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Big Brothers needs some help

By AMANDA MORENO
 Staff Writer
 A little support please?
 That is the call from those wanting to start a Big Brother

ers Big Sisters chapter in the Big Spring area. Fund-raisers are under way, with hopes of being able to bring the mentor program to the area. The first fundraiser — a commu-

nity garage sale — will take place Saturday from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. at First Church of the Nazarene.
 "We are trying to bring an office to Howard, Glasscock

and Martin counties," said James Bell, BBBS Crossroads Satellite Resource Group chairman and advisory board president. "We are looking to open an office and hire a

person to match the children with mentors."
 Original planning began in March, when five com-
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Gasoline prices scoot up again

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 4.2 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.23/g Sunday.
 This compares with the national average that has not moved in the last week to \$3.42/g, according to gasoline price website TexasGasPrices.com.
 Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were 34.5 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 4.3 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 11.0 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 24.7 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.
 "Those who stuck around the low gas price party expecting it to last have realized they're out in the cold," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan. "Oil prices are well off their recent lows, and we'll likely continue to see the national average rise in response. Most regions should see prices rising, while the Rockies areas may see any increase take considerably longer to arrive," DeHaan said.



Revelers cheer from a float during the 79th Martin County Old Settlers Reunion held Saturday in downtown Stanton. Various events were scheduled throughout the day, concluding with an evening dance.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Prosecutors probe DPS problems

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Two separate criminal investigations into contracting irregularities at the Texas Department of Public Safety are being pursued by Travis County prosecutors.
 The *Austin American-Statesman* reported Sunday the probes follow the departure of two high-level DPS employees in the past 18 months: Janice Bruno, director of the State Administrative Agency, which handled more than \$1 billion in federal Homeland Security grants be-

tween 2006 and 2011; and Mark Doggett, the chief information technology officer for DPS.
 Gregg Cox, chief of the Travis County District Attorney's public integrity unit, told the newspaper his office is looking at events involving Bruno and Doggett.
 "I cannot be more specific than that at this time," Cox told the newspaper.
 DPS fired Bruno in June 2011 for violating procurement rules. The department's director, Steven McCraw, had

ordered an investigation by the Texas Rangers into a procurement agreement initiated by Bruno with the North Central Texas Council of Governments in Arlington to create a centralized computer system for managing Homeland Security grants all over the state.
 Part of the \$2.5 million contract had been awarded to a former Texas National Guardsman with whom Bruno
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Under West Texas Skies coming Friday

By AMANDA MORENO
 Staff Writer
 Splishin' and a splashin' will be taking place at 5, 6 and 10 p.m. Under West Texas Skies.
 The Big Spring Family Aquatic Center will be the setting for the 2012 Newswest 9 Under West Texas Skies wrap up. The events are set to start at 4 p.m. Friday and continue until 10 p.m.
 "For the past several years, we have been the last stop on the week-long journey and this year we are wrapping things up on the 5, 6 and 10

p.m. newscasts," Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Debbye ValVerde said.
 Those wanting to attend the event can take part in several ways. There will be hot dog and ice cream eating contests sponsored by Sonic. An ugly dog contest will also take place. The YMCA will have a bounce house set up and will be providing different activities inside the aquatic center and outside the facility.
 "For those who want to come out and enjoy the festivities but don't want to go in-

side the aquatic center, there is still going to be plenty to do," Debbie Wegman, Convention and Visitors Bureau director said.
 Admission to the aquatic center will be the same as usual and patrons will be expected to follow the same rules. The attire code will be the same and concessions will be available.
 "We want everyone to come out and enjoy," Wegman said.
 ValVerde added, "We want people to bring their blankets and lawn chairs and come out

and enjoy the activities."
 Read Them a Riot — local resident Chris Mason's band — will be performing at the aquatic center from 8 p.m. until 10 p.m. with a preview taking place at 6 p.m.
 "This is one more way to promote Big Spring and How-



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Obituaries

Donna Jean Arroyo

Donna Jean Arroyo, 50, of Monahans died Sunday, July 15, 2012, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Police blotter

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

- SANTIAGO GOMEZ GALINDO, 25, of Midland, Texas, was arrested Sunday, on charges of hindering officers discharging official duties and failure to identify.
- ROSARIO CABRERA SANCHEZ, 55, of Odessa, Texas, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- ROBERT GARDNER LYNCH JR., 51, of 300 Veterans Blvd. was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- ROYCE TAP MCINTOSH, 20, of 2800 Crestline, was arrested Sunday on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- AMANDO BEDOY CORTEZ III, 19, of 708 W. 18th St., was arrested Sunday on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- MARIA HOLGUIN, 43, of 111 E. 18th St., was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- MICHAEL WADE WELCH, 32, transient, was arrested Sunday on warrants for theft by check – more than \$20 and less than \$500 and issuance of a bad check.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1300 block of Lamar.
- THEFT was reported in the 1700 block of Purdue.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 77 inmates at the time of this report.

- RICHARD ADAM BAILEY, 35, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of bail jumping – failure to appear.
- WILLIAM RUSSELL CHANCELLOR, 25, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication and a Dallas warrant for criminal mischief.
- JOSHUA VINCE MUNOZ, 24, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a Lubbock County warrant for driving while intoxicated – second offense.
- HECTOR YOBANI MERLO, 33, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of interference with railroad property.
- CASEY BRACKETT, 20, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- LUPE HINOJOS, 38, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief.
- JIMMY NOEL ANTONES, 25, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of interference with railroad property.
- SAMUEL DE JESUS VASQUEZ, 29, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of interfering with railroad property.
- STEPHANIE ELAINE BAKER, 32, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a Martin County warrant for fraudulent use or possession of identifying information.
- CHAD LEE PUGA, 27, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a violation of the 50-foot rule, violation of a promise to appear and municipal warrants for driving while license invalid, failure to appear and driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- LANCE WAYNE BIDDLE LAND, 23, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for evading arrest or detention.
- CESAR GAMEROS ANDAZOLA, 49, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on charges of driving while intoxicated – third or more offense and abandoning/endangering a child – imminent danger of bodily injury.
- JOSE MUNOZ, 47, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for assault of a family or household member – impede breathing or circulation, theft by check, issuance of a bad check (two counts), driving while license invalid (two counts) and violation of a promise to appear.
- EDWARD LOPEZ, 23, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a municipal warrant for evading arrest or detention.
- ROBERT JAMES HUMPHUS, 32, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of hindering secured creditors – more than \$20,000 and less than \$100,000.
- ROBERT RUBIN SANCHEZ, 48, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- RUSSELL WAYNE CLAY, 51, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- SANTIAGO GOMEZ GALINDO, 25, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the

BSPD on charges of failure to identify and hindering officers discharging official duties.

- ROSARIO CABRERA SANCHEZ, 55, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- AMANDO BEDOY CORTEZ III, 19, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- ROBERT GARDNER LYNCH JR., 51, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- MICHAEL WADE WELCH, 32, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on charges of theft by check – more than \$20 and less than \$500 and issuance of a bad check.
- MARIA TERESA HOLGUIN, 43, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- SPENCER NICOLE TURNER, 20, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a municipal capias warrant for animal at large.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of FM 700 and Highway 350. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of Hillside. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 600 block of N.W. Seventh Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 6800 block of Midway Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of N. Aylsford. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 800 block of W. Fourth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Runnels. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2600 block of Langley. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported near the intersection of Dixon and Alamesa. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1500 block of Goliad. One person was transported to SMMC.
- GAS LEAK was reported in the 3600 block of Dixon.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 800 block of E. 13th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2800 block of Lynn Drive. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 300 block of N.E. Ninth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 300 block of E. Eighth Street. Service refused.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the 169 mile marker of I-20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of Nolan. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of E. 15th Street. Service refused.

Support Groups

MONDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.

• PEP – Parent Education Program for CPS participating and non-participating parents, single parent, grandparents, adoptive or fostering parents. Every first and fourth Monday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Northside Community Center. Classes are free. For information, call 263-2673.

• Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, 8-9 p.m., fourth floor, VA Medical Center.

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Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 7/18	Thu 7/19	Fri 7/20	Sat 7/21	Sun 7/22
91/73 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.	96/73 Plenty of sun. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	97/74 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	99/74 Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	100/75 Abundant sunshine. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the mid 70s.
Sunrise: 6:52 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM	Sunrise: 6:53 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM	Sunrise: 6:54 AM Sunset: 8:51 PM	Sunrise: 6:54 AM Sunset: 8:50 PM	Sunrise: 6:55 AM Sunset: 8:50 PM



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	95	73	mst sunny	Kingsville	93	76	t-storm
Amarillo	95	68	pt sunny	Livingston	86	71	t-storm
Austin	90	73	pt sunny	Longview	91	73	pt sunny
Beaumont	85	74	t-storm	Lubbock	93	69	mst sunny
Brownsville	95	78	t-storm	Lufkin	89	73	pt sunny
Brownwood	96	72	mst sunny	Midland	92	73	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	89	78	t-storm	Raymondville	98	76	t-storm
Corsicana	94	73	mst sunny	Rosenberg	86	74	t-storm
Dallas	97	75	mst sunny	San Antonio	91	75	pt sunny
Del Rio	90	74	t-storm	San Marcos	90	73	pt sunny
El Paso	95	73	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	94	73	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	88	68	t-storm	Sweetwater	93	72	mst sunny
Gainesville	96	74	mst sunny	Tyler	92	75	pt sunny
Greenville	94	73	mst sunny	Weatherford	97	73	mst sunny
Houston	86	74	t-storm	Wichita Falls	102	74	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	90	72	t-storm	Minneapolis	88	71	rain
Boston	88	68	t-storm	New York	93	75	t-storm
Chicago	84	69	t-storm	Phoenix	102	79	sunny
Dallas	97	75	mst sunny	San Francisco	59	52	pt sunny
Denver	86	64	t-storm	Seattle	69	57	pt sunny
Houston	86	74	t-storm	St. Louis	101	80	pt sunny
Los Angeles	73	62	pt sunny	Washington, DC	98	81	t-storm
Miami	89	80	t-storm				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Wed 7/18	Thu 7/19	Fri 7/20	Sat 7/21	Sun 7/22
11	11	11	11	11
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 6 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

TUESDAY

• Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or kerriroosenbaum9488@msn.com

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

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.

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World briefs

Romney, Obama look to use questions about Bain Capital for political benefit

WOLFEBORO, N.H. (AP) — President Barack Obama and challenger Mitt Romney have one campaign strategy in common: Each is trying to convince voters that his opponent in the closely contested race for the White House is not trustworthy.

Romney was wrapping up a weekend at his New Hampshire lake house and planned to raise money on Monday with Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal — one possible candidate for his running mate.

Obama was scheduled to campaign in Cincinnati two days before Romney makes his own visit to must-win Ohio.

The two men were set to continue a bitter debate over who is more trustworthy and use Romney's time leading a private equity firm as a starting point.

Romney's campaign said Sunday that Obama is willing to say anything to win a second term and should say he's sorry for attacking the Republican's successful career at Bain Capital.

Activists report heavy clashes in parts of the Syrian capital

BEIRUT (AP) — Activists say opposition fighters are clashing with Syrian government forces in the capital Damascus for a second day.

Activists and residents say the fighting in several neighborhoods is among the heaviest since the uprising against President Bashar Assad's regime began in March last year.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights and Syria-based activist Mustafa Osso say Monday's clashes concentrated in the districts of Kfar Souseh and Tadamon.

A resident who spoke on condition of anonymity for fear of reprisals says gunfire and sporadic explosions could be heard Monday morning.

Damascus is tightly controlled by Assad's forces, although there have been sporadic clashes in the capital in recent months.

North Korean military leader who mentored Kim Jong Un loses all posts in surprising shakeup

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea's top military official — a key mentor to young new leader Kim Jong Un who served under his father — has been removed from all posts because of illness, state media said Monday in a surprise announcement that shakes the core of the authoritarian country's power structure.

Ri Yong Ho had looked healthy in recent appearances, and his departure fed speculation among analysts that Kim purged him in an effort to put his own mark on the nation he inherited seven months ago when his father Kim Jong Il died. At the same time, there was no sign of discord at Ri's last public appearance at a high-level event, barely a week ago.

The decision to dismiss the 69-year-old from top military and political posts was made at a Workers' Party meeting Sunday, according to the official Korean Central News Agency. It was not immediately clear who would take Ri's place, and the dispatch did not elaborate on his condition or future.

Daniel Pinkston, a North Korea analyst at the International Crisis Group, was skeptical of the ill-

ness claim, in part because of Ri's recent apparent health. He also said Ri won his major promotions at a September 2010 party conference but received none in April, which stirred speculation about the general's future.

"There's a very high probability that it wasn't health issues, but that he was purged," sending a strong signal to anyone seeking to challenge Kim Jong Un — even if Ri never directly defied the new leader, Pinkston said.

Repealing Obama's health care law won't be easy even if GOP wins

WASHINGTON (AP) — Yes, if Mitt Romney wins the White House and his Republican allies retake the Senate, he could shred most of President Barack Obama's health care law without having to overpower a Democratic filibuster.

But it won't be as easy as some Republicans portend, and it certainly won't be quick.

Why? Because any realistic effort to repeal the Affordable Care Act — as opposed to last week's quixotic vote in the GOP-controlled House — is sure to get jumbled together with lots of other issues, including Medicare, taxes, food stamps and defense spending.

And that's because Republicans have to first pass a budget. It's the only way than can invoke special Senate rules that allow legislation to pass with just a simple majority vote — instead of the 60 votes needed in the 100-member Senate to beat a filibuster.

Waterfall-like rain eases in southwest Japan, but 28 dead, thousands of homes damaged

TOKYO (AP) — Most of the quarter-million people forced to flee massive flooding in southwest Japan were able to return home by Monday, but weather officials warned the danger had not fully passed from the record rainfall that left at least 28 people dead over the weekend.

Thousands of homes and hundreds of roads were damaged, and hundreds of landslides were reported. The military airlifted food by helicopter to stranded districts.

The rain "was like a waterfall," Yoko Yoshika said in Yamaguchi prefecture (state). "It was horrible."

Yoshika, wife of an award-winning Hagi-yaki style potter, said workers scrambled to carry out a bucket relay with plastic pails to get rid of the water flowing into their shop.

In Yame, a city of 69,000 in Fukuoka prefecture, 74 people in three separate areas were stranded by the flooding.

Microsoft ends online marriage with NBC to pursue building its own online news service

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Microsoft is pulling out of the joint venture that owned MSNBC.com, freeing the world's largest software maker to build its own online news service.

The breakup announced late Sunday dissolves the final shreds of a 16-year marriage between Microsoft Corp. and NBC News, which is now owned by Comcast Corp. The relationship began to unwind in 2005 when Microsoft sold its stake in MSNBC's

cable TV channel to NBC.

NBC is buying Microsoft's 50 percent interest in the MSNBC website for an undisclosed amount. MSNBC.com will be rebranded as NBCNews.com, and readers who logged into MSNBC.com late Sunday were automatically redirected to NBCNews.com.

The website will move its headquarters from Microsoft's corporate campus in Redmond, Wash., to NBC News' longtime home in New York.

The online divorce stemmed from the two partners' desire to gain greater control over their digital destinies as the Internet becomes an increasingly important part of their businesses.

Tens of thousands join Nobel laureate in demanding end to nuclear power

TOKYO (AP) — Tens of thousands of people rallied at a Tokyo park Monday demanding that Japan abandon nuclear power as the country prepares to restart another reactor shut down after last year's tsunami-generated meltdown at the Fukushima power plant.

Led by Nobel-winning novelist Kenzaburo Oe, pop star Ryuichi Sakamoto and visual artist Yoshitomo Nara, the protesters expressed outrage over a report that blamed the Fukushima disaster on Japan's culture of "reflexive obedience" and held no individuals responsible.

Japan ordered all its nuclear power plants shut down for safety inspections after last year's March tsunami and earthquake set off multiple meltdowns at Fukushima Dai-ichi plant. Some 150,000 people evacuated from a 20-kilometer (12-mile) zone around the plant because of radiation fears, and the area is deemed unsafe to live in more than a year later.

The disaster, the world's second-worst nuclear accident after Chernobyl, has deeply divided Japan, which had been previously bullish on nuclear technology.

Monday's rally at sprawling Yoyogi Park was the latest and among the biggest — drawing possibly as many as 200,000 people, according to organizers — in a series of large protests that is unusual for normally reserved Japanese.

Ratko Mladic back in court for genocide trial after health care forced adjournments

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Former Bosnian Serb military chief Ratko Mladic is back in court for his genocide trial at the Yugoslav war crimes tribunal after recovering from a health scare that saw him rushed to the hospital last week.

The 70-year-old Mladic rose slowly from his chair in the courtroom Monday as judges entered and then polished a pair of reading glasses as his attorney, Branko Lukic, resumed the cross-examination of a witness that was interrupted last Thursday when Mladic complained of feeling ill.

Neither Lukic nor Presiding Judge Alphons Orie has said anything about Mladic's health.

The tribunal released a statement Friday saying tests conducted at a Hague hospital showed Mladic was fit to stand trial.

He faces 11 charges alleging he masterminded Serb atrocities throughout the Bosnian war. Mladic denies wrongdoing.

BBBS

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community members joined together to form an advisory board. One of their first acts was hosting a kick-off dinner to help their venture into the community.

The goal for the year is set at \$125,000 according to Fundraising Chair DeAnn Bell. Volunteers

would be responsible for making a one-year commitment which would include an hour a week with their "little." The Big Brother Big Sister program calls the mentors "Bigs" and the students "Littles."

Of course, for those not wanting to, or unable to volunteer time, there are other ways to help the program. Board members are still needed, as are financial con-

tributions, donations of all kinds and prayers.

"Prayers are the most important part in making this venture a go," Bell said. "We are hoping to be able to make a difference and help the kids become an important part in the community."

"When you become a mentor, you end up getting back twice as much as you give."

The goal is to be able

to have the program up and running by next school year, according to DeAnn. At this point, in addition to fundraising ideas, the advisory board is looking into grants and corporate sponsors.

To find out more information about Big Brothers Big Sisters, visit the website at bbbs.org or email Bell at deanb2010@hotmail.com.

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Jessie (Tripp) Berry, 23, died Friday. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. this morning at Spring Creek Fellowship. Burial will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

DPS

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had served. Cox said his office has received the Rangers' report and expects "to take it to the grand jury later this summer."

Bruno said in a recent interview she welcomed a grand jury review of her actions at the agency.

"Absolutely," said Bruno, who said she had done nothing wrong. "We were trying to fix things."

According to the newspaper, a second and apparently unrelated DPS investigation began in March after McCraw suspended Doggett, citing "allegations of misconduct."

Doggett resigned in April. He could not be

reached for comment on Sunday.

Doggett was in charge of the information technology division of DPS, which runs the law enforcement agency's statewide databases for criminal records and motor vehicle registrations. This year, the division spent \$29 million for outsourced computer programming through professional services contracts that do not require competitive bids.

The criminal inquiries come in the wake of state and federal audits that raised issues with the way DPS handled Homeland Security funds, which are intended to be spent on efforts to enhance emergency response and preparedness in places at risk of disasters or terrorist attacks.

An audit by the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Inspector General released in 2011 found numerous deficiencies in the way the State Administrative Agency had managed grants.

In February 2011, the state auditor released a report critical of the agency's use of emergency contracts that bypassed standard procedures in order to obtain the services of preferred vendors. Those

contracts have either ended or been canceled.

DPS spokesman Katherine Cesinger said the agency has taken corrective actions in response to the critical audits and "is committed to following all state rules and statutes in its procurement practices."

Devotion To Saint Jude

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Bexar leads Texas in road rage crashes

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Bexar County in Central Texas has had the most reports of road rage crashes in the state over the last few years, according to a newspaper analysis.

From 2007 to 2011, police officers and sheriff's deputies in Bexar County cited road rage as a contributing factor in 680 wrecks that injured 280 people, the San Antonio Express-News reported Sunday.

The figures came from a state database that tracks all vehicle accidents in Texas.

The numbers in Bexar County exceeded those in larger counties with more residents and traffic, including Harris and Dallas.

From 2007 to 2011, police throughout Texas cited road rage as a contributing factor in more than 4,400 crashes that injured more than 1,950 people and killed 32. Road rage crashes have decreased in the state in the last four years, as accidents peaked in 2008 with almost 970 wrecks. There were 804 road rage crashes last year.

The newspaper reported it was not clear from the data whether the state's crash figures reflect a higher number of angry drivers in Bexar County or whether local police are more apt to flag some accidents as "road rage."

The San Antonio

Police Department has targeted aggressive drivers for more than a decade. Officers drive unmarked cars to find and ticket motorists who speed, tailgate and change lanes excessively. Not all police departments in Texas have such programs.

"We do have aggressive drivers, as in most other major cities," said Capt. Patrick Murnin, the traffic section commander for San Antonio police. "We also have a substantial program to combat aggressive driving in San Antonio."

From 2007 to 2011, road rage crashes in Texas peaked during evening rush hour, with a quarter of all accidents occurring between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., the newspaper reported.

Three out of four motorists accused of road rage were male. Statewide, a third of all road rage motorists are in their 20s.

In one road rage accident in Kirby, near San Antonio, 2-year-old Braylon Nelson was paralyzed from the neck down after the car his father was driving was hit by a truck involved in a road rage incident with another vehicle.

"To me, it doesn't make sense. Some people just don't get it," said Randy Nelson, Braylon's father, who broke his ribs, sternum and pelvis in the accident.

State briefs

LA sheriff: Man recovers car 42 years after theft

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A Texas man whose prized sports car was stolen 42 years ago recovered the vehicle in California after spotting it on eBay, authorities said Sunday.

Robert Russell told the Los Angeles County sheriff's officials that he had never given up searching for the 1967 Austin-Healey after it was stolen from his Philadelphia home in 1970.

The 66-year-old retired sales manager from Southlake told the *Dallas Morning News* he paid a friend \$3000 for the car. It had sentimental value to him because it was stolen the morning after he took his future wife out on their second date.

Russell said he spent years surfing the Internet looking for the car and didn't have much hope of finding it.

"The fact that the car still exists is improbable," he said. "It could have been junked or wrecked."

He said he checked on eBay periodically and spotted it a few weeks ago. He immediately called a Beverly Hills car dealership that was selling it.

He said the vehicle's identification number matched that of his car. He had the original key and car title, but not a copy of the stolen-car report to prove that it was stolen from him.

Russell contacted Philadelphia police for help and learned that the stolen-car report wasn't showing up at the FBI's national crime index because one vehicle identification number was entered incorrectly. The report was finally found and the file was reactivated, enabling Los Angeles authorities to impound the car.

More older Texans seek food stamp help

HOUSTON (AP) — More older Texans apparently struggling to make ends meet have been turning to food stamps.

The Houston Chronicle reported Monday that the state's fastest-growing group receiving food stamps is those ages 60 to 64.

That age range getting food assistance has reached nearly 85,000 this month, compared to about 41,000 in 2007.

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission says the total number of recipients from all age groups has increased 58 percent in the same time period.

The agency says the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, currently has about 3.6 million participants. Spokeswoman Stephanie

Goodman says the growth of the senior group has been outstripping all other ages since 2007.

Man found dead in ablaze Houston storage container

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston firefighters working a blaze near an auto repair shop have found a man's body in a storage container.

Fire department officials say the body was discovered Monday morning.

Deputy Chief Fernando Herrera says the man apparently was a maintenance worker. Herrera says the victim may have been living in the container.

Authorities have not determined the cause of the blaze.

Lawmakers evaluate services for war veterans

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — How Texas veterans apply for benefits and the quality of mental health care they receive will be under the microscope in the state Senate.

The Veterans Affairs and Military Installations Committee is scheduled to meet Monday to learn more about the Texas Veterans Commission's Claims Representation and Counseling program.

Senators will also hear testimony on the status of mental health services for veterans and Texas Military Forces, also known as the Texas National Guard.

They will evaluate peer counseling programs, aftercare provided for units within their local communities, and efforts to address the secondary mental health and substance abuse issues.

Many members of the Texas guard served in Iraq and Afghanistan. The committee wants to know if veterans are getting the benefits and care they deserve.

Lawmakers consider revamping foster care system

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas lawmakers are expected to hear testimony on the redesign of the state's foster care system.

In 2010 the Department of Child Protective Services began revamping the way the state contracts with organizations that care for children. The department has tentatively awarded new contracts to non-profit organizations to offer complete foster services.

The House Human Services Committee is hearing testimony on how that redesign is going.

Notice of Public Hearing on GLASSCOCK COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT Budget

The Glasscock County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2013 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on August 10, 2012 at 8:00 A.M. at Glasscock County Appraisal Dist., located at 124 S. Myrl, Garden City, TX 79739. A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget	\$286,300.00
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.	\$81,400.00
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.	1
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	1

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office. Glasscock County Appraisal District, 124 South Myrl, Garden City, TX 79739.

The phone number of the Glasscock County Appraisal District is: 432/354-2580.

The address is: 124 S. Myrl, Garden City, TX 79739.

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: My fiancée, "Clyde," and I have been together for three years. We have a great relationship. We have lived together for two years, and my 5-year-old considers him "Dad."

Clyde is divorced and has two daughters, 16 and 18. His marriage was destructive and abusive, yet he still goes to his ex-wife's house three times a week to see his 16-year-old. Clyde and I have only one day together as a family with my son.

His kids want nothing to do with me, so they won't come to our place. I've missed out on several family events because his kids didn't want me there. I have asked Clyde repeatedly to stop splitting his life in two.

His kids will make no effort to know me if he doesn't insist on it. They are old enough to understand that they should respect our situation even if they don't like it. And they would benefit from seeing their father in a healthy relationship.

The ex-wife continues to be controlling and nasty. She constantly asks Clyde for favors and says negative things about me to him and his kids. He doesn't understand why I have a problem with this or why I feel like my son and I take a back seat to his past. I have discussed seeing a counselor, but he's resistant.

I expect Clyde to be there for his kids, but why can't he cut the strings with his ex?

I have been loving, understanding, supportive and patient, but I feel that he's taking advantage because it's easier to disappoint me than to stand up to his ex. I make him a priority, and in return, he



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gives me the scraps. — *Becoming Resentful*

Dear Resentful: Clyde doesn't want to risk losing the affection of his daughters, which is why he is easily manipulated by them and also by their mother. But you are right that they will not respect your relationship if he doesn't insist on it. Get counseling, with or without him, and decide what your next step is.

Dear Annie: For most of her adult life, my older, unmarried sister was a successful executive. Several years ago, she contentedly retired. At the age of 68, however, she is forgetting words here and there and seems a little hazy about some past events. There is no history of Alzheimer's in my family, but I am afraid she might be developing dementia. She is aware of this memory issue, and it frustrates her. She always has prided herself on her intelligence and competence.

I don't want to insult her, and I'm scared to discuss this because she gets her hackles up. My parents lived into their 90s and never had these memory issues. I think she needs to see a doctor. What do you recommend? — *Concerned*

Dear Concerned: Being unable to come up with the right word at the moment and forgetting some past events are not unusual and do not indicate dementia, but they could indicate stress, poor diet, lack of sleep, too much going on or too little mental stimulation. Here's a good gauge that we've always liked: If you forget where the keys are, it's normal. If you forget what the keys are for, it's not. Your sister is aware of the problem and is capable of seeing a doctor on her own. If you notice that her lapses are getting substantially worse or are diminishing her ability to function, then you should urge her to discuss it with a medical professional.

Dear Annie: I am a 14-year breast cancer survivor and an active volunteer with the American Cancer Society. Please tell "Beside Myself in Jersey" to contact the ACS at 1-800-227-2345. Her dear mother-in-law does not have to put up with a rude and abusive person to get to appointments. She can get rides from a qualified Road to Recovery driver. These services are provided at no charge to those fighting cancer. — *Palmdale, Calif.*

Dear Palmdale: Bless you and all the others who wrote with this suggestion.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please email your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 737 3rd Street, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254. 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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Catcher Yorvit Torrealba (left) and pitcher Matt Harrison share congratulations after the Rangers shut-out the Seattle Mariners 4-0 Sunday.

Texas blanks Mariners 4-0

TIM BOOTH

AP Seattle Writer

SEATTLE — Eric Wedge was convinced that Sunday had a different feel, even if the result was the 11th time this season his Seattle Mariners were shut out.

Matt Harrison tossed a five-hitter for his 12th victory, Adrian Beltre had three hits and two RBIs, and the Texas Rangers beat the Seattle Mariners 4-0 on Sunday afternoon.

Harrison's 12th win kept him even with Tampa Bay's David Price for the most in the American League and continued his streak against the Mariners. Harrison (12-4) has won eight straight starts against Seattle and is 5-0 all-time at Safeco Field. The eight straight wins over one team is the third longest streak in Rangers' history. Charlie Hough won 13 straight against Cleveland and nine straight against Minnesota.

"Once he got through the lineup a couple of times you saw him work that change-up and start getting guys off balance," Seattle shortstop Brendan Ryan said. "It shows how good his pitch is because he can go to his third pitch and it's still pretty effective."

Wedge felt the at-bats his offense put up against Harrison were better than the results. A number of hard hit balls went directly at fielders and Seattle's first strikeout against Harrison didn't come until the seventh inning.

Those are minor accomplishments in the bigger picture of the Mariners tying with Oakland for

AP photo

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Astros skid continues as they fall to Giants 3-2 in extra innings

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Missing their best hitter didn't seem to bother the San Francisco Giants. Buster Posey made sure of it.

Posey had three hits and drove in two runs to back Matt Cain, and the Giants beat the Houston Astros 3-2 on Sunday to complete a three-game sweep.

They did it despite Melky Cabrera not being in the lineup.

Cabrera, the major league leader in hits and the MVP of last Tuesday night's All-Star game, took a temporary leave to attend the birth of his child in Florida. He caught a red-eye flight to Orlando following Saturday night's 3-2 extra-inning win over the Astros and is expected to rejoin the team in Atlanta on Tuesday.

"I think we've got enough depth in the lineup where we can get the job done," said Posey of his fifth three-hit game this season. "Obviously any time Melky's not

in there we're going to miss him, though. I'm just trying to keep a good approach and have a plan every time I go up there."

San Francisco's first sweep of the Astros since 2010 increased its lead to 1½ games over the Los Angeles Dodgers in the NL West.

That's a far better position than the Giants were in when they stumbled into the All-Star break having dropped five of six.

Now they head to Atlanta and Philadelphia trying to improve on their 20-24 road record.

"To get a sweep is hard to do, I don't care who you're playing," San Francisco manager Bruce Bochy said. "These games were hard-fought games. We didn't do a lot with their pitching the last couple of days. It really could have gone either way."

That certainly wasn't the case a month ago when Cain pitched a perfect game against the Astros on June 13 — the

first in franchise history.

Cain wasn't as dominant in the rematch but did just enough to win for the second time since that historic night. San Francisco's right-hander struck out six and walked one.

"I still needed to go out there and pitch," Cain said. "Most of all, we won last night in an exciting game and then the night before, so I wanted to keep that going."

Cain (10-3) snapped his personal three-game winless streak but didn't come close to duplicating his first outing when he retired 27 consecutive Houston hitters earlier this season.

He allowed five hits, made a throwing error that led to an unearned run and pitched with runners in scoring position most of the afternoon before leaving with one out in the seventh.

Four relievers combined to blank Houston over the final 2-3 innings. Santiago Casilla, who blew a save on Saturday

and was booed when he entered the game with one out in the ninth on Sunday, retired two batters for his 23rd save.

Marwin Gonzalez had two hits and scored Houston's only run. The Astros fell to 1-10 in July.

"They are tough on us," said Houston starter Bud Norris following his team's second straight one-run loss to the Giants. "A lot of close games and we need to get over the hump."

Houston scored only five runs in the series while Astros hitters struck out 34 times in the three games.

San Francisco jumped on Norris (5-7) for two runs in the first inning. Posey had an RBI single and Brandon Belt drew a bases-loaded walk to force in Emmanuel Burriss.

That looked like it might be enough for Cain, who had retired 34 consecutive Houston hitters dating to 2011 before Gonzalez's leadoff double in the third.

Gonzalez, activated from the disabled list before the game, later scored on Cain's two-out throwing error.

Cain retired Scott Moore out of the two-on, but wasn't as fortunate the next inning. Brian Bogusevic singled and scored on Chris Johnson's double to the gap in left center to tie the game 2-2.

The Giants regained the lead on Posey's single in the fifth, and Cain stuck around long enough to get the win.

Jeremy Affeldt replaced Cain with one out in the seventh and runners on the corner.

He quickly retired Carlos Corporan on a foul out to the catcher then got pinch-hitter Justin Maxwell to fly out to right.

Norris, who grew up about an hour north of AT&T Park, allowed all three San Francisco runs and walked six. He has lost six consecutive decisions after beginning the year 5-1.

Brees signs \$100m, five-year deal

BRETT MARTEL

AP Sports Writer

METAIRIE, La. — Drew Brees took some time out of his Sunday to sign autographs on items ranging from a black jersey handed to him by a fan to a \$100 million contract handed to him by the New Orleans Saints.

The star quarterback, who had agreed verbally to his historic deal Friday, visited team headquarters to take a physical and put pen to paper on the five-year contract that gives him the highest average annual pay (\$20 million) in NFL history.

Brees then grabbed a sandwich to go at a Jimmy John's sandwich shop he owns, where he posed for photos, shook hands and signed autographs for star-struck fans before hopping in a white sport utility vehicle and heading for the airport.

Looking satisfied and relaxed in a black T-shirt with (hash)NOLALOVE printed across the front, the clean-cut Brees said he was eager to rejoin his teammates after a protracted contract holdout that ran parallel to a bounty scandal that has swirled around the Saints since March.

"It's been a little surreal just because of the process throughout the offseason, and just how challenging

an offseason it's been for everyone, obviously everyone within the Saints organization, this city," Brees said. "It's just been a crazy offseason and I think we're all just ready to get back to work and excited that it's all starting here in a week. It's hard to believe."

Brees, his currently pregnant wife, Brittany, and their two young boys spend parts of offseasons in southern California. Brees will be back in New Orleans again soon, though, as the Saints report for training camp July 24.

A year ago, Brees was organizing and running a voluntary minicamp at Tulane during the NFL lockout. This offseason, he missed all of the voluntary practices and mandatory minicamp while his agent, Tom Condon, and Saints general manager Mickey Loomis worked on a new long-term contract that gave Brees a payday on par with his record-setting performances on the field.

Brees said he had been training hard on his own in California and had maintained close contact by phone with teammates and assistant head coach Joe Vitt throughout the offseason. Vitt is handling most big-picture

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Melo: Up to Knicks to match Lin deal

BRIAN MAHONEY

AP Basketball Writer

WASHINGTON — Carmelo Anthony said Sunday it's up to the New York Knicks to decide if they want to match the "ridiculous contract" that the Houston Rockets have offered Jeremy Lin.

It's uncertain if they will now after agreeing to a sign-and-trade deal with Portland to bring point guard Raymond Felton back to New York, after already signing Jason Kidd.

The Knicks have repeatedly said they would match any offer for Lin, but the Rockets made it difficult with a three-year, \$25 million deal that's worth about \$15 million in the third year.

New York has until 11:59 p.m. EDT on Tuesday to match the offer sheet for the restricted free agent.

Asked if he could envision Lin being with the Knicks next season, Anthony said: "At this point there's a lot going on. I stay away from that part right now. I would love to see him back, but I think he has to do what's best for him right now."

Anthony, speaking before practice with the U.S. Olympic team, was then reminded it's up to the Knicks, not Lin, to decide whether he stays or goes.

"It's not up to me," Anthony said with a laugh. "It's up to the organization to say they want to match that ridiculous contract that's out there."

Lin had a sensational run after becoming the Knicks' starter in February, but his season ended after just 35 games, 25 starts, when he needed surgery to repair torn cartilage in his left knee.

Based on the potential he showed while averaging 17.9 points in his final 27 games, and the marketing appeal he had as the NBA's first American-born player of Chinese or Taiwanese descent, it was long expected the Knicks wouldn't let Lin leave.

Coach Mike Woodson said Wednesday that Lin would absolutely return next season and would go into training camp as the starter, even after the signing of Kidd.

But Felton also had a good run in New York, scoring 17.1 points per game in 54 games before the Knicks sent him to Denver in February 2011 as part of the package for Anthony. Felton and Amare Stoudemire had good chemistry running the pick-and-roll offense, and neither has played as well since they were split up.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

In spite of the Mercury retrograde and the void-of-course moon, this may be the best day of the year — and not because something happens to make it that way, but because you happened and are happening each new moment. Why be so precious about your "bests"?



HOLIDAY
MATHIS

Make tomorrow the best day of the year, too, and every day after that.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The tricky part is in deciding what you can

teach others that will make the most difference in their lives. Once you figure this out, you'll share it and imprint yourself on the future.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Some people settle for trying to look busy when others are watching, specifically the boss. You genuinely want to be of service, so when you don't have work to do, you'll find some.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Supposedly, while doing what you love, you're not working at all. But you may still sweat, pant and come away from the project with sore muscles, as well as a big smile.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You may be forgetting about the very thing that brings out your enthusiasm for life. If someone were to say to you "just go for it," and you were to be extremely excited by that very idea, what would the "it" be?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Today brings a rather thrilling plot twist that you do not, and in fact

cannot, have any control over. Your lack of influence is precisely what makes it so thrilling. You'll react with swift grace.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll handle the attention you get today with your usual modesty. You've mastered the art of seeming to be unaware of your charms, all the while enhancing them.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). To feel loved, honored and cared for is a feeling that goes beyond any sense of security that money could buy. You'll feel this today, even though it may be in a small way. Focus on that, and let the feeling grow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You will tell the truth in a way that makes others feel open to you. You won't accuse, blame or complain. You'll simply speak about how you feel from a very loving heart, and finally you'll be heard.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If your life were a classroom, you would need to sit in the

front today in order to clearly see the teacher. Don't worry about whether or not you're seen as cool. What you stand to learn is too important to miss.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you can look back and see that you've made many mistakes, it means you're a liver of life, a risk taker and a doer. Experience trumps theoretical knowledge any day.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). What's useful is the urge to overdo things. Today represents a rare occasion in which some degree of excess is what's necessary to get a job done.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Make plans that will show a loved one that your relationship is important and special. Otherwise, you could wind up sitting around and watching television instead of creating good memories.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 16). This year you'll consistently talk to yourself in that

encouraging way in which you already talk to many others, which will help you to take on big challenges and be successful. September brings a chance to share in a new social circle. Loved ones celebrate your accomplishment in October. January brings romance and higher learning. Aries and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 6, 31, 2 and 29.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Do you think I'm 'judgy'?" My best friend, who is a Pisces, recently said something that really hurt my feelings. She said that I'm so judgmental that sometimes she doesn't want to tell me things about her life. I do have standards, and I'm not afraid to share my opinions, but I always thought those were good qualities. What do you think? I'm a Cancer with a Virgo moon."

As two water signs, you and your best friend often coexist without friction

for long periods of time, floating along on the same wavelength wherever the conversational tides and life in general take you. So I can see how this recent development may seem jarring to you, even though it's one small, innocuous-sounding statement. Keep in mind that Pisces people are very sensitive, and your friend is probably wise not to open every area of her psyche up for group discussion, though she could have done so without making such a big deal about it. As for being "judgy," as a rule, it's usually best to abide by your standards and opinions without expecting or requiring others to do the same.

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Colleen Burton
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"Classic" Ann Landers®: Male escort wants to offer legal service, not marriage

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 am a male escort working on my master's degree at a university in Washington, D.C. I take out women (usually my mother's age) and am well paid. There is no sex involved. These women simply need a decent-looking, well-dressed guy to take them to various social events at which they would feel ill at ease if not accompanied. Very few friends know about my "moonlighting," which is the way I want it. I have met some interesting, intelligent women in my work, most of them widowed or divorced. Three of these women would like to marry me.



ANN
LANDERS

Marriage is out of the question. I am gay. Should I tell them? It would be easier than trying to make up reasons for my lack of interest. Yes or no, Ann? — Mr. X in D.C.

Dear Mr. X: No. A negative response to the marriage proposals is adequate. There is no need to go into detail about your personal life. Meanwhile, don't be ashamed of your part-time job. The older women are no doubt grateful for the company. And escorting them to social events is a lot easier than cleaning office buildings at night.

Dear Ann Landers: I just read the letter from the woman who asked her daughter's friends to do charitable good deeds rather than bring gifts to the girl's birthday party. She said she didn't want her daughter to grow up to be materialistic like the previous generation.

Well, OK, so her daughter won't be materialistic. Big deal. She will grow up to be a good little socialist instead.

I say let the kid get presents. My generation may have been materialistic, but we aren't nearly as screwed up as today's touchy-feely generation. — Hal in Texas

Dear Hal: You're out of the loop. Touchy-feely is old hat. The trend is now toward the materialistic and the acquisitive. Check the online crowd, and you will see what computers have done to our society. There are so many goodies to be had, and people want more of

everything. Ralph Waldo Emerson said it best: "Things are in the saddle and ride mankind." If Emerson came back today, he would get an eyeful.

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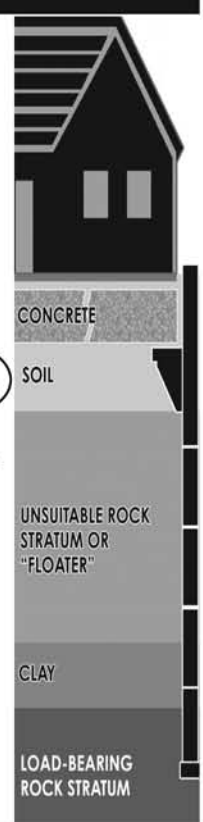
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6 :PM	Jeopardy!	Un Refugio para el Amor (SS)	Big Bang Ent	News Ent	Caso Carrado	News Millionaire	Seinfeld Seinfeld	McDonald McGee	PBS News-Hour	Seinfeld Seinfeld	American Chopper		Police Videos	The Mentalist		ANT Farm Shake It		MLB Baseball: Teams TBA.
7 :PM	The Bachelor		Hell's Kitchen	How I Met Broke Girl	Una Maid en Fear Factor	Millionaire	Fam. Guy Upd	Antiques Roadshow		90210	American Chopper	Movie: Mission to Mars, Don Cheadle	Police Videos	The Closer	The BET Awards 2012	Good Shake It	SportCtr	Basketball: Brazil vs. United States.
8 :PM		Abismo de Pasión	MasterChef	Two Men Mike	Corazón Valiente	Ninja Warrior	Fam. Guy Upd	Antiques Roadshow		Remodeled	Mobster Mobster		Stings	The Closer		Movie: Geek Charming		
9 :PM	The Glass House	La Que No	Simpsons How I Met	Hawaii Five-0	Pablo Escobar	Grimm (DVS)	Fam. Guy Upd	Antiques Roadshow		Cops	American Chopper	Movie: The Matrix, Carrie-Anne Moss	Police Videos	Perception			2012 ESPYs	Baseball Tonight
10 :PM	News Support	Impacto	How I Met Raymond	News Letterman	Noticias La Diosa Coronada	News Jay Leno	Conan	House CCM	Charlie Rose	'70s Mobster		Stings	The Closer		Game			SportsCenter
11 :PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Hasta-Dinero	Law Order: CI	Ferguson	Decisiones (SS)	Jimmy Fallon	Conan	Office Alan Lee	T. Smiley (Off Air)	'70s American Chopper		Stings	Perception	Wendy Williams	Wizards Wizards	Baseball Tonight	SportsCenter	
12 :AM	Extra Paid	Mañana-Siempre	Raymond Fam. Guy	Insider	Pagado	News	Conan	Upd Mark Blitz		South Pk Cornerstone	American Chopper		Stings	CSI: NY	BET Hip Hop Awards 2011	Deck Deck	NFL Live	SportsCenter
1 :AM	Paid	La Jaula	American Paid		Pagado	(:06) Today	Seinfeld	Light of the Southwest		Mobster Mobster		(:01) Movie: Summer Rental	Entourage	Rizzoli & Isles		Good Good	Nation Nation	SportsCenter

DENNIS THE MENACE

"WE HOPE THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH YOUR OVEN."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

"Okay, PJ's all ready to go out and get some sun."

HAGAR

TECHNICALLY SPEAKING, SNERT IS A GREAT HUNTING DOG...

... HE SEARCHES OUT HIS QUARRY AND HE STANDS PERFECTLY MOTIONLESS

HE JUST NEEDS HELP SEARCHING OUT THE RIGHT QUARRY!!

BLONDIE

CAN YOU BELIEVE ALL THE WORK THE BOSS EXPECTS US TO GET DONE BY FRIDAY?!

YEAH, SOMETIMES HE REALLY TAKES THE CAKE, DOESN'T HE?

BLONDIE

HAVE YOU SEEN DAG ANYWHERE?

YEAH, I THINK HE TOOK OFF FOR THAT NEW BAKERY DOWN THE STREET

WIZARD OF ID

YOUR HMO ONLY COVERS TRADITIONAL FORMS OF ANESTHESIA.

AGNES

WELCOME TO THE HOUSE OF AGNES... THE CENTER OF HOITY-TOITY FASHION AND CRIPPLING SHOES.

THE HOUSE OF AGNES?

YES, I AM NOW A FINE DESIGNER OF VERY HIGH-END, EXPENSIVE, FINE CLOTHES.

LIKE HOW EXPENSIVE?

I WANT TO RETIRE AFTER TWO SKIRTS AND A BELT.

IS THAT PUFF PAINT?

AGNES

SCRATCH SCRATCH SCRATCH

HELLO, WHAT'S THIS?

DRAGON FLEA...

HI AND LOIS

WHEN I WAS GROWING UP, THE "GENERATION GAP" WAS BETWEEN PARENTS AND KIDS.

NOW IT'S BETWEEN SIBLINGS.

WHAT DO KIDS TODAY KNOW ABOUT MUSIC?

MORE THAN YOU EVER DID.

THE OTHER COAST

REMEMBER WHAT BIRD-WATCHERS USED TO BE LIKE?

DO I EVER WHAT A FUSS THEY MADE.

TECH. THE BAD LANGUAGE WHEN THEY REALIZED THEY FORGOT TO LOAD THE FILM.

BUT WITH DIGITAL CAMERAS, IT'S SO PEACEFUL.

CLICK CLICK CLICK

UNTIL THEY REALIZE THEY FORGOT TO LOAD THE MEMORY CARD.

THE OTHER COAST

Y'KNOW MY EYESIGHT AIN'T WHAT IT USED T'BE !!

WE TOOK THAT INTO ACCOUNT, GRANPAW !!

FER YOU WE BRUNG SOME 'A TH' FAMBLY SIZE !!

BEETLE BAILEY

YOU THINK YOU'RE SO TOUGH! YOU CAN LICK ANYONE? HA!

GO GET HIM, POPEYE!

BEETLE BAILEY

GO GET HIM, POPEYE!

This Date In History

Today is Monday, July 16, the 198th day of 2012. There are 168 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 16, 1862, Flag Officer David G. Farragut became the first rear admiral in the United States Navy.

On this date:

In 1212, the Battle of Las Navas de Tolosa took place in Spain, resulting in victory for allied Christian troops over forces of the Almohad Empire.

In 1790, a site along the Potomac River was designated the permanent seat of the United States government; the area became Washington, D.C.

In 1909, the Audi auto company was founded in Zwickau, Germany, by August Horch.

In 1912, New York gambler Herman Rosenthal, set to testify before a grand jury about police corruption, was gunned down by members of the Lennox Avenue Gang.

In 1935, the first parking meters were installed in Oklahoma City.

In 1945, the United States exploded its first experimental atomic bomb in the desert of Alamogordo, N.M.

In 1951, the novel "The Catcher in the Rye" by J.D. Salinger was first published by Little, Brown and Co.

In 1964, as he accepted the Republican presidential nomination in San Francisco, Barry M. Goldwater said "extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice" and that "moderation in the pursuit of justice is no virtue."

In 1969, Apollo 11 blasted off from Cape Kennedy on the first manned mission to the surface of the moon.

In 1973, during the Senate Watergate hearings, former White House aide Alexander P. Butterfield publicly revealed the existence of President Richard Nixon's secret taping system.

In 1981, singer Harry Chapin was killed when his car was struck by a tractor-trailer on New York's Long Island Expressway.

In 1999, John F. Kennedy Jr., his wife, Carolyn, and her sister, Lauren Bessette, died when

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ACROSS

- Carpentry material
- Air-freshener target
- Hot herbal drinks
- Spot of land in the ocean
- Like an ice-covered road
- High-spirited horse
- Suffix for kitchen
- New employee
- Easier said ___ done
- Apex
- Honor ___ thieves
- Lincoln's top general
- Allow
- Gives a thumbs-up to
- Egypt's capital
- Game with kings and pawns
- Cat or dog
- More ___ (approximately)
- 100%
- Ankle-length skirt
- Airline spec for checked baggage
- Lamb's moms
- Good friend
- Go here and there
- Color of Santa's suit
- Elaborate meal
- Makes watertight
- Soup vessel
- On a boat, on a boat
- It's earned toward a degree
- Applied oil to
- Gather, as leaves

DOWN

- Freshly painted
- Honolulu's island
- Egg-shaped
- Declare untrue
- Joke around with
- And so on: Abbr.
- 24-hr. cash sources
- Gets a glimpse of
- Ocean predators
- Some soup beans
- Steam-emitting appliance
- Penny
- Beer barrel
- Wade noisily
- Don't rush things
- Crouch in fear
- "___ there yet?"
- Fibber's admission
- Bylaws, for short
- School corridors
- Kay follower
- Chinese bearlike beast
- Do well (at)
- Stadium levels
- Neighbor of Tampa, FL
- Hair on a horse's neck
- Motorists' org.
- Squander
- Did some origami
- Bring down on the football field
- West Point
- freshman
- Turned loose
- Rudely abrupt
- Woodwind instrument
- Graph-paper pattern
- Make less difficult
- College housing
- Creative suggestion
- Turnpike charge
- Stereo records: Abbr.
- Sandwich bread

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