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## Relief route hearing

*Bypass access main purpose of meeting*

**By BILL McCLELLAN**  
Managing Editor

Design changes on a proposed truck relief route around Big Spring are the focus for a public hearing, set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Specifically, the changes would make the roadway an uncontrolled access highway rather than a controlled access highway.

A controlled access highway allows entry and exit only at designated points along the roadway. Some local businesses considering relocation and farmers whose land will be divided by the four-lane, divided highway have complained that a controlled access highway would restrict business growth or land development or cause hardships when tending to cropland.

The proposed change is an attempt to accommodate those needs, officials say.

While focusing on access, the presentation will include information about the entire 14-mile route from U.S. Highway 87 and FM 700 north of Big Spring to the intersection of U.S. 87 and RM 33 south of

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**CASA of West Texas volunteers Anita Davidson, foreground, and Holly Price, pack toys donated to the organization as part of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Christmas Toy Drive. Other groups helped by the toy drive include the Cossacks Motorcycle Club, Hometown Christmas, Salvation Army and Spring Tabernacle Ministries.**

## LIGHTS ON AT CITY PARK

*Festival of Lights offers more, newer lighted displays*

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

New displays, a counting contest and gift shop are among the added attractions for the Comanche Trail Festival of Lights, which opened Saturday in the city park.

Pat Simmons, coordinator and founder of the annual event, said the switch was "flipped" at 6 p.m. Saturday.

"It wasn't quite complete for opening night," Simmons said. "When you work on an event this size, you're going to run into some problems. However, we're prepared and will take them in stride, just like we do every year."

The display will run nightly from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. through Dec. 31, and this year's festival will feature a number of new and interesting dioramas.

"We have some new things added this year," Simmons said. "We're planning a counting contest, which begins Dec. 26 in an effort to reach our 25,000th visitor. We have come close several times over the years, but just never quite made it. This year we are giving it a great try."

"There are some exceptional displays

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## Barber Field renovations on HC agenda

**By STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

A lot of 30-year-olds get makeovers, so why not baseball fields?

When they meet at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday in the student union building's Tumbleweed Room, Howard College

trustees will hear a report on renovations at Jack Barber Field.

College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said the field is getting a much-needed makeover thanks to a \$500,000 gift from an anonymous donor.

This marks the first time

since the field debuted in 1982 that the playing surface will be refurbished.

The project will include removal of the top four inches of the playing surface, installation of an irrigation surface, reconfigured and safety compliant warning track

and field design, laser-guided field leveling and planting of a new Bermuda grass sod surface, Sparks said.

Renovation began recently and will be completed in plenty of time for the spring

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## BSHS band students rock Area

**Herald Staff Report**

MIDLAND — Forgive the Big Spring High School band if they toot their own horn for awhile.

The Steer band placed more students in the All Region Band this year than any other school in West Texas.

Rocky Harris, band instructor, said Big Spring should be proud of the young band members.

"Big Spring is truly blessed to have such wonderful young people," he said.

More than 300 students tried out for the TMEA/ATSSB Region 6 All Region Band from every 3A and below school in West Texas — from Presidio to Colorado City. Big Spring High School placed 40 students in the all region band with 14 of those making the honor band and 13 qualifying for Area.

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The tryout was held at Greenwood High School on Dec. 10. Next up is a clinic and concert at Midland High School on Jan. 26.

Here are the Big Spring All Region Band performers

- Flute**  
Ryane Colette, Symphonic Band  
Tulsi Patel, Symphonic Band  
Ashley Smith, Symphonic Band

**Oboe**  
Catherine Harris, Honor Band/Area qualifier/1st Chair

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## Obituaries

### William 'Pop' King



William "Pop" King, 92, of Coahoma died Saturday, Dec. 15, 2012, at his residence. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2012, at the Coahoma Church of Christ with Eddy Pitchford officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 17, 2012, at the funeral home.

Pop was born Feb. 26, 1920, in Loraine, Texas, and married Lucille Moore on April 10, 1947, in Sweetwater. She preceded him in death Jan. 21, 2011.

Pop was the oldest of 12 children and after Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1942, he was the first draftee from Mitchell County. He served in the United States Army and was captured in North Africa. He was transported as a prisoner of war to Stuttgart, Germany, where Patton's Army came to his rescue. After this, he was wounded in combat and received the Purple Heart.

He is a member of the "Greatest Generation." Pop was well known in Coahoma for his support of the community and the school. For years, he traveled on the bus with the band to the out-of-town football games. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, especially his family, who he loved so much.

He was a faithful member of Coahoma Church of Christ.

Survivors include one son, Billy King and wife Ginger of Coahoma; two daughters, Rose Thomas of Austin and Judy Thomas and husband Darren of Roundrock; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; three brothers, J.R. King, E.F. King and Calvin King; two sisters, Thelma and Katherine; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, Pop was preceded in death by six brothers and sisters, Bruce, Ollie, James, Louise, Julia and Alvin.

The family suggests memorials be made to Coahoma Church of Christ, P.O. Box 120, Coahoma, Texas 79511.

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

*Paid obituary*

### Louise Terry



Louise Terry, 92, of Big Spring died Friday, Dec. 14, 2012, in Lubbock. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park with Pastor Bill Ivins, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

She was born Feb. 8, 1920, in Columbia Falls, Maine, to Amy and Percy Ingersoll. She grew up in Sour Lake, Texas, and married

Elgie Lee Terry on June 5, 1938, in Sour Lake. They were married 72 years and he preceded her in death June 16, 2010.

She was a homemaker and a member of First United Methodist Church.

She is survived by two daughters, Karen Stevens and husband Howard of Big Spring and Shirley Edwards and husband Benny of Lubbock; one son, Roger Terry of Lubbock; one sister, Margaret Ray of Beaumont, Texas; 12 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son, David Terry.

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

### Opal D. Anglin



Opal D. Anglin, 92, of Odessa died Friday, Dec. 14, 2012, in Odessa. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Walter McCall officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. until service time at the Rosewood Chapel.

She was born to Sally Ann Robbins Huff and William Oliver Huff on Feb. 24, 1920, in Stamford, Texas, and married George B. Anglin on July 3, 1935, in Stamford. He preceded her in death Dec. 7, 1992.

Opal was raised in Stamford, where her family raised cotton. She and her husband lived in Big Spring for 10 years before moving to Odessa. She worked for Walgreen's and in 1963 became an insurance agent.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Opal Robertson and husband W.R. of Odessa and Rose Ann Bokelman and husband William H. of Big Spring; eight grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents and seven brothers and sisters.

The family suggests memorials be made to Susan B. Komen for the Cure (breast cancer awareness), P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, Texas 75265-0309.

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

## Police blotter

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

- **SAMMEL RAY GRAY**, 29, of 1905 Alabama, was arrested Sunday on warrants for possession/consumption of alcoholic beverage in the city park, disorderly conduct – language and resisting arrest, search or transportation.

- **ADRIAN ESCOVEDO YANEZ**, 24, of 1414 Wood, was arrested Sunday on warrants for assault – family violence, criminal mischief – more than \$500 and less than \$1,500, driving while license invalid, open container in a motor vehicle – passenger and a warrant from another agency.

- **ADAM MARCUS ORRANTIA**, 25, of 500 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Place, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1100 block of N. Aylesford.

- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1100 block of Lamar.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 100 block of Hooser Road.

## Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 66 inmates at the time of this report.

- **TEDRIC LAMAR MCCALISTER**, 36, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on charges of manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance (four counts).

- **JAMES MICHAEL BISHOP**, 39, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of prostitution – soliciting a person less than 18 years and more than 14 years.

- **HECTOR REYES**, 61, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a Dawson County warrant for bondsman off bond – criminal trespass.

- **LAUREN RACINE SMITH**, 25, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.

- **DANIEL P. WHITE**, 32, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of theft and municipal warrants for nuisance – animal repeatedly at large (two counts) and failure to appear.

- **MAUREEN ELIZABETH PATTERSON**, 22, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a municipal warrant for bondsman off bond – possession of a controlled substance.

- **MICHAEL RAY MOORE**, 51, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for driving while license invalid – third or more offense.

- **BRANDON DENNIS OLIVETTE**, 20, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.

- **JOSEFA FRANCO**, 50, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **LOUIS BUTLER EVANS**, 59, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance (two counts).

- **SHAWN MICHAEL JONES**, 30, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance.

- **JONATHAN JAMES ROBERTS**, 26, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by DPS on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

- **DEVYN ELISE JACKMAN**, 23, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- **JENNIFER DORIS MCBRIDE**, 24, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear (two counts) and driving while license invalid.

- **SERAFIN PEREZ DELAROSA**, 46, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

- **ELIJAH JAMES COLE**, 43, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **ADRIAN YANEZ**, 24, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for assault causing bodily injury, charges of criminal mischief – more than \$500 and less than \$1,500, assault – family violence and municipal capias warrants for driving while license invalid and open container in vehicle – passenger.

- **SAMMEL R. GRAY**, 29, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on charges of disorderly conduct – language, resisting arrest, search or transportation and a municipal warrant for alcoholic beverage in a city park.

- **ADAM MARCUS ORRANTIA**, 25, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 12/19	Thu 12/20	Fri 12/21	Sat 12/22	Sun 12/23
 <b>68/29</b> Windy with a mix of sun and clouds.	 <b>54/29</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the upper 20s.	 <b>60/36</b> Plenty of sun. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	 <b>67/36</b> Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	 <b>63/39</b> Mostly cloudy. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 30s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:42 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:45 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:43 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:45 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:43 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:46 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:44 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:46 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:44 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:47 PM



## Texas At A Glance



### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	75	34	windy	Kingsville	87	52	windy
Amarillo	59	20	windy	Livingston	75	41	rain
Austin	75	41	rain	Longview	71	41	rain
Beaumont	76	48	rain	Lubbock	62	21	pt sunny
Brownsville	85	64	windy	Lufkin	75	44	rain
Brownwood	79	36	rain	Midland	63	31	windy
Corpus Christi	82	52	t-storm	Raymondville	86	59	windy
Corsicana	72	38	rain	Rosenberg	78	46	t-storm
Dallas	73	38	rain	San Antonio	76	43	rain
Del Rio	77	43	pt sunny	San Marcos	76	41	rain
El Paso	49	26	windy	Sulphur Springs	69	40	rain
Fort Stockton	72	32	windy	Sweetwater	72	32	windy
Gainesville	70	33	cloudy	Tyler	71	41	rain
Greenville	68	36	rain	Weatherford	75	33	rain
Houston	78	46	t-storm	Wichita Falls	74	31	windy

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	66	44	sunny	Minneapolis	27	15	cloudy
Boston	44	34	cloudy	New York	48	36	mst sunny
Chicago	42	38	cloudy	Phoenix	51	35	pt sunny
Dallas	73	38	rain	San Francisco	54	47	mst sunny
Denver	22	10	snow	Seattle	42	39	mixed
Houston	78	46	t-storm	St. Louis	58	30	cloudy
Los Angeles	61	42	sunny	Washington, DC	56	42	sunny
Miami	81	67	pt sunny				

### Moon Phases



## 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.

- **VA Alcoholics Anonymous** support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- **Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021** meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weight-in starts at 5 p.m. and meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

- **Circle of Hope**, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

### TUESDAY

- **Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group** meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

- **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

- **VA Alcoholics Anonymous** support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- **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.

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# Take Note

• Don't forget to visit the Comanche Trail Festival of Lights in Big Spring, on display nightly from Saturday through Dec. 31. More displays, more lights, and more fun — and admission is free. However, donations are gratefully accepted. Questions? Call 263-4607.

• The public is invited to a Texas Nationalist Movement meeting, scheduled for 7 p.m. today at 421 S. Main St. in Big Spring. For more informa-

tion, call 432-270-8456.

• Big Spring State Hospital patients are in need of warm clothing. Clean items should be taken to the Community Relations Office near the south entrance of the hospital, 1901 N. U.S. Highway 87. Clothing that cannot be used by the patients will be taken to the hospital's Chalet Resale Shop for sale to raise money for patient needs. Men's clothing and larger-sized clothing are always in need. For

more information, call Melissa Adams, BSSH program coordinator, at 432 268-7730.

• Whiting Oil and Gas Big Spring employees are organizing a food drive to help families in need throughout the community. The drive will be held through Thursday. Food donations (non-perishable) can be dropped off at the Whiting Big Spring Field Office, 5306 South Service Road. For more information, call the local office at 432-264-0004 and ask for Cindy Klaus, Vickie Reynolds or Mark Strickland.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council needs assistance in The Chalet Resale Shoppe, 115 East Second St. The Chalet Resale Shoppe is a fast-paced retail shop specializing in gently worn clothing and small household appliance. Volunteers are needed to sort, price, check out and stock donated items. Volunteer hours are flexible. The Chalet is open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us or 432 268-7535.

• An account for Bill Griffen has been established at the Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union, 1110 Benton. Griffen, a Big Spring resident, recently passed away and the family is in need of funds for funeral arrangements.

• An account has been set up at Western Bank for Kristen Lasater and family, who lost their home to a house fire Monday afternoon. The account number, for those wanting to make a donation, is 1004597.

• An account has been set up at Citizen's Credit Union for Emma Leos, who was recently diagnosed with colon cancer.

• Jo Anna Bailey, an aide for many years at Washington Elementary School, has been diagnosed with cancer. A medical donation account has been established for her at the Big Spring Education Credit Union, located at 1110 Benton. Your generosity will enable her to have much-needed tests and treatment.

• Compass Hospice is in need of your help. If you would be interested in offering your love and God's comfort to those who are suffering, or to their families, contact Michelle Coutermarsh at 263-5999 or come by 602 S. Main.

Volunteers are needed in many categories including patient care. You may give as much or as little time as you wish. Any amount of time is greatly appreciated. Training is offered free of charge.

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HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler

It takes a lot of people working a lot of hours to prepare for the Comanche Trail Park Festival of Lights. The annual display opened Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and will be open each evening through the first of the year.

## DISPLAYS

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this year, including new school Christmas cards — be sure to see the Big Spring State Hospital display just past the cards, which is very impressive — as well as a diorama honoring our veterans once again. Also, there are two new displays offered by Park Place and College Baptist Church and a very special area remembering Russ McEwen, our former mayor who recently passed away, just past

the Baleski Pavilion.”

Simmons said this year's festival will also feature a gift shop, including a special visitor for several nights.

“In the pavilion is our gift shop, which is where we'll have visits from Santa Claus' himself,” she said. “Santa and Mrs. Claus ... will be here Dec. 21-23, from 7:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m., and he'll have a new sleigh, which should really be awesome.”

Simmons said several new residents have joined the festival's committee this year.

“Gale Pittman and Jim

DePauw are the newest members of the Festival of Lights Committee, although I'm not sure they are glad they said yes when I asked them to help,” Simmons said with a laugh. “Most people really have no idea how much work goes on behind the scenes to make the festival happen each year. These two have been a tremendous addition and have added some really good ideas. Gale is the one who came up with the counting contest, which we will reveal more of soon.”

More than 20,000 visi-

tors are expected during the event, which has attracted people from across the United States and other countries.

“It's amazing to me the number of visitors we have from different states,” Simmons said. “Last year, we had people from 38 states and 14 countries visit us.”

For more information, contact the Convention and Visitor's Bureau at 264-2516.

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

## BYPASS

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the city. Plans call for the route to be built in phases. At the moment, only an interchange and the southern portion of the route from Interstate 20 to RM 33 are planned for

construction next year.

Other work would include bridges, intersection connections, drainage and landscaping.

The planned roadway would reroute truck traffic from the current alignment of U.S. 87 through Big Spring, which would be re-designated as Business U.S. 87 after the project's

completion.

Tuesday, the public is invited to view exhibits and maps of the proposed route from 5 p.m. until the meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. Registration opens at 5:30 p.m.

Texas Department of Transportation staff will be available to answer questions and take comments. The public

will have an opportunity to comment orally or in writing at the end of the presentation. Comments will also be accepted for 10 days after the hearing.

Schematics, the environmental assessment, tentative construction schedule and other information will be available for review and copying

at the Big Spring Area Office at 1301 North SH 350 in Big Spring and the Abilene District Office at 4250 North Clack in Abilene.

Those who are not able to attend the meeting may view the information and can submit comments prior to the hearing date and for 10 days afterward at either

of the two locations. After all comments have been received, TxDOT will respond in writing.

For more information, call 325-676-6817.

## HC

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baseball season, she added. Sparks said several factors led to the college choosing a grass surface

over artificial turf.

“The fact we now have a water well (irrigation) system and the reality that artificial turf would have to be replaced in the years to come, added on top of the donations, helped us decide to go

with natural grass,” she said.

In other business Tuesday, trustees will:

- Convene in closed session to consider personnel matters and a donation to the college.
- Hear construction

updates on projects at the Big Spring and San Angelo campuses and report on curriculum changes at the college's facility in Eden.

• Consider bids, catalog and handbook changes and an agree-

ment with the city of Big Spring for the transfer of vehicles.

Contact Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@big-springherald.com

## BAND

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**Clarinet**  
Kayla Aaron, Symphonic Band  
Lili Alvarado, Symphonic Band  
Elena Flores, Honor Band/Area qualifier  
Marilee Rogers, Symphonic Band  
Adelina Saldivar, Symphonic Band  
Summer Trevino, Symphonic Band  
Amy Winters, Symphonic Band  
Adriela Zavala, Symphonic Band

**Bass Clarinet**  
Toby Kennemur, Symphonic Band  
Sterling Phernetton, Honor Band/Area qualifier  
Marisella Rodriguez, Honor Band/Area qualifier  
**Contra Bass Clarinet**

Marisella Rodriguez, Honor Band/Area qualifier/1st Chair

**Bassoon**  
Karla Carrasco, Honor Band/Area qualifier

**Saxophone**  
Matthew Davila, Symphonic Band  
Joshua Morgan, Symphonic Band  
Michael Ryan, Symphonic Band

**Cornet**  
Tyler Avant, Honor Band/Area qualifier  
Joel Martinez, Honor Band/Area qualifier  
Donovan Salinas, Symphonic Band

**Horn**  
Hope Beimeret, Honor Band/Area qualifier  
William Davis, Symphonic Band  
Julie Jimenez, Symphonic Band  
Kattlin Long, Symphonic Band  
Garret Miller, Sym-

phonic Band

**Trombone**  
Nick Conner, Honor Band/Area qualifier/1st Chair  
Derek Gusman, Symphonic Band  
Dillon Lloyd, Symphonic Band  
Nathan Permenter, Honor Band/Area qualifier

**Baritone**  
Elizabeth Fleson, Symphonic Band  
Kenan Lewis, Honor Band/Area qualifier

**sudoku**  
ANSWERS

8	7	6	4	2	5	3	9	1
2	4	1	9	7	3	8	6	5
5	3	9	1	6	8	7	4	2
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7	5	3	2	9	4	6	1	8
1	2	4	8	5	6	9	3	7
6	9	7	5	8	1	4	2	3
4	8	5	6	3	2	1	7	9
3	1	2	7	4	9	5	8	6

www.sudoku-puzzles.net

**Tuba**  
Chris Nunez, Honor Band/Area qualifier  
Alex Rivera, Symphonic Band  
Brandon Soliz, Symphonic Band  
Alejandro Zavala, Symphonic Band

**String Bass**  
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Louise Terry, 92, died Friday. Graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.  
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# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker  
**Famous Hand**

East dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
 ♠ K Q 5  
 ♥ Q J 8 3 2  
 ♦ 10 8  
 ♣ J 9 7

**WEST**  
 ♠ A J 10 9 6 2  
 ♥ K 9 7  
 ♦ J 4 2  
 ♣ 2

**EAST**  
 ♠ 8 3  
 ♥ A 5  
 ♦ 7 6 5 3  
 ♣ Q 10 5 4 3

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ 7 4  
 ♥ 10 6 4  
 ♦ A K Q 9  
 ♣ A K 8 6

their bridge careers in and around Westchester County, N.Y., before finding fame and fortune in California.

Meltzer showed excellent judgment on this deal from the final, helping her team gain 10 IMPs. After West, Norway's Boye Brogeland, overcalled with two spades, Meltzer, North, elected not to show her five-card heart suit. She no doubt reasoned that since she had spades doubly stopped and there was a danger that East might obtain a spade ruff, the nine-trick notrump game was a better bet.

This proved the winning decision on two counts. First, Larsen had no trouble making the contract with an overtrick after an opening diamond lead by West. He lost only two hearts and the spade ace.

Second was what happened at the other table, where the Norwegian North, Geir Helgemo, wound up in four hearts after West had shown his spade suit. Martel, East, led the spade eight to his partner's ace, and Stansby shifted to his singleton club.

Helgemo played the jack and took East's queen with the ace. He then made the normal play of leading a trump, losing to Martel's ace. Martel returned a club for his partner to ruff — the third trick for the defense — and Stansby still had to get the heart king for down one.

The bidding:  
 East South West North  
 Pass 1 NT 2♣ 2 NT  
 Pass 3♣ Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — two of diamonds.

In 2001, less than two years after Rita Shugart astounded the bridge world by becoming the first woman to win two Reisinger team titles in succession, fellow Californian Rose Meltzer went her one better by becoming the first woman to win the world open team championship. Meltzer and her teammates — Kyle Larsen, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Alan Sontag and Peter Weichsel captured bridge's most prestigious title by defeating Norway in the 128-deal final, held in Paris.

Interestingly, both women began

Tomorrow: Things are ruff all over.  
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KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

**Dear Annie:** I have been close friends with "Luke" for more than a year.

We have a strong bond, but it's strictly platonic. However, all that changed when he started dating "Lacey," who, at age 20, is 10 years younger than Luke.

Naturally, when I first met Lacey, I was friendly. But there was something about her that put me off.

Almost as soon as Luke started seeing her, she got him into partying all night and doing hard drugs and began alienating him from his friends and family.

Despite our efforts to tell him that he was heading down a dark path, he ended up getting fired. Then he stopped contacting me.

After I hadn't heard from him for two months, Luke called and said he missed our friendship and wanted to talk things out.

He sounded like a broken man. I was thrilled that he was coming around. But shortly after he called, I got a nasty text from Lacey demanding that I stop speaking to Luke and saying he's her man and she doesn't want any other woman around him.

I was startled and angered by her rudeness and told her that Luke is my friend and I have every right to talk to him. I told her to calm down and grow up.

I haven't heard from Luke since, and I am worried. I tried calling, but his cellphone number has been disconnected.

A mutual friend said that Luke's email account was also

## Annie's Mailbox

cancelled. I have a feeling that Lacey is forcing him to cut ties with us and be totally dependent on her.

It's out of character for him to abandon all the people who mean so much to him.

He reads your column, and I can only hope that he can get away from this woman and know we are still here for him. — *Worried Friend in Canada*

**Dear Canada:** Lacey is isolating Luke from friends and family, which is descriptive of an abusive relationship, and it doesn't help that he is using drugs.

The sad part, however, is that there's not much you can do if he is unwilling to seek help.

Do you know where he lives? Is he in touch with any family members? If you can reach him, please give him the number of the National Domestic Violence Hotline (thehotline.org) at 1-800-799-SAFE.

**Dear Annie:** I was taught the bride and groom had one year to send a handwritten thank-you note following a wedding. Shower gifts are to be acknowledged within two weeks of the bridal shower.

In the past two years, however, the closest I've gotten is a postcard with a wedding picture of the bride and groom on one side and "Thanks for everything" on the other.

If a handwritten, proper thank-you note is too difficult, I would much prefer an email acknowledging my specific gift than a bulk mail postcard. — *Appalled in Georgia*

**Dear Georgia:** There is no excuse for not decently thanking those who have taken the time and effort to purchase a gift. It's sheer laziness and lack of consideration.

However, we'd like to correct a common misperception: Guests have a year in which to give the bridal couple a gift, but thank-you notes should be written immediately, and certainly within three months.

**Dear Annie:** "Devastated Daughter" said her father died suddenly in an accident and she isn't sure about leaving Mom alone to attend college out of state.

If she chooses to defer admission, I would advise her to wait a full year and start school in the fall so she can "learn the ropes" with the rest of her classmates. I enrolled in the second semester, and it was so much harder because my classmates were ahead of me in every way. And when I graduated in December, it was difficult to find a job. — *Winter Graduate*

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. © 2012 CREATORS.COM

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		1						5
5					8		4	
		8	3		7			
7				9				8
			8		6	9		
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## "Classic" Ann Landers

*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 34 years old and have three children under the age of 10. Two years ago, my husband left us and started living with his mother. He also has a girlfriend but has not made any effort to file for divorce.

Here's my question: How long should I go on trying to salvage my marriage? It's hard when only one of us is working at it. Should I just get on with my life without him, or keep praying he will have a change of heart and do the right thing? At what point do I just give up? — *Hurting in Mantua, N.J.*



ANN LANDERS

**Dear N.J.:** He's been living with his mother for two years? And he has a girlfriend? It's over, dear. Call your lawyer.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I am a 30-year-old married woman who is having a full-blown affair. I never thought this would happen to me.

Before "Bob" and I were married last year, we were compatible and had similar interests. I was not in love with him, but we had been dating for six years. I was almost 30, and most of my friends were married. When Bob proposed, it seemed like the right thing to do. Immediately after the wedding, we began to fight. Bob goes out drinking every night, and I hate it. I have suggested counseling, but he won't go. We haven't made love for six months.

Several weeks ago, I became friendly with a man at work. "Max" paid a lot of attention to me and built up my battered self-esteem. It didn't take long for me to start seeing him on the side. Max is 40 and has never been married. He says he can make me happy and feel fulfilled, and I know he is right. Max has asked me to leave Bob and marry him.

I love Max, but I hesitate to throw away the long history I have with my

husband. Also, I don't want to admit to my parents that my marriage is a failure. Another problem: Bob's mother is very ill, and I'm afraid a divorce would kill her.

What should I do, Ann? I feel torn and trapped. I am in desperate need of advice. — *At Loose Ends in Pennsylvania*

**Dear Pennsylvania:** Put everything on hold until Bob's mother is well or, heaven forbid, no longer with us. Tell Bob he must go to Alcoholics Anonymous or the marriage is over. Be firm about this unless you are willing to be married to a drunk who is sure to get worse.

Stop seeing Max until you give Bob a chance to dry up. If Max really cares about you, he will leave you alone and be willing to let you give your marriage a chance to make it. You have a lot on your plate, lady, and I hope you are equal to the challenges that lie ahead.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I recently gave a dinner party. I prefer to serve my guests myself and tried to be emphatic about it, but one guest insisted on "helping" me. I know "Lola" was only trying to be useful, but she was getting in my way. I asked her several times to please sit down and stay out of the kitchen, but she followed me around and insisted on giving me a hand.

To get her off my back, I asked her to take a creamer into the dining room and place it on the table. Well, she dropped it on the tile floor, shattering the handle and spilling the cream all over the place. Lola then had the nerve to say that good china like mine is really just for show and I should not have been using it.

My great-grandmother's creamer is, of course, irreplaceable, but I am going to get another china handle crafted onto it. Should I send Lola the bill? — *Slow Burn in Pasadena, Calif.*

**Dear Slow Burn:** Stick your toe in the water for testing. Tell Lola you've found a place that will mend the creamer and ask whether she would like the bill. My guess is she will be happy to pay it. It will ease her conscience and cool your anger.

ANN LANDERS  
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# Carr pick sends Dallas past Steelers in OT



Jason Witten (left) congratulates Brandon Carr after Carr's interception during a game Sunday against Pittsburgh. The Cowboys won 27-24 in overtime.

### SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Brandon Carr figured Ben Roethlisberger was throwing his way. Thousands of Terrible Towel-waving Pittsburgh fans at Cowboys Stadium weren't happy with the Dallas cornerback's reaction.

Carr intercepted a pass from Roethlisberger on the second play of overtime and returned it 36 yards to the 1, setting up Dan Bailey's 21-yard field goal that gave the Cowboys a 27-24 win over the Steelers on Sunday.

Bailey's kick — 1:24 into OT — won a game for the second straight week since Dallas practice squad linebacker Jerry Brown was killed in a one-car accident that led to manslaughter charges against teammate Josh Brent.

The Cowboys (8-6) have won five of six and pulled even with the New York Giants and Washington atop the NFC East with two games remaining.

Carr, who said he was anticipating Mike Roethlisberger's return to Mike Wallace because Steelers offensive coordinator Todd Haley was his coach in Kansas City, made a diving catch and jumped up along the Pittsburgh sideline. Legions of black-and-gold clad fans on that side of the stadium watched in silence as Carr came within inches of ending the game himself.

"That was like a buzzer-beater," Dallas defensive end Marcus Spears said. "That guy studies the game and understands it.

There is no doubt in my mind that he knew that was coming."

The winning kick came after Tony Romo, who broke the 25,000-yard passing milestone earlier in the game, took a knee to put Bailey in better position. Bailey beat Cincinnati 20-19 last week with a 40-yarder as time expired, just a day after the accident that killed Brown.

Brown's death came a week after Kansas City Chiefs linebacker Jovan Belcher, Carr's former teammate, fatally shot his girlfriend before driving to Arrowhead Stadium and committing suicide in front of his coach and general manager.

The Cowboys draped Brown's No. 53 jersey over the bench — just as they did in Cincinnati a week ago — and had a helmet decal with his number. Brent, decal of driving drunk in the fatal accident, watched from the sideline.

"We have a lot of heavy hearts right now," Carr said. "Fifty-three was on the sideline today, so after the interception, that's where the steeler went."

The Steelers (7-7) lost for the fourth time in five games and trail AFC North rival Cincinnati by a game for the second wild card spot. They host the Bengals next week.

Roethlisberger is 0-2 since returning from a three-game absence with shoulder and rib injuries, and he lost to the Cowboys for the first time in three starts. It was Pittsburgh's first trip to

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# Texans clinch AFC South with 29-17 win over Colts

### KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — The Houston Texans won the AFC South on Sunday and immediately shifted their focus to the future.

"We have bigger goals," Houston coach John Johnson said after Houston's 29-17 win over the Colts. "What we're focused on now is winning and getting home-field advantage throughout the playoffs."

The Texans host Minnesota next week and finish the regular season at Indianapolis, and will have home-field advantage throughout the AFC playoffs if they win out.

Houston was happy to put last Monday night's ugly 42-14 loss to New England behind them with Sunday's victory.

"A lot of people were wondering how we were going to respond," Johnson said. "I think a lot of people doubted us after what happened last week. We (felt) like we had to show people what we were really about."

Johnson gained 151 yards receiving and a touchdown, Bryan Braman had a special teams

score on a blocked punt, and Shayne Graham kicked five field goals.

The Texans (12-2) grabbed their first AFC South title last season after the Colts nosedived without injured quarterback Peyton Manning. Manning is gone to Denver and rookie Andrew Luck couldn't do much against the inspired Houston defense.

The Colts (9-5) had won three straight games and needed a win to clinch a playoff berth a year after going 2-14 in 2011. Before that, they took the division seven times since Houston entered the league in 2002.

"It was a tough loss for us in that we came here with one idea and that was to win the division, and we're not going to win the division — they did it," Indianapolis interim coach Bruce Arians said.

Thanks in great part to three sacks from Watt, Houston bounced back six days after the loss to New England on national television.

"I'm enjoying myself," Watt said. "I've said all along that if you're not trying to be the greatest, you're wasting your time."

Luck threw for 186 yards with two touchdowns in the return to his hometown. He had led the Colts to a rookie-record six wins on drives in the fourth quarter or overtime this season, and he got the Colts within six points late in the third quarter.

"We came here to win, not put up a respectable showing," Luck said. "We'll move on to next week and hopefully get better."

Houston's defense shut Luck down after he made it close, and the Texans used Brian Foster to eat up the clock. Foster ran for a season-high 165 yards to leave him with 1,313 yards rushing, giving him his third straight year with at least 1,200.

"It's not really that we bounced back," Foster said. "It's that we played the football that we know we're capable of playing. We feel we're a team that if we play how we know we can ... it's going to be hard for us to get beat."

Watt increased his AFC-leading sack total to 19½ — the NFL

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Houston Texans Head Coach Gary Kubiak gets a Gatorade shower during the fourth quarter of Sunday's game against the Colts. The Texans clinched the AFC South with a 29-17 victory over Indianapolis. Houston has a 12-2 record this season and will have home-field advantage throughout the playoffs if they win their final two games.

AP photo

## Sports Calendar

### TODAY

#### Boy's Basketball

- Stanton at Midland Christian, J.V., 4:30 p.m.; Varsity, 7:30 p.m.
- Denver City at Coahoma, 7th, 8th and 9th, TBA.

#### Girl's Basketball

- Stanton at Midland Christian, J.V. 4:30 p.m.;

- Varsity, 7:30 p.m.
- Coahoma at Denver City, 7th, 8th and 9th, TBA.

### TUESDAY

#### Boy's Basketball

- Big Spring at Lamesa, J.V., 6:30 p.m.; Varsity, 8 p.m.
- Forsan at Coahoma, J.V., 5 p.m.; Varsity, 7:30 p.m.
- Klondike at Grady, TBA.
- Garden City at Water Valley, J.V., 5 p.m.; Varsity, 6:30 p.m.

- O'Donnell at Sands, 5 p.m.

#### Girl's Basketball

- San Angelo Lake View at Big Spring, 9th, 5 p.m.; J.V., 5 p.m.; Varsity, 6:30 p.m.
- Forsan at Coahoma, J.V., 4 p.m.; Varsity, 6 p.m.
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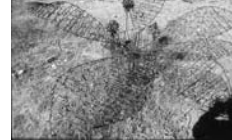
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Mercury Opposes Jupiter

The opposition of Mercury and Jupiter highlights differences of opinion, contractual disagreements and alternative viewpoints on singular issues. Most people would agree that there is more than one way to skin a cat, though hardly anyone knows

why such a thing would need to happen in the first place.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Self-parenting will be part of your mission. You'll have to do for yourself what another person would've liked to do for you but for whatever reason could not.



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**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You'll be reminded of some of the gracious things various people have said and done for you in the past, and you'll pay it forward in some unique way.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Part of your routine is to change your routine. Because you've done it before, you have the right mix of courage, hope and motivation to do it again and again.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). If you're going to argue — and you are — then plan to do it right. Like a lawyer preparing a case, know what you're going to say when the other person says X, Y or Z.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Manners will be important to the outcome of your day. If someone knows good manners but doesn't use them, you will question that person's character and rightly so.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Look to the sky with the eyes in your head and the one in your heart, too. If you watch for a message, it will come into your heart in the form of a feeling and travel to your head in the form of an idea.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Beware of the need for personal achievement, affection or approval. Though these are completely natural things to need, needing them too much is a sure way to attract exploitive personalities.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The very young or the exceptionally ill-mannered need to be

taught gratitude, and you're just the one to deliver the lesson. Politely require shows of appreciation. Give examples of what you expect.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Acceptance isn't approval. You don't have to like the facts or condone them in order to accept them. Acceptance is basically acknowledging that, like them or not, those facts exist.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You don't want to be left with all of the work in a relationship, and if you're not careful, it could go in that direction. Set clear boundaries in a warm, concise, firm manner.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Homer wrote in "The Iliad," "Whoever obeys the gods, to him they particularly listen." You will perform an act of obedience and earn certain rights and privileges in the process.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You don't need another person to make you happy, nor do you require your partner to fulfill your expectations and responsibilities. However, it's always nice to see that another person is making an effort to please you.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Dec. 17). You'll strike new levels of comfort and happiness. Relationships

change because you draw boundaries and establish fresh habits. Finances improve over the next 10 weeks. Plan well in January. February features a renovation. March fills you with confidence, and you'll make impressive presentations. Leo and Taurus people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 25, 48, 2 and 18.

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In love and comedy, timing is everything. Good news: Your timing is impeccable! Venus just entered your sign and will keep stirring up the romantic possibilities through Jan. 8, 2013. During this lucky time, you can give all of the self-analysis a rest. It's a waste of time. Trust that however you are and however you deal with

people, it's fine. You have your reasons, and the right person will not be impeded by your walls. Rather, he'll consider them to be an interesting architecture to navigate. Focus on having fun and keeping it light. Be carefree. Put yourself in the line of romance, and let life do the rest.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Sagittarian superstar Manny Pacquiao is not only a world champion fighter in the boxing ring, but a champion who fights for his community and the world at large with his politics and philanthropy. Passion is the prevalent feature of Pacquiao's natal chart, with the sun, the moon, Mercury, Jupiter and Neptune all in intense fire signs. Venus and Uranus in Scorpio indicates depth and soul.

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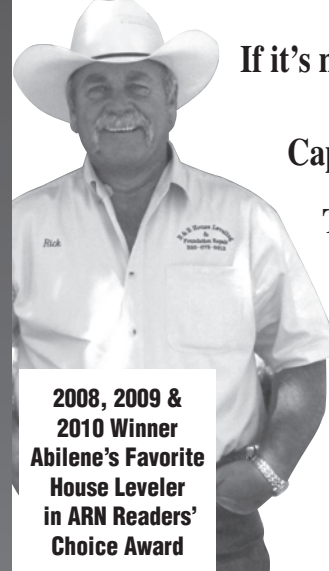
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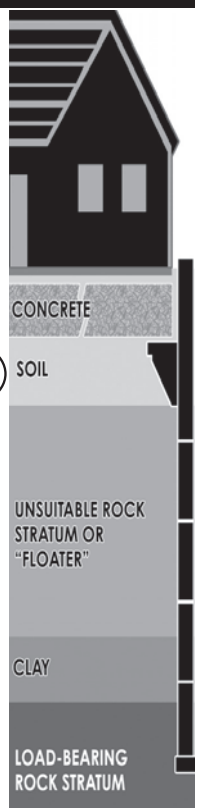
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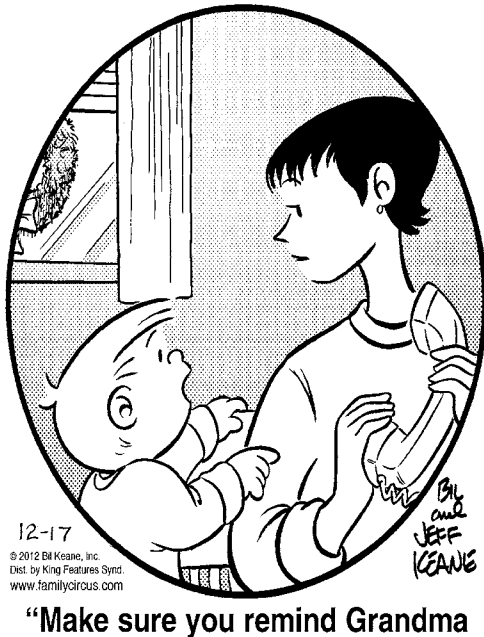
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7:PM	Extreme Makeover	Por Ella Soy Eva	Dragons Ice Age	How I Met/ Mother	Rosa Diamante (SS)	The Voice	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Antiques Roadshow	Gossip Girl	American Chopper	Movie: A Christmas Carol, Edward Woodward	Tattoo	The Mentalist	Movie: He Got Game, Milla Jovovich	Beethoven-Adv	World/Poker	NFL Football: New York Jets at Tennessee Titans.
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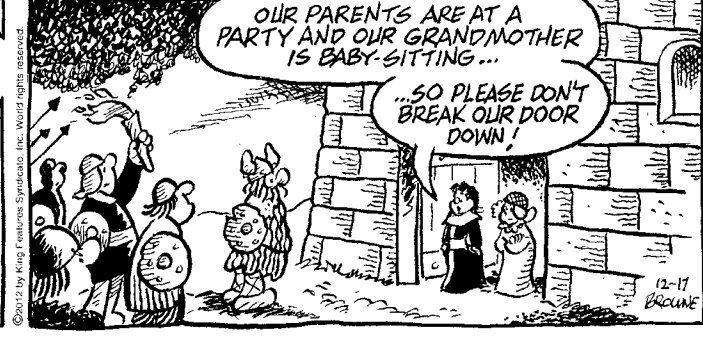


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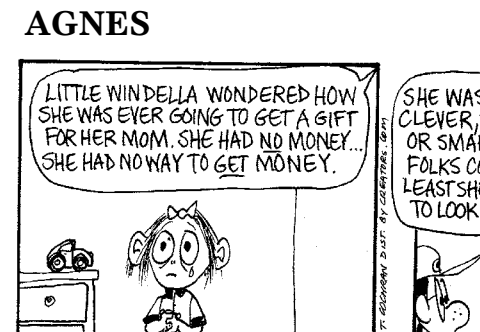
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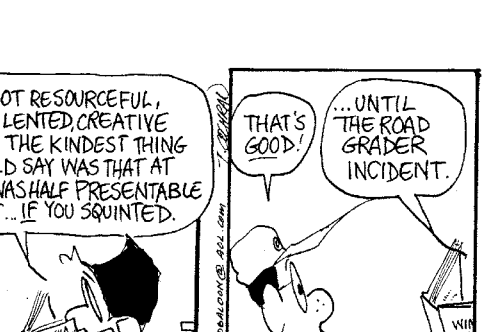
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Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 17, 1992, President George H.W. Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney (muhl-ROO'-nee) and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari (sah-LEE'-nuhs deh gohr-TAHR'-ee) signed the North American Free Trade Agreement in separate ceremonies. (After approval by the legislative bodies of the leaders' respective countries, the treaty came into force on Jan. 1, 1994.)

On this date:

In 1777, France recognized American independence.

In 1830, South American patriot Simon Bolivar (see-MOHN' boh-LEE'-vahr) died in Colombia.

In 1865, Franz Schubert's Symphony No. 8, the "Unfinished" (because only two of its movements were completed) was performed publicly for the first time in Vienna, 37 years after the composer's death.

In 1903, Wilbur and Orville Wright of Dayton, Ohio, conducted the first successful manned powered-airplane flights near Kitty Hawk, N.C., using their experimental craft, the Wright Flyer.

In 1925, Col. William "Billy" Mitchell was convicted at his court-martial in Washington of insubordination for accusing senior military officials of incompetence and criminal negligence; he was suspended from active duty.

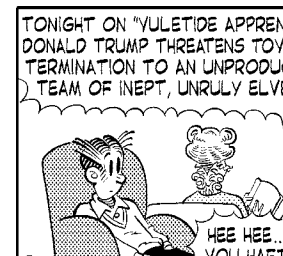
In 1944, the U.S. Army announced it was ending its policy of excluding Japanese-Americans from the West Coast.

In 1957, the United States successfully test-fired the Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile for the first time.

In 1961, an arson fire at a circus in Niteroi (nee-tuh-ROY), Brazil, killed 323 people.

In 1975, Lynette Fromme was sentenced in Sacramento, Calif., to life in prison for her attempt on the life of President Gerald R. Ford. (She was

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- 15 Lofty
- 16 "Here comes trouble!"
- 17 Seoul, South
- 18 Just slightly
- 19 Caboose's place
- 20 Traffic control devices
- 22 Carton sealer
- 23 AMA members
- 24 Followed the advice of
- 26 Bring to light
- 30 Roaring zoo beasts
- 32 Opera solo
- 33 Greeted the villain
- 34 Luau neckwear
- 37 December costume rentals
- 41 Hurricane center
- 42 Grocery's inventories
- 43 Close tightly
- 44 Stops marching
- 45 Husband or wife
- 47 Make a tape of
- 50 Cost of membership
- 51 Plow-pulling beasts
- 52 Emergency vehicles with ladders
- 59 Odometer measure
- 60 Fix up, as prose
- 61 Totally silly
- 62 " \_ well that ends well"

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- 1 Poses a question
- 2 Not worth arguing about
- 3 Frizzy hairdo
- 4 Dance move
- 5 Nearly boils, as water
- 6 Does' mates
- 7 Solemn promise
- 8 Venetian-blind part
- 9 Comfy footwear
- 10 High-calorie cakes
- 11 In the lead
- 12 Rant and rave
- 13 Make confetti out of
- 21 Anger
- 25 Brings to a close
- 26 Make simpler
- 27 Dental-exam image
- 28 Tree with cones
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- 30 Batches of laundry
- 31 Debtors' letters
- 33 Ink smudge
- 34 In \_ of (replacing)
- 35 Cockpit announcements: Abbr.
- 36 Speck of land in the sea
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- 39 Loss of courage, slangly
- 40 GI show grp.
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- 45 Ready to go
- 46 Dangers
- 47 Julius Caesar, for one
- 48 Banish
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- 53 Not doing anything
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- 55 Army division
- 56 Walking stick
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- 58 Mail away

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# Tannehill stymies Jaguars as Miami wins 24-3

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MIAMI — Throwing, running and sliding, Ryan Tannehill left the Jacksonville Jaguars reeling.

Tannehill made the most of his mobility, passing for 220 yards — often on roll-outs — and running for 52 yards Sunday to help the Miami Dolphins beat the Jaguars 24-3.

“His ability a couple of times to scramble really helped,” coach Joe Philbin said.

Tannehill carried twice on read-option keepers, sliding to the turf before a defender arrived to level him.

“It was good to see him do a little running,” teammate Reggie Bush said, “and thankfully he learned how to slide.”

The multi-threat rookie quarterback led an offense that mounted clock-eating drives of 76, 60, 64 and 85 yards on the Dolphins’ first four possessions of the second half to help them pull away.

While Tannehill threw for two scores and had a season-high passer rating

of 123.2, counterpart Chad Henne failed to reach the end zone playing in Miami for the first time since he departed as a Dolphins bust last offseason.

Tannehill went 22 for 28 for 220 yards with no interceptions. Bush rushed for 104 yards, including a 53-yarder, while Dan Carpenter kicked field goals of 53, 30 and 31 yards.

Miami (6-8), ranked near the bottom of the league in points and yards, had a season-high 26 first downs and won for only the second time in the past seven games.

“It feels good to go out and execute the game plan, have some fun, have some long sustained drives and convert third downs,” Tannehill said. “It was a lot of fun.”

The Jaguars (2-12) tied the franchise record for losses, set in their inaugural 1995 season.

“We were not as disciplined as we have been — or we will be,” coach Mike Mularkey said. “Every time we take a step forward, we take two steps back. I take total blame for that.”

Miami held a 10-3 lead at

halftime, when Tannehill discarded the left knee brace as a protective measure since Week 8.

“It definitely felt good to move around a little bit without it,” he said.

The Dolphins totaled 280 yards in the second half, with 43 coming on five carries by Tannehill. He also hurt the Jaguars on roll-outs, the last coming on a 2-point conversion when he swung right and then threw back to the left to a wide-open Anthony Fasano in the end zone.

“We knew this guy was very athletic,” Mularkey said. “We can’t let him get out of the pocket and let him make the plays with his legs that he did.”

With the score tied, an illegal-substitution penalty cost Jacksonville a touchdown in the second quarter.

Henne threw a 20-yard scoring pass to Justin Blackmon, but the play was negated because Guy Whimper had entered the game as a third tackle — as he had done five times earlier — without reporting as an eligible receiver.

Whimper said he did report, but the officials apparently failed to understand him.

“He reported to the offense a hundred times this year, and 400 times in practice,” Mularkey said. “Today, for some reason, I was told he didn’t report. He said he reported, but the official has to confirm it.”

Instead of the score, the Jaguars retreated to their 25 and eventually lost possession when Henne was stopped for no gain on a fourth-and-1 sneak.

“That turned the whole game around,” Miami linebacker Karlos Dansby said.

Jacksonville had another touchdown taken off the board in the final two minutes. Cecil Shorts’ 4-yard scoring reception was instead ruled incomplete when a replay review determined he failed to come down in bounds.

On the next play, Henne threw incomplete on fourth down.

“It was one of those days where it was tough,” Henne said. “There are some plays out there I wish I could have back.”

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record for a season is 22½ — and finished with 10 tackles. He also forced a fumble for the third straight game.

“I don’t even know the stats,” Houston coach Gary Kubiak said. “But it seemed like every time I looked up, he was making a play.”

Luck was sacked five times playing behind a makeshift offensive line missing center Samson Satele (ankle) and right tackle Winston Justice (biceps).

Johnson, who has 11,008 yards receiving in his career, scored on a 3-yard reception to make it 10-0 in the first quarter. The Texans didn’t score a touchdown on offense after that, but were helped by Braman’s special teams effort.

Braman blocked his second punt of the season, recovered it and returned it 8 yards for his first career touchdown to make it 20-3 just before halftime.

Vick Ballard had 60 yards rushing on a Colts drive that ended with an 8-yard touchdown reception by Dwayne Allen to cut Houston’s lead to 23-17 in the third quarter. Ballard finished with a career-high 105 yards rushing.

Houston couldn’t do anything on its next drive and punted. But Indy sputtered, and interim coach Bruce Arians even drew an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty on a punt, giving Houston the ball at the Colts 39.

Graham added a 46-yard field goal to push the lead to 26-17 and made his fifth field goal with about a minute left.

Rookie T.Y. Hilton and Luck connected on a 61-yard touchdown pass just before halftime.

Watt’s forced fumble on Mewelde Moore on the Houston 1 was recovered by Tim Dobbins early in the second quarter, robbing the Colts of points. And the Colts stalled inside the red zone again and had to settle for Adam Vinatieri’s 26-yard field goal to cut Houston’s lead to 10-3.

The Texans had set the tone as they got to Luck early, sacking him twice on the Colts’ second drive. Antonio Smith got to him first, and Watt put a move on backup tackle Jeff Linkenbach and took him down for a 15-yard loss.

On offense, Johnson was dominant.

He put Houston up 10-0 when he waltzed into the end zone for a 3-yard touchdown reception. Johnson kept things going earlier in the drive when he caught a pass, lost it and then grabbed it again just before it touched the ground for a 10-yard gain on third-and-9.

# Moments of silence around NFL for shooting victims

JIMMY GOLEN

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FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — The New England Patriots silenced their “End Zone Militia” on Sunday night, taking the muskets away from the Revolutionary War re-enactors who fire into the air to celebrate every score.

The memory of the Connecticut school shooting was still too fresh for the sight of firearms and the smell of gunpowder.

“It just doesn’t show the right respect for those that lost their lives,” said Bob Elliott, the group’s sergeant. “But we’re still here cheering (the Patriots) on.”

Two days after 20 children and six adults were shot to death at the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., NFL fans gathering in stadiums across the country honored the victims’ memory with periods of silence and reflection.

Some teams darkened their scoreboards and lowered their flags to half-staff, while others wore helmet decals or black ribbons.

After learning he was the favorite player of one 6-year-old victim, New

York Giants receiver Victor Cruz wrote “R.I.P. Jack Pinto,” “Jack Pinto, my hero” and “This one is for you” on his shoes for the game against the Falcons in Atlanta. Cruz said he called the boy’s family after hearing he was a Giants fan and was told they planned to bury him in one of Cruz’s No. 80 jerseys.

“I don’t even know how to put it into words,” Cruz said. “There are no words that can describe the type of feeling that you get when a kid idolizes you so much that unfortunately they want to put him in the casket with your jersey on. I can’t even explain it.”

The Patriots, the closest team to Newtown that played at home on Sunday, wore a helmet sticker with the city seal and a black ribbon on it; the cheerleaders and mascot wore black armbands, and owner Bob Kraft pledged \$25,000 to the community, where he also owns a box-making factory.

But each time the Patriots scored in the 41-31 loss to San Francisco, the soldiers in the End Zone Militia clapped their empty hands like the rest of the crowd. Elliott said the Patriots asked the group, which has been standing

at home games since the mid-1990s, to skip the ceremonial fire.

The Sunday Night Football broadcast on NBC was moved to CNBC and the NBC Sports Network while President Barack Obama addressed the nation. The game returned to its regular channel after the president’s remarks from Newtown.

The Giants, another popular team in southwestern Connecticut, affixed a decal with the school’s initials — “SHEs” — on their helmets.

“Being close to home, the players were greatly upset about it,” Giants coach Tom Coughlin said. “Many of the players have young children so they can empathize with the parents who had young children killed.”

Houston Texans defensive end J.J. Watt wrote “Newtown, CT” on one of the gloves he wore in warmups and on both of his shoes for the game.

Flags were also at half-staff in Baltimore, where the scoreboards went black as the public address announcer asked the crowd at the game between the Ravens and Denver Broncos to observe “silent reflection” in the wake of Friday’s “horrific tragedy.”

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Cowboys Stadium since losing to Green Bay in the Super Bowl two years ago.

“There won’t be any quit from us, especially from me,” Roethlisberger said. “This one is going to sting real bad. It will hopefully make me and make us better.”

The defining play came from a Dallas defense playing without

six injured starters, the latest being Carr’s playing partner on the other side, first-round pick Morris Claiborne. The rookie was sidelined after sustaining a concussion against the Bengals.

“I really can’t explain it. It’s something destined about this team,” defensive end Jason Hatcher said. “You look back there and you don’t know nobody back there behind you.”

The score was tied 24-all in the final two min-

utes of regulation. Pittsburgh quickly moved to its 46 after a completion by Roethlisberger and a roughing-the-passer penalty against DeMarcus Ware.

But Sean Lissemore and Anthony Spencer sacked Roethlisberger on consecutive plays to give the Cowboys the ball back.

“Everyone has seen Ben do that in the fourth quarter multiple times,” Spears said.

“We knew we had to go back there and affect him in the pocket and at least try to get in his way. Fortunately, those turned into some sacks for us.”

The Cowboys couldn’t do anything in the final minute. Their drive stalled at the Steelers’ 43, and Bailey lined up for a 61-yard field goal attempt with 32 seconds left. But Dallas called timeout and punted instead. Roethlisberger took a knee, sending the game to overtime.

Roethlisberger was

sacked four times and finished 24 of 40 for 339 yards with two touchdowns and an interception.

“We’re still in the same situation we started in before we came,” said Wallace, who had 95 yards receiving, including a 60-yarder to set up a touchdown. “We know we win these last two games, we’re still in the tournament.”

Earlier in the fourth quarter, Pittsburgh was driving for a go-ahead score when Ware and Spencer sacked Roethlisberger at the Dallas 40, forcing a punt with three minutes left. The Cowboys opted to punt at the two-minute warning after a third-down pass to Dwayne Harris was less than a yard short of the first down.

Roethlisberger put the Steelers ahead 24-17 with a 7-yard scoring pass to Antonio Brown, and Brown was about to put Pittsburgh in control with a long punt return.

But Brown fumbled when Victor Butler reached out and knocked the ball loose at the end of a 22-yard return. DeMarco Murray, who had 81 yards on 14 carries, then scored on a 3-yard run.

“There was about five or six guys, all in black and yellow,” Butler said. “And I see the punter and me and the long snapper and I figure I am probably the best tackler out of the three. It was time to make a play.”

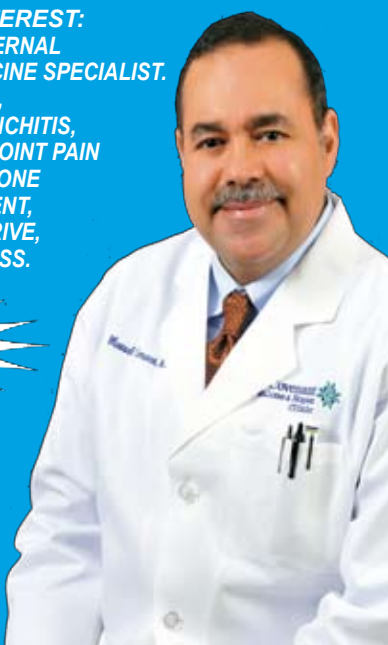
Dez Bryant extended his touchdown streak to six games while playing with a broken left index finger, a 24-yard score that put Romo over 25,000 yards for his career and gave Dallas a 10-0 lead.

Roethlisberger pulled the Steelers even before halftime. He stepped away from pressure and used a couple of pump fakes to keep pass rushers away before finding Heath Miller wide open along the sideline on a 30-yard score.

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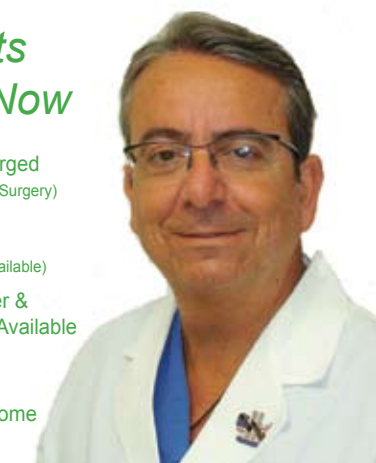
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