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Eric Herm, local author and farmer, signs a book for Denise Wagner at the Heritage Museum on Saturday during a book signing. "Surviving Ourselves" is Herm's second book.

Arrests made in Memorial vandalism

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

Four Big Spring teens were arrested this morning in connection with the recent vandalization of the local Vietnam Memorial. According to law enforcement officials, the arrests included:

- Devan James Clark, 17, on charges of criminal mischief – damage to school, church or monument and tampering with or fabricating physical evidence with intent to impair.
- Anthony Alphonso Lewis, 17, on a charge of criminal mischief – damage to school, church or monument.

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City council plans to adopt tax rate Tuesday

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

The city administration will recommend the Big Spring City Council move forward with the published effective tax rate when it meets Tuesday evening, forcing the municipality to absorb a tax foul-up in the coming year estimated at \$130,000.

The proposed tax rate — the rate published by the city and certified by the Howard County Appraisal District — is 86.5043 cents per \$100

"By law, we have to have our tax rate in place by the end of September."

—Peggy Walker, city finance director



property valuation. However, due to a mistake made by the appraisal district in accounting for the values of property appraisals currently being protested, the rate that would bring in the same amount of tax revenue collected last year — known as the effective rate — is now being estimated at 88.8275 cents per \$100 property valuation. City Finance Director Peggy Walker said the city is running out of time to adopt its tax rate for 2012-2013, and though the problem was created by a mistake on the part of the Howard County Appraisal District, there's no way to make the necessary changes in

time. "By law, we have to have our tax rate in place by the end of September," Walker said. "Any time you go above the effective tax rate, there are a number of steps you have to follow or risk having the matter end up in court. And while we've established the correct effective rate is 88.82 cents, legally we're still bound to go by the rate published by the appraisal district, which is 86.5 cents. "To go with the correct rate, which is above the published effective rate, we'd have to have a council vote saying we're looking at going above the effective rate, then have the vote and the effective rate published. After that, you are required to hold two public hearings on the matter. Unfortunately, there's no way to get all of that done before the Sept. 30 deadline. Therefore, the city administration's recommendation to the council is going to be to adopt the

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9/11 event set Tuesday

Herald Staff Report

Crossroads area residents have an opportunity to honor fallen heroes Tuesday with the fifth 9/11 ceremony at the Big Spring Mall.

More than 250 people attended the brief ceremony last year. This year's ceremony will begin at 6:30 p.m. Special speaker will be Big Spring resident two-star General Major Eddy Spurgin. Other local dignitaries will participate.

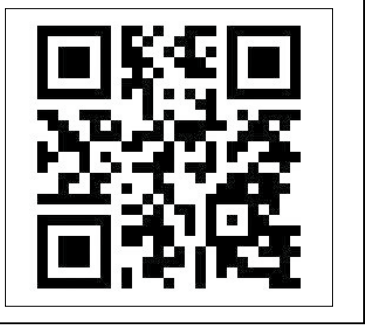


Tarpley

Mike Tarpley, Vietnam veteran who has conducted each of the 9/11 ceremonies, said it is crucial we remember our veterans and what they have done. "Every soldier who has served in combat knows the fear of 'If I die, will I be forgotten' and this is a way to tell them 'no they won't be forgotten'— as long as I have anything to do with it." "We remember these men and women one day a year, but their families remember them every day," Tarpley said. "That is just one of the many reasons we need to keep this going."

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Crime rampant on the border? Depends who's talking

MCALEN, Texas (AP) — A difference of opinion is forming over the problem of crime along the Texas borderlands near Mexico. Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples, a Republican who's running for lieutenant governor, has a state-operated website portraying the Texas borderlands as a violent,

dangerous place. ProtectYourTexasBorder.com aims to pressure federal officials into putting more security assets along the border, a keynote of Texas Republicans. McAllen police and Hidalgo County sheriff's official, however, cite crime statistics that show a precipitous drop in violent crime. The Moni-

tor of McAllen (http://bit.ly/O6fN80) reports the 2011 crime report for McAllen, a border city, hit a 21-year low with a dramatic increase in auto theft. Hidalgo County, where McAllen is situated, reported its second-lowest crime rate in 15 years with a 21.9 percent decline in violent crime.

Last month, the Texas Agriculture Department that Staples runs began posting on ProtectYourTexasBorder.com video interviews of Rio Grande Valley farmers, ranchers and government workers who describe violent confrontations.

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Obituaries

Joe H. Whirley



Joe H. Whirley died at 12:55 a.m. Sept. 8, 2012, at Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas, at the age of 91. He was born in Windom, Texas, on March 23, 1921. The Colorado City area was home to him in his youth and he was saved at the Dorn Chapel in 1937.

As a World War II Veteran, he served his country in the Army under General Patton. He was married to Helen Hallman Whirley in 1947, until her death in 2008. They lived in Big Spring, Texas, for many years where Joe worked as a service technician for Montgomery Wards. He also worked as Civil Service at Webb Air Force Base and transferred to White Sands Missile Range in Las Cruces, N.M., where he retired in 1986.

In his later years, he relocated to Austin, Texas, and then Burleson. He married Lillian Robertson Carruthers Whirley in 2009 and resided in Burleson, Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Lillian; his daughters, Janine Manley and husband Ronald of Austin, Texas, and Marlene Bohannon and husband Danny of Burleson, Texas; four grandchildren, Dawn Manley Hicks, Rodney Bohannon, Joe Bohannon and Sarah Eno Manley; and six great-grandkids. He is also survived by his step daughters, Erin Gregory, Elsie Holland and Carol Hobbs of the Dallas Fort Worth Metroplex.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2012, at the Dorn Chapel at Colorado City Lake, Texas.

The family will receive friends Tuesday from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home, 338 Locust St., Colorado City, TX 79512.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.kikerseale.com.

Paid obituary

L.C. Hurst



L.C. Hurst, 83, of Big Spring died Friday, Sept. 7, 2012, at his residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment with Masonic rites will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

He was born Jan. 24, 1929, in De Kalb, Texas, and married Virginia Conley on May 3, 1966, in Denver City, Texas. She preceded him in death June 3, 1992.

He worked for Exxon for 15 years and then for 38 years in the oil field for different drilling contractors and Pool Well Service. He worked at the Big Spring State Hospital in food service from 1983 to 1993.

He was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 628 A.F. & A.M. in Midland and the Dallas Scottish Rite.

Survivors include two sons, Shannon Hurst and Jimmy Hurst, both of Midland; five daughters, Lana Hurst and husband Tony Cortinez of Big Spring, Lorri Hurst of Snyder, Jenifer Hurst and husband Santos Mendoza Jr. of Big Spring, Josie Wheeler and husband Carlton and Linda Owens, all of Midland; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Vel Hurst; two sisters, Evelyn Hurst and Etaw Applin; a son-in-law, Bobby Owens; and a daughter-in-law, Pam Hurst.

The family suggests memorials be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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

Bonnie 'Bunky' Griffis



Bonnie "Bunky" Griffis, 68, of Kerrville, formerly of Big Spring died Friday, Sept. 7, 2012, at her residence. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born June 24, 1944, in Big Spring to Clara and Lewis White. She moved to Kerrville in 2009. She was a cook and had been employed at Texas Instruments in Midland/Odessa.

She is survived by one daughter, Debbie McDonald and husband Guy of Kerrville; two sons, Curtis White and Bryant Daniels, both of Big Spring; two sisters, Juanita White and her twin, Ola Mae Hale, and her husband Lloyd, all of Big Spring; two brothers, Bobby White and Doyle White, both of Big Spring; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Police blotter

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

- LLOYD PHILLIP HANSARD, 27, of 804 W. Interstate Highway 20, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.

- MASON JACK SNOW WILBANKS, 33, of 1202 E. Third St., was arrested Sunday on charges of failure to identify – giving false information, resisting arrest, search or transportation and assault – family violence.

- JOSE ORTEGA, 20, of 1111 E. 14th St., was arrested Sunday on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.

- PRIMITIVO VEGA JR., 35, transient, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.

- TONY ANTHONY ARRENDONDO, 21, of 1605 E. Sixth St., was arrested Sunday on warrants for consumption of alcohol by a minor, failure to appear and a warrant from another agency.

- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 500 block of S. Lancaster.

- THEFT was reported in the 1000 block of Birdwell Lane.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 75 inmates at the time of this report.

- NANCY RAMIREZ BANUELOS, 34, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on charges of bondsman off bond – issuance of a bad check and bail jumping – failure to appear.

- CANDIDA LYNN WHITEHEAD, 39, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of issuance of a bad check and municipal capias warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility and expired motor vehicle inspection certificate.

- JONATHAN BUSTAMANTE, 23, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a capias warrant for no driver's license.

- LUCIA ROCHA RUBIO, 47, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a Taylor County warrant for theft by check – more than \$20 and less than \$500.

- ELVIRA CANO PEREZ, 60, was booked into the county detention center Friday by DPS on a Tom Green County warrant for possession or use of inhale/ingest volatile chemical.

- ADRIAN PATRICK VALENCIA, 24, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on municipal capias warrants for speeding, violation of a promise to appear, driving while license invalid and failure to appear.

- CALEB JAMES LOVELESS, 18, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on charges of failure to identify – giving false information, driving while license invalid and a municipal warrant for no driver's license.

- ROBERT PAUL NEWTON, 34, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a municipal capias warrant for issuance of a bad check.

- JAMES THOMAS DEADMAN, 44, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of wrong/altered/obscured license plate and an Eastland County warrant for theft of property by check – more than \$20 and less than \$500.

- SAMANTHA BARBARA MUNOZ, 18, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a capias warrant for theft.

- MARCOS ANTONIO GUEVERA, 31, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- JIMMY EUGENE BERRY, 53, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- CHERICE ADMAYA CALLOWAY, 21, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for violation of school rules (three counts) and assault – physical contact.

- MASON JACK SNOW WILBANKS, 33, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on charges of resisting arrest, search or transportation, failure to identify – giving false information and assault – family violence.

- JOSE ORTEGA JR., 20, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.

- LLOYD PHILLIP HANSARD, 27, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- CLAY WALLACE MATHIS, 23, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to identify – giving false information.

- PRIMITIVO GALVAN VEGA JR., 35, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- DELIA VALERIE GARCIA, 28, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a charge of driving while intoxicated with a child passenger less than 15 years of age.

- VICTOR ANTONIO RODRIGUEZ, 21, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a charge of driving while intoxicated with a child passenger less than 15 years of age.

- JORGE RODRIGUEZ, 23, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a charge of public intoxication.

- IRMA LINDA BETANCOURT, 37, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a charge of public intoxication.

- TONY ANTHONY ARRENDONDO, 21, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of bail jumping – failure to appear and municipal warrants for minor in possession of alcohol and failure to appear.

- ARTHUR MORENO ORTEGA, 49, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a charge of theft by check – more than \$20 and less than \$500.

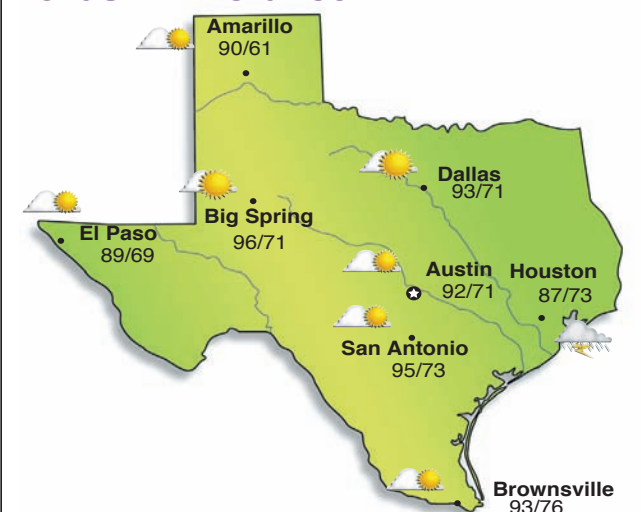
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 9/12	Thu 9/13	Fri 9/14	Sat 9/15	Sun 9/16
96/71 A few clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	86/62 Scattered thunderstorms possible.	75/59 Chance of showers. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the upper 50s.	77/62 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the low 60s.	88/66 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s.
Sunrise: 7:28 AM Sunset: 7:55 PM	Sunrise: 7:29 AM Sunset: 7:54 PM	Sunrise: 7:30 AM Sunset: 7:53 PM	Sunrise: 7:30 AM Sunset: 7:51 PM	Sunrise: 7:31 AM Sunset: 7:50 PM

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Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	94	69	mst sunny	Kingsville	95	75	t-storm
Amarillo	90	61	pt sunny	Livingston	89	69	pt sunny
Austin	92	71	pt sunny	Longview	90	68	mst sunny
Beaumont	87	72	pt sunny	Lubbock	93	65	mst sunny
Brownsville	93	76	pt sunny	Lufkin	93	71	pt sunny
Brownwood	94	69	pt sunny	Midland	96	72	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	92	77	t-storm	Raymondville	96	74	pt sunny
Corsicana	92	69	mst sunny	Rosenberg	88	72	t-storm
Dallas	93	71	mst sunny	San Antonio	95	73	pt sunny
Del Rio	99	78	pt sunny	San Marcos	93	71	pt sunny
El Paso	89	69	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	91	69	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	96	69	mst sunny	Sweetwater	94	69	mst sunny
Gainesville	91	68	mst sunny	Tyler	92	70	mst sunny
Greenville	91	67	mst sunny	Weatherford	91	68	mst sunny
Houston	87	73	t-storm	Wichita Falls	95	68	mst sunny

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

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of Sixth Street and Scurry. Service refused.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 7400 block of N. County Road 19. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of 14th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of Stadium. One person was transported to SMMC.

- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported in the 1800 block of Old Colorado City Highway.

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of S. Birdwell Lane. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 3700 block of E. 11th Place. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of FM 700. 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 1200 block of E. Third Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of E. 11th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAUMA was reported in the 700 block of Colgate. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 2700 block of S. Gregg Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1400 block of Wood. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1500 block of Wood. One person was transported to SMMC.

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1700 block of S. Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of S. Settles. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Madison. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of Dallas. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of N.E. 10th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

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State Briefs

Man charged in slaying of girl, 16

CARROLLTON, Texas (AP) — Dallas-area authorities say a 16-year-old girl whose body was found in a secluded area near the Trinity River was fatally shot by a man accused of sexually assaulting her two years ago.

Police in the Dallas suburb of Carrollton say 30-year-old Franklin B. Davis of Irving was charged with capital murder Sunday after confessing to the death of Shania Gray, who was expected to testify against him next month.

The girl had disappeared Thursday and her body was found Saturday. Police say the girl, who babysat for Davis' children, was killed Thursday.

Davis was being held Dallas County jail on Monday morning on \$2 million bond.

Body found after house fire

ELECTRA, Texas (AP) — One person was found dead following a house fire near the small North Texas town of Electra.

Wichita County Sheriff David Duke tells the Wichita Falls Times Record News that the home was engulfed in flames when the Electra Fire Department arrived moments after getting the call Sunday afternoon about the fire at the wood frame home.

Duke says a man escaped the home but told firefighters a woman was still in the house.

Deputies found a body inside that was burned beyond recognition. That person has not been positively identified, but the man who escaped said the person who remained inside was a 68-year-old woman.

ArkLaTex man jailed in child's death

TEXARKANA, Texas (AP) — A 32-year-old Texarkana, Texas, man is jailed on a capital murder charge in the death of a 2-year-old boy.

Jimmy Paul Mahone is confined Sunday to the Bi-

State Justice Building jail in Texarkana with bond set at \$1.5 million. He's accused of killing Dalton Slaten of Texarkana.

Sgt. Steve Shelley of the Texarkana, Texas, police says the child was pronounced dead Saturday at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock, Ark., after arriving from Wadley Regional Medical Center in Texarkana, Texas, the night before with multiple injuries.

Shelley tells the Texarkana Gazette the child was in a babysitter's care Friday before Mahone took custody of him at some point during the day. Shelley said the sitter returned Friday evening to find the child crying in Mahone's arms.

Some governments bet on 8-liners

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Some South Texas governments are reaping a revenue bonanza from fees charged on game-room machines.

Duval County, west of Corpus Christi, has collected just under \$600,000 so far this year from the "eight-liner" machines in its game rooms, about a quarter of it in cash, the Austin American-Statesman reported Sunday. That is about 9 percent of the county's \$7 million yearly budget, the newspaper reported.

That may be just the beginning as a huge new game room offering hundreds of eight-liners opened over Labor Day weekend near San Diego, the county seat.

"Of course the machines are illegal, as I understand it," said Jo Ann Ehmann, the part-time bookkeeper of Gregory, a Coastal Bend town northeast of Corpus Christi.

The home of about 2,000 residents has collected about \$800,000 in the 18 months since it started enforcing its \$1,000-per-machine game room ordinance. The town's annual budget is about \$1 million.

Together, a half-dozen or so rural counties and municipalities have earned millions of dollars

from recently enacted fees levied on the gaming machines, the American-Statesman reported.

State law prohibits paying out cash prizes from the machines. Most ostensibly offer such prizes as stuffed animals and rolls of paper towels. But law enforcement officers say such operations can't profit without illegally paying cash prizes.

"Do you think these people are there at 3 in the morning to win toilet paper or roasters as a prize?" Duval County Treasurer Robert Elizondo asked.

Man missing in Guadalupe River

SEGUIN, Texas (AP) — Authorities will resume the search for a man who went missing in the Guadalupe River near Seguin.

Rusty Krueger, a battalion chief with the Seguin Fire Department, tells the San Antonio Express-News (bit.ly/P3gYHw) that the man and several others were tubing on the river Sunday evening when they came into deeper water.

Krueger says, "We were able to rescue four of them, but one of them disappeared before we arrived on-scene."

Krueger says a rescue swimmer with the fire department helped the four people to safety. They were uninjured.

Officials then searched the area until after sundown before calling off the search for the night.

UT getting grant for nanotechnology center

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The University of Texas is getting an \$18.5 million federal grant for a new engineering research center that will focus on turning advances in nanoscience into innovations.

The National Science Foundation announced the grant Monday. It will be paid during the next five years, with \$13.5 million staying at UT and about \$5 million to be split between the University of California, and the University of New Mexico.

ARRESTS

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- Nicholas Lee Sharp, 17, on charges of criminal mischief — damage to school, church or monument and tampering with or fabricating physical evidence with intent to impair.

- Kevin Logan Towner, 17, on charges of criminal mischief — damage to school, church or monument and tampering with or fabricating physical evidence with intent to impair.

The vandalism of the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial is believed to have taken place the

weekend of Aug. 25, according to reports issued by local law enforcement officials, with the damage limited mainly to the AH-1 "Apache" helicopter and the Fallen Soldier Memorial case.

Everett said this morning some of the items taken have been recovered.

"Last weekend, around Sunday, Sept. 2, one of the members of the Vietnam Memorial Committee who takes care of the grounds discovered several items had been dropped off," Everett said. "A white helmet, the mannequin's head, the flight suit the mannequin was

wearing and the canteen from the memorial case were found, along with a note. The note said they were sorry for taking the items and didn't mean to offend anyone."

Everett said the charges for tampering with evidence stems from the returned items.

"They wiped all of the items they returned down, getting rid of any fingerprints," he said. "That's why they are being charged with tampering with evidence."

As for the clock, which was believed to have contained radioactive material, Everett said it's still unclear at this time if the item was

taken from the cockpit of the helicopter in the first place.

"All four suspects have told us they didn't take a clock from the helicopter," Everett said. "Also, after talking with several of the officials from the Vietnam memorial Committee, none of them have been able to tell us with certainty the item was in the Apache at the time of the vandalism."

All four suspects arrested are students at Big Spring High School, according to Everett, who added a Crimestoppers tip was what allowed law enforcement to break the case.

Bond had not been set

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86.5043 cents per \$100 valuation."

Walker said the budgetary shortfall — which has been estimated at \$134,694 — will have to come out of the city's general fund.

"We don't really expect it to be a huge hit for our budget," Walker said. "It won't call for any major changes to the 2012-2013 budget, just some adjustments to projected revenues. Next year, when we begin putting together the 2013-2014 budget, we'll have the necessary time to make the needed adjustments to keep this

year's published effective rate — which, again, is incorrect — from impacting the tax rate for years to come. That could call for going above the effective rate by a few cents."

The council is also to hold a public hearing regarding its proposed 2012-2013 budget during the meeting. While the budget has been overshadowed by the tax rate snafu during the past few weeks, the fiscal plan has been lauded as ambitious by city officials.

Among other things, the budget features a pay raise for employees (the first in two years), \$500,000 for water line replacement, set-aside money to purchase

property for landfill use and almost \$4 million designated for water purchases.

Among the highlights of the proposed budget are:

- Pay raises — The council approved a 3 percent pay raise for all employees (excepting senior staff) and held the door open for even more pay increases.

Faced with an annual turnover rate of about 30 percent, Fuqua said the city has to do something in order to retain its employees.

- Water line replacement — Having replaced water lines on Third and Fourth streets and Birdwell Lane during the current fiscal year, the city will take aim at

other areas in the coming 12 months. Assistant City Manager Todd Darden said officials are eyeing the west end of town and the area surrounding the water treatment plant as possible sites for future water line replacement.

- Landfill purchases — Fuqua said the city landfill will be full in about four years, and since the permitting process for opening a new landfill also takes about four years, he said the city is reaching a critical stage in deciding the future of the facility.

Tuesday's meeting is to get under way at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

at the time of this report. The suspects were expected to be booked

into the Howard County Detention Center this afternoon.

sudoku

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

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♦ 8 7 3
♣ 9 7 2

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♥ 9 8 2
♦ A Q 9 4
♣ K 5 3

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

The bidding:
North 1♦ East 1♥ South 1♠ West 1♣
2♦ Dble 3♥ Pass
4♥

Opening lead — ace of clubs.

Today's deal occurred near the end of the 1989 Venice Cup final between two women's teams from the Netherlands and the United States. The Americans won the world title after outscoring their opponents by 49 International Match Points over the last 16 boards. This was the fifth deal of that set.

When the hand was first played,

Kerri Shuman of the U.S. reached four hearts as shown. North's two-diamond cuebid promised a sound raise in hearts, and South's jump to three hearts showed extra values. North (Karen McCallum) then carried on to game.

West led the ace of clubs and shifted to the six of diamonds. East won with the ace and returned a diamond, Shuman finessing the jack. West ruffed, but that was the third and final trick for the defense, so Shuman made her contract for a score of +620.

The same contract was reached at the other table, but here the defense by Americans Lynn Deas and Beth Palmer was far more efficient.

Deas, West, led her singleton diamond at trick one. Palmer won with the ace and returned the diamond four, a suit-preference signal directing West to return a club if she ruffed the diamond.

Deas ruffed South's jack and, displaying full confidence in her partner, led a low club to East's king. Palmer returned another diamond, and West's ruff sank the contract.

The combined total of 100 points at this table and 620 at the other gave the U.S. a 12-IMP pickup on the deal.

Tomorrow: The odds are 20-to-1.

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BORDER

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One is of Othal E. Brand Jr., head of Hidalgo County Water Improvement District 3 and son of a longtime McAllen mayor. He tells of two workmen fleeing from a district pump on the Rio Grande after someone fired a gunshot at them from the Mexican side. Brand said the men told him they advised the U.S. Border Patrol, but The Monitor reports a patrol spokesman said he found no record of the incident.

"I didn't want it to be my word for it," Staples told The Monitor. "I

thought farmers and ranchers telling it firsthand would be the most effective tool."

Police in Hidalgo, where the pump is situated, said they knew nothing about it until a report appeared in The Monitor. A police report later said the district foreman showed an officer where the bullets

had struck a concrete wall. The officer wrote that he saw no marks or bullet holes on the wall.

"There's no denying that South Texas, especially the Hidalgo County area that I'm most familiar with, is one of the preferred smuggling routes for drugs, illegal immigrants and human trafficking," Hidalgo

County Sheriff Lupe Trevino said.

"But to say the farmers and ranchers have been victimized personally — other than the trespassing (by illegal immigrants) — have been assaulted? Threatened? I don't have the statistics to support those allegations," he said.

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News in Brief

Chicago teachers to hit picket lines; mayor vows to keep kids safe, get them back in classroom

CHICAGO (AP) — City officials vowed to keep hundreds of thousands of students safe when striking teachers hit the picket lines Monday and school district and teachers union leaders resumed negotiations on a contract that appeared close to being resolved over the weekend before the union announced both sides were too far apart to prevent the district's first strike in 25 years.

The walkout in the nation's third-largest school district posed a tricky test for Mayor Rahm Emanuel and his city, as parents and school officials begin the task of trying to ensure nearly 400,000 students are kept safe.

School officials said they will open more than 140 schools between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. so children can eat lunch and breakfast in a district where many students receive free meals. The district asked community organizations to provide additional programs for students, and a number of churches, libraries and other groups plan to offer day camps and other activities. But it's not clear how many families will send their children to the added programs.

Police Chief Garry McCarthy said he was deploying police officers to those sites to ensure kids' safety but also to "deal with any protests that teachers may, in fact, have" while protecting their rights. He also was taking officers off desk duties and re-deploying them to the streets to deal with potential protests — and thousands of students who could be on the streets.

Emanuel said he will work to end the strike quickly.

U.S. watchdog questions Afghan army's \$1.1 billion fuel budget, urges clampdown on spending

WASHINGTON (AP) — The watchdog for U.S. spending in Afghanistan says lax accountability in a \$1.1 billion program supplying fuel to the Afghan National Army needs "immediate attention" before control of the program is turned over to the Kabul government in less than four months.

There's no proof the fuel is actually being used by Afghan security forces for their missions, meaning it's not known how much some fuel has been lost, stolen or diverted to the insurgency, according to a report released Monday by Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction John F. Sopko.

The report is the latest bad news surrounding a key element of the U.S. exit strategy for Afghanistan. Washington has spent billions of dollars on the international coalition's effort to train and equip Afghan forces it hopes eventually will be able to fight the Taliban on their own. The new report comes on top of growing questions in recent weeks about how recruits are vetted for the Afghan forces — questions prompted by a spike in insider attacks in which Afghan soldiers, police or impersonators have killed 45 international service members this year, mostly Americans.

The report also found: — An audit of the spending is being hampered because someone shredded financial records covering \$475 million in fuel payments over more than four years and officials inexplicably couldn't pro-

vide complete records for a fifth year.

APNewsBreak: Border Patrol halts one-way flights to Mexico from Arizona amid cost concerns

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The U.S. government has halted flights home for Mexicans caught entering the country illegally in the deadly summer heat of Arizona's deserts, a money-saving move that ends a seven-year experiment that cost taxpayers nearly \$100 million.

More than 125,000 passengers were flown deep into Mexico for free since 2004 in an effort that initially met with skepticism from Mexican government officials and migrants, but was gradually embraced as a way to help people back on their feet and save lives.

The Border Patrol hailed it as a way to discourage people from trying their luck again, and it appears to have kept many away — at least for a short time.

But with Border Patrol arrests at 40-year lows and fresh evidence suggesting more people may be heading south of the border than north, officials struggled to fill the planes and found the costs increasingly difficult to justify. Flights carrying up to 146 people were cut to once from twice daily last year.

And this summer, there haven't been any.

Lawmakers return to Washington with key objective: kick the can down the road

WASHINGTON (AP) — When lawmakers return to Washington on Monday, they face big issues, including taxes, spending cuts and the prospect of a debilitating "fiscal cliff" in January. Yet Congress is expected to do what it often does best: punt problems to the future.

With Election Day less than two months away, their focus seems to be on the bare minimum — preventing a government shutdown when the budget year ends Sept. 30.

Democrats controlling the Senate and their House GOP rivals also will try to set up votes intended to score political points or paint the other side with an unflattering brush two months before the election. Their efforts are sure to be overshadowed by the presidential campaign.

Topping the agenda of substantive business is a six-month temporary spending bill to finance the government's day-to-day operations. The annual appropriations process on Capitol Hill collapsed about midway through the campaign season. The stopgap measure would give the next Congress time to fashion a full-year plan. There would be no more sure way of driving Congress' approval ratings even lower than for lawmakers to stumble into a government shutdown right before the Nov. 6 vote.

House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., hope to present the measure this week, with a House vote as early as Thursday. The measure also will ensure a steady flow of money into disaster aid accounts.

Desperate to stop attacks by patients' relatives and friends, Indian hospital hires bouncers

NEW DELHI (AP) — Pradeep Kumar, a muscular man in shades and tattoos, pulls up on a motorcycle, ready for his job as a bouncer. Not at a nightclub, but at another workplace where violence is common in India: a hospital.

He and his burly colleagues keep the emergency and labor rooms from filling up with patients' often agitated relatives and friends. The bouncers are polite, yet so tough-looking that people think twice about ignoring their orders.

"These guys look like they walked right out of an action movie," said Pawan Desai, who

brought his 4-year-old daughter to Deen Dayal Upadhyay Hospital for treatment for a cut on her hand.

The medical staff at DDU, a government hospital, had faced nearly one attack a month and had gone on strike 20 times over six years demanding better security. Since the hospital replaced its middle-aged, pot-bellied guards with bar bouncers, bodyguards, and wrestlers sporting muscles and tattoos, "there hasn't been a single incident," said Dr. Nitin Seth, the doctor who was injured in April.

Where is China's next leader? Mystery absence of Xi sends rumors millions into frenzy

BEIJING (AP) — Where is President-in-waiting Xi Jinping?

Is he nursing a bad back after pulling a muscle in a pick-up soccer game (or maybe in the swimming pool)? Has he been convalescing after narrowly escaping a revenge killing by supporters of ousted Communist Party boss Bo Xilai? Was he in a car accident? Or just really busy getting ready to lead the world's no. 2 economy ahead of the expected leadership transition next month?

Chinese micro-bloggers and overseas websites have come up with all kinds of creative speculation as to why the current vice president has gone unseen for more than a week. During that span, Xi canceled meetings with visiting foreign dignitaries including U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong. Monday, it was the Danish prime minister's turn.

Xi's whereabouts during this sudden absence from the spotlight may never be known. One thing, however, is certain: China may now be a linchpin of the global economy and a force in international diplomacy, but the lives of its leaders remain an utter mystery to its 1.3 billion people, its politics an unfathomable black hole.

So when the presumptive head of that opaque leadership disappears from public view, rumors naturally go into frenzy.

U.S. opposes Jewish group's bid for penalty against Russia for withholding historical documents

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration is opposing a Jewish group's bid to have civil fines levied against Russia for failing to obey a court order to return its historic books and documents — a dispute which has halted the loan of Russian artworks for exhibit in the United States.

In a recent court filing, the Justice Department argued that judicial sanctions against Russia in this case would be contrary to U.S. foreign policy interests and inconsistent with U.S. law.

The Jewish group, Chabad-Lubavitch, based in the Brooklyn borough of New York City, has already convinced Chief Judge Royce Lamberth of the U.S. District Court here that it has a valid claim to the tens of thousands of religious books and manuscripts, some up to 500 years old, which record the group's core teachings and traditions.

Lamberth ruled the records are unlawfully possessed by the Russian State Library and the Russian military archive. And in 2010, he ordered the Russian government to turn them over to the U.S. embassy in Moscow or to the group's representative.

Russia, which doesn't recognize the authority of the U.S. court, has refused. It says the collection is part of Russia's national heritage.

U.S. hands over formal control of Bagram prison to Afghan government

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — U.S. officials handed over formal control of Afghanistan's only large-scale U.S.-run prison to Kabul on Monday, even as disagreements between the two countries over the Taliban and terror suspects held there marred the transfer.

The handover ceremony took place at the prison next to a sprawling U.S. airfield in Bagram, just north of Kabul. President Hamid Karzai has hailed the transfer as a victory for Afghan sovereignty.

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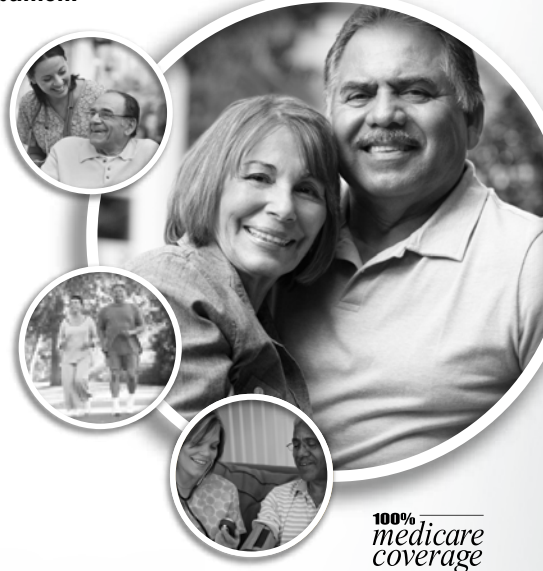
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Texans spoil Tannehill's NFL debut

HOUSTON (AP) — Andre Johnson is not a talker.

So when Houston's star receiver stood up and addressed his team on the importance of this season in their meeting Saturday night, the Texans took notice.

And on Sunday with Johnson's words fresh in their minds, Houston took advantage of four turnovers to get a 30-10 victory over the Miami Dolphins in rookie quarterback Ryan Tannehill's NFL debut.

Of course, Houston's most veteran player contributed more than just his moti-

vational speech, finishing with 119 yards receiving and a touchdown for his 39th career 100-yard game.

Arian Foster added two scores to help the Texans get off to a solid start in a season they hope will end in the Super Bowl.

"(He) talked to his teammates about his career and what he wants to get out of his career and what this team means to him," coach Gary Kubiak said of Johnson's message. "I didn't have to say a darn thing after that."

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Courtesy photo/Valerie Avery

The Grady girls Cross Country squad placed seventh at the first meet of the season over the weekend at the Andrews X-treme Cross Country Meet.

Griffin III shines, Redskins top Saints

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Robert Griffin III lifted his head from the Superdome turf so he could witness the fruits of his sacrifice, then raised both arms in the air as he began to sit up.

Although the Redskins rookie can scramble with the best of them, he decided against dancing away from blitzing Saints safety Malcolm Jenkins, electing instead to wait until the moment before impact

to deliver the throw he was supposed to make.

The result was an 88-yard connection with Pierre Garcon that gave Griffin his first NFL touchdown and set Washington on the path to a season-opening 40-32 upset of New Orleans on Sunday.

Making a slew of clutch plays, Griffin sustained drives and helped Washington dominate time of possession, 39:10 to 20:50.

Well-rested Redskins defenders liked what they saw.

"He lived up to all of the hype. He's as good as advertised," Washington linebacker Ryan Kerrigan said. "I mean, how many great plays did he make out there?"

Quite a few. Griffin completed his first eight passes and finished 19 of 26 with two touchdowns, no interceptions and a passer rating of 139.9. He also scrambled

for 42 yards. The ball Griffin threw for his first TD was given to him after the game, and the 2011 Heisman Trophy winner from Baylor cradled it while talking about what it meant to him to play so well in his NFL debut and have Saints quarterback Drew Brees congratulate him after the game.

"You can win a high school state

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Texas bats silenced by Shields in loss to Rays

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — The Texas Rangers had a solid road trip end on a sour note.

B.J. Upton hit three home runs, James Shields threw a two-hitter and the Tampa Bay Rays beat Texas 6-0 on Sunday.

The AL West-leading Rangers completed a 10-game road trip at 6-4.

"Today definitely wasn't our day, but we're playing well," Texas designated hitter Michael Young said.

Upton hit solo homers in the first, fourth and sixth innings. He struck out in second, and received a standing ovation before hitting a broken-bat grounder to third in the eighth.

"You kind of dream about doing things like that and they don't happen very often," Upton said. "And to do that against a Ranger ballclub that pitches pretty well is a great feeling."

Upton joined Evan Longoria (2008) and Jonny Gomes (2005) as the only Tampa Bay players with three-homer games.

Shields (14-8) permitted just three baserunners. Elvis Andrus reached on a first-inning error, Nelson Cruz had an infield single in the second and David Murphy singled in the eighth.

"James Shields was on," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "He was really good. If you look at the game, you've got to give credit to James Shields. When a guy like that is pitching like that, it makes you look like you're lethargic."

Tampa Bay took two of three in the weekend series against the Rangers. The first two games went extra innings.

Roy Oswalt, making his first start since Aug. 23, left after two innings because of right flexor muscle soreness near his elbow. The Texas right-hander, who allowed four runs and six hits, took the place of 15-game winner Matt Harrison, who had his scheduled start pushed back from Sunday to Tuesday to allow for extra rest.

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HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat

Young athletes participate in a soccer match Saturday as part of the Big Spring Youth Soccer Association.

Red Raiders rout Texas State 58-10

SAN MARCOS, Texas (AP) — A week after shocking Houston 30-13, any dreams that the Texas State Bobcats had of an upset were crushed by Big 12 opponent Texas Tech.

Tech scored a pair of touchdowns in a 51-second span of the opening four and a half minutes of the game, and the Red Raiders coasted to a 58-10 victory over Texas State on Saturday night.

"It was hard to get behind so quickly, but really Texas Tech was just a lot better than us tonight, I don't know if the quick deficit really made that big a difference," said Texas State coach Dennis Fran-

chione. After shocking Conference USA foe Houston, Texas State's hopes of upsetting a Big 12 opponent were dashed when Cody Davis returned an interception 88 yards for a touchdown less than four minutes into the game. The Red Raiders recovered the ensuing kickoff and staged a three-play drive with Seth Moegle completing a 23-yard touchdown pass to Darrin Moore for a 14-0 lead with 4:06 gone in the first quarter.

Attendance at Bobcat Stadium was a record 33,006 fans, breaking the previous record of 16,600 set in a 1981 game

against Texas A&M Kingsville.

"It was a great atmosphere, the fans were great. We just didn't play as well as we had hoped and did not give them the game they deserved," Franchione said.

Seth Doege passed for 319 yards and a career-tying five touchdowns by completing 25 of 32 for Tech (2-0) in less than three quarters of work. He threw two TDs in the first quarter, his first coming less than a minute after the Tech defense opened the scoring on Cody Davis' 88-yard

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Astros beat Cincinnati 5-1 to post rare series

CINCINNATI (AP) — The Cincinnati Reds played their last game against the Houston Astros as NL opponents but they will not forget Matt Dominguez anytime soon.

Dominguez hit a three-run homer, Tyler Greene added a solo shot and the Astros slowed Cincinnati's run to the NL Central title with a 5-1 win over the Reds on Sunday.

The 23-year old former first-round pick of the Marlins came to the Astros in exchange for Carlos Lee. All three of his homers have been at the expense of the Reds, and the last two were key in winning two games in this series. He hit a ninth-inning, three-run home run off Aroldis Chapman on Friday to lift the Astros to a 5-3 win.

"I'm really pleased with the guys," said Astros interim manager Tony DeFrancesco, who like most of his players wasn't here to

endure Houston's struggles on the road. "It's been a long season for a lot of these guys. To win a series against the team with the (second-best) record in baseball is great. Dominguez had the big hit."

Edgar Gonzalez allowed two hits and one run in five innings against the Reds, who came in with a magic number of 14 for eliminating second-place St. Louis. Gonzalez (2-0) walked one and struck out six, and the Astros limited Cincinnati to five hits overall while winning a rare series for the first time since early June against the White Sox.

Gonzalez developed a blister on his right foot and had to leave the game against his wishes.

"He's had two good outings. He was landing at the same spot that Cueto was. His foot was irritated. They (trainers) tried to fix it but couldn't. He should be fine for his next start."

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll be engaged in a social dance. You'll be wise not to move forward until you've discerned what the other person wants from you. Knowing what style of dance this is will make you both more graceful.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Dare to be unprepared. You'll be amazed at what you can come up with on the fly. It's not like you're going into a remote jungle without your survival kit. The stakes aren't so high, so have a little fun.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). That hobby you've casually attended to in your spare time will now earn you a nice benefit. In some manner, you have racked up enough points to claim a reward.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll have fun with your communications. You'll speak lightheartedly and off the cuff, neither seeking nor expecting a reaction. So when you get a favorable response, it's a bonus.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A hospitable mood takes hold

of you. You are careful to make the people around you feel comfortable. Because of this, you'll be invited back, and others will want you to invite them back into your company.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Ignore complications. They will go away. Simple pleasures such as watching nature, enjoying family and friends, and eating healthful, delicious foods will bring you serenity and clarity.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The line between indulging and overindulging is so fine now that it may be best not to do either. Instead, rest and recharge. Tomorrow you'll have greater reserves of willpower.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You may be doing something wrong that you don't realize you're doing wrong. Awareness of this is a step forward, so you can feel good about it. Now learn the right way, and keep practicing until it's automatic.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have a gift for thinking ahead — far, far into the future. You have a good idea about what you want to experience when you get there, and it will help you to dwell awhile in the details of that.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You may feel defensive, as though you must protect your feelings.

The person or situation that puts you on guard can be effectively neutralized, and you're just the one to figure out how to do it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The universe seems a little confused about what to give you. Just keep in mind that sometimes what you think is a punishment is actually a reward, and vice versa. For now, it's best not to presuppose.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are things you can't learn by watching videos or listening to lectures. Experience is the only way. You have to get your hands dirty, so to speak, and today you will.

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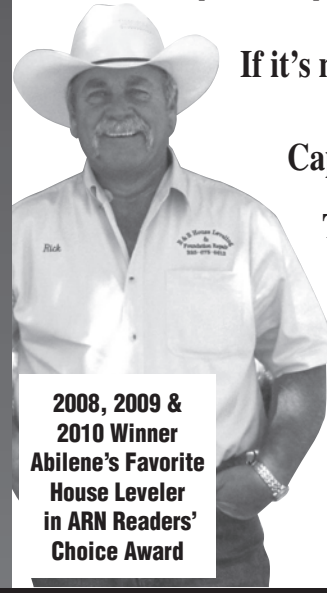
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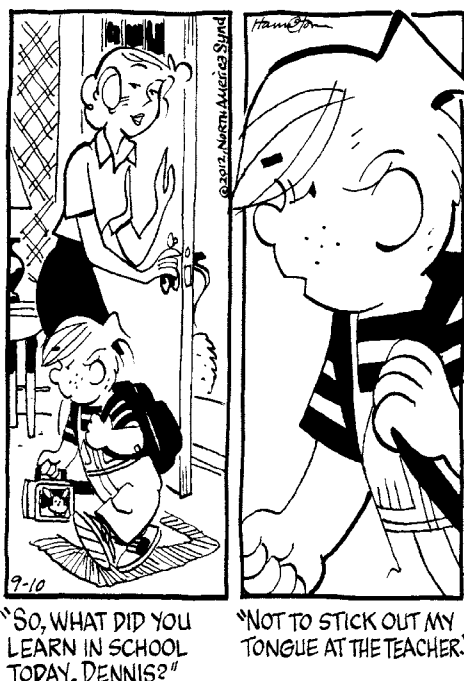
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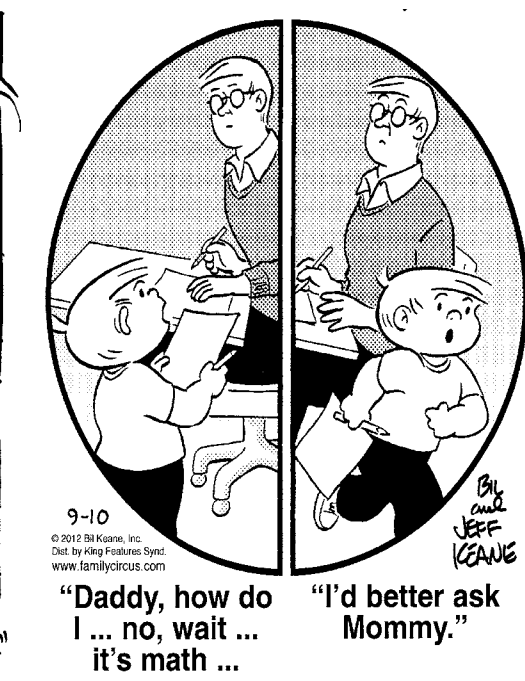
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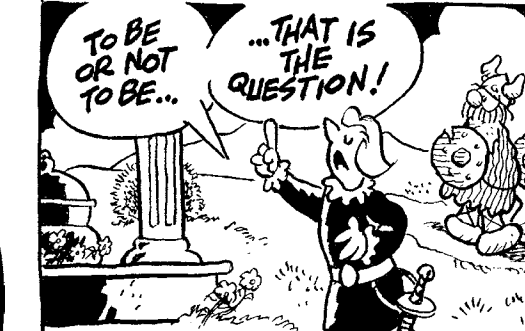
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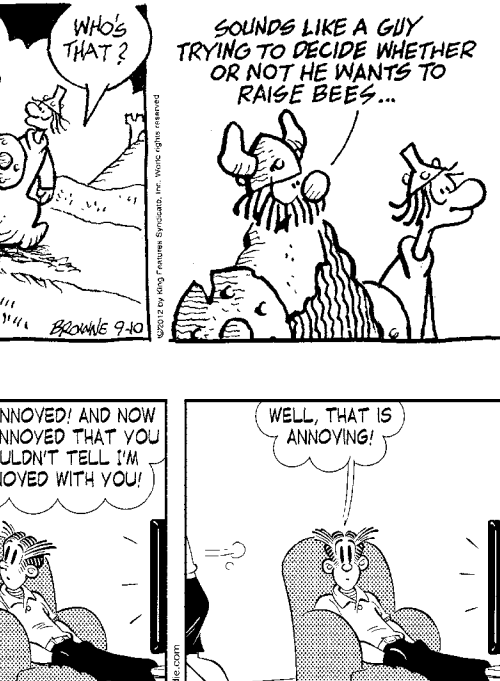
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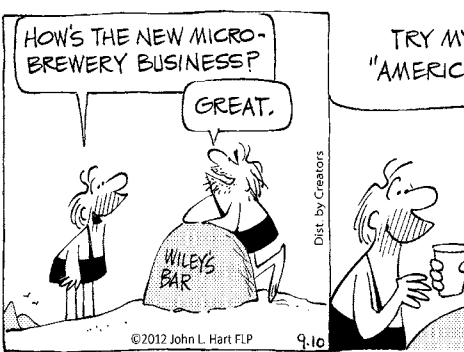
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This Date In History

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Today's Highlight in History:

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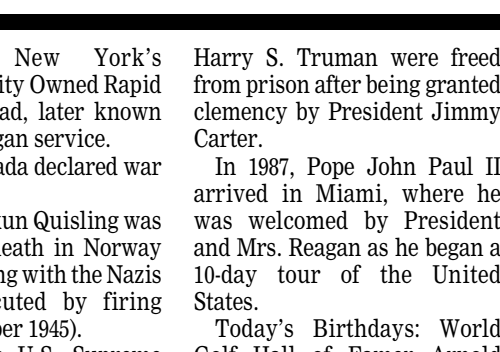
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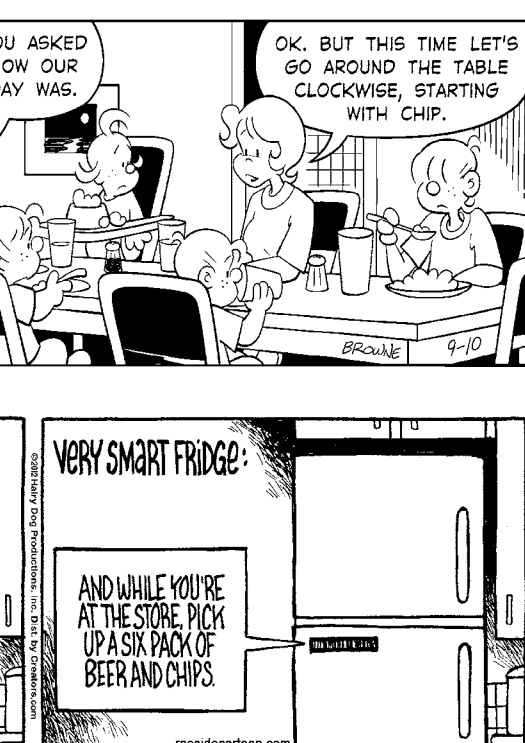
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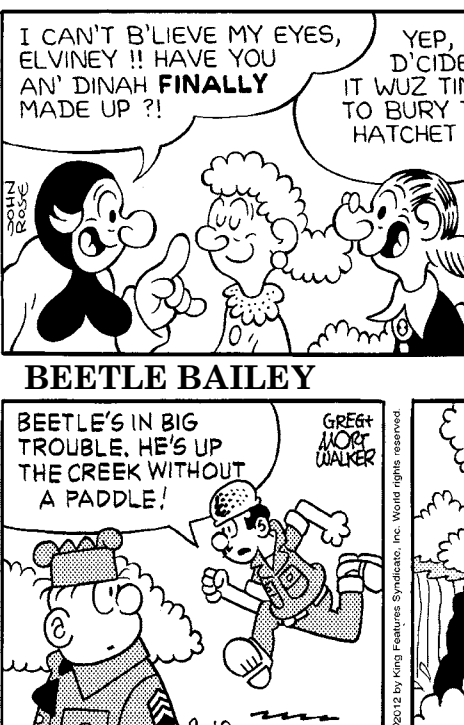
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- 1 Spilled the beans
 - 5 Agile
 - 9 March composer John Philip
 - 14 Online auction site
 - 15 Shower gel additive
 - 16 Pester
 - 17 Sheltered inlet
 - 18 Arizona city
 - 19 Words on a book's spine
 - 20 Healthy fare
 - 23 Sign of the future
 - 24 Charged atom
 - 25 Neighbor of Tampa, Fla.
 - 29 For each 30 Mornings: Abbr.
 - 33 Sports stadium
 - 34 Canoe, for one
 - 36 Piggy-bank opening
 - 37 Very remote place
 - 40 Sheep sounds
 - 41 story (biography)
 - 42 Racetrack runner
 - 43 Everyone
 - 44 Good friend
 - 45 Tin alloy
 - 46 Have a meal
 - 47 Fairy-tale monster
 - 49 Some baseball players
 - 56 Stage of development
 - 57 Rowboat implements
 - 58 Verbal exam
- DOWN**
- 1 Computer pro
 - 2 English horn kin
 - 3 Volcanic flow
 - 4 Salon colorist
 - 5 Bully's reply
 - 6 Fancy feather
 - 7 Resident of Italy's capital
 - 8 January to December
 - 9 Took, as an exam
 - 10 Hamburger topping
 - 11 "Do others ..."
 - 12 Real-estate sign
 - 13 Sailor's "yes"
 - 21 Full amount
 - 22 Connect with
 - 25 Brazilian ballroom dance
 - 26 Courtroom event
 - 27 Foot lever
 - 28 Brings to a halt
 - 29 Window glass
 - 30 Watchful
 - 31 Telegrapher's code
 - 32 Do the driving on a stove
 - 34 Start to bubble
 - 35 Light-switch position
 - 36 Theater production
 - 38 Make happy
 - 39 Roulette spinner
 - 44 Inventor's protection
 - 45 Like some car-radio stations
 - 46 Happen next
 - 47 Old enough
 - 48 Young ladies
 - 49 Enjoy some gum
 - 50 English nobleman
 - 51 Underground plant part
 - 52 Round specks
 - 53 One of the Great Lakes
 - 54 Very uncommon
 - 55 Winter coaster
 - 56 Tennis instructor

Answer to previous puzzle

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ROUT

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interception return. Texas State fell behind 28-0 and didn't score until starting quarterback Shaun Rutherford was pulled and backup Tyler Arndt threw a 25-yard TD pass to Terrence Franks with just less than 11 minutes left in the first half. Arndt, who did not play in the week one win over Houston, had a strong second quarter completing seven of 11 passes for 88 yards and a touchdown. Arndt finished with 12 of 22 for 130 yards after taking over from starter Shaun Rutherford who was 1 for 9 with 11 yards and the interception. "Tyler did some really good things out there tonight, it was good to get him in, there really is not a lot of difference between Tyler and Shaun, we have

an off week and will look at the quarterback position then," Franchione said. The home opener in front of a packed house was not exactly what Tech planned when they scheduled the game. "We put ourselves behind the 8-ball to come play down here and open their new stadium," Red Raiders coach Tommy Tuberville said. "A lot of people said 'You have to be crazy.'" Texas State's win over Houston "kind of nixed all chances of them beating us by surprise," Tuberville said. "If they were going to beat us they were going to beat us the right way. We weren't going to be running in neutral," he said. The Red Raiders fell just short of 600 total yards — 591 yards with 405 from Tech's quarterbacks without an interception while picking off

the Bobcats twice. They doubled Texas State in first downs. "We had a lot more opportunities this week and we took advantage of them," said Doege, who had his 10th career 300-yard passing game. "We started rolling, and I thought I threw the ball pretty well tonight." Doege took charge early. His first two scoring passes of 23 yards and 4 yards were completed to Darrin Moore. His third came on a drive that ended the first quarter and opened the second, a 99-yard march that took all of six plays and less than three minutes. It finished when Doege found Alex Torres over the middle of the field for a 23-yard TD. At that point, Doege had completed 11 of 14 for 142 yards and three TDs. Texas State had zero passing yards, with Rutherford 0 for 7 plus the interception that was returned for a touchdown. It's the sort of work that might fare well as the Bobcats play this season

in the Western Athletic Conference after spending their first season in the Football Bowl Subdivision as an independent a year ago. But it wasn't enough against the Big 12's Tech. "There's a difference between being beaten and being exposed, and we were exposed," Franchione said. "We couldn't force Tech to punt. We blitzed. We rushed. We couldn't get a stop." Doege answered Arndt's score a minute and a half later with a 19-yard pass to Jace Amaro. Texas State cut it to 35-10 with a 38-yard kick by Will Johnson with 3:25 to go in the half, but Tech answered that with a field goal, as the first-half horn sounded. Doege directed two more scoring drives before he was done for the night. He hit Javon Bell for an 8-yard scoring pass and finished up after Kenny Williams ran in from 16 yards to give Tech a 52-10 advantage with 4:59 to go in the third quarter.

RGIII

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championship and a bowl game in college, but to play in the NFL, the pinnacle of it all, and win your first game against a Hall of Famer in Drew Brees, it's at the top," Griffin said. "After the game, (Brees) told me he was proud of me. That's big for him to say after he just lost the game." New Orleans hoped to open the season with a defiant show of force in the wake of the bounty scandal that overshadowed its offseason. The Saints also got a boost Friday when a three-member appeals panel reinstated defensive end Will Smith and linebacker Jon Vilma, who had been suspended for their

roles in the Saints' alleged pay-for-pain bounty program. Smith started, while Vilma, deemed unfit to play after off-season knee surgery, received a rousing ovation when he walked onto the field to lead the Saints' traditional pregame "Who-dat" chant. Griffin's second touchdown pass went for 5 yards to receiver Aldrick Robinson, a second-year pro making his NFL regular-season debut. Brees quickly dismissed the idea that disruptions from the bounty probe, which resulted in a season-long suspension for coach and offensive mastermind Sean Payton, was to blame for New Orleans' shaky start. "Not at all. It's the NFL. You better bring it every week," Brees said.

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TEXAS

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"I felt it on one pitch in the first, on my slider and it bit me a little bit," Oswalt said. "Couple days, it should be all right." Shields struck out eight in his second complete-game shutout this year. The other came in a 3-0 win over Oakland on July 31. "A lot of first pitch strikes, and worked ahead in the count really well," Young said. "He did a really good job." Upton put the Rays up 1-0 on a first-pitch leadoff homer against Oswalt (4-3) in the first. Matt Joyce,

mired in an 8-for-60 slide, made it 2-0 later in the inning with an RBI double. Upton had a fourth-inning shot off Martin Perez that extended the lead to 5-0. He also hit his 21st homer this season against the left-handed reliever in the sixth. Perez, making his first appearance since being recalled from the minors on Sept. 1, allowed two runs over five innings. "He did a great job," Washington said. "He gave us five innings of two-run ball, and both them were off B.J. Upton, who had one heck of a day." Tampa Bay went ahead 4-0 on Jose Molina's two-run homer during the second. It was his sixth homer this season and first since Aug. 17.

DEBUT

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The 31-year-old Johnson is the longest tenured player on the team and began his 10th season with Houston on Sunday. He's coming off an injury-plagued year during which he played a season-low seven games and finished with just 492 yards receiving — the fewest of his career. "I just told the guys that you never know when it's going to be

your last time when you're out on the field," Johnson said. "I told them that I don't know what's going to happen and I don't know how much longer I'll be able to play this game. I was just basically trying to tell them that we have a great opportunity and we have to take advantage of it." Matt Schaub threw for 266 yards in his first action since fracturing his right foot in Week 10 last year, and announced after the game that he had signed a four-year contract extension that will keep him here through the 2016 season. Big Spring native Tannehill, the eighth overall pick in this year's draft, threw three interceptions in less than six minutes in the second quarter and the Texans made him pay for each of them. The Dolphins were up 3-0 before Tannehill's first miscue. Johnathan Joseph made a nifty, juggling interception and returned it 36 yards. An unnecessary roughness penalty on Mike Pouncey gave the ball to the Texans at the 7. But they couldn't get anything going on offense and lost 10 yards before tying it at 3 with a 35-yard field goal by Shayne Graham. Then J.J. Watt got to work, proving that missing most of camp with a dislocated left elbow didn't slow him one bit. He deflected a pass that Brian Cushing grabbed for another interception on Miami's next drive. "It's something we work on; we work on it every day in practice," Watt said of knocking down passes at the line. "We do that ball drill. It's something I've been working on since college. I know I have long arms, and you can't get a sack every play so you might as well try to knock the ball around." Houston's offense finally got rolling after that and the Texans used a 24-yard reception by Johnson on third down to keep the drive going. Foster gave Houston a 10-3 lead on a 14-yard touchdown run. Watt did it again on Miami's next series, batting another pass by Tannehill, and this one was intercepted by Kareem Jackson. Houston threw to Kevin Walter into the end zone on the next play and Richard Marshall was called for pass interference. That gave the Texans the ball at the 1 and Foster finished it off two plays later with his second score to push the lead to 17-3. "Anytime you turn the ball over, you can't be happy with yourself, regardless of how they happened," Tannehill said. "It's not good. You can't turn the ball over. You put your defense in a bad situation and ultimately it led to a lot of points for them." Miami's fourth straight turnover came on the first play of its next drive when Glover Quin forced a fumble by Daniel Thomas that Danieal Manning recovered. Schaub found Johnson in the corner of the end zone three plays later on a 14-yard touchdown pass to make it 24-3 just before halftime. Reggie Bush had 69 yards rushing and caught six passes for 46 yards for Miami. Tannehill finished 20 of 36 for 219 yards. He made his professional debut on the same field where he played his last college game, leading Texas A&M to a 33-22 win over Northwestern in the Meineke Car Care Bowl last December. Marcus Thigpen returned a punt 72 yards for Miami's only touchdown. The Dolphins gained only 275 total yards. The Dolphins took a 3-0 lead in the first quarter with a 39-yard field goal by Dan Carpenter.

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