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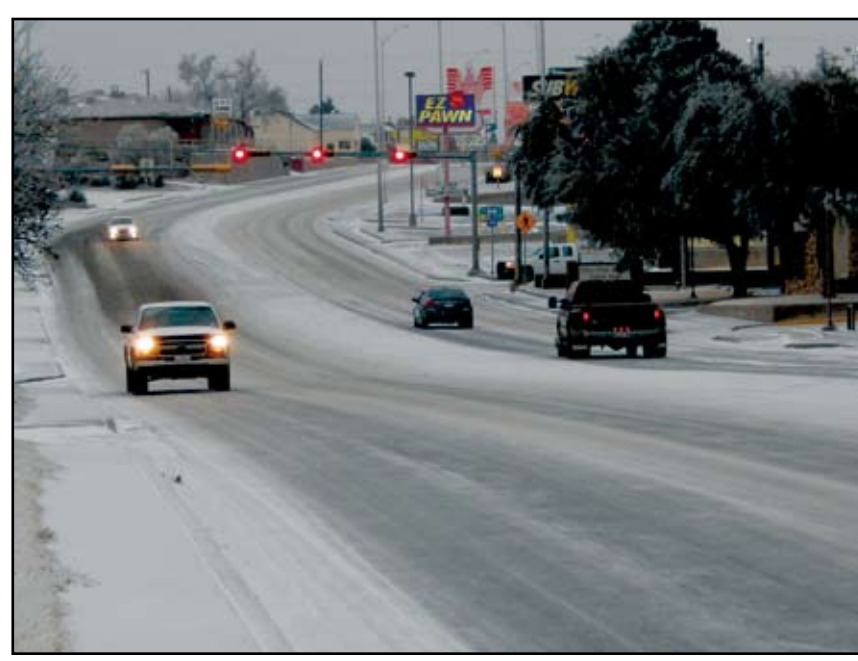
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## H-H-Happy New Year's Eve



A winter storm system passed through this area Tuesday night, covering everything in a blanket of ice and making roads nearly impassable. HERALD photos/Lyndel Moody and Steve Reagan

### Ice storm leaves frigid temps, hazardous roads in its wake

**BY LYNDEL MOODY**  
 Staff Writer

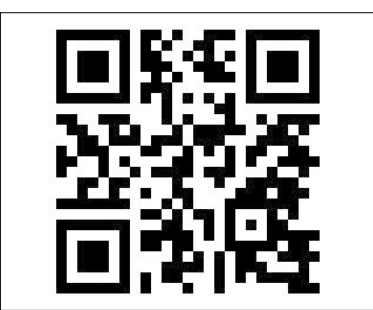
Baby, it's cold outside — and don't expect it to get any better for New Year's Day. According to the National Weather Service in Midland, the Crossroads area should see decreasing precipitation throughout the day with light, freezing raining and snow flurries. The temperature mostly likely will not rise above, or even reach, 25 degrees, so the chance of ice melting seems to be minimal. Tonight, residents should brace for more icy precipitation. According to the weather service, an uptick in freezing precipitation means a strong possibility of more ice on the road. City officials are asking residents to stay home unless absolutely necessary. City Manager Todd Darden said today city offices will stay closed because of the weather.

Trash collection, emergency crews and street crews will continue to work, he added, but all non-essential personnel are asked to stay home. City offices will stay closed through New Year's Day. "We want anyone who does not need to be on the roads, to please stay at home," Darden said. Big Spring emergency personnel were busy working several accidents along I-20 and Highway 87 yesterday. According to officials, 30 wrecks occurred in the city since Tuesday. Calls continued to come in today. Also, the Festival of Lights will not be open for its last day because of weather, according to Pat Simmons of the FoL committee. County offices were open today but not all employees were able to make it to work by the



Several accidents were blamed on icy roads, including this one on Interstate 20 near the Snyder Highway overpass. HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

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### What to do with your Christmas tree

**BY LYNDEL MOODY**  
 Staff Writer

Now that the last light is taken off and the last childhood ornament packed away, the question occurs of what to do with the mighty, barren green left in the middle of the living room. On Tuesday, the city of Big Spring began accepting living Christmas trees at the landfill free of charge and will

continue for one week only, through Tuesday, Jan. 6. No other trash will be accepted with the tree, a press release from the city states. How about doing something else instead of discarding the tree? Organicgardening.com has some alternative suggestions that will allow the tree to become more than the one-time traditional Christmas decoration.

- Make mulch. The website recommends to cut off the boughs and place them among marginally hardy plants or plants susceptible to windburn. This also gives a layer of protection for plants in case of frost or a drop in the temperature.
- Give it to the birds. Move the tree outside. Keep it in the stand or find some other way to keep the tree securely upright. Now it can provide

food and shelter for the wild birds. To help attract birds to the tree, place it near a bird feeder or birdbath or hang bird treats from the tree. • Give it to the fish. If you are lucky enough to have any body of water on your land, sink the tree into a pond. It can provide a habitat for fish and aquatic insects. If this idea appeals to you but you

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### Audit criticizes Texas agency's \$105M contract

**Associated Press**

AUSTIN, Texas — State auditors this week criticized a Texas agency's contract with AT&T that was initially listed as costing \$1 million and then swelled to \$105 million over the course of seven years. A report released Tuesday by the State Auditor's Office also found the Health and Human Services Commission

contract involved agency employees who previously worked for AT&T, representing a conflict of interest. The initial four-year contract with AT&T for telephone services was signed in 2008 and cost nearly \$48 million. Three years later it was amended to nearly \$81 million, but then later increased to \$105 million. "The commission did not adequately monitor and enforce

the terms of the contract or adequately review payments," auditors wrote in the 59-page report. "In addition, the commission did not adequately estimate the contract's cost during planning or ensure that employees adequately completed conflict of interest forms." Because contract managers did not adequately track transactions, the state does not know how much it has

paid AT&T, although auditors estimated payments of at least \$72.5 million from August 2008 to June, the audit said. Additionally, contract managers failed to verify performance claims, including how quickly AT&T responded to issues and completed repairs, the auditors said. The company claimed to have met

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## Obituaries

### Vestal Marshall



Vestal Marshall went to be with the Lord on Dec. 29, 2014, at the age of 96.

She was born Vestal Aileen Smith July 1, 1918, in Westbrook, Texas to Walter Ernest and Lula Mae Smith, followed by younger siblings Walter Ernest Smith, Junior and Betty Lou Smith.

After high school graduation, she attended Tarleton State University for one year. She married Frank Edwin Hall in San Angelo Aug. 23, 1937. While living in Westbrook, two sons, Jerry and Larry Don were born. They moved to Ackerly in 1946 to settle into farming.

After Edwin's death in the fall of 1955, she and cousin, Evelyn Horton, opened a beauty shop in Ackerly where she was working until she was introduced to E. R. "Shorty" Marshall. They found a love and kinship that lasted more than 30 years. Married May 24, 1962, they blended two families together beautifully!

After Shorty's death, Vestal continued to live in Lamesa until health issues took her to an assisted living facility in Big Spring. In October of 2014, she moved to an assisted living facility in Waxahachie to be closer to family.

She is survived by children, Jerry Hall of Kerrville, T. Larry Marshall and wife, Bobbie of Garland, Larry Don Hall and wife, Jeannie of Waxahachie

and Jan Wishard and husband, Mark of Suwanne, Ga.; grandchildren, David Hall of Houston, D'Ann Hall of Richardson, Amy Parker and husband, Steve, of Knott; Scott Marshall and wife, Joanna, of Rockwall, Cheri Combe and husband, Mike, of Suwanne, Ga., Bryan Hall and wife, Denise, of Perry, Okla., Shelli Wishard of Alpharetta, Ga., Gary Hall of Lubbock, and Rebecca Edwards and husband, Joel of Waco; great-grandchildren, Jacob, Jackson, Caroline, and Hadley Hall, Kati Fang, Zachary and Allison Porter, Mason and Landon Parker, Bailey and Abby Marshall, William, Marshall and Wade Combe, Alyssa and Caden Hall, Hannah and Hudson Hall, and Ella, Jack and Lucy Edwards.

Memorials can be made to Foster's Home for Children in Stephenville, Texas or the charity of your choice.

We rejoice for the wonderful life she led and the example she set for all who knew her.

The family would like to thank Heart to Heart Hospice Care for lovingly serving our Mamaw in her last days.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 2, 2014, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. prior to the services.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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### Carroll C. Turlington



Carroll C. Turlington, 88, of Big Spring, died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2014, at the Veterans Administrative Medical Center. Funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, 2015, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Elwin Collom, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating. Burial with military honors will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Nov. 26, 1926, in Barstow, Texas to Lorine (Champ) and Dee Turlington. He married Inez Kimball in 1959 in Monahans, Texas and she preceded him in death on July 20, 2006. He was a veteran of World War II serving with military police in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater. He received the Army Occupation Medal. His awards also included Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal and World War II Victory Medal.

He had been a resident of Big Spring for more than 40 years. He was a pumper for Chevron for 35 years.

He enjoyed walking and fishing. He was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church.

He is survived by two granddaughters, Lynda Walker of Big Spring and Mala Spence and husband Keith of Vail, Ariz.; four grandsons, Terry Duncan and wife Angel of Snyder, Barry Kimball and wife Jerri of Colorado City, Bobby Kimball and wife Linda of Jal, N.M. and Bruce Kimball and wife Vicki of San Angelo; a daughter-in-law: Betty Kimball of Colorado City; and a number of great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one sister Mamie; a step-daughter, Vinita Duncan; and a step-son, Elvin Kimball.

He is now walking with the angels on his daily walks.

Pallbearers will be Brady Walker, Steve Cimino, Wayne Bristow, Dean Cook, Ken Thomas and Rick Watkins.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

*Paid obituary*

### Harry Middleton

Harry Middleton, 86, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2014, in a Lubbock hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

### Nancy Gonzalez

Nancy Gonzalez, 82, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2014, in a local nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 1/1	Fri 1/2	Sat 1/3	Sun 1/4	Mon 1/5
<b>36/30</b> Light freezing rain in the morning...continued cloudy in the afternoon.	<b>38/31</b> A wintry mix to start, then changing to rain.	<b>53/27</b> Mainly sunny. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the upper 20s.	<b>43/29</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the upper 20s.	<b>54/33</b> Sunshine. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the low 30s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:47 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:52 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:47 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:53 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:47 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:53 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:47 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:54 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 7:48 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 5:55 PM



### Texas At A Glance



#### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	32	29	frz rain	Kingsville	45	42	rain
Amarillo	29	18	pt sunny	Livingston	39	37	rain
Austin	38	34	rain	Longview	33	32	frz rain
Beaumont	48	43	rain	Lubbock	30	25	cloudy
Brownsville	53	51	rain	Lufkin	39	36	rain
Brownwood	34	30	frz rain	Midland	38	32	frz rain
Corpus Christi	52	48	rain	Raymondville	51	48	rain
Corsicana	34	33	rain	Rosenberg	48	45	rain
Dallas	34	33	frz rain	San Antonio	40	37	rain
Del Rio	41	39	rain	San Marcos	38	35	rain
El Paso	50	31	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	33	32	frz rain
Fort Stockton	43	35	cloudy	Sweetwater	32	28	frz rain
Gainesville	31	32	frz rain	Tyler	34	33	frz rain
Greenville	32	32	frz rain	Weatherford	32	32	frz rain
Houston	48	45	rain	Wichita Falls	29	26	frz rain

#### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	54	39	pt sunny	Minneapolis	25	8	cloudy
Boston	33	28	mst sunny	New York	37	32	sunny
Chicago	31	22	mst sunny	Phoenix	47	33	pt sunny
Dallas	34	33	frz rain	San Francisco	58	41	sunny
Denver	29	9	pt sunny	Seattle	41	31	sunny
Houston	48	45	rain	St. Louis	39	32	pt sunny
Los Angeles	57	39	windy	Washington, DC	43	34	mst sunny
Miami	80	70	pt sunny				

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- MARY JEAN BERRY, 44, of 903 Abrams St. was arrested on warrants from another agency.
- MARK MATTHEW LINDEM, 37, of 1409 Virginia was arrested on warrants from another agency.
- BRAD WAYNE DUGAN JR., 31, of 4614 Aspen St. was arrested on a charge of burglary of a habitation.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1500 block of west Martin Luther King Boulevard.
- CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ABUSE was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard.
- MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported eastbound on Interstate 20.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 2500 block of S. Gregg, southbound on Highway 87 before Comanche Trail Park and the 2500 block of Langely Drive.
- THEFT was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87, the 2100 block of Scurry St. and the 1600 block of S. Lancaster St.

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## Take note

• Calling it “a child safety measure,” Scenic Mountain Medical Center will no longer publicize the first baby of the New Year. “Like many hospitals around the country, we’ve based this decision on guidance provided by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which has cautioned against these kinds of announcements because of the potential risk of abduction or identity theft.” said a SMMC spokesperson. “The birth of a baby is a joyous event and we know there is always interest in the first baby of the new year, but our first obligation is to the safety and privacy of our patients, which is why we have made this decision.”

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center will be hosting two public forums on re-enrollment to the Health Insurance Marketplace. Representatives will be on hand to answer any questions you might have and to set up appointments for enrollment. The first event will take place at the YMCA at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 14 and the second event will be at the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club on Jan. 20 at 6 p.m. Both events are free to attend and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided. For more information or to RSVP, call Amanda Duforat at 268-4699.

• Reservations are being taken for shirts and transportation for Howard County Day in Austin. The one-day event is meant to highlight the economic importance of Howard County to Texas law makers. Howard County Day in Austin is set for Feb. 10, 2015. Reservations are now being taken for a seat on a bus leaving from the Dorothy Garret Coliseum to attend the event. The charge is \$40 per person and the deadline to register for a seat is Feb. 2. Shirt order deadline for a Howard County shirt is Jan. 7. The cost is \$29. For more information, contact Teresa Darden at the Big Spring Economic Development at 264-6032.

• A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids - Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. Find us on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids](http://www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids)

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Thursday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 270-7263.

• The Cross Roads Young Marines are 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.

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

• 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. 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, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of 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 and a background check, 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 432-263-9669.

• 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, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit [www.BecomeaCASA.org](http://www.BecomeaCASA.org) or [www.casawtx.org](http://www.casawtx.org).

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

## Support groups

### FRIDAY

• 7 p.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

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

• 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 main entrance 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

• 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.

• 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.

## ICE

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morning. Offices will be closed New Year’s Day.

The weather left around 600 customers of Sharlyand Utilities throughout Fisher, Glasscock, Howard, Martin, Midland and Nolan counties without

power. The company’s web site stated that by 10 a.m. today, 143 homes in Howard County were without power. The company said crews are working to restore pow-

er but did not have an estimate of when that will occur.

Updates are available through the company’s website’s outage map found at [land.com/outage.](http://www.shary-</a></p>
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Around the area, in Stanton, a six-car pile up occurring Tuesday caused traffic on Interstate-20 to slow down to one lane on both the

westbound and eastbound lanes.

A Midland news media station is reporting that 109 accidents occurred Tuesday and Odessa officials responded to 35 crashes within the city limits.

## AUDIT

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its targets in each of the 12 months auditors examined, but the search found it didn’t meet any.

HHS Executive Commissioner Kyle Janek said the \$1 million figure was included in early paperwork as an estimate on the cost of the contract bidding process.

“We have new policies and procedures in place

that take a very strict stance on disclosure of potential conflicts of interest and increase oversight and transparency,” Janek said, noting the commission — which has a \$33 billion annual budget — is “a big agency with a lot of high-dollar contracts.”

The auditor’s office launched its review in February after the commission reported potentially improper relationships between the company and two state employees, agency

spokeswoman Linda Edwards Gockel said. An AT&T spokeswoman said the company will cooperate with the ongoing review.

The telecommunications giant was contracted to provide services not only for HHS but also the agencies it oversees, such as the Department of State Health Services and the Department of Aging and Disability Services.

In response to the findings, the commission said it will re-bid the

contract and install new contract-monitoring protections.

The audit follows a recent controversy involving another state contract. Two high-level state employees quit under pressure in December after newspapers reported state officials skirted procurement laws to steer a \$20 million Medicaid anti-fraud contract to Austin cybersecurity company

21CT.

The commission’s former chief counsel, Jack Stick, who was instrumental in orchestrating the 21CT contract, resigned Dec. 12. That same day, the state canceled a pending \$90 million contract extension with 21CT. One week later the commission’s inspector general, Doug Wilson, whose office signed the deal, resigned.

## TREE

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don’t have a pond handy on your premise, remember to get permission of the landowner before placing a tree in a body of water.

• Compost or chip it. The city of Big Spring has a compost facility on the landfill site. See if they will grind the tree into wood chips. You can use it to provide mulch for the garden.

• Turn it into a trellis.

Set the tree aside in the courtyard or yard for now. In the spring, set it up as a trellis for peas or beans.

• Plan to plant for next Christmas. Purchase

a tree that still has its roots. Then when Christmas is over, find a place to plant the tree.

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# Opinion

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How long did it last? A month? A week? You know what I'm talking about, those honorable and positive commitments to change called "resolutions" you enthusiastically made about this time a little over fifty-one weeks ago.

Statistics tell us that only about 45 percent of Americans actually go to the trouble of making New Year's resolutions and the same database says only 8 percent are successful in accomplishing them. Only 46 percent of those who do make them are still committed after six months. As you know, approximately 97.3 percent of the time I am skeptical of statistical data, but I use these in good faith regardless.

The "Top Ten" of those infamous resolutions for 2014 were (in order): lose weight, get organized, spend less and save more, enjoy life to the fullest, stay fit and healthy, learn something exciting, quit smoking, help others achieve their dreams, fall in love, and spend more time with family.

Generally speaking, that's an honorable list and I certainly hope some of you succeeded in the fulfillment of your plans to make substantial improvement. However, this year I am making a proposal to everyone who reads this particular year-ending chapter of "I column as I see 'em" that I believe can be life-changing. Even though the resolution I am proposing is simple, it represents the foundational change I would like to see happening in the human race in general. Why? Because I believe it to be the rudder on the ship of life which can, and will, largely determine the set of our sails as we head into the never-navigated waters of yet another new year.

I'm proposing something for your consideration that has the potential to alter the path your life is on at this very moment. It has the power to transform your life from mere existence into an exciting experience. It's called attitude adjustment. Winston

Churchill said, "Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference." Thomas Jefferson said, "Nothing can stop the man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goal; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude." I've been in the "people business" a long time and I can tell you they were both right on target.

Your attitude will definitely affect your altitude. I like what Coach Lou Holtz said, "Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it." I believe that to be true in every aspect of our human existence. Much of your success or failure to achieve goals, be successful in your vocation, realize your dreams, or even be happy will be directly affected by your attitudes.

The noted English architect Sir Christopher Wren was supervising the construction of a magnificent cathedral in London. A journalist thought it would be interesting to interview some of the workers, so he chose three, and asked them all the same question, "What are you doing?" The first replied, "I'm cutting stone for 10 shillings a day." The next answered, "I'm putting in ten hours a day on this job." The third said, "I'm helping Sir Christopher Wren construct one of London's greatest cathedrals." Which of the three do you think was enjoying life the most?

One of the most important steps you can take toward achieving your greatest potential in life is to learn to monitor your attitude and its impact on your work performance, relationships and everyone around you. We all have a choice. We can choose an inner dialogue of self-encouragement and self-motivation, or we can choose one of self-defeat and self-pity. It's a power we all have. Each of us encounters hard times, hurt feelings, heartache, and physical and emotional pain. The key is to realize it's not what happens to you that matters; it's how you choose to respond.

Your mind is a computer that can be programmed. You can choose whether the software installed is productive or unproductive. Your inner dialogue is the software that programs your attitude, which determines how

you present yourself to the world around you. You have control over the programming. Whatever you put into it is reflected in what comes out.

Many of us have behavior patterns today that were programmed into our brains at a very tender age and the information that was recorded could have been completely inaccurate or cruel. The sad reality of life is that we will continue to hear negative information, but we don't have to program it into our brains. Someone once said that we can't keep the birds from flying over our heads, but we can keep them from building nests in our hair.

What are you expecting from life? Two prisoners looking out the same window in the jail cell will see either the sky or the ground. Both the hummingbird and the vulture fly over the desert. All vultures see is rotting meat because that's what they look for. They thrive on that diet. But hummingbirds ignore the smell of dead animals and find the colorful blossoms of desert plants. They fill themselves with freshness and life. Each bird finds what is it looking for, and so do we.

It's very easy to focus on everything that's wrong in the world, our town, and even in ourselves. It's easier to complain about what we don't have than to be thankful for all we do have. The ultimate level of human need extends into the spiritual realm and just as we feed our bodies in response to our primary need to survive physically, we need to feed our spirit because we are spiritual beings. Many people, like me, find powerful and positive motivation in their faith, realizing the power to be positive in my attitudes isn't always something they can do alone.

As you head into 2015, remember the words of Abraham Lincoln; "We can complain because rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses."

You may not agree with anything I've said, but I column as I see 'em.

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## What's up with 'The Interview?'

"The Interview" is a funny movie that does a stand-up job showcasing

how a not particularly serious or informed person would deal with Kim Jong Un — and evil itself, with all its blandishments. James Franco plays talk show host Dave Skylark, who discovers that the North Korean dictator loves his show. Skylark's susceptibility to flattery renders him willfully blind.

Because Kim plays up to him, Skylark wants to believe that the phony grocery his chauffeured car happens to drive by is real, that reports that Kim starves his people are the result of media bias and that Kim, like Skylark, is just misunderstood. Besides, they both like Katy Perry, so deep down they both must be good guys.

In real life, that appears to have been the thinking of NBA star Dennis Rodman, whose courtship by Kim seemed anything but humorous.

"The Interview" heartily lampoons Skylark's Rodman-like foreign affairs illiteracy. When producer Aaron Rapoport (Seth Rogen) first suggests a one-on-one with Kim, Skylark crows that the sit-down will be like "Frosty Nixon."

When Kim boasts that Stalin gave his father a beloved tank, Skylark corrects him: "In Amer-

***I downloaded the movie because Pyongyang didn't want me to watch it.***

ica, we pronounce it Stallone." I downloaded the movie because Pyongyang didn't want me to watch it.

When I first heard about "The Interview," I wondered why the Rogen-Franco-Evan Goldberg collaboration didn't make up a phony dictatorship with a Kim-like strongman, in the model of Charlie Chaplin's "The Great Dictator."

That would have been not only more tasteful but also remotely respectful.

But then the whole idea behind this brand of "bro" comedy is that there is no such thing as being too tasteless or going too far.

At heart, "The Interview" is a goofball stoner movie. There are boob jokes, fat jokes, Korean jokes, bathroom humor, sexual high jinks.

No gag is too raunchy, and no body part is free from ridicule. Violence? You bet. And it is gratuitous.

When Kim gives Skylark a cute puppy as a tribute to the TV star's childhood pet Digby, the

gesture is funny in part because you wonder just how far the writers — Dan Sterling, Rogen and Goldberg — will go for a laugh. Spoiler alert: The puppy lives.

I laughed a lot. But there is one part of "The Interview" that left me cold — its use of a certain four-letter word. This word, used to describe a female body part, is equivalent to the N-word in its crudeness. But though there is controversy over African-Americans' use of the N-word, I know no woman who finds it a liberating exercise to use this term in reference to herself or other women.

In my experience, only creepy men who truly hate women use it.

I defend the movie's writers' right to use offensive language. I also have a right not to like it.

If Guardians of Peace hadn't hacked Sony and turned the movie into a must-see form of protest, I would expect not to have seen "The Interview" until it aired on TV — with that certain word bleeped out.

In Hollywood, the line is clear: Spare the puppy, and you can call women by whatever slur is handy.

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### DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen



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# An old plant, tainted land and worried homeowners

ASHEVILLE, N.C. (AP) — Developer Richard Green had nearly everything in place to build upscale homes on the heavily polluted land next to an old electronic components plant in the mountains outside Asheville. All he needed was a permit.

So when the local board of adjustment asked whether the site had hazardous materials, Green said there was only a slight level of the cancer-causing industrial solvent trichloroethylene, or TCE, below the factory.

He then said he had a letter from state environmental regulators saying they were OK with the construction plans. They say they weren't.

Another developer, Stanley Greenberg, told the board that federal environmental regulators also had given a green light to build. They say they hadn't.

By the time of that August 1997 meeting, Greenberg and the partners had known about the contamination at the plant for a decade and were preparing to sell much of the land to Green for development of a project called Southside Village, according to an Associated Press review of documents that reveal how a subdivision came to be built next door to what is now a Superfund site.

Two years ago, the EPA named the 9 acres beneath and immediately around the former CTS Corp. factory among the nation's worst abandoned haz-



ardous waste sites.

"Who's going to buy property ... next to a Superfund site?" said Judy Selz, who did purchase 3 acres in Southside Village in 2006 — six years before the Superfund designation — and is one of dozens of land and homeowners worried now about whether it's safe to live there.

The nightmare scenario for Southside Village residents is already playing out for about a dozen residents of Skyland, a neighborhood of older homes on the other side of the old plant. This summer, the EPA urged three families to abandon their homes, citing unsafe levels of TCE.

The agency declared it safe enough for them to return in mid-November after contractors set up

a vacuum-like device to catch chemical vapors rising from a spring.

Regulators with the Environmental Protection Agency and the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources recently told the AP they had no idea about the planned development when Green and Greenberg were seeking the county board's permission to build.

Both agencies said the extensive archival searches they conducted in response to the AP's public records requests turned up no documents supporting Green's and Greenberg's claims about having letters from regulators promising not to intervene on the property that would become Southside Village.

The Buncombe County Board of Adjustment approved the project without asking to see any documentation verifying those claims, according to the minutes of that meeting and interviews.

Paperwork for Greenberg's 1987 purchase of the property included a report documenting elevated levels of TCE and other contaminants in the ground.

And a follow-up study in 1991 found TCE and other chemicals in a stream in an area that is now part of Southside Village, according to the AP's review.

Reached twice by phone earlier this year, Greenberg declined to comment, as did executives at CTS, based in Elkhart, Indiana.

According to the min-

utes of the 1997 meeting, Greenberg told the board the EPA had issued a "no action" letter for the CTS property, meaning the agency didn't plan any enforcement against its owners.

But the EPA had a policy dating to 1984 of forbidding such

letters, precisely because they could interfere with later enforcement.

In an email to the AP on Tuesday, Greenberg's attorney, Philip Anderson, didn't dispute the details contained in the meeting minutes. He said that the federal agency recommended "no further action status" after the 1991 environmental study.

The study itself, however, and related documents show only that the EPA granted the site "no further remedial action" status, which would have meant merely that there were no immediate plans for additional cleanup — not that the site was no longer contaminated.

For his part, Green told the board he had

a no action letter from state environmental regulators.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources not only found no such letter in its archives, but in fact found memos denying Greenberg's request for just such a letter, on the grounds that the property was still contaminated.

Answering the door at his luxury home high near Asheville, Green — who now has another company that builds homes it bills as environmentally friendly — declined to comment when confronted with the details of the board meeting and the development that sprang from it, including why his company never disclosed the contamination to prospective homebuyers in Southside Village.

"What do you want me to say?" he asked, before stepping back inside.

The CTS plant manufactured electronic parts for cars and hearing aids; workers had handled toxic chemicals, including TCE. Exposure to high levels of the cleaning solvent can cause liver and lung damage and even death, according to the Agency for Toxic Substances & Disease Registry.

The EPA says a complete cleanup of the CTS site won't begin until 2016 — 30 years after the company closed its factory.

"I wish it went faster," agency spokeswoman Samantha Urquhart-Foster said, "but it's a slow process."

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## Odds and ends

### Resident defies Ohio deadline on 'Zombie Nativity'

CINCINNATI (AP) — A "Zombie Nativity" scene in a southwest Ohio suburb remained undead Tuesday, days past the deadline to remove it.

Sycamore Township officials said last week they had received complaints about debris at the home and concluded that the display violates rules on size and placement of yard structures. They sent resident Jasen Dixon two zoning violation notices and gave him until the day after Christmas to take it down.

Facing a fine and legal action, Dixon instead kept the display up. A Facebook page devoted to the scene urges support for "freedom of expression."

The scene has eerie figures including a demonic-looking creature sitting up in the manger where the baby Jesus would be in traditional Christmas nativities. There's a detached head with it in the manger, while another ghoulish figure holds a replica heart in its hand as a somber "Silent Night" plays in the background.

Township officials have said it's not an anti-zombie issue, but pro-zoning rules.

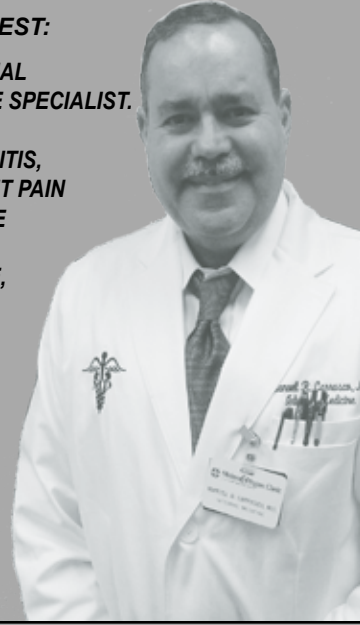
"We do live in a free country, don't we?" asked Judy Giese, who lives down the block from Dixon on Vorhees Lane (not related to "Friday the 13th" movie slasher Jason Voorhees).

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## News in brief

### 7 bodies found from AirAsia crash in Indonesia, but bad weather, big waves hinder recovery

PANGKALANBUN, Indonesia (AP) — Bad weather hindered efforts to recover victims of AirAsia Flight 8501 on Wednesday, and sent wreckage drifting far from the crash site, as grieving relatives prayed for strength to endure their losses.

“Help us, God, to move forward, even though we are surrounded by darkness,” the Rev. Philip Mantofa, whose church lost about 40 members in the disaster, told families gathered in a waiting room at the Surabaya airport.

The massive hunt for 162 people who vanished Sunday aboard the Airbus A320 from Surabaya, Indonesia to Singapore, was severely limited due to heavy rain, wind and thick clouds. Seven bodies, including a flight attendant in her red AirAsia uniform, have been recovered, said Indonesia's Search and Rescue Agency chief Henry Bambang Soelistyo.

Sonar images also identified what appeared to be large parts of the plane, but strong currents were moving the debris.

Conditions prevented divers from entering the choppy Java Sea, and helicopters were largely grounded. But 18 ships continued to scour the narrowed search area, and four of the seven corpses were recovered Wednesday. Indonesia's Meteorology and Geophysics Agency predicted conditions would worsen, with more intense rains, through Friday.

### Palestinians say they will try to join ICC following failed UN vote

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — The Palestinian leadership is meeting Wednesday to plan its next steps after a resolution to end Israel's occupation was rejected by the U.N. Security Council, and could set a date for applying to join the International Criminal Court, Palestinian officials said.

The U.N. vote Tuesday against the Palestinian bid, which called for the Israeli occupation to end within three years, was a blow to an Arab campaign for international action to bring about an independent Palestinian state.

The Palestinians have long vowed to join the ICC in order to press charges against Israel for alleged war crimes. But membership could expose the Palestinians to similar allegations.

Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat said officials would hold a “very serious meeting” Wednesday and could set a date for applying for membership to the ICC and other international agencies.

“There will be no more waiting, no more hesitation, no more slowdown,” Erekat said. “We are going to meet and make decisions.”

### Surviving witness corroborates cover-up of mass killing by Mexican army

ARCELIA, Mexico (AP) — When the witness refused to sign a false statement that 22 suspected drug gang members had died in a shootout with the Mexican army, state investigators began to kick her in the ribs, she said. They put a bag over her head, plunged her face into a toilet bowl and beat her so hard that, six months later, she still has trouble with her hearing and eyesight.

“As they were hitting me ... they told me they could make even the mute talk,” said the woman, one of three witnesses known to have survived a June 30 mass killing by the Mexican army.

In her first interview since being falsely imprisoned for five months on weapons possession charges, the woman said a cover-up of the crime went far beyond the seven soldiers facing trial in the case to include more soldiers, and state and federal prosecutors who pushed to make the deaths look like the result of a gunbattle rather than what they were — extra-judicial killings after surrender.

Criminal case files obtained by The Associated Press last week supported her assertion that state prosecutors knew from the start that soldiers had altered the crime scene, despite official and public declarations to the contrary. And the documents revealed that the battalion commander responsible for the troops arrived at the scene before state investigators.

The witness, a 20-year-old prostitute who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said that two days after the beating in the state of Mexico she was taken to the capital, where she was pressed into signing the false statement by federal organized crime investigators working for the attorney general's office.

### Taliban attack on Afghan mountain hamlet tests army after US forces leave

DANGAM, Afghanistan (AP) — The smoke from mortar and rocket attacks rises from the mountains of Dangam in the remote eastern border region of Afghanistan as Taliban insurgents battle government forces in a bid to establish a permanent presence now that the American soldiers who led the fight here for more than a decade have left.

Heavy fighting has been raging for almost three weeks, with wave after wave of Taliban militants assaulting this picturesque but poverty-stricken district of Kunar province just four kilometers (2.5 miles) from the border with Pakistan, officials and residents said.

The U.S.-led international effort to rid Afghanistan of the Taliban officially shifts from a combat to a training band support mission Wednesday, with Afghan forces assuming full responsibility for security nationwide on New Year's Day. A residual force of 10,800 Americans and almost 3,000 NATO soldiers will remain, under the banner of a new mission called Resolute Support.

Over the last 18 months, U.S. and NATO forces have been closing their bases across the country, taking their battlefield prowess, air support and medical evacuation assets with them.

The war is meanwhile creeping into urban and residential areas, putting ordinary people at greater risk. Civilian casualties look set to hit 10,000 in 2014, the highest yearly total of dead and wounded since the U.N. began keeping records in 2008. More than 75 percent of the deaths and injuries are caused by Taliban attacks, according to the U.N.

### 4 amigos: Vacation in home state of Hawaii reunites Obama with 3 childhood friends

HONOLULU (AP) — Since returning to his childhood home this month on vacation, President Barack Obama has spent a good part of most days cloistered with three people whose company puts him at ease. They're not his wife and daughters, who came with him, but a trio of pals whose friendship dates back to Obama's high school days in Hawaii.

The three men — Mike Ramos, Bobby Titcomb and Greg Orme — are among the few people still

in Obama's life who knew him long before he was famous. Although their paths have long since diverged, they've made it a point to gather for frequent reunions, in one of Obama's most visible links to the days when his life was much simpler and his problems more mundane.

On this visit alone, Obama has spent more than 22 hours with the group on the lush golf courses that dot the island of Oahu. When it rained, Obama and his pals went bowling, instead.

And on Tuesday, in what's become a yearly tradition, the men and their families gathered for a luau hosted by Titcomb. With rain drizzling over Oahu, Obama's motorcade whisked Obama across the island to Titcomb's beachside home in Waialua, about an hour outside of Honolulu on the North Shore.

Increasingly, the reunions have become the focal point of Obama's family vacations in his second term, as his teenage daughters spend less and less time at their father's side. Once content to join their parents for outings to the aquarium or to get shave ice, Sasha and Malia are now more independent. Since arriving more than a week ago, Obama has been out in public with one of his daughters only once, briefly, during a hike.

### In Kentucky, rat-a-tat auctioneer chants at tobacco warehouses becoming a dying art

DANVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Tripp Foy's sing-song chant rang out like a sentimental oldie for die-hard farmers clinging to the old way of selling tobacco, as a small procession of buyers shadowed him down long rows of reddish-brown leaf piled in bales.

Farmers who have spent their lives tending the aromatic crop in their fields find comfort in Foy's rat-a-tat style, part of an auction system that's been all but snuffed out by another way of selling tobacco after years of declining smoking rates.

“It's kind of in our blood,” said tobacco farmer Walter Browning. “But I'm about bled out.”

This tobacco-belt tradition, once as much a part of Kentucky's fabric as bourbon or horse racing, is fading away — and it's taking the maestros like Foy with it.

“The chant of an auctioneer can sound as good as a song,” said Foy, 63, who has spent four decades auctioning tobacco in Kentucky — the nation's top burley producer. “You can walk down a row and you can almost dance to the tune of the sale.”

### Canada police: Edmonton man with lengthy criminal record kills 8 people before taking own life

EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) — A man with a lengthy criminal record killed six adults and two young children before taking his own life in Edmonton, Alberta, in what the police chief on Tuesday called the city's worst mass murder.

Edmonton Police Chief Rod Knecht told a news conference late Tuesday night that there was no suggestion of gang involvement and said the motive for the “senseless mass murder” appears to have been “planned and deliberate” domestic violence.

“It's terrible for the city,” said Knecht. “The scene ... has been described as chaotic, horrific. Particularly when there's children involved, it has a tremendous impact on our folks.”

Knecht did not release the name of the suspect, but said the man was well-known to police and had a criminal record dating back to September 1987.

## 2-year-old accidentally kills mother in Wal-Mart

HAYDEN, Idaho (AP) — A 29-year-old woman described as a “beautiful, young, loving mother” was fatally shot by her 2-year-old son at a

northern Idaho Wal-Mart in what authorities called a tragic accident.

The little boy reached into Veronica J. Rut-

ledge's purse and her concealed gun fired, Kootenai County sheriff's spokesman Stu Miller said. The woman was shopping Tuesday with her son and three other children, Miller said.

Rutledge was from Blackfoot in southeastern Idaho, and her family had come to the area to visit relatives.

She was an employee of the Idaho National Laboratory, The Spokesman-Review of Spokane, Washington, reported. The Idaho Falls laboratory supports the U.S. Department of Energy in nuclear and energy research and national defense.

The woman had a concealed weapons permit. Miller said the young boy was left in a shopping cart, reached into his mother's purse and grabbed a small-caliber handgun, which discharged one time.

Deputies who responded to the Wal-Mart found Rutledge dead, the sheriff's office said.

The victim's father-in-law, Terry Rutledge, told The Associated Press that Veronica Rutledge “was a beautiful, young,

loving mother.”

“She was not the least bit irresponsible,” Terry Rutledge said. “She was taken much too soon.”

The woman's husband was not in the store when the shooting happened at about 10:20 a.m. Tuesday. Miller said the man arrived shortly after the shooting. All the children were taken to a relative's house.

The shooting occurred in the Wal-Mart in Hayden, Idaho, a town about 40 miles northeast of Spokane. The store closed for the rest of the day.

Brooke Buchanan, a spokeswoman for Wal-Mart, said in a statement the shooting was a “very sad and tragic accident.”

Idaho National Laboratory senior chemical engineer Vince Maio worked with Rutledge on a research paper about using glass ceramic to store nuclear waste, The Spokesman-Review said.

Maio said he was immediately impressed with her.

“She had a lot of maturity for her age,” he told the newspaper. “Her work was impeccable.”

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## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### A Necessary Assumption

West dealer.  
Neither side vulnerable.

**NORTH**

♠8 6 4  
♥K 5 4  
♦K 9 3  
♣J 4 3 2

**WEST**

♠K 7 2  
♥Q 8  
♦8 6 5 2  
♣Q 10 8 6

**EAST**

♠A Q 10 9 5  
♥10 9 3  
♦7 4  
♣A 9 7

**SOUTH**

♠J 3  
♥A J 7 6 2  
♦A Q J 10  
♣K 5

The bidding:  
West North East South  
Pass Pass Pass 1♥  
Pass 2♥ 2♠ 4♥

Opening lead — two of spades.  
To be a successful declarer, one must make assumptions during the play.

Often these assumptions are based more on hope than expectation, since there is not much point in playing a hand on the basis that the cards are divided in such a way that you cannot make the contract.

Here is an example of this principle at work. Let's say you're in four hearts and West leads a spade. East wins with the ace and returns the

nine, your jack losing to the king. Back comes a spade, which you ruff, and the question is how to play the hand.

Ordinarily, you would lead a heart to the king and finesse the jack on the way back, but this would be the wrong play to make in this case. Here it is right to lead a heart to the king, but it is wrong to finesse the jack. Instead, you should go up with the ace.

As the cards lie, this anti-percentage play succeeds beautifully when the ace catches the queen and East later shows up with the ace of clubs. But how, you might well ask, can you possibly be expected to know that playing for the queen to drop is better than taking the finesse?

The answer is that you have no chance for the contract unless East has the ace of clubs, and, once you make this assumption, you cannot also play East for the queen of hearts.

While it is conceivable that East would have passed in third seat holding five spades headed by the A-Q and the ace of clubs, it is inconceivable that East would have passed had he also held the queen of hearts. You therefore have no choice but to assume that West has the queen, and on that basis you reject the finesse and hope the queen is doubleton.

Tomorrow: Dynamic defense.

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### Sudoku Answer on Page 12

## 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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# Weather forces MISD officials to cancel Sandhills title game

By TOMMY WELLS  
AP Sports Writer

Mother Nature finally found a way to do something no other team at the Sandhills Invitational Basketball Tournament couldn't. She canceled off the Big Spring High School Steers.

Literally. Due to the arrival of a severe winter storm, officials within the Monahans Independent School District decided on Tuesday to cancel the tournament's championship game due to declining road conditions that would have required both Big Spring and Levelland to travel on icy roads.

"We know that you've always got to contend with weather," Monahans head coach Terrell Amburn said in announcing the tournament's title game would not be played. "We've done this before. You know that this is always

a possibility. We were real fortunate that this happened on the last day instead of the first two."

The weather was the only thing that slowed the Steers' game. Winners of their last five straight, Big Spring breezed through their pool play schedule on Monday and Tuesday with a perfect 4-0 record. The mark earned the Steers a berth in the championship game against Levelland, the Pool B champion.

Big Spring kicked off Tuesday's action with a dominating performance from seniors Ty Sealy and Tyler Bryan in a 64-51 come-from-behind win over Presidio.

Presidio held an early lead thanks to a slow shooting effort by Big Spring in the early moments.

Sealy and Bryan made up for that later. Sealy finished the game with a double-double, netting 18 points and 12 rebounds.

## Lady Steers fall to Floydada

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers' outing in Lubbock came to an end on Tuesday afternoon with a loss to Floydada in the consolation round of the Fuddrucker Caprock Classic.

With the loss, the BSHS girls finished the tournament with a 1-2 record.

Big Spring notches its lone win of the tournament early Tuesday by downing Kingdom Prep by a 52-16 clip.

Bryan closed out the contest and the Steers' top scorer with 20 points. Kei'Shawn Broussard also reached double figures offensively, chalk-

ing up 10 points.

Big Spring closed out pool play with a 54-27 win over the Monahans junior varsity on Tuesday afternoon.

The Steers weren't the only local team being affected by the weather in Monahans. The Forsan Buffaloes saw their ninth-place matchup, which was slated for Wednesday morning, with the Monahans JV get cancelled.

Forsan had finished fourth in the Pool B standings, going 0-4. The Buffaloes dropped games to Levelland (79-33) and Midland Classical (47-39) on Monday and then suffered losses to Monahans (64-39) and El Paso Riverside (56-54) in Tuesday.

According to tournament officials, Presidio, El Paso Riverside and Alpine were all staying in hotels and planned to play Saturday.

# Suh wins appeal, can play vs. Dallas

NEW YORK (AP) — Lions defensive tackle Ndamukong Suh can play in Detroit's wild-card game after his one-game NFL suspension was reduced to a \$70,000 fine.

Hearing officer Ted Cottrell heard Suh's expedited appeal Tuesday and ruled that Suh can play Sunday at Dallas but must pay the fine.

Suh originally was suspended for stepping on Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers' left leg twice last Sunday in a loss to Green Bay for the NFC North title. He stepped on Rodgers once with each foot, which violated unnecessary roughness rules, according to the league.

But Cottrell, jointly appointed by the NFL and the players' union, rescinded the suspension.

The Lions said they would not comment until Wednesday, when Suh would be available at their training complex.

One Cowboys defensive player, end Jeremy Mincey, seemed surprised by Cottrell's decision.

"I didn't understand that," Mincey said. "You've got to play the game the right way. I'm not knocking him. I like this intensity. I love how hard he plays. But there comes a point where you've got to think before you react."

## Lady Buffs fall to Tahoka

The Forsan Lady Buffaloes didn't close out the Sands Basketball Tournament the way they had hoped on Tuesday, dropping a 36-34 decision to Tahoka.

FHS was led by Madi Roman's nine points. Mary-Ashley McDaniel added seven.

Roman and McDaniel were both all-tournament selections.



Courtesy photo

## A week's wait ...

The Howard College basketball season will resume in a matter of days. The HC women's and men's basketball teams will return to Western Junior College Athletic Conference play on Jan. 8 when they host rival South Plains in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

# Bulldogettes reach third round of Reagan County tournament

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

The Coahoma Bulldogettes turned in a solid showing in the first two rounds of the Mary Tatum Invitational Basketball Tournament in Big Lake. Unfortunately for the Bulldogettes, they didn't get the chance to finish off the run.

After reaching the third-place game of the three-day tournament,

the Bulldogettes' final game against Ozona was cancelled due to a severe winter storm that blanketed much of West Texas.

Coahoma opened the tournament with a stellar effort on Monday. Backed by a game-high 28 points from Julia Castilaw, the Bulldogettes raced to a 51-45 victory over the Fort Stockton Lady Prowlers.

In Tuesday's semifinal

showdown with Christoval, the Coahoma offense struggled to hit stride. The CHS girls managed less than 10 shots from the field in the contest and dropped a tough 59-20 decision that sent them into the third-place matchup.

The Coahoma boys also endured a tough outing on Tuesday, falling to Sonora in a consolation semifinal matchup.

## Scoreboard

FOOTBALL		Calgary		20 15 3 43 110100	
NFL PLAYOFF GLANCE		Arizona		14 18 4 32 86 115	
Wild-card Playoffs		Edmonton		8 22 7 23 79 127	
Saturday, Jan. 3		NOTES: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.			
Arizona at Carolina, 4:35 p.m. (ESPN)		Tuesday's Games			
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 8:15 p.m. (NBC)-x		Montreal 2, Florida 1, SO			
		Edmonton 3, Los Angeles 2, SO			
		Nashville 3, St. Louis 2			
		Vancouver 3, San Jose 1			

Sunday, Jan. 4		Wednesday's Games			
Cincinnati at Indianapolis, 1:05 (CBS)-x		N.Y. Islanders at Winnipeg, 5 p.m.			
Detroit at Dallas, 4:40 p.m. (FOX)		Tampa Bay at Buffalo, 6 p.m.			
Divisional Playoffs		N.Y. Rangers at Florida, 6 p.m.			
Saturday, Jan. 10		Toronto at Boston, 7 p.m.			
Baltimore-Pittsburgh loser at New England, 4:35 p.m. (NBC)		Carolina at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.			
Arizona, Detroit or Carolina at Seattle, 8:15 p.m. (FOX)		Minnesota at Columbus, 7 p.m.			
Sunday, Jan. 11		New Jersey at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.			
Arizona, Dallas or Carolina at Green Bay, 1:05 p.m. (FOX)		San Jose at Anaheim, 8 p.m.			
Indianapolis, Cincinnati or Pittsburgh at Denver, 4:40 p.m. (CBS)		Arizona at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.			
Conference Championships		Philadelphia at Colorado, 9 p.m.			
Sunday, Jan. 18		Edmonton at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.			
NFC, 3:05 p.m. (FOX)		TRANSACTIONS			
AFC, 6:40 p.m. (CBS)		National League			
Super Bowl		SAN DIEGO PADRES — Traded OF Seth Smith to Seattle for RHP Brandon Maurer.			
Sunday, Feb. 1		American Association			
At Glendale, Ariz.		GARY SOUTHWEST RAILCATS			
AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 6:30 p.m. (NBC)		— Traded RHP Cole Stephens to Florence. Acquired RHP Jessie Snodgrass from Windy City.			
		KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Signed C Brian Erie.			

COLLEGE FOOTBALL		BASKETBALL			
2014-15 Conference		National Basketball Association			
Bow Records		Eastern Conference			
Through Dec. 30		Atlantic Division			
Conference	W L Pct.	W L Pct	GB		
Pac-12	4 0 1.000	Toronto	24 8 .750		
Independents	1 0 1.000	Brooklyn	15 16 .484		
Southeastern	4 1 1.000	Boston	10 18 .357		
Conference USA	4 1 1.000	New York	5 28 .152		
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Sun Belt	1 1 .500	Southeast Division			
Big Ten	2 3 .400	Atlanta	23 8 .742		
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American Athletic	1 2 .333	Miami	14 18 .438		
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Atlantic Division		W L OTpts GF GA			
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Detroit 19 9 9 47 105 94		Toronto 20 14 3 43 124 111			
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Ottawa 15 14 7 37 97 99		Buffalo 14 20 3 31 75 123			
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allergies here. They just prefer organic everything. I do not plan on purchasing the things they have asked for and would like to give them an earful on their lack of graciousness. They are, after all, guests. But I know that is not a good idea.

Please give me some advice on how to respond when they find their demands are not met. -- Anonymous

**Dear Anonymous:** Notify them in advance that you have childproofed your home but cannot accommodate their more exotic

requests. Let them know where they can purchase their organic food and say you'll make room in your fridge and cabinets for them. If you are feeling particularly peeved, you could also send them a list of local hotels and motels, saying you're doing the best you can but will certainly understand if they think they'll be more comfortable elsewhere. Be extremely nice about it, but stick to your guns.

**Dear Annie:** I read your response to "Disgusted with My Sister in Texas," whose mother and sister had an argument that resulted in Sis taking away the car that Mom had been making payments on. I agree with you that legal action should be a last resort in this issue, and I'm glad you suggested that someone impartial

mediate. Mediation is an informal process where a neutral and impartial mediator facilitates two or more disputing parties in coming to a mutually agreed-upon resolution. The beauty of mediation is that the two parties are the decision makers and the trained and certified mediator helps them dig below the surface to identify their true interests: "why" they have taken their opposing positions on an issue. More often than not, the two parties find that their interests are not that far apart and, with the help of the mediator, arrive at a resolution.

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who can be of assistance. Additionally, the local courthouse staff may be able to assist the parties in procuring mediation for small-claims cases or higher (the dollar amount varies by state).

I highly recommend mediation because it is less expensive and less time consuming, and the individuals make the decision rather than a judge who will rule by statute. Of course, if they cannot resolve the issue through mediation, they still have litigation as the last resort. -- W.

**Dear W.:** Thank you for suggesting professional mediation as a way of working through these disagreements without resorting to a lawsuit. People are too quick to sue when simply talking it out and reaching a compromise often creates a solution

without additional ill will.

**Dear Annie:** I had a similar experience to that of "Proud Grandma," whose childless daughter criticizes the way her siblings raise their kids. After hearing one too many criticisms, I finally came back with, "I hope, when you have children, they are as good as you think mine ought to be!" My sibling was hurt, but it didn't happen so often afterward. -- L.

*Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please email your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 737 3rd Street, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.*

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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

## Cosmic Countdown

The Taurus moon has a healthy appetite for life and all that sustains it.

This one isn't known for powers of self-discipline, so definitely make plans for the most indulgent scenario -- i.e., buy extra food

if you're hosting and bring cab fare if you're out. Late evening features a lucky lunar angle to Mercury. The real party happens after hours.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Roles shift, tables turn. The one who likes taking care of you may need care this time, so be willing to change places. Learning how to make people happy is never a waste of time.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). In relationships, ignorance is not bliss. Find out about the other person. Ask everything you've been curious to know. Find the "why." Once you understand the "why," you can change the "how."

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Your senses will be heightened today, and you'll be especially tuned in to the chemistry you have with others. It will be lucky to express your physical self through dance, athletics or massage.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). A person who seems to have all the time in the world will want to use up your time, too. Draw the line with bored friends, and you'll be helping them find their purpose.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Be careful not to squash imaginations or impose your own views on someone impressionable. Children and elders are

the ones with the most creativity now, and you will be enriched by their contributions.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A tinge of jealousy is just enough to motivate you, so long as you have the emotional discipline not to let it take over your life. On the romantic front, be careful not to send mixed messages. Direct messages land most pleasingly.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). To catch people doing good and to talk about it in attention-captivating ways is a far superior hobby to complaining. Your new goal is to go as long as you can without uttering a negative word.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Usually, it takes courage to go against the popular opinion, but your convictions are so strong now that you wouldn't even consider letting them go unexpressed. You're fearless.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Friendliness is one of the simplest and most appreciated values of the night. You'll be appreciated for your warmth and inclusion. You are the one who gets the party started.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When the rules of the game keep changing, it's a sign that it's time to make up your own rules. Include fun, reward and celebration, or you won't want to abide by them.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). As a child, it seems that parents are in a different stratosphere of existence. But as you get older, 20 years or so doesn't seem like such a long time between people. Anyway, you'll bridge such generational gaps tonight.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). A lack of funds will be a blessing, inviting better communication and higher levels of creativity to surface. What you express from your heart will draw others close to you.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Dec. 31). It's your year of attracting just what you need. Resources open up in January, so you'll have money, time and creativity to apply to your ambitions. A supportive relationship will cheer you on. Singles

fall in love in April. Couples embark on exciting joint ventures. June will change the way you do business. Sagittarius and Cancer people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 41, 2, 24, 38 and 47.

**FIRST KISS OF 2015:** If you already have a set of lips designated for the event, disregard the advice. But for those adventurous singles who still haven't decided on the issue of whether or who to kiss, here's an astrological suggestion. **ARIES:** A fiery Leo will match your intensity and then some! **TAURUS:** Capricorn is a class act who has fun breaking the cordial tone once in a while to do something zany. **GEMINI:** You will be able to hear the music of your heart when you lock lips with a Libra. **CANCER:** You're in your element with the full moon in your sign, and fellow water sign Scorpio really gets you tonight. **LEO:** Aries will have just the playful attitude you'll be looking for tonight. **VIRGO:** Aquarius gives you a run for your money, and you love the challenge. **LIBRA:** Gemini's friendly charm is so appealing. **SCORPIO:** Cancer is stunningly attractive and very much the man or woman of the hour. **SAGITTARIUS:** Pisces provides a soulful moment through parted lips! **CAPRICORN:** Sensual Taurus holds magic in that pucker. **AQUARIUS:** Virgo's kiss is simultaneously exhilarating and sweet. **PISCES:** Electricity flies when you kiss a Sagittarius.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Global superstar Psy has had more YouTube hits for his video of "Gangnam Style" than YouTube was prepared to count. This bodes well for his latest single "Hangover," featuring Snoop Dogg. Psy was born when the sun and Venus were both in Capricorn, the sign of ambition and business savvy. His driving planet Mars is in the sign of Leo, the entertainer.

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The "I'll Just Have One More" Martini

3 oz. gin or vodka  
1/2 oz. dry vermouth  
3 olives  
1 automobile  
1 long day  
1 diminishing attention span  
1 too many

Combine ingredients. Drink. Repeat.  
Mix with sharp turn, telephone pole.

Never underestimate 'just a few'  
Buzzed driving is drunk driving.

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ANSWERS

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

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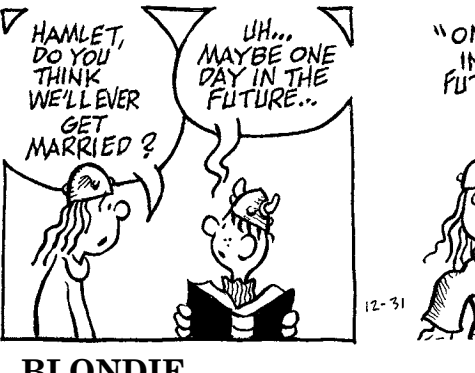
"I'M PLAYIN' THE GRINCH IN OUR SCHOOL PLAY. GOT ANY TIPS, MR. WILSON?"

**THE FAMILY CIRCUS**



"Mommy, can I have a cup of kindness before I go to bed tonight?"

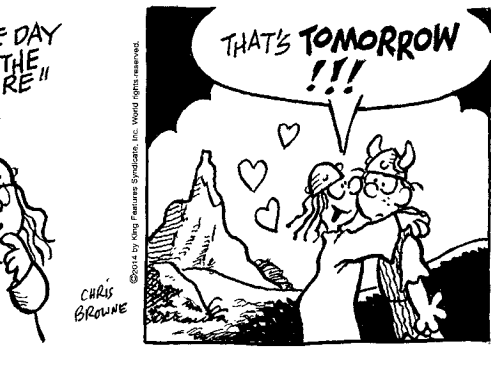
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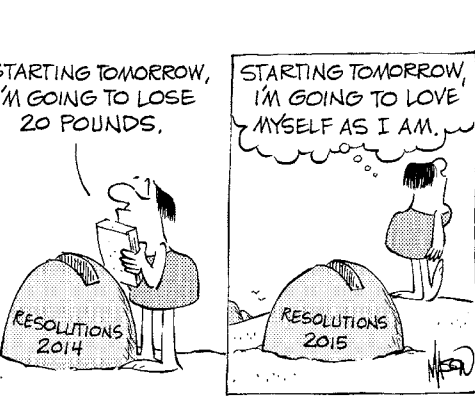
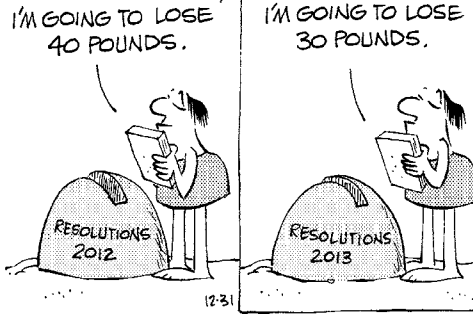
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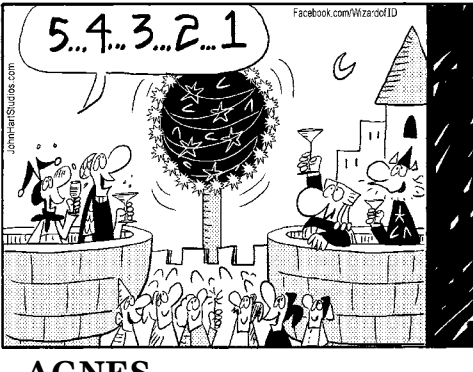
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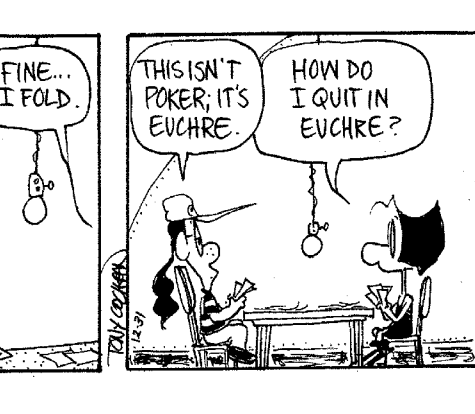
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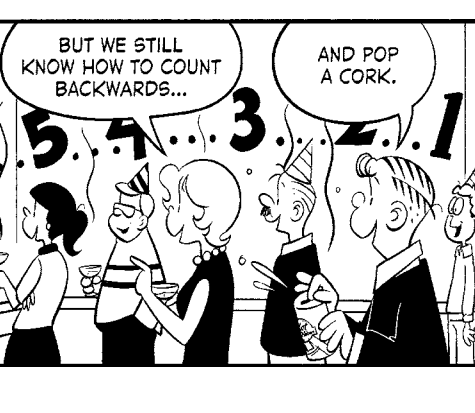
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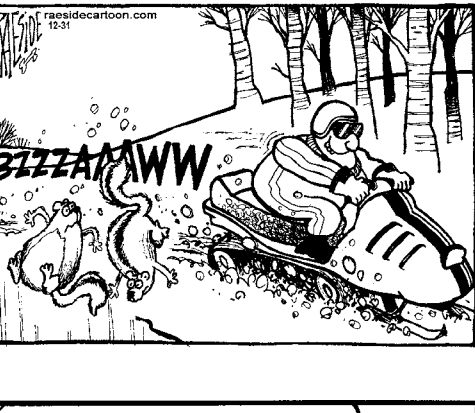
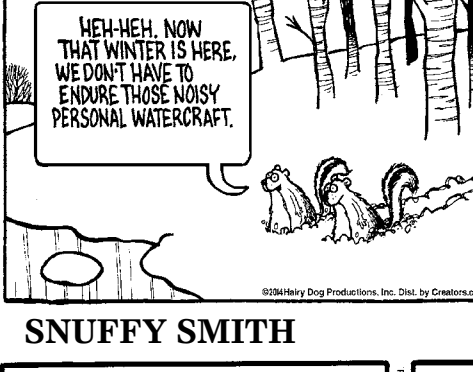
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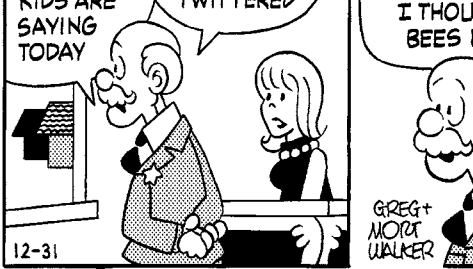
**THE OTHER COAST**



**SNUFFY SMITH**



**BEEBLE BAILEY**



**This Date In History**

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 31, the 365th and final day of 2014. Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 31, 1904, New York's Times Square saw its first New Year's Eve celebration, with an estimated 200,000 people in attendance. On this date: In 1514, physician Andreas Vesalius, who wrote and illustrated the first comprehensive books on human anatomy, was born in Brussels. In 1775, during the Revolutionary War,

the British repulsed an attack by Continental Army generals Richard Montgomery and Benedict Arnold at Quebec; Montgomery was killed. In 1879, Thomas Edison first publicly demonstrated his electric incandescent light in Menlo Park, New Jersey. In 1909, the Manhattan Bridge, spanning the East River between Manhattan and Brooklyn, was officially opened to vehicular traffic. In 1946, President Harry S. Truman officially proclaimed the end of hostilities in World War II. In 1951, the Marshall

Plan expired after distributing more than \$12 billion in foreign aid. In 1969, Joseph A. Yablonski, an unsuccessful candidate for the presidency of the United Mine Workers of America, was shot to death with his wife and daughter in their Clarksville, Pennsylvania, home by hitmen acting at the orders of UMWA president Tony Boyle.

Answer to previous puzzle

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PEST	THEE	TEENS

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**Newsday Crossword**

**MORE AND MORE** by Fred Piscop  
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Bluegrass instrument
  - 6 Overly formal
  - 10 Abbr. on a passed-along email
  - 13 Sci-fi being
  - 14 AM/FM device
  - 16 "Look what I found!"
  - 17 Just in time
  - 19 Line of seats
  - 20 Harbor city
  - 21 Goad
  - 23 One of three on a tripod
  - 25 Cab-rider's charge
  - 26 \_\_\_Magnon man
  - 29 A while back
  - 33 Accepts a ride offer
  - 35 Soft throw
  - 36 In that case
  - 37 Well-versed
  - 38 Star pitcher
  - 39 Encounters
  - 40 Nevada city
  - 41 Org. in spy novels
  - 42 Widen, as a pupil
  - 43 Amazon.com reviews' sorting option
  - 46 Morse code symbol
  - 47 List shortener
  - 48 Abel, to Adam
  - 49 Starts to unravel
  - 51 Clique member
  - 57 \_\_\_ Misérables
  - 58 Bette Davis film of 1950

- DOWN**
- 1 Makes illegal
  - 2 Hand-cream ingredient
  - 3 Ship of 1492
  - 4 M\*A\*S\*H vehicle
  - 5 Not fooled by
  - 6 For the time being, briefly
  - 7 Dorm overseers: Abbr.
  - 8 Oath affirmation
  - 9 "O Sole \_\_\_"
  - 10 Press onward
  - 11 Owl sound
  - 12 Elevator button
  - 15 Early morning hr.
  - 18 Synthetic wool
  - 22 Hansel's sister
  - 24 Easy-to-swallow pills
  - 25 Small lie
  - 26 Sweet-talk
  - 27 Calf-roping venue
  - 28 Legal hunting period
  - 29 Use a rocker
  - 30 Tip of a sneaker
  - 31 Arrive at
  - 32 Early stage
  - 34 Inconsistent
  - 38 Feel poorly
  - 39 1,000 G's
  - 41 Animation frame
  - 42 "Search me"
  - 44 Assails
  - 45 Minor shortcoming
  - 49 Goof up
  - 50 Philosopher Descartes
  - 52 Lather
  - 53 News article
  - 54 Proofreader's mark
  - 55 Diabolical
  - 56 Take a break
  - 59 Ton fractions: Abbr.
  - 60 On the \_\_\_ (fleeing)
  - 61 Pub beverage

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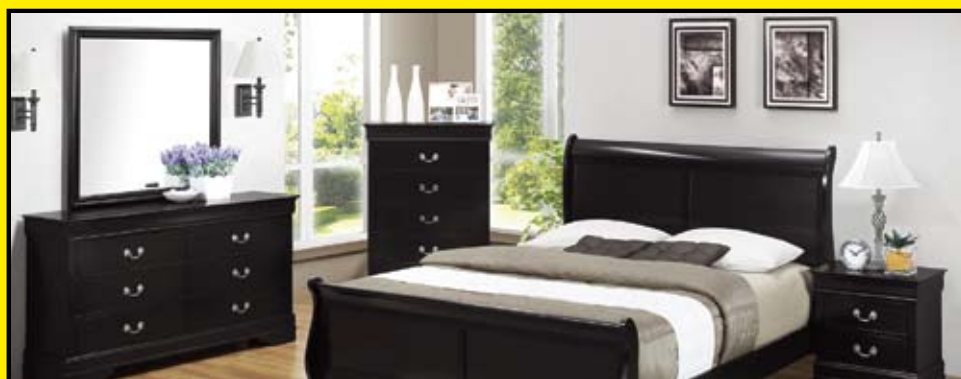
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