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Altercation sends two to hospitals

Injuries said to be serious; no one arrested at this time

Herald Staff Report

Big Spring police are investigating an early Sunday stabbing that occurred in the western section of town.

Joshua Pierce, 30, and John Sipes, 58, were both seriously injured in the incident, which happened around 1 a.m. Sunday in in the 1300 block of Park Street.

A report from Big Spring Police Department states that both men had been at a social gathering at Pierce's residence at 1315 Park when, at some point, Sipes was accused of touching Pierce's wife inappropriately.

Sipes left the house and went to his residence next door, and Pierce soon followed, according to the report.

"Pierce was talking to a third person when Sipes came into the room from behind Pierce and stabbed him twice in the right side," the report stated. "Pierce turned toward his attacker and started punching Sipes in the face," knocking him unconscious.

Both men were taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center by ambulance. Sipes was later transported to a Lubbock hospital with serious facial injuries, while Pierce was kept at SMMC in order to surgically remove part of the knife blade that broke off inside him. There were no updates on their medical conditions at press time.

No one else was injured in the incident and no charges have been filed, the police report stated.



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Rainfall dumped the "wet stuff" across the area Monday afternoon — including the Heritage Museum on Scurry Street and turning sunny skies to dark for a brief period of time. The weather forecast for the next few days calls for highs in the low 90s, partly cloudy skies, with a small chance of rain today and Wednesday, according to weather.com.

Texas gasoline prices continue to fall

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 1.6 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.26 per gallon Sunday,

according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in Texas.

This compares with the national average that has increased 2.3 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.49/g, according to

gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were 14.1 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year

ago and are 16.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 8.9 cents per gallon during the last month and

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Salz, Deng bringing 'Across Worlds' to Hall Center

BY CINDY SMITH
 Special to the Herald

The Howard College Foundation Speaker Series, in partnership with Wells Fargo Bank, is set to host Jeff Salz and Alepho Deng in their presentation of "Across Worlds — A Tale of Two Lives of Adventure."

The presentation is set for 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, in the Hall Center for the Arts on the Howard College campus.

"We are very excited about our presentation this semester," said Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks, Howard College president. "Mr. Salz has been with us before but is bringing in a totally different kind of presentation this time with the addition of Mr. Deng."

"Across Worlds" is a remarkable tale of loss, endurance and

redemption. The multi-media lecture/theater event is an uplifting and surprising story of two adventurous lives converging to change the world.

Deng, a "Lost Boy of Sudan," and Salz, an American mountain climber, have escaped a thousand miles across war-torn Africa and have explored the glaciers and granite of the Patagonian Ice Cap. They blend their two lives of adventure together through storytelling, music, still photography, animation and video to evoke emotion, stir the intellect and move attendees to positive action.

The event is free to the public but a ticket is required for admission due to limited seating. Tickets can be obtained by calling

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Courtesy photo

Jeff Salz and Alepho Deng will present "Across Worlds — A Tale of Two Lives of Adventure" on Sept. 4 on the Howard College campus. Tickets are free.

Trial of Texas father raises legal, moral issues

JUAN A. LOZANO
 Associated Press

ANGLETON, Texas — David Barajas denies killing a drunk driver in a fit of rage after his two sons were fatally

struck in 2012 on a rural road in Southeast Texas.

His defense attorney says Barajas is a good man, a grieving father and not a murderer. At the same time, his defense hasn't publicly

suggested who else might be responsible for Jose Banda's shooting death.

Barajas' trial is set to begin today in a case with many complexities: No weapon was recovered, no witnesses iden-

tified him as the shooter and many in Barajas' community have strongly sympathized with him, with some saying they might have taken the

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2309 Scurry St.
432-267-8491

Police blotter

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

- WILLIAM ALEX RILEY, 44, of 1303 E. 19th St., was arrested Monday on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.
- APRIL FERN SMITH, 33, of 3292 Highway 137, Lenorah, Texas, was arrested Monday on a charge of theft less than \$50 shoplifting.
- RICARDO MIGUEL CARLOS, 22, of 1604 Lincoln, was arrested Monday on a charge of evading arrest/detention using a vehicle.
- THEFT was reported at the 5900 block of N. Service Rd., the 100 block of NE Broadway, and the 200 block of W. FM 700.
- CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ABUSE reported at the 1200 block

of Settles.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 1600 block of Wood.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at the 900 block of E. 3rd St. and 18 miles NE of Highway 846.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF reported at the 1700 block of Laurie.
- MINOR ACCIDENT reported at the 1600 block of Gregg.
- IDENTITY THEFT was reported at the 1000 block of S. Moss Lake.
- ASSAULT was reported at the 2200 block of Lynn.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 1500 block of Cherokee.

The Howard County Sheriffs Office reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Monday

and today:

- Note: Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 74 at the time of this report.
- APRIL FERN SMITH was booked by BSPD on a charge of theft less than \$50 shoplifting.
- JOEY LYNN RAINBOLT was booked by Glasscock County Sheriffs Office on a charge of possession of controlled substance, less than 1 gram.

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

- MEDICAL call reported at the 800 block of N. Goliad. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL call reported at the 700 block of E. 17th St. One patient transported to SMMC.

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

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

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle.

Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

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

THURSDAY

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

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

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

• Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center.

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Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship.

For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

• The Young and the Breastless of Big Spring meets every first Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at Brooklyn's Deli in the Spring Town Plaza. This is a support group for breast cancer survivors.

FRIDAY

• 7p.m.—The Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.

Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

MONDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building.

Weigh-in starts at 2:50 p.m. and meeting starts at 3 p.m. We have a different program each week.

For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.

• Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas.

Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction.

Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the

back of the church.

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

• Noon — Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or kerrirosenbaum9488@msn.com

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

Obituaries

E.D. 'Wimp' Holcomb

E.D. "Wimp" Holcomb, 81, of Big Spring, died Monday, Aug. 18, 2014, in a Lubbock hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

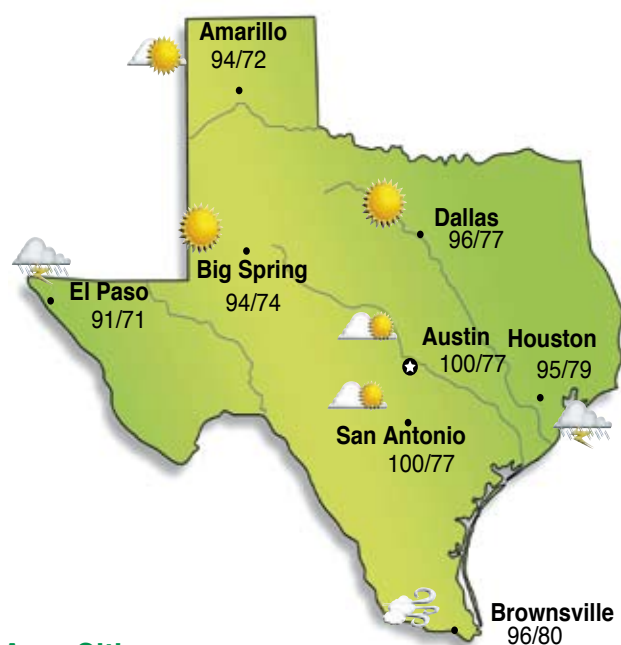
Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 8/20	Thu 8/21	Fri 8/22	Sat 8/23	Sun 8/24
94/74 Mainly sunny. High 94F. Winds S at 15 to 25 mph.	94/74 Plenty of sun. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	96/73 Sunny. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	96/73 Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	97/71 Sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 7:13 AM Sunset: 8:24 PM	Sunrise: 7:14 AM Sunset: 8:23 PM	Sunrise: 7:14 AM Sunset: 8:22 PM	Sunrise: 7:15 AM Sunset: 8:21 PM	Sunrise: 7:15 AM Sunset: 8:20 PM

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Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	95	75	sunny	Kingsville	97	79	windy
Amarillo	94	72	mst sunny	Livingston	94	76	pt sunny
Austin	100	77	pt sunny	Longview	95	75	pt sunny
Beaumont	90	77	t-storm	Lubbock	94	71	mst sunny
Brownsville	96	80	windy	Lufkin	96	77	pt sunny
Brownwood	95	74	sunny	Midland	93	75	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	93	82	mst sunny	Raymondville	100	80	windy
Corsicana	97	75	pt sunny	Rosenberg	94	78	pt sunny
Dallas	96	77	sunny	San Antonio	100	77	pt sunny
Del Rio	97	80	pt sunny	San Marcos	101	77	pt sunny
El Paso	91	71	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	96	75	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	93	73	t-storm	Sweetwater	94	74	mst sunny
Gainesville	95	76	sunny	Tyler	95	76	pt sunny
Greenville	96	75	sunny	Weatherford	98	75	sunny
Houston	95	79	t-storm	Wichita Falls	99	76	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	92	72	mst sunny	Minneapolis	87	69	mst sunny
Boston	77	59	sunny	New York	81	66	sunny
Chicago	86	70	sunny	Phoenix	90	72	t-storm
Dallas	96	77	sunny	San Francisco	65	58	pt sunny
Denver	84	58	t-storm	Seattle	76	58	mst sunny
Houston	95	79	t-storm	St. Louis	96	78	pt sunny
Los Angeles	80	63	pt sunny	Washington, DC	88	71	pt sunny
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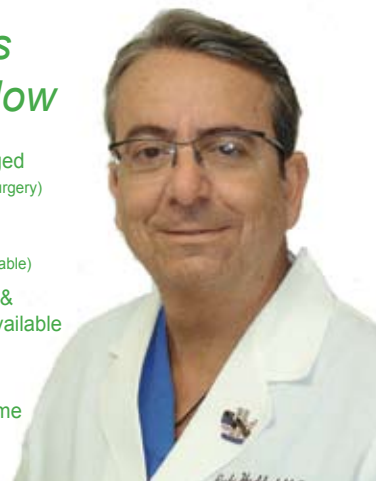
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Howard College at 264-5000 or by visiting the reception desk at the Old Main building on campus.

Seats are limited and tickets will be distributed on a first come-first serve basis.

Each semester the Howard College Foundation provides the free event to the public to bring new cultural opportunities to the area and support the creation of a college-going culture.

For additional information on Howard College, visit www.howard-college.edu or contact Cindy Smith at 432-264-5034 or csmith@howard-college.edu.

Take Note

- Friends of the Library of Howard County requests donations of books in good condition for the book sale to be held Oct.17-19. If you have books you wish to donate to this worthwhile cause, take them to the Howard County Library, Monday through Friday during regular library hours. Please, no National Geographic magazines, other magazines, or condensed books.

- 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.

- 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.

- 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.

- Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to violent crimes of assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can

commit to 30-hour training, an interview process background check and attend training. We need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

- 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.

- The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

- Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per

week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

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

- The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop foreclosure and are in need of foreclosure help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. The Homeowner's HOPE hotline is a counseling service provided by HPF to work with you to find a solution to your problem. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

GASOLINE

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stands 4.2 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

"The national average has now dropped to its lowest level since February, and with the end of the summer driving season nearing, we'll likely see gas prices continuing the downward trend," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan.

"Oil prices last week dropped to \$95/bbl briefly before rising the next day

back to \$97/bbl, but the important factor is that prices remain under triple digits. For motorists, we're nearing the point that gasoline demand drops after Labor Day and also the upcoming switch back to cheaper winter gasoline will also put downward pressure on prices in mid-September.

"While a short term increase in gasoline prices is never out of the question, as we grow nearer to September, the likelihood of a spike decreases. It won't be long before we'll start to see a few cities seeing averages under \$3 a gallon. Areas of Tennessee and South Carolina are already getting close," DeHaan said.

TRIAL

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law into their own hands if faced with a similar situation.

Legal experts acknowledge prosecutors could face a greater challenge than simply proving who committed the shooting, similar to

another Texas case from 2012 in which a grand jury declined to indict a father who killed a man who molested his child.

"It's not the right way to do it, but jurors a lot of times make judgments based on moral responsibility, not legal responsibility," said Joel Androphy, a Houston defense attorney

who isn't connected to the case.

The trial will focus on prosecutors' allegations that Barajas shot 20-year-old Banda in the head in December 2012 near Alvin, about 30 miles southeast of Houston. Minutes earlier, Banda's car struck Barajas' sons as they pushed the family's broken-down truck down a dark, narrow road just 50 yards from their home. Twelve-year-old David Jr. died at the scene; 11-year-old Caleb died at a hospital.

If convicted of murder, Barajas faces up to life in prison.

Many in the community have rallied around the 32-year-old father, including setting up a Facebook page called "Free David Barajas," which details fundraising events and where individuals have expressed their support.

But Banda's family says their loved one's fate should have been decided by the justice system and no one else.

"What (Barajas) did wasn't right," said Felicia Leija, 22, Banda's common-law wife. The couple has a 2-year-old daughter, Alisa, who was born a few months before the crash. "For other people to say they

would have done the same thing ... you don't know what you would have done."

Barajas' attorney, Sam Cammack, says claims that his client took the law into his own hands are untrue, noting that Barajas didn't even own a gun. Brazoria County District Attorney Jeri Yenne declined to comment.

Neighbors said they heard gunshots minutes after the crash, and authorities allege Barajas went home, retrieved a gun and went back to the crash site, where he shot Banda in the head.

Toxicology tests later determined Banda had been driving while intoxicated. But Brazoria County sheriff's investigator Dominick Sanders said that in the moments after the crash, there had been no way to know it was alcohol

related.

Witnesses have identified Barajas as the person who approached the vehicle before the shooting, Sanders said. And other witnesses said there was a man opening fire but none could identify Barajas as that person. Investigators never found the weapon, and gunshot residue tests done on Barajas came back negative.

A search of Barajas' home found ammunition consistent with the bullet that killed Banda, but Sanders said the missing weapon could still make "a big difference in the case."

So could the perceived moral circumstances, which legal experts agree may influence jurors. In June 2012, a grand jury in Shiner decided not to charge a father who fatally beat up a man who was found

molesting his 5-year-old daughter behind a barn. In that case, the father called 911 afterward and urged paramedics to rush to the scene, shouting, "Come on! This guy is going to die on me!"

From a strictly legal perspective, experts say the Barajas case will be difficult to prosecute given the lack of hard evidence.

"The prosecutor is starting from behind the eight ball," Houston criminal defense attorney Grant Scheiner said.

Cammack would not speculate on who may have shot Banda.

"Mr. Banda lost his life out there at the scene that night, somehow," he said. "That is not a good thing. But to suggest Mr. Barajas has anything to do with it is a far stretch of the imagination."

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

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Tomorrow: Eliminating the guesswork.
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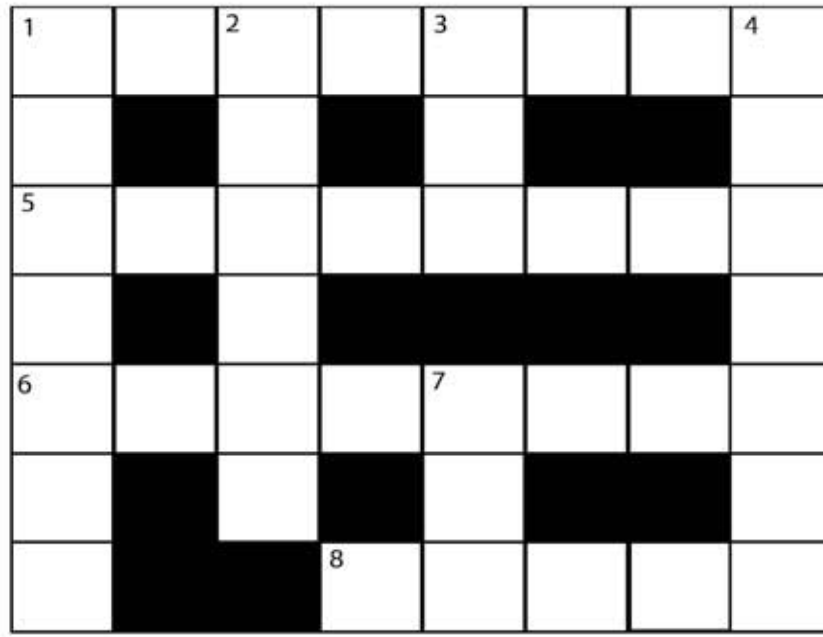


PEOPLE FACT:

THIS IS AN INFORMAL TERM FOR SOMEONE WHO WORKS IN CARNIVALS OR AMUSEMENT SHOWS.

ANSWER: CARNY

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1. Fun fair
- 5. Material around neck
- 6. Can't eat it
- 8. Gatherings of amusements

DOWN

- 1. Sweets
- 2. Projectile
- 3. Internal Affairs Bureau (abbr.)
- 4. Used to climb
- 7. Insurance Auto Auctions (abbr.)

Answers:
Across: 1. Carnival 5. Neckband 6. Inedible 8. Fair
Down: 1. Candies 2. Rocket 3. IAB 4. Ladders 7. IAA

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HISTORY

- 1812: THE "USS CONSTITUTION" DEFEATS THE BRITISH "HMS GUERRIERE" DURING THE WAR OF 1812.
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- 1960: AMERICAN U-2 PILOT FRANCIS GARY POWERS IS CONVICTED OF ESPIONAGE IN MOSCOW.



THRILL

sudden feeling of excitement

How they SAY that in...

- ENGLISH:** Fun
- SPANISH:** Diversión
- ITALIAN:** Divertirsi
- FRENCH:** Amusement
- GERMAN:** Spaß

Did you know?

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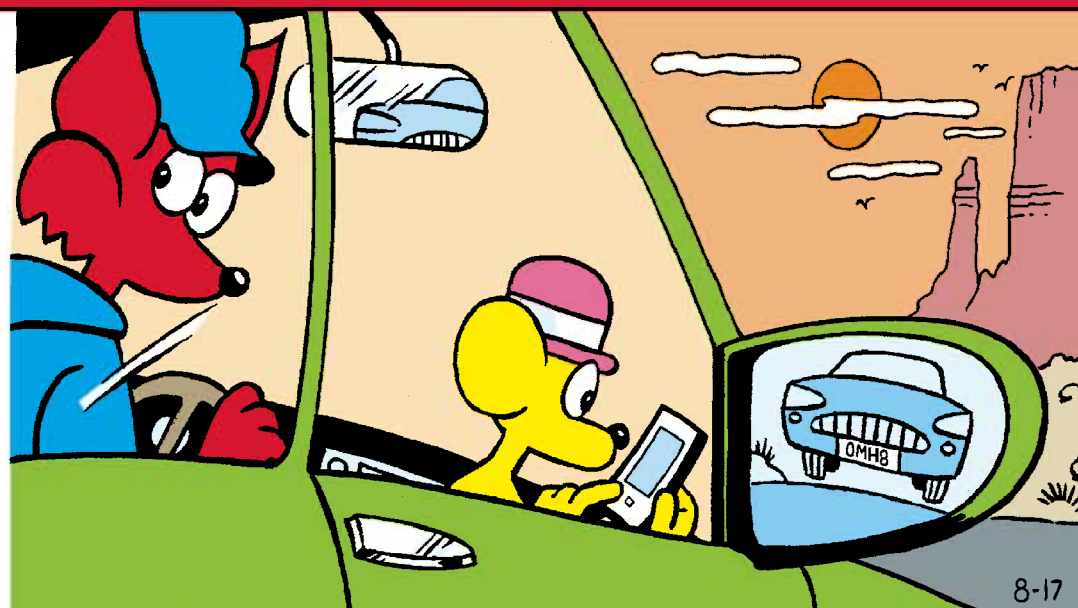
ANSWER: FERRIS WHEEL

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BY BOB WEBER JR.

Slylock Fox is being followed by a mysterious motorist. Max Mouse observed and reported the car's license plate, **OMH8**, to the police. But the police computer doesn't have a record of the plate. Slylock knows why. Do you?

Solution -- Max made the observation from the mirror, which reversed the image of the plate. It actually reads **8HMO**.



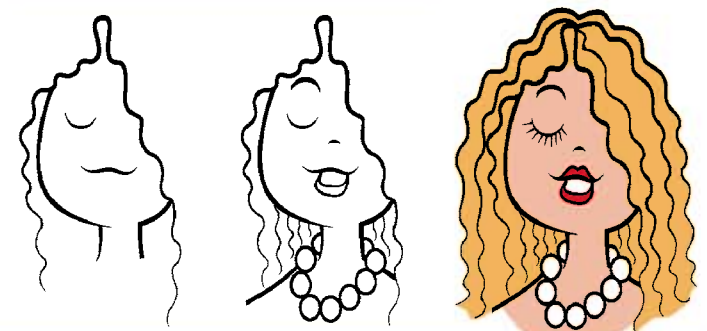
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- 2) TUELVRU
- 3) YETOCO
- 4) TASKETLREAN

Answer -- 1) Scorpion 2) Vulture 3) Coyote 4) Rattlesnake

Answer -- Leaf, bat, TV, drop, newspaper and cord.

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Bird Poop: Hawk not able to accept defeat

From the oil fields to Odessa had been an unpleasant trip. Trapped inside a five-gallon bucket, a raptor could not find a way to escape.

Preventing its departure was a makeshift top. With a coarse twine, an oilfield employee had tied a wooden plank to the broken handle parts still wedged into the sides of the bucket. Having placed the homemade container in the back of his pickup, he had started the long drive to the city.

By the time we received the bird, it had been buffeted by August's heat and wind, and noise created by eighteen-wheelers and passing motorists. Weak, dehydrated, and starving, the juvenile Swainson's hawk had been exposed to extreme conditions by an unknowing, yet caring individual.

As the employee told us of encountering the bird, he said it was unable to elevate more than about a foot and a half. Then it would settle back down. Its attempt to fly had carried it no more than about seven feet. Even though the precision of each wing lifting, then lowering, in harmony had seemed normal, the man sensed something was wrong with the raptor.

For several days, R & R seemed to be acceptable to this young bird of prey. Without the well-meaning efforts of the man to rescue it, the Swainson's probably would have died. Instead, having suffered the indignity of it all seemed to spur a determination in it to survive in spite of humans.

From underneath, it had the typical coloration of a light juvenile. Across a creamy upper chest, its

chestnut-brown bib was just becoming more noticeable. Its brown upper parts and head were a sharp contrast to its pale belly. Dark bands accented its grayish tail. Against its dark flight feathers, light wing linings were notable.

After delivering the hawk to Gail Barnes at the wildlife center, we awaited her report from their veterinarian. Her call was both good and worrisome.

A stress fracture in one wing would heal with time. Then we would learn if it could ever fly again.

The next report was of its killing mice. Seemingly healing on its own, the raptor was making slow, but positive progress.

When told Gail had moved it and another Swainson's to a mew in the barn, our protégé still wouldn't fly. However, it did claim the lowest perch. A week passed.

Sensing the openness of the flight cage might be the challenge it needed, Gail relocated the hawk again. Three, then four days passed. It still wasn't flying.

A week and a half passed quickly. Then Gail called. "The Swainson's is on the highest perch!"

It flew when it was ready to fly!" Thinking back to when the hawk was found, I remembered the oilfield employee describing the big brown bird's meager attempt to get away. Finally, all it could muster was to spread its wings wide open in a defensive posturing. Although depleted of energy and sustenance, it had exhibited the tenacious behavior of one not ready to accept defeat.

Its success in hunting,



Courtesy photo

A summer raptor, the Swainson's hawk is often seen in open country while soaring on thermal updrafts. Arriving sometime between March and May, it joins other members of its specie in an annual migration southward in late August or early September.

while grounded, for insects, ground squirrels, and mice had been minimal. The danger of predators was continuous. But by not flying, it had naturally enabled itself to start the healing process.

By the end of August, it had risen slowly but strongly into our summer skies. Seeking the updrafts it would need, the raptor would be joining other Swainson's hawks. Together, their large flocks could travel as far south as Argentina.

To endure the dust of oilfield roads, the bumps of remote, two lane roads, and the noise of Interstate 20 must have seemed insufferable to this summer visitor. If it had been capable of human thought, surely its comment would have been, "Oh, the ignominy of it all!"

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

Are diet sodas less harmful for your teeth?

Compared to regular carbonated soft drinks are diet drinks a healthier alternative for you or your teeth? The answers are slightly different to this two part question. For your teeth the answer is not really and for your health the answer appears to be not at all.

Let's talk about teeth first.

As you may know, the bacteria in your mouth eat and drink what you do. They especially like sugars of any type...processed cane (sucrose), milk (lactose), fruit (fructose).

The bacteria ingest these sugars, especially sucrose, and produce acids as waste products. These acids are what cause cavities in teeth. To put it bluntly, bacteria eat sugar and pee acid which rots your teeth.

Soft drinks are particularly harmful for teeth for several reasons. They are full of sugar, they are very acidic themselves, and people tend to drink them over extended time periods.

While guzzling soft drinks down would not be helpful health wise, it actually would do less harm to the teeth than sipping slowly.

It takes your mouth about 45 minutes for your saliva to "clear" the effects of any acid attack.

So wouldn't diet drinks be less harmful to the teeth since they don't have sugar. The answer is not really for two reasons. First, these drinks are still very acidic themselves. Second, studies have shown that over time the bacteria will "learn" how to metabolize (use) most artificial sweeteners just like they do sugar.

I tell my patients there are only two things they can sip on all day and not hurt their teeth. They are water and unsweetened tea. Water is obvious. Unsweetened tea is also great because not only does it not contain sugar, but because it is basic (meaning the opposite of acidic). So tea, as long as its unsweetened, actually helps counteract acid.

Now the health effects of soft drinks. As you would expect, people who drink a lot of sugary soft drinks tend to be overweight and have a higher incidence of diabetes and metabolic syndrome (a combination of high blood sugar, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and large waist measurement).

So wouldn't diet drinks be better? The answer is they are probably even worse.

They taste very sweet and may dull our sense of taste to foods like fruit with lower concentrations of natural sugars. So our diet may end up containing fewer healthy foods.

They stimulate insulin production which puts us at increased risk for diabetes and metabolic syndrome just like regular sodas.

People who drink diet sodas may have even more weight problems. This may be a "chicken or egg" phenomenon, but statistically those who drink diet drinks are heavier. Even though they are sweet, they do not make us less hungry. There's also a psychological effect of thinking "since I saved calories on my soda, I can eat more pizza, etc."

Diet sodas have also been implicated in frequent headaches in some people, in increased rates of osteoporosis, depression, and heart disease.

Both diet and regular soda's cause us many problems in and of themselves, but there is one more issue. Your body desperately needs to be well hydrated with water.

When we quench our thirsts with these harmful sodas, diet and regular, we are not putting in our body what it needs. Water is beneficial to our entire body and even to the teeth as it helps wash away food particles left in the mouth before the bacterial can eat them and "pee" in your mouth.

Dr David Ward practices comprehensive general dentistry in Big Spring. He is a member of the Permian Basin Dental Society, the Texas and American Dental Associations, the Institute for Advanced Laser Dentistry, the International Dental Implant Association, and the Academy of GP Orthodontics.



DR. DAVID WARD

Each moment is a new beginning

I had a memory flash today that reminded me of years ago when my grandpa was picking up pecans from his back yard.

I asked him why his pecans were big and paper shelled when the neighbor's pecans were small and hard shelled. He said because years ago he grafted

the paper shelled into the native tree and now he has the benefits of his prior labor. I've thought about that many times and it dawned on me that we do the same thing every day as people. Our lives graft on to other lives, or other lives graft on to our life and change takes place.

The lives of our family, our friends, our acquaintances and even those we don't really like change our lives and we actually become

different, and the 'different' can be either good or bad. I don't like to focus on the bad so allow me to take a few moments to focus on the good, or the things that bring success.

I once heard it said that the most important things in life are not things at all, but the moments we share, the roads we have travelled and the people we have known. These are the things that develop memories and memories develop the person we truly are.

Memories allow us a way of holding on to the things we love, the things we are, and the things we never want to lose and give us a place to hide our forgotten treasures. We should cherish all of our memories for those memories are the experiences of yesterday and are the things that have molded us into what we are today.

I heard someone say that we should enjoy the little things in life for some day we may look back and realize

that those little things were really big things and that time is made up of captured moments and produce memories that the heart will never forget. Our todays and yesterdays are the blocks with which we build our tomorrows.

As we savor the beauty of life and believe that each moment in time is a new beginning we realize that every moment may be temporary but the memory will possibly last forever. And these memories are the best things we can give to our children and our future generations.

I remember someone saying that success is when we look back at our lives and our memories make us smile and sometimes those smiles turn into tears of happiness.

I guess, what really matters aren't the things we do today but how they affect what we do tomorrow. Not the knowledge we have learned, but how we applied it; not the words

that were said, but how they made us feel, and most of all, not the moment of occurrence, but how it's now just a part of our memory.

It has been said that something about a person will survive after his death. It could be in the same fashion of the pecan; that a type of cutting that was taken from one person and grafted onto the heart of another continues to carry on its existence even when the person from whom it had been detached has perished.

Let me share a poem that leaves this same thought. Its author is unknown but the poem still reaches out and touches.

The tide recedes but what it leaves is seashells in the sand.

The sun goes down, but leaves it's warmth across the weary land.

The music stops and leaves its echoes in sweet refrains.

And every joy that passes, something beautiful remains.

Every day we make memories, let's paint

our lives with happy ones.

Darrell Ryan is direc-

tor of safety for the 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.

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Report: OSU's Braxton Miller reinjures shoulder

(AP) — With just over two weeks remaining before its season opener, it appears No. 5 Ohio State has already sustained a devastating loss. Two-time Big Ten offensive player of the year, quarterback Braxton Miller, considered among the top contenders for the Heisman Trophy, reportedly reinjured his throwing shoulder in practice on Monday. Ohio State officials declined

to confirm Miller was hurt or speak to the severity of the injury, first reported by The Columbus Dispatch. Miller, a senior, had missed all of spring practice after what was termed "minor, outpatient surgery" on his right shoulder. When workouts resumed in August, he had been held out of a scrimmage and a few practices after experiencing some soreness in the shoulder. But he proclaimed

last week and again on Monday that he was healthy and ready to go. Head coach Urban Meyer said last week that he expected result of Miller's throwing in practice. "I anticipated this," Meyer said. "I've dealt with guys with arm issues before, and we're being very cautious. He could have practiced (in one of the workouts in which he

didn't play) but we're in it for the long haul. So he's right on schedule." Speaking briefly with reporters after Monday's first practice of a two-a-day session, Miller said he was feeling fine and would be in good shape for the season opener on Aug. 30 against Navy in Baltimore. At the Buckeyes' media day last week, Miller said his arm felt good and he was able to

throw as much as he liked. "After my rehab, I was throwing to guys at least four days out of the week," he said. "Our timing and our situation-wise, when I get back in there it'll be like I never left." If Miller is unable to play in the Buckeyes' opener, red-shirt freshman J.T. Barrett would likely get the start, backed by sophomore Cardale Jones.

'Y' swimmers splash to medals at Midland meet

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor
Myles Jones and the Big Spring YMCA Hurricanes made sure everyone who saw them at the West Texas C Championships in Midland last weekend will remember their names.

The Hurricanes turned in one of the top team efforts at the event. Overall, the Big Spring swimmers walked away with seven first-place finishes. "The entire team did really well and I was proud of everyone that competed," said Hurricanes' coach Randall Shaw. Jones was by far the big winner at the meet. The Big Spring standout walked away with four wins in the boys' 13 and Over division.

Jones began his medal run with a dominating victory in the 200-yard freestyle race. He posted a time of 2 minutes and 14.01 seconds in the event. He tacked on wins in the 50-yard backstroke, the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard freestyle races. In the 100-yard freestyle, Jones posted a huge win, finishing almost 6 seconds ahead of his nearest competitor. Nelson Wylie and Avarielle Nuno also collected wins at the meet, which was the final outing of the season for the Hurricanes in the USA

Swimming circuit. Wylie won the boys' 11-12-year old division's 50-yard and 100-yard breaststroke titles. He also finished eighth in the 100-yard backstroke and sixth in the 100-yard freestyle races. Big Spring also picked up a strong outing from Evan Adlesperger. He finished fourth in the 100-yard backstroke, and took second in the 50-yard freestyle and 50-yard breaststroke.

Corbin Blair placed 11th in the boys' 100-yard freestyle standings. Nuno notched the Hurricanes' lone win in the girls' division, claiming the top spot in the 9-10 division's 50-yard fly race. She also finished fourth in the 100-yard freestyle and 100-yard IM races, and fifth in the 50-yard breaststroke.

Zoe Shaw almost gave Big Spring another medal. She finished second in the girls' 6 and Under 25-year freestyle race, and third in the 50-yard backstroke. The Hurricanes have expanded their swim team recently, said Shaw. "We have added a beginners swim team called the Splash team. The Splash team is a beginners' team with the goal of getting younger kids strong enough to compete and eventually practice with our more advanced swim group."



Fresh off winning the Silver division championship at the Bev Ball Classic on Saturday, the Big Spring High School Lady Steers will make their first home appearance of the season this evening when they face off against Abilene Wylie. Games will begin at 5 p.m. with the freshman and JV matchups.

Big Spring spikers to host 10th-ranked Wylie tonight

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor
Life has been good for the Big Spring High School Lady Steers over the course of the last four days.

The team finished an 8-game road swing to start the season with a .500 record. They won three straight games on Saturday to claim the Silver Division championship at the Bev Ball Classic in Abilene. And now, they get to play in front of the home fans for the first time. Big Spring, now 4-4 overall, will make its first home appearance

Texas Girls Coaches Association Class 4A Volleyball Poll

1.....	Decatur
2.....	Longview Spring Hill
3.....	Caldwell
4.....	Melissa
5.....	Wimberley
6.....	Bullard
7.....	Fredericksburg
8.....	Bellville
9.....	Paris North Lamar
10.....	Abilene Wylie

this evening when they face off against the Abilene Wylie Lady Bulldogs. The matchup will begin at 5 p.m. with the freshman and junior varsity contests. The

BSHS varsity will take to the court at the Steer Gym at approximately 6 p.m. Abilene Wylie won't be a new face for the Lady Steers. Big Spring face Wylie in the first round of the Bev Ball Classic on Friday. The Lady Bulldogs, who were ranked No. 3 in the Class 4A rankings in the preseason, entered tonight's showdown as the 10th-ranked team in the latest Texas Girls Coaches Association's volleyball poll. The Lady Bulldogs did not qualify for the championships in the Gold division at the Bev Ball Classic after winning their pool on Friday.

Hamilton out of LA's lineup again

BOSTON (AP) — Los Angeles Angels outfielder Josh Hamilton is out of the lineup again for Monday night's game against the Red Sox, a day after asking for a day off. Angels manager Mike Scioscia said that Hamilton needs another day to relax and he would be coming to the park early Tuesday to work on things. "He's going to come out early Tuesday, work on a couple of things and hopefully be ready to go," Scioscia said. "Just a day to kind of rest and hopefully move towards that goal." Hamilton is hitting .266 with eight homers and 35 RBIs. He has just two homers and three RBIs this month.

Manziel's gesture taints Browns' loss

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — If the Cleveland Browns pick a quarterback based solely on numbers, there's not much either Johnny Manziel or Brian Hoyer did to show he deserves the job. If the choice is based on maturity, the hot-shot rookie's obscene gesture lost him some ground to the nondescript sixth-year veteran. Manziel raised his middle finger toward the opponents' bench as he returned to the huddle late in the third quarter of Monday night's 24-23 loss to the Washington Redskins. Truth be told, it was one of the few times a Browns QB actually found his intended

target. "It does not sit well," Cleveland coach Mike Pettine said. "It's disappointing, because what we talk about is being poised and being focused.... That's a big part of all football players, especially the quarterback." Manziel called the moment a "lapse of judgment" and suggested it was brought about by another game of unprintable verbal grief from another team's players and fans. He was openly mocked by Brian Orakpo in the first quarter when the Redskins linebacker raised both hands and performed the 2012 Heisman Trophy winner's "money" gesture after a sack by Ryan Kerrigan.

JH volleyball tryouts to be Aug. 25-26

Big Spring Junior High School students wishing to participate in the volleyball program will get their chance to take to the court in the coming days. The BSJHS coaching staff announced it would be holding junior high school volleyball tryouts for seventh and eighth grade girls on Aug. 25-26 in the west gym. The tryouts will begin on Aug. 25, starting at

4 p.m. The tryout will run through 6 p.m. Two tryout sessions will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 26. The first session will be held from 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Those unable to attend the morning tryout period can attend the afternoon session which will get under way at 4 p.m. and run until 6 p.m. All students wishing to try out for the BSJHS seventh and eighth

grade volleyball teams must have a physical prior to the tryouts. The BSJHS volleyball teams are scheduled to face Sweetwater and Snyder in scrimmages on Aug. 28 before opening the 2014 season on Sept. 4 with home games against Lamesa. The Big Spring Area Team Tournament will be held on Sept. 27. Teams from throughout the area will be participating in the event.

Ballmer debuts as Clippers' owner

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Sweating, clapping and shouting until he was nearly hoarse, Steve Ballmer introduced himself to Los Angeles Clippers fans at a rally on Monday celebrating his new ownership of the NBA team. The former Microsoft CEO made his way through the crowd in-

side Staples Center to Eminem's "Lose Yourself," exchanging high-fives and chest-bumping as he took the stage in front of 4,500 fans. Ballmer paid a record \$2 billion for the team in a sale that was confirmed by a judge last week. The name of disgraced former owner Donald Sterling, who

controlled the team for 33 years before being banned for life by the NBA for racist remarks, was never uttered during the rally. "We're looking forward," Ballmer proclaimed, having removed his blue Clippers hat. "Everything is about looking forward."

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have a true love of life and its pleasures, and you'll express that today. Don't waste your time with the people around you who don't get it. Focus on the ones who seem to be riding your wavelength.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Rich food and drink are not your friends. These substances go down easy, but there is a cost that you won't want to pay. Consider that a food addiction can be harder to kick than a drug addiction.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're somewhat of a social genius today, as you gather your bouquet of friends and enjoy the sweet perfume of their conversation. Just don't try to

fix their problems. Your polite attention will help -- the rest is up to them.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The difference between friends and acquaintances will be made clear -- hopefully not painfully so. Confucius suggested that some friendships are honey-thick, but the best friendships are lighter than water.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Everything will align in your favor to provide more time for fun. Travel will go well, especially short distances and brief stays. All will be pleasant as you stick with your own agenda (and transportation).

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Fluttery stomach? Take it as a good sign. You're close to the deal, near to the love of your life or onto a situation you should run from fast. Make excitement and/or nervousness work in your favor.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Utilize your network to its potential, and not just the social network, either. Include the physical, emotional and spiritual network you've built. There are many on your side who would love to support you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have your short list of people you check in on regularly for wisdom, insight and brilliance. Now it's time to make the list a little longer. After all, there are many minds out there you could learn from.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Hard to believe, but there are those who simply won't join the digital age. The people who

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Well, you didn't imagine this scenario, and yet here it is, the inevitable result of the situation you engineered. You'll find it interesting, inspiring and life changing. This is an affirmation about action.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). More than any expert or the sum opinion of any crowd, trust yourself. You know best. Trust that inner light bulb. You know even more precisely and correctly than your own mother.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 19). You have lofty dreams and all of the talent and drive you need to make them real. You'll be the best leader for the job, so don't wait to be invited; step up in September. October brings opportunity through your family. Young people are extremely lucky for you, so teach and give all you can to them -- it will come back tenfold. Pisces and Capricorn people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 25, 31, 22 and 11.

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Dear Annie: My 5-year-old son has been claiming to see the paranormal. I'm sure part of it is just his imagination.

But sometimes he describes in great detail people and even pets who have died. He mainly claims to see a cousin he never met, but whom he can describe accurately. Sometimes, he will sit up in bed and start talking to a wall, saying he is talking to his cousin.

Now he says he can see someone else. He isn't sure who it is, but it frightens him. My son won't even walk past the bedroom door without me or another adult with him and the bedroom light on.

We don't let him watch

scary movies or anything like that. Is it possible that he is really seeing these things? I've

mentioned it to a few different ministers who just laughed it off and said there is no such thing as the paranormal. Any advice would be appreciated. -- *A Fan of Your Work*

Dear Fan: The fact that your son

doesn't watch scary movies does not mean he hasn't been exposed to ads for them or comments from friends. Nonetheless, our concern is not that your son is making it up. Sometimes manifestations of the paranormal can indicate a medical problem. Please take him to his doctor for a complete checkup,

including a neurological exam.

Dear Annie: A couple in our social circle have developed a disgusting habit in recent years, and no one knows how to approach them about it. These people blow their noses at the dinner table every time they sit down and then return their dirty tissues to their pockets and carry on eating. This is not just a gentle dab at the end of the nose. It's a full-blown empty-the-sinus kind of thing.

These people are well educated with good jobs. I'm sure they would be devastated if we said something, but it has reached the point where we no longer accept dinner invitations if we know they will be there, because this nose blowing turns our stomachs. We can't understand how no one in their family has mentioned it to them.

Is this a social faux pas, or are we too picky? -- *Disgusted*

Dear Disgusted: It is definitely a social faux pas to blow one's nose at the dinner table. One can wipe a snuffle, but blasting more than that should be done in the privacy of the bathroom. Should it happen again in your presence, simply say, "My goodness, Horace! Your allergies must be getting worse. You'd make all of us more comfortable if you used the powder room to take care of that." The two of them may be mildly miffed, but making people sick at the dinner table is not appropriate.

Dear Annie: I would like to contribute to the responses to "Frustrated with Noise," who complained about young children in church.

When my sons were small, they were a wild bunch running down the aisles of our synagogue. Our rabbi never reprimanded them. If a baby cried during services, the rabbi would

always ask the parents not to remove the child.

One day he explained: He was a Holocaust survivor. The first year after he was liberated from the concentration camp, there were no children at services. They had all been murdered. After a year or so, people started to have children again. Babies were born. At the first service with children in attendance, there was the sound of babies crying. It was such a joyful sound that our rabbi never again wanted to preside over a service without the sound of children. -- *Agoura Hills, Calif.*

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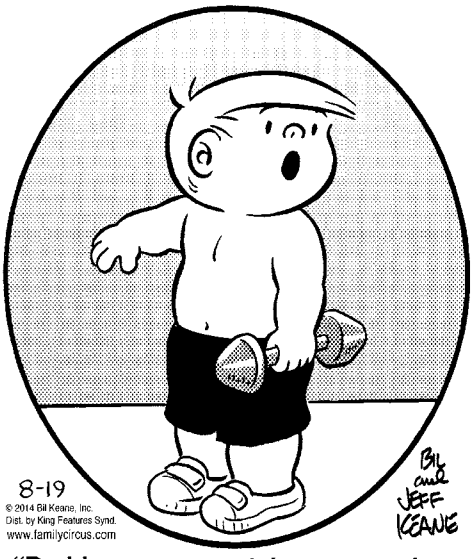


"COULD I GET A NICKEL'S WORTH OF DIMES?"

BC

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



"Daddy, can you watch me pump iron and let me know when my muscles are big enough?"

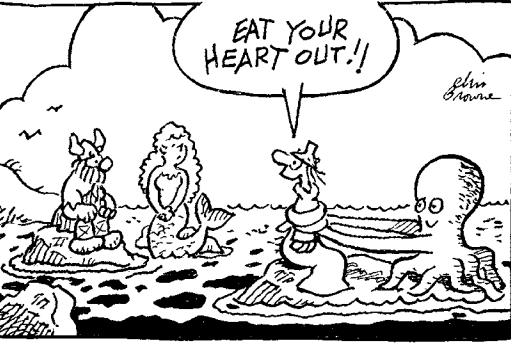
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HAGAR



NO THANKS

BLONDIE



HEY, DAG, IS THE BOSS REALLY MAD ABOUT SOMETHING?

I DUNNO...JUST A WEIRD VIBE

YOU TOUCH YOU DIE!



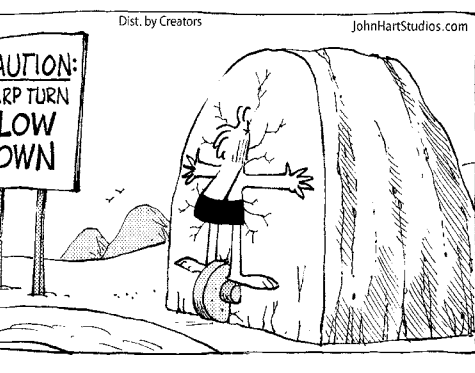
WE REALLY NEED TO TALK ABOUT PLACEMENT.

CAUTION: SHARP TURN SLOW DOWN

DUDE! TOP OF THE FOOD CHAIN, REMEMBER?

WIZARD OF ID

8-19



MY NEW DANCE CRAZE IS SORT OF LIKE THE CHICKEN DANCE, ONLY SLOWER AND MERGED WITH THE QUIET GRACE OF A BOLSHOI BALLET.

I ADDED SOME HOKEY-POKEY ELEMENTS, AND NOT A FEW HIPHOP DERIVED PHONETIC GRUNTINGS AND ODDGRABS.

I ALSO ADDED A HAT FEATURE.

NOT A DANCE CRAZE WITHOUT A HAT FEATURE.

AGNES

8-19



THERE'S MY BAG.

YOU MUST BE A FATHER.

THE HANDLE ON MY BAG BROKE.

HI AND LOIS

8-19



THERE ARE A WHOLE BUNCH OF FOLKS OUTSIDE RUNNING.

MUST HAVE SEEN A SQUIRREL.

REALLY? YOU THINK SO?

WHY ELSE WOULD ANYONE RUN?

ALL OF THEM CHASING ONE SQUIRREL?

THEY PROBABLY EACH HAVE THEIR OWN SQUIRREL.

SNUFFY SMITH

8-19



HAVE YA SEEN MABEL'S BROTHER, LUREEN?

YEP, HE'S TH' LAST MAN ON EARTH I'D WANNA DATE !!

SO, TECHNIC'L Y, HE'S STILL ON TH' LIST !!

BEETLE BAILEY

8-19



MIND IF I PLAY SOME TUNES?

GO AHEAD

AFTER A DAY ON THE FIRING RANGE, NOBODY CAN HEAR ANYTHING!

MINDY MEYER

8-19

This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, August 19, the 231st day of 2014. There are 134 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On August 19, A.D. 14, Caesar Augustus, Rome's first emperor, died at age 76 after a reign lasting four decades; he was succeeded by his stepson Tiberius. On this date: In 1812, the USS Constitution defeated the British frigate HMS Guerriere off Nova Scotia during the War of 1812, earning the nickname "Old Iron-

sides." In 1814, during the War of 1812, British forces landed at Benedict, Maryland, with the objective of capturing Washington, D.C. In 1918, "Yip! Yip! Yaphank," a musical revue by Irving Berlin featuring Army recruits from Camp Upton in Yaphank, New York, opened on Broadway. In 1934, a plebiscite in Germany approved the vesting of sole executive power in Adolf Hitler. In 1936, the first of a series of show trials orchestrated by Soviet leader Josef Stalin began in Moscow as 16 defendants faced charges of conspiring

against the government (all were convicted and executed). In 1942, during World War II, about 6,000 Canadian and British soldiers launched a disastrous raid against the Germans at Dieppe, France, suffering more than 50-percent casualties. In 1955, severe flooding in the northeastern U.S. claimed some 200 lives.

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Answer to previous puzzle

AMMO	LOLL	ROOM
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	FLIEE	INN
MOHAIR	MARY	SRS
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STRIKEUP	THEBAND	
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REDS	TINS	WEST

Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- Imitating electronics giant
 - Florist's container
 - Conceited
 - Use crayons
 - Little tricksters
 - Money in Italy
 - Oklahoma oil city
 - Hair ringle
 - Bring to a halt
 - Very small
 - Boulder
 - Soft French cheese
 - Police officer
 - Working cooperatively
 - Selects
 - Gestured goodbye
 - Small talk
 - Soothing plant extract
 - Oz scarecrow's desire
 - Windy-day toy
 - Wet-weather outerwear
 - Legendary wish granter
 - Whirling, as water
 - Make believe
 - Big roll of cash
 - Harbor marker
 - Beetle Bailey's love
 - Very small
 - "It's clear now"
 - Baseball batter's play
 - Wear away
 - Make preparations
 - Lobby for
 - Stovetop appliance

- DOWN**
- Play opener
 - Look sullen
 - Woes
 - Overly inquisitive
 - Snatched
 - Person scammed
 - Entertain
 - Full of pep
 - Class for immigrants: Abbr.
 - Very small
 - Sedan or coupe
 - Waffle cooker
 - "Don't think so"
 - 401(k) alternative
 - Chimney grime
 - Place for a goatee
 - In the know
 - Course with lettuce
 - Keep away from
 - Very small
 - Illinois city, for short
 - Shoes' sparkle
 - Dine at home
 - Knight's mount
 - Feline
 - Fleming's Agent 007
 - Dustcloth
 - Italian farewell
 - Yellowstone spouters
 - Kicked on a fourth down
 - Spoil, as food
 - Spree
 - Tears apart
 - Capital of Norway
 - Unkind
 - Nothing but Persia
 - Geographic area
 - Slight advantage
 - Stags and fawns
 - Unopened blossom

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Scoreboard

BASKETBALL WNBA

Table with columns: Eastern Conference, Western Conference, Monday's Games, Tuesday's Games. Rows include Atlanta, Indiana, Washington, Chicago, New York, Connecticut, Phoenix, Minnesota, Los Angeles, San Antonio, Seattle, Tulsa.

HOME RUNS - Jabreu, Chicago, 31; NCruz, Baltimore, 31; Carter, Houston, 29; Ortiz, Boston, 28; Encarnacion, Toronto, 27; Trout, Los Angeles, 27; Donaldson, Oakland, 25. STOLEN BASES - Altuve, Houston, 46; Ellsbury, New York, 31; RDavis, Detroit, 30; JDyson, Kansas City, 27; AEscobar, Kansas City, 24; Andrus, Texas, 22; Reyes, Toronto, 22. PITCHING - Scherzer, Detroit, 14-4; FHernandez, Seattle, 13-4; Richards, Los Angeles, 13-4; Kazmir, Oakland, 13-5; Kluber, Cleveland, 13-6; Weaver, Los Angeles, 13-7; PHughes, Minnesota, 13-8; Lester, Oakland, 13-8; Porcello, Detroit, 13-8. ERA - FHernandez, Seattle, 1.99; Sale, Chicago, 2.01; Kluber, Cleveland, 2.41; Tanaka, New York, 2.51; Richards, Los Angeles, 2.53; Lester, Oakland, 2.58; Lester, Oakland, 2.58. STRIKEOUTS - Price, Detroit, 212; FHernandez, Seattle, 197; Kluber, Cleveland, 197; Scherzer, Detroit, 196; Darvish, Texas, 182; Lester, Oakland, 174; Richards, Los Angeles, 164. SAVES - Holland, Kansas City, 37; Rodney, Seattle, 35; DavRobertson, New York, 33; Perkins, Minnesota, 31; Uehara, Boston, 26; Britton, Baltimore, 26; Nathan, Detroit, 25.

Canadian Football League

Table with columns: East Division, West Division, Friday, Aug. 22, Saturday, Aug. 23, Sunday, Aug. 24. Rows include Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa, Montreal, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, B.C., Saskatchewan.

National Football League Preseason American Conference

Table with columns: East Division, West Division, National Conference East, South, North, West. Rows include Washington, Atlanta, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Arizona, Colorado, Chicago Cubs, Washington, Arizona, Atlanta, Pittsburgh, Seattle, St. Louis, Arizona, Seattle, San Fran, St. Louis, Arizona, Seattle, San Fran, St. Louis.

National Football League Preseason National Conference

Table with columns: East, South, North, West. Rows include N.Y. Giants, Washington, Dallas, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Atlanta, Carolina, Tampa Bay, Chicago, Minnesota, Detroit, Green Bay, Arizona, Seattle, San Fran, St. Louis.

TRANSACTIONS Major League Baseball

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE - Suspended Pittsburgh RHP Michael Clemens (Bristol-Appalachian) 68 games for violations of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program. American League - BOSTON RED SOX - Optioned OF Jackie Bradley Jr. to Pawtucket (IL). Recalled OF/INF Mookie Betts from Pawtucket. Sent OF Allen Craig to Pawtucket for a rehab assignment. DETROIT TIGERS - Assigned RHP Kevin Whelan outright to Toledo (IL). SEATTLE MARINERS - Optioned OF James Jones to Tacoma (PCL). Recalled LHP Roenis Elias from Tacoma. TORONTO BLUE JAYS - Claimed 1B Matt Hague off waivers from Pittsburgh and assigned him to Buffalo (IL). National League - ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS - Optioned RHP Bradin Hagens to Reno (PCL). Recalled RHP Will Harris from Reno. Sent SS Chris Owings to the AZL Diamondbacks for a rehab assignment. CINCINNATI REDS - Optioned RHPs Curtis Partch and Dylan Axelrod and C Tucker Barnhart to Louisville (IL). Reinstated 2B Brandon Phillips and RHP Logan Ondrusek from the 15-day DL. COLORADO ROCKIES - Optioned INF Ben Paulsen to

Colorado Springs (PCL). SAN DIEGO PADRES - Optioned LHP Robbie Erlin to El Paso (PCL). WASHINGTON NATIONALS - Agreed to terms with OF Nate Schierholtz on a minor league contract and assigned him to Syracuse (IL).

BASKETBALL National Basketball Association

DETROIT PISTONS - Signed F Cartier Martin and C Aaron Gray. MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES - Signed F Jarnell Stokes to a multiyear contract. TORONTO RAPTORS - Signed F/G Jordan Hamilton. FOOTBALL - National Football League NFL - Named Peter O'Reilly senior vice president of events. CHICAGO BEARS - Signed KR-PR Darius Reynaud and CB Peyton Thompson to one-year contracts. Waived S Chad Rempel and P Tress Way. MINNESOTA VIKINGS - Placed LB Dom DeCicco on the waived-injured list. Claimed LB Justin Jackson off waivers from Detroit. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS - Released LS Tyler Ott. Re-signed TE Justin Jones. SAN DIEGO CHARGERS - Released DE Damik Scafe. Signed DL Doug Worthington.

Oklahoma suspends RB Mixon for season

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) - Oklahoma has suspended freshman running back Joe Mixon for the season after he pleaded not guilty to a misdemeanor charge of assault.

Mixon, one of the nation's top recruits, is accused of knocking a woman unconscious with a punch and breaking several bones in her face last month.

A release from the school said university President David Boren accepted the recommendation of athletic director Joe Castiglione and coach Bob Stoops to suspend Mixon. He will be excluded from all team activities and removed from the team roster.

After Monday's practice, Stoops chose not to talk about Mixon.

"That's not something I'm going to delve into

right now, because it leads to further questions in that regard, and I'm going to talk about the guys that are eligible to play right now," Stoops said.

The school said with appropriate conditions, Mixon will be permitted to continue as a student, eligible for financial aid.

"As the university has demonstrated in the past, we are committed to winning the right way," the school said in the release. "As an example to others, OU sets the highest possible standards for its student athletes, coaches and staff."

According to a probable cause affidavit released by the Cleveland County District Attorney's office, the alleged victim told police Mixon directed a homosexual slur at her friend and there was an argument.

Advertisement for 'Keep Texas Waterways Clean' featuring HEB sponsorship for the 'Love our Lake' event on Saturday August 23, 2014 at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Includes text about bringing rakes and gloves and contact information for Peggy Hopper.

Advertisement for 'SAVE THE SALES TAX EVENT' at Allan's Gallery. Features images of furniture and text: 'Our Already Low Prices are 8.25% Lower!*', 'MATTRESS BLOWOUT SALE!', 'STARTING AT \$247', 'FIRM Queen Set.. \$397', 'PLUSH Queen Set.. \$347', 'PILLOWTOP Queen Set.. \$497'. Address: 202 Scurry St. | Big Spring, TX 79720 | 432.267.7416