teams have combined for 20 of the 30 national championships with only Duke and Kentucky yet to win one.

"That tends to be how it works in women's basketball," said Gonzaga coach Kelly Graves. "You don't see many

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A&M women blow lead, fall to Maryland to end tourney run

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — At times, Texas A&M freshman Alexia Standish played with the confidence of a veteran even though it was only her third NCAA tournament game. Standish and the Aggies just couldn't quite finish off Maryland.

Standish scored 19 points in the third-seeded Aggies' 81-74 loss to the second-seeded Terrapins in the Raleigh Regional. It marked the 5-foot-8 rookie's fourth double-figure scoring performance in six games.

"It's hard sometimes to have a freshman stand up and do the job of others who are supposed to be doing the job, but she played her heart out," Texas A&M coach Gary Blair said. "She learned a lot. She's getting better and better for us."

Standish shot 8 of 14 and hit two 3-pointers, but she missed one for a tie with 1:16 left. Maryland's Brene Moseley then stole the ball from her on the ensuing possession, her third turnover of the second half.

"As a point guard, I need to take care of the ball," Standish said. "But I'm a freshman, I'm learning and next year and in the next few years, I'll learn not to make those mistakes through the end of the game."

Laurin Mincy had 21 points and a career-high 12 rebounds to lead Maryland.

Alyssa Thomas added 21 points and

nine rebounds for the Terrapins (31-4), who trailed by 18 in the first half and 11 midway through the second. But Maryland fought its way back and held the defending national champion Aggies (24-11) to one basket in the final 7½ minutes.

"You've got to have that killer instinct," Blair said. "We had a team on the ropes and didn't put them away."

The Terrapins have won 10 straight and 13 of 14 since a home loss to Virginia Tech on Jan. 26. They're back in a regional final for the first time since 2009, when they were in Raleigh as a No. 1 seed.

Maryland finished with a 42-30 rebounding advantage, which led to an 18-5 edge in second-chance points.

The Terrapins went ahead to stay on Lynetta Kizer's score inside off a feed from Moseley that made it 75-74 with 3:29 left. That started an 8-0 run to close the game, with Thomas feeding Mincy on the break after a turnover for a transition layup.

Thomas followed that with a jumper in the lane with 50 seconds left after an offensive rebound to make it 79-74, which all but sealed the win as the Aggies missed a series of desperate 3-pointers in the final seconds.

"This team knows and has the confidence it can come back against any

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Stewart takes first in rain-shortened Fontana

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

FONTANA, Calif. — When dark clouds ominously obscured majestic Mount Baldy north of Auto Club Speedway early in Sunday's race, NASCAR's drivers all realized they were probably in for a short day on a long track.

Nobody did a better job racing until the raindrops fell than Tony Stewart.

Stewart got his second NASCAR victory of the season when rain shortened the race at Auto Club Speedway by 71 laps, extending the defending Sprint Cup champion's unusually strong start.

Kyle Busch finished second, and Dale Earnhardt Jr. added to his good start to the season in third.

"You hate to have it end with rain like that," Stewart said. "But we've lost some that way, and we didn't back into the lead."

Stewart has won seven of the last 15 races, including Las Vegas last month, in a remarkable stretch of dominance for a driver who rarely gets rolling until summer.

Although Stewart sees nothing special about his approach to the new season, he's clearly focused. Stewart and new crew chief Steve Addington didn't mention the rain to each other until moments before it hit one end of

the 2-mile oval, but they had already done the work necessary to win.

"It's been nice to get off to a good start this year the way we have," said Stewart, who has been even more impressive this year despite firing crew chief Darrian Grubb last December. "The history shows the last 13 years, we haven't had the strongest start the first third of the year, but I'm really excited about the start we've got going. Daytona was probably our weakest race, and I know I made decisions trying to make things happen and it didn't work out. I'm really proud of what Steve and all our guys have done."

Stewart's Chevrolet passed Busch 44 laps before the race was stopped when the looming rain clouds finally burst and halted a race run entirely on green flags to that point. Although a few drivers weren't happy when the race was called off after a delay of just over 30 minutes amid steadily worsening rain, Stewart collected his 46th career win and his second at Fontana.

"Playing to the weather, everybody is trying to get everything they can get toward the midway point of that race," Stewart said.

Defending race winner Kevin Harvick was fourth, and Carl Edwards

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that's got her smiling. Whatever the reason, the lovely lady lessens the impact of Mercury's retrograde, turning inconvenience into serendipity, the boredom of waiting into the sweetness of anticipation, and frustrated mistakes into mad artistry.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You want the best and will approach all things with an eye toward quality, even when you're out of your element. Ask questions to get educated on the difference between "good" and "great."

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CANCER (June 22-July 22). You sense the inner life of your loved ones, especially when they endeavor to hide such things from you. You'll reach out to someone who is putting on a brave face while hurting inside.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll improve yourself by listening to music. Active listening will be a kind of meditative exercise that will help to strengthen your will, clarify your feelings and guide you in objective self-reflection.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll organize your

assets in a way that makes the most of all you have. You won't waste time or any other resource at your disposal. There is strength in your efficiency.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll encounter many puzzles. Whether or not these puzzles cause frustration is entirely up to you. Relax and realize that nothing has to be solved in one day. Resist easy fixes. Playful investigation leads to solutions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your day will have a rhythm not unlike your own breathing. You'll take in life and process and contain it for a moment before releasing your energy into the world. You'll move through all of the stages and then repeat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Life may seem to scold you in a way you don't deserve. The echo of a childhood hurt may come back to you. It's your chance to realize that this is not about you and move into more peaceful surroundings.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You like to have a plan, though you don't always like to follow it. There are many valid reasons to move away

from your schedule now. New opportunities and adventures await.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Thinking of adventure is different from embarking on one. You need a push. Your spirit of exploration will be awakened and encouraged by the fire-sign influences you know — that's Aries, Leo and Sagittarius.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Anything you wish to accomplish will require a balanced integration of your thoughts, emotions and physical will. Whatever you can do to engage all three categories at once will bring you joy.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 26). Your friends and family love you the way you are, but you have other plans. You embrace change and enjoy the new person you are becoming. There's a trade off in April, and you'll be glad you made it. Your care helps a loved one thrive in May. August begins an education and fresh financial horizons. Hot dates fill September. Gemini and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 2, 14, 39 and 28.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I am

making a major business deal! Should I proceed with it? Is it the right time? Also, I'm having serious problems with my husband (birthdays withheld for anonymity), and I don't know how long I can carry on with this significant compromise in my life. I feel personally, emotionally and financially insecure just by association with him. Do you think my marriage will last long?"

There's a beautiful lineup of creative, daring Leo energy and nurturing, healing Cancer energy in your natal chart, with the moon, Mercury and Mars in Cancer and the sun and Mercury in Leo. In some ways, you feel like you are a mother to your husband, and in other ways, you feel like you are a child who needs him to be a better playmate and partner.

Jupiter, the planet of good fortune and abundance, is actively angling you now. There's a lucky trine of Jupiter to your natal Jupiter that brings ease, success and optimism, especially in regard to finance. However, Jupiter forms a square to your natal Venus (love), and the tension and disharmony

will be felt into April. Mid- to late April will bring increased communication, and you'll draw out definitive answers on both the career and relationship fronts.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Watching the lovely Keira Knightley battle pirates in swordplay and even become one of them in the fantasy/adventure film series "Pirates of the Caribbean," it is easy to see the fiery Aries influence at work. Knightley has her sun, Mercury and Venus all in the intensely passionate sign. Her moon in Gemini promises that Knightley is never without a witty comment or fun topic of conversation to add to the mix.

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

Dear Ann Landers: I feel compelled to respond to the letter from "M.J. in Sarasota," who decided to have a hysterectomy to make absolutely certain she would never get ovarian cancer. She still needs to be careful.

I was diagnosed with fibroid tumors in 1988. Even though there was no family history of ovarian cancer, I decided not to take any chances and had a complete hysterectomy. Eight years later, I was



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shocked to discover I had Stage III ovarian cancer.

Many women do not realize that malignant cells in the ovaries can spread through the surrounding tissue.

Even if the ovaries are removed, ovarian cancer can still develop elsewhere. It is important to continue watching for signs of the disease.

I am enclosing a list of the symptoms of ovarian cancer, and I hope you will print it for all the women in your reading audience. — Shirley in Orlando, Fla.

Dear Shirley: Thank you for educating my readers today. According to the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance, a national education and advocacy organization, ovarian cancers occur in one out of 55 women at any age.

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For more information on ovarian cancer, contact the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance, P.O. Box 33107, Washington, D.C. 20033

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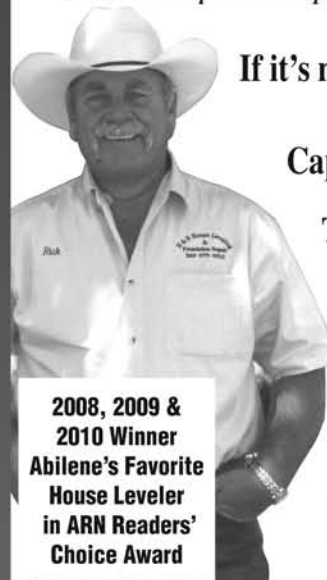
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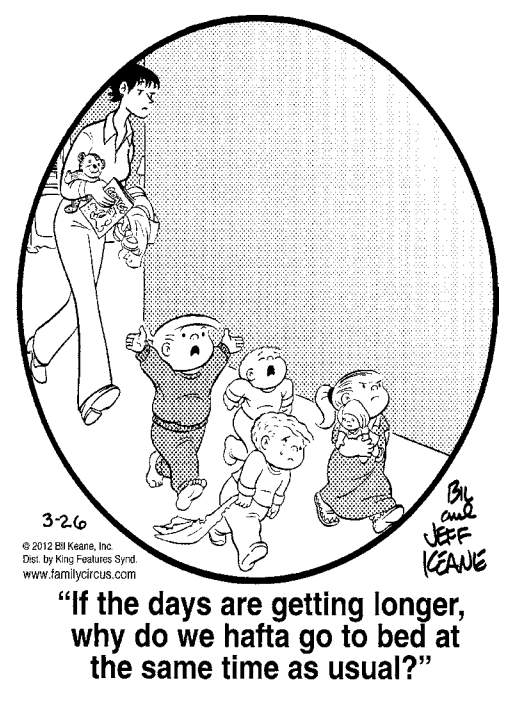
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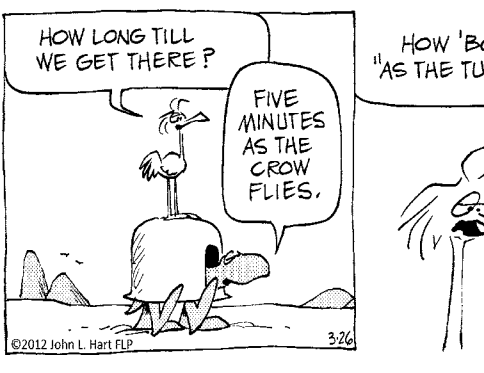
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On this date:

In 1804, the Louisiana Purchase was divided into the Territory of Orleans and the District of Louisiana.

In 1812, an earthquake devastated Caracas, Venezuela, causing an estimated 26,000 deaths, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

In 1827, composer Ludwig van Beethoven died in Vienna.

In 1874, poet Robert Frost was born in San Francisco.

In 1892, poet Walt Whitman died in Camden, N.J.

In 1912, an explosion at the Jed Coal & Coke Co. Mine in West Virginia claimed the lives of 83 miners.

In 1937, a 6-foot-tall statue of

the cartoon character Popeye was unveiled during the Second Annual Spinach Festival in Crystal City, Texas.

In 1958, the U.S. Army launched America's third successful satellite, Explorer 3.

In 1962, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Baker v. Carr, gave federal courts the power to order reapportionment of states' legislative districts, a 6-2 decision that eventually led to the doctrine of "one man, one vote."

In 1979, a peace treaty was signed by Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin (men-AH'-kem BAY'-gihn) and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and witnessed by President Jimmy Carter at the White House.

In 1992, a judge in Indianapolis sentenced former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson to six years in prison for raping a Miss Black America contestant. (Tyson ended up serving three years.)

In 1997, the bodies of 39 members of the Heaven's Gate techno-religious cult who'd committed suicide were found inside a rented mansion in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

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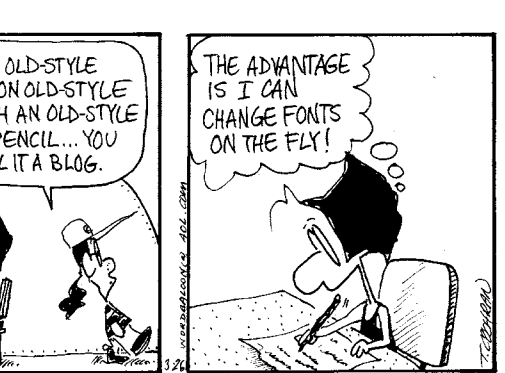
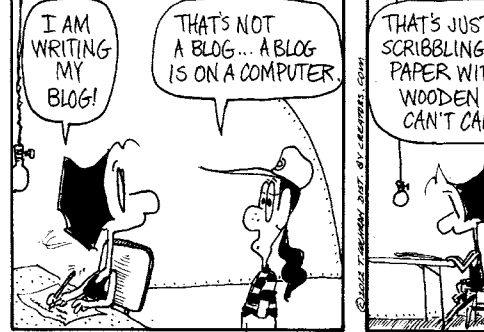
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Answer to previous puzzle

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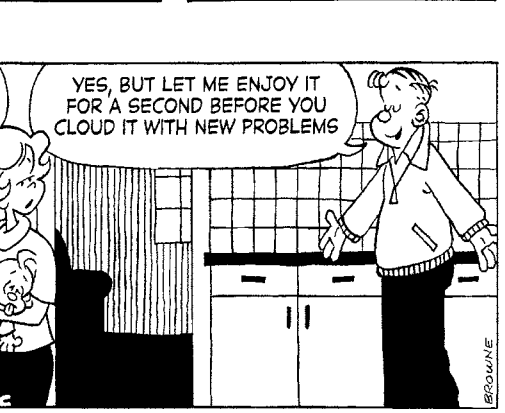
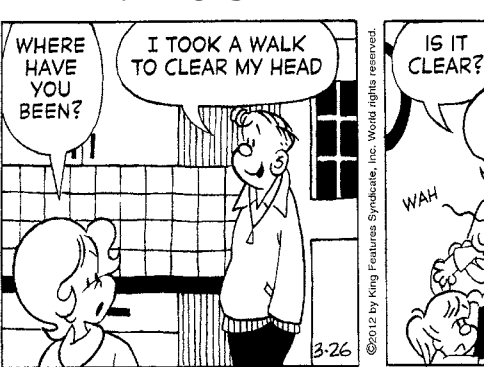
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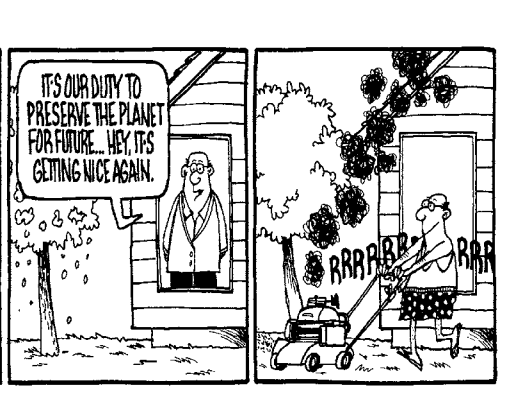
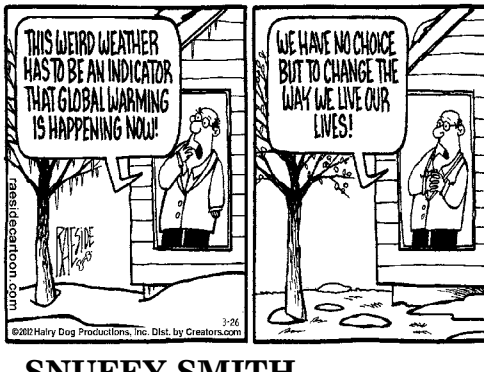
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Move like a top
 - 5 Gingery cookie
 - 9 Of ocean motion
 - 14 Secret writing
 - 15 Suffix for million
 - 16 Galore, in the disco era
 - 17 Luau instruments
 - 18 Lasting mark
 - 19 Medical breakthroughs
 - 20 Search everywhere for something
 - 23 TV commercials, e.g.
 - 24 Corn portion
 - 25 Opinion-pieces
 - 28 Attention-getting shout
 - 29 Opposite of post-
 - 31 Plumlike fruit
 - 32 San Antonio shrine
 - 35 Compose, as a letter
 - 37 Animal hair
 - 38 Early-day Irish greeting
 - 41 Spain's continent: Abbr.
 - 42 Fast-food side order
 - 43 Major kitchen appliance
 - 44 Auction-goods condition
 - 46 Large coffee vessel
 - 47 Burglarize
 - 48 Tattle about
 - 50 Respectful title
 - 51 Floor cleaner
 - 54 Make more efficient, informally
 - 58 Higher than
- DOWN**
- 1 Deep-sea diver's gear
 - 2 Jabbed with a finger
 - 3 Creative thoughts
 - 4 Hawk's home
 - 5 Walk nonchalantly
 - 6 More pleasant
 - 7 Typical Syrian
 - 8 Where Lima is capital
 - 9 Dashboard engine gauges
 - 10 "Suppose so"
 - 11 Fish's stabilizing organ
 - 12 Ripen
 - 13 Angeles, CA
 - 21 Start golfing
 - 22 Take care of, as duties
 - 26 Immature
 - 27 Twilled suit material
 - 28 Medical-insurance co.
 - 29 Fuss in front of a mirror
 - 30 Cup edges
 - 32 Bothered constantly
 - 33 Contemtable one
 - 34 Teen crush
 - 35 Blender sound
 - 36 Mistakes
 - 39 Auto storage area
 - 40 Arrest, slangly
 - 45 Thin wood fragment
 - 47 Ran amok
 - 49 Pacific or Atlantic
 - 50 Burgled
 - 51 Colorful parrot
 - 52 Musical drama
 - 53 Annoying, as a fly
 - 55 Eye-color area
 - 56 Rudolph's red feature
 - 57 Bad actors
 - 58 Sighs of relief
 - 59 Cave-dwelling mammal

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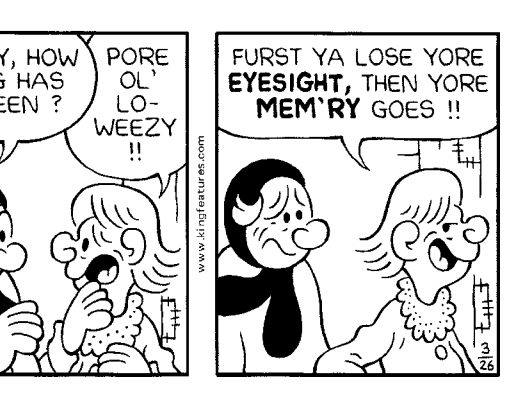
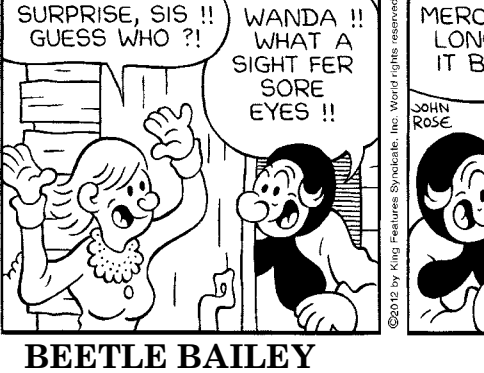
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Woods rebounds from injury to take Arnold Palmer invitational

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer
ORLANDO, Fla.— Tiger Woods hit so many great shots that he couldn't single one out as the best. Winning was as sweet as ever, even after a PGA Tour drought that stretched over 923 days and 27 tournaments. The best part about posing with the trophy at Bay Hill?

The conversation was back on golf, his favorite subject. Just two weeks ago, Woods gingerly climbed into a golf cart and was taken off the golf course at Doral with soreness and swelling in his left Achilles tendon, the same injury that caused him to miss three months and two majors last year. On Sunday, no one

questioned his health. Woods marched to a five-shot victory in the Arnold Palmer Invitational that restored his confidence and gave him momentum going into the Masters two weeks away. "This was coming," Woods said. "I've been close a number of times, basically since Australia. Just had to stay the course."

Only a month ago, there were concerns that Woods could no longer make the important putts. He had missed a 5-foot birdie putt on the last hole to lose in the second round at the Match Play Championship. He missed several putts just as close when he crashed out in the final round at Pebble Beach. But there he was at

Bay Hill, knocking in two big par putts on the back nine to keep his distance from Graeme McDowell. "I just never got close to him," McDowell said. And then there's the book by his ex-swing coach, Hank Haney. "The Big Miss," which goes on sale Tuesday, has been such a sore spot with Woods that he lost his cool with a

reporter earlier this month. The book reveals a driven player who is self-centered and rarely satisfied, no big surprise except that it was a side of Woods he tried to keep private for all these years. He won for the 72nd time on the PGA Tour — one short of Jack Nicklaus in second place on the career list — and 84th time worldwide

RACE

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was fifth. Greg Biffle, Edwards' Roush Fenway Racing teammate, finished sixth and kept a seven-point lead on Harvick atop the points standings. "We had a great race car there from the start of the race," said Busch, who started second alongside teammate Denny Hamlin and took the lead on the second lap. "We led a lot of laps. I just wish we led 30 more." The drivers saw only blue skies at their meeting two hours before the race began, but the weather steadily wors-

ened. The resulting drop in temperature threw off many teams' calculations on air pressure and other decisions, forcing adjustments on their first pit stops. Realizing they might not be able to get much past the half-way point necessary to make a race official, the drivers mounted a fast, clean race on the extra-wide track, nearly setting the track record for consecutive green-flag laps until the rain finally forced a caution on the 125th lap. "We all knew it was just going to be a matter of time," Busch said. "So probably at Lap 60 or 70, we were thinking, 'OK, we're probably going to race to Lap 100.'"

The California track is known for its bumpy, wide asphalt that puts a premium on driver skill and strategy, but also is more susceptible to climate changes. Although most forecasts suggested the rain would stick around for a while, Hamlin went to Twitter to express his displeasure with NASCAR's decision to end the race with roughly five hours of daylight left. "Never seen a race called at 2pm before," Hamlin tweeted. "1st time for everything. Strong weekend." After hitting the wall late in last week's race at Bristol, Stewart was back in top form. He earned his earliest

win in a NASCAR season two weeks ago at Las Vegas with an aggressive move out of a restart, but the real racing at Fontana hadn't even started before rain hit. "We didn't have an opportunity to do anything other than what we had planned from the start," said Earnhardt, who has finished in the top 15 in all five races this season. "I like how our season is going so far. If we keep going like this, maybe we can get some opportunities ... and seal the deal." The rain erased a potential disappointment for five-time Fontana champion Jimmie Johnson, who was 10th when the caution came out.

He elected to pit, getting four tires and fuel — but moments later, his car started spitting smoke. With no idea what was wrong with the car, crew chief Chad Knaus told Johnson to keep dripping oil on the course so he could keep his position if the race was red-flagged. The strategy worked, and the five-time Sprint Cup champion extended their streak to 10 straight top-10 finishes on this track. "Either a piece of debris hit an oil line and knocked the fitting off, or split the line," Johnson said. "I was just idling along, and my friends pulled up alongside and said, 'You're smoking.'"

BAYLOR

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different faces. In women's basketball you don't see a ton of upsets. I think it's changing. We've broken through three straight years to the Sweet 16. We plan on continuing to be here. I truly believe we have that kind of program now. It's interesting how that worked out. The 1s and 2s should make for a great Elite Eight and tremendous Final Four."

Associate head coach Holly Warlick says Summitt hasn't discussed the situation with her or anyone else. Summitt likely won't come to a decision until at least a few weeks after the season, so for now Tennessee is operating as though she's not leaving. "We don't talk about it because we feel that tomorrow's not a guarantee for anyone. We've taken this whole situation with Pat one day at a time, one game at a time, and I think (Monday) is no different," Warlick said. "I think she will evaluate it, and right now I'll tell you she's going to be back next year."

well to pile up assists and easy baskets — and they hope to keep it rolling right into the program's first Final Four since 2006. Duke has gone six straight games shooting above 50 percent in the first half, and wound up at 53.7 percent overall Saturday to follow up its season-best 65.6-percent performance from the field in a 96-80 second-round win over Vanderbilt in which the Blue Devils dished out 28 assists. The Blue Devils fell to Maryland in the 2006 title game. The Terps would love to get back there after beating defending national champion Texas A&M in the regional semifinals. Now they will try and knock off last season's national runner-up Notre Dame.

The Terrapins. "They have great size. We're a team that plays four guards. We don't match up well. They're much more physical and so much bigger inside than we are." Connecticut also likes to play four guards. The Huskies found a balanced offense to complement their stellar defense in a 77-59 victory over Penn State that saw five players score in double figures. "We wanted to make sure that this was a team thing more than looking around for someone to have a big night," Auriemma said. "The team would have to play great defense and the team would have to execute offensively. I was really happy after the game to sit back and say that's exactly what it was."

and pull the Terps within one, but Texas A&M came right back with eight straight points to take back control. The Aggies led 72-65 on Kelsey Bone's layup with 7:49 left, but they managed just one field goal — a drive from Standish with 3:48 left — the rest of the game. "They really picked up their defense," Standish said. "At the beginning, we got a lot of open looks. Their defense, we just got by them a lot easier. But they picked it up in the second half."

The most intriguing matchup will take place Monday night when top-seed Baylor faces No. 2 Tennessee in Des Moines. The unbeaten Lady Bears and star Brittney Griner will try and reach the national semifinals for the second time in three seasons and finish off their perfect season. Standing in the way is Pat Summitt and her Lady Vols. If the Lady Bears win, it could mark the final time Summitt roams the sidelines after 38 years and 1,098 wins with the Lady Vols. Summitt announced in August she'd been diagnosed with early onset dementia, Alzheimer's type, and has not committed to coaching next season.

One person who won't be back next season is Stanford senior Nnemekadi Ogwumike. She is trying to guide the Cardinal back to the Final Four and the school's first national championship in 20 years. She had 39 points in the regional semifinal win over South Carolina. For the Cardinal to match LSU and Connecticut as the only schools to reach the Final Four in five straight seasons, they will have to figure a way to slow down Duke. The Blue Devils are not only shooting lights out but moving the ball

Kentucky was happy to be able to relax at the end of its 17-point win over Gonzaga. The Wildcats struggled to get to the regionals, barely beating McNeese State and Green Bay. Now they've reached the regional finals for the second time in three seasons. "It means a lot to our program," Kentucky coach Matthew Mitchell said. "We are excited to be here and we know we can make history."

A&M

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one," Maryland coach Brenda Frese said. Texas A&M got off to a fast start, jumping to a 12-2 lead and pushing that margin to 18 points twice in the first half. But Maryland closed the half on a 21-6 run — including a pair of baskets from Thomas in the final 2½ minutes — to trail just 44-41 at halftime. Thomas scored again to start the second half

HAWKS

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and two RBI of his own. Game two slipped away as a result of a strong offensive showing by the Chaparrals, as they scored 12 runs to the Hawks' four. Bell, Hendrix, Richoux and Allen combined for four of HC's five total hits, but the Chaps' — who were down by two runs after two innings — charged back, putting eight runs on the board over the fourth and fifth innings. The Hawks suffered a run-rule defeat in the seventh inning after failing to produce any more runs. Smith, whose team is now 6-2 in league play (20-5 overall), points

to lackluster pitching and a poor defensive showing as the reason for dropping two out of four games against the 17-11 Chaparrals. "On the whole, we played very poorly," he said. "We didn't pitch or play very well defensively throughout the weekend. It's a competitive league, everybody plays us like it's the world series. This weekend, we didn't play with any energy." The Hawks will be back in action Friday, March 30 at home where they will meet Clarendon College in a doubleheader. The First game is slated for noon. Contact Sports Editor Brian McCormack at 263-7331 ext. 237 or by e-mail at sports@big-springherald.com

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