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Wiseman forced to give up JP seat

Will continue to pursue county judge's post

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Citing a requirement to follow the law, Howard County commissioners on Monday voted to replace Precinct 1, Place 2 Justice of the Peace Kathryn Wiseman, effective today. Wiseman announced recently she will oppose County Judge Mark Barr in the upcoming county elections. State election code states if an elected official declares for another office with more than a year and month remaining in his or her current term, they must resign their held office.

"Katherine I want to tell you personally I felt like that you have done a great job as JP," commissioner Donnie Baker said in open session before the votes were cast. "I supported you in the elections in the past. I have no problem you being the JP."

"The way I understand it and the way we discussed, whenever you announced that you were running for a county judge — you didn't have to file, I didn't know that, as long as five people were present or something like that — that you were supposed to resign immediately," Baker said. "The law says you cannot be reinstated in that position. By law, we are going to have to ask you to resign and stick with that. I think if we don't, we are making a mockery of the law. I don't always agree with (the law) but that is the way it is."

"More than anything, I want to thank the people of Howard County and you for allowing me to serve for these 11 years as justice of the peace. It's been my joy. I knew that God was about to move me out of this situation, but I didn't know that he was going to do it this quickly."

—Kathryn Wiseman

"I understand and I abide by the laws of the constitution," Wiseman said.

In what seemed a painful moment, all four commissioners — Baker, John Cline, Oscar Garcia and Jimmie Long — voted unanimously after meeting in closed session to

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Kathryn Wiseman speaks before the Howard County Commissioner's Court Monday afternoon before commissioners delegated her justice of the peace duties to JP Bennie Green. A 2011 state law requires Wiseman, who recently announced her intention to run for the county judge seat, to resign her position if she files her intent to run for another office with more than a year and 30 days remaining in her current term.

Farm bill takes aim at state animal welfare laws

MARY CLARE JALONICK
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The future of state laws that regulate everything from the size of a hen's cage to the safe consumption of Gulf oysters may

be at stake as farm bill negotiators work to resolve a long-simmering fight between agriculture and animal welfare interests.

The House Agriculture Committee added language to its version of the farm bill

earlier this year that says a state cannot impose certain production standards on agricultural products sold in interstate commerce. The provision, authored by Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa, is aimed at a California law that will

require all eggs sold in the state to come from hens that inhabit cages in which they can spread their wings — a major burden for egg producers in Iowa and other states who don't use large cages and still want to sell eggs to the

lucrative California market. The law goes into effect in 2015.

"Bottom line of it is no state should be allowed to regulate production in other states," King said at a meeting of House-Senate negotiators last month.

But opponents say that depending on how the language is interpreted, the provision could lead to challenges of dozens of other state laws — including some aimed at food safety, fire safety and basic consumer protections.

Concern over King's language has the potential to threaten the entire farm bill, which congressional leaders are hoping to finish by the end of the year. Sen. Debbie

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Members of the Allegro Chorale perform Friday night in the First Presbyterian Church chapel. The group is under the direction of Dr. Cory Alexander of UTPB.



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Obituaries

Edith Harrell

Edith "Tink" Harrell, 90, of Lubbock, Texas, formerly of Big Spring, Texas, died Saturday Nov. 16, 2013, at Crown Point Health Suites in Lubbock. The family will receive friends Wednesday from 1 to 2 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Matt Wolfington of Saint Luke's United Methodist Church of Lubbock officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Dec. 10, 1922, in Scurry County to Ruby and George Collier. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and very active member of East Fourth Baptist Church. She loved making people happy and serving meals to church families at funerals. She was known for the best pies. She loved cooking, reading, camping, fishing, watching sports and most of all taking care of and loving her family. She married Willie Fay Harrell on July 4, 1942, in Big Spring and they were married over 68 years before his death in December 2010.

She is survived by daughter Ann Krusemark and husband Richard of Bentonville, Ark.; son Rich Harrell and wife Jane of San Antonio, Texas; daughter Kathy Smith and husband Mike of Lubbock; sister Juanita "Pete" Smith of Big Spring; five grandchildren Juli McWhorter and husband Clay, Valere Gregory and husband Larry all of Rogers, Ark., Mandi Leman and husband Michael of Ellsworth, Maine, Jill Hopper and husband Brian of Lubbock and Kim Bynum and husband Taylor of McKinney, Texas; six great-grandchildren Emory, Jillian, Colin, Kaela, Jaxon and Zack.

In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by her husband, one brother Babe Collier and one sister Gladys Clinton.

Pallbearers are Clay McWhorter, Colin McWhorter, Larry Gregory, Joe Combs, Jimmy Smith and John Smith. The Family suggests memorials be made to the Book Fund at East Fourth Baptist Church.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel. Please pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Paid obituary

Charles Thompson

Charles "Charlie" Thompson, 73, of Big Spring, died Sunday Nov. 17, 2013, at his residence. The family will receive friends Wednesday 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be 3 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Danny Wright officiating. Burial will follow at Coahoma Cemetery.

He was born Dec. 14, 1939, in Carlsbad, N.M., to Louise and James B. "Jay" Thompson. He married Carolyn Gring March 29, 1958, in Kermit, Texas. They came to Big Spring in 1972 from Kermit. He was a chemical engineer and worked for Cabot from 1961 to 1975 in Kermit, Pampa, Louisiana and Big Spring. From 1975 to 2010 he was owner and operator of T&T Electric. He was a Methodist.

He is survived by his wife Carolyn Thompson of Big Spring; one son Jeff Thompson of Coahoma, Texas; one daughter Lisa Duggan of Big Spring; four grandchildren Jennifer Hernando and husband Richard of Australia, Rebecca Earhart and Austin Pace of Houston, Texas, Kyle Earhart of Midland, Texas, and Haley Pace of Big Spring; two great-grandchildren Shalynn Hernando and Kaydee Hernando both of Australia; one sister Barbara Bailey and husband Warren of Clyde, Texas; a number of nieces and nephews and one great-niece and namesake Charley June Thompson.

In addition to his parents he is preceded in death by two daughters Diana Thompson and Kimberly Aiken and one sister Nina Fowler.

Pallbearers are Kyle Earhart, Gary Earhart, Keith Bailey, Brent Thompson, James Thompson and Curtis Duggan. Honorary Pallbearers are Ikie Rupard, Hank Brooks, Jim Diller, Ben Stout and Jerry Etheredge.

The family suggests Memorials be made to Crossroads Hospice, 421 South Main, Big Spring, Texas, 79720 or your favorite charity.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel. Please pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Elvira Gandar

Elvira Gandar, 73, of Big Spring, Texas, died Sunday Nov. 17, 2013, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be Thursday 11 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born May 20, 1940, in Big Spring to Flora and Jesus Loya and was a lifetime resident of the community. She worked as a cook for Big Spring State Hospital and later for Big Spring Independent School District for 19 years. She won numerous ribbons for pies and cooking in the Howard County Fairs. She was also a Dallas Cowboy fan. She was an active member of Holy Trinity Catholic Parish and was a Guadalupana and a Cursillista.

She is survived by two sons: George Gandar and

Arnold Gandar and wife Priscilla all of Big Spring; two daughters: Grace Granados and husband Henry and Cecilia Granados and husband John all of Big Spring; one brother: Jesse Loya and wife Lupe of Big Spring; two sisters: Linda Paradez and Flora Viera both of Big Spring; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by her husband Arnoldo Gandar Oct. 7, 2003; one brother Ramon Loya; two sisters: Elidia Loya and Maria Hernandez.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel. Please pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Royal Daniel Padden Sr.

Royal Daniel Padden Sr., 55, of Big Spring, Texas, died Monday Nov. 18, 2013, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel.

Police blotter

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

- BRANDON JAMES JONES, 30, of 407 S. Lancaster, was arrested Monday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid previous conviction.
- LEONA JENE RADASA, 32, of 1425 E. 6th St. no. 28, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- CHRISTOPHER RAY BEASLEY, 41, of the 1200 block of N. Highway 350 was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- THEFT reported at the intersection of FM 669 and County Road 54, the 1600 block of S. Gregg, the 3600 block of West Highway 80, the 700 block of N. Scurry
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 200 and 600 block of FM 700, the 2600 block of Gregg and the intersection of FM 700 and Goliah.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 2700 of S. Anderson and the 1500 block of Tucson.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported at N. Highway 350.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 1200 block of Young St.

Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 69 inmates at the time of this report.
- BRANDON JONES was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction.
- CHRISTOPHER TEICHMA BEASLEY was booked by HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- LEONA JEAN RADASA was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL call reported at the 1700 block of Yale. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL call reported at the 400 block of Sunset. One patient transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT reported at Mile Marker 174 on Interstate Highway 20. Service refused.
- TRAUMA call reported at the 700 block of Johnson. Service refused.
- MEDICAL call was reported at the 300 block of Davis Rd. One patient transported to SMMC.

Take Note

• Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) will be selling tickets to win one of two Christmas wreaths to benefit United Way. Tickets are \$5 a piece or five for \$20 and are available at the CASA office located at 310 Scurry, 263-4162 or at the Midland location, 1611 West Texas Avenue, 683-1114. The drawing will be held Nov. 21, at the Empty Bowls luncheon to be held at the Dora Roberts Community Center in Big Spring.

• Hangar 25 Air Museum's annual fundraiser is coming up in January. The Silver Wings Ball will be Saturday, Jan. 11, 2014, at the Hotel Settles. Evening events begin at 6 p.m. Join us for a night of fine dining and dancing. Contact Hangar 25 Air Museum to purchase tickets for underwriting and sponsor opportunities. Underwriting opportunities range from \$250 to \$5,000.



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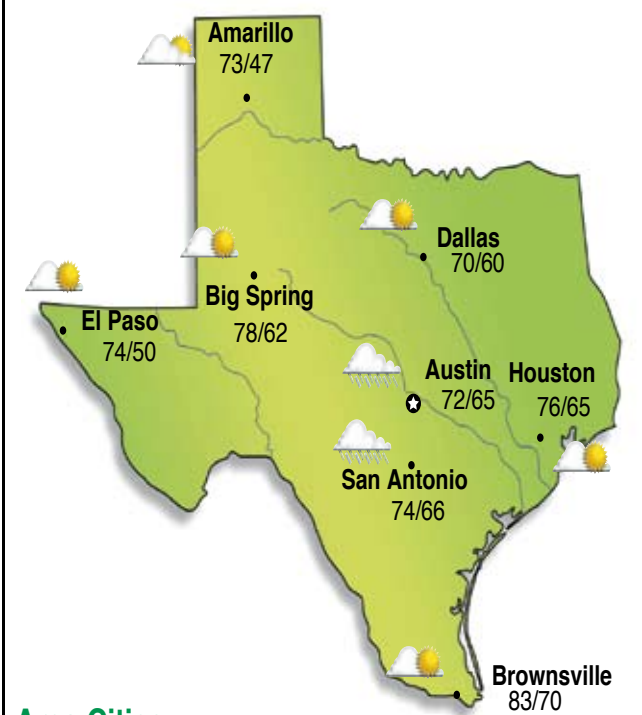
Local 3-Day Forecast

Wed 11/20	Thu 11/21	Fri 11/22
		
78/62	80/46	49/32
Considerable clouds early. Some decrease in clouds later in the day.	Morning clouds followed by afternoon sun. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 40s.	Windy with showers. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the low 30s.
Sunrise: 7:20 AM	Sunrise: 7:21 AM	Sunrise: 7:22 AM
Sunset: 5:43 PM	Sunset: 5:43 PM	Sunset: 5:43 PM

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Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	76	62	cloudy	Kingsville	84	69	pt sunny
Amarillo	73	47	cloudy	Livingston	74	60	pt sunny
Austin	72	65	drizzle	Longview	68	57	mst sunny
Beaumont	74	61	mst sunny	Lubbock	75	53	cloudy
Brownsville	83	70	pt sunny	Lufkin	73	59	mst sunny
Brownwood	75	62	cloudy	Midland	78	59	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	79	69	t-storm	Raymondville	85	68	pt sunny
Corsicana	69	59	pt sunny	Rosenberg	76	66	pt sunny
Dallas	70	60	pt sunny	San Antonio	74	66	drizzle
Del Rio	72	65	pt sunny	San Marcos	73	65	drizzle
El Paso	74	50	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	69	57	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	81	55	pt sunny	Sweetwater	76	61	cloudy
Gainesville	68	58	pt sunny	Tyler	70	58	pt sunny
Greenville	68	56	pt sunny	Weatherford	69	58	pt sunny
Houston	76	65	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	72	60	cloudy

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	57	43	mst sunny	Minneapolis	49	32	cloudy
Boston	43	28	sunny	New York	46	36	sunny
Chicago	46	41	rain	Phoenix	73	56	pt sunny
Dallas	70	60	pt sunny	San Francisco	61	57	rain
Denver	56	28	pt sunny	Seattle	47	33	rain
Houston	76	65	pt sunny	St. Louis	54	47	rain
Los Angeles	66	53	pt sunny	Washington, DC	51	38	mst sunny
Miami	82	72	t-storm				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Wed 11/20	Thu 11/21	Fri 11/22
3	3	3
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

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

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WISEMAN

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appoint Justice of the Peace Bennie Green to handle Wiseman's duties effective at 8 a.m. today. Barr recused himself from the meeting. According to Long, commissioners will wait until the March primary election results and possibly the November results before making a decision on a more permanent appointment.

"First, I want to apologize for putting you folks into this situation," said Wiseman, who spoke directly to the commissioners before the vote. "When I filed to run for the county's judge's position, I did so on the premise of the judicial code of conduct that tells me that a judge cannot file for a nonjudicial but can file for a judicial place. That is what I was looking at.

"Josh (Hamby, county attorney) has since explained to me, that the judicial code of conduct is not actual law. It is just a code," she continued. "Now I understand I did, in fact, file too soon for county judge. So I want to apologize to the court for putting you in this situation. More than anything, I want to thank the

people of Howard County and you for allowing me to serve for these 11 years as justice of the peace. It's been my joy. I knew that God was about to move me out of this situation, but I didn't know that he was going to do it this quickly."

During the meeting, Hamby explained the reason for the law is encourage office holders to concentrate on their current duties and not to be distracted by running for another office.

Wiseman said she will not appeal the action to the state attorney general's office, citing her desire to follow the constitution.

"I regret I have to leave office so soon. I do intend to pursue the office of county judge," she said. "I will put all my efforts to bear on that. It looks like at this time, the county judge position will be determined in the primary election, so I will be working hard toward that."

Judge Barr has filed for a second term. Both will be running on the Republican ticket.

"I have really enjoyed working with the peace officers, the state troopers, the firemen, the emergency medical technicians here in Howard County," Wiseman said. "One of the

things I asked God when I took the justice of the peace position years ago in 2003, I asked him if he would give me at least as many weddings as he gives me death investigations. I am happy to report to you at this time I have married right at 650 couples and I've only had about 340 death investigations. God really came through with me on that. The county is not the source of my life. I will be sad to leave, but God has plans for me."

According to Commissioner Long, who presided over the meeting in Barr's absence, commissioners relied on both counsel from the county attorney and also outside counsel before making the decision.

"We didn't want to be put in this situation," he said. "Unfortunately we were. We are going to follow our county attorney's counsel and also our outside attorney's counsel. It would set a precedent if we let someone remain in office and not follow the law that is given to us by the statutes. We then just open to the door. We want to uphold the law."

Contact Lyndel Moody at citydesk@bigspringherald.com or by 263-7331, ext. 234

World Briefs

Twin suicide bombings near Iran Embassy in Beirut kill 23, including Iranian cultural attache

BEIRUT (AP) — Two suicide bombings struck Tuesday near the Iranian Embassy in the Lebanese capital of Beirut, killing 23 people, including the Iranian cultural attaché.

The mid-morning blasts hit Beirut's upscale neighborhood of Janah, a stronghold of the Iranian-backed Shiite Muslim Hezbollah group. One explosion blew out the large black main gate of the Iranian mission, damaging the three-story facility.

It was not immediately clear if the attack was related to the conflict next door in Syria, but attacks have targeted Hezbollah strongholds in recent months in what many see as retaliation by Sunni extremists for the militant Shiite group's role in the Syrian civil war.

Hezbollah fighters have been fighting alongside Syrian President Bashar Assad's forces against largely Sunni rebels seeking to topple his government.

Iranian Ambassador Ghazanfar Roknabadi identified the dead diplomat as Sheikh Ibrahim Ansari. Speaking to Hezbollah's Al-Manar TV, he said Ansari took his post in Lebanon a month ago and was overseeing all regional cultural activities.

Survivors march through typhoon-wrecked city to raise spirits as UN chief hails progress

TACLOBAN, Philippines (AP) — A Roman Catholic priest led dozens of displaced typhoon survivors on a march through this shattered city on Tuesday, seeking to boost its spirits.

The marchers sang "We shall overcome" as they toured parts of Tacloban, at one point skirting some unburied corpses in bags by the roadside.

The Rev. Robert Reyes, an activist priest known for running long distances across country to draw attention to social issues, said the marchers were living in a church and a sports stadium.

"This is not an ordinary march. We call it the walk to overcome," said Reyes. "This is part of what we call psycho-social therapy where you listen to the victims of the disaster but you also make them believe that they can actually heal themselves."

Typhoon Haiyan cut a path across eastern and central Philippines on Nov. 8, with some of fastest wind speeds on record. It killed or has left missing more than 5,000 people and displaced an estimated 4 million people.

FARM BILL

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Stabenow, D-Mich., chairwoman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, said she has "great concern" about King's language, which is not in the Senate version of the farm bill. Led by the Humane Society of the United States, a wide range of groups including the National Association of State Legislatures, the National Fraternal Order of Police and the Consumer Federation of America are all lobbying against the measure.

King's language cites the Commerce Clause of the Constitution, which prohibits discrimination against interstate commerce. He says California's law does just that — imposing its own standards on how producers in Iowa and elsewhere do their business.

Concern about other laws that could be affected is just a ploy by animal rights activists — or, as he calls them, the "vegan lobby" — to discredit his provision, King said.

King said he believes the provision is written narrowly enough so that

the other laws would not be affected. As written, the provision would not allow a state to impose "a standard or condition on the production or manufacture of any agricultural product sold" if the product is manufactured out of state and those standards go beyond federal law and the law of the state in which it is produced.

Still, some groups worry the language is not specific enough and could apply broadly:

— Fire safety groups say the language potentially could apply to fire-safe cigarettes that have a reduced propensity to burn when left unattended. Because tobacco is an agricultural product, they worry that state laws requiring sale of these fire-safe cigarettes could be affected if challenged in court.

— Food safety groups say they are concerned that King's amendment could threaten laws like California's statute requiring that oysters from the Gulf of Mexico be pasteurized, a measure that has helped reduce illnesses in that state.

— The attorneys general of Arkansas and Mississippi have written letters to Capitol Hill

opposing the amendment. "Due to the provision's vagueness and overly broad language, it is unclear exactly what impact the King amendment could have on our state's ability to enforce its own laws and to protect Arkansas businesses and consumers," wrote Arkansas Attorney General Dustin McDaniel, a Democrat.

— The National Conference of State Legislatures says the language would "pre-empt" state agricultural laws designed to protect the safety and well-being of farmland, waterways, forests and people.

The genesis of the amendment is a long-time fight between agriculture and the Humane Society, which has pushed states to pass animal welfare laws. In addition to egg farmers, other animal producers — particularly hog producers, many of whom use confinement crates for sows — are trying to fend off efforts by the Humane Society and other animal rights groups. King's home

state of Iowa is the top pork-producing state, and some farmers worry they could lose their operations if forced to make the expensive crate changes those groups have sought.

The Humane Society is aggressively lobbying against the King amendment. Wayne Pacelle, the group's president, calls the amendment "an enterprise-level threat to the animal welfare movement."

When writing legislation, "you need to judge the worst-case scenarios to judge the worthiness of a proposal," Pacelle says of the possible impact on other laws.

Though powerful agriculture groups have lined up in support, as have House Agriculture Committee leaders, the amendment has bipartisan opposition — notably from some Republicans who believe it attacks states' rights.

"Just trying to attack the Humane Society I think is very shortsighted," said Rep. Jeff Denham, R-Calif. "You don't throw out the Constitution because you want to attack one certain group."

King argues he is fighting for the right of states like Iowa to produce eggs and other products as they see fit, and to be able to sell them in a free market. He says the examples of affected laws are overblown, and would not apply because those laws don't dictate specifically how an agricultural product is to be produced.

Carl Tobias, a professor at the University of Richmond School of Law, said he's not so sure, adding that the law could be "subject to multiple interpretations."

"It says it's based on the Commerce Clause but I don't think that's

the end of the story," he said.

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We learned a few interesting things from President Barack Obama's rambling, analogy-filled news conference Thursday.

We learned that there was a fumble. We learned that technology is hard. In fact, the president went on for an extended period of time explaining government's historical struggles with IT issues. Considering that the entire backbone of the law is dependent on this technology and expertise, how can anyone truly believe that the Nov. 30 deadline set for HealthCare.gov to work properly is going to be met? And why should anyone trust that IT will work better in the future?

We also learned, despite this traditional technology deficit, the president was not "informed directly" about the challenges facing the website, because he would never be "stupid enough to say this is going to be as easy as shopping around on Amazon or Travelocity."

We learned that buying insurance is complex business — more complex even than buying an airline ticket. It's not "like buying a song on iTunes," the president said. It's "a much more complicated transaction." But one of the selling points of Obamacare exchanges was that they would simplify the process. Exchanges were supposed to offer consumers no-hassle, straightforward choices.

And least surprising of all, we learned that insurance companies are about to be scapegoated for the entire mess. According to The Associated Press: "Insurance companies will be required to inform consumers who want to keep canceled plans about the protections that are not included under those plans. Customers will also be notified that new

options are available offering more coverage and in some cases, tax credits to cover higher premiums."

So insurance companies that were canceling policies in compliance with Obamacare will now be blamed for failing to provide policies that probably no longer exist? Is it even feasible for these insurance providers to offer the same or similar plans to consumers who've already lost them?

In essence, it sounds as if insurance companies will be mandated to inform consumers about how awful their plans are and how wonderful the government's plan can be.

And what does this accomplish other than alleviating the political pressure today? Not much. At some point, these policies will be canceled, and private insurers will continue to abandon the individual marketplace.

We also learned that when it comes to Obamacare, process means nothing. Why does the president even bother signing laws passed by Congress if he can simply alter or ignore statuses within the legislation whenever the vagaries of politics demand it? Reading liberal pundits, it seems that if the core purpose has moral authority (the uninsured need help), anything goes when it comes to process. And when Nancy Pelosi was asked today what she made of the brouhaha surrounding Obamacare, she said: "We'll be good, we'll be good. We'll do what we have to do, and that's what we'll do." Indeed, they do. There are two legislative efforts underway to "fix" the core "incorrect truth" of Obamacare, so why do we need an administrative fix? If legislation was poorly written or unworkable, isn't fixing it a matter for Congress?

And Obama offered no answer for why he kept promising Americans that they could "keep their insurance if they liked



it" long after he knew better. Though, he did point out that other Democrats were peddling the same line.

Finally, near the end of the news conference, the president made an interesting claim: Obamacare was really a choice driven by an incentive for stability, not disruption. "We chose a path that was the least disruptive," he said. Though pollsters rarely measure the importance of "stability" in American life, I think it's probably one of the most vital factors driving hostility toward Obamacare from independents and moderates. Everything about Obamacare implementation has created the perception of anarchy — the arbitrary implementation of laws, people losing the plans they have, the way it was passed and the problems it has caused in Washington — and this news conference only reinforced that perception.

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Why does the GOP suddenly care?

Amid the current national uproar over the troubles of the Affordable Care Act, it is almost uplifting to hear the deep concern expressed by politicians, pundits, lobbyists and corporate leaders over cancellation of existing health insurance policies. They empathize loudly with the millions of potential victims, whose plight infuriates these worthy observers with fury. They fill hours of television and pages of print with expressions of outrage. Suddenly, everyone in Washington is intensely concerned about Americans losing their health coverage.

The outpouring of noble sentiment would be laudable — indeed, long overdue — if only there were reason to believe these protestations are sincere. Sadly, the evidence points in the opposite direction, for a single obvious reason: Millions of people in this country have been losing health insurance for years, resulting in many thousands of serious illnesses, bankruptcies and early deaths. But until insurance cancellations became a political embarrassment for President Barack Obama, the usual right-wing reaction was silence. (Except for that awkward and revealing outburst during the 2012 Republican debates when a live audience howled its approval for the "let him die" plan.)

For anyone who has ever honestly cared about people losing their health coverage — for instance, Obama or his Democratic predecessor, former President Bill Clinton — the depressing

statistical reality has long been plain. Every day, thousands of Americans leave the rolls of the private insurance industry, almost never voluntarily.

People often forfeit insurance after losing a job, which happened to millions during the Great Recession. At its height, when tea party Republicans were fighting to kill Obamacare in the cradle, more than 44,000 people were losing their health coverage every week. In May 2009, the policy journal Health Affairs published a projection that nearly 7 million Americans would lose coverage by the end of 2010.

People also lose insurance because their providers don't want to pay the cost of a grave illness (having gorged on pricey premiums for years), which has happened to many thousands more.

The most recent congressional report on the subject found that three major insurance companies had saved at least \$300 million through "rescission" of policies held by 20,000 seriously ill clients, which caused their profits to climb.

Nearly half the population at some point during every decade loses insurance because the cost rises and becomes unaffordable. A report released by the Treasury Department last year found that almost four of nonelderly Americans had lived without health coverage at some point between 1997 and 2006, a period of relative prosperity and high employment.

The consequence, as everybody ought to know by now, is that upward of 45 million Americans have gone without health coverage at any given moment since 2007. And the further consequence is that many of those uninsured — men, women and children — go without needed

health care, leading to untold suffering and premature deaths of as many as 45,000 annually, perhaps more.

But such dismal facts have never seemed to trouble the Republicans who are screaming so loudly now about the terrible toll of Obamacare. The perennial GOP attitude was set forth by neoconservative eminence Bill Kristol back in 1993, when the prime objective was to kill the nascent Clinton health plan. "There is no health care crisis," Kristol famously declared, and for him — then a well-paid flack in the Rupert Murdoch empire — that was true enough.

After two decades of medical costs skyrocketing above inflation, threatening fiscal and economic ruin, while millions went without insurance, such smug right-wing complacency remains largely intact. The only "health care crisis" ever feared by Republicans like Kristol is the prospect that reform will help Americans — as Obamacare is already doing, despite the GOP's best efforts against it.

Let's hope that the president's team swiftly solves the inherent problems of providing universal coverage through private insurers. It is certainly possible, if never optimal, as Massachusetts and other states seeking to advance that goal are already proving.

And meanwhile, let's please have no illusions about this momentary flurry of concern on the right over insurance lost. It would disappear instantly and permanently — if only Obamacare could be repealed.

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DAILY PRAYER

Oh Lord, we thank you for the animals, large and small.

Amen



DAVID HARSANYI



JOE CONASON

Bird Poop: A cardinal's unfortunate collision with a kitchen window

Heralding the beginning of the Christmas season, turkey and dressing remnants were carefully stored in the freezer.

Outside, the leaves of summer were scampering down the street from cold gusts of wind. Even before this last week of November, store decorations reflected the festive month to come.

Soon, colorful songbirds, and waterfowl, were adding a significant presence to the bare limbs of our mesquites, and the city lake a few blocks away. Throughout the city limits, wild birds were lending to nature's own display.

Hungry songsters brought a constant influx of colorful attire to a neighbor's feeder. Only a few blocks away, visitors to the park noticed that migratory waterfowl in their winter plumage were hesitant to wade ashore with the domestic variety.

At both places, a constant lookout was vigilantly upheld. Winter hawks spared no mercy. As each day progressed, however, the visitors soon seemed to gain a sense of confidence.

Then one morning as a neighbor turned to leave her kitchen, she heard a thump on the window behind her. Looking out, she could see nothing on or below her feeder.

Hurrying outside and around the corner of the garage brought her the view she dreaded. Lying underneath the small window mounted above her kitchen sink was a cardinal.

To hear her worried voice brought concern. "It's not moving. Can I bring it?" she asked.

Having placed the cardinal in a cardboard box, she walked the short distance to our home. As I opened the front door, she stressed that it was dazed. "Absolutely out of it."

A peek inside showed a long, red tail that could only belong to a male cardinal. Since she had cut adequate air holes in the lid, it enabled me to leave the cardinal atop the soft tissues she had provided. Hopefully, it could recover in an hour or two. During the rest of the morning, no sound was heard from the box.

After lunch came a welcome noise, followed by footsteps. The cardinal's long rest had ended. Although daylight came through the air holes, the bird did not know where it was. To awaken in a semi-dark place must have been confusing. It proceeded to explore and escape if possible. To me, those were welcome noises and possible signs of recovery.

A bowl of water and a platter filled with seeds were placed inside a long cage. When I introduced the restless creature to his new environment, he flew up to a perch, turned, and glared back at me.

Having felt a vibrant energy emanating from him when I removed him from the box, I knew I had never before experienced this in other birds his size. Almost entirely red, except for the black patch of feathers surrounding the base of his large, thick bill, he exuded confidence and determination. Often, he would raise and lower his crest as if to accentuate his feelings.

In comparison, his mate would have been gray, brownish above,

with reddish wings, crest and bill. Her drab coloration was nature's way of secreting her away while building her nest and brooding her young.

As the afternoon progressed, the cardinal easily flew the length of the enclosure. Tempted by the water, he enjoyed a bath as evident by the wet papers that lined the cage.

Later, releasing the cardinal in familiar surroundings, we watched it fly to a nearby tree. Scanning its territory carefully, it then visited other trees before disappearing into the dense canopy of foliage in our city park.

After returning home came a call to the distraught neighbor. Once she learned of the cardinal's release, she was ecstatic.

Although she wondered how she could prevent future window strikes, we emphasized placing feeders and elevated water dishes further away from the house. Reminding her that a predator could have caused the bird's hasty flight, we also recalled that sometimes no ounce of prevention could have deterred some collisions with mirror images.

At times, window strikes seem to be like broken records. After much usage, vinyl records of another era would stick in one spot and repeat a refrain endlessly. The same is true of bird impacts. They keep happening in spite of our best intentions.

Except to its dignity, the Northern cardinal had incurred no visible injuries. It had just been more inclined to accept nature's healing rather than our own.

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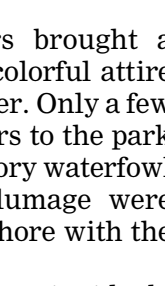


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The name "cardinal" was first used to describe the red songbird because it was reminiscent of the brilliant red robes worn by religious leaders. Although secretive in choosing a nest site, the Northern cardinal is more public in announcing its presence with distinctive, easily songs.



BEBE McCASLAND



DARRELL RYAN

Williamsburg: Brings alive the Revolutionary War era

As I continue with the story of my latest adventure I would like to tell you about Colonial Williamsburg. Momentous events occurred in Williamsburg during the Revolutionary period and Colonial Williamsburg brings them alive again on the streets where they actually took place. Guests participate with 'colonial' townspeople in the events that led to independence and to the creation of a new kind of society, one in which subjects of a monarch became citizens of an independent republic.

Programs feature both large scale street theater events and multiple simultaneous vignettes and as a participant, we are in the midst of the American Revolution. We see such historical giants as Thomas Jefferson, George Washington or Patrick Henry as locals play the roles of the original inhabitants and describe scenes

that actually happened on the spot.

We view the actions which happened during the pre-war years when British policy, especially related to taxation, drastically altered the relationship between Great Britain and the North American colonies. We are involved in scenes explaining how British policies constructed by Parliament and supported by King George III drove the colonists toward declaring independence and risk being caught and tried as traitors.

We, as guests, experience the turmoil of arming and preparing for war, the anxieties suffered by the enslaved as they debate whether to leave their homes and families and accept the British offer of freedom in exchange for taking up arms against their masters, and the human dramas of families torn apart by divided loyalties.

We are part of the action of Virginia's leaders announcing their resolution for independence and the Continental Congress breaking all ties with Great Britain. We experience all this while actually standing on the

streets or in the building that were replicated in the actual location and style of the very places of the colonial period.

For example, the original Capital was completed in 1705 but it totally burned down in 1747. The second Capital was completed in 1753, but it also was destroyed by fire in 1832. The current Capital building was built in 1934, on the same foundations of the original and based on the 1705 structure.

As each building is toured, a guide tells about the history of the building and why it was built as it was. The guide explains how life was lived in the revolutionary period, the hardships suffered and the advances people made with limited supplies and materials.

Williamsburg was the political, cultural and educational center of what was then the largest, most populous and most influential of the colonies. It was here that fundamental concepts of our republic such as responsible leadership, a sense of public service, self-government and individual liberty were nurtured

and the leadership of patriots such as Washington and Jefferson.

The capital of Virginia was moved from Williamsburg, influenced by Thomas Jefferson, to Richmond because of the safer location and the more centralized area. Williamsburg then became a quaint little city until, Rev. W.A.R. Goodwin convinced John D. Rockefeller to restore the city to its original nature.

Rockefeller gave the project his personal leadership until his death in 1960. If you have a chance to visit the Williamsburg area please give yourself several days to take in all the events. As we toured, we engaged several groups of school children enjoying a field trip experience in our historic past and I couldn't help but wish our kiddos had this opportunity to develop their patriotism in such a fashion.

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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.

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

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Look Before You Leap!

West dealer.
North-South vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ A 9 5
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ Q J 8 4
♣ K 3

WEST
♠ J 3 2
♥ A 5 3
♦ A 7
♣ A J 9 5 2

EAST
♠ 10 8 7 6 4
♥ 9 7 4
♦ 6 3 2
♣ 8 6

The bidding:
West North East South
1 ♠ Dble Pass 2 NT

Opening lead — five of clubs.

Man is a creature of habit — and it would be hard to find a player to whom this generality does not apply.

Consider this case where West leads a club against three notrump. Declarer follows low from dummy, winning East's eight with the ten, and returns a low diamond.

West alertly goes up with the ace of diamonds and plays the ace of clubs followed by the jack. South wins with the queen, but the best he can do is cash three spades and three diamonds and go down one. West

scores the last three tricks with the ace of hearts and 9-2 of clubs.

The outcome seems normal, with South appearing to have bitten off a bit more than he could chew. But the fact is that South should have made the contract, and the reason he didn't was that he made a critical error at trick one. Instead of playing the three of clubs from dummy — from force of habit — he should have played the king!

Had South done that, nothing could have stopped him from making at least three notrump after leading a diamond from dummy at trick two. If West won and persisted with clubs, declarer would score three club tricks instead of only two, and would wind up with 10 tricks.

The "free" club finesse South gets at trick one by playing low from dummy is a snare and a delusion. South should realize that West must have all three missing aces for his opening bid, so that nothing can be gained but much can be lost by playing the club three from dummy instead of the king.

The deal provides an excellent example of the principle that no play, however automatic it might seem, should be made before considering its effect upon the hand as a whole. The first priority is to look before you leap.

Tomorrow: Card-reading.

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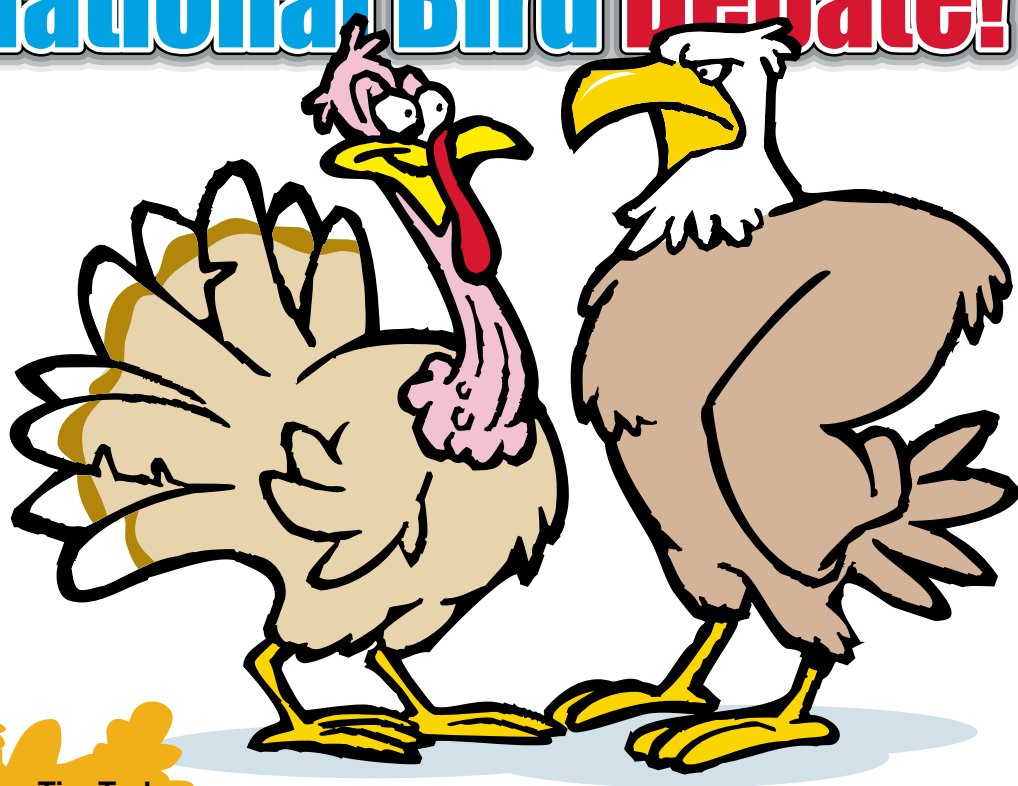
The Great National Bird Debate!

Eagle or Turkey? What do you think?

Which would make a better _____ of the United States – a bald eagle or a turkey?

More than 200 years ago, the Founding Fathers wanted to choose an animal for the great seal of the United States. They wanted an animal that would _____ what the newly formed United States of America was all about.

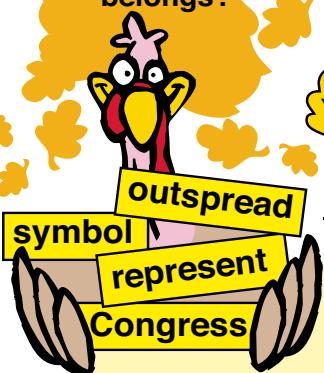
For six years, _____ bitterly debated which animal would be the country's symbol. Finally in 1782 the bald eagle was selected.



Vote for the turkey!

Not everyone thought the bald eagle was the right animal. Benjamin Franklin thought the turkey was a better symbol. Franklin wrote to his daughter, referring to the eagle's "bad moral character," saying, "I wish the bald eagle had not been chosen as the representative of our country! The turkey is a much more respectable bird, and withal a true original native of America."

Tim Turkey removed some of the words in this story. Can you figure out where each one belongs?



Vote for the bald eagle!

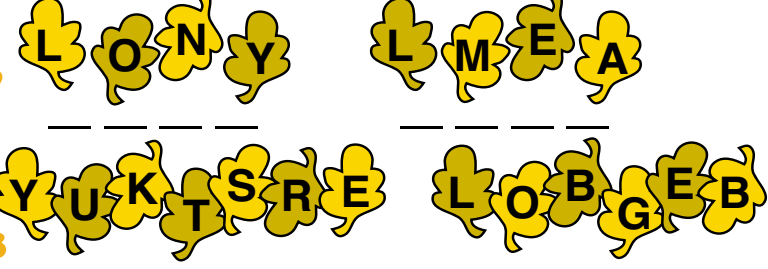
The bald eagle supporters finally had their way and it has been the national bird of the United States since 1782, when it was placed with _____ wings on the great seal of our country.

But, Ben Franklin's words remind us that the turkey is also a special creature. In truth, if someone calls you a turkey, take it as a compliment!

Standards Link: History: Students recognize national symbols such as the bald eagle.

Do all turkeys gobble?

Unscramble the letters in each leaf pile to discover the answer (four words).



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

What does a national bird do?

As the national symbol of the United States, the bald eagle appears in many government buildings and on official documents, making it the most pictured bird in all of America. The eagle also appears on the President's flag and billions of bills and coins.

Nice try, turkey!

Look at these quarters. Find each matching pair. Which ones do not belong?



Standards Link: Visual Discrimination: Sort objects that are similar and different.

Extra! Extra!

Thanksgiving Hunt

Look through today's newspaper to find:

- the word **Thanksgiving**
- something you are thankful for
- the word **turkey** or a picture of one
- an interesting news story to discuss at Thanksgiving dinner

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension. Follow simple written directions.

Turkey Tidbits

Turkey Puzzle

In 2011, about 272 million turkeys were raised. About 46 million of those turkeys were eaten at Thanksgiving, 22 million at Christmas and 19 million at Easter. How many were eaten during the rest of the year?



Space Turkey

When Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin sat down to eat their first meal on the moon, their foil food packets contained roasted turkey and all of the trimmings.

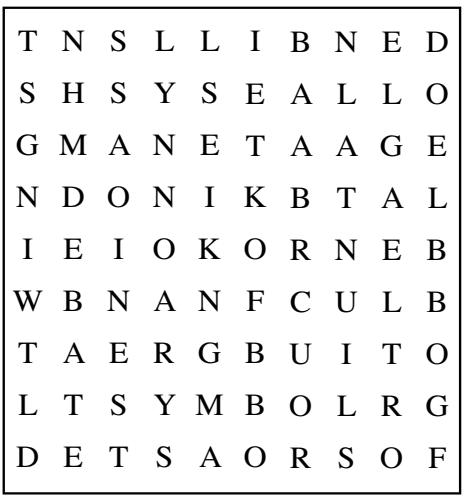


Standards Link: Number Sense: Calculate sums and differences to millions.
 Turkey Puzzle Answer: 185 million.

Double Double Word Search

- TURKEY
- EAGLE
- NATIONAL
- COINS
- SYMBOL
- ROASTED
- BILLS
- GREAT
- GOBBLE
- WINGS
- SEAL
- BALD
- MOON
- DEBATE
- THANKFUL

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognizing identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **REPRESENT**
 The verb **represent** means to be a sign or symbol of.

Our mascot **represents** our school at many events.

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

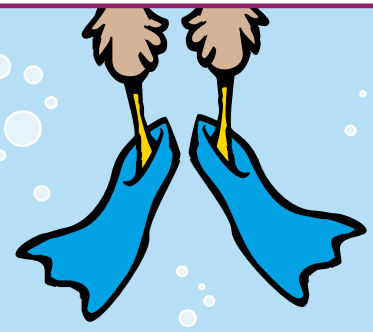
BEYOND Kid Scoop

Giving Time

Look in the newspaper for information about people helping others in your community. Is there something you and your friends can do to help others?

Standards Link: Social Science: Students recognize the importance of public virtue and the role of citizens.

What has feathers and webbed feet?



ANSWER: A turkey in scuba gear.

Write On!

Turkey For A National Bird?

Do you think the turkey would be a better national bird than the bald eagle? Why or why not?



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The Lady Steers, managers and coaches gather around the regional championship trophy after defeating Abilene Wylie Saturday. A similar picture was published in Monday's edition of the Herald, but Kinsey Wash (front row, sixth from left) and Head Coach Lynn Osborne (back row) were missing. The Lady Steers will head to Garland on Wednesday to prepare for the state championship tournament. BSHS (32-13) will open the event against Decatur (39-7) on Friday at 1 p.m.

Send-off set for Lady Steers

By BRIAN MCCORMACK
Sports Editor

The community is encouraged to participate in the activities surrounding the Lady Steers' departure for the UIL state volleyball championship tournament in Garland.

A pep rally is slated for 9:35 a.m.

Wednesday, then at about 10 a.m., the Lady Steers will board the bus and be escorted out of town by local law enforcement.

The planned route will begin on the west side of the high school, then south on Goliad to 24th, then west on 24th to Gregg, then to I-20.

School officials and volleyball players

and parents hope area residents will line up along Gregg Street to wave, honk horns or do whatever they wish to show support for the Lady Steers — the first BSHS volleyball team to earn a state championship bid since 1977.

Big Spring (32-13) will practice Thursday at a venue in Garland, with the opening round set for Friday at 1

p.m. against Decatur (39-7).

If the Lady Steers win, they will face Bellville or College Station for the state title.

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The SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf (SWCID) women played a home game against Frank Phillips College Monday. The Lady Rattlers lost 94-35. Pictured is Judy Lopez going up for a layup.

NFL investigator interrogates Dolphin players

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — The Miami Dolphins underwent interrogation Monday by an NFL special investigator, although they had already addressed one pressing question: Would they fold on the season?

Answer: No. New York attorney Ted Wells began interviewing players regarding the harassment case involving tackle Jonathan Martin and suspended guard Richie Incognito. Wells' visit was expected to last at least two or three days, ensuring further distractions for a team trying to keep its season from derailing.

A defeat Sunday would have accelerated the Dolphins' recent tailspin. Instead they beat San Diego 20-16 to improve to 5-5 and remain in the race for an AFC wild-card berth.

"It's going to come down to a tight finish, and we have to win," quarterback Ryan Tannehill said. "We want to win all the rest of our games."

The Dolphins will try to do so while ensnared in the biggest scandal in franchise history. Martin left the team three weeks ago and alleges he was harassed daily by teammates, including Incognito.

On Friday, Martin spent nearly seven hours talking with Wells. Before the attorney began his interviews with other players, he released a statement — his first public comments about the investigation.

"We look forward to meeting with Dolphins players, coaches and staff in order to get the facts and prepare a thorough and fair report," Wells said. "The Dolphins organization has been very

helpful in arranging the interviews and urging their personnel to cooperate with the investigation. We have asked all Dolphins personnel to respect the process and avoid commenting on the investigation."

Wells was appointed Nov. 6 by NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell to investigate the Dolphins' workplace and prepare a report that will be made public.

"As we've said from Day One, we're going to fully cooperate," coach Joe Philbin said.

Offensive coordinator Mike Sherman said he was among those scheduled to talk Tuesday with Wells, after players had been interviewed.

"Hopefully most of what the players have to do will be taken care of today," Sherman said.

Defensive coordinator Kevin Coyle said he didn't expect the investigation to significantly affect preparations for Sunday's home game against Carolina.

"We've been told they're going to do everything they can to not disrupt the normal flow of the week," Coyle said. "I don't think it's going to have much of an impact."

Philbin agreed. "We're sticking to the schedule," he said. "We'll be fine."

As tackle Tyson Clabo noted, the Dolphins are 2-1 since Martin left the team and the scandal began to unfold. Eight wins might be enough to make the playoffs in the parity-filled AFC, and the Dolphins are tied with the Jets in the race for the sixth and final playoff spot.

The teams play each other Dec. 1 and Dec. 29.

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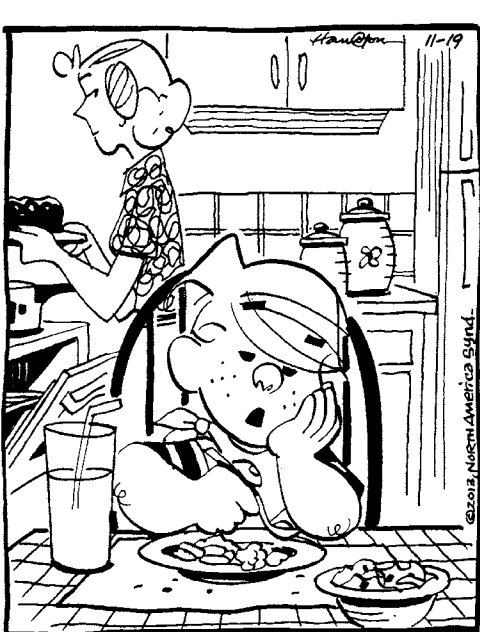
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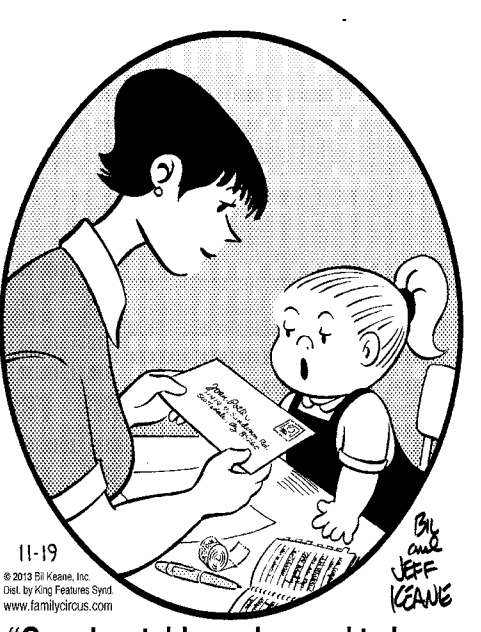
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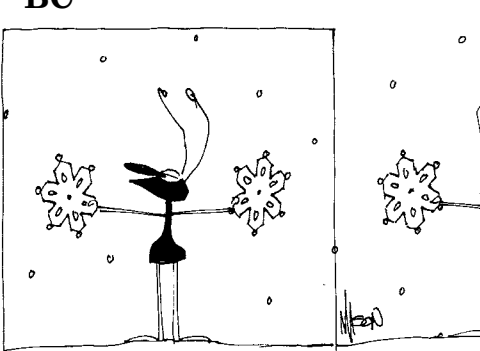
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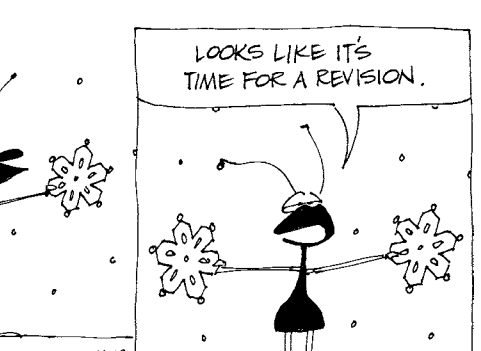
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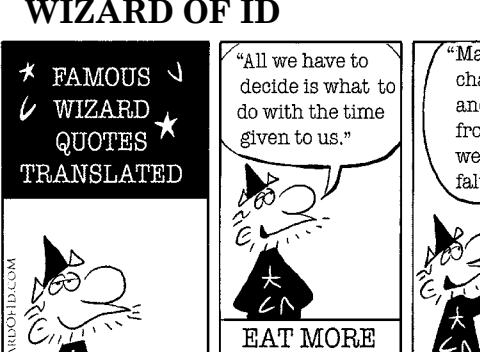
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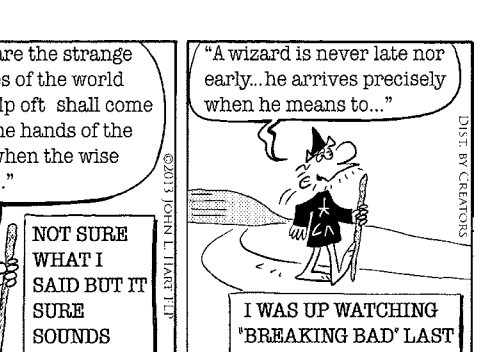
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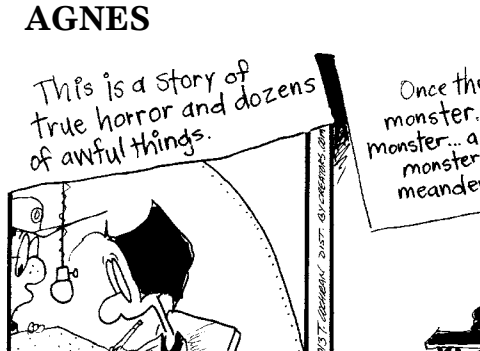
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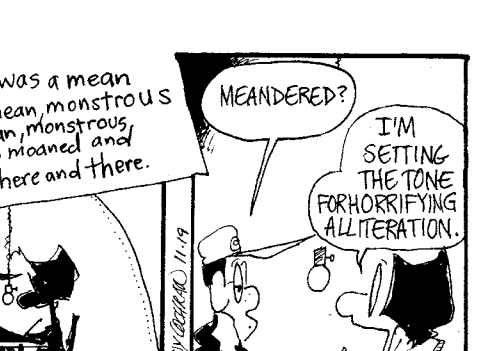
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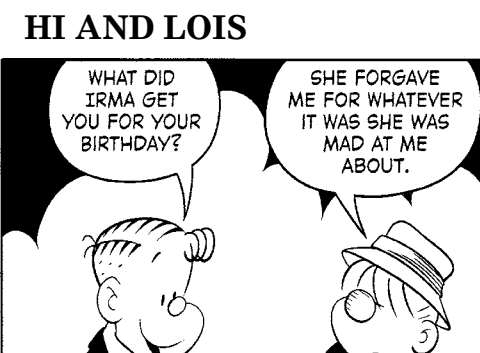
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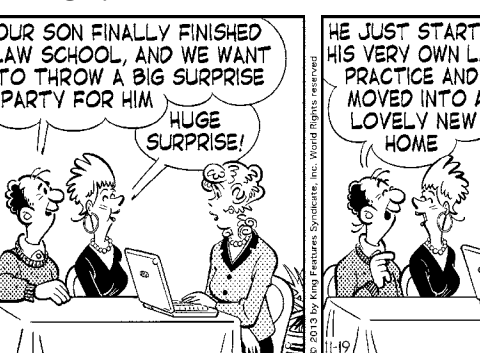
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On this date:

In 1600, King Charles I of England was born in Dunfermline, Fife, Scotland.

In 1794, the United States and Britain signed Jay's Treaty, which resolved some issues left over from the Revolutionary War.

In 1831, the 20th president of the United States, James Garfield, was born in Orange Township, Ohio.

In 1887, American poet

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Gemini Moon Asks "Why?"

As these last days of the Scorpio sun mingle with the Gemini moon's flexibility of mind, why you do things is more important than what you do. The same actions done for different reasons will net a different result. Are you acting out of obligation, artistic expression, affection or compassion? Your results will change with your intention.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The people who are opposed to your getting what you want are not your enemies. They are your trainers. They'll make you strong by providing the resistance that makes you grow into your best self.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The people around you need to hear about your accomplishments, but not now. A confident person has more than he shows and speaks less than he knows.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Blaming just isn't your thing. You accept total responsibility for your life. And yet, when it's your turn to accept praise, you deflect and let others have the glory.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). People know they can share their dreams with you, and you won't impose your own reality uninvited. Hope is all that some people have. Only the cruel would take it away.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You admire those who have done well for themselves, but do not assume that riches always follow hard work. You'll meet those who came into wealth through nepotism or calculated exploitation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's a day of cravings, yearnings and longings. It's good to have such a visceral

response to life, because it makes wanting very clear. Knowing what you want makes life a game. Also, it's more fun than not knowing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The mysteries of the universe are not trying to be mysterious. They can't help it that we haven't figured them out yet. Today you'll flirt with problems that probably won't be solved in this lifetime, but it will open your mind to try.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If there's not enough love in your life, even the trees can sense your sadness. Make it a priority to fill your heart. It's not just for you. The world needs your happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're in the mood to spend money on identity enhancements. Just remember that it's your attitude more than anything else that makes you cool or not cool.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Some people anxiously monitor their diet because they are sick, and others do the same to avoid becoming sick. Seek freedom instead. Go in the direction of easygoing, stress-free moderation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your perceptions are so accurate that you cannot be deceived unless you choose to deceive yourself. This clarity may impel you to point out the truth to a friend who doesn't see it, but only do so if you are asked.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You didn't mean to develop these feelings, but that's love. Whether you fall in or accidentally wander over, the result is the same: You're suddenly thinking about someone else more than you think of yourself.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 19). Relationships make your heart soar. You deserve all of the attention. With many parts of your life in congru-

ence, you easily move forward. For once your domestic needs are not in competition with your professional needs, and you are able to freely commit to the projects that will take you where you want to go next. Aquarius and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 3, 21, 20 and 14.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Would you do my dog's natal chart? She was born on March 25, 2013, and she is an adorable Yorkshire terrier. Does she have the chart to be a champion? Her name is Luella."

Luella is an Aries who was born when the sun, Venus, Mars and Uranus were all in high-energy Aries. So she needs to burn off quite a lot of energy to be at her best. Keep her active! High-energy puppies who don't get walked or played with enough make mischief. (I knew a Yorkie who ate expensive bamboo wallpaper when she got bored. At least the paper was organic.) Luella's moon is in Virgo, indicating that she's a smart little problem-solver. Sometimes when she solves her own problems, it creates problems for you, like when she wakes you up to play at all hours of the night. To prevent her overactive mind from getting the best of you both, she needs mental stimulation. Teach her to do tricks, and find fun new ways to play with her. With Mercury in Pisces, Luella could definitely be a champion, or a performer of some kind. She is empathetic and in tune with your feelings. She has a way of connecting with people and stealing their hearts.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Jodie Foster recently starred with Matt Damon in "Elysium," a science fiction film set in the year 2154. Foster was born when the sun, Mercury, Venus and Neptune were all in charismatic Scorpio, a sign known for mystery and intrigue. Even though Foster has been in show business since she was 3 years old, her presence is as mysterious as ever.

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