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## Interest for nuclear waste site gauged

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**  
Staff Writer

About 20 percent of the United States' energy is derived from the 104 nuclear power plants across the nation. Harnessing the power of atomic energy is a complex business, but one that has proven to be efficient and relatively safe since its inception. Despite its well-documented history, the construction of nuclear facilities has all but

ground to a halt for several years. At least part of the reason why is a lack of adequate disposal sites for spent fuel rods — the radioactive waste which needs to be contained and stored once they have exceeded their life expectancy at an operating plant. Representatives from Austin-based Advanced Fuel Cycle Initiative (AFCI) — a private company which has set its sights on developing such

a site — were in Big Spring on Friday to provide information regarding a storage facility for nuclear waste and possibly even a reprocessing plant, which would recycle the material for further use. Bill Jones, co-founder of AFCI and project manager for the site, addressed a crowd consisting of Rotary Club members and media in the Cactus Room on the Howard College campus.

"We don't represent any government agency," Jones said. "We are the project developers. Our payday comes when the project actually happens. We're not here on behalf of anyone, this is our business." Yucca Mountain was the ambitious, Nevada-based project that upon completion, was supposed to safely hold the nation's spent fuel rods in a deep, geological formation

within the mountain. Opposition at the state and national level has put Yucca Mountain on the back burner — at least for the time being — and other areas are being explored as alternative options. "It is apparent to people in the business that Yucca Mountain will not happen," Jones, a Texas A&M grad said. "We were invited to See **SITE**, Page 3

## One injured in Alon fire

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

A fire at an undisclosed location on the Alon USA Big Spring Refinery sent at least one person to the hospital Sunday night, according to local officials and unconfirmed reports.

Reports of an explosion at the Big Spring Refinery began circulating through the city and social media sites Sunday night at approximately 9 p.m. Big Spring Fire Chief Craig Ferguson confirmed shortly after that a fire had been reported at the local facility, however, there were no explosions. According to Ferguson,

numerous firefighting units responded to the fire, which was limited to an undisclosed portion of the refinery. At least one person was transported to the emergency room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following the fire with smoke inhalation. No other injuries were reported as a result of the blaze. It's unclear at this time how long it took fire crews to bring the fire under control or how much damage was done to the refinery.

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



AP photo  
Former Navy SEAL Chris Kyle, author of "American Sniper," was allegedly shot and killed by a former Marine Saturday in Stephenville.

## Texas leaders stick to guns amid firearms crackdown

By **JIM VERTUNO**  
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — The mass shooting at a Connecticut elementary school has sparked a federal effort to crack down on firearms. But in the Lone Star State — where packing heat is as much a part of a frontier image as the Alamo — lawmakers are sticking to their guns.

From gun rights, to guns in schools to telling the feds to keep their hands off Texans' weapons, there's no shortage of support in the state Capitol for the right to bear arms.

Some issues are new: Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst wants state-paid special weapons and tactics training for school teachers. Others are old: Some bills would allow concealed handgun license holders to carry their weapons into college classrooms.

"And that's a good thing," said state Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, who as a state representative wrote

the state's concealed handgun law in 1995. "In Texas, we keep moving in the direction of liberty instead of regulation." That liberty is exercised every day in the Capitol, where concealed handgun license holders are allowed to bypass metal detectors. Some lawmakers appear determined to broaden Texans' gun rights amid a push by the Obama administration to curb access to certain kinds of firearms. Jumping to the forefront this session is the debate over school safety and whether having teachers and administrators carry concealed handguns to class will protect students from a rampaging shooter like one who killed 20 children and six adults at a Newtown, Conn., elementary school in December.

Texas law allows school districts to let some teachers and staff have concealed weapons

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## Friends say Ex-Navy sniper died pursuing his passion

By **CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN**  
Associated Press

STEPHENVILLE, Texas — The former top Navy SEAL sniper who authorities say was killed at a Texas shooting range was devoted to maintaining camaraderie and helping his fellow veterans find their way after leaving active duty.

Chris Kyle, author of the best-selling book "American Sniper," and his friend Chad Littlefield apparently were doing just that Saturday when, officials say, they were shot and killed by former Marine Eddie Ray Routh.

Kyle, 38, had left the Navy in 2009 after four tours of duty in Iraq, where he earned a reputation as one of the military's most lethal snipers. But he quickly found a way to maintain contact with his fellow veterans and pass on what had helped

him work through his own struggles. By late 2011, he filed the paperwork to establish the nonprofit FITCO Cares, which received its nonprofit status the following spring, said FITCO director Travis Cox.

"Chris struggled with some things," Cox said. "He'd been through a lot and he handled it with grace, but yeah he did struggle with some things. And he found a healthy outlet and was proactive in his approach to deal with those issues and wanted to help spread his healing, what worked for him, to others. And that's what he died doing."

For Kyle that healthy outlet was exercise. At the heart of FITCO was giving in-home fitness equipment to physically and emotionally wounded veterans, as well as families who had lost a veteran, Cox said.

Littlefield, a 35-year-old friend and neighbor, was Kyle's "workout buddy," and also volunteered his time to work with veterans, Cox said. He was married and had children as well.

"He's a very gentle, sweet-hearted man, just a great man, kind of quiet," Cox said of Littlefield. "He just really cared. ... He wanted to do whatever he could to help veterans and help see that vision of serving others that Chris had. He shared that vision with all of us. He was a great man."

Cox said he understood that Kyle and Littlefield were

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## Obituaries

### Becky Hughes Gaston



Becky Hughes Gaston, 75, of Big Spring died Saturday, Feb. 2, 2013, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2013, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Calvary Callender and Don Swinney officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 4, 2013, at the funeral home.

She was born Feb. 6, 1937, in Dallas, Texas. She married O.C. Morrow in 1959 and he preceded her in death Feb. 22, 1973. She then married Jerry Don Hughes on Aug. 17, 1973, and he preceded her in death Jan. 23, 1999. She married Calvin C. Gaston in November of 2007, and he preceded her in death Sept. 28, 2011.

Becky came to Big Spring in 1959 and had owned and operated three beauty shops. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include one son, Larry Morrow and wife Toni of Odessa; one step-son, Scott Hughes and wife Carla of Big Spring; one step-daughter, Jenny Acebedo of Abilene; three brothers, Rickie Freeman and wife Becky, Jim Freeman and Randy Freeman and wife Diane, all of the Dallas area; eight grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Hassell and Mary Lou Freeman; two brothers, Glen Freeman and Gary Freeman; and one sister, Sherry Howard.

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

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

### Billy 'Pete' Laminack



Billy "Pete" Laminack, 82, of Colorado City died Friday, Feb. 1, 2013, at his residence. Private family services will be held at a later date.

He was born July 6, 1930, in Mangum, Okla. He married Joyce Littlepage on July 25, 1958, in Odessa, Texas. She preceded him in death Oct. 6, 2004. He then married Terri Couch on Aug. 8, 2006.

Pete was a truck driver for 41 years and had worked for J.H. Marks, McAlister's in Abilene, as well as being an independent operator.

Survivors include his wife, Terri Couch Laminack of Colorado City; and one son, Wendell Campbell and wife Capel of Odessa.

He was preceded in death by his parents, "Big Pete" and Bessie Laminack.

The family suggests memorials be made to IntegraCare Hospice, 1822 26th St., Snyder, Texas 79549.

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### Truell Wayne Hyde

Truell Wayne Hyde, 85, died Saturday, Feb. 2, 2013, in Big Spring, Texas. Family Visitation will be held between 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2013, at the Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home at 1615 South Fort Hood Road in Killeen, Texas. A Celebration service will be held at Memorial Baptist Church at 4001 West Trimmer Road in Killeen at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2013, with the Rev. Ken Cavey officiating. Burial will follow at Killeen Memorial Park.

Truell was born Oct. 6, 1927, in Walters, Okla., to Homer and Lula Mae (Greer) Hyde. At age three, he moved with his family to a farm near Friona, Texas, where he graduated from Friona High School. He married the late Erdeene Verle Clegg on June 2, 1949.

Truell is survived by his sons, Bradley Lewis Hyde and wife Lisa of Big Spring and Truell Hyde II and wife Carliss of Waco; two grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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

### Lois Hicks

Lois Hicks, 67, of Stanton died Saturday, Feb. 2, 2013, at Stanton Nursing Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

license – when unlicensed.

- NATHAN PRESCOTT RICHARDSON, 24, of 3906 Connally, was arrested Saturday on charges of public intoxication, consumption of alcohol by a minor, compulsory school attendance, no driver's license – when unlicensed and violation of school rules.

- ASHLEY ELAINE ELLISON, 25, of 1007 Nolan, was arrested Saturday on warrants for bail jumping – failure to appear (fine only) and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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

- STOLEN VEHICLE was reported in the 1200 block of E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street.

- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported: In the 1300 block of Pennsylvania.

- In the 1500 block of Wood.

## Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 70 inmates at the time of this report.

- RIANNON LEE HENSON, 28, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of resisting arrest, search or transportation and a municipal warrant for disregarding a stop light.

- NATHAN PRESCOTT RICHARDSON, 24, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication and municipal capias warrants for minor in consumption of alcoholic beverage, compulsory school attendance, no driver's license and violation of school rules.

- MICHAEL WEIST, 31, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of no driver's license – when unlicensed.

- ASHLEY ELAINE ELLISON, 25, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to appear.

- MICHAEL JAMES SCHWETER, 23, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a charge of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

- RONALD HASELBY, 62, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- KEITH HILARIO, 28, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of assault by contact.

- MARIO ILDEFONSO SALAZAR, 23, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of bail jumping – failure to appear and a municipal capias warrant for public intoxication.

- JOSEPH LAROCQUE, 34, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a municipal capias warrant for theft and municipal warrants for failure to obtain Texas driver's license and failure to appear (seven counts).

- ALICIA RIOS, 42, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for failure to obtain Texas driver's license and failure to appear.

- RICKIE JOSH LINDSEY, 38, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument.

## 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. Weigh-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.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.

### 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 [kerrirosebaum9488@msn.com](mailto:kerrirosebaum9488@msn.com)

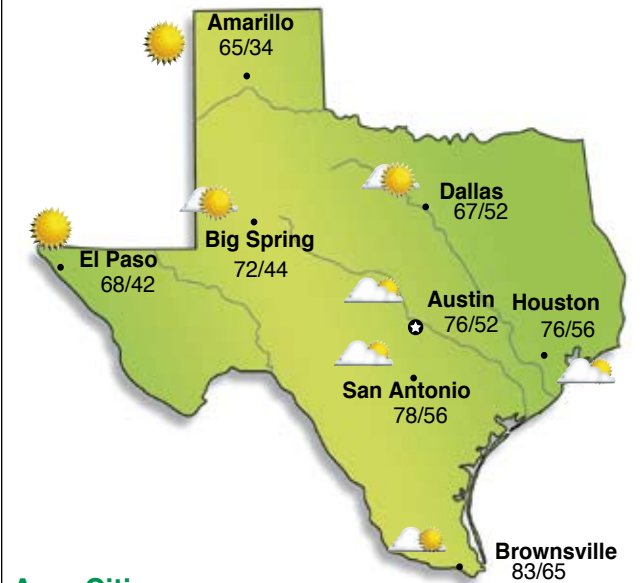
## Today's Weather

### Local 3-Day Forecast

Tue 2/5	Wed 2/6	Thu 2/7
<b>72/44</b>	<b>77/47</b>	<b>68/39</b>
A few clouds from time to time. High 72F. Winds light and variable.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 40s.	Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 30s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:37 AM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:36 AM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:35 AM
<b>Sunset:</b> 6:24 PM	<b>Sunset:</b> 6:24 PM	<b>Sunset:</b> 6:25 PM



## Texas At A Glance



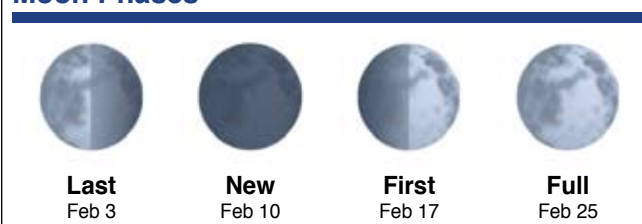
### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	70	48	mst sunny	Kingsville	85	62	pt sunny
Amarillo	65	34	sunny	Livingston	75	51	pt sunny
Austin	76	52	cloudy	Longview	69	50	pt sunny
Beaumont	74	54	cloudy	Lubbock	69	37	sunny
Brownsville	83	65	pt sunny	Lufkin	75	53	pt sunny
Brownwood	73	50	pt sunny	Midland	73	47	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	80	62	cloudy	Raymondville	84	64	pt sunny
Corsicana	67	51	pt sunny	Rosenberg	77	55	cloudy
Dallas	67	52	mst sunny	San Antonio	78	56	cloudy
Del Rio	78	56	pt sunny	San Marcos	77	52	cloudy
El Paso	68	42	sunny	Sulphur Springs	66	49	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	74	49	pt sunny	Sweetwater	70	47	mst sunny
Gainesville	65	43	mst sunny	Tyler	69	52	pt sunny
Greenville	65	46	mst sunny	Weatherford	66	48	mst sunny
Houston	76	56	cloudy	Wichita Falls	67	39	sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	60	41	pt sunny	Minneapolis	27	10	sn shower
Boston	30	24	sn shower	New York	33	30	sn shower
Chicago	34	17	snow	Phoenix	72	48	sunny
Dallas	67	52	mst sunny	San Francisco	57	44	cloudy
Denver	58	33	mst sunny	Seattle	47	42	rain
Houston	76	56	cloudy	St. Louis	54	30	mst sunny
Los Angeles	63	48	pt sunny	Washington, DC	43	32	cloudy
Miami	79	61	pt sunny				

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Tue 2/5	Wed 2/6	Thu 2/7
5	5	5
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

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

- 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.

### WEDNESDAY

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

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

### THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

- Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

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## Police blotter

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- KEITH ANDREW HILARIO, 28, of 1113 Lloyd, was arrested Saturday on a charge of assault by contact.

- MICHAEL ALLERY WEIST, 31, of California, was arrested Saturday on a charge of no driver's

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come to Big Spring. We heard it was a place interested in economic development opportunities."

The proposal at this point is to have containers of the waste stored out in the open in specially fortified steel casks. They would remain there for any number of years until they are taken to a final disposal site, or can be recycled. Should the latter be the case and the storage site is already located in the region, a reprocessing plant could be built which would work in conjunction with the existing storage facility.

So how would this benefit the Crossroads area?

Well, if the project comes to fruition, it would mean another job boom.

Jones estimates that if a storage site were to be constructed, it would require about 180 construction jobs — which would likely be a mix of local and out of town workers, as well as 100 permanent jobs to maintain the facility.

The process would take at least a few years. The permitting and li-

censing phase can be lengthy and requires action at the local, state and federal levels. It would take an estimated 5-8 years just for a storage site to be developed and additional 15 years for a reprocessing plant to be completed.

Should a reprocessing plant be designated for construction, it would be an even larger employment boom, with upwards of 18,000 jobs to build the structure and up to 5,000 to operate it on a day-to-day basis.

Federal education funds could be allocated to any community willing to entertain the idea of having a nuclear waste facility. The funds would benefit area schools and colleges.

"The federal government wants to find a place," Jones explained. "And they want to incentivize the location. If Howard County is chosen, they will make funds available for public education."

Safety is always an issue when dealing with such volatile materials.

The casks which would house the waste have been extensively tested. The most extreme test of all came when the Fukushima nuclear facility in Japan was ravaged by the 2011 tsunami. Though the plant sustained damage

and some radioactive material leaked out of the containment area, the casks stored on site remained intact after being inundated with a 50-foot tidal wave as well as massive flooding — something quite rare in the desert of West Texas.

"We know they can survive a tsunami, we know they can survive earthquakes — they are built to withstand just about anything," said Jones

The one realistic threat to public safety isn't a terrorist attack or even an act of God, but simple corrosion, Jones said.

The heavy steel casks would be monitored periodically to ensure they retain their structural integrity. Corrosion issues happen over time and can typically be repaired before any of the waste leaks into the atmosphere.

"They have been described as being low-risk," Jones said. "If the rods were exposed, that could create problems, but there is a very low-probability of anything happening to the casks."

Should the project go live, there are endless possibilities as far as how many extraneous business the locations

could bring along with them.

For instance, universities would likely want to study the waste and its potential uses and research and development industries interested in nuclear waste recycling may line up to conduct their studies as well. It could potentially open a lot of new doors for energy development in the region.

"People are already waiting to flock to the area that is chosen and set up shop," Jones added.

Ultimately, the decision will not be made by Jones or his business associates. It will first have to receive positive feedback from the residents of whichever area is selected and the state would have to actively apply for grants. Then, the federal government would have the final say.

The next steps would be for the County Commissioner's Court to draft an official resolution reflecting the county's support and stating its commitment to move forward with the exploratory phase of the project.

Contact Staff Writer Brian McCormack at 263-7331 ext. 237 or by e-mail at sports@big-springherald.com

Take note

• Jury duty for the 118th Judicial District Court, originally s• 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.

• 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 appliances.

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 1 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us or 432 268-7535.

• 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.

• Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$8 per person.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.

GUNS

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in class, but only a few rural districts are known to use that option. At a special Senate hearing on school safety last week, officials from those districts said gun-toting teachers provide a critical line of defense for students between the time the shooting starts and police arrive.

"Now, we're able to protect our children, to

fill that gap until the police get there," said Don Dunn, Don Dunn of Van Independent School District.

But the hearing also exposed a division between rural and urban school districts over arming teachers. Three small districts that allow teachers to carry weapons to class don't have their own police forces. Dallas and Austin and dozens of larger school districts do, and officials from those districts told lawmakers they want

to leave school security to professional law enforcement.

The Texas State Teachers Association has opposed pushing more teachers into carrying weapons. Parent groups seem nervous about the idea as well.

"No parent wants their child in on an experiment with deadly weapons," said Barbara Beto, legislative action chair for the Texas PTA.

The proposal for more guns echoes the National Rifle Association's

call for an armed guard in every school. Meanwhile, New York passed a law that reduces the maximum legal magazine size from 10 bullets to seven and further restricts assault weapons. Connecticut lawmakers are considering tighter control on guns following the Connecticut massacre.

President Obama earlier this month unveiled plans to press for universal background checks and bans on military-style assault weap-

ons and high-capacity ammunition magazines. That prompted a rapid-fire response from Texas.

Gov. Rick Perry, who carries a concealed handgun and once shot a coyote while jogging, said prayer, not gun control, would save lives.

First-term state Rep. Steve Toth, R-The Woodlands, organized a gun-rights rally that drew hundreds of gun-toting demonstrators to the steps of the state Capitol.

A simultaneous gun control rally on the opposite side of the building drew only a few dozen.

Toth has introduced a bill seeking to ban statewide any federal action limiting firearms.

The bill would allow Texas police to arrest federal law enforcement officers attempting to enforce any federal gun or ammunition bans in the Texas, although such a measure would violate the U.S. Constitution.

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helping Routh work through his own PTSD, but that he did not know how they came into contact. He said it was not a FITCO session.

Erath County Sheriff Tommy Bryant on Sunday offered a similar description of the situation.

"It's my understanding that the suspect may have been suffering from some type of mental illness from being in the military himself," he said of Routh.

He said Routh's mother may have reached out to Kyle for help with her son.

"We kind of have an idea that maybe that's why they were at the range for some type of therapy that Mr. Kyle assists people with," Bryant said.

Bryant didn't know whether Routh was on any medication or whether he had been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Authorities say the three men arrived at the Rough Creek Lodge southwest of Fort Worth around 3:15 p.m. Saturday. A hunting guide discovered the bodies of Kyle and Littlefield around 5 p.m. and called 911. Routh allegedly left

in Kyle's pickup and went to his sister's in Midlothian. He told what he had done and left. She called police and Routh was eventually found at his home in Lancaster. After a short pursuit he was arrested.

Routh was being held on \$3 million bail in the Erath County Jail. Authorities said they believed he had requested a court-appointed attorney. Calls to his home were not answered Sunday.

Kyle was also president of a security training firm Craft International. Craft had scheduled a \$2,950-per-person

civilian training event at Rough Creek Lodge called the "Rough Creek Shoot Out!" for March 1-3. The price included lodging, meals and shooting instruction. Kyle was scheduled to teach the first class, called "precision rifle."

But the work with veterans through FITCO was Kyle's passion, Cox said.

FITCO Cares offered life coaching for veterans, a daily support group and weekly group counseling. Sometimes veterans in other states

would video conference in to counseling sessions, Cox said.

Kyle was always recognized at events, but would deflect attention to other veterans, quickly introducing and praising those around him.

"That camaraderie is usually missed once the veteran gets out of the military," said Cox, himself a former Marine sniper. "The authentic relationships that you develop in the military, especially overseas and in combat are some of

the most meaningful, authentic relationships that one can have and it's missed. And so we tried to create a means through this group of veterans that can gather and talk about things that they're dealing with."

"He (Kyle) didn't have any fear at all as far as working with an extreme case," Cox said.

"Just like in combat he would take it on head on and do whatever he could to give these guys assistance. There was no fear in helping anyone that may have an extreme case. He was willing to help anyone in need."

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## News in brief

### Bus carrying Mexican tour group crashes in Calif. mountains, at least 8 dead, 38 injured

YUCAIPA, Calif. (AP) — At least eight people were killed and 38 injured Sunday when a tour bus careened out of control while traveling down a Southern California mountain road, struck a car, flipped and plowed into a pickup truck, authorities said.

The accident occurred around 6:30 p.m. about 80 miles east of Los Angeles and left State Route 38 littered with debris, the bus sideways across the two lanes and its front end crushed. Emergency crews worked to free passengers who were trapped in the bus, which was returning to Tijuana, Mexico, California Highway Patrol spokesman Mario Lopez said.

The violence of the crash and severity of the injuries made for a chaotic scene, and authorities had a difficult time determining how many people were injured or killed. Lopez said at least eight and perhaps 10 were dead, and 38 transported to hospitals.

California Department of Transportation spokeswoman Michelle Profant said the scene was shocking.

"It's really a mess up there with body parts," she said.

### Obama launches campaign for gun proposals with meetings with Minn. law enforcement officials

WASHINGTON (AP) — The fate of his gun proposals on Capitol Hill uncertain, President Barack Obama is seeking to rally support from the public and law enforcement community for his calls to ban assault weapons and install universal background checks for gun buyers.

Obama will pitch his proposals to stem gun violence Monday in Minnesota, a Democratic-leaning state where officials have been studying ways to reduce gun-related attacks and accidents for several years. His visit to the Minneapolis Police Department's Special Operations Center will mark the first time Obama has campaigned on his controversial proposals outside of Washington.

Ahead of the trip, the White House released a photo of the president skeet shooting at Camp David, the presidential retreat. Obama cited skeet shooting when asked in a recent interview whether he had ever shot a gun.

The president unveiled his sweeping package of proposals for curbing gun violence last month in response to the horrific mass shooting at a Newtown, Conn., elementary school. He vowed to use the full weight of his office to fight for the proposals, many of which face tough opposition from congressional lawmakers and the powerful National Rifle Association.

The reinstatement of the assault weapons ban, which expired in 2004, is expected to be the steepest climb for Obama. Universal background checks for gun purchasers may have an easier time passing Congress, though the NRA also opposes that measure.

### Civil rights lawyers: NYPD surveillance of Muslim communities violates federal guidelines

WASHINGTON (AP) — The New York Police Department's focus on Muslims has renewed the political surveillance of the 1960s and '70s that was banned under a landmark legal ruling, according to a new court filing by civil rights lawyers. They are seeking an injunction against further surveillance of Muslims without evidence of crimes and a new court-appointed auditor to oversee police ac-

tivities.

Describing continuing surveillance of Muslims as "widespread and intense," the civil rights lawyers complained that the NYPD has monitored public places where Muslims eat, shop and worship and has kept records and notes about police observations despite any evidence of unlawful or terror-related activities. The lawyers said the NYPD's actions violate rules, known as the Handschu guidelines, that a court had imposed as part of a 1985 landmark settlement with the NYPD to a lawsuit they filed.

"There is substantial persuasive evidence that the defendants are conducting investigations into organizations and individuals associated with the Muslim faith and the Muslim community in New York, and have been doing so for years, using intrusive methods, without a reasonable indication of unlawful activity, or a criminal predicate of any sort," the lawyers wrote in a motion to be filed Monday in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. They said the NYPD's actions were so "flagrant and persistent" that an auditor should be appointed.

A spokesman for the NYPD did not respond to a phone message and email request for comment from The Associated Press.

The NYPD and New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg have said the department follows the Handschu guidelines and did not break any laws over the course of its surveillance of Muslim communities. NYPD Commissioner Raymond Kelly has said the department has plenty of oversight, including five district attorneys, a committee that investigates police corruption, the NYPD's own internal affairs office and the court-imposed Handschu guidelines.

### Bullying study shows it does get better for gay teens yet young men fare worse than lesbians

CHICAGO (AP) — It really does get better for gay and bisexual teens when it comes to being bullied, although young gay men have it worse than their lesbian peers, according to the first long-term scientific evidence on how the problem changes over time.

The seven-year study involved more than 4,000 teens in England who were questioned yearly through 2010, until they were 19 and 20 years old. At the start, just over half of the 187 gay, lesbian and bisexual teens said they had been bullied; by 2010 that dropped to 9 percent of gay and bisexual boys and 6 percent of lesbian and bisexual girls.

The researchers said the same results likely would be found in the United States.

In both countries, a "sea change" in cultural acceptance of gays and growing intolerance for bullying occurred during the study years, which partly explains the results, said study co-author Ian Rivers, a psychologist and professor of human development at Brunel University in London.

That includes a government mandate in England that schools work to prevent bullying, and changes in the United States permitting same-sex marriage in several states.

### Textbook study finds Israelis, Palestinians ignoring the other side

JERUSALEM (AP) — Both Israeli and Palestinian schoolbooks largely present one-sided narratives of the conflict between the two peoples and tend to ignore the existence of the other side, but rarely resort to demonization, a study released Monday said.

The study by Israeli, Palestinian and American researchers, billed as setting a new scientific standard for textbook analysis, tackled a particularly fraught issue — longstanding Israeli claims that the Palestinians teach hatred of Israel and glorify violence in their schools.

The research, funded by the U.S. State Department, appeared to undermine these allegations, though it was unlikely to resolve the debate.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu argues that the conflict with the Palestinians is not

over land, but over Israel's acceptance in the region, and that peace is not possible until the alleged incitement stops.

Palestinians say Netanyahu is hiding behind such claims to divert attention from settlement building on occupied lands and from what they believe is his unwillingness to reach a peace deal on internationally backed terms.

### Former King Sihanouk, modern Cambodia's dominant figure, to be cremated amid mass mourning

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of mourners gathered in Cambodia's capital Monday awaiting the cremation of former King Norodom Sihanouk, the revered "King-Father," who survived wars and the murderous Khmer Rouge regime to hold center stage in the southeast Asian nation for more than half a century.

Cambodians from across the country flocked to Phnom Penh to pay their last respects as Sihanouk was given elaborate funeral rites — mingling Hindu, Buddhist and animist traditions — last seen 53 years ago with the death of Sihanouk's father, King Norodom Suramarit. And they may never be seen again in a rapidly modernizing country where monarchy has lost much of its power and glamor.

"I don't have any words to express the sorrow and suffering I feel when knowing his body will soon disappear," said a weeping, 79-year-old woman, Hin Mal, from the southern province of Takeo. "I love and respect King Sihanouk like my own father."

His body had been lying in state since he died of a heart attack in Beijing on Oct. 15 at the age of 89.

Following a procession through the streets of Phnom Penh Friday, his body was placed inside a temple-like, 15-story-high crematorium where his son King Norodom Sihamoni and Queen Mother Norodom Monineath will light the funeral pyre.

### Super Bowl advertising goes epic-with mini-movies from Chrysler, Samsung, Anheuser-Busch

NEW YORK (AP) — Super Bowl ads this year morphed into mini soap operas.

Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson shrugged off aliens so he could get more milk for his kids in a Super Bowl spot for the Milk Processor Education Program. Anheuser-Busch's commercial told the story of a baby Clydesdale growing up and returning to his owner for a heartfelt hug years later. And a Jeep ad portrayed the trials and triumphs of families waiting for their return of family members.

The reason for all the drama off the field? With 30-second spots going for as much as \$4 million and more than 111 million viewers expected to tune in, marketers are constantly looking for ways to make their ads stand out. And it's increasingly difficult to captivate viewers with short-form plots involving babies, celebrities, sex and humor — unless there's a compelling story attached.

"A lot of advertisers are running long commercials to tell these stories that engage people often in a very emotional way," said Tim Calkins, clinical professor of marketing at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern. "These spots that tell stories really stand out in the clutter."

### 2 dead in wrong way

#### I-30 crash in Fort Worth

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Two people have been killed and an interstate highway in Fort Worth was closed after a driver going the wrong way on the freeway collided with another vehicle.

Fort Worth police say drivers had called 911 after seeing a car on the wrong side of Interstate 30 early Monday. One motorist estimated the black sedan was moving at 100 mph. The speeding car eventually slammed into a two-door coupe.

The drivers of both were killed. Authorities haven't immediately identified the victims. The medical examiner's office also will be looking at whether medical issues contributed to the crash.

### Texas judge faces inquiry into wrongful conviction

GEORGETOWN, Texas (AP) — A court of inquiry is set to examine whether a Texas judge should face criminal charges in the case of a man who was wrongfully imprisoned for nearly 25 years for his wife's murder.

The legal proceeding beginning Monday in Central Texas will determine whether Judge Ken Anderson acted improperly in 1987 when he was a district attorney prosecuting Michael Morton.

Morton was released in 2011 after new DNA testing showed he didn't kill his wife in 1986. Anderson is accused of hiding evidence and has denied any wrongdoing in prosecuting the case.


### 2 Texas fugitives nabbed after chase in Neb., Wyo.

GERING, Neb. (AP) — Authorities say two people wanted on Texas warrants have been arrested after a high-speed chase that went from western Nebraska into Wyoming and back again.

Jail records say 26-year-old Joshua Carver and 21-year-old Alexandria Pryor remained in Scotts Bluff County custody on Monday. They were arrested Saturday afternoon in the Nebraska Panhandle's Sioux County.

The chase began when a Mitchell officer tried to stop a car bearing Texas plates.

The chase reached upward of 100 mph through two Nebraska counties, into eastern Wyoming and back to Nebraska.



## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### Famous Hand

West dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

<p><b>NORTH</b></p> <p>♠ 9 7 2 ♥ K Q 2 ♦ 10 9 7 6 5 ♣ 9 6</p>	<p><b>EAST</b></p> <p>♠ J 8 3 ♥ J 10 9 5 3 ♦ A K Q 4 ♣ 3</p>
<p><b>WEST</b></p> <p>♠ — ♥ 8 7 6 4 ♦ J 8 3 2 ♣ J 10 8 5 4</p>	<p><b>SOUTH</b></p> <p>♠ A K Q 10 6 5 4 ♥ A ♦ — ♣ A K Q 7 2</p>

The bidding:  
West North East South  
Pass Pass 1♥ 2♥  
4♥ Pass Pass 6♠

Opening lead — two of diamonds.

This extraordinary hand was played many years ago by Lee Hazen, a top-flight player who for many years was the chief attorney for the American Contract Bridge League.

Hazen was East, and South reached six spades on the bidding shown. West led a diamond, and here is Hazen's account of what happened after that, as related by him in Bridge World magazine:

"I was of course disappointed

when declarer ruffed the opening lead. South then went into a long trance and finally emerged from it by cashing the ace of hearts and leading the ten of spades next.

"My partner discarded a heart, and I reacted like the typical young lawyer I was. The first thing you learn in law school is to be suspicious. You spend several hours a day being suspicious of people, of things and of ideas. If you're really good at it, you eventually develop the ability to be just abstractly suspicious.

"I found it easy to be suspicious at this particular moment. What was declarer trying to do to me? I didn't bother to work it out. I just knew that if declarer wanted me to take the ten of spades, it couldn't be good for me to oblige him. So I played the three and stared at declarer with a cold legal eye.

"South went into a new trance and then led the A-K of clubs. By now I was carried away by the spirit of the thing. I had refused one trump trick, and nobody was going to bully me into taking another.

"So I discarded a heart instead of ruffing. South struggled quietly for a while but eventually went down one."

Of course, Hazen had found the only defense to beat the slam.

Tomorrow: The magic number.  
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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			3		4	5	
		4	1		8	6		

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# Ravens win Super Bowl

Baltimore survives blackout, second half rally by San Francisco



**BARRY WILNER**

AP Pro Football Writer

NEW ORLEANS — For a Super Bowl with so many story lines, this game came up with quite a twist.

Try a blackout that turned a blowout into a shootout — capped by a brilliant defensive stand.

The Baltimore Ravens survived a frenzied comeback by the San Francisco 49ers following a 34-minute delay in the third quarter for a power outage Sunday night, winning their second championship 34-31. Super Bowl MVP Joe Flacco threw three first-half touchdown passes, Jacoby Jones ran back the second-half kickoff a record 108 yards for a score, and star linebacker Ray Lewis' last play fittingly was part of a defensive effort that saved the victory.

"To me, that was one of the most amazing goal-line stands I've ever been a part of in my career," said Lewis, who announced

a month ago he would retire when the Ravens were done playing.

They are done now, with another Vince Lombardi Trophy headed for the display case.

"What better way to do it," Lewis said, "than on the Super Bowl stage?"

That stage already was loaded with plots:

—The coaching Harbaugh's sibling rivalry, won by older brother John, who said the postgame greeting with Jim was "painful."

—Flacco's emergence as a top-level quarterback, and his impending free agency.

—Colin Kaepernick's rapid rise in the last two months as 49ers QB.

—The big game's return to the Big Easy for the first time in 11 years, and the first time since Hurricane Katrina ravaged the city in 2005.

—Lewis' self-proclaimed "last ride."

But when the Superdome lost power, well, that wasn't in anyone's scenario.

Flacco and the

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Baltimore's Ray Lewis holds up the Lombardi Trophy after defeating the San Francisco 49ers 34-31 in the Super Bowl on Sunday. Lewis — who has helped guide the Ravens to two Super Bowl victories — announced he would retire after this season.

AP photo

## Area Briefs

### Benefit hoops game slated for Thursday

The Big Spring ISD Athletic Department is sponsoring a benefit basketball game for John and Anna Sotelo on Thursday at Steer Gym.

Their daughter, Cecili, was in a severe accident out of state and the family has accrued unexpected medical expenses.

Tickets will be \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. Any further donations to the Sotelo's are greatly appreciated. No free passes will be accepted as entry to the event.

John Sotelo is a postal worker and his wife, Anna, is the receptionist at the high school.

The game will feature members of the Big Spring coaching staff against senior boys.

Hilarity on the coaches' part is guaranteed.

The public is urged to come out and have fun while supporting a good cause.

For more information, contact Kay Cook at 264-3662.

### Big Spring Little League registration now open

Sign-ups for Big Spring Little League are being held at the Big Spring Mall on Saturday, Feb. 9 and Saturday, Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Another registration will be held on Monday, Feb. 11 through Friday, Feb. 16 from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m., also at the mall.

There are several age divisions and children from 4-16 years are invited to join. The cost is \$80 per child, regardless of age. A birth certificate must be presented at the time of registration.

For more information, call Robert Smith at 816-8161 or Paige Jackson at 213-2062.

### Big Spring Country Club set to hold 4-person scramble

The Big Spring Country Club will be hosting a four-person scramble Saturday and Sunday, February 23-24. Entry fee is \$100 per player plus cart fees. Private carts are welcome.

A shotgun start will commence at 1 p.m. each day.

Entrance fee includes one mulligan per day and barbeque on the course Saturday. Practice rounds will be available Friday.

Field will be flighted by first round score, with the number of flights determined by number of entires.

For more information, contact the pro shop at 267-5354.

## University of Texas regents mull coaches' conduct with students

**JIM VERTUNO**

AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN, Texas — University of Texas regents Sunday ordered a review of policies regarding inappropriate relationships between employees and students after a two-hour, private telephone meeting to discuss incidents involving assistant football coach Major Applewhite and former women's head track coach Bev Kearney.

The call between the regents, their legal staff and Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa was scheduled after the disclosure Friday that Applewhite, the Longhorns' offensive coordinator, had been disciplined by the school in 2009 for his conduct with a student during a trip to the Fiesta Bowl. Applewhite was ordered at the time to undergo counseling and his pay was frozen for a year. The regents did not order any further discipline against him after Sunday's meeting.

The revelation about Applewhite's

conduct almost a month after Kearney resigned while under investigation for a 2002 relationship with an athlete in her program. Texas officials have said they were in the process of firing her.

"As leaders of the University of Texas System, our chief concern is and always will be the safety and welfare of the students on our 15 campuses," regents Chairman Gene Powell and Cigarroa said in a joint statement.

"The No. 1 priority of all UT administration leaders, faculty, staff and athletic personnel should be protecting our students and ensuring that their experience at any UT institution is a positive and safe one," the statement said. Regents Vice Chairman Paul Foster would lead the policy review.

In both cases, the university has said the relationships between the coaches and students were consensual. But Kearney's lawyer, Derek Howard, has suggested the track

coach was treated unfairly and may sue the university. Howard did not immediately respond to an email message.

Kearney, who won six national championships since 1993, was in line for a large pay increase until the former athlete reported their relationship in October. Kearney was placed on paid leave in November and resigned Jan. 5.

When Kearney resigned, school officials said it didn't appear Kearney had engaged in any other inappropriate behavior with students, but that the relationship with the athlete "crosses the line of trust placed in the head coach for all aspects of the athletic program and the best interests of the student athletes on the team."

A public records request by the Daily Texan student newspaper revealed a disciplinary letter to Applewhite from athletic director

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## Mickelson finishes off Pheonix Open victory

**JOHN NICHOLSON**

AP Sports Writer

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Phil Mickelson had a putt for 59 in the first round of the Phoenix Open that caught the right edge of the cup, curled 180 degrees and stayed out. Three days later, he flirted with the PGA Tour's 72-hole scoring record.

History aside, Lefty left the desert with the big trophy Sunday and a huge confidence boost after a season that got off to a shaky start on and off the course with middle-of-the-pack finishes at La Quinta and Torrey Pines and headline-making talk about tax increases.

"It's an important one for me, because it's been a while since I won, been a while since I've been in contention," Mickelson

said. "I was certainly nervous heading into today. I think the thing I'm most excited about was the way I was able to regain control of my thoughts after a few shots early on that I didn't care for."

He thrived when the pressure was the greatest Sunday.

The biggest test came on the par-3 seventh when his 5-iron shot sailed long and right, stopping an inch from the fringe and leaving him in danger of losing at least a stroke to playing partner Brandt Snedeker. Instead, he ended up leaving Snedeker shaking his head and went on to complete a wire-to-wire victory.

Fifty-five feet away, with a mound and a 20-foot swath of fringe between his ball and the hole, Mickelson decided to putt

through the taller grass rather than chip over it. He had caddie Jim Mackay remove the flagstick so that it wouldn't deflect the ball if it had too much speed, a move that proved wise when the ball raced into the cup.

"The challenge of that was to judge the speed where half the putt is through fringe and half is on the green," Mickelson said.

"I got lucky to have made it, obviously. I was just trying to two-putt it. It was going fairly quickly when it got to the hole, probably would have been 6, 8 feet by. With Brandt in there close, that was a big momentum change."

Snedeker joked with Mickelson for a moment before holing his own birdie putt.

"Are you kidding me?"

Snedeker said about his reaction to the putt. "I fully expected Phil to hit a flop shot from there. He didn't have much of a putt, and he putted through it."

"I hit a great shot in there close and I thought, 'Hey, I can get one on him here and put some pressure on him.' He makes that, and he let me hear about it before I putt, and he let me know that I needed to make that to tie. We had fun with it. That's Phil being Phil."

Mickelson shot a 4-under 67 to finish at 28-under 256, two strokes off the PGA Tour record set by Tommy Armour III in the 2003 Texas Open.

The 42-year-old former Arizona State star settled for a 60 on Thursday and followed with rounds of 65 and 64 to take a six-stroke lead into the final round.

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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mars and Neptune  
Activate the Dream

Albert Einstein suggested that once you accept your limits you can move beyond them. Philosophers like Goethe and Francis Bacon declared that the human mind has no limits. However you think about it, you're likely to bust through the barriers of yesterday as the Mars and Neptune conjunction puts dreams into activation mode.

HOLIDAY  
MATHIS

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). It will be harder than usual to make up your mind — or rather, you'll make it up and then remake it several times. After the back and forth, you'll be reminded why your original decision was the best.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). There is nothing more frustrating than a person who makes you fight for your ideas, find support for your arguments and justify your choices. But this is ultimately what makes you great.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Excitement brings the same symptoms as stress, but you definitely know which one you're feeling at a given moment. You'll likely visit both sides of the spectrum over the course of this whimsical day.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Romantic relationships are not the only kind that take work. All relationships must be built and then adjusted along the way according to life's changes. Most of today's efforts will be spent in this regard.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). When emotions run high, people speak the truth. Whether the catalyst is anger or passion, the result will be the same: an honest response that is worth remembering long after the heated feelings have passed.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Something new is being requested of you. Don't be afraid to voice your concerns or ask for more thorough instructions. Better to ask a dumb question than to make a dumb mistake.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct.

23). Courageous people often don't consider themselves courageous because they are so used to being brave that it seems normal to them. Give yourself credit for stepping up to the needs that others don't seem to see.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Loved ones will share interesting stories and theories with you. Even if you don't believe them, you'll humor them. Your compassion is a part of the relationship package, and they'll depend on it.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Many hear wise words, but few follow them. A piece of good advice you gleaned from your parents will hold you in good stead for the next few decades.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). In the realm of science fiction, the main character sometimes has strange and prophetic dreams — a clue to the dormant superpowers that lie within. You could have the same tonight.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Everything can happen, just not all at once. To avoid the feelings of overwhelm that can come with a day as full of action and opportunities as this one is, make a list and put it in order of importance.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). The day offers a feeling of belonging and fun. You'll have a special kinship with someone who thinks or looks like you. If this person has a similar background, even better.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Feb. 4). Inside you exists the person you were at every age. Now you have the widest range you've ever had, and you'll have fun with it, becoming whichever age suits the moment best. The smart move you make this month will boost your income. You and your love are inseparable in March. Travel in May and December. Cancer and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 44, 11, 19 and 38.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I like to sit in my room and think about things. Some of my favorite things to think about are: people I know, things I might do, what I want to make, what I wish or suspect will happen, reality, god and combinations of those things. When I

concentrate, I am very aware of a tingling sensation in my body. It happens in different places: my eye, the top of my head, my toe, my nose, my belly, etc. I wonder what it means. I'm a Scorpio."

You are very deep, indeed, dear Scorpio — and so is your intuition. I believe that these tingling sensations are messages from your higher self. The interpretations are a personal matter that you can sort out by keeping track in a journal of what you were thinking at the time of the sensation, where the sensation occurred in your body and finally the outcome of the situation. Many psychics find that tingling sensations in the entire head, forehead, lips, nose, belly and fingertips are good

omens. Some say that sensations in the back of the head, neck, ears and feet are negative omens. But again, this is very personal, and the best way to read them is to keep track like a scientist.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** In his breakout song "I Don't Want To Be," Aquarius Gavin DeGraw declared the virtues of being yourself in a world of pretenders. Even though Aquarius is the sign of humanity, Aquarius is also known for individualism. One of the gifts of this sun sign is that they tend to bravely express their uniqueness, thereby encouraging others to do the same. Result: a richer and more varied experience for all.

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

**Dear Ann Landers:** My husband has been clinically depressed for most of his adult life. A while back, "Herman" began seeing a female therapist who focused on my husband's early years to see if something in his childhood might be the cause of his depression.

His therapist discovered that during adolescence, Herman had been a cross-dresser. He apparently had worn women's clothing in his early teens but repressed it as an adult. Now, Herman wants my permission to express this part of his personality around the house. He says he would not go out in public.

ANN  
LANDERS

This disgusts me, Ann. The thought of my husband in makeup, wig and high heels makes my skin crawl. His therapist told me I need to be more tolerant. She doesn't seem to think his behavior is abnormal or sick.

Herman is artistic and sensitive, a gourmet cook and an avid sportsman. More importantly, he is a terrific father to our two sons.

I used to think he was the most masculine man alive. Now, I don't see how I can ever look at him the same way or stop wondering if he is gay.

I don't want to break up our marriage, but if anyone found out about the makeup, wigs and high heels, I would be devastated. I need your advice. — N. Carolina

**Dear N. Carolina:** You need to have a better understanding of your husband's cross-dressing. Herman is a transvestite. Some transvestites are gay, but many are not.

They get their thrills from dressing up in women's clothing, but that's as far as it goes. Please go to the public library, and read up on the subject. The more you know, the less you will fear it.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I just read the letter from "Hey You" in Florida, whose mother-in-law wouldn't call her by name.

My own daughter has not called me "Mom" or anything else since she married 38 years ago, when she was 18.

I have never heard her say she is sorry when she has been in the wrong. Nor does she ever say, "Please," or "Thank you." This is not the way she was raised. We see each other often, and she is not hostile. Can you explain this? — Hey, You in California

**Dear Hey, You:** No, I cannot explain it. Sounds as if your daughter is angry about the way her life turned out and is just plain bitter.

Why don't you ask her why she never calls you "Mom"? Tell her you would like that. It could be the beginning of a meaningful and long-overdue dialogue.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I am writing in response to "Managing in Mesa," the disabled woman who complained about people staring at her or asking questions.

I have a different question for her. How are children supposed to react to a person with a handicap if they are not allowed to ask

questions? While I don't agree with being cruel or rude, I have always told my children that instead of just staring, they should ask questions.

They have since delighted me as well as total strangers with their honesty.

My son once told a lady in line, "That's the nicest wheelchair I ever saw." She smiled and said, "Thank you. I've had it since I was your age."

While she didn't go into detail, she explained she had been in a car accident many years before and told my son, "When you grow up, never drink and drive."

I'm sure that woman, and what she said, made an indelible impression on my son. So you see, Ann, asking questions can be a good thing. — Upfront in Vermont

**Dear Vermont:** Being forthright and honest is always the best way to go. That is how children develop integrity. The woman gave your son some very good advice as well as a fine character lesson.

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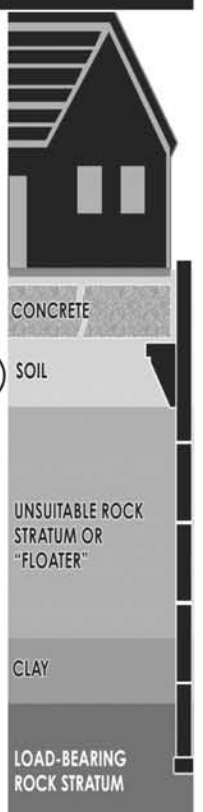
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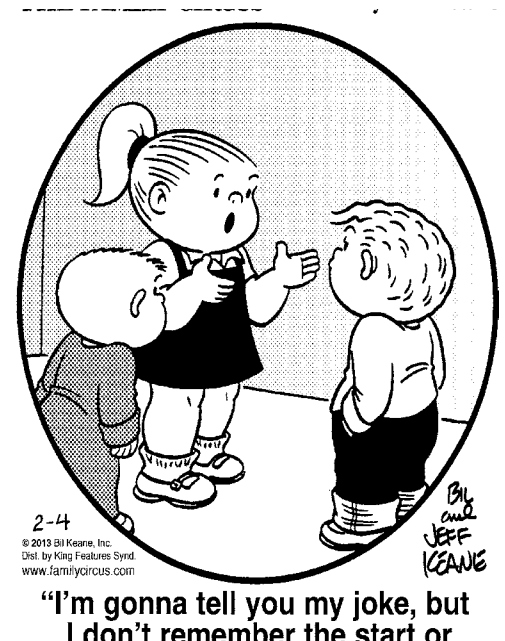


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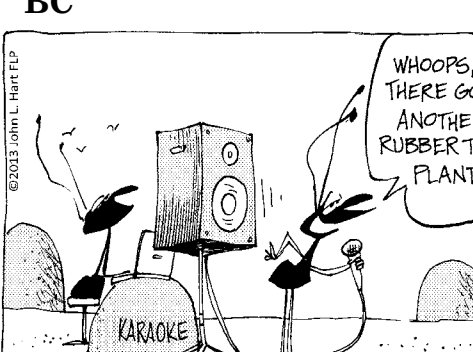
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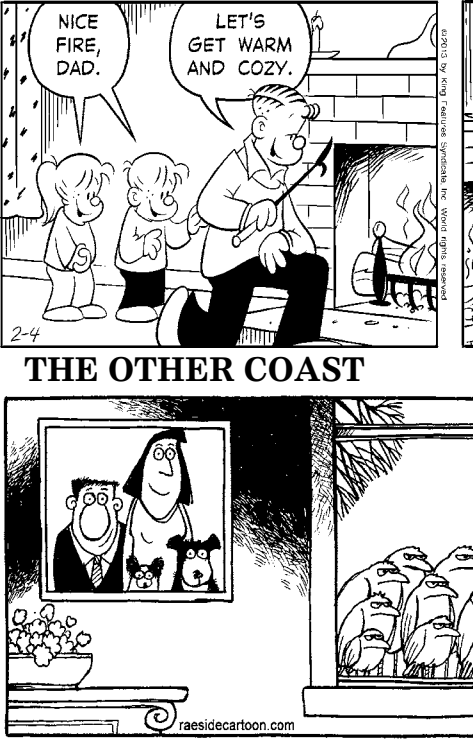
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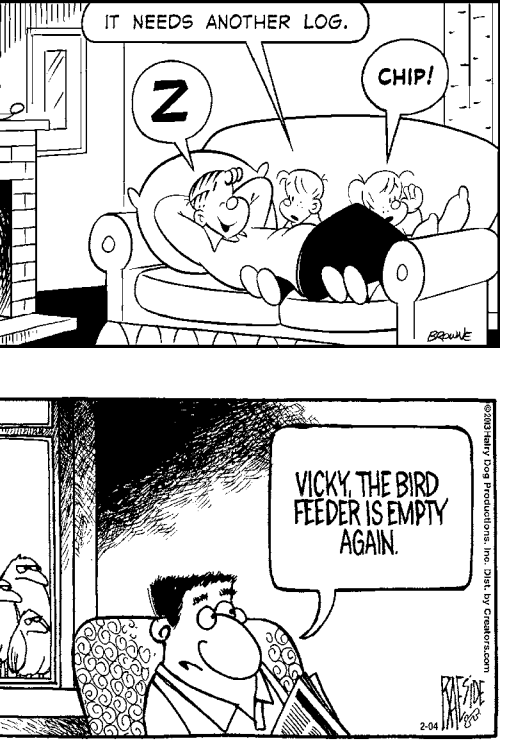
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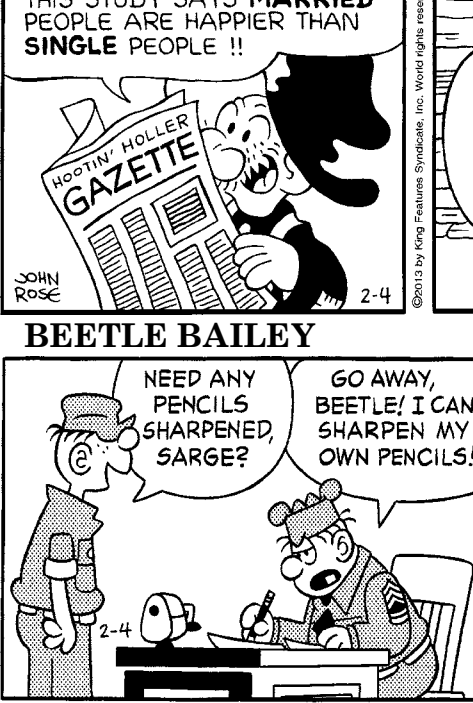
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## This Date In History

Today is Monday, Feb. 4, the 35th day of 2013. There are 330 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 4, 1913, Rosa Parks, a black woman whose 1955 refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Ala., city bus to a white man sparked a civil rights revolution, was born Rosa Louise McCauley in Tuskegee, Ala.

On this date:

In 1783, Britain's King George III proclaimed a formal cessation of hostilities in the American Revolutionary War.

In 1789, electors chose George Washington to be the first president of the United States.

In 1861, delegates from six southern states that had recently seceded from the Union met in Montgomery, Ala., to form the Confederate States of America.

In 1932, New York Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt opened the Winter Olympic Games at

Lake Placid.

In 1938, the Thornton Wilder play "Our Town" opened on Broadway. Walt Disney's animated feature "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" opened in general U.S. release.

In 1941, the United Service Organizations (USO) came into existence.

In 1962, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was founded in Memphis, Tenn., by entertainer Danny Thomas.

In 1972, Mariner 9, orbiting Mars, transmitted images of the red planet.

In 1974, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was kidnapped in Berkeley, Calif., by the Symbionese Liberation Army.

In 1976, more than 23,000 people died when a severe earthquake struck Guatemala with a magnitude of 7.5, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

In 1983, pop singer-musician Karen Carpenter died in Downey, Calif., at age 32.

In 1987, pianist Liberace died at his Palm Springs, Calif., home at age 67.

Today's Birthdays: Actor William Phipps is 91. Former Argentinian comedian Isabel Peron is 82. Comedian David Brenner is 77. Actor Gary

Conway is 77. Movie director George A. Romer is 73. Rock musician John Steel (The Animals) is 72. Singer Florence LaRue (The Fifth Dimension) is 72. Former Vice President Dan Quayle is 66. Rock singer Alice Cooper is 65. Actor Michael Beck is 64. Actress Lisa Eichhorn is 61. Football Hall-of-Famer Lawrence Taylor is 54. Rock singer Tim Booth is 53. Rock musician Henry Bogdan is 52. Country singer Clint Black is 51. Rock musician Noodles (The Offspring) is 50. Country musician Dave Buchanan (Yankee Grey) is 47. Actress Gabrielle Anwar is 43. Actor Rob Corddry is 42. Singer David (dah-VEED) Garza is 42. Actor Michael Goorjian is 42.

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  - 5 Soccer or tennis
  - 10 Gush out
  - 14 Press, as a shirt
  - 15 Gradually narrow
  - 16 Hindu exercise system
  - 17 Tenant's monthly payment
  - 18 Sports stadium
  - 19 Gear teeth
  - 20 Placing under arrest
  - 23 Fish eggs
  - 24 Point at the target
  - 25 Airport entryways
  - 28 Baby bear
  - 31 Subject of discussion
  - 35 Swelled head
  - 36 Merited
  - 39 Move quickly
  - 40 Creative liberty
  - 43 Enjoy a novel
  - 44 Bank clerk
  - 45 Actor's prompt
  - 46 Poodles
  - 48 Poor grade
  - 49 Theater seater
  - 51 Period of history
  - 53 Observe
  - 54 Under tight control
  - 61 Be furious
  - 63 Submarine locator
  - 64 "Not guilty," for one
  - 65 Without a warranty
- DOWN**
- 1 Hard, as a mattress
  - 2 Carpet measurement
  - 3 Monastery resident
  - 4 All-inclusive woman
  - 5 Performers' platform
  - 6 Prefix for legal or medic
  - 7 Oil cartel
  - 8 Nevada city
  - 9 Song syllables
  - 10 Urban tree
  - 11 Low-quality
  - 12 "Hard-boiled" breakfast
  - 13 Used to be
  - 21 Odor detectors
  - 22 Kindled
  - 25 Car transmission selections
  - 26 See eye to eye
  - 27 Add up to
  - 28 Dept
  - 29 Dad's brother
  - 30 Charming woman
  - 32 Party beverage
  - 33 Debate topic
  - 34 Gladden
  - 37 Lawyer: Abbr.
  - 38 Casino cube
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  - 47 Mrs., south of the border
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# QB Flacco's career validated with Super Bowl MVP

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Until this Super Bowl, Joe Flacco always believed in himself more than many other folks did.

Maybe that's because the Baltimore Ravens quarterback never put up the most scintillating statistics. Or because he kept falling short of a championship.

This much was clear: Flacco didn't get the top-of-the-line contract he wanted last offseason, so he put off negotiations until this season was done, confident he would prove himself.

That decision worked out rather well.

Capping a perfect post-season, the unassuming and unheralded Flacco completed 22 of 33 passes for 287 yards and three first-half touchdowns Sunday, earning Super Bowl MVP honors for leading the Ravens to a 34-31 victory over the San Francisco 49ers.

Hey, Ravens owner Steve Bisciotti, get your check-book ready.

"He did let me know if the day came, I could go beat on his desk and really give

it to him," Flacco said with a smile. "And that's what I'm going to do."

Flacco set aside any questions about just how good he is and whether he belongs in the conversation about the league's best quarterbacks, becoming only the sixth in 47 Super Bowls to throw for three scores in a first half. He connected with Anquan Boldin for 13 yards, Dennis Pitta for 1, and Jacoby Jones for 56 in a back-and-forth game oddly interrupted more than a half-hour by a power outage.

Then, on the drive that ended with Baltimore's final points, a field goal with under 4½ minutes left, Flacco faced a third-and-1 at his team's 45-yard line. Given three play calls to choose from, Flacco banged his wrists across each other, signaling for a fade to Boldin. The outcome? A 15-yard gain for a first down.

"It shows you he has got guts," Baltimore coach John Harbaugh said. "He has got the guts of a burglar."

Earlier, Flacco showed more athleticism than he gets credit for, running to his right under pressure from two linebackers before lofting a 30-yard pass to Boldin.

"Now they're gonna have to talk about Joe Flacco," center Matt Birk said. "Joe's a stud. He showed it tonight."

Not just Sunday, actually.

The admittedly mild-mannered guy, who played his college football far from the spotlight at Delaware, wrapped up Baltimore's four-game run to the title with a record-equaling 11 TD passes and zero interceptions, going 73 of 126 for 1,140 yards. It was an impressive streak that included road victories against two of the game's most respected QBs, Peyton Manning and Tom Brady, and a first-round home win against No. 1 overall draft pick Andrew Luck.

"I wouldn't take any other quarterback over Joe," offensive lineman Michael Oher said. "People give him slack, and I don't know

why."

Flacco's job in the second half Sunday was more about being safe than spectacular. He had helped Baltimore take a 21-6 half-time lead, and it grew to 28-6 when Jones returned the second-half kickoff a Super Bowl-record 108 yards.

That is when things got strange.

First, the lights inside the Superdome cut out, delaying action for more than a half-hour. And when play resumed, San Francisco quickly scored 17 consecutive points to make things interesting.

The Ravens held on down the stretch. Two short field goals by rookie Justin Tucker padded the lead, and the Ray Lewis-led defense stopped the 49ers on a fourth-and-goal at the 5 with under 2 minutes left.

"I tell you what: We don't make it easy," said Flacco, who set an NFL quarterback record by leading his team to playoff wins in each of his first five seasons.

## RAVENS

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Ravens (14-6) were turning the game into a rout, leading 28-6 when, without even a flicker of warning, several banks of lights and the scoreboards went dark. Players from both sides stretched and chatted with each other in as bizarre a scene as any Super Bowl has witnessed.

"The bad part was we started talking about it," said safety Ed Reed, who had the game's only interception. "That was mentioned. It was like they were trying to kill our momentum."

After power was restored, the 49ers began playing lights out.

San Francisco (13-5-1), in search of its sixth Lombardi Trophy in as many tries, got back in the game almost immediately.

Michael Crabtree's 31-yard touchdown reception, on which he broke two tackles, made it 28-13.

A few minutes later, Frank Gore's 6-yard run followed a 32-yard punt return by Ted Ginn Jr., and the 49ers were within eight.

Ray Rice's fumble at his 24 led to David Akers' 34-yard field goal, but Baltimore woke up for a long drive leading to rookie Justin Tucker's 19-yard field goal. San Francisco wasn't

done challenging, though, and Kaepernick's 15-yard TD run, the longest for a quarterback in a Super Bowl, made it 31-29. A 2-point conversion pass failed when the Ravens blitzed.

Tucker added a 38-yarder with 4:19 remaining, setting up the frantic finish.

Kaepernick couldn't get the 49ers into the end zone on the final three plays.

The last was a pass into the right corner of the end zone to Crabtree that involved some incidental bumping. Jim Harbaugh insisted a flag should have been thrown.

"There's no question in my mind that there was a pass interference and then a hold," Jim Harbaugh said.

Ravens punter Sam Koch took a safety for the final score with 4 seconds left. Koch's free kick was returned by Ginn to midfield as time ran out.

"How could it be any other way? It's never pretty. It's never perfect. But it's us," John Harbaugh said of his Ravens. "It was us today."

Barely. "Yeah, I think that last drive when we got the ball and had time to go down and score a touchdown," Kaepernick said, "we thought it was our game."

But the championship is Baltimore's.

As for the foul-up at America's biggest sporting event, officials revealed that an "abnormality" in the power system triggered an automatic shutdown, forcing backup systems to kick in. But no one was sure what caused the initial problem.

Everything changed after that until Lewis and Co. shut it down. But there were plenty of white-knuckle moments and the Ravens had to make four stops inside their 7 at the end.

"I think it speaks to our resolve, speaks to our determination, speaks to our mental toughness," John Harbaugh said. "That is what wins and loses games."

At 4 hours, 14 minutes, it was the longest Super Bowl ever.

Flacco's arrival as a championship quarterback — he had 11 post-season TD passes, tying a league mark, and no interceptions — coincides with Lewis' retirement. The win capped a sensational four games since Lewis announced he was leaving the game after 17 Hall of Fame-caliber years.

The Ravens will become Flacco's team now, provided he reaches agreement on a new contract.

Flacco's three TD passes in the opening half tied a Super Bowl record. They covered 13 yards to Anquan Boldin, 1 to Dennis Pitta and 56 to Jones.

That start boosted him to the MVP award.

"They have to give it to one guy and I'm not going to complain that I got it," Flacco said.

John Harbaugh had no complaints about getting that other trophy named after that Green Bay coach. But he struggled to balance it with the disappointment his brother was feeling.

"The meeting with Jim in the middle (of the field for the postgame

handshake) was probably the most difficult thing I have ever been associated with in my life," the Ravens coach said.

The wild scoring made this the second championship in the NFL's 80-year title game history in which both teams scored at least 30 points. Pittsburgh's 35-31 win over Dallas in 1979 was the other.

The Ravens stumbled into the playoffs with four defeats in its last five regular-season games as Lewis recovered from a torn right triceps and Flacco struggled.

Harbaugh even fired his offensive coordinator in December, a stunning move with the postseason so close.

But that — and every other move Harbaugh, Flacco and the Ravens made since — were right on target.

New Orleans native Jones, one of the stars in a double-overtime playoff win at Denver, seemed to put the game away with his record 108-yard sprint with the second-half kickoff.

Soon after, the lights went out — and when they came back on, the Ravens were almost powerless to slow the 49ers.

Until the final moments.

"The final series of Ray Lewis' career was a goal-line stand," Harbaugh said.

Lewis was sprawled on all fours, face-down on the turf, after the end zone incompletion.

"It's no greater way, as a champ, to go out on your last ride with the men that I went out with, with my teammates," Lewis said. "And you looked around this stadium and Baltimore! Baltimore! We coming home, baby! We did it!"

Jim Harbaugh, the coach who turned around the Niners in

## REGENTS

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DeLoss Dodds. Applewhite, a former Texas quarterback who was the Longhorns' running backs coach in his first season on staff, was ordered to undergo counseling. His salary was frozen for a year.

Dodds' letter warned Applewhite that any more such actions by him could result in more serious punishment. Applewhite has since been promoted to co-offensive coordinator and will call plays for Texas next season.

In a statement Friday night, Applewhite, who is married and one of the most popular assistants on Mack Brown's staff, said he was embarrassed by his conduct at the bowl game.

"It was a one-time occurrence and was a personal matter," Applewhite said. "Shortly after it occurred, I discussed the situation with DeLoss Dodds. I was upfront and took full responsibility for my actions. This is and was resolved by the university four years ago. Through counseling, I have worked with my wife and the incident is behind us."

Dodds said the university's legal office looked in the matter at the time and said Applewhite had been given appropriate punishment.

Joe Jamail, a Houston attorney and prominent supporter of the athletic program who is advising Applewhite, did not immediately return a phone message.

the last two years and brought them to their first Super Bowl in 18 years, had seen his team make a similarly stunning comeback in the NFC championship at Atlanta, but couldn't finish it off against Baltimore.

"Our guys battled back to get back in," the 49ers coach said. "I thought we battled right to the brink of winning."

The 49ers couldn't have been sloppier in the first half, damaging their chances with penalties — including one on their first play that negated a 20-yard gain — poor tackling and turnovers. Rookie LaMichael James fumbled at the Baltimore 25 to ruin an impressive drive, and the Ravens converted that with Flacco's 1-yard pass to Pitta for a 14-3 lead.

On San Francisco's next offensive play, Kaepernick threw behind Randy Moss and always dependable Reed picked it off. A huge scuffle followed that brought both Harbaughs onto the field and saw both sides penalized 15 yards for unnecessary roughness.

Reed, also a New Orleans native, tied the NFL record for post-season picks with his ninth.

Baltimore didn't pounce on that mistake for points. Instead, Tucker's fake field goal run on fourth-and-9 came up

a yard short when Chris Culliver slammed him out of bounds.

The Ravens simply shrugged, forced a three-and-out, and then unleashed Jones deep. Just as he did to Denver, he flashed past the secondary and caught Flacco's fling. He had to wait for the ball, fell to the ground to grab it, but was untouched by a Niner. Up he sprang, cutting left and using his speed to outrun two defenders to the end zone.

Desperate for some points, the 49ers completed four passes and got a 15-yard roughing penalty against Haloti Ngata, who later left with a knee injury. But again they couldn't cross the goal line, Paul Kruger got his second sack of the half on third down, forcing a second field goal by Akers, from 27 yards.

When Jones began the second half by sprinting up the middle virtually untouched — he is the second player with two TDs of 50 yards or more in a Super Bowl, tying Washington's Ricky Sanders in 1988 — the rout was on.

Then it wasn't. "Everybody had their hand on this game," 49ers All-Pro linebacker Patrick Willis said. "We point the fingers at nobody. We win together and we lose together, and today we lost it."

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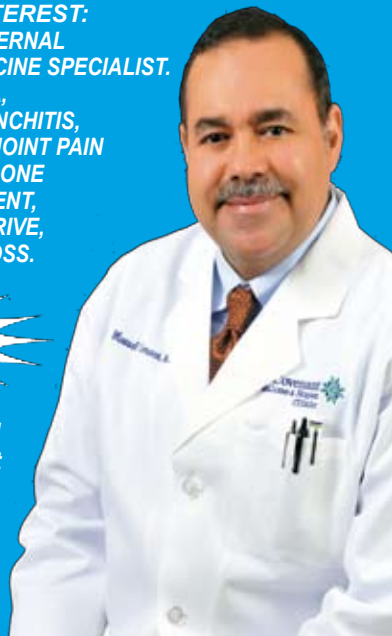
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