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Two charged with burglary

Herald Staff Report
 Two men were jailed after allegedly being caught in the act of burglarizing an east side Big Spring business. Dennis Richardson, 29, and Kody Jackson, 28, were arrested on charges of burglary of a building and criminal trespass for allegedly breaking into Lee's Rental Storage at 1606 E. FM 700 Saturday morning. Information released by the Big Spring Police Department states that BSPD Sgt. Chris Mahurin was patrolling businesses on the east side of town



Richardson



Jackson

when he spotted movement in the area of Lee's at about 5:40 a.m. Saturday. When Mahurin approached the business, two subjects ran across E. FM 700 carrying items. Mahurin lost site of the subjects around the 1800 block of Virginia and a perimeter of BSPD officers was established, the information states. Soon after, police on foot found Richardson and Jackson and they were taken into custody. About \$300 in miscellaneous household items were recovered from the burglary, records state.



Big Spring firefighters extinguish a possible arson fire at the Sand Springs First Baptist Church.

Fire, possibly arson, destroys area church

By ANDREIA MEDLIN
 Staff Writer
 BigSpringFireDepartment, Emergency Medical Services and the Big Spring Police Department Crime Scene Unit responded to the Sand Springs First Baptist Church, located at Exit 186 I-20 Service Rd. early today. Fire Chief Craig Ferguson reported there were no

injuries and no one was inside the church at the time of the fire. Fire Marshal Carl Condray said arson is suspected and that several fires were set. "The place was ransacked and there was a lot of damage," said Condray, who also reported that there were signs of break in and burglary. The fire included several

buildings that were connected to the main structure, all of which were involved in the fire, making anything salvageable doubtful. "I believe it's a total loss," said Condray. "If not from the fire, at least from the smoke." To contact Andreia Medlin call the Herald at 263-7331.

County OKs pact with Invenergy

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer
 Howard County commissioners have helped clear the way for another wind turbine plant to be located in this area. During their Monday meeting, commissioners approved a Payment In Lieu Of Taxes (PILOT) agreement with Invenergy LLC, a renewable and natural gas energy company based in Chicago that has plans to construct a 67-turbine wind farm in the northwest portion of the county. The PILOT agreement will net the county \$132,000 a year for 10 years once construction begins on the wind farm. At the end of the 10 years, the company would pay taxes on the full appraised value of the property. This is not the first time Invenergy has shown interest in

Howard College seeks state exception for SWCID

BY LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer
 Howard College officials are hoping to get an extra-special exception for a special institution when they present the next appropriation request for the upcoming legislative session. "As part of the legislative appropriations request, we submit our request not only for Howard College but also for any special items community colleges might want," explained Dr. Cheryl Sparks, Howard College president. "SWCID (SouthWest Colle-

gate Institute for the Deaf) is one of the few community colleges approved for special items in the state of Texas. Therefore, as a part of our appropriation requests we will have the (SWCID) operational monies for the special item. Then we are going to ask for two exceptional items. The first will be to restore the funding that has been reduced from the SWCID budget over the last two legislative sessions as well as restoration of the current proposed reduction request from the state. The second will be for HVAC equipment." Sparks informed college trustees during their July meeting Monday the state has requested a 5 and 10 percent reduction in special item requests. Funding revenue options are very limited for SWCID,

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Sparks

university-set rates. For SWCID out-of-state students, this means \$5,000 a semester. SWCID is the only self-contained community college for the deaf in the nation. "We believe SWCID is an unusual item because it is an institution," Sparks explained. "There are real live costs associated with SWCID — we have dormitories, we have cafeterias, we have a library. You have people that are a part of this specialized item and those students have different needs. It's the only specialized item of that type of the special items that the community colleges have." Coupled with the funding issues at SWCID, the campus must soon heavily invest into the HVAC system, and expensive fix at best. Sparks informed trustees the system is reaching the

end of its planned life. Certain recent upgrades have helped extend the equipment but that is only a short-term fix. Estimates given at the meeting for a new system run at bare minimum of nearly \$1 million dollars. Trustees were shown additional options to deal with the situation that ran from \$1.5 to a little more than \$2 million. Trustees also: • Approved a resolution accepting a tax abatement agreement with Invenergy Gunsight Mountain Wind Energy, LLC. Trustees agreed to PILT (payment in lieu of taxes) payments of \$835 per mega watt from the company which plans to build a wind farm in Northern Howard County. The farm is expected to produce 120 mega watts



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- The Cross Roads Young Marines are now taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

- A bank account has been set up to help defray funeral expenses for the family of Shelly Lopez. To make a donation to the Shelly Lopez Memorial fund contact the Big Spring Educational Employee Federal Credit Union at 263-8393 located at 1110 Benton.

- Mitchell County Senior Citizen Dance, Colorado City Civic Center, 157 East 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas, July 24 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., \$5 per person. Live music, Mike Porter and Friends. Bring snacks to share.

- Crossroads Hospice is looking for volunteers. Come and be part of our team. Contact Eva at 432-263-5300.

- Help Kids Succeed is asking the public to help local struggling families with back to school expenses. The average family spends between \$200 and \$600 per child. Jury Padron and her husband Peter Padron hope to "pay it forward" by helping these families with donations of clothes, shoes or school supplies. To make a donation, go to www.gofundme.com/ams9v8 or in person by cash, check



or money order. To make a supply donation or for more information call Jury at 638-0861 or Peter at 270-5228.

- Friends of the Library is asking the public to begin gathering books for donation to the annual book sale. Books should be in good condition. Please, no magazines or condensed books. Friends will let the public know when to begin bringing books to the Howard County Library.

- Forsan School – All Class Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 2, 2014, from 9:30 a.m. until late. Lunch will be held at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person. The meeting will be held at the Forsan High School cafeteria. For info and to submit a suggestion, call Ida Lou Raney at 432-264-9580, 432-270-7086, or e-mail ida.raney@suddenlink.net.



Sand Springs First Baptist Church, located on the South I-20 service road near Mile Marker 186, burned this morning. Fire officials said the fire, apparently intentionally set, destroyed the church and surrounding buildings.

HERALD photos/Andrea Medlin

COUNTY

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building wind turbines in this area; in 2006, the company also negotiated a deal with area officials, but a lack of energy transmission lines at the time deep-sixed any construction.

"I'm concerned construction will happen now," said Big Spring Economic Development

Corp. Executive Director Terry Wegman, who helped negotiate the agreement. "Electricity costs are more favorable than they were back in 2006 ... and we now have the capacity to get it to market."

Wegman said he expects construction of the wind farm to begin sometime in 2015.

The company said it plans to invest \$170 million in the project and

employ up to 300 people during construction. Once completed, the plant would produce an estimated 120 megawatts of electricity a year and employ six or seven full-time technicians.

Wegman said the PILOT agreement was vital to secure the agreement with Invenergy.

"If we couldn't have that, Invenergy wouldn't be able to get the necessary financing for

the wind farm, which means it never would have happened," he said. "We negotiated the best deal we could for the county and Howard College without jeopardizing the project."

In other business Monday, commissioners approved:

- The Howard County 911 District budget.

- A Mutual Aid Law Enforcement Agreement with the city of Big Spring.

- An easement for West Texas Gas Pipeline.

- A contract with

Parks Fuel for temporary fuel tanks.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

COLLEGE

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of energy once operational. Construction of the farm is expected to begin Dec. 15.

- Heard that construction at the San Angelo campus is wrapping up. Officials expect to begin utilizing the academic building by August and the student services building a month later.

- Opted not to nominate anyone to fill the vacancy on the Howard County Appraisal Board of Directors.

- Approved gift resolutions from the Big

Spring Area Community Foundation in the amount of \$11,500 and Robinson Drilling for \$11,500.

- Approved \$169,020 for eight SmartSim Hygiene Models which was funded by a private donor. Trustees also approved a \$181,649.76 and \$61,250.00, both bids for technology to be placed at the San Angelo campus. Grant money was used for these two purchases.

- Approved Catalog changes to include a \$25 increase in fees for new student orientation.

- Enrollment figures for Summer II. Overall,

Big Spring, Lamesa and San Angelo campuses saw a slight decrease in enrollment while SWCID stayed relatively the same as last year.

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

sudoku

ANSWERS

1	3	5	7	8	4	6	9	2
2	4	6	9	3	5	1	8	7
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4	9	1	5	7	8	2	6	3
8	7	3	1	2	6	9	5	4
9	1	4	2	5	3	8	7	6
5	2	7	8	6	1	3	4	9
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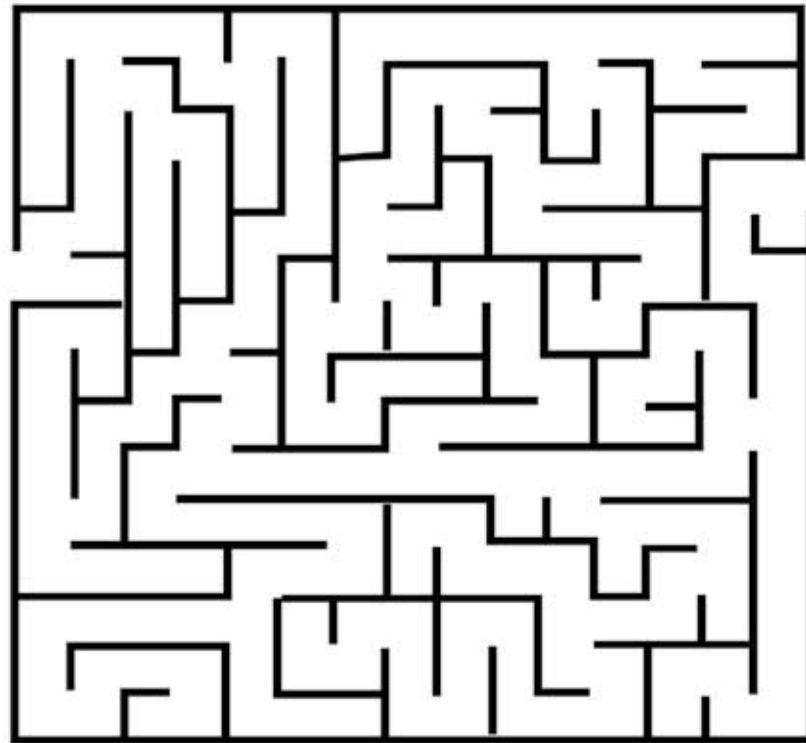
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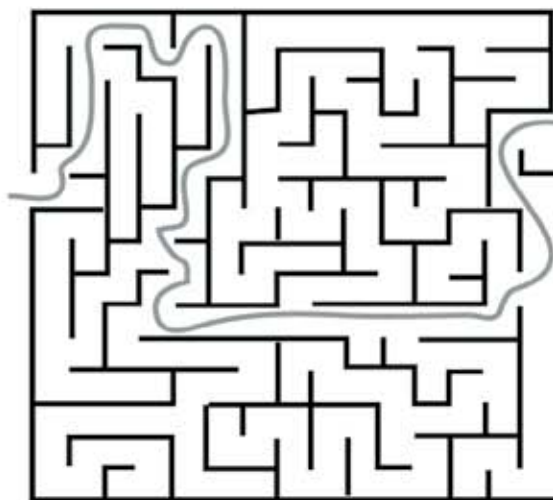
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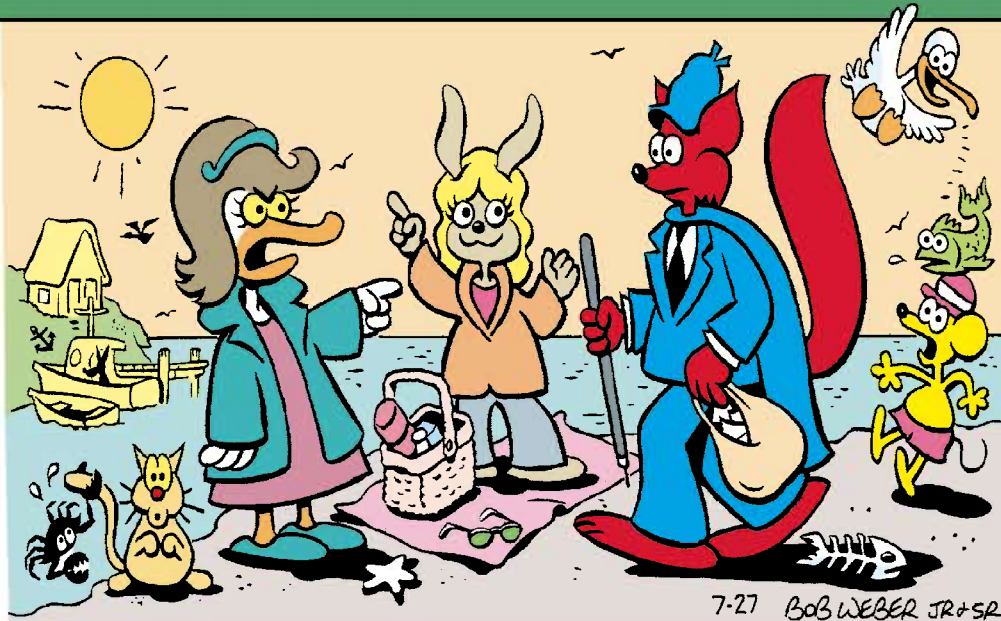
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SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

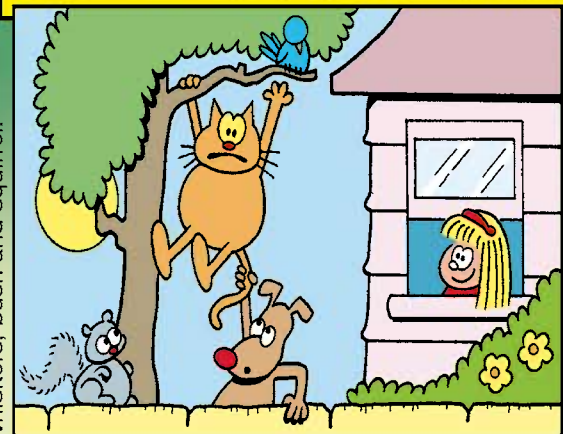
BY BOB WEBER JR.

Rita Rabbit says that while she was watching the sun rise, Doreen Duck tried to sneak up behind her and steal sunglasses off her blanket. Rita says she was alerted to the duck's approach when Doreen's shadow fell over her. The angry duck insists she didn't sneak up behind Rita and never tried to steal the sunglasses. Why does Slylock Fox believe Doreen Duck?

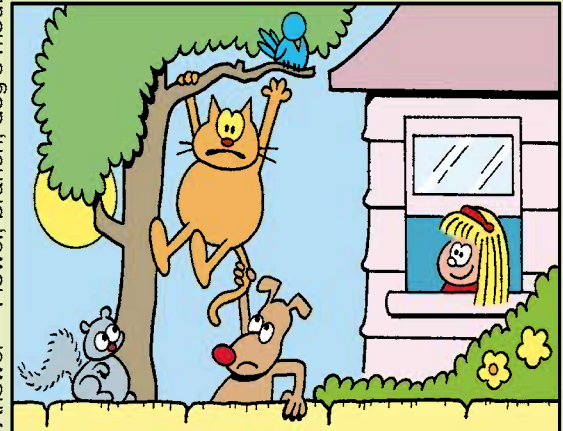
Solution -- Because of the sun's position, Doreen's shadow would have fallen away from Rita, not toward her.



Spot six differences between these panels.

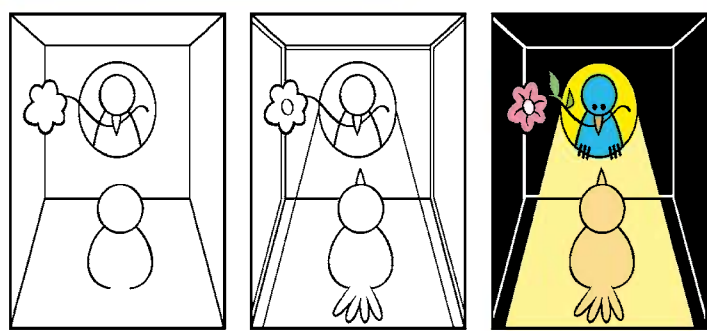


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a) Owl
b) Chicken
c) Dove
d) Crow
e) Penguin
Answer -- (b)

Bird Poop: Not too cool for school

As the sprawling campus bustled with students hurrying to their first class, the noise awoke the stranger. Although hunger had plagued it, another attempt to find something to eat had to be made.

No ground squirrels or rabbits appeared on the manicured lawn. No grasshoppers flew or lizards slithered over the green carpet. Too weak to reach the lower limbs of the sparsely scattered trees, the newcomer lowered its head again and slept. When a threatening sound later in the morning aroused its inner defenses, it tried to take flight in utter desperation. Only as the huge mowing machine turned to the north did its driver see the futile attempt.

Slowing, then stopping the mower, the groundskeeper was surprised to see such a large brown bird on the ground. Often, he had seen hawks flying over the campus as they hunted the undeveloped acreage to the north and east.

Unable to elevate more than about two feet, the bird had set back down. Its attempt to fly had carried it no more than about 15 feet. Even though the precision of each wing lifting, then lowering in harmony had seemed normal to the employee, he realized the raptor was in trouble.

Leaving the machine, the man approached the bird. Spreading its wings in defensive posturing, with mouth agape, the bird tried to appear to be a menacing threat.

Striking out at one of his gloved

hands, the raptor's foot was able to grip two of his fingers. The pressure exerted by its talons was painful.

Soon it was his will against the bird's. After freeing his fingers from the talons, he quickly forced its wings to its body. With its flailing feet forward and talons extended, the hawk had been a struggling handful of feathers.

After carrying it back to his mower, he knelt and lowered it to the ground. Placed between his knees, and with one hand on its back, he felt it was only secure for a brief moment. He didn't dare let it get loose.

With his other hand, he reached for the rags stowed in the equipment. Covering the bird's head seemed to calm it, somewhat. Another rag was long enough to wrap around its body. His last tattered cloth secured its legs and feet.

Knowing of her previous work with birds, the man called Midge Erskine, who temporarily accepted it. With her familiar voice also came the details of its capture at Midland College.

Handling the captured Swainson's hawk readily told me how extremely thin it was.

Having felt the length of its breastbone, I knew it was depleted of body fat. The frayed ends of its tail feathers indicated it must have been down for some time.

Over the next six days, the Swainson's hawk's hydration and nutrition were closely monitored. Gaining in strength, body weight and sheer tenacity, it was then delivered to Gail Barnes at South Plains in Lub-



bock. Its arduous return to flight had begun.

Since the raptor increased in stamina quickly, Gail soon moved it from a small mew to the largest room in the barn for exercise. Delivering other birds to the wildlife center, we were privileged to see its improvement.

On one occasion, it stretched with ease and exposed its narrow wings and the dark bands on its grayish tail.

Descending from its lofty roost, we could see its white wing linings and dark flight feathers.

A daily routine at the wildlife center was for certain volunteers to provide fresh water, beef heart and mice for the raptors. To enter all of the various rooms where they are housed took time.

Anticipating moving the Swainson's to the flight cage because of its progress, Barnes entered the spacious room.

On the highest perch, the dark brown raptor had the most noticeable identifying marks of its species. Its reddish brown bib was outstanding against the creamy white of its chest and belly.

Having just placed a large bowl of fresh water next to a generous

helping of beef heart on the floor, Gail was nearly knocked down. After weeks of having been exposed to humans, the Swainson's had evidenced clearly its fury at being held captive any longer.

Regaining her balance, and backing out of the room, Gail had been startled by this sudden aggression. When she called later in the day, she said she had released the Swainson's.

"Even without its being in the flight cage?" I asked. "Yes! Its recovery was faster than any of us expected."

When given its freedom, it had risen slowly but strongly into the sky. It sought the updrafts that would take it to soaring heights.

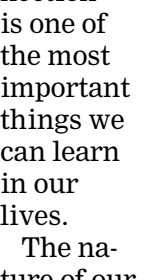
Ascending in a spiral, it grew smaller and smaller.

Summers since July 2011 have brought even more raptors. Dehydrated and starving, they cannot find enough to eat throughout the Permian Basin. Obviously, one had the good fortune of continuing its education. Wisely, the Swainson's had chosen academia.

Bebe McCasland is author of The Scoop from Bird Poop. She is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.



BEBE McCASLAND



DARRELL RYAN

Parent's Corner: We are who we created us to be

Each day I seem to realize more vividly how strong the connection is that exists between our thoughts and our words. I honestly believe that this connection is one of the most important things we can learn in our lives.

The nature of our thoughts determines the quality of our life, whether it is sad or happy and contented. Happy, optimistic, positive thoughts, emotions and feelings generate a zing in our system which makes the blood flow freely and heart beat joyously. They create a spring in our steps and spur us to action.

There is an age-old saying that the mind, the thoughts, can move mountains. Pessimistic, sad and gloomy thoughts, on the other hand, create inertia and force us to stay inactive or possibly bed-bound. Our actions are the practical manifestations of our thoughts. It is quite clear, therefore, that we must bring about a change in the way we think in order to create happiness and a sense of fulfillment in our life.

A good thing about our brain is that it willingly adopts any changes that we bring

about in our thinking patterns. Many of the problems we have are rooted in the way we think, which can actually produce many of the problems we experience.

We ask ourselves, how does this happen? Can our minds actually produce problems? In answering our own questions, we must realize that a negative mind produces negative thoughts, then negative words, then a negative life. Our words can actually become traps that cause us to continue our cycle of negative thoughts and actions.

We are all tempted to speak negatively at times, but we don't have to give in to that temptation. We need to turn our words around; we need to start thinking about what we're thinking about, and then make some real changes.

Our brain is always adapting to our thought patterns and directs our organs to act accordingly.

We must learn to be the master rather than the servant of our moods. And we must never underestimate our power to change ourselves.

There is a philosophy that we need to avoid which says: "if we don't expect anything good to happen to us, then we won't be disappointed when it doesn't." I have heard it said that it is extremely important to understand the fact that

our lives will not be straightened out until our mouth is straightened out. And since the two are linked, our mouth isn't going to get straightened out until our mind is.

Changing our words and thoughts is definitely not an easy thing to do.

We have to choose to think and speak positively. It doesn't come naturally and it doesn't happen overnight. In fact, it takes a lot of practice.

There will be days

when we have setbacks, but we must make ourselves get back up, dust ourselves off and start again. Failing from time to time doesn't mean we're a failure. It simply means that we don't do everything right all the time; no one does.

If we analysis ourselves and find we've been consumed with negative thinking and speaking, the pathway to our freedom begins when we face the problem without making excuses for it.

We must be patient with ourselves and realize that when we change our thinking, our words will change and so will our life!

I read a comment recently by Stephen Richards that said, "We are essentially who we create ourselves to be and all that occurs in our life is the result of our own making." This

is a deep concept and really makes us think, doesn't it?

I guess to sum it up I could say, we are who we have created us to be, and we must take the responsibility of who we have created.

Darrell Ryan is director of school safety for Big Spring Independent School District.

Sudoku Answer on Page 3

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.

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

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Deviating From the Norm

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ A 8 7 3
♥ 10 5
♦ K 4
♣ A Q 10 5 4
WEST
♠ 10 9 6 2
♥ A 7 6 3
♦ 8 7 5 3
♣ 2
EAST
♠ K J 5 4
♥ 8 2
♦ A 10 9 2
♣ 9 7 6
SOUTH
♠ Q
♥ K Q J 9 4
♦ Q J 6
♣ K J 8 3

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

Opening lead — eight of diamonds.
One of the principal pitfalls for a defender is the tendency to rely too closely on general rules. A far better approach is to be thoroughly versed in standard procedure, but to be ready to suspend normal practice when the situation calls for it.
Consider today's deal, where East made what most would consider a highly unusual play to defeat South's three-notrump contract. Following the bidding sequence shown, West led the eight of diamonds, a "top of

nothing" lead in the one suit that had not been bid.

After dummy played low, East paused to take stock. East could tell from the diamond lead and declarer's notrump bid that South had three or four diamonds headed by the Q-J. East had also heard South open with one heart and then support clubs. It was therefore a near certainty that South had at most one spade.

Having come this far, East now had to decide how to proceed. After some thought, he concluded that his best chance was that his partner had the ace of hearts.

Accordingly, East put up the ace of diamonds at trick one and shifted to a spade. But he did not lead just any spade. To cater to the possibility that South's lone spade might be the queen, East returned the king!

This left declarer without recourse. He could take five clubs, two diamonds and a spade, but whenever he got around to playing hearts, the defenders would collect their remaining spades to defeat him.

Observe that if East had not taken the first diamond, declarer would win, establish hearts and finish with 11 tricks. The only way the contract could be defeated was to do exactly what East did, suspending standard procedure because on this deal, the circumstances dictated otherwise.

Tomorrow: Sylvia takes up Stayman.

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Claiborne ready to prove his worth to 'Boys

(AP) — Morris Claiborne got on Terrance Williams' nerves the minute the competition started at training camp for the Dallas Cowboys.

The third-year cornerback pulled and grabbed the receiver aggressively enough to prompt a heated, facemask-to-facemask exchange that ended with a shove.

Claiborne had already told reporters he was ready to prove he was worthy of Dallas' dramatic move up the draft board to get him with the sixth overall pick in 2012. He didn't waste any time showing some urgency.

Here's the problem for Claiborne: He hasn't shown much playmaking ability when he's been healthy, with just one interception in each of his two years. And there have already been moments in this camp when he looked overmatched trying to cover Dez Bryant.

Claiborne isn't even guaranteed a starting spot despite his lofty draft status, with Orlando Scandrick and Brandon Carr also in that mix. The Cowboys were off on Monday.

He participated in most of the offseason program

despite surgeries on his left shoulder and a finger. He's had time to digest an emotional end of last season, when his father died and his daughter was born just days apart.

"Felt like the world is on your back so to speak," Claiborne said. "You feel like you're hitting rock bottom. And you feel like you have nowhere else to go and you have to turn it around."

Jerry Jones gave up a second-round pick to move up eight spots for a more expensive contract than if the Dallas owner had stayed in the middle of the first round.

Jones liked seeing the feisty side of Claiborne in the first practice with pads and thought the cornerback taught himself a lesson by using too much energy early in the session. Jones also sees a bright side of Claiborne getting burned by Bryant.

Jason Garrett said Claiborne's display with Williams was another sign of a player he thinks is growing stronger and more confident — a couple of factors that the coach says may have slowed Claiborne's development coming out of LSU.

"I think his demeanor

is better than it's been," Garrett said. "He's certainly becoming more and more mature and I think his approach to playing the game ... is just getting better and better and better."

Carr has missed all of training camp to spend time with his ailing mother, and there's no indication when he will return. Carr's absence makes it more difficult to assess where Claiborne stands, but secondary coach Jerome Henderson figures it doesn't matter because he says all three will be on the field a lot.

"My sense of where he

is right now is his head is down and he's working his butt off," Henderson said. "He's just decided that I'm going to go work and work and work and just let my play be what it is."

Claiborne, keenly aware of the criticism that he's on the verge of being declared a draft bust, echoed Henderson's words in several of his answers.

"I want to stand out. I'll put it like that," Claiborne said. "Whatever I have to do to stand myself aside, I'm willing to do that."

Judge OKs record-setting sale of Clippers

(AP) — Embattled Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald Sterling lost his attempt to block the \$2 billion sale of the team to former Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer.

In allowing the deal to go forward, Superior Court Judge Michael Levanas sided Monday with Sterling's estranged wife, Shelly Sterling, who negotiated the record sale after the NBA banned the 80-year-old billionaire for making offensive remarks about blacks.

Shelly Sterling sought the probate judge's approval to ink the deal after taking over the family trust that owns the team because doctors found Donald Sterling had signs of Alzheimer's disease and couldn't manage his affairs.

The judge said Shelly Sterling had negotiated a good deal and the removal of her husband as a co-trustee was in good faith and not part of a secret plan to seize the team.

Shelly Sterling hugged her lawyer and wept after the judge explained his ruling from the bench.

"I can't believe it's over," she said. "This is the best thing."

An unusual provision of the ruling bars Donald Sterling from seeking a court-ordered delay of the sale as he appeals. His lawyers plan to seek permission from an appellate court to file an appeal.

Sterling was not in court for the ruling. Bobby Samini, one of his lawyers, said Sterling reacted calmly to the news and told his lawyers they

had to keep battling on other fronts.

Sterling testified during the case that he would fight the NBA until his death.

With lawsuits pending in state and federal courts, the ruling in Los Angeles County Superior Court is unlikely to put an end to the bizarre saga that began in April when a recording surfaced of Sterling scolding his young girlfriend for bringing black men to Clippers games.

The NBA moved quickly to ban Sterling for life and fined him \$2.5 million.

Sterling was apologetic after the audio recording went viral, but his mea culpa backfired when he criticized Lakers great Magic Johnson, who had been photographed with Sterling's girlfriend, as a bad role model for kids because he had HIV. Sterling was roundly condemned from locker rooms to the Oval Office, where President Barack Obama called Sterling's remarks "incredibly offensive racist statements."

With the NBA threatening to seize the team and auction it, Sterling initially gave his wife of 58 years permission to negotiate a sale but then refused to sign the \$2 billion Ballmer deal, which would be a record price for an NBA team. He said he would sue the league instead and then revoked the trust.

The nonjury trial held over several weeks focused mainly on whether Shelly Sterling properly removed her husband as a trustee and whether her actions carried any weight after he revoked the trust.

Dodgeball tourney set for Aug. 2 at YMCA

A dodgeball tournament has been slated for Aug. 2.

The tournament is sponsored by the Scenic Mountain Medical Center/Family Medical Center Cancer Crushers Relay for Life team.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the game starts at 10:30 a.m. at the YMCA. Each team is limited to 10 people and the cost is \$6 per person. Pre-registration is available. Prizes will be

given for first and second place. Concessions will be available during the tourney. On tourney day, please wear comfortable clothing and bring a towel.

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Darvish leads struggling Rangers to rare 4-2 victory over New York

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers ace Yu Darvish could only smile after Brett Gardner homered off of him for the third time in a week.

Darvish got really emotional after his last pitch, with Gardner and Derek Jeter both on base again for the New York Yankees.

After striking out his final batter to get out of that jam in the seventh, Darvish shouted out and pumped his fist several times coming off the mound, and the Rangers held on for a 4-2 victory Monday night.

"I'm just glad they didn't tie the game," Darvish said through his translator about his rare emphatic response. "It was late in the game, and it was a close game, and it got close to a win, so I think I just showed emotions because of that."

Jeter 7th on MLB hits list in final Texas series

(AP) — Derek Jeter remembers the playoff games in Texas — the good and the bad. Now the Yankees captain has another milestone to go with them.

In the opener of his last series in Texas on Monday night, Jeter took over seventh place on the MLB career hits list after three hits of Rangers ace Yu

Darvish. Jeter got a standing ovation in the first inning, then singled on the first pitch Darvish threw him.

Jeter added a ground-rule double in the third for his 3,419th career hit to match Carl Yastrzemski for seventh on the MLB career list, then broke that tie with a single in the seventh.

strikes five days after losing a rain-shortened game in New York.

David Phelps (5-5) lost for the first time in nine starts, allowing four runs and eight hits in six innings. The right-hander, like Darvish, was credited with a complete game last Wednesday in the 2-1 Yankees victory that didn't resume after rain in the bottom of the fifth inning.

The Yankees led 2-0 after Gardner homered in the fifth, an at-bat started with him taking three consecutive curveballs in the mid-60s, the first two of them strikes. Darvish smiled at Gardner after homered on a 2-2 pitch, an 85-mph slider left over the plate that just cleared the center field wall.

Gardner, also homered in the third.

Next on the Major League Baseball career list is Honus Wagner with 3,430 hits.

Jeter's rookie season in 1996 ended with the Yankees winning the World Series after clinching their opening playoff series in Texas, just like they did in 1998 and 1999.

Then, in 2010, the Rangers got their first

AL pennant with a home win over New York in Game 6 of the American League championship series.

"We've had some battles here in the postseason," Jeter said before Monday night's game. "We played some tough Texas teams. On the way to the World Series, we had to go through some Texas teams."

Carter leads homer-happy Astros to 7-3 win over division-leading A's

HOUSTON (AP) — It all fell apart for Oakland starter Jesse Chavez in a very brief span.

Chavez gave up a career-high three homers as the Houston Astros snapped a five-game skid with a 7-3 win over the Oakland Athletics.

Chris Carter, Jason Castro, Marc Krauss and Matt Dominguez each hit a home run — the first three off Chavez — and the A's have lost four of their last six games against the Astros.

"To sum up the whole

day, it was three pitches and one walk," Chavez said.

"That can't happen when you have the lead, and it's something that has been my Achilles heel, giving back the runs they get for me and not being able to get through six (innings)."

Chavez, who had given up five runs over his last 17 1-3 innings, spanning three starts, allowed a season-high six runs and five hits with five strikeouts in 5 1-3 innings. Chavez had allowed

three home runs in his last 11 starts combined.

Carter hit a monstrous three-run shot to center field the Astros a lead, and Castro and Krauss went back-to-back in the sixth, with Castro's homer a two-run shot.

Krauss' homer found the upper deck in right field and chased Chavez (8-7).

"You have to pitch to the park, you can't let it affect you, but I think that is what it did today," Chavez said. "It got me in trouble a little bit and

it led to the walks."

Two batters later, Dominguez sent a drive onto the railroad tracks in left field off reliever Dan Otero.

The last time Houston hit three home runs in an inning was June 5, 2013, against Baltimore.

"I thought (Chavez) was throwing the ball really well, real similar to how he did last time out," A's manager Bob Melvin said. "I think the Carter at-bat affected the way things went from there."

BSHS football season tickets now on sale

Season tickets for the Big Spring High School Steers' upcoming football season are now available.

Season tickets went on sale on July 21 and will be available to fans un-

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Ask yourself: What is my motivation again? Flying without a motor isn't flying at all; it's gliding, and it will only take you as far as the wind and gravity allow. But with the right engine (motivation), you can go anywhere.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Money won't solve the problem even if the problem happens to be



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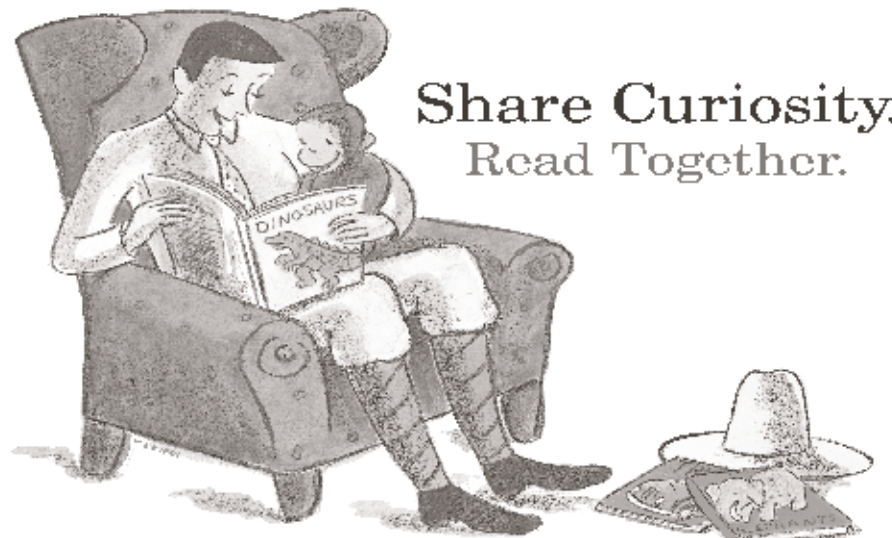
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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Suit Affecting the Parent-Child Relationship as is more fully shown by the Intervener's Petition on file in this suit.

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Dear K.: It seems a shame to end your sex life because you fear transmitting an STD. There are ways to avoid that. And your future partner may be more understanding than you realize. Please contact the American Sexual Health Association (ashsexualhealth.org) for information on all STDs, including herpes, and for support in communicating with potential partners.

Dear Annie: How do you tell a doctor that his office is dirty? My physician's office is full of dust, cobwebs, smudged fingerprints and dirty sinks. It looks as if it hasn't been cleaned in years.

He is a good doctor and has helped me many times, but I can hardly walk into that office without gagging. What should I do? -- Love the Doc, Not His Office

Dear Love the Doc: You have to tell him. All of that dirt means that equipment that needs to be sterile isn't, and who knows what germs you are breathing in during an exam? This puts your health at risk. Also, how many patients has he lost because of the condition of his office? And if your doctor cannot see the dirt surrounding him, he may have a vision problem that needs correcting, although it's more likely he either doesn't have a cleaning staff or they don't do a good job. Does your doctor have an assistant or receptionist? Direct your complaint to that person. If there is no one else in his office, please have the courage to speak up during your next visit. Tell the doctor that his office could use a good cleaning, and suggest that his current cleaning service be replaced. If things don't change, report him to your local health department.

Dear Annie: My daughter had the same experience as the son of "Upset Dad." In seven years on the softball teams in middle and high school, she never missed a practice. Yet I can count on one hand the number of times that she played more than one inning in a game. Most of the time, she sat on the bench, while kids who

habitually missed practice got to play all the time.

My daughter loved softball so much that she begged me not to say anything to the coach, and I respected her wishes until the day after her graduation, when I penned a polite but critical letter to the coach, athletic director and superintendent. Not one of them had the courtesy to reply.

I'm a teacher. The field is a coach's classroom. If I refused to call on students who came to class prepared, raised their hands and wanted to participate, I certainly would be dismissed. In school sports, all students who attend practices regularly, follow team rules and want to play should have an equal opportunity to do so. -- English Teacher and One-Time Sports Mom

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

financial. Think bigger. Go to the origin. How did this come about? There's an idea that will do what money cannot.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). No one likes to see a mismatched game. If one team is so superior to the other that there is no contest, it's not fun for the players on either team, and the spectators suffer, too. Consider carefully which games are worth playing.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The omens would suggest that "love is the answer," and it's hard to argue with that one. Ask yourself what the situation would look like if you brought 10 percent more love to it. Twenty percent? A hundred percent?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You need someone to act in a way that they are not. How will you get them to do it? Tactics must be employed. If you're game, then try three by lunchtime. Where there's a will there's a way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). To avoid getting lost

in the details, look at the overall scope of life. What will matter in a year? Five years? And is it the same thing that matters right now?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). What you say and what you mean may be two different things, but that's natural. It's actually stranger, and probably ruder as well, to say exactly what you mean.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You may not be attuned to what others are sensing from you, but you know what you're getting from them. Your sixth sense will be strongly focused on the outside world, and you'll pick out the helpful influences.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The journey from front door to mailbox may be lovely, but your sights are set on much more exotic travels. First, you'll go there in your research, then in mind and finally in body.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There are those around you who do the same thing time and

again. You prefer to shake it up, try new things and risk failure at least three times a day.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You wonder whether an attractive solution is too good to be true, but you can safely reserve skepticism for another day. Sometimes things look good because they are good.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When you fight with yourself, be fair! Your intimate knowledge of what would hurt the most is potentially hazardous. There's a way to quell your lower instincts without being too mean.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 29). One good decision in the next three weeks will bring more love into your world. Then in August, you'll do humble work for the sake of gaining experience, and you'll wind up making extra money in September and October. Your tenacity will close a deal at the end of the year, and this sets you up for a successful 2015. Taurus and Aries people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 31, 22, 38, 18

and 40.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "We've been together for four years. I'm 21, and he's 22. He wants to get married, and I don't. He's a Capricorn, and I'm a Leo. He argues that if we're not getting married, what are we doing? He wants the relationship to progress. I don't really know what we're doing. I love him, but I just don't want to get married. We don't live together. I have a 32-year-old sister who tells me I am crazy because she would love to be married and believes she'll be single forever. I don't see what the big deal about that would be. Why does everyone want to get married?"

Capricorns often feel uncomfortable in an environment of too many unknowns. Those born to the sign of the seagoat are traditionalists at heart. They prefer clear definitions for their relationships. They like to know the timeframe of a relationship's journey. They don't like to play things by ear.

Consider that this relationship may have run its course, not

because you don't love each other, but because you want very different things. Your sign rules the heart. Follow yours -- it's calling you to experience more of the world, not to be pressured into an early marriage.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Tim "Make It Work" Gunn is a fashion mentor, television star and producer extraordinaire. His latest reality show, "Under the Gunn," is a favorite among fashion fans. This Leo was born when the sun and Pluto were in entertaining Leo and the moon was in artistic Pisces. His Mercury, Mars and Uranus in Cancer, the sign of nurturing, indicates a passion for helping others to learn and grow.

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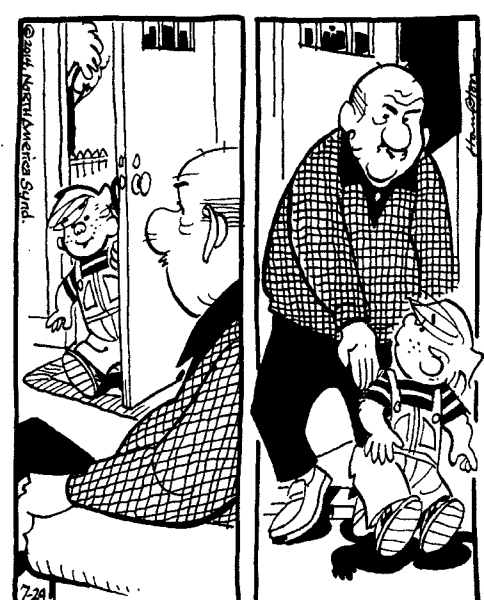
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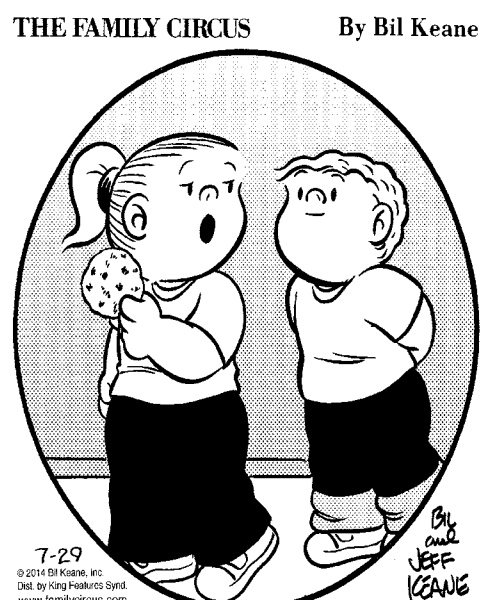
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6:PM	Jeopardy!	De Que Te Quiero	Big Bang	News	Noticiero	News	Seinfeld	Called	PBS News-Hour	M*A*S*H	Deadliest	Cops	Castle (DVS)	Movie: Jumping the Broom, Laz Alonso	Dog	Pardon	SportsCenter	NFL Live
7:PM	Extreme Weight Loss	Mi Corazón Es Tuyo	Fam. Guy Brooklyn	NCIS (DVS)	Reina de Corazones	Food Fighters	Big Bang	Upd	Mark Twain (DVS)	Gilligan Hap.Days	Deadliest	Cops	Rizzoli & Isles	Movie: Van Helsing, Richard Roxburgh	Cops	WNBA Basketball: Sky at Stars	World/Poker	
8:PM	ABC	Lo Que la Vida	New Girl	NCIS: Los Angeles	En Otra Piel (SS)	America's Got Talent	Big Bang	Light of the Southwest	Frontline	Heroes	Deadliest	Cops	Rizzoli & Isles	Movie: Holes, Patricia Arquette	Cops	WNBA Basketball: Sparks at Mercury	World/Poker	
9:PM	Celebrity Wife Swap	Qué Pobres	Mod Fam	Person of Interest	El Señor de los		Big Bang		Emery	Kotter	Deadliest	Cops	Rizzoli & Isles	Movie: Eagle Eye, Rosario Dawson	Cops	WNBA Basketball: Sparks at Mercury	Baseball Tonight	
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11:PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Noticiero	How I Met	Letterman	Titulares	Tonight Show	Conan	Ministerios	T. Smiley (Off Air)	Adam-12	Deadliest	Jail	Perception	Movie: X2: X-Men United, Ian	Jail	WNBA Basketball: Sparks at Mercury	SportsCenter	
12:AM	Nightline	Amorico Corazón	Raymond	Ferguson	En Otra Piel (SS)	Seth Meyers	Conan	Vida	Alaskan Bush	Alfred Hitchcock Hr.	Deadliest	Jail	Perception	Movie: X2: X-Men United, Ian	Jail	WNBA Basketball: Sparks at Mercury	SportsCenter	
1:AM	Extra	Alma	Law & Order: SVU	Ent	Paid	DeSiónes	Angels in	Southwest										

DENNIS THE MENACE



"YOU'RE LUCKY, MR. WILSON. I HAFTA LEARN SOMETHIN' NEW EVERY DAY."
"COME BACK WHEN YOU'RE 25, AND TELL ME ABOUT IT THEN."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Mommy, will you tell Jeffy to stop smellin' my cookie?"

HAGAR



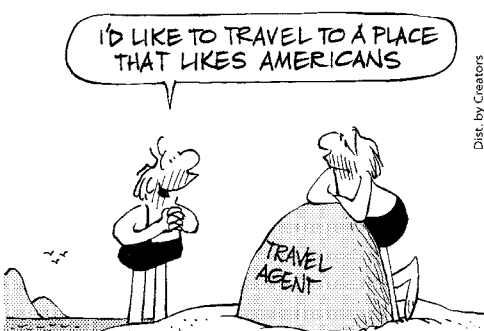
"WERE OUTNUMBERED MEN!"
"ARE YOU WILLING TO PAY THE ULTIMATE PRICE?"

BLONDIE



"HE'S MORE OF A SQUAWKER"
"BUMSTEAD!!!"
"BWAACK!!!"

BC



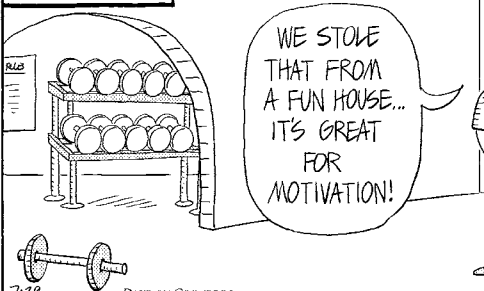
"I'D LIKE TO TRAVEL TO A PLACE THAT LIKES AMERICANS"
"I HEAR WYOMING IS NICE THIS TIME OF YEAR."

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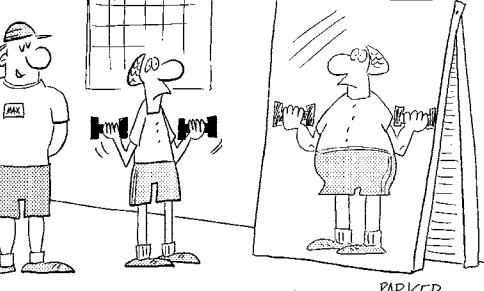
"WE STOLE THAT FROM A FUN HOUSE... IT'S GREAT FOR MOTIVATION!"

AGNES



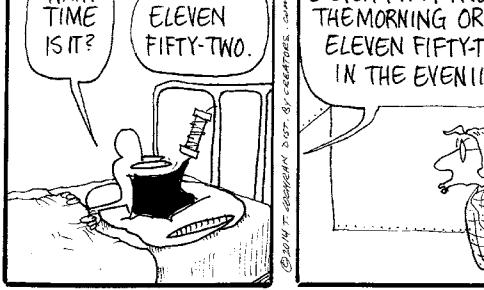
"WHAT TIME IS IT?"
"ELEVEN FIFTY-TWO."
"ELEVEN FIFTY-TWO IN THE MORNING OR ELEVEN FIFTY-TWO IN THE EVENING?"
"HOW DID YOU LOSE TRACK OF TIME THAT BADLY?"
"SCHOOL STRUCTURED ME MORE THAN I CARE TO ADMIT."
"YOUR EYELIDS NEED DUSTED."

HI AND LOIS



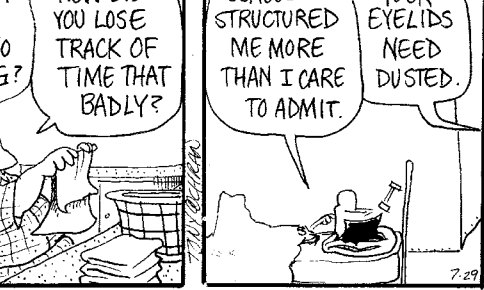
"WE DON'T WANT TO SHOW UP AT WORK TOMORROW WITH SUNBURNS."
"GOOD POINT"
"HOW DID GUYS PLAY HOOKY BEFORE SUNBLOCK?"
"THEY STAYED INSIDE AND PLAYED POKER."

THE OTHER COAST



"WHEN BEARS BECOME HABITUATED TO GARBAGE:"
"THEY PUT ME ON THE PATCH."

SNUFFY SMITH



"YOU GOT A BAD CASE OF RAYMOND, LUKEY !! HAVE YA HAD CONTACT WIF ENNYTHIN' IRRITATIN' ?"
"IT'S HARD T'SAY, DOC !!"
"WHEN SHE'S RIGHT HERE IN TH' ROOM !!"

BETLE BAILEY



"FORWARD MARCH! RIGHT TURN! DOUBLE TIME! ABOUT FACE! HALT!!"
"TRY PAUSING A LITTLE LONGER BETWEEN COMMANDS"

This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, July 29, the 210th day of 2014. There are 155 days left in the year. Today's Highlights in History:
On July 29, 1914, transcontinental telephone service in the U.S. became operational with the first test conversation between New York and San Francisco. Massachusetts' Cape Cod Canal, offering a shortcut across the base of the peninsula, was officially opened to shipping traffic.
On this date:

In 1030, the patron saint of Norway, King Olaf II, was killed in battle.
In 1588, the English attacked the Spanish Armada in the Battle of Gravelines, resulting in an English victory.
In 1890, artist Vincent van Gogh, 37, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in Auvers-sur-Oise, France.
In 1900, Italian King Humbert I was assassinated by an anarchist; he was succeeded by his son, Victor Emmanuel III.
In 1921, Adolf Hitler became the leader ("fuehrer") of the National Socialist German Workers Party.
In 1948, Britain's King

George VI opened the Olympic Games in London.
In 1957, the International Atomic Energy Agency was established. Jack Paar made his debut as host of NBC's "Tonight Show."
In 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the National Aeronautics and Space Act, creating NASA.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Place to wear a watch
 - 6 Frying medium
 - 10 Recedes
 - 14 Event with bucking broncos
 - 15 Online auction site
 - 16 Brown-colored soda flavor
 - 17 Hairy Halloween outfit
 - 19 Elaborate fraud
 - 20 Little green vegetable
 - 21 Small stain
 - 22 "I didn't do it!"
 - 23 Haunted house sound
 - 24 Overused expressions
 - 26 Country
 - 29 Sports team director
 - 30 Potential oak tree
 - 31 American symbol
 - 35 Speak unclearly
 - 36 Sail poles
 - 37 State of mind
 - 38 Spark plugs, headlights, etc.
 - 40 Hearty steak
 - 41 Chain of hills
 - 42 Scandinavian country
 - 43 Daytime performance
 - 46 Animal's den
 - 47 Class reunion attendees
 - 48 Hourglass contents
 - 49 Sunscreen letters
- DOWN**
- 1 Rolled-up sandwich
 - 2 Lasso
 - 3 Creative thought
 - 4 "Wait just a _"
 - 5 Prematurely
 - 6 Spill the beans
 - 7 Border on
 - 8 Ewe's mate
 - 9 Coloring agent
 - 10 Room with resounding walls
 - 11 Diner seating
 - 12 Point a finger at
 - 13 Jazz instruments
 - 18 Reach across
 - 22 "Good job!"
 - 23 Reversed duplicate
 - 24 Future stallions
 - 25 Young fellows
 - 26 Astronauts' org.
 - 27 Human rights org.
 - 28 Hype up
 - 29 Social stratum
 - 31 Flat-bottomed boat
 - 32 Virtuous
 - 33 One and only
 - 34 Biblical garden
 - 36 Created
 - 39 Bowler's targets
 - 40 Move one's thumbs idly
 - 42 Rational
 - 43 Intense enthusiasm
 - 44 Suspect's story
 - 45 Readiad, as a guitar
 - 46 Cake tier
 - 48 Pet protection org.
 - 49 Simple earring
 - 50 Model's stance
 - 51 Flintstone or Astaire
 - 53 Expert in IRS forms
 - 54 Bumbler
 - 55 Charged atom

FOLLOW THE CROWD

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NCAA settles head-injury suit, will change rules

(AP) — The NCAA agreed Tuesday to settle a class-action head-injury lawsuit by creating a \$70 million fund to diagnose thousands of current and former college athletes to determine if they suffered brain trauma playing football, hockey, soccer and other contact sports. College sports' governing body also agreed to implement a single return-to-play policy spelling out how all teams must treat players who received head blows, according to a Tuesday filing in U.S. District Court in Chicago. Critics have accused the NCAA of giving too much discretion to hundreds of indi-

vidual schools about when athletes can go back into games, putting them at risk. Unlike a proposed settlement in a similar lawsuit against the NFL, this deal stops short of setting aside money to pay players who suffered brain trauma. Instead, athletes can sue individually for damages and the NCAA-funded tests to gauge the extent of neurological injuries could establish grounds for doing that. The filing serves as notice to the federal judge overseeing the class-action case that the parties struck a deal after nearly a year of negotiations. In addition to football, ice hockey

and soccer, the settlement also applies to all men and women who participated in basketball, wrestling, field hockey and lacrosse. Joseph Siprut, the lead plaintiffs' attorney who spearheaded talks with the NCAA, said the sometimes-tough negotiations ended with a deal that will make college athletics safer. "I wouldn't say these changes solve the safety problems, but they do reduce the risks," the Chicago attorney said Tuesday. "It's changed college sports forever." He also said that stricter oversight and return-to-play

rules should help ensure the viability of football by allaying the fears of parents who are currently inclined to not let their kids play. "Changes were necessary to preserve the talent well of kids that feeds the game of football," he said. "Absent these kinds of changes, the sport will die." Phone and email messages seeking comment from the NCAA, based in Indianapolis, were not immediately returned Tuesday morning. There is no cutoff date for when athletes must have played a designated sport at one of the more than 1,000 NCAA mem-

ber schools to qualify for the medical exams. That means all athletes currently playing and those who participated decades ago could undergo the tests and potentially follow up with damage claims. To keep the NCAA from having to hold unwieldy talks with multiple plaintiffs, 10 lawsuits filed from Georgia and South Carolina to Minnesota and Missouri were consolidated into the one case in Chicago, where the first lawsuit was filed in 2011. Combined, the suits identified several dozen athletes by name as having suffered brain trauma.

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL WNBA

Eastern Conference

W	L	Pct	GB	
Atlanta	15	9	.625	—
Washington	13	13	.500	3
Indiana	12	14	.462	4
New York	10	14	.417	5
Chicago	10	15	.400	5½
Connecticut	10	16	.385	6

Western Conference

W	L	Pct	GB	
x-Phoenix	21	3	.875	—
x-Minnesota	20	6	.769	2
Los Angeles	12	14	.462	10
San Antonio	12	14	.462	10
Tulsa	9	17	.346	13
Seattle	9	18	.333	13½

x-clinched playoff spot

Monday's Games
Los Angeles 77, Indiana 73

Tuesday's Games
Connecticut at Atlanta, 12 p.m.
Washington at New York, 7 p.m.
Chicago at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
Seattle at Tulsa, 8 p.m.
Los Angeles at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

W	L	Pct	GB	
Midland	24	14	.632	—
x-Frisco	21	17	.553	3
Corpus Christi	18	20	.474	6
San Antonio	18	20	.474	6

x-clinched first half

Monday's Games
Midland 8, Frisco 6
Springfield 9, Tulsa 4
Arkansas 9, Northwest Arkansas 3
Corpus Christi 5, San Antonio 4, 10 innings

Tuesday's Games
Midland at Frisco, 8:05 p.m.
Springfield at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.
San Antonio at Corpus Christi, 8:10 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas at Arkansas, 8:10 p.m.

W	L	Pts	PF	PA	
Hamilton	1	3	2	74	92
Ottawa	1	3	2	80	113
Montreal	1	3	2	70	113
Toronto	1	4	2	110	149

West Division

W	L	Pts	PF	PA	
Calgary	4	0	8	99	52
Edmonton	4	1	8	130	84
Winnipeg	4	1	8	141	114
Saskatchewan	2	2	4	96	93
B.C.	2	3	4	102	92

Thursday's Game
Winnipeg at Hamilton, 7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 1
Toronto at Montreal, 7 p.m.
B.C. at Calgary, 10 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 2
Saskatchewan at Ottawa, 7 p.m.

OF Zoilo Almonte from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. —

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Placed OF Craig Gentry on the 15-day DL. Selected the contract of OF Billy Burns from Midland (TL).

TAMPA BAY RAYS — Designated LHP Erik Bedard for assignment. Reinstated RHP Joel Peralta from the 15-day DL.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Acquired INF Danny Valencia from Kansas City for RHP Liam Hendriks and C Erik Kratz.

to El Paso (PCL). Recalled LHP Jason Lane and 2B Jedd Gyorko from El Paso. Sent LHP Robbie Erlin to the AZL Padres for a rehab assignment.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Optioned RHP George Kontos to Fresno (PCL).

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Released OL Chris Faulk and PK/P Jake Rogers. Activated TE Gary Barnidge and LB Tank Carder. Signed WR Marlon Moore.
DETROIT LIONS — Activated WR Golden Tate from PUP-active list. Released DE Kalonji Kashama.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Released RB Chris Rainey.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Claimed RB Tyler Gaffney off waivers from Carolina. Released LB Josh Hull.
OAKLAND RAIDERS — Signed S Jeremy Deering.
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Released RB Brendan Bigelow and WR Quinton Payton. Signed DT Jibreel Black and CB Anthony Gaitor.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed LB Everett Brown.
Canadian Football League
CALGARY STAMPEDERS — Signed RB Hugh Charles to the practice roster.
HAMILTON TIGER-CATS — Placed QB Zach Collaros on the 6-game injured list. Added DB Harold Mutobola and DE Kiantre Tripp to the practice roster.

BASEBALL American League

East Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Baltimore	58	46	.558	—
Toronto	57	50	.533	2½
New York	54	51	.514	4½
Tampa Bay	52	54	.491	7
Boston	48	58	.453	11

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	57	45	.559	—
Kansas City	53	51	.510	5
Cleveland	52	53	.495	6½
Chicago	51	55	.481	8
Minnesota	47	57	.452	11

West Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Oakland	65	40	.619	—
Los Angeles	63	41	.606	1½
Seattle	54	51	.514	11
Houston	43	63	.406	22½
Texas	42	64	.396	23½

Monday's Games
Tampa Bay 2, Milwaukee 1
Toronto 14, Boston 1
Texas 4, N.Y. Yankees 2
Houston 7, Oakland 3

Tuesday's Games
L.A. Angels (Weaver 11-6) at Baltimore (Tillman 7-5), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Iwakuma 8-5) at Cleveland (Bauer 4-5), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Quintana 5-7) at Detroit (An.Sanchez 7-4), 7:08 p.m.
Milwaukee (Garza 7-7) at Tampa Bay (Cobb 6-6), 7:10 p.m.
Toronto (Stroman 6-2) at

FOOTBALL Arena Football League

Playoff Schedule First Round

Saturday, Aug. 2

National Conference
Spokane at San Jose, 7 p.m.

American Conference
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 3

National Conference
Portland at Arizona, 6 p.m.

American Conference
Pittsburgh at Orlando, 2 p.m.

Conference Championships Aug. 9 or 10

National Conference
Portland-Arizona winner vs. Spokane-San Jose winner

American Conference
Philadelphia-Cleveland winner vs. Pittsburgh-Orlando winner

Arena Bowl
At Orlando, Fla. Saturday, Aug. 23
American champion vs. National champion, 8 p.m.

Canadian Football League

East Division

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Hamilton	24	14	.632	—
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TRANSACTIONS

Major League Baseball COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended Milwaukee 3B (Brevard County-FSL) 50 games after testing positive for an amphetamine in violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.

American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Placed LHP T.J. McFarland on the bereavement list. Recalled RHP Preston Guilmet from Norfolk (IL).
HOUSTON ASTROS — Optioned RHP Brad Peacock to Oklahoma City (PCL). Placed RHP Josh Zeid on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 25. Reinstated RHP Collin McHugh from the 15-day DL.
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Sent LHP C.J. Wilson to Arkansas (TL) for a rehab assignment.
NEW YORK YANKEES — Assigned RHP Chris Leroux outright to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Designated LHP Jeff Francis for assignment. Recalled

West Division
Milwaukee 59, 48 .551 —
St. Louis 56, 48 .538 1½
Pittsburgh 56, 49 .533 2
Cincinnati 52, 53 .495 6
Chicago 43, 61 .413 14½

West Division
Los Angeles 59, 47 .557 —
San Francisco 57, 49 .538 2
San Diego 46, 59 .438 12½
Arizona 46, 60 .434 13
Colorado 43, 62 .410 15½

Monday's Games
Atlanta 2, San Diego 0
Arizona 2, Cincinnati 1, 15 innings
Tampa Bay 2, Milwaukee 1
N.Y. Mets 7, Philadelphia 1
Miami 7, Washington 6
Chicago Cubs 4, Colorado 1
Pittsburgh 5, San Francisco 0

Tuesday's Games
Arizona (Cahill 1-7) at Cincinnati (Leake 7-9), 7:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Garza 7-7) at Tampa Bay (Cobb 6-6), 7:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Hamels 5-5) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 4-3), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (Strasburg 7-8) at Miami (H.Alvarez 7-5), 7:10 p.m.
Colorado (J.De La Rosa 11-6) at Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 5-11), 8:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Harang 9-6) at L.A. Dodgers (Beckett 6-5), 10:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Lynn 11-7) at San Diego (T.Ross 9-10), 10:10 p.m.
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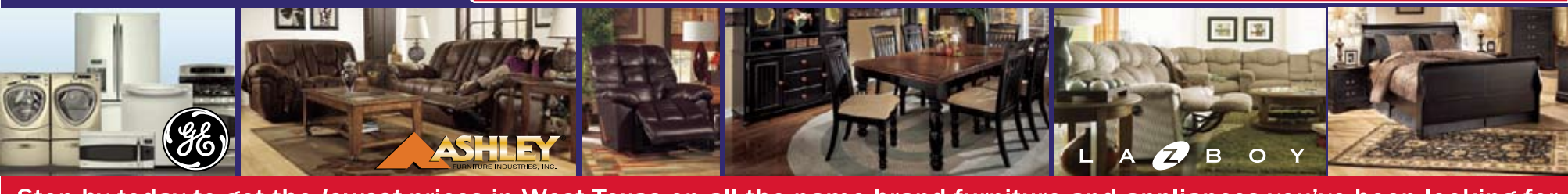
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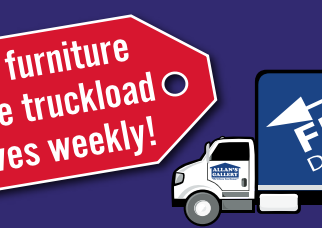
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