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Organizers promise that, regardless of the weather, the annual Youth Trout Fishing Tournament will be held this Saturday at Comanche Trail Lake.

## Come rain or shine

Organizers: Weather won't impact fishing tournament

**BY LYNDEL MOODY**  
Staff Writer

Neither rain, sleet or a sunny day will stop the Sixth Annual Trout Fishing Tournament this time.

"We are going to have the tourney this weekend. Even if it rains, sleet or it is sunny. Even if there is no one else out there, I'll be there fishing," quipped Ken McIntosh, event organizer.

The stubbornly inclement weather that has persisted in the Crossroads area this winter caused event



officials to postpone the tourney earlier this month in hopes of catching a sunny day. But the time has come and the bait shall be hooked. The contest for area youth will begin at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the Dora Roberts Community Center. A number of door prizes will be given throughout the 3-1/2 hour tourney. Prizes will also be given in the categories of first fish caught,

largest fish caught and most caught by 4 p.m. Those prizes are donated by Keith Graumann, local business man and Big Spring Symphony conductor.

Participants will need to bring their own fishing gear and bait. The lake has been stocked with nearly 3,000 trout this season, McIntosh said, which is the only fish that matters for this contest.

Popular ways to catch trout include fishing off the bottom with

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## Conserve, conserve

Officials urge citizens to go easy on water use

**BY LYNDEL MOODY**  
Staff Writer

As warmer weather creeps slowly into the Crossroads area, Big Spring city officials reminds residents to think "conservation" when using water to help with dwindling supplies.

Currently, the city is on Stage 2 restrictions where it concerns water usage for area residents.

According to the city web-site, that means customers are requested to voluntarily limit irrigation of landscaped areas to Sundays and Thursdays for water customers with a street

address ending in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6, or 8), and Saturdays and Wednesdays for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9) and to only irrigate between the hours of midnight until 10 a.m. and between 8 p.m. and midnight on designated watering days.

"Irrigation of landscaped areas is permitted at anytime if it is by means of a hand held hose, a faucet filled bucket, or watering can of five (5) gallons of less, or drip irrigation system.

"Water customers are requested to refrain from washing cars and to continue to practice water conservation and to minimize or discontinue water use for non-essential purposes. Wasting of water is still prohibited at all times."

The city will continue with this plan unless the Colorado River Water Municipal District notifies the city of reductions in

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## Powwow promoters want 'interactive' experience

**By ANDREIA MEDLIN**  
Staff Writer

Come on in and join the dance.

According to Powwow Big Spring committee Vice President, Randy McKinney, this year's event will be more than just a spectator event.

"We want it to be more interactive," McKinney explained. "Our goal is to make this year's powwow the most exciting, entertaining and educational powwow we've ever had."

Intertribal dancing will take place throughout the two day event, a different take on past powwows.

"There won't be the long breaks we used to have," said McKinney. "During the dances we will explain the dance itself

and the regalia that the different dancers wear."

Along with the dances, the different drum styles will also be explained and include, "A little something about the Native American culture."

The 2014 powwow has been revamped following some constructive criticism the committee received about powwows in the past.

"In the past, we have had contest powwows, this year will be an intertribal powwow, meaning there will be more than just a few dancers in the circle dancing together during most dances," McKinney explained.

During the dances, the public will be invited to dance with

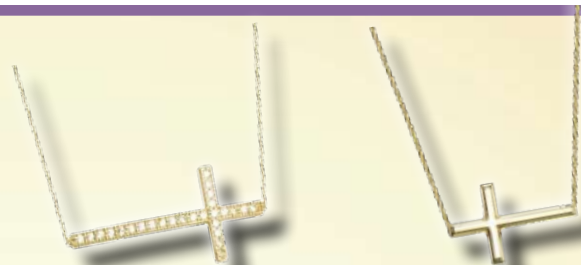
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## Obituaries

## Tom Fread Rountree



Tom Fread Rountree, age 88, passed away March 17, 2014.

He was born Nov. 5, 1925, in Dawson, Texas. He served in the 390th Bomb Group of the Army Air Corp in WWII as a tail gunner in a B-17.

He was a longtime resident of Big Spring, Texas, where he worked for Texas Electric until retirement. He enjoyed farming and ranching in Big Spring, and enjoyed working in his pecan orchard. He moved to Eddy in 2004 and took great enjoyment from time spent with his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Rountree of Eddy; by two sons, Terry Rountree and his wife Patti, of Carrollton, Texas and Danny Rountree and his wife Joanne, of Bastrop, Texas; a brother, Joe Rountree, two sisters, Frances Jane York and Nell Kupper; six grandchildren, Josh Rountree, Jeremy Rountree, Tim Rountree, Teri Lianne Ruland, Travis Rountree and Ty Ruland, and seven great-grandchildren Beckett Rountree, Gibson Rountree, Sean Rountree, Avery Rountree, Jayden Ruland, Maddie Rountree, and Dakotah Ruland.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Clarice Rountree in 1990, a brother, Charles Rountree and a grandson, Kyle Rountree.

A visitation will be held Friday, March 21 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Cole Funeral Home, 1113 West Fifth Street, McGregor, Texas.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 22 at 2 p.m. at Moody Church of Christ, 1506 Ave D at Hwy 317, Moody, TX.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Moody Church of Christ.

*Paid Obituary*

## Pat "Mimi" Richardson



Pat "Mimi" Richardson, 73, of Big Spring, died Monday, March 17, 2014 in a Midland hospital. Private family memorial services will be held at a later date.

She was born Dec. 2, 1940 in Dialville, Texas. Pat came to Big Spring in 1977 from East Texas and briefly worked as a nurse.

Her main job was caring for her

grandson, Dillon.

She enjoyed fishing and dancing at the Senior Center.

Survivors include one daughter, Cathy Carthel and husband, Russell of Big Spring; one grandson, Dillon Phernetton and wife, Linzee of Big Spring; and her first great-grandchild due in September; her faithful poodle of 18 years, Riley; extended family members, Charles and Barbara Carthel of Lockney, Luke and Mique Yarber and Phil and Leslie Whitten all Big Spring; and numerous friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob Richardson; her parents, Lester and Vallie Thornton; and by a sister, Mary Sue Thornton.

The family suggests memorials to the Big Spring Humane Society, P.O. Box 823, Big Spring, Texas, 79721-0823.

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

*Paid Obituary*

## Ruby Jean Hooser



Ruby Jean Hooser, 57, of Big Spring, Texas, died Saturday, March 15, 2014, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Memorial services will be held Saturday, March 22, 2014, at 2 p.m. at 3301 Old Colorado City Hwy.

She was born Nov. 3, 1956, in Spur, Texas. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Gary Hooser of Seattle, Wash.; three children, Toby Hooser of Forney, Texas, Misty Wallace of Big Spring, and Trey Hooser of McKinney, Texas; mother, Frances Coker of Big Spring; two brothers, Jim Coker and Richard Coker, both of Big Spring; three sisters, Mary Storen, Sharon Filson, and Laura Coker, all of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Haskell Coker, one sister, Mable Irene Coker, and one grandson, Tristin Hooser.

## Bettie Greenwade Bedell



Bettie Greenwade Bedell, 93, of Big Spring, Texas, died Wednesday March 19, 2014, at Parkview Nursing and Rehab Center. Graveside services will be held in the Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel at 11 a.m. Friday with Dr. Doug Shelley of Eastside Baptist Church officiating.

She was born in Rochester, Texas, on Oct. 20, 1929, to Louise and Barrett Greenwade. She grew

up in Monahans, Texas, and also attended Texas Christian University. She was a longtime resident of Howard County. She moved to Big Spring from Lubbock, Texas in October 1962 and worked at First National Bank of Big Spring for 10 years until December 1972. She worked at several different banks beginning in 1950.

On June 15, 1972, she married Clay R. Bedell in Monahans. She was a member of East Fourth Baptist Church.

She is survived by one step-daughter, Marilyn Burgess of Midland, Texas; two sister-in-laws: Betty Bedwell of Big Spring and Wanoke Roberts of Nevada, Texas, along with one grandson, Clay McIntire of Stanton.

In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by her husband Clay Bedell on Nov. 6, 1994.

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

## Police blotter

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

- JIMMY MELCHOR, 51, of 301 S. 1st St., Coahoma, Texas, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.

- ROBERT WAYNE CARROLL, 59, of 3304 West Highway 80 apt. 30, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.

- THOMAS ROY WHITE, 22, of 407 E. 8th St., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for public intoxication.

- MICHAEL VELINDA ROBERTSON, 31, of 101 Apache, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for fail to appear and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- MICHAEL WILSON CARL, 30, of 117 W. Davis Rd., was arrested Tuesday on five warrants from another agency.

- JESSE RODRIGUEZ LOPEZ, 46, of 605 Douglass, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

- ABEL LOZANO TORRES, 25, of 1408 S. Johnson, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for failure to yield right of way at yield intersection.

- VICTOR TY ROSENBERG, 38, of 509 E. 17th St., was arrested Tuesday on warrants for expired registration and failed to maintain financial responsibility.

- JUSTIN M. RAMIREZ, 26, of 710 Willia, was arrested Wednesday on a warrant from another agency and evading arrest/detention previous conviction.

- JEREMY BENTON SAUCEDO, 21, of 815 Timothy Rd. was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.

- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at the 200 block of Jill Rd.

- THEFT was reported at the 1200 block of S. Gregg.

- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported at the 500 block of S. Goliad.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 3200 block of Oasis and the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

- CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ABUSE was reported at the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

- MINOR ACCIDENT reported at the intersection of Donley, 3rd St. and the 2000 block of S. Gregg. and the intersection of Parkway and Wasson Rd.

- HIT AND RUN reported at the intersection of 3rd and Gregg.

- TELEPHONE HARASSMENT reported at the 200 block of W. FM 700.

## Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 71 inmates at the time of this report.

- ROBERT WAYNE CARROLL was booked by BSPD on a charge of fail to control speed.

- JIMMY RAY MELCHOR was booked by BSPD on a parole violation.

- JEREMY SAUCEDO was booked by HCSO on charges of violation of motor fuel tax requirements and theft of property greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500.

- JAMASON COLE HAYS was booked by Glasscock County on charges of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution, possession of drug paraphernalia and driving while license invalid.

- DONALD ANDRE JACOBS was booked by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution.

- KEITH HILARIO was booked by Glasscock County on a charge of driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without final resolution.

- THOMAS ROY WHITE was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- ABEL LOZANO TORRES was booked by BSPD on a charge of failure to yield row at yield intersection.

- MICHAEL WILSON CARL was booked by BSPD on a charge of speeding - 75 miles per hour in a 55 mile per hour zone, violate promise to appear, fail to appear, possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram and evading arrest/detention with vehicle.

- MICHAEL VELINDA ROBERTSON was booked by BSPD on charges of failure to appear and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- JESSE RODRIGUEZ LOPEZ was booked by BSPD on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and parole violation.

- TERESA LORENE LANG was booked by BSPD on charges of motion to revoke probation for possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram - two counts.

- VICTOR TY ROSENBERG was booked by BSPD on capias warrants for display expired registration and fail to maintain financial responsibility.

- JUSTIN M. RAMIREZ was booked by BSPD on charges of parole violation and evading arrest/detention with previous conviction.

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# Take note

• A fund has been set up to help the Renteria family who lost their house from a fire. Donations can be made at State National Bank, Renteria Fire Fund, No. 9012478.

• Relocation Rescue, a non-profit animal rescue, is holding a "Paint Your Pet" fundraiser event 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, April 5, at the Heritage Museum located at 510 Scurry. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$50 per couple and we supply all the materials needed for participants to paint a picture of their pets while enjoying a silent auction, wine and cheese, hors d'oeuvres, and a whole lot of fun. For more information call the Heritage Museum at 267-8255.

• The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol, or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped accessible. The cost is \$8 per person. April 4 Mike & Friend; April 11 Prowlers; April 18 Prowlers; April 25 Midnight Express.

• Howard County A&M Club is accepting applications from high school students who are graduating this May and have been accepted at Texas A&M University for fall 2014.

Students must be Howard County residents and will enroll for at least 12 hours. Deadline for applications is April 1. More information and the application may be found on the club website at [www.westexags.com](http://www.westexags.com)

• Howard County Fair Association is in need of volunteers to cross stitch squares for the Howard County Fair quilt to be raffled at the fair. Theme this year is "Hummingbirds." Patterns are from easy to more difficult, so you do not have to be an expert. Squares may be picked up at the Heritage Museum front desk Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call Suzanne Markwell at 214-256-1674.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Healthy Woman and American Cancer Society present "Be a Superhero" on April 16. A Lunch n Learn will take place at 11:30 a.m. and the Healthy Woman event - snacks provided - will be at 5:30 p.m.

Both events will be held in the Senior Circle Room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. ACS Relay For Life Specialist Manny Negron will be delivering information about the 20th anniversary Howard and Glasscock Counties Relay For Life.

The free event is open to the public. To RSVP call, Amanda Duforat at 432-268-4699 or Anita Cline at 432-268-4721.

• The Prom Closet will be back this year to provide beautiful barely worn or never worn prom dresses at no charge for area girls. For more information call Christian Fair at 816-3573.

• We are in need of donated items for our garage sale fundraiser, this Saturday from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. If anyone is interested in donating, drop-off times will be on Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 S Lancaster. For more information, call 267-7015.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Yellow Rose Café has been temporarily closed to the public for routine repairs and maintenance. The café will remain closed until repairs are complete. A completion date for the project has not been set. Patient meals will continue without interruption throughout the process. The hospital will issue an announcement release once the Yellow Rose Café is ready to reopen. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. For more information, contact Amanda Duforat, marketing coordinator, at 268-4699.

• The Powwow Committee of Big Spring has been restructured and is seeking new members, according to committee secretary Greg Bodin. "The winds of change are blowing. Whether you are a Native American or are interested in Native American culture and would like to be a part of the 10th anniversary Big Spring Powwow, please accept our invitation to attend a meeting," Bodin said. For more information, contact Vice President Randy McKinney at 432-267-4843 or President Richard Lesser at 432-935-0125.

• Big Spring Second Chance Rescue (BSSCR) is in need of donations to help spay and neuter rescued dogs, so they can go to a home. The canine rescue organization has incurred a lot of expenses in obtaining its 501c3 status along with trying to obtain a Tax ID and subsequent Texas filling fees. Just to file the 501c3 cost the rescue more than \$500. Any amount is appreciated. Make checks payable to BSSCR, P.O. Box 2775, Big Spring, Texas, 79720; by credit card at 432-816-2555; or at Highland Animal Clinic, 3600 S. Hwy. 87, Big Spring, Texas 79720; or [www.youcaring.com/pet-expenses/bsscr/74800](http://www.youcaring.com/pet-expenses/bsscr/74800)

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• The Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations office is accepting donations of magazines. They should be brought to the Community Relations office on campus. For more information, call Jamey Stegall at 268-7535 or [james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us](mailto:james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us)

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

• Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the hospice team, by bringing light and love into people's lives. For more information on joining, contact Eva Robison at 432-263-5300 or come by 421 S. Main.

## WATER

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water flow to the city, officials said. That will trigger a change in the city's drought contingency level. So far, no reduction from CRWMD has been announced, officials said.

"Right now, we ask the public to use a healthy caution," officials said. "We request people to pay attention. Water early in the morning and late in the evening to avoid evaporation. Pay attention to what you are doing on a regular basis. Realize plants

and trees only need so much water. Overwatering doesn't make them greener or make them grow faster."

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## Fire/EMS

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

• TRAUMA reported at the 1400 block of Sycamore. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 1900 block of Simler. One patient transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA call reported at the 1100 block of W. Interstate Highway 20. No transport.

• MEDICAL call reported at the 8300 block of Gail Highway. No transport.

## POWWOW

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the powwow performers. Being Native American is not a requirement nor do you have to wear a costume.

"Dancing is the way we enjoy and celebrate life," McKinney said. "The beat of the drum is like the beat of your heart, the sound of the life we live."

For those who don't care to dance or want to take a break from the non-stop dancing, there will be vendors as well including, Native American arts and crafts, jewelry, pottery, leather goods, fry bread and Indian tacos and many more.

There will also be

musical guests and the Crossroads Young Marines are joining the event this year as well.

"The Young Marines are volunteering to help out this year," McKinney said. "They will be on hand to find a powwow committee member for you and will be selling contest chances."

Admission is \$3 and children less than 12 are free. Scheduled events begin at 10:30 Saturday with gourd dancing with the grand entry to follow. The dancing continues until 10 p.m. Sunday, a church service

will be held with the dancing to commence at 10 a.m. The event will come to a close at 5 p.m.

The 10th Annual Big Spring Powwow will be held April 5 and 6 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the Howard College campus.

"We are always seeking new members and volunteers to assist us in the powwow and the other events we do in the community. If you are Native American or simply interested in the native culture we ask you to join us," McKinney said.

To join, speak to any member at the powwow or call McKinney at 267-4843.

To contact Andrea Medlin call the Herald at 263-7331.

## FISH

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corn, salmon eggs or a variety of power baits, McIntosh said. Small Rooster Tail and Super Duper lures work well, too, McIntosh added, given the time of day, weather and water conditions.

The tourney is open to boys and girls ranging from age 17 and younger, their parents and grandparents.

For more information, contact event coordinator Ken McIntosh at 432-517-4821.

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Our next president needs to be tough, resolute and no-nonsense.

Our next president needs to be a person of clear intentions who will not cower in the face of our enemies or send mixed messages.

Our next president must be dauntless, determined and daring.

Our next president must be strong.

If you have been reading editorials or listening to commentary, whether from the left or right, you know who that person is: Vladimir Putin.

Read his rave reviews: Rudy Giuliani said recently of Putin: "He makes a decision, and he executes it, quickly. Then everybody reacts. That's what you call a leader."

Sarah Palin: "People are looking at Putin as one who wrestles bears and drills for oil. They look at our president as one who wears mom jeans."

Charles Krauthammer: "Putin fully occupies vacuums. In Ukraine, he keeps flaunting his leverage."

On the left, there is this from The Washington Post's editorial page: "While the United States has been retrenching, the tide of democracy in the world, which once seemed inexorable, has been receding. ... As Mr. Putin ponders whether to advance further — into eastern Ukraine, say — he will measure the seriousness of U.S. and allied actions, not their statements."

Action! Strength! Might! Muscle! That is what we need.

Fareed Zakaria, whom President Barack Obama has privately sought out for advice in the past, recently wrote: "I have generally been wary of the calls for U.S. intervention in any and every conflict around the world. But this is different."

Crimea — a dagger pointed at the heart of Antarctica — must be defended. Except that it is already too late. Obama has

dithered and dallied, while Putin has acted with grit and determination.

Thomas Friedman, another liberal, admits: "There is probably no saving Crimea from Putin in the short term." But do not lose hope. Friedman continues: "The big three issues where Obama must lead from the front are: changing the character of Russia's government, preventing Iran from getting a nuke and preventing a war in the South China Sea between Beijing and Tokyo."

And you thought the big three issues for Obama were jobs, jobs, jobs. How wrong you are. Why should Obama worry about Detroit when he should really be worrying about Donetsk?

Lindsey Graham and Newt Gingrich co-authored an opinion piece recently, titled "Obama's Ukraine policy: Scream loudly, carry no stick."

They wrote: "The fact is anything short of providing arms and intelligence to the sovereign Ukrainian government is unlikely to deter Putin."

Clearly, we do not need American boots on the ground in Ukraine, a step we would both oppose."

Everyone goes all weak in the knees when it comes to U.S. "boots on the ground." But why? U.S. boots on the ground created working democracies in Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan, didn't they?

OK, bad examples.

But you know who really believes in boots on the ground? Putin. Especially if those boots are worn by Russian soldiers riding in tanks.

Past U.S. presidents knew how to use power. There is but one nation in the history of the world that has used nuclear weapons against another nation: USA! USA! USA!

Obama should stop going around in that silly windbreaker with the presidential seal on the front.

Instead, the front of his jacket should have a mushroom cloud and these words: "You mess with the bull and you get the horns."

But he won't do that. He wor-

ries about things like a thermo-nuclear exchange and how it would end all mankind.

Wuss. You think Putin worries about such things? Putin worries about nothing. In Russia, president does not worry about end of mankind; end of mankind worries about president.

I know what you are thinking: We can't make Putin our next president, because he was born in St. Petersburg and does not qualify as a "natural born" citizen of the United States.

It does not matter. Ted Cruz was born in Canada, and his father was born in Cuba, yet Cruz is planning to run for president in 2016. How? Because he has a birth certificate "proving" his mother was born in Delaware and this, he claims, makes him a "natural born" citizen.

You think Putin can't come up with a birth certificate proving his mother was born in Delaware?

Heck, he can come up with a certificate proving his mother was governor of Delaware — and went to her high-school prom with Joe Biden.

Proof is an easy standard in Russia, a country that has proof it invented the telephone, the telegraph, television and spaghetti.

Besides, Putin doesn't care about proof. He cares about action.

He cares about leading. He cares about exactly those things that both the American left and the American right now care about.

Putin will bring us together. His campaign will be simple and direct:

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Putin. For a change.

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## The effect of political correctness

When I was in high school in Detroit, there was a great deal of emphasis on clothing. As I became increasingly interested in fitting in with the "in crowd," fashion supplanted academic achievement in my hierarchy of importance. My grades plummeted, and I became a person who was less pleasant and more self-absorbed.

My mother was disappointed because she thought I had enough insight and intelligence to avoid the flypaper trap of acting like everyone else.

Fortunately, after wasting a year pursuing acceptance, I realized that my dreams went far beyond silk shirts and sharkskin pants. I decided to forsake the "in crowd" and redoubled my academic efforts in time to rescue my sinking grade-point average and gain admission to an Ivy League university.

To say that the "in crowd" was disgruntled when I abandoned their association would be a gross understatement. It eventually became clear to them that I would not rejoin their ranks under any circumstances, and they left me alone.

Despite the insults hurled at me, at the time of graduation, my classmates voted me "most likely to succeed." This indicated that they knew the prerequisites for success but were unwilling to fulfill them, and they wanted others to remain shackled to their underachieving lifestyle.

Political correctness (PC) operates in much the same fashion. It

is in place to ensure conformity to the prescribed expressions and lifestyles dictated by the elites.

There are rewards of acceptance and praise for members of the "in crowd" as they attempt to silence or destroy any who dare think for themselves or express opposing views. Similarly, the purveyors of PC seize upon a word or phrase, which they emphasize in an attempt to divert attention away from the actual issue that doesn't fit their narrative.

I have stated in the past that Obamacare is the worst thing to occur in our country since slavery. Why did I make such a strong statement? Obviously, I recognize the horrors of slavery. My roots have been traced back to Africa, and I am aware of some horrendous deeds inflicted on my ancestors in this country.

The purpose of the statement was not to minimize the most evil institution in American history, but rather to draw attention to a profound shift of power from the people to the government.

I think this shift is beginning to wrench the nation from one centered on the rights of individual citizens to one that accepts the right of the government to control even the most essential parts of our lives.

This strikes a serious blow to the concept of freedom that gave birth to this nation.

Some well-known radicals have publicly written and stated that in order for their idea of a utopian, egalitarian society to emerge in the United States, the government must control health care, which ensures the dependency of the populace on government.

Historical analysis of many

countries that have gone this route demonstrates the obliteration of the middle class and a massive expansion of the poor, dependent class with a relatively small number of elites in control.

This is sobering information, and those who want to fundamentally change America would much rather demonize someone who is exposing this agenda than engage in a conversation that they cannot win. Others join in the fray, happily marching in lockstep with those who are attempting to convert our nation to something we won't recognize, having no idea that they are being used.

Vladimir Lenin is sometimes credited with coining the phrase "useful idiots" to describe such individuals.

Political correctness is antithetical to our founding principles of freedom of speech and freedom of expression. Its most powerful tool is intimidation.

The American people must learn to identify and ignore political correctness if we are to escape the bitter ideological grenades that are destroying our unity and strength. Political correctness is impotent if we the people are fearless. Let us emphasize intelligent discussion of issues and leave the smear campaigns to those with no constructive ideas.

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## DAILY PRAYER

Give us strength, dear Lord, to deal with adversity.

Amen



ROGER SIMON



BEN CARSON

# Coahoma Ele jumps for AHA



Courtesy Photos  
Coahoma Elementary held its annual Jump Rope for Heart event on Friday, March 7. Jump Rope for Heart is a fundraiser for the American Heart Association. Students from kindergarten through fifth grade participated in the all-day jump rope event. Several teachers and principal Charlotte Stovall also took part. Sponsor Deana Clark was thrilled that the students raised a whopping \$9,418.10! The top fundraiser, Wyatt Oden, raised more than \$500. (Pictured below)



# Big Spring ISD Pride Corner

This week, Big Spring ISD is proud to feature the welding program of Big Spring High School. Jack Ingram took over the program this year and has been an asset to the class and stu-

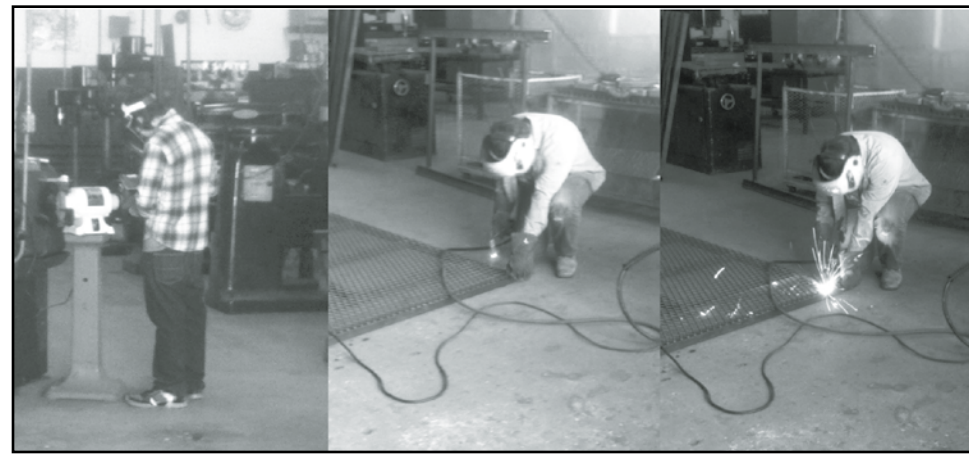


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dents. Students who complete the program during high school have the opportunity to become OSHA certified as well as welding certified. Students who stay in the program all four years will graduate with an F4 certification. Students have the skills necessary for employment at this time, or may continue on to the Howard

College welding program for additional levels of certification. Below, students are working on a portable deer blind.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Vernal Equinox

Happy vernal equinox! This is one of two days in the entire year in which the sun and the moon share the day equally. In other words, day and night are equal lengths, and by extension, there is a feeling of balance in all things. Many will find just what yins their yang (or yangs their yin, as the case may be). Simply put, it all works out.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Do not divvy up work that you can do alone. Shared work will lead to unforeseen complications. Who needs more problems? Instead, do it yourself, and then reward and treat yourself for a job well done.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). What you do publicly will boost the membership of your fan club. Keep in mind, though, that this will only be successful if you spend a good deal of time in preparation.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You'll have to turn someone down, but you'll do so in the nicest possible way. This takes planning and maybe even rehearsing in the mirror, but it's worth it, as it keeps relationships in relatively good standing.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You have a busy schedule, and you'll probably even have a chunk of work that needs to get done tonight. Or does it? Consider that some things can wait till morning.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). If two people aren't balancing on the seesaw, one has to move closer to the other. Such is the way it works in relationships today. One person needs to move in and close the gap so both can feel playful.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). When you're around people you don't necessarily like, you may try to be nice — or even fake being nice — because it's the civil thing to do. Get some distance quick, though, because pretending too long is harmful to all.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The tasks at hand will have you feeling grateful for the vitality you possess and may also have you wishing for an even more vigorous physiology, which is definitely within your reach, as well.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're like a turtle today, and there are parts of the day in which the best, most appropriate thing to do is protect yourself and hide in your shell. But when the danger is past, you'll have to stick your neck out.



HOLIDAY MATHS

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll get special attention. You may not think you've earned it, but rest assured you deserve to enjoy it. So when you hear sweet words whispered in your ear, believe them.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There are those in your close vicinity whose moods are unpredictable. Don't let them snag you into one of the bad ones. The best way is not to engage. Arguments stop when you don't argue back.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Focusing on who you are in the moment is more powerful than focusing on who you should be. What would you be doing if you knew that who you "should be" is exactly who you are right now?

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You set an example for others, and they usually follow it. When they don't, you stand up for your beliefs. Because of this, you're a person whom others admire.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (March 20). Your inner determination is super-strong, and you have what it takes to be successful at a highly competitive or improbable endeavor. In May, you'll learn what you need to know to do a job better or even be the best around at it. July brings financial relief. September is your chance to unify your family or a team. Virgo and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 49, 28, 13 and 32.

**MOLEOMANCY SPECIAL:** See the archives for information on birthmarks and moles anywhere on the body above the abdomen. Continuing on down the body...

• Left Abdomen: This birthmark signifies a talent for cultivating an atmosphere of security, comfort and belonging. Many benefit from the care the owner of this mark provides, as long as the care is genuinely needed and appreciated. This mark also signifies a need to ward against codependence.

• Right Abdomen: This birthmark indicates an insatiable appetite for love and adoration and a willingness to go to great lengths to fulfill romantic aims.

• Middle Abdomen: Family ties are first and foremost to the person with this birthmark. Personal success and the success of loved ones are so intertwined that on an emotional level they are practically interchangeable.

• Left Back: The journey is one of being changed by responsibility. Heroism is indicated.

• Right Back: This birthmark indicates a willingness to do the hard thing and the right thing instead of the convenient thing.

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Sudoku Answer on Page 12

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

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Annie's Mailbox

**Dear Annie:** My husband and I own a home on a cul-de-sac. Most of the other original owners have moved on, and several of the homes are now rentals and inhabited by multiple families.

This means many, many cars. Two homes alone account for 13 automobiles. Every home has a spacious garage and driveway, but these neighbors use that space for junk. As a result, we always have multiple cars parked in front of our house, sometimes for days at a time, including giant SUVs parked between two driveways, hanging over on each side. And because it's a cul-de-sac,

sometimes the cars are double-parked.

I've called the police multiple times, but they don't always show up, or by the time they arrive, the offending vehicle has been moved.

A ticket or two might teach these people, but they just keep getting away with it. I'm so tired of looking out my living room window or sitting on my patio looking at other people's cars. I feel as if I live in a parking lot.

It's not fair that I should need to move out of my retirement home in order to have a decent view. I know you cannot solve this for me. I'm just venting. — Sick of

Your Clunkers

**Dear Sick:** We get it. Do you have a neighborhood or homeowners association of any kind that could mediate this? Do you think talking to your neighbors would help? People often don't consider the possibility that their neighbors would be cooperative if they were approached in a spirit of friendship. But also ask the police whether there is anything else you can do.

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By Steve Becker  
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East dealer.  
Neither side vulnerable.  
**NORTH**  
♠ 8 4 3 2  
♥ 9 4  
♦ K Q 8  
♣ A Q 5 3  
**WEST**  
♠ Q 7 6  
♥ 8 7 5 3 2  
♦ 7 5  
♣ 10 7 6  
**EAST**  
♠ A K 10 9  
♥ K Q 10 6  
♦ 6 4 2  
♣ J 4  
**SOUTH**  
♠ J 5  
♥ A J  
♦ A J 10 9 3  
♣ K 9 8 2  
The bidding:  
East South West North  
1♠ 2♦ Pass 3♦  
Pass 3♥ Pass 5♦  
Opening lead — six of spades.

heart shift South would have made the rest of the tricks on a squeeze.  
**Declarer took the ace**, led the nine of clubs to the queen and ruffed a spade. These were the first two steps in a scheme designed to do East out of his apparently certain heart trick.  
**South then ran** his remaining trumps, discarding a heart from dummy, cashed the king of clubs, on which he played dummy's five, and led the eight of clubs to the ace. This was now the two-card position:  
**North**  
♠ 8  
♥ 3  
**West**  
♥ 8 7  
**East**  
♦ 10  
♥ Q  
**South**  
♥ J  
♣ 2  
**The three of clubs** was then played, and East had to discard. He realized from the fall of West's ten on the preceding trick that declarer had the missing club, but he hadn't followed the play closely enough to know the size of the club South had left.  
**So, acting under the delusion** that South would have to win the club in his hand, East discarded the ten of spades, sat back and waited to score his heart trick.  
**He's still waiting!**

Part of declarer's skill consists of playing his cards in a manner that increases the chances of the opponents making a mistake. Consider this deal of ancient vintage where South performed a neat swindle to bring in a five-diamond contract that seemed to have no chance.  
**East won the spade lead** with the king, cashed the ace and, realizing that declarer had no more spades, shifted to the king of hearts. This was a wise decision, since without the

Tomorrow: Test your play.  
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NCAA tournament:

# Vols rally past Iowa in OT

By JOE KAY

AP Sports Writer

DAYTON, Ohio — Tennessee gave the NCAA tournament its first improbable comeback. Cal Poly won, too — which was improbable in itself.

The First Four turned into quite a starting point.

With forward Jarnell Stokes using his 280 pounds to dominate inside and a highly regarded defense finally locking in, Tennessee wrapped up the Final Four with a 78-65 victory over Iowa on Wednesday night.

Stokes opened overtime with a three-point play that put Tennessee ahead to stay, and

the Volunteers' defense held Iowa to one free throw in overtime.

"I told our guys we've been through everything this season, down your composure, keep the stretch," said coach Cuonzo Martin, who got his first NCAA tournament win in his third season at Tennessee. "Find ways to win the ball game."

The Vols (22-12) head to Raleigh, N.C., where they'll play sixth-seeded Massachusetts on Friday in the Midwest Regional. They left Dayton with a lot of momentum — six wins in their last seven games.

"We did a tremendous job toward the end of fighting back," said Jordan McRae, who had 20

points. "We did a great job on our defense. For us to hold them like we did was a great job."

Tennessee didn't lead until Antonio Barton's 3-pointer put the Vols up 59-57 with 3:05 left regulation. There were five lead changes before McRae missed a jumper missed at the buzzer, leaving it tied at 64.

Stokes' three-point play in overtime was the key moment in his 18-point, 13-rebound performance, putting the Volunteers ahead to stay. It was his 20th double-double this season, the most by a Volunteer since Bernard King had 22 of them in 1976-77.

Tennessee's highly regarded defense took it from there. The

Hawkeyes (21-13) missed all eight of their shots from the field in overtime.

It was a tough ending to a long and stressful day for Iowa coach Fran McCaffery. He started the day in Iowa with his teenage son, Patrick, who had surgery to remove a thyroid tumor. His assistant coaches led the Hawkeyes through a meeting and their final practice, and McCaffery was back by game time.

Martin and the Volunteers hugged him after the game and wished him well.

"Their players hugged me and told me they were thinking of me," McCaffery said. "I was really impressed with their guys."



AP photo  
Tennessee guard Jordan McRae (52) drives against Iowa forward Zach McCabe (15) in overtime of a first-round game of the NCAA college basketball tournament Wednesday in Dayton, Ohio.

# NFL eyes expanded playoffs

By BARRY WILNER

AP Pro Football Writer

NEW YORK — NFL owners likely will consider expanding the playoffs by two teams, beginning in 2015, when they hold their spring meetings in Orlando next week, but a vote on the subject is uncertain.

A groundswell for raising the number of playoff qualifiers to seven in each conference figures to get plenty of support from the 32 owners. Most notably, Arizona's Bill Bidwill, who saw his Cardinals go 8-7-1 and not get in, while Green Bay (8-7-1) qualified by winning the NFC North.

The current format of four division winners and two wild-card teams has existed since 2002, when Houston joined the league as an expansion team, bringing the membership to 32.

"There will be a report on the potential of expanded playoffs," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said Wednesday. "We don't know if there will be any vote at this meeting."

Also on the agenda will be alterations to extra points, changing who oversees video replay reviews, and further clamping down on the use of racial slurs by players during games.

A change in the playoff structure would be needed if 14 teams qualify, with the top seed in each conference still getting a first-round bye. The next six teams would play in what is now the wild-card round, with the second seed facing No. 7, the third seed taking on No. 6 and the fourth and fifth seeds playing each other.

But the NFL's influential competition committee is not presenting a proposal to the owners.

One reason the league is looking at more playoff teams is a stalemate in talks with the players union about expanding the regular season from 16 games. Another is the added revenue stream two more postseason games would provide, with those matches up for bidding among the current network partners — Fox, NBC, ESPN and CBS, which just grabbed an eight-week Thursday night package — and potential new broadcasters such as Turner Sports.

Scheduling of the extra wild-card games also would be dicey, although Monday night would seem logical for one of them.

Of course, adding two more playoff teams enhances the chances for teams with .500 or losing records to get in.

Commissioner Roger Goodell has suggested a change to the one-point kick on extra points might be needed because they have become so automatic. New

# TMS unveils Texas-sized TV

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

FORT WORTH, Texas — Talk about a Texas-sized TV.

Texas Motor Speedway unveiled the world's largest high-definition video board Wednesday night, with the flip of a switch on a huge remote control setting off fireworks before the screen lit up with highlights from past races and events at the track.

"There's nothing like attending live sporting events. This means you don't miss a thing," track president Eddie Gossage said.

"To me, it's an ultimate fan amenity, and also to have the biggest one in the world," he added.

Gossage said the screen — dubbed "Big Hoss TV"

— lives up to the adage that everything is bigger in Texas.

The screen is 218 feet wide and about 95 feet high.

It is about 125 feet above ground level in the middle of the backstretch at the 1½-mile track. The screen measures 20,633 square feet, surpassing the size of a 200-foot by 85-foot board at Charlotte, another SMI track owned by Bruton Smith. Both video boards are a partnership with Panasonic.

About 8,000 people sat in the infield on a chilly night for the free public debut, which included showing of "Duck Dynasty."

The new title sponsor of the NASCAR Sprint Cup spring race at Texas

is Duck Commander, the brand of best-selling duck calls and Robertson family-owned company featured on the popular A&E show. The race is April 6.

"We've been in business for 40 years, but obviously in the last two, we've really taken off," said Willie Robertson, the CEO of the West Monroe, La.-based company who attended the screen debut. "All these opportunities are new."

Asked if he had ever seen himself that big, Robertson replied, "Only in my mind, bro."

His wife and business partner, Korie, said the couple recently saw themselves on a big screen in a preview of "God's Not Dead," a Christian movie being released this week.

"That was the biggest. This will definitely top that for sure," she said.

IndyCar Series driver Helio Castroneves, whose only victory last season was at Texas, said such screens can definitely be a distraction. He recalled getting a glimpse of a smaller board near the fourth turn at Indianapolis during the closing laps on the way to winning his third Indianapolis 500 in 2009.

Kyle Busch, who won Sprint Cup and Nationwide races in Texas last year, said it's hard to see what is actually on the screen while buckled into the cockpit of a sprint car, "unless you're under yellow and really put a crick in your neck trying to look."

# Reds' closer hit in face by line drive

By ALAN ESKEW

Associated Press

SURPRISE, Ariz. — Cincinnati Reds closer Aroldis Chapman broke bones above his left eye and nose when he was hit by a line drive Wednesday night, the latest frightening injury to a pitcher struck in the head by a batted ball.

Chapman was undergoing further testing at Banner Good Samaritan Medical Center, where he was set to spend the night for observation, according to a statement from the Reds.

First-year manager Bryan Price said Chapman was conscious and talking as he was taken off the field during Cincinnati's spring training game against the Kansas City Royals.

The exhibition was called after an 8-minute delay with Kansas City leading 6-3.

"Not good," Price said. "He left the field on a stretcher, took a line drive just above his left eye is what it looks like — a contusion, a laceration, and certainly needs to be taken to the hospital and checked. We've got Tomas Vera, an assistant trainer, is going to be with him. And then we'll get our up-

dates from there."

The hard-throwing left-hander was struck by Salvador Perez's liner with two outs in the sixth inning — the pitch was clocked at 99 mph. Chapman crumbled to the ground, face down, his legs flailing. The ball caromed into the third base dugout. Medical personnel, including Royals Dr. Vincent Key, rushed onto the field. Blood could be seen on the mound.

Perez put his hands on his helmet before reaching first base.

He immediately went to the mound where players from both teams huddled as the 26-year-old Cuban reliever was being attended to in an eerily silent stadium.

An ambulance's siren could be heard in the background while Chapman was loaded onto the stretcher.

"It was an absolute bullet that Sal hit," Royals manager Ned Yost said. "It's just a real sickening feeling for everybody."

Players from both teams knelt, some bowing their heads and crossing themselves in prayer.

Chapman was taken to Banner Del E. Webb Medical Center in Sun City. He was then transferred to Banner Good Samaritan

Medical Center.

Perez appeared to be in tears as he left the field, and first baseman Eric Hosmer hugged him. Perez quickly left the clubhouse without speaking to reporters.

Hosmer hit a line drive off the head of Tampa Bay's Alex Cobb last June. Cobb sustained a concussion.

Playing right field, Reds teammate Jay Bruce heard the ball hit Chapman.

"It was one of the more frightening and non-fun moments I've been a part of on the baseball field," he said.

After Chapman was driven off to the waiting ambulance, Price and Yost met with the umpires.

"It was really a mutual agreement," crew chief Chris Guccione said. "Players were rattled. The staff was rattled. The umpires were rattled. We figured it was best, along with both teams in agreement, that the game should end."

Yost said neither he nor his players wanted to keep playing. Price felt the same way.

"You can't find it in your heart to go out there and play," he said.

Oakland pitcher Brandon McCarthy, who had emergency surgery after

he was struck in the head by a line drive in September 2012, urged caution in a post on Twitter.

"all reporting at this point means zilch, until he gets a scan," he said in a tweet.

Chapman, who throws a 100 mph fastball, had walked four Royals in the inning before being injured.

The two-time All-Star had 38 saves for the Reds last season.

When reporters walked into the Royals clubhouse, third baseman Mike Moustakas asked a team official to request that they leave.

"No one wants to talk," Moustakas said.

In January, Major League Baseball approved a protective cap for pitchers following several terrifying scenes similar to this one in the last few years, including Toronto's J.A. Happ, who sustained a skull fracture.

The heavier and bigger hats were available for testing during spring training on a voluntary basis, but the cap apparently would not have helped Chapman in this case.

"I know this isn't uncommon as we would like it to be, but it was frightening," Price said. "Certainly frightening."





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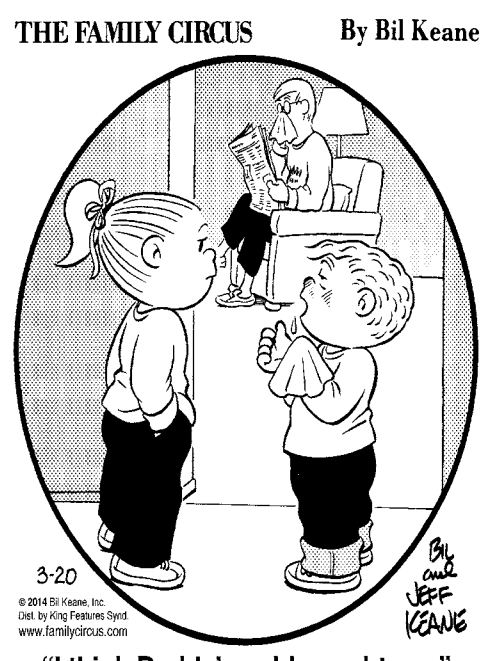
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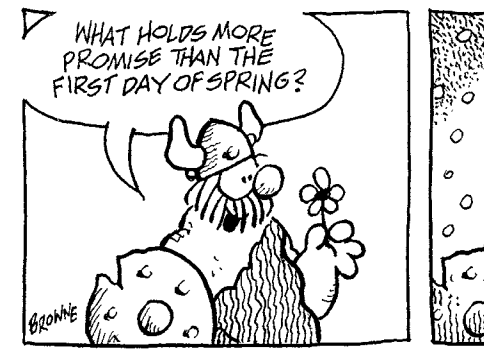
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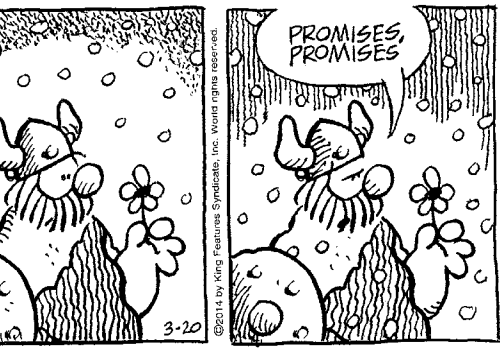
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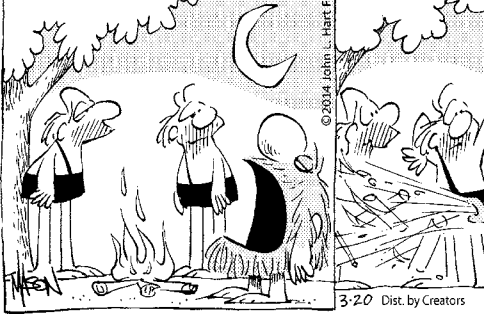
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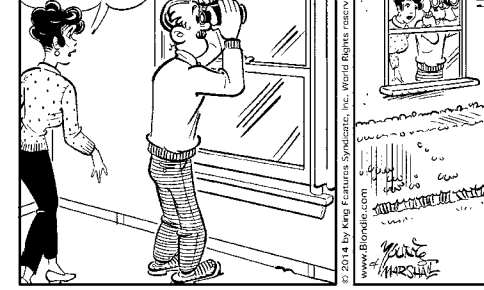


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don. In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte returned to Paris after escaping his exile on Elba, beginning his "Hundred Days" rule. In 1922, the decommissioned USS Jupiter, converted into the first U.S. Navy aircraft carrier, was recommissioned as the USS Langley. In 1933, the state of Florida electrocuted Giuseppe Zangara for shooting to death Chicago Mayor Anton J. Cermak at a Miami event attended by President-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt, the presumed target, the previous February. In 1952, the U.S. Sen-

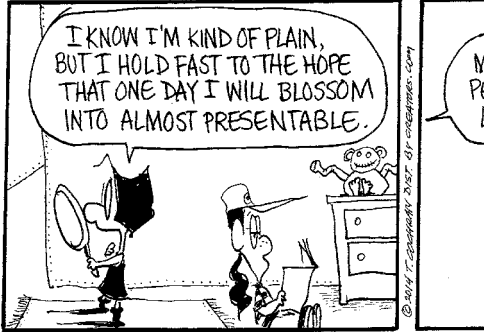
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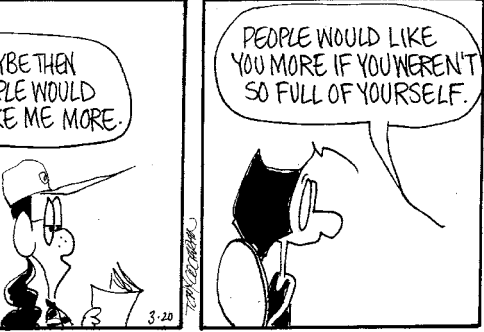
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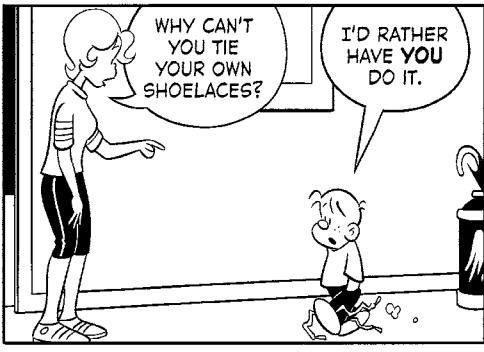
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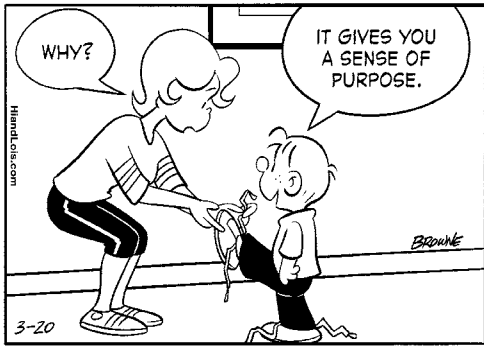
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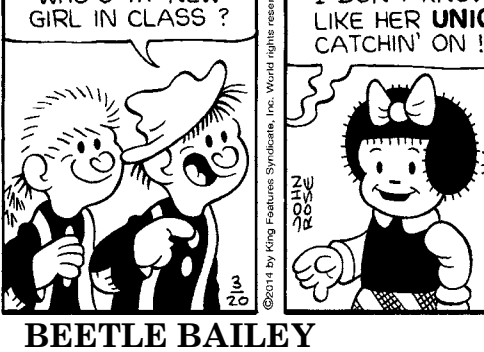
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Hold firmly
  - 5 Traffic tie-ups
  - 9 Answers an invitation
  - 14 Fallon predecessor
  - 15 Author Wiesel
  - 16 More frosty
  - 17 Performs a role
  - 18 Caffeine-rich nut
  - 19 Togo neighbor
  - 20 Ichabod Crane's home
  - 23 Round Table title
  - 24 Pie \_\_ mode
  - 25 Public speaker
  - 29 Sign up
  - 31 Beseeches
  - 33 Before, poetically
  - 34 Asian capital
  - 35 Long skirt
  - 36 Network covering the NYSE
  - 37 Utah national park
  - 40 Tax pros, for short
  - 42 Molecule part
  - 43 Common computer typeface
  - 46 Coffee brewer
  - 47 Pizzeria appliance
  - 48 Blood bank supply
  - 49 In the distant past
  - 51 Took a chair
  - 52 Very long time
  - 53 Big name in ranch dressing
  - 57 Cajun stew
  - 60 Admired one
- DOWN**
- 61 Swedish rock foursome
  - 62 Hunter constellation
  - 63 Infamous Roman emperor
  - 64 Tiger's sound
  - 65 Strums, perhaps
  - 66 Being aired
  - 67 Extremely impressed
  - 7 Venus de \_\_
  - 8 Close securely
  - 9 Harsh conditions
  - 10 Unstressed vowel sound
  - 11 By way of
  - 12 Corral, for example
  - 13 Sp. woman
  - 21 Chum
  - 22 Get online access
  - 26 Mid-arm malady
  - 27 Poetic sphere
  - 28 DVR button
  - 30 Thing we share
  - 31 Omelet option
  - 32 Reason to cram
  - 35 Parcel (out)
  - 36 Downton Abbey countess
  - 38 Collapsed, with "in"
  - 39 Ukraine resort
  - 40 Baby leopard
  - 41 Be snoopy
  - 44 One-celled creatures
  - 45 Whistle cord
  - 47 Omelet option
  - 48 Russian researcher of dogs
  - 50 "I can hardly wait!"
  - 51 Scornful sound
  - 54 T. rex, for one
  - 55 Heaven on earth
  - 56 Zhivago's love
  - 57 Sen. Hatch's party
  - 58 Web address, for short
  - 59 "Mamma \_\_!"

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# Bay Hill to feature a new cast of stars

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Tiger Woods was a large part of the conversation on the eve of the Arnold Palmer Invitational.

And he's not even playing.

Woods is missing Bay Hill for only the second time in his career when the tournament starts Thursday on a course that Palmer said is in the best shape ever. Woods has won eight times, including the last two years, but he called the 84-year-old host on Tuesday to say persistent back pain will keep him from playing.

"He didn't tell me how bad his back is. I don't think he knows how bad his back is," Palmer said. "I think he's listening to the doctors. And he mentioned that they're saying that he needs to give it a bit of a rest and see if he can work it out. He was very nice. And I, of course, have great sympathy for the fact that he tried like hell to come here and play. And I appreciate that and the fact that

he called.

"I think he wanted to play golf this week," Palmer said. "I think that he needs to take (time) — whether it's this week, next week or the following week — to get ready for Augusta. Certainly, if I were in that position, I'd be doing much the same."

Most of the chatter was more about the future with Woods.

Will he play at the Masters?

Stuck on 14 majors for the last five years, can he match or surpass the record 18 majors won by Jack Nicklaus? And what will be the larger obstacle — his age (38), his health (legs and back) or the competition (long list)?

"I don't think 38 years is the ultimate stopping point for his quest to do what Jack did," Palmer said. "I think it lessens the possibility of that happening. It's going to be tough. It's going to be tough to keep the concentration and the type of the game that is necessary to win majors."

Nicklaus won four of his majors after turning 38. Ben Hogan, with battered legs from a car accident, won five majors after turning 38.

Palmer, however, believes more than age is at stake for Woods.

"These young guys are tough, and they're strong," Palmer said. "And if they continue to play as well as they've been playing, it's going to be tough for anybody — whether it be Nicklaus or Tiger or whomever it would be — to continue to win major championships. And we're talking about guys that are playing good and coming on."

Palmer actually had a list of players he was talking about. Some of them were young, such as Chris Kirk and Harris English. Others had either won this season (Ryan Moore) or played well recently (Robert Garrigus).

"I don't know how many you want me to name," Palmer said. "But really, the strength and the ability of these

people is very pleasing to me."

Graeme McDowell, a runner-up to Woods two years at Bay Hill, said he can understand what the No. 1 player is going through with in-

juries. He also believes that competition might be an even larger obstacle than his health for Woods to break Nicklaus' record.

"He's a physical player who creates a lot of

speed and a lot of power and his body is starting to struggle a little bit, no doubt about it," McDowell said. "But I'm sure he'll fix it. ... But we all talk about how good the fields are nowadays."

## NFL

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England has proposed moving the line of scrimmage to the 25 for a one-point try, but leaving it at the 2-yard line for a 2-point conversion.

"There are a lot of different views in respect to the extra point," said Falcons President Rich McKay, co-chairman of the competition committee. "There were 1,267 tried and 1,262 made (in 2013), and so there is that thought with the extra point maybe we need to add little more skill, and one of the ways to do it might be the way New England proposed."

But it's a long shot that anything will be done next week, except perhaps experimenting with longer kicks for one week of the pre-season.

The Patriots also proposed extending the height of the goal posts 5 feet to make it easier to determine whether a kick is good.

New England also suggested allowing coaches challenges on every-

thing except scoring plays, which are automatically reviewed.

Replay as an officiating tool always is in the news, and owners are expected to discuss having the NFL's director of officiating, Dean Blandino and his staff at the league offices be involved in some review decisions. The league saw several inexplicable replay decisions made by referees last season, although McKay and Rams coach Jeff Fisher, the committee's other co-chairman, praised the overall quality of officiating.

As for the use of racial slurs and verbal abuse, there already are rules on the books to deal

with the issue. But an emphasis on stronger discipline will be discussed by the owners, and McKay noted that taunting fouls went up significantly from 2012 to 2013.

"We are going beyond the field of play, we are going to the workplace," Fisher said of trying to eliminate such language. "This is going to be a very significant point of emphasis."

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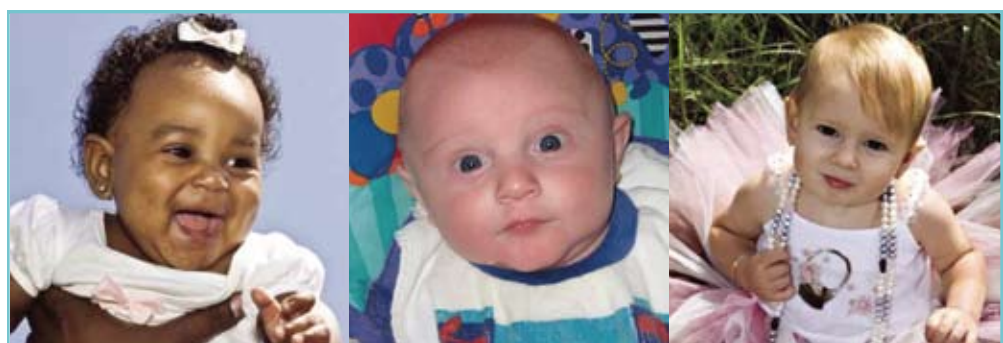
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