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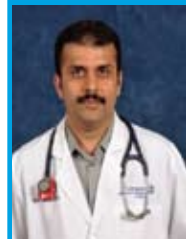
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Dental program smiling large

Donation will allow Howard College program to expand in three phases

By CINDY SMITH

Special to the Herald

During their regular board of trustees meeting Monday, Howard College officials announced plans that will be

taking their well-known dental hygiene program a step further, thanks in great part to a generous donation from Marie Hall.

The gift will fund three phases of development that

will include support for a dental faculty chair and a dental assisting faculty chair, faculty development and student support services, a simulation lab, extended online education courses, and satellite

clinical sites.

"We are so excited about this strategic plan and the opportunity it will provide to grow and strengthen our dental hygiene program as well as the gift of encouragement," said

Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks, Howard College president. "This will add some needed support for development so we can be more adaptive to our student

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Elaine Talbot receives a \$300 gasoline voucher provided by Alon USA from Guy Teague, Big Spring Downtown Lion's Club president. The voucher was part of a fundraising event by the Lions Club, which netted more than \$1,200. The monies will be used for the various service projects the local Lions Club support. Talbot and her husband, Cliff, donated the voucher to the West Side Community Day Care Center

Couple gives gasoline voucher to West Side Day Care Center

By LYNDEL MOODY

Herald Staff Reporter

At today's prices, most people are not going to pass on a free tank of gas, yet one such

Big Spring couple decided to do just that, opting to help a local child care program instead.

Cliff and Elaine Talbot received a \$300 gasoline voucher provided by Alon USA after participating in a Big Spring Downtown Lion's

Club fundraiser. The couple donated the voucher to the West Side Community Day Care Center.

"I think that it is marvelous for her to donate this back to the community," said Guy

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Student numbers down a bit at HC; not unexpected

By LYNDEL MOODY

Herald Staff Reporter

While implementation of a three-phase plan to enhance the dental hygiene program at Howard College dominated trustees' attention Monday, the board addressed other issues as well, including enrollment.

Student enrollment is down 9 percent district wide, said college officials, who presented certified fall enrollment numbers. Contact hours —

numbers the state uses to determine funding — Big Spring, Lamesa and San Angelo campus saw an 11 percent drop while the SouthWest Institute for the Deaf showed a 3 percent increase.

This drop comes at the heels of several record-breaking enrollment years beginning in fall of 2009, added college President Dr. Cheryl Sparks.

A strong economy may be

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Perry to present posthumous medal to WWII hero Murphy

FARMERSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry will travel to a small North Texas town to present the state's honor to World War II hero Audie Murphy.

Perry will be in Farmersville on Tuesday afternoon to bestow the Texas Legislative Medal of Honor posthumously on Murphy.

Murphy was one of the most decorated soldiers in U.S. history, and his portrait hangs in the Texas House of Representatives chamber.

Born in Hunt County, Murphy joined the U.S. Army in 1942 and served with the 3rd Infantry Division in Europe and Mediterranean. He earned all but one of the U.S. medals for valor and was decorated by France and Belgium.

He went on to a film acting career before dying in a plane crash in Virginia in 1971, a month before his 47th birthday.

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The Permian Historical Society held its October meeting at the Settles Hotel Saturday. Left to right, Loma Jean Wynn and Sue Tindol register for the meeting while Sherry Phillips and John Damron look on.

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Obituaries

Horace E. Tubb



Horace E. Tubb, 89, passed away at his home Sunday, Oct. 27, 2013. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2013, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Joey Bacon, Crossroads Hospice Chaplain, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

He was born Sept. 14, 1924, in Prescott, Ark., but was a lifelong resident of Big Spring. He married Jewel Moore June 25, 1944, in Big Spring, Texas.

Horace had farmed in Howard, Martin, Glasscock and Midland counties and was always very proud of his "cotton crop." He wanted a good crop every year and was able to make it even in the dry years. He also loved raising livestock and was especially proud of his buffalo herd. He liked having pecans, a garden of vegetables, and loved watermelons and was always willing to share.

He was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his three children, Richie Tubb and wife, Jill of Big Spring, Gloria Hanson and husband, Lavell of Midland, Texas, and Patricia Eubanks and husband, Kenneth of Big Spring; and one sister, Addie Blizzard of Midland. He had seven grandchildren, Angela Crowley, Brian Tubb, Hali Petrowski, Kyle Hanson, Jeff Eubanks, Craig Eubanks and Matt Eubanks; and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jewel; grandson, Todd Hanson; and three brothers and five sisters.

The family suggest memorials be made to Crossroads Hospice, 421 Main St., Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater West Texas Chapter, 4400 N. Big Spring, Suite C-32, Midland, Texas 79705.

The family extends a special thanks to Dora Lozano for her loving care of Horace and to Crossroads Hospice of Big Spring for their dedicated care.

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

Paid obituary

Rosa Lee Allred



Rosa Lee Allred, 93, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Oct. 27, 2013, in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2013, at the funeral home.

Rosa Lee was born Aug. 27, 1920, in Jasper County, Texas and married W.R. "Reedy" Allred Nov. 5, 1938, in Big Spring, Texas. He preceded her in death on Nov. 3, 1992.

Rosa Lee loved music and always had something playing on the record player.

She was a member of 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ.

Survivors include two sons, Danny Allred and wife, Mary of Roscoe, Texas, and Roy Allred and wife, Bonnie of Big Spring; and one daughter, Janet Darlene Lujan of Big Spring.

In addition to her husband, Rosa Lee was preceded in death by her parents, John and Blanche Odom; three brothers, Ed Odom, Jim Odom, and David Odom; and three sisters, Loriane Forrest, Lola Peveto and Edna Mae Hunter.

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

Police/Sheriff/EMS

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

- JENNY MARIE LYON, 39, of 1007 East 15th Street, was arrested Monday on a warrant for theft greater than or equal to \$500 but less than \$1,500.
- KENNETH MICHAEL MCPHERSON, 22, of 634 Caylor, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- KEVIN JAMES BELCHER, 28, of 1913 West County Road 32, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- ELADIO LOPEZ ZUBIATE, 37, of 708 North Douglas, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid previous conviction.
- TIFFANY ANN ELDER, 31, of 2500 Langley, was arrested Monday on a warrant for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- STOLEN VEHICLE was reported at the 3600 block of West Highway 80.
- BURLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at the 100 block of Hooser Road.
- THEFT was reported at the 1600 block of South Gregg.
- IDENTITY THEFT was reported at the 3600 block of West Highway 80 and the 1900 block of North Highway 87.

The Howard County Sheriff's office reported the following activity:
Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail re-

ported having 68 inmates at the time of this report.

- GRAHAM EDWARD FOUST was booked by DPS on a charge of keeping a gambling place.
- KENNETH MCPHERSON was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- KEVIN JAMES BELCHER was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia and tamper/fabricate physical evidence with intent to impair.
- STEPHEN LEE MARCUM was booked by DPS on a charge of evading arrest/detention with vehicle.
- JENNY MARIE HAMILTON LYON was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft of property greater than or equal to \$500 but less than \$1,500.
- TIFFANY ANN ELDER was booked by HCSO to begin sentence for a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- ANTHONY ROBERT SANCHEZ JR., was booked by DPSPM on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension.
- ELADIO ZUBIATE was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension.

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

- TRAUMA call reported at the 500 block of Birdwell. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC).
- MEDICAL call reported at the 2300 block of Wason. One patient transported to SMMC.

Support Groups

at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

WEDNESDAY

- "A Journey to a New Normal," a grief support network, meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 602 S. Main. For information, call 263-5999.

- 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



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Local 3-Day Forecast

Wed 10/30	Thu 10/31	Fri 11/1
78/59	75/49	78/47
Scattered showers and thunderstorms. A few storms may be severe. High 78F. Winds S at 20 to 30 mph.	Times of sun and clouds. High in the mid 70s and lows in the upper 40s.	Sunny. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 40s.
Sunrise: 8:02 AM	Sunrise: 8:02 AM	Sunrise: 8:03 AM
Sunset: 6:57 PM	Sunset: 6:56 PM	Sunset: 6:56 PM

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Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	77	64	t-storm	Kingsville	91	75	cloudy
Amarillo	77	44	t-storm	Livingston	82	70	t-storm
Austin	81	71	t-storm	Longview	76	70	t-storm
Beaumont	81	72	t-storm	Lubbock	78	47	t-storm
Brownsville	90	76	pt sunny	Lufkin	81	70	t-storm
Brownwood	76	66	t-storm	Midland	81	60	t-storm
Corpus Christi	86	76	t-storm	Raymondville	91	73	pt sunny
Corsicana	73	68	t-storm	Rosenberg	83	74	t-storm
Dallas	74	69	t-storm	San Antonio	84	72	t-storm
Del Rio	82	67	t-storm	San Marcos	82	71	t-storm
El Paso	73	47	windy	Sulphur Springs	74	69	t-storm
Fort Stockton	81	58	t-storm	Sweetwater	76	62	t-storm
Gainesville	71	64	t-storm	Tyler	76	70	t-storm
Greenville	72	67	t-storm	Weatherford	72	65	t-storm
Houston	82	74	t-storm	Wichita Falls	77	62	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	76	57	pt sunny	Minneapolis	52	48	rain
Boston	54	36	pt sunny	New York	58	48	cloudy
Chicago	60	58	rain	Phoenix	70	50	mst sunny
Dallas	74	69	t-storm	San Francisco	60	49	mst sunny
Denver	51	33	pt sunny	Seattle	53	41	sunny
Houston	82	74	t-storm	St. Louis	73	64	rain
Los Angeles	64	51	mst sunny	Washington, DC	69	55	pt sunny
Miami	84	74	pt sunny				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Wed 10/30	Thu 10/31	Fri 11/1
4	6	5
Moderate	High	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.

- Overcomer's: Recovery & Restoration (R&R), a Christ-centered recovery program is held at Cornerstone Covenant Church from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the "Green Room" of the East Wing. If you need more information, contact the church secretary at 432-264-0015.

- Visual Awareness Support Group (VASG) is open to the public but specifically aimed for people who suffer from vision problems and their caregivers. For more information, call 263-2501.

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The Permian Historical Society held its October meeting at the Settles Hotel Saturday. Pictured is former Big Spring High School educator Craig Fischer who presented a program titled Early Howard County Schools. Here, he explains a map that documents locations of the schools. His presentation also included a history of the 16 former Steers who went on to play professional football. Other presenters included Sue Ann Damron, Janie Harrison, Roger Goertz and Lane Bond.



HERALD photo/Andreia Medlin

DENTAL

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needs while continuing to provide a high quality education."

Phase I will address immediate needs in support of the program faculty and students. Two faculty chairs will be established and named in honor of previous well-respected directors/leaders of the dental hygiene program — Dr. Alice B. Haynes and Dr. Rip Patterson. Professional development for faculty will be enhanced as well as student services for the students in the form of tutoring.

Also in Phase I, the college plans on implementing a pilot satellite clinical training site and further study of inclusion of online courses in the program.

With the rural nature of the program's location, satellite clinical training sites will be developed throughout several communities in the area. The satellite offices will be included in the training curriculum with various dental offices mixed into the student rotations. These offices will provide students with expanded experiences working with patients and diverse dentists.

"We want to be able to expand the horizons for our students," said Sparks. "And our vision for the satellite clinical sites is to integrate the students into various communities while also reducing their travel required since we draw students from across the region. The closest dental hygiene programs are located in Amarillo to the north, El Paso to

the west, Fort Worth to the east and San Antonio to the south." In addition, online options will be incorporated into the curriculum to accommodate the needs of the geographically diverse student make-up of the program.

Phase II will not only continue with implementation of satellite clinics but will also bring the program's technology and resources to a new level through the addition of a simulation lab.

"There are very few dental simulation labs across the nation, particularly associated with dental hygiene programs. Most are found at schools of dentistry," added Sparks. "So we will definitely be on the cutting edge of technology with the addition of this lab for our program due to the vision and in-

novation encouraged by Marie Hall."

A cornerstone of the strategic plan will be the creation of The F. Marie Hall SimDental Center, located adjacent to the existing dental hygiene clinic. The center will house 10 smart simulation units and will enhance students' learning experiences without requiring live patients. The equipment will increase hands-on learning opportunities for students and strengthen skill sets necessary for entering the workforce.

Phase II will also encompass the implementation of the first pilot course in a new dental assisting program. This program will provide a pre-cursor for students who are interested in the dental field and allow them to get experience and training up front to see if it is a good

fit for them.

"With the dental assisting program, we are hoping to offer another educational pathway for our students," said Sparks. "This will help prepare them for the many different avenues and careers available in the dental field."

Phase III will continue with full implementation of the dental assisting program and will integrate the courses into the college's strong dual credit program. Sparks added, "The dual credit piece will offer our high school students an option to become career ready upon graduation."

Full implementation of the eLearning courses will be included in Phase III. The courses will be carefully selected and utilize proven best practices for online education. By moving some

courses to an eLearning format, it will not only decrease expenses students incur with travel but will also create more time for clinical experiences and hands-on applications.

"All three phases of the program development will bring tremendous opportunities for our students and communities we serve," said Sparks. "And it would not be possible without the generous support of our long-time friend Marie Hall. We are so grateful for her continued support of our college and most importantly, our students."

The college plans to begin implementation immediately.

For more information, contact Cindy Smith at csmith@howardcollege.edu or visit www.howardcollege.edu

STUDENTS

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during students away while the new implementation of the Texas Success Initiative Assessment test — which students must pass before entering college — may have hindered some prospective students from enrolling, administrators said.

Sparks stressed that the official numbers do not include vocational training contact hours, which are also used to determine state funding. Those programs are producing strong numbers, she said.

During the meeting, How-

ard County Chief Appraiser Ronny Babcock gave a brief overview of the election process for the Howard County Appraisal District board. A bill passed in the latter part of the last state legislative session allows community colleges voting privileges for district appraisal boards — a first.

"This law allows you to participate on the same level as other entities at that district level," Babcock said. "Howard College's voting percent is based on the previous year's tax levy. For 2012, your percentage was 9.47 percent for the total district. There are 5,000 total votes for the board. Howard College has

9.47 percent. That come down to 473.66 votes for election."

Board members are allowed to spread those votes out among the nominees anyway they see fit, Babcock added. Trustees opted to split their votes evenly between the five nominees — Donnie Baker, Dale Humphreys, Kathy Sales, Donnie Reed and Tim Blackshear.

After a query from board member Murray Murphy, Babcock noted that the board has the option to provide their own nomination but has missed the deadline for this round of election.

In other news, trustees learned the district will receive part of a \$1.5 million

Texas Workforce Commission grant given to the Permian Basin to advance oil and gas vocational education. The monies were distributed by the area workforce commissions. The Big Spring campus received \$165,000 and the San Angelo campus received \$107,000. Sparks said the district is using the money to heavily invest in safety training and to purchase equipment for these type of programs.

In other business,

• By July 1, 2013, the district has \$411,000 on its delinquent tax roll, local attorney Drew Mouton informed trustees. The current amount of combined delinquent taxes on the

rolls for the area taxing agencies stands at more than \$3 million, Mouton added.

• Construction continues at the district's San Angelo campus. The large project is still in the ground work phase and despite some much-needed rain in the San Angelo area, the Academic Building and Student Services Building are still on schedule for completion by August and September of 2014 respectively. The Pre Engineered Metal Building (PEMB) or maintenance shop is scheduled for completion by December.

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TALBOTS

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Teague, Big Spring Downtown Lion's Club president.

Talbot is a board member of the West Side Day Care Center and said the voucher will be used to help alleviate some of the cost of the van services West Side provides. The day care center is one of 17 area agencies that receive funds from the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County. Fees for the day care service are collected from parents on an ability-to-pay

basis.

"We are funded through private donations and funds from United Way, but we are always needing more contributions," Talbot said. "This is just something extra that will help keep the vans running."

The Lion's Club fundraiser netted more than \$1,200 for the club and the money will be used for eye exams, purchase of eye glasses or recycled eye glasses, vision screenings and scholar-

ships.

"This fundraiser went really well," Teague said. "This is the first time we've done this and we thank everybody for participating. We thank Alon for mak-

ing this possible"

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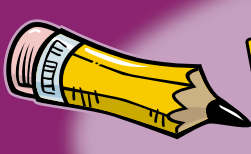
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Cheesy Math

How much cheese does the United States produce each year?

(26 - 17)
billion pounds.

How much milk will a Jersey cow produce in one day?

(35 - 29)
gallons.

Wisconsin and California make what percentage of the world's cheese?

(36 - 11)
percent.

About how many pounds of cheese does the average American eat every year?

(16 + 17)
pounds.

The British Cheese Board claims there are over

(350 + 350)
local cheeses in Britain.

How much milk will a Holstein cow produce in one day?

(53 - 45)
gallons.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
CAVITIES
The plural noun **cavities** means a hollow place.

The dentist discovered three **cavities** in my teeth.

Try to use the word **cavities** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

Write On!

Cheese Moon

What would happen if the moon were made of cheese? Write a silly story about astronauts exploring a cheesy moon!

A Cheesy Nursery Rhyme

Little Miss Muffet
Sat on a tuffet
Eating her curds and whey...

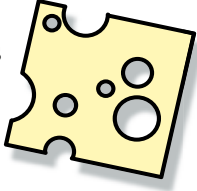
You've heard this nursery rhyme many times, but what exactly are **curds** and **whey**?



CONTAINS Replace the missing words in the article below. **QUICKLY**
BITS **ANCIENT** **CHEESE** **MILK**

How can a glass of milk become a piece of cheese?

Milk in a glass looks like a liquid. But it is actually a liquid that contains lots of solid _____ of protein.



When milk gets old, or when a little acid is added, the bits of protein bond together and form clumps called **curds**. If you have ever eaten cottage _____, then you have eaten curds.

The leftover liquid is called **whey**.

From curds to cheese

Before refrigerators, _____ would spoil _____. Back then, _____ people stored milk in bags made from a cow's stomach. The inside of a cow's stomach _____ an acid called **rennet** which makes the milk form curds. People discovered that when curds are pressed together to remove the whey, they made a solid cheese.



STEM in the KITCHEN EXPLORING CURDS AND WHEY

STUFF YOU'LL NEED:



1/4 cup fat free milk



a clear glass



2 tablespoons white vinegar

WHAT YOU DO:

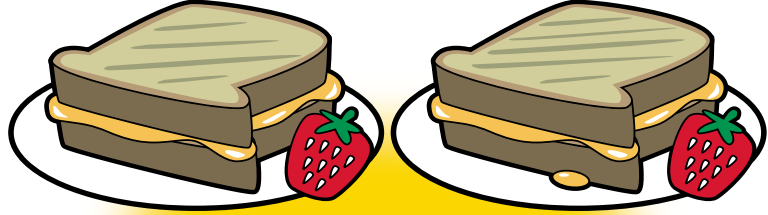
1. Pour 1/4 cup of fat free milk into a clear glass.
2. Measure 2 tablespoons of white vinegar and pour it into the milk.
3. Stir the vinegar and milk together, then observe!

WHAT HAPPENS?

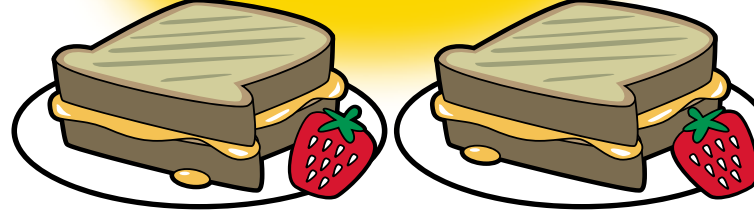
The acid makes the milk solids in the milk stick together to form **curds**.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Try this experiment again using different kinds of milk (1%, 2%, whole). Try curdling the milk with lemon juice, another weak acid. Are the results the same?



Can you find the matching grilled cheese sandwiches?

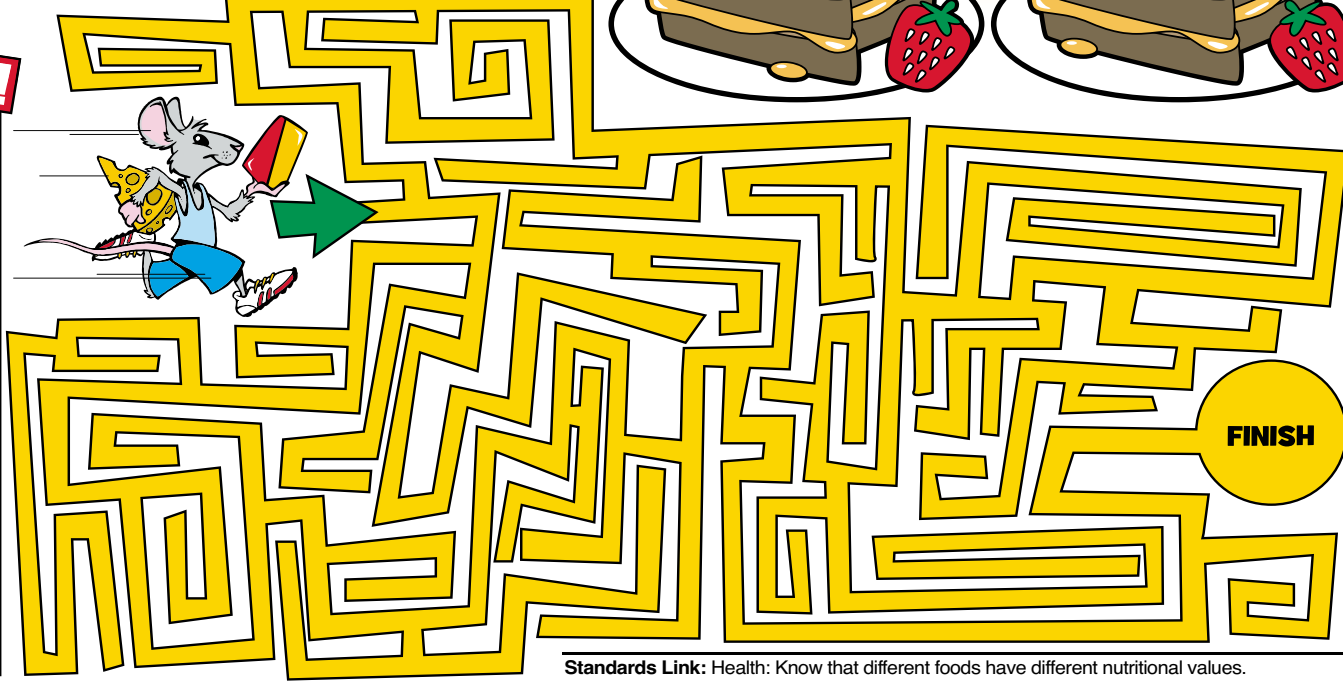


Extra! Extra!

Say Cheese!

Look through the newspaper for pictures of people smiling. Cut out the smiles and make a "Say Cheese!" happy poster.

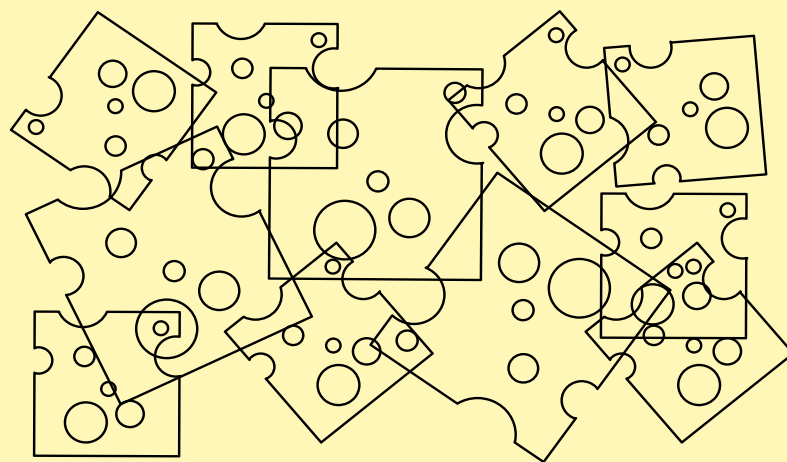
Standards Link: Visual Art: Communicate meaning through art.



Standards Link: Health: Know that different foods have different nutritional values.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

How many slices of Swiss cheese do you see here?



According to the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, many kinds of cheese can help protect your teeth from acids that cause cavities. So for a healthy smile, always say "CHEESE!"

Double Double Word Search

PROTEIN
RENNET
MUFFET
CHEESE
CURDS
CLUMP
SOLID
SPOIL
RHYME
WHITE
PIECE
LEMON
WHEY
BOND
MILK

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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T E H I N I U S O I
E N G T E F P R N L
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I R T L Y A B L O P
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

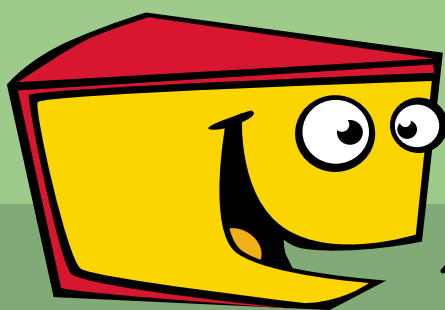
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Holes in the News

Select a news article. Read it and then cross out at least 10 words, leaving "holes" in the text. Ask a friend or family member to read it and try to figure out the missing words.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Read with accuracy to support comprehension.



What kind of cheese never stops talking?

ANSWER: Chatter cheese.

Bird Poop: The canine and the Cooper's hawk

Returning from church, the man turned into his driveway and looked ahead. He had trouble believing what he was seeing. His dog was rushing toward a hawk standing atop a grackle.

Hoping he could prevent his pet from hurting the raptor, he barely stopped his vehicle before running toward the anticipated melee. Unfortunately, the dog arrived first.

Gathering the barking canine against his chest, he quickly carried it away from the scene.



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When he returned to the birds, he noticed the hawk had been eating the lifeless blackbird.

When the raptor didn't immediately fly away, the man was concerned. Often, he had seen such a winter migrant maneuver its flight around and through trees in quick pursuit of sparrows and doves. Instead, the bird of prey ran and walked until it hit a chain link fence.

Thinking it would be easy to catch since its head was inside one of the openings, the man approached the confused hawk. In spite of his caution in donning leather gloves, the bird, notorious for evasive actions, managed to use its talons in teaching the man a painful lesson.

Faced with having to contain the hawk, he thought of an empty barrel. It was all he had.

Placing the raptor inside, he went back to retrieve the grackle. Since the hawk was apparently hungry, the man dropped its prey inside. He also provided a dish of water.

When he called on Monday, the man related the events of his Sunday encounter. "It still got me," he continued. Since we were awaiting other avian deliveries, we asked that he call Animal Control.

The last two days of September had been quite an experience for the man. Ours was just beginning when the officer arrived. Removing the agitated Cooper's hawk from an upper bin was as bad as expected. Fortunately, my gloves that reach to my elbows offered protection from its busy feet. Several hours later,

and after it had calmed down, we offered its natural food. Two hours later, we checked on the hawk. A thawed victim of a picture window was nowhere to be seen.

Because the Cooper's had not flown, we took it for an x-ray the next day. To us, and our veterinarian, there seemed to be no fractures. Having shared the image with Gail Barnes in Lubbock that morning, we assumed the over-eager dog might have bruised the hawk's wing.

Late that afternoon, Gail called. One of their veterinarians had advised that the small bone leading from the right wrist had a partial fracture that had lined up correctly and would heal on its own. A medication that included an anti-inflammatory and antibiotics should be given. Since its recovery would require a lengthy stay, we decided to deliver the Cooper's hawk to Lubbock.

Early the next morning, when I reached inside its container to move it to a carrier, the raptor struck the top of my right hand with its needle sharp talons. Its grip had increased significantly since its arrival. Known to deflect bullets, the Kevlar lining inside the glove was no match for the penetrating points of its anger.

Placed in the stable at the wildlife center, the Cooper's had lots of room and would start flying when ready. Reassuring had been Gail's quoting the veterinarian: "It will



Courtesy photo

An accipiter, the Cooper's hawk has short, rounded wings and a long tail that typify its classification. Gliding mastery follows its rapid wing beats.

be a flier. It just needs time."

As we started to leave the wooden structure, I took one last look at this superb hunter. Although delayed in its return to the wild, someday it would exemplify its patient and secretive manners. Then suddenly, it would use its short wings in a flapping, glide, then flapping again pursuit of smaller birds.

If you could find it, in a dull, wintry setting, the slender Cooper's would be outstanding with its mousy-gray coloring above, and below, its creamy chest and belly accented with abundant, tawny barring. If it had not already been named Cooper's, the word "copper" could have been used to describe this coloration.

Its long, gray tail enhanced by blackish bars, would be tipped with white and rounded

at the end. A dark gray cap, and lightly streaked sides on its head, would complete its regal presence.

As its orange-red eyes followed us to the door, I wished it a silent good-bye. Whether the dog, or an incident in flight, had caused its injury was incidental. At least it had a chance.

Two days later, the hawk attained the highest perch in the mew. A move to the flight cage was even more challenging. With a perseverance not to be denied, it soon reached the highest perch in the structure.

After a little over two weeks at the wildlife center, the Cooper's hawk was released on Oct. 19. Taking with it the aspirations of veterinarians and volunteers, the ornery and obstinate raptor left behind vivid memories of the October mayhem it had created for a county resident.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Think Before You Act

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 7 3
♥ 8 7
♦ A Q 9 6 3
♣ 7 6 2

WEST
♠ 10 9 6
♥ A K 10 5 2
♦ 7 5
♣ Q 10 8

EAST
♠ 8 5 4 2
♥ 9 4
♦ K 2
♣ J 9 5 4 3

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

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

Opening lead — five of hearts.

Playing by rote can prove to be a very dangerous habit on many deals. Take this case where declarer cost himself a vulnerable game simply by doing what came naturally.

South was in three notrump, and West led a heart after having over-called with one heart during the bidding. Declarer won East's nine with the queen and took a diamond finesse, losing the jack to East's king.

East returned a heart through South's J-6-3, and the contract went

down one. Bad luck, you could say, because on the bidding West was more likely to hold the king of diamonds than East.

However, the fact is that South misplayed the hand and should have made the contract. Rather than relying primarily on West to hold the king of diamonds, he should instead have shaped his play so as to assure the contract regardless of which defender had the diamond king.

The turning point was South's play at trick one, when he should have allowed East's nine of hearts to win the trick. True, this is an unnatural play — deliberately losing a trick instead of winning it — but it is hard to dispute its merits. It guarantees the contract come what may, and you can find fault with that?

The best East can do is to continue with a heart at trick two, which leaves South on Easy Street. He loses the jack to West's king, but there is nothing the defenders can do from that point on to defeat him.

Even if West discontinues hearts, South can attempt the diamond finesse in complete safety. After East takes the king of diamonds, he has no heart to return, and South winds up scoring three spades, four diamonds and two clubs to finish with nine tricks.

Tomorrow: The one and only way.
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Sudoku Answer on Page 9

sudoku

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

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

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Texan survives being hit by lightning twice

SAINT JO, Texas (AP) — An off-road racing enthusiast has survived being struck by lightning twice during the same storm in North Texas.

Casey Wagner said Sunday that doctors told him a tingling feeling would last for about a week.

The 31-year-old Wagner was under a tree when he was hit by lightning. He dropped to his knees then he was struck again. Wagner says he saw sparks during the strikes.

A nurse who happened to be nearby cared for Wagner until he was taken to a hospital.

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Big Spring's Bryan Blount leaps into the air for a hit during a practice match against Midland Christian Monday at the Figure 7 Tennis Center. Big Spring will be at the regional tournament in Lubbock on Friday, with the state tournament the following week.

Cowboys have bigger problems than Bryant's antics

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dez Bryant and Jason Witten shouted at each other in a sideline scene that overshadowed a stunning loss, with the potential to reverberate if the Dallas Cowboys let it linger.

Bryant's antics are the least of the problems for Dallas, with a defense facing more injury issues after allowing a last-second touchdown and the most yards in franchise history in Detroit's 31-30 win on Sunday.

The offense is sputtering, too, after consecutive hit-and-miss games without brittle running back DeMarco Murray, who is likely to return Sunday against Minnesota.

"When you put your guts out there for three hours, collectively, sometimes it's hard to swallow those kinds of defeats," coach Jason Garrett said. "What we need to do as a football team is learn from what just happened and find a way, in all three phases, to win this kind of game, and do what we need to do to win the game. They did that and we didn't and we have to live with that, but we have to learn from it."

Bryant first lost his cool by interrupting a sideline chat between Tony Romo and quarterbacks coach Wade Wilson, with Garrett trying unsuccessfully to act as peacemakers.

It didn't seem to bother the of-

fense because Dallas went on to score consecutive touchdowns on a 60-yard throw to Terrance Williams and a 50-yarder to Bryant.

The Bryant-Witten spat came with 12 seconds left and the offense waiting to go back on the field after Detroit's go-ahead score, a product of the frustration of the Cowboys letting a win get away so late. Witten told reporters after the game he "loved that kid like a brother."

"Witt was trying to get me to focus on the next drive," Bryant said during a lengthy session with reporters Monday. "He's trying to get my mind right. I'm upset because they just scored a touchdown. Like, man, we just, you know, lost. It didn't sit well with me."

Bryant's histrionics didn't bother Dallas owner Jerry Jones.

"It's not an issue," Jones said. "I'm not trying to make light of it. But he's a very passionate player and he competes and works and does all the things that gives him the collateral to use with his teammates and with me relative to a few awkward moments on the sideline. He's bought enough slack with me."

Tyron Smith's critical holding penalty when the Cowboys were trying to milk the clock for a

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Red Sox beat Cards, lead World Series 3-2

ST. LOUIS (AP) — David Ross caught Jon Lester's pitches into the eighth inning, then talked about the toss that really impressed him in Game 5 of the World Series.

A big paper airplane flung by a fan that floated so far, Lester stepped off the mound to retrieve it.

"We were all kind of in awe," Ross said.

Loose? The Red Sox sure sounded that way after Lester outpitched Adam Wainwright once more, Ross delivered a go-ahead double in the seventh inning and Boston beat the St. Louis Cardinals 3-1 Monday night for a 3-2 edge.

A whisker away from yet another championship, now goes back to Fenway Park.

David Ortiz delivered his latest big hit, too, putting Boston in position to capture its third crown in a decade. Not since 1918 have the Red Sox clinched the title on their own field.

"This atmosphere here, these three games, has been phenomenal. We know it's going to be equal to that, if not better. And we're excited about being home in the position we are," Red Sox manager John Farrell said.

Added Ortiz of Boston's century-old bandbox: "It's going to get loud out there."

John Lackey gets the first chance to win it Wednesday night against St. Louis rookie sensation Michael Wacha. A

Cardinals victory would set up a most spooky proposition for both teams — Game 7 on Halloween night.

"It will be legendary if we go into Boston and win two games," Wainwright said.

Ortiz enjoyed even more success in Game 5 after moving up from cleanup to the third slot. He is 11 for 15 (.733) in this Series with two homers, six RBIs and four walks.

"I was born for this," Ortiz said, grinning.

The slugger, shortly after legging out a hit in the eighth. He was OK, plus he'd already done enough damage to the Cardinals.

"What planet's that guy from?" Ross said.

Lester enhanced his reputation as an October ace with every pitch. He allowed one run and four hits in 7 2-3 innings, striking out seven without a walk. Nearly the same line he had in beating Wainwright in the opener.

Lester won again while working with Ross, a journeyman catcher.

"I think the biggest thing is me and Rossy have had a good rhythm," Lester said.

The lefty who's won all three of his career World Series starts had just one scary inning, when Matt Holliday homered in the fourth, Carlos Beltran faded out to the wall and Yadier Molina hit a liner. Other than that, Lester was sharp as a knife while retiring 12 in

a row.

He tweaked his back late, but said he was all right. In fact, Lester's biggest brush with major trouble came well before his first pitch.

Lester was getting loose near the warning track when a team of eight Clydesdales pulling a beer wagon came trotting by — its tradition at Busch Stadium and Lester moved aside to watch the horses.

He also took a brief break with two outs in the seventh when the paper airplane appeared. Some fans cheered its flight as it almost glided to the mound. Lester handed it to a ballboy, and retired Molina to end the inning.

"Me, Yadi and the umpire, that was pretty impressed. That was a nice throw," Ross said. "We were all talking about that."

Koji Uehara got four outs for his second save. No crazy endings this time, either, following one night with an obstruction call and the next with Uehara's game-finishing pickoff.

The Cardinals went quickly in the ninth, and now need two wins in Boston. They overcame a 3-2 deficit at home to beat Texas for the 2011 title.

"The guys know what we have to do," manager Mike Matheny said. "We have to play the game. They have to lock arms, trust each other and play the game the right way. Most of it is going to be the mentality of not buying into any kind of stats,



AP photo

Boston pitcher Koji Uehara and teammate Mike Napoli celebrate after defeating the St. Louis Cardinals 3-1 Monday, taking a 3-2 lead in the World Series.

any kind of predictions, any kind of odds. And go out and play the game."

Ortiz put Boston ahead with an RBI double in the first, hitting the first pitch after Dustin Pedroia doubled on an 0-2 curve. Ortiz singled the next time up and tied the Series record by reaching base in nine straight plate appearances.

Big Papi and the Red

Sox took two of three at the NL park despite playing without a designated hitter. Ortiz became the first baseman, putting slugger Mike Napoli on the bench.

The Red Sox lead the Series despite a .205 team batting average. Ortiz has one-third of the team's 33 hits.

Ross, a graybeard on a team led by scraggly veterans, broke a 1-all tie when he hooked a

drive just inside the left-field line, and the ball bounced into the seats for a go-ahead double.

A day after Ortiz delivered a stirring, in-game pep talk to rev up the Red Sox, the Cardinals could've used some inspiration themselves — perhaps a visit from the good-luck Rally Squirrel from

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mercury Joins Saturn in Scorpio

Daddy's home! Or at least that's what it feels like as retrograde Mercury and Saturn, the planet associated with fathers, align in Scorpio. There's a judgment to be made and perhaps a punishment will be dealt, too. This sky reminds us that the best way to govern what you do is to govern first what you say and before that what you think.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). One animal defense against danger is to take up more space by puffing up, standing tall and showing teeth. A person who reacts this way to you either respects you or fears you — or maybe a little of both.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You won't always feel like talking to people at the moment they feel like talking to you. You'll have a conversation when you're feeling relaxed and ready to have it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Some people are harder to talk to than others, but you have a way of drawing out even the most challenging of subjects with your easy charm and noninvasive methods.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be in a choosy mood, especially when it comes to your social life. Though you're knowledgeable, you feel that you have a lot to learn about life, and you want to be around people who obviously have something to teach you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Special relationships are built with rituals and stories that are specific to that bond. If some of the specialness seems to be waning from a relationship, take action to fortify it by creating standout experiences.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're free to speak and think the way you want to, though you may

not feel inclined to stray far from the main consensus. There will be a reward, however, for pushing yourself to be a little more daring.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've had periods of wandering and doubt, and then you've had times of crystal clarity when your purpose was obvious. You don't have to decide your path today, but at least try to remember what it felt like to be sure.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Advanced thinkers take into consideration all that goes into the making of an end product. Immature thinkers see the end product and think "anyone could do that," without considering the hundreds of steps involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are not obligated to say what's on your mind or confess your heart, though there may be a tremendous benefit to engaging in such dangerous honesty.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Though you'll travel alone, you'll bring three people to the day's events: the you of your imaginings, the you other person see, and the you the way you are. Tonight, the three yous are so similar they could be triplets.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If you're going to defy the norm, do it big and don't back down. It will only be worth it to go against the grain if you believe in your position enough to commit fully to the act without apology.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You may choose a purpose that takes you from point A to point B, but you also have the sense that there's a larger purpose for you that you have not thought of because it can't be conceived; it can only be discovered.

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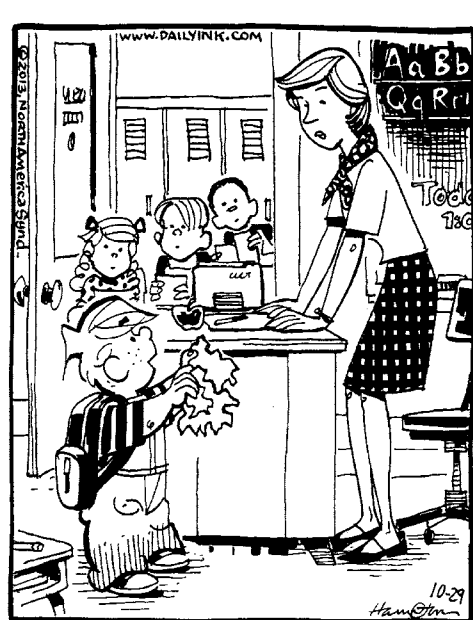
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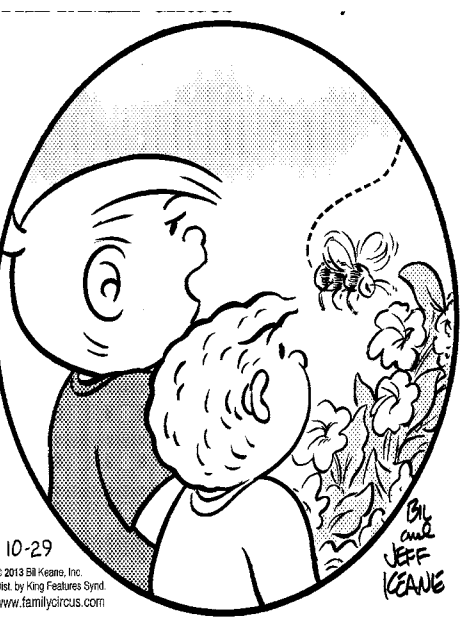
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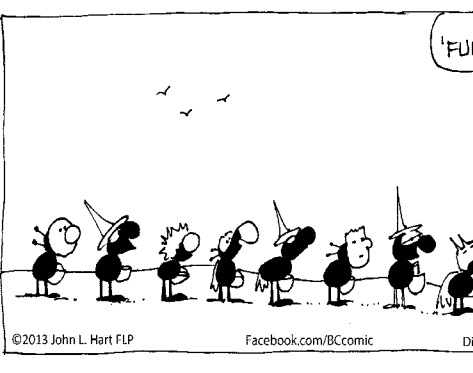
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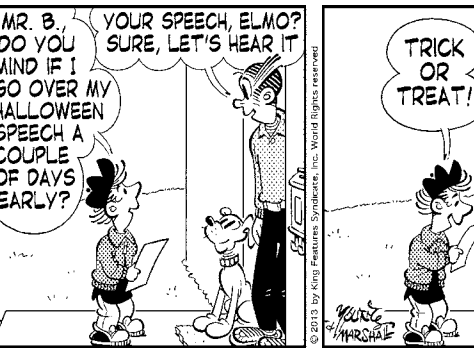
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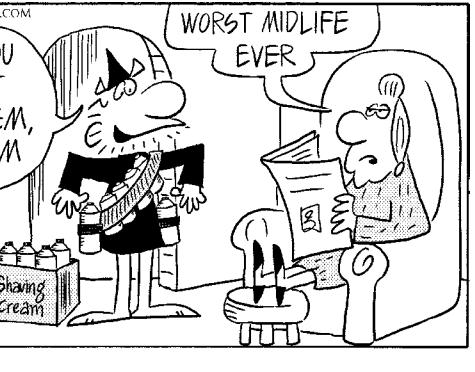
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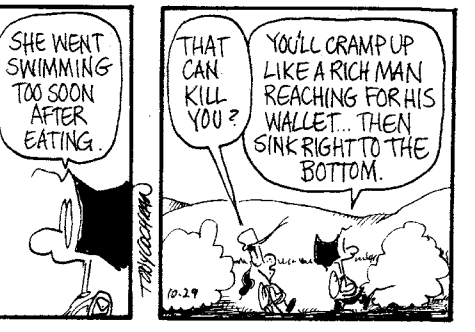
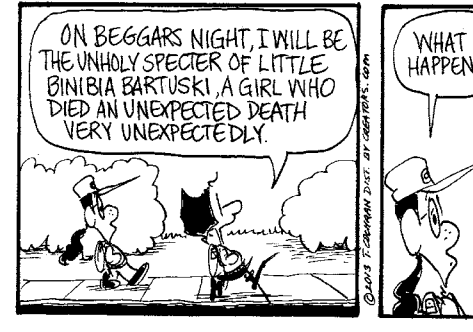
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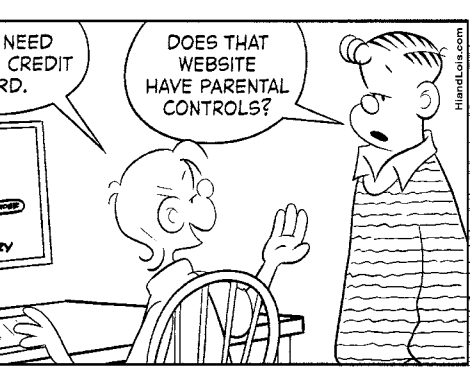
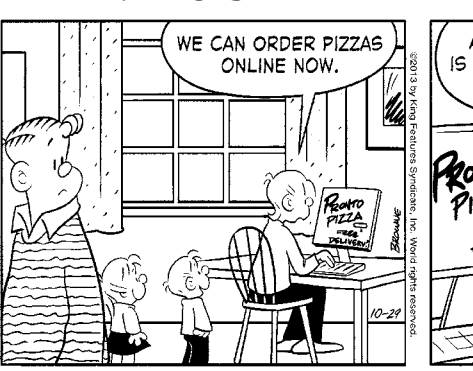
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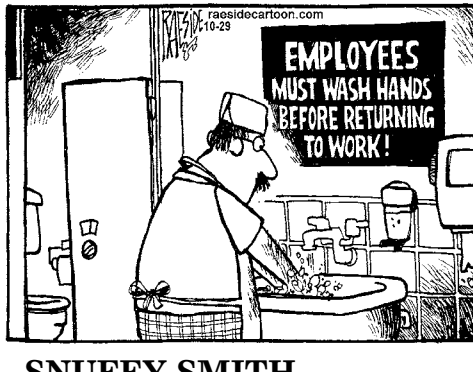
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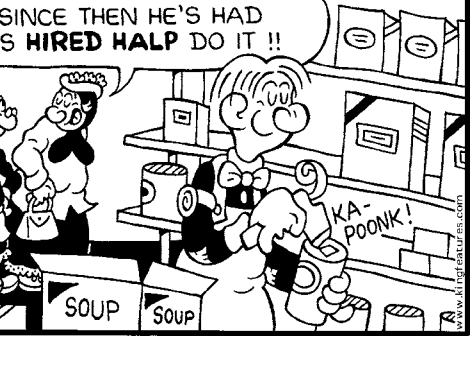
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Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 29, 1929, Wall Street crashed on "Black Tuesday," heralding the beginning of America's Great Depression.

On this date:

In 1618, Sir Walter Raleigh, the English courtier, military adventurer and poet, was executed in London.

In 1787, the opera "Don Giovanni" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart had its world premiere in Prague.

In 1901, President William McKinley's assassin, Leon Czolgosz (CHAWL'-gahsh), was electrocuted.

In 1923, the Republic of Turkey was proclaimed.

In 1940, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson drew the

Stock Exchange.

In 1987, following the confirmation defeat of Robert H. Bork to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court, President Ronald Reagan announced his choice of Douglas H. Ginsburg, a nomination that fell apart over revelations of Ginsburg's previous marijuana use. Jazz great Woody Herman died in Los Angeles at age 74.

In 1994, gunman Francisco Martin Duran fired more than two dozen shots from a semiautomatic rifle at the White House. (Duran was

Newsday Crossword

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Keenum to start for Texans against Indy

HOUSTON (AP) — Case Keenum will start at quarterback in place of a healthy Matt Schaub when the Texans host division foe Indianapolis on Sunday night.

Coach Gary Kubiak announced the decision Monday and said he had decided before the bye weekend to give Keenum a second straight start as the Texans try to end a five-game losing streak. Kubiak said the decision was not for the rest of the season, but is geared toward trying to keep the team going in the right direction following a close 17-16 loss to Kansas City in which Keenum played well.

"I've got to make decisions I think are best for the football team right now," Kubiak said. "The decision I made was based on what I saw take place last week with Case and him taking advantage of an opportunity.

I want to see him move forward."

Keenum saw the first game action of his two-year career in the loss to the Chiefs. Teammates pointed to the energy he brought to the field while going 15 for 25 for 271 yards and a touchdown.

"I thought we went out and played better football and that's why we had a chance to win in Kansas City," Kubiak said. "I thought (Keenum) did some really good things. He's got to improve. This football team's got to improve around him."

Keenum said he needs to "get better in a lot of things," including making reads and picking up the types of blitzes he saw in the fourth quarter against Kansas City.

"I imagine we'll see it again," Keenum said of the pressure. "You put it on film and people see it. So correcting that is going to be big time."

Schaub, a seven-year veteran who was hand-picked by Kubiak to replace David Carr in 2007, got off to a rough start leading the team to a 2-4 record before leaving a loss to the St. Louis Rams with an ankle injury.

"It's obviously very disappointing with all we've been through here and all we've done, but I'm part of the reason we're in this situation as a football team," Schaub said. "As a player and a competitor, I don't like it and I want to be out there. Obviously, I haven't played up to my standards this year. I think that's where it mostly stems from."

Schaub was back at practice Monday, but Keenum will get the reins of the offense knowing that he's starting not for injury reasons, but for his play on the field. Now he will get the chance to show it in front of the hometown fans.

"I imagine I'll have a few more goose bumps than I did last week," said Keenum, who starred at the University of Houston. "To play in Houston, to play at Reliant. I know Sunday night's going to be very special."

Who will line up behind Keenum is still in question. Starting running back Arian Foster (hamstring) worked only with the trainers Monday and Ben Tate (ribs) missed practice altogether.

"I'm very concerned," Kubiak said. "I don't think we're going to know anything until later this week. I think they're both giving us everything they can to try and play this week."

With both players out, running backs Deji Karim, Dennis Johnson and Ray Graham are working with the Texans this week.

COWBOYS

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field goal gave the Lions just enough time to go 80 yards in less than a minute without a timeout for Matt Stafford's winning 1-yard lunge.

Stafford got in that position by hitting two long passes in front of rookie safety Jakar Hamilton, brought up from the practice squad the day before the game. He was playing because Barry Church was out with a hamstring issue. Jeff Heath, another undrafted rookie free agent, started at the other safety spot after J.J. Wilcox injured his right knee in practice.

Jones said cornerback Morris Claiborne could have a hamstring injury more serious than Church's, and Brandon Carr has to bounce back from being the primary victim in Detroit receiver Calvin Johnson's 329-yard day — the second best in league history.

The Cowboys gave up 623 yards, surpassing the previous record of 583 by the Houston Oilers in 1991 and spoiling

a four-takeaway day that included two interceptions by Sean Lee.

Dallas let Detroit become the first team since New England in 2007 to win a game with four turnovers and no takeaways, according to STATS.

"We started the game strong but we didn't finish it strong," Lee said. "At the end of the game we had a chance to win and we give up a bunch of big plays. It is just unacceptable."

The fourth-quarter touchdowns to Williams and Bryant made it easy to forget that the Cowboys had just 62 yards rushing and 268 total. Or that Romo completed less than 50 percent of his passes for the first time since 2009.

What seems clear after two weeks without Murray is that the Dallas offense will need him to get back for the unit to perform the way it did when Romo set a franchise record with 506 yards passing in a 51-48 loss to Denver.

Joseph Randle is averaging 2.5 yards per carry as the starter in Murray's place, and the

Cowboys have a history of struggling in the running game without Murray, who has missed 11 games in three seasons.

Even if Murray returns as expected from a sprained left knee sustained against Washington three weeks ago, the Cowboys have a huge task trying to put this loss behind them.

"We can't have a hang-up," Romo said. "That's the issue with some of these games. You have to be able to let them go. It's going to be hard right now, just because it feels the way it does, but our team's mentally tough and we have to come back and show that."

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their 2011 title run.

Holliday shook St. Louis' slumber and broke Lester's string with his second home run of the Series.

Lester had pitched 16 1-3 scoreless innings in his first three World Series starts before Holliday tagged him.

Wainwright struck out 10 in seven innings, becoming the first Cardinals pitcher to reach double digits

in the Series since Bob Gibson did it twice in 1968 against Detroit. Wainwright fanned five in a row early.

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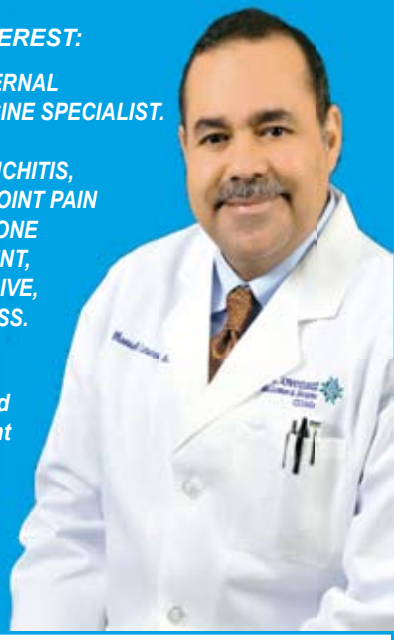
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News in brief

After judge's ruling to throw out new law, Texas abortion clinics set to resume appointments

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — The only abortion clinic in a 300-mile swath of West Texas can resume taking appointments Tuesday, after a federal judge struck down new restrictions that would have effectively shuttered it and at least a dozen other clinics across the state.

Lubbock's Planned Parenthood Women's Health Center had stopped making appointments last week, bracing for this week's scheduled enforcement of a new requirement that all doctors performing abortions in the state must have admitting privileges at a hospital less than 30 miles away.

Supporters who sued to block the requirement, part of a broad series of abortion limits the Legislature approved in July, argued it was meant to outlaw abortions, not make them safer as state officials had claimed. The judge agreed, finding that the law imposed an unconstitutional burden on women seeking to terminate a pregnancy.

The admitting privileges provision "does not bear a rational relationship to the legitimate right of the state in preserving and promoting fetal life or a woman's health and, in any event, places a substantial obstacle in the path of a woman seeking an abortion," Judge Lee Yeakel, an appointee of President George W. Bush, a former Texas Republican governor, wrote in his decision.

The non-descript brown Lubbock clinic, often targeted by protesters, performs abortions only on Thursdays, when a doctor flies in from East Texas to perform them. Clinic officials said the 30-mile limit would effectively end abortions at the facility.

Amid flood of revelations, U.S. weighs ending spying on allied heads of state

WASHINGTON (AP) — Faced with a flood of revelations about U.S. spying practices, the White House is considering ending its eavesdropping on friendly foreign leaders, a senior administration official said.

A final decision has not been made and the move is still under review, the official said. But the fact that it is even being considered underscores the level of concern within the administration over the possible damage from the months-long spying scandal — including the most recent disclosure that the National Security Agency was monitoring the communications of German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

On Monday, Sen. Dianne Feinstein, chairwoman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, called for a "total review of all intelligence programs" following the Merkel allegations. In a statement, the California Democrat said the White House had informed her that "collection on our allies will not continue."

The administration official said that statement was not accurate, but added that some unspecified changes already had been made and more were being considered, including terminating the collection of communications from friendly heads of state.

Medicare chief Tavenner faces lawmakers' questions over botched health overhaul rollout

WASHINGTON (AP) — Trying to earn a second chance, the senior administration official closest to the implementation of the health care law's malfunctioning enrollment website will answer questions from Congress at the start of a pivotal week.

Medicare Chief Marilyn Tavenner will be questioned Tuesday by the House Ways and Means Committee not only on what went wrong with HealthCare.gov, but also whether lawmakers can trust Obama administration promises to have things running efficiently by the end of November.

At stake is what the Republicans' partial government shutdown could not achieve: a delay of President Barack Obama's law expanding coverage for uninsured Americans.

As a result of widespread sign-up problems, even some Democrats have joined Republicans in calling for a one-year postponement of the law's tax penalties for the remaining uninsured.

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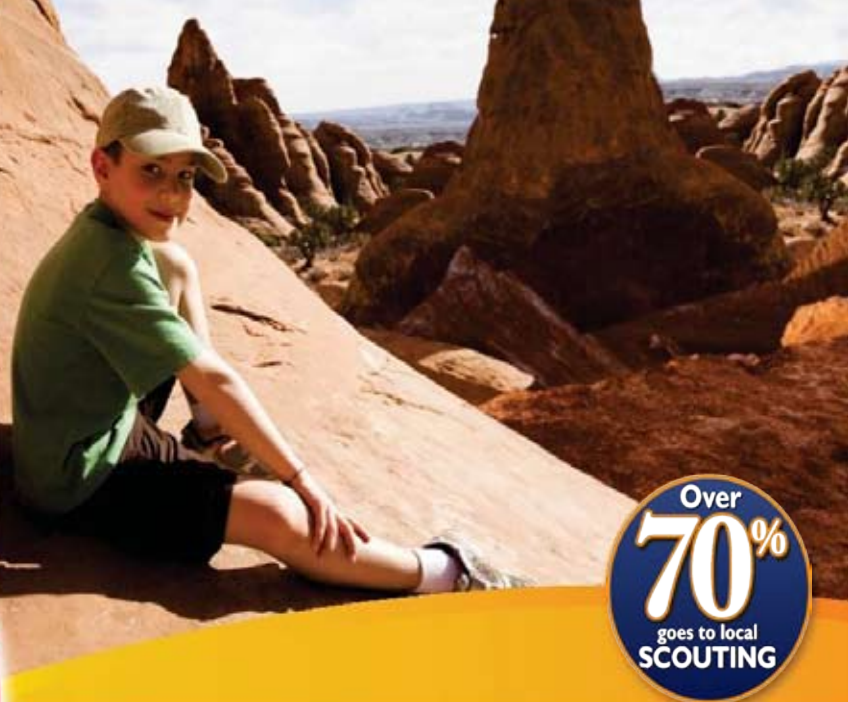
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