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Patti Nabors celebrates with fellow parishioners of St. Mary's Episcopal Church and guests at a Mardi Gras celebration which included music, a Zumba dance exhibition and, of course, lots of good tasting, bad for you dishes. Mardi Gras, or Fat Tuesday, reflects the practice of eating richer, fatty food the night before Lent season begins for Christians. Ash Wednesday marked the first day in Lent, which is a traditional time of fasting, selfdenial and reflection for many Christians to mark the remembrance of the Crucifixion and to prepare for Easter.

Few takers so far for school races

BY LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

School board trustee candidate filing has been less than fast and furious this year. So far, in all three school

district's only one non-incumbent has filed, and she's quite familiar with the job. Maria Padilla has filed her

intent to seek the District 2 seat on the Big Spring Independent School District board of trustees. Padilla served in that district as a BSISD school board trustee for a number of years before Pat DeAnda won the seat in 2012. DeAnda has yet to file her intent to run for another term.

Also filing for the BSISD District 4 trustee race is Tony Kennedy, who is currently serving as the board's vice-president. Kennedy has

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What to do if you get the flu

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Special to the Herald

The flu virus continues to spread across the U.S., with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) closely tracking the number of confirmed cases and urging stringent precautions to minimize its impact. Scenic Mountain Medical Center continues to see Hu-symptomatic patients in the emergency room and numerous patients See FLU, Page 3

have been admitted for treatment of flu-related complica-

While most people will be able to endure the flu's effects on their bodies and recover, others are at high risk for suffering complications and needing emergency intervention. Individuals at a higher risk include babies and chil-

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Abbott won't back off from border

Governor: No end date for National Guard mission

By PAUL J. WEBER

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Republican Gov. Greg Abbott predicted Wednesday that Texas and 25 other states would keep prevailing against President Barack Obama's executive actions on immigration but refused to put a deadline on when National Guard troops will leave the border with Mexico.

Flanked by U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz and other top Texas conservatives to celebrate an early court victory against Obama's deportation-relief program, Abbott shifted to defending his decision this week to indefinitely extend the Texas National Guard mission that began last summer.

About 200 guard members had been scheduled to leave the Rio Grande Valley next month, but Abbott now says an unspecified number will remain until Texas hires and trains hundreds of new state troopers to replace the guard.

He would not put a timeframe on how soon that could happen, but Texas Department of Public Safety leaders have

"It is our goal to ensure that only those who are authorized to cross the border, are the ones who are crossing the border."

> Texas Gov. Greg Abbott

arrest authority and are limited to being lookouts. "It is our goal to ensure that only those

who are authorized to cross the border,

are the ones who are crossing the border," Abbott said. A federal judge in Brownsville late Monday temporarily blocked Obama's plan to shield more than 4 million immigrants living in the country illegally from deportation. One program to help

Obama said this week that the law and history are on his side, and that he was confident the orders were within his authority. The Obama administration could seek a stay of the judge's order in addition to appealing to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

Last summer, then-Gov. Rick Perry deployed 1,000 guard troops to the Rio Grande Valley as Border Patrol agents were overwhelmed with the arrival of tens of thousands of unaccompanied children from Central America pouring across the border. Those numbers have since declined sharply, but Republican Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick said that the implementation of Obama's actions would set off "a new wave of thousands coming here hoping to achieve amnesty." Immigrants and Democrats disap-

pointed with the court decision accused Abbott and Republican leaders of being hostile toward Hispanics.

"Law enforcement likes to know who is here," Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez said. "And if people are hiding in the shadows, it's hard to distinguish between those who are harmful and those

said that getting started would take a immigrants brought to the country year. Unlike state troopers or Border Paas children was scheduled to kick in who are not." trol agents, guard members do not have Wednesday. For That Special Lady In Your Life...

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Joe Conner

Joe Conner, 39, of Weatherford, died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015, in Weatherford. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, 2015, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring, Texas.

Joe was born Nov. 26, 1975, in Big Spring, Texas and grew up in Midland, Texas. He was a fun-loving person who enjoyed his family and cooking outdoors.

Joseph Dosson Conner; one step-daughter, Karsyn Bateman; his mother, Beth Betus of Big Spring; one

Joe is survived by two sons, Jayden Thigpen and

A. D. Reed



Spring.

A. D. Reed, 86, of Ackerly, died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015, in an Odessa hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, 2015, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring. Interment will follow at the Ackerly Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19. 2015, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big

A. D. was born April 1, 1928 in Ackerly, Texas and married Mary Oaks Dec. 20, 1953, also in Ackerly.

He served in the United States Army during the Korean War as a combat engineer.

A. D. is well respected in the Ackerly community, having served on numerous boards, including the Cap Rock Energy Board for more than 20 years, the Dawson County Hospital Board, Sands School Board, and the Ackerly Gin Board. He loved his

Obituaries

sister, Lora Holley and husband, David of Mustang, Okla.; three brothers, Jim Conner and wife, Christy of Midland, Gabriel Conner of Grand Junction, Colo., and Carlos Conner of Eunice, N.M.; maternal grandmother, Jewel Burcham of Big Spring; nieces and nephews, Kari Lord, Tye Holley, Kaylee Lord, Tana Holley, Katelyn Lord, Haylie Conner, Hayden Conner, and Hadley Conner; one great-niece, Dilyn Lord; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins who loved him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Conner Jr.

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community and supported Sands athletics for as long as he was able to attend the games.

He also loved horses and rodeo. He was a lifetime member of the Ackerly Church of Christ.

A. D. is survived by his wife, Mary Reed of Ackerly; two sons, Billy Reed and wife, Sherry of Monahans, and Don Reed of Ackerly; one daughter, Jan Reed of Midland; six grandchildren, Delynn Reed, Marla James, T'Auna Edwards, Austin Reed, Laura Jo Bybee, and Sterling Reed Via; and five greatgrandchildren, Tyler James, Andrew James, Brock James, Taylor Reed, and Lane Bybee.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William Garrett and Nancy Lorene (Graves) Reed; and two sisters, Ruby Ingram and Juanita Zant.

Memorial donations are suggested to go to the New Mexico Children's Home, 1356 NM 236, Portales, N.M. 88130.

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He is survived by his wife, Mary Helen Tovar

of Big Spring; three step-daughters, Mary Helen

Perez, Belinda Wright, and Michelle Ann Perez, all

of San Antonio; four sisters, Felica Torres and her

husband Carlos of Los Angeles, Diane Chavez of

Big Spring, Guadalupe Martinez and her husband

Kenneth Sr. of Los Angeles and Petra Tovar of San

Antonio; one brother, Fidel Tovar of Pasadena; sev-

en step-grandchildren; and four step-great-grand-

death by two brothers, Mike Tovar and John Tovar;

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Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-

and one sister, San Juana "Janie" Tovar.

Pablo 'Paul' Tovar



Pablo "Paul" Tovar, 69, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015 at his residence. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial with military honors will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He was born Sept. 4, 1945, in Buda, Texas to Emilia and Juan Tovar. He was a veteran of the U.

S. Navy, having served in Vietnam. He had been a truck driver for Price Construction and had also worked for Union Pacific.

Virginia Langston



Virginia Lucille Plumley Langston, 92, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015, at her residence. Graveside funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, 2015, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Tom Koger, officiating.

She was born Aug. 12, 1922, in Greer, S.C. to W. D. Plumley and Hattie Mills Plumley. She married Jerome Bernard Langston July 6, 1940, in Greer, S.C. He pre-

ceded her in death Nov. 19, 1977.

She came to Big Spring in 1954 when MSgt. Langston was stationed at Webb Air Force Base. When he

smith.com retired, they sold their land in South Carolina and

stayed in Big Spring. Virginia was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Order of the Eastern Star and the Social order of Beauceant.

She is survived by her son, Daniel Langston of Big Spring; and grandchildren, Justin Langston

death by her parents; four brothers; and four sis-

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Police/Sheriff

children.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

•STACI LYNEL TOM-KINSON, 50, of 1900 W. Elm St. was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

• ZZACKRAY ALLEN OLYER-RHODES, 22 of 1604 Benton was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana less

than 2 ounces. ELIZA-•BAILLIE BETH REDWINE, 25, of 4217 Theo was arrested on charges of theft/shoplifting less than \$50 and 2 warrants from other

agencies. **JESUS** •ARTURO OCHOA, 51, of 1603 Lark St. was arrested on a warrant from another

agency. •ROBERT BOYER, 60, no address given, was arrested on charges of

public intoxication. •TERRY MARQUEZ, 30, of 1412 Stadium was

arrested on a warrant for failure to maintain financial responsibility. HERNAN-•PEDRO DEZ JR, 40, of 1700 E. 15th St. was arrested on

charges of public in-

toxication and criminal

mischief of more than

\$50 but less than \$500. •JOANIE LEDESMA,

31, of 510 State St. was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

SHERROD •ERICK FRANKS, 39, of 2209 Cecilia St. was arrested on charges of evading arrest/detention viously convicted and possession of drug paraphernalia.

•JOHNNY RICHARD REYES, 27 of 4217 Hamilton St. was arrested on charges of theft more than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000.

•CRYSTAL RAMIREZ MUNIZ, 28, of 611 N. San Antonio St. was cited for public intoxication and disorderly conduct/ language.

•LONGINO LOPEZ FLORES JR., 28, of Temple, Texas was arrested on charges of evading arrest/detention using a vehicle or watercraft.

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LYNN THACKER, 34, of 120 Hooser Rd. was arrested on a warrant for open container in a motor vehicle-passenger.

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•THEFT was reported in the 200 block of W.

FM 700. •MINOR ACCIDENT

was reported at MM 181 Exit and at the intersection of 10th and Owens.

•CRIMINAL MIS-CHIEF was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main St.

•UNWANTED SUB-JECT was reported in the 600 block of W. 17th and the 800 block of W. I-20.

BURGLARY IN PROGRESS was reported in the 1700 block of Johnson St.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 65 inmates at the time of this report.

ELIZA-•BAILLIE BETH REDWINE, 25, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for fail to maintain financial responsibility and violate promise to appear; and charges for theft/shoplifting less than \$50. CRYSTAL NICOLE

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Caleb Joseph Frerich

Devoted husband, father, son and brother Caleb Joseph Frerich, 32. of Midland, died Friday, Feb. 13, 2015, following a brief illness. He leaves to cherish his mem-

ory his wife and soulmate, Katie Gentry Frerich; daughter, Zoebella, 9, and son, William Joseph, 3 months, all of Midland; parents. Greg and Debbie Frerich. of Midland; sister Colby Hall and her husband, Cameron Hall, and nephew, Griffin Hall, of Houston; grandparents

Hubert and Annette Frerich, of Garden City, and Charles and Martha Beasley, of Ozona; father-inlaw and mother-in-law, Steve and Susan Gentry, of Midland, and brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Gene and Stephanie McQuitty, and nieces Averi and Mollie McQuitty, all of Midland, as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Caleb also leaves many from his St. Ann's Church and Midland Community Theater families. Caleb had no greater love than his family, and

his devotion was unending. Until his passing, he sang lullabies to Zoe every night after their nightly prayers. He and Zoe swam together often, and they both enjoyed the YMCA Indian Princesses program. One of the last great joys in Caleb's life was the birth of his and Katie's son, William, Nov. 12, 2014. Caleb prayed the rosary on his drive to work ev-

ery morning. He was active in the St. Ann's ACTS ministry, which returned him to the church and breathed new life into his faith. Always brimming with joy, Caleb never failed to bring a smile to Katie, his children, family, friends and even strangers. His wife marveled at the man he had become, and how he only spoke good of everyone during his all-too-brief time on earth.

A reader and writer of poetry, Caleb had many talents, including singing and playing the guitar in the St. Ann's Choir; leading the music ministry on his ACTS team; chairing the St. Ann's Run to the Fair, and acting in many local stage productions at Midland Community Theater. Caleb was the lead in "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," and also had roles in "The Wizard of Oz," "Shrek" and "Mary Poppins." His volunteer work also included active involvement in the Knights of Columbus Council 3071; all of his brother Knights will miss Caleb, his spirit and giving heart.

A lover of mathematics, computers, electronics and the number 4, Katie lovingly recalled that her In addition to his parents, he was preceded in "math-nerd husband" would only eat his Reese's Pieces in multiples of four. Caleb was a lover of "Star Wars," "Batman" and "Spiderman," and as a youth he participated in baseball, football and mar-

> Caleb graduated from Midland High School in 2000 and later received an associates degree from Midland College. He worked many years for his father, following in his dad's footsteps in the oil field pumping service industry. At the time of his death, Caleb was an artificial lift technician for Pioneer Natural Resources.

A Rosary for Caleb will be prayed at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 19, at St. Ann's Church, 1906 W. Texas Ave. Midland, A public viewing will be 8 a.m. to 6 In addition to her husband, she was preceded in p.m., Thursday, Feb. 19, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home, 3800 N. Big Spring, in Midland.

Caleb's funeral Mass will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at St. Ann's. Graveside services will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland. A reception will be held at St. Ann's following the conclusion of the graveside services.

Pallbearers are Bobby Hart, Andy Iverson, Bob Klemme, Aaron Hale, Cameron Hall and Darren

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Ann's School, 2000 W. Texas, Midland Texas, 79701.

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- In honor of Texas Independence Day, members of the Texas Nationalist Movement will read the Texas Declaration of Independence and William B. Travis' "Victory or Death" letter of appeal for the Alamo on the east lawn of the Howard County Courthouse by the War Monument. The event will be held Saturday,

March 7, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Texas Independence Day is Monday, March 2.

· Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers set their own hours.

For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

RACES

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served on the board since 2003. In the last several years, trustees have overseen a number of serious issues concerning the district including the construction of four new elementaries and receiving the designation as a low academic performing district by the Texas Education Agency.

Candidates interested in seeking a position must live in the district they wish to represent. Forms to file can be picked up at the BSISD district's administration office, 708 E. 11th Place, and returned by Feb. 27. For more information, contact the district's business office at 264-3620.

Apparently, the grass is not any green at the Coahoma Independent School District.

No one has filed to run for one of the three at-large positions open this year including the board's three incumbents Jody Reid, Brian Moore and Alan Wright.

Reid has served as a Coahoma ISD trustee for 12 years. He is the currently the board's vicepresident. Moore — board president — has nine years under his belt and Wright is finishing out his sixth year.

Anyone interested should pick up candidate filing forms at the CISD administration office, 600 N. Main, Coahoma. For more information, call Judy Dodds at 394-5000.

In the Forsan ISD race incumbents Lewis Boeker, board vice-president, and Chris Olsen have filed paperwork to seek an additional term. Forsan ISD trustees are currently overseeing the construction of a multimillion elementary project and the first new school in many decades for the district. Both seats are at-large positions. For more information visit the FISD administration office at 411 W. 6th St., Forsan or call LaDonna Johnson at 457-2223,

Candidate filing for all school board races continues through Feb. 27. Early voting will begin April 27 and the election will be held on May 9.

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

"Flu can become dead-

ly, so it's important to

act promptly if these

symptoms appear," said

Miramontes. "And it's

still not too late to get a

flu shot this year, which

can lessen your chances

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FLU

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compromised immune systems, and individuals with lung disease such as asthma, chronic bronchitis, emphysema, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease "Beyond feeling miser-

able, flu can develop into something much more serious, particularly for individuals who are at higher risk," said Amy Miramontes, director of Quality management and regulatory compliance. "It's important for these individuals to be monitored closely so they receive timely medical help if needed."

Unlike a cold, the flu typically comes on suddenly. The most common symptoms are fever or feeling feverish/chills, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, headaches, fatigue and vomiting and diarrhea.

If you suspect you have the flu virus, the CDC recommends seeking care from your doctor or an urgent care clinic, where you can be tested and receive a prescription for antiviral medication to minimize the intensity and duration of your symptoms. These medications work best when taken within 48 hours of becoming ill, but can still be beneficial when given later in the course of illness.

When you or someone for whom you're caring experiences any of the following symptoms the CDC recommends seeking help from the closest emergency department:

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interacting

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but then return with fever and worse cough Fever with a rash

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symptoms that improve but then return with fever and worse cough

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Pablo "Paul" Tovar. 69. died Tuesday. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. **Burial with Military Honors** will be at Mount Olive

Memorial Park. Bill McClellan, 63, died Sunday, February 1, 2015. Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, February 21, 2015, at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

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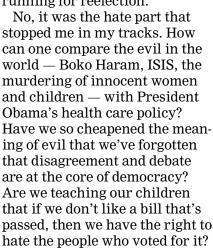
May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

ency, which strongly opposes Amen same-sex marriage.

Honoring our presidents

he headline that caught my attention on Presidents Day could not have been starker, colder: "Intense Republican Hate Is Skewing Obama Polls."

It's ironic because only a few days before, a number of pollsters had shown the president actually doing better in the popularity contest, even reaching 50 percent approval. But as we all know, these numbers don't really mean much, especially when he's not running for reelection.



president of the United States is not just about Barack Obama; it's about the rule of law, the system under which we live that allows us to live in harmony even and especially when we disagree. It's easy to turn on a microphone and rant and rave

Words have power. To hate the

It's not President Reagan we were celebrating on Monday, or President Kennedy or President Johnson or President Obama. We were celebrating a country that lives under the rule of law ...

about how you hate this one and that one, as if it's mere fodder for humor. But democracy depends on trust — trust that we will play by the rules, win or lose. Adults teach their children

good sportsmanship: Shake hands; it's a game. But the game we're playing now is fueled by nuclear power and Islamist extremism, and to pretend that somehow our president is nothing more than one of those haters endangers not only the president, but all of us.

It's not President Reagan we were celebrating on Monday, or President Kennedy or President Johnson or President Obama. We were celebrating a country

that lives under the rule of law, follows decisions even if it disagrees with them and recognizes that some issues may not be resolved, but always maintains respect for the final judgment. Who are these Obama "hat-

ers"? Who else do they teach

their children to hate? What do they think their children understand when they hear such talk of hate? With so many dangers in the world, gratuitous viciousness not only increases the threat to our president, but to our society.

Many years ago, I was invited to serve on a panel for the presidency at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. I was the only Democrat. Tough spot. The first question out of the box for me was did I respect Ronald Reagan as a great president. My answer was simple: I disagreed with Reagan on many issues, but I respected him as a man of integrity and considered him to be my president. Most of the audience booed when I said that. Mrs. Reagan sent me flowers — a class act then, as always.

I'm sure there were instances in which my liberal friends loudly chanted their hatred for George W. Bush. It wasn't right then, either. Maintaining a stable democracy may look easy, but when you look around the world, you realize just how difficult it is. It stands on the goodwill and decency of all of us who gathered Monday in support of all of our presidents.

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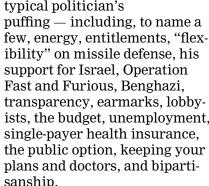
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Obama's cynical web of deceit

am not surprised that President Obama lied to the nation in 2008 when he told us he opposed same-sex marriage, but I confess

that I didn't expect his insiders to be so brazen as to come right out and admit it.

How could I be surprised about Obama's lie? He has lied about so many things things that can't be flippantly dismissed as the



LIMBAUGH

In my book "The Great Destroyer," I wrote about Obama's deceitful history on same-sex marriage, and it didn't begin in 2008. He signed a questionnaire in 1996 indicating his support for it and then later denied it was his signature. Years later, however, his then press secretary, Jay Carney, admitted it was in fact Obama's signature.

This means that Obama — on the record — supported samesex marriage as far back as 1996. Yet when challenged about this initial deceit, Carney was defiant and dismissive. What was important, he said, was that from the time of his presidential campaign to the present (2011), Obama's opposition to it had been consistent, but Carney added that Obama's view was "evolving."

I wrote at the time: "The upshot is that Obama was for gay marriage in 1996, though he later denied it, has been openly against it since 2008, and is now warming to it again, though he's still opposed to it. That's more like spinning than evolving." I also made this observation: "What we obviously have with Obama is a politician who supports same-sex marriage but is unwilling to pay the political price of admitting it (at least before the 2012 election), especially among his core black constitu-

Obama's lies have largely defined his presidency, and they matter, not just because they are unambiguously immoral but because they effectively disenfranchise the electorate. Two more vears.

As it turns out, I was wrong about when he'd change his position (as he did come out before the 2012 election, presumably to ignite the rest of his base), but I was dead-on about his motivation for duplicity (as I'll explain below).

I noted further that Obama's feigned opposition was incredible because he supported samesex marriage on various legal fronts, such as his strong support for the misnamed Respect for Marriage Act, which would repeal the federal Defense of Marriage Act. Obama's administration went so far as to break normal constitutional procedures (not at all abnormal for this crew) by indicating it would not enforce the law or defend it in court.

This had immediate consequences, as it resulted in litigants citing the administration's position in a court filing in their case to strike down California's statutory definition of traditional marriage.

Obama also took aim at traditional marriage at the state level in March 2012, less than two months before North Carolina residents would vote on a state constitutional amendment defining marriage as a union of a man and a woman.

That wasn't all. Obama's Department of Justice, in a court brief, argued that treating same-sex couples differently from married heterosexual couples was the legal equivalent of racial discrimination. Also, federal regulations promulgated by the administration continued the administration's assault on traditional marriage.

Now we have another chapter in this sordid, cynical saga. Former White House adviser David Axelrod admitted that Obama misled Americans for

his own political benefit when he claimed in the 2008 election to oppose same-sex marriage for religious reasons.

In his book, "Believer: My Forty Years in Politics," Axelrod quoted Obama as saying — after Obama had stated his opposition to same-sex marriage at a campaign event — "I'm just not very good at (BS'ing)."

Again, I knew they were deceiving us all along, but can you believe Axelrod is just coming out and admitting it — almost as if he is proud of it? Indeed, Axelrod takes credit for counseling Obama to conceal his position for political reasons. In his book, he explained why he urged Obama to lie, vindicating my analysis above. "Opposition to gay marriage was particularly strong in the black church," wrote Axelrod, "and as he ran for higher office, he grudgingly accepted the counsel of more pragmatic folks like me, and modified his position to support civil unions rather than marriage, which he would term a

'sacred union.'" Again, this is not a mea culpa by Axelrod but something closer to bragging. I think that's because a central tenet of modern leftism today is that the end justifies the means. I even saw a lib eral on Twitter defend Obama's deceit on that basis. Also, libera Jonathan Chait, in a post, questioned whether Obama's "lie" is that bad or "a genuine sin."

At least Chait didn't offer a full-throated defense of Obama's deceit, but the fact that he even rationalized it and that Axelrod is virtually boasting about it with other liberals in tow should be a wake-up call to people who are still naive about the way Obama operates and many liberals think.

Obama's lies have largely defined his presidency, and they matter, not just because they are unambiguously immoral but because they effectively disenfranchise the electorate. Two more years.

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Washington Elementary recognized its students of the month of January. They are as follows: kindergarten, Pedro Isaac Herrera, Kaden Reyes, Isaiah Granados, **Shaylee O'Daniel; first grade,** Joshua Reyes, Andre Rushin, Aiden Fernandez, Jennifer Partlow; third grade, Mia Valle, Donavyn Hilario, Maribel Sandoval; fourth grade; Viviana Martinez, Heidi Cervantez, Serena McClinton, Ivana Valbuena, Genevieve Bedinger; fifth grade, Jacob Yanez, Leilani Kato, Kaylee Alvarado, Isabela Marquez, and Luciana Salazar. (Courtesy photo)

BSHS Cheerleaders squads Valentine's Babysitting service





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Pcitured at top Miss Sloan Davis (English teacher at BSHS) and Ashley Phinney participated in the BSHS cheerleader fundraiser that watched over little ones Friday, February 13. The Cheerleaders hosted the evening of babysitting as a fundraiser to help with costs of UIL competitions next year. They offered Pizza, games, basketball, arts and crafts, a movie and other activities throughout the evening.

Above, the children are seen here watching a movie after an evening of Pizza, games, basketball, arts and crafts as well as some other fun activities.

They said that they are hoping to be able to do a few more babysitting fundraisers before the end of the year.

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Browns coach: Johnny Manziel in 'better place'

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Browns coach Mike Pettine said Wednesday he believes quarterback Johnny Manziel is in a "better place" since entering a treatment program earlier this month.

Manziel, his family and the team have not said why he sought help. Pettine did not provide any additional details about the reasons, citing privacy concerns, much better way." and that there was no timetable for his re-

But on the first big day of this week's NFL scouting combine, Pettine said he visited the 2012 Heisman Trophy winner last week.

"He's in a much better place now than when he went in," Pettine said. "He's very determined to come out of it in a

That might be the best possible news for Cleveland, which has used 22 different starting quarterbacks since the franchise returned to the league in 1999. Manziel came to last

year's combine with the reputation of a big-time playmaker and a frequent partier, a combination that scared away some wary teams, but Cleveland chose "Johnny Football" with the No. 22 overall pick.

He looked unprepared and overmatched in his first career start, throwing two interceptions in a 30-0 loss to Cincinnati. The next week at Carolina, Manziel injured his hamstring on a running play before halftime. He didn't play again. Manziel was fined later by the Browns for missing a medical treatment before the season finale at Baltimore.

After apologizing to Cleveland's fans and his teammates for being a distraction, he promised to change. Over the next couple of days, photos of Manziel appeared on Instagram, showing him in a Houston nightclub and in Aspen, Colorado — all before choosing to enter treatment.

Pettine was sked if the Browns make a mistake in vetting Manziel.

"I think we had the same information everyone else in the league had," he said. "It turns out to be a deeperrooted thing than we thought."

Pettine said it was Manziel's decision to seek help and that he and the team fully support the effort.

Patrick to

use spare

Daytona

Danica Patrick and

Patrick's No. 10 Chevro-

let sustained enough damage that she was forced to switch to a backup car

and will have to start at

the back of the field in the second of two qualifying

races Thursday. Hamlin's

No. 11 Toyota was repair-

Patrick and Hamlin

started the pileup by mak-

ing contact coming out

of the second turn. Casey

Mears, Michael Annett

and Jeb Burton also were

Patrick called it "the nature of pack racing" while

Hamlin said "you always

have to give a little bit ex-

tra room in practice." But

neither driver took full

blame, with Hamlin call-

ing it a "miscalculation

one way or another on

Patrick, who started on

the pole for the Daytona

500 two years ago, said

she's disappointed to go

"I know that it was a

good car and it's never a

good thing to crash," she

said. "Sometimes there's

not much you can do

Also, NASCAR has

updated eligibility for

drivers to qualify for the

Chase for the Sprint Cup

championship. Drivers

must start all races to be

eligible for the 10-race

Chase. Under the previous rule, drivers needed

just to attempt to qualify

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to a backup car.

about it."

involved.

Denny Hamlin wrecked during Daytona 500 prac-

car at

tice Wednesday.

Mavs add **Amare** to team

DALLAS (AP) — Amare Stoudemire is signed and set for his debut with the Dallas Maver-

Stoudemire joined the Mavericks after clearing waivers Wednesday, two days after the New York Knicks let him out of his contract with a buyout.

The six-time All-Star forward signed for the prorated veteran minimum of about \$460,000, and the deal was announced about the same time he was expected to be on a flight to Oklahoma City with his new teammates. The Mavericks return from the All-Star break at the Thunder on Thursday night.

The 32-year-old Stoudemire, in his 13th season, will back up center Tyson Chandler and forward Dirk Nowitzki and restore some of the frontcourt depth Dallas lost when Brandan Wright went to Boston in the December trade that brought Rajon Rondo.

"To play alongside Dirk Nowitzki, Tyson Chandler and other great players, I think it's a tremendous opportunity for me to compete for a championship," said Stoudemire, who leaves behind a 10-win team that will be without star Carmelo Anthony for the rest of the season.

Chandler and Stoudemire spent three seasons together in New York. Chandler signed with the Knicks after helping lead Dallas to the franchise's only championship in 2011. He came back to the Mavericks in

an offseason trade. Stoudemire has career averages of 20 points and 8.2 rebounds. He averaged 12 points and 24 minutes for the Knicks this season.



Hot team ...

Raffaella Angelidou and the Howard College Lady Hawks will try and claim their third win in their last four games tonight when they face off with Southwest Texas Junior College in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Tonight's action will start

Vikings GM: We 'expect' Peterson back

The Minnesota Vikings haven't wavered with their stance since the season ended: They want Adrian Peterson back.

In the strongest statement yet, general manager Rick Spielman said Wednesday he expects the star running back to stay with the team after his suspension is lifted.

"I think our organization is on that same page," Spielman told reporters at the NFL scouting combine in Indianapolis. Peterson's last carry

came more than five months ago, before the child-abuse case involving his young son became public.

"He admitted a mistake. I'm sure he's doing everything he can to not only make himself better as a football player but also a better person off the field," Spielman said.

The Vikings initially planned to let Peterson play until the felony charge was resolved in court, following a onegame benching for the home opener. The backlash amid league-wide problems with domestic violence was so swift and severe, though, that they relented while Commissioner Roger Goodell used his authority to place Peterson on paid leave with a special exemption.

Then with six games left in the season, Peterson reached a plea deal on misdemeanor reckless assault with probation and no jail time, the league suspended him without pay through at least April 15. His appeal was rejected, prompting the NFL Players Association to file a petition in

federal court to vacate the

arbitrator's decision.



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County.

On the road James davidson and the Howard College baseball team will travel to Waco tomorrow to begin a series with McLennan

Students' signs draw Texas school's attention

MOUND, FLOWER Texas (AP) — A North Texas school district is investigating the actions of students at a high school basketball game who held up signs saying "White" and "Power."

Superintendent Kevin Rogers says in a statement he's "disheartened" by the actions of some students at Flower Mound High School who held up a placard with the word "White" alongside another that read "Power."

for every race.

The Flower Mound boys were playing Plano East on Friday when cellphones captured images of the signs. The images were then circulated on social media.

Plano East is more racially diverse than Flower Mound.

Rogers says a review is underway and that administrators "intend to act on our findings." He adds that his district has the "highest respect" for Plano East.

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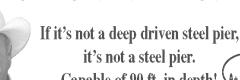
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Annie's Mailbox ®

little and asked where Daddy was, I covered for Bob, but now that Jack is older, he knows what's what. The kid is no dummy. Things continue to get

worse. Bob accepts no responsibility for his son. He makes nearly twice my salary, but won't give me a dime toward Jack's clothes, shoes or school supplies, let alone birthday presents, although he wants his name on the gifts. He even tries to get out of paying for groceries and babysitters. Bob pays the mortgage and the taxes. Everything else is my responsibility. I carry Jack on my health insurance.

I also don't like to leave Jack alone with his father. If anything goes wrong. Bob blames Jack and ends up hollering at him for ridiculous things like forgetting to turn off a light or not wanting to go to the store with him, and then lays a guilt trip on the boy, saying, "Don't

you want to spend time with me?"

I have tried talking to Bob about this. I tell him it is the parents' responsibility to make time for their children, not the other way around. He refuses counseling, saying he doesn't need anyone to tell him how to raise his kid.

Jack already has anger issues and acts out. I am ready to give up on our marriage. Bob and I are more like roommates than spouses. I sometimes think Jack and I would be better off on our own. Any advice? -- Sinking Ship in Pennsylvania

Dear Pennsylvania: Bob withholds funds for the support of his family and either neglects or yells at his son. These things can be interpreted as forms of abuse. Bob has no interest in counseling because he has no interest in being a better father. Sometimes leaving this type of situation is healthier than staying. Please get counseling for yourself and for Jack and decide

your best course of action.

Dear Annie: I've been dating "Joe" for a year. We are both divorced parents. My children are in college, and Joe's 17year-old daughter lives with him. "Tawny" is a nice young lady, but she relies on us to provide her with a social life.

Tawny attended one

semester at a nearby community college. She was fired from her job and basically sits at home all day. She rarely does housework. I understand that she is bored and lonely and have suggested she do some volunteer work to get out and meet people. Joe is as frustrated as I am. He has spoken to Tawny about it, but nothing has changed. I don't mind including her in our plans once in a while, but she expects to go everywhere with us and has attitude if she's not invited. She even follows us from room to room.

Joe has asked me to move in with him, but I don't want to end up resenting Tawny and

creating problems with our relationship. -- Help

Dear Help: Please do not move in with Joe. Instead, suggest that Tawny get counseling for what could be depression and to help her gain focus. That girl needs guidance, and Joe isn't providing it.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Concerned Daughter." whose recently divorced mother was suicidal and even held her brother's gun to her head. Your advice was good, but you didn't mention the most important thing: Lock up and hide the darn gun. --Connecticut

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By Steve Becker

But West played the ace of hearts

anyway, and, as a result, declarer

made the contract. He ruffed and

cashed the Q-K-A of clubs before

exiting with a trump. East won with

the ace and was forced to return a

spade or a heart, eliminating South's

spade loser. Had West shifted to a

spade at trick two, declarer would

South's decision to cash three

rounds of clubs before leading a

trump was well thought out. True,

there was some danger that one of the three club leads might get ruffed

by the missing small trump — especially the third club — but he felt this

was less of a risk than relying on a

South realized that West had

passed originally with a heart suit

headed by the A-K, making it less

likely that he had either the ace of

diamonds or king of spades. This

view was reinforced by East's heart

raise, which was probably based on

holding both of those cards. Further-

more, East's deuce-of-hearts play at

trick one asked West to shift at trick

two, strongly implying that he held

the spade king.

So, rather than pin his hopes on a

later spade finesse that seemed likely

to fail, South staked his chances on

an endplay, and made West pay

dearly for his indiscretion at trick

have gone down one.

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West dealer. Both sides vulnerable **♠** AJ2 **♥**Q4 ♦ J 9 6 5 3 **♣**QJ6 WEST **EAST ↑**7653 ♠ K 10 8 4 **♥**98732 ♥AKJ106 SOUTH ♦ K Q 10 8 7 2 **♣**A K 10 8 The bidding: North West East South Opening lead — king of hearts.

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Dear Annie: I have

11 years. Once we had

our son, "Jack,"

been married to "Bob" for

everything changed. Bob

found excuses not to be

overtime or had to "go

was even home on a

first five years.

somewhere." I can count

on one hand the times he

did anything with Jack or

weekend during our son's

Jack is now 8 and has

no real relationship with

his father and no desire

for one. When he was

home, worked all kinds of

Declarer does not need a partner to guide him during the play, since his partner's hand is in plain view. To overcome this natural advantage for the declarer, the defenders must work closely together to attain their best possible result.

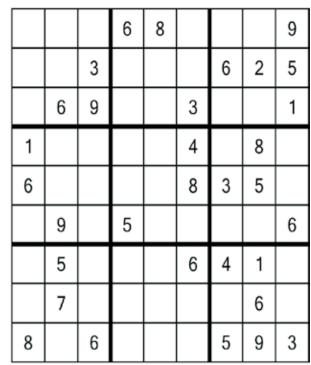
Consider this deal where West led the king of hearts, on which East played the deuce. This was a clear command for West to shift to another suit. If East had wanted hearts continued, he would have played a higher heart to ask for a continuation.

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that sheep can be passive. Peacefulness should not be confused with passivity. Everything doesn't have to be a fight.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). When you fight with yourself, at least fight fair! In the latest you-onyou battle, only one of you will be left standing. The good news is that this transformation probably won't be painful, just awkward.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your eyes are open to a clearer, faster, more direct way to happiness. Tonight, those close to you will benefit from your wave of crazy

generosity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). For your life to be happy, it must be full. And for your life to be full, it must be happy. Therefore, the most important move to make in the name of living a full life is the one you believe will bring the most happiness.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). In Internet-speak, NSFW translates to "not safe for work." You may feel that your entire mood isn't safe for work today, as you would like to tell a lot of people how you really feel. However, your self-control will be rewarded.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). When people make you mad, and they will, try to stay calm. It's fine for you to be angry, but you'll lose your power and status if you show it too much. One strategy that works is simply walking away.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Attractive solutions abound. Sometimes things look good because they are good. Just because something has a pretty sheen to it doesn't

Tomorrow's Horoscope mean you should

automatically be

suspicious.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Seize the opportunity to explore your talents. This is best done by trying new things without a worry or care about who is watching or what they'll think. You'll make friends along the way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Today's activities will not be what you would normally consider cause for celebration. And yet, you'll celebrate them anyway. That's what makes you awesome. Someone new will want to join in with all of that fun you're having.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). All it takes is one sound decision to usher more love and money into your life. It's not a hard one to make, but it does require humble learning and the tenacity to see this cycle through to the final stages.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You have a weird way of working through things, and you should trust that however

different it may be from the way others do it, it's still a good way for you. You're an original, you

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You deal with life according to how you feel about it at the moment, and there will be several moments of the day that are highly charged. Emotional distancing may be in order.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The new people coming into your life have no idea who you are, so feel free to playfully create an accurate picture for them. You'll do quite a lot in the name of fun!

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 19). You put people

at ease, and for this reason, many want you on their team. In fact, they'll fight over you in March. April will bring a restructuring of your work life followed by a windfall. You'll trade places with a good friend in June and will decide you like your situation better. Love is the main deal over the summer. Cancer and Libra people

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ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I really would like to know more about my mom and her birth date of Nov. 3, 1965. She has gone through many struggles in her life and would like to know whether she will ever have peace."

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her sensitivities and

perhaps physical and

financial limitations, she may feel limited in her ability to even try to make them happen. The key to gaining "peace" is not to sit passively by hoping and praying for serenity, but to remember her own needs and wants and pursue them in some big or small way with the determination of her faith.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Nickelodeon star Victoria Justice is

working on a comedy called "The Outskirts" about high-school geeks who unite to get their revenge on cruel popular types. Justice was born when Mercury, the communication and dayto-day activities planet, was in Pisces. This is an excellent placement for actors because it lends the ability to empathize, communicate with and relate to a wide variety of

people.

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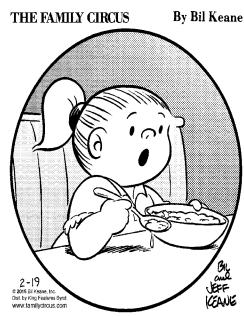
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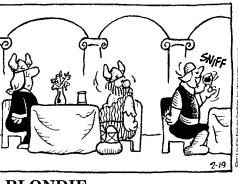
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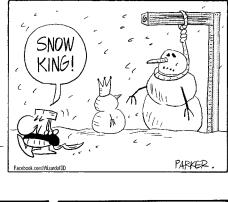




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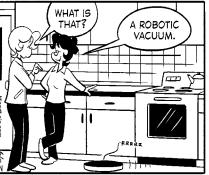
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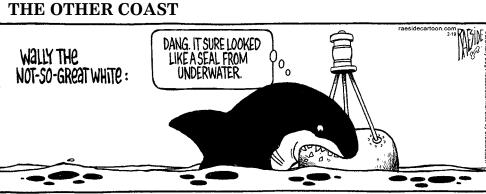




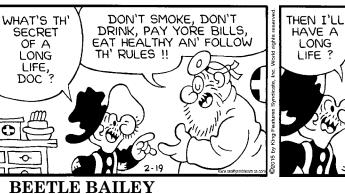
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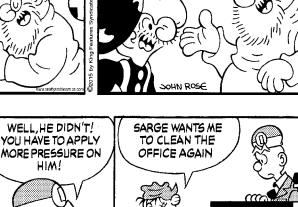








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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Feb. 19, the 50th day of 2015. There are 315 days left in the year. This is the Lunar New Year of the Goat. Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 19, 1945, Operation Detachment began during World War II as some 30,000 U.S. Marines began landing on Iwo Jima, where they commenced a successful monthlong battle to seize control of the island from Japanese forces. On this date: In 1473, astronomer Nicolaus Copernicus

was born in Torun, Poland. In 1881, Kansas pro-

hibited the manufacture

and sale of alcoholic beverages. In 1915, during World War I, British and French warships launched their initial attack on Ottoman forces in the Dardanelles, a strait in northwestern Turkey. (The Gallipoli Campaign that followed proved disastrous for the Allies.) In 1934, a blizzard began inundating the northeastern United States, with the heaviest snowfall occurring in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

In 1942, President

Franklin D. Roosevelt

signed Executive Order

9066, clearing the way for the U.S. military to relocate and intern Japanese-Americans during World War II. In 1959, an agreement was signed by Britain, Turkey and Greece granting Cyprus its independence. In 1963, "The Feminine Mystique" by Betty Friedan was first published by W.W. Norton & Co.

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Newsday Crossword

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No. 3 Baylor women hang on to beat Texas Tech, 67-60

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Baylor coach Kim Mulkey and the No. 3 Lady Bears were happy to come away with an "ugly" victory over Texas Tech on Wednesday

"I think we all just struggled tonight," Mulkey said. "When you can come to a press conference and say you've struggled and you won, it's a lot better than saying you struggled and you got beat."

Niya Johnson tied her season high with 17 points and Nina Davis added 12 to help Baylor beat Texas Tech, 67-60.

The win, the Ladv Bears' 24th straight, assured Baylor a share of the Big 12 title with Oklahoma. A win over TCU in Waco on Saturday would give the Lady Bears sole possession of the regular-season title, their fifth straight and sixth overall.

Davis also had 10 rebounds.

It was only the sixth time that Baylor (25-1, 14-0 Big 12) has won by single digits this season. Lady Raiders pulled to 61-59 on Amber Battle's field goal with 1:28 remaining, but Baylor's Sune Agbuke made a quick layup. Battle then hit a free throw, but

Johnson sank two free throws to seal the win.

Johnson had eight turnovers, and Davis finished with six.

Pitchers and catchers report to spring training

Washington's studded rotation reports to Florida. Matt Harvey continues his comeback with the New York Mets. Joe Maddon takes over the Chicago Cubs, and Russell Martin gets a closer look at Toronto's pitching staff.

While much of the Northeast and Midwest navigates bitter cold and piles of snow, spring training begins in earnest this week when pitchers and catchers file into camps in Florida and Arizona. World Champion San Francisco is one of four National League teams slated to begin on today, and most of the majors' pitchers and backstops will be in place by this weekend.

Following several massive free-agent deals and blockbuster trades, there are plenty of compelling story lines heading into baseball's first spring

training since Rob Man-

fred took over as com-

missioner in January. Harvey missed all of last season for his recovery from elbow ligament-replacement surgery, and got an early start on spring training by reporting to New York's facility about two weeks before the first scheduled workout. He is hoping to be ready for

opening day.

It's a brand new day for the Cubs when they report to Arizona after a banner offseason that included the addition of Maddon, who had a 754-705 record during his successful nine-year run with Tampa Bay.

The Cubs were one of baseball's most active teams over the winter. Same goes for Toronto, which is seeking its first playoff appearance since it won the World Series in 1993.

BASKETBALL National Basketball League EASTERN CONFERENCE

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Thursday's Games Dallas at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m. San Antonio at L.A. Clippers, 10:30

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HOCKEY National Hockey League EASTERN CONFERENCE **Atlantic Division** W L OT Pts GF GA

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NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Wednesday's Games Detroit 3, Chicago 2, SO Edmonton 4, Boston 3, SO Minnesota 3, Calgary 2, OT Los Angeles 4, Colorado 1 Tampa Bay 4, Anaheim 1 Thursday's Games

Nashville at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m. Vancouver at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m. Columbus at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m. Winnipeg at Washington, 7 p.m. Florida at Montreal, 7:30 p.m. Buffalo at Philadelphia, 8 p.m. San Jose at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

BOXING Fight Schedule

At Turning Stone Resort Casino, Verona, N.Y. (ESPN2), Boxcino Dennis vs. Steve Vukosa; Razvan Cojano vs. Ed Fountain; Andrey Heredia vs. Lenroy Thomas. At CONSOL Energy

Pittsburgh (SHO), Sammy Vazquez Jr. vs. Emmanuel Lartey, 10, welterweights; Humberto Savigne, vs. Craig Baker, 10, light heavyweights.

Feb. 21 At Monaco (HBO), Gennady Golovkin vs. Martin Murray, 12, for Golovkin's WBA Super World-WBC World-IBO middleweight tiles; Hekkie Budler's WBA-IBO minimumweight titles; Lee Haskins vs. Omar Lamiri. 12, for the vacant EBU bantamweight title; Hughie Fury vs. Andriy Rudenko,

 heavyweights.
 At O2 World Arena, Berlin, Arthur Abraham vs. Paul Smith, 12, for Abraham's WBO super middleweight Costa Junior, 10, heavyweights. Feb. 27

At Paramount Theatre, Huntington, 10, junior Johnny Garcia, welterweights; Delvin Rodriguez vs. Eliezer Gonzalez, 10, junior middleweights. At Fantasy Springs Casino,

Indio, Calif. (FS1), Pablo Cesar Cano vs. Juan Carlos Abreu, 10,

Feb. 28

At Odyssey Arena, Belfast, Northern Ireland, Carl Frampton vs. Chris Avalos, 12, for Frampton's IBF super bantamweight title.

. At O2 Arena, London, Dmitry Chudinov vs. Chris Eubank Jr., 12, for the interim WBA middleweight title;

Tyson Fury vs. Christan Hammer, 12 for Fury's WBO international heavyeweight title; Liam Walsh vs. Joe Murray, 12, for Walsh's British and Commonwealth junior lightweight titles; Frank Buglioni vs. Ivan Jukic, 12 for Buglioni's WBO European super middleweight title; Ahmet Patterson vs. Glenn Foot, 10, welterweights. March 6

At Echo Arena, Liverpool, England, Zolani Tete vs. Paul Butler, 12, for Tete's IBF super flyweight title; Richar Abril vs. Derry Mathews, 12, for Abril's WBA lightwieght title; Kevin Satchell vs. Luke Wilton, 12, for Satchell's European and Commonwealth flyweight title; Jazza Dickens vs. Josh Wale, 12, for the vacant British junior featherweight title.

TRANSACTIONS **BASEBALL**

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE Suspended Cleveland RHP Tyler Sturdevant 50 games for a violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program. American League

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Agreed

to terms with LHP Bruce Chen on a minor league contract. KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Agreed to terms with 1B Eric Hosmer on a

two-year contract. LÓS ANGELES ANGELS — Agreed to terms with RHP Matt Lindstrom on

a minor league contract. National League SAN DIFGO PADRES — Assigned

RHP Aaron Northcraft outright to El American Association AMARILLO THUNDERHEADS

Signed OF Jason Martin. Traded LHP Kristhiam Linares to Lancaster for a

player to be named. **BASKETBALL** National Basketball Association DALLAS MAVERICKS - Signed F

Amare Stoudemire. Waived G Ricky TORONTO RAPTORS — Assigned

F Bruno Caboclo to Fort Wayne (NBADL). **FOOTBALL** National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Agreed

to terms with WR Larry Fitzgerald on

DB Varmah Sonie. LB Mister Alexander **INDIANAPOLIS** COLTS Released LB Shaun Phillips.

CLEVELAND BROWNS

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Claimed TE Brandon Bostick off waivers from PHILADELPHIA **EAGLES**

Named Brian Smith assistant linebackers coach. WASHINGTON REDSKINS S Ryan Clark announced his

Canadian Football League MONTREAL ALOUETTES — Signed DT Khalif Mitchell to a three-

year contract and DE Kris Redding to a two-year contract. WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS

Signed WR Kurt Goodrich HOCKEY

National Hockey League
DALLAS STARS — Recalled F Brendan Ranford from Texas (AHL). EDMONTON OILERS — Placed

G Viktor Fasth on injured reserve. Activated G Ben Scrivens from injured MINNESOTA WILD — Called up F Michael Keranen from Iowa (AHL). NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Reassigned F Viktor Stalberg to Milwaukee (AHL).

PHILADÈLPHIA FLYERS Signed D Nick Schultz to a multi-year

WASHINGTON CAPITALS Reassigned D Steven Oleksy to

Hershey (AHL). WINNIPEG JETS - Placed F

Recalled F Carl Klingberg from St. John's (AHL). SOCCER

Major League Soccer
D.C. UNITED — Signed M Miguel

SPORTING KANSAS CITY

Signed D Amadou Dia.

COLLEGE NCAA - Placed West Virginia's athletic department on two years

probation AMERICANFOOTBALLCOACHES ASSOCIATION — Announced the resignation of executive director Grant Teaff.



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