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Math and momentum favor Trump, Clinton

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With math and momentum on his side after more big wins, Republican front-runner Donald Trump called on GOP leaders Wednesday to embrace the public's "tremendous fervor" for his candidacy. If GOP leaders try to deny him the nomination at a contested convention when he is leading the delegate count, Trump predicted, "You'd have riots."

Trump, making a round of calls to morning TV talk shows, predicted he'd amass enough delegates to snag the



Clinton

nomination outright before the Republican convention, but added that "there's going to be a tremendous problem" if the Republican establishment tries to outmaneuver him at the convention. He also said some Republican senators who are publicly trashing him have called him privately to say they want to "become involved" in his campaign, eventually. Trump did not name any.

Democrat Hillary Clinton,



Trump

ready for a November matchup against Trump, took aim at him after strengthening her position against rival Bernie Sanders with another batch of primary victories of her own.

"Our commander-in-chief has to be able to defend our country, not embarrass it," Clinton said in a speech that largely ignored Sanders. "We can't lose what made

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TxDOT closes I-10 at Louisiana border

Special to the Herald

Motorists intent on traveling on Interstate 10 east from Texas may need to find alternate routes.

Excessive rainfall and flooding along the Sabine River at the Texas-Louisiana border forced Texas Department of Transportation officials to close the eastbound lanes of I-10 at the state line early this morning. Louisiana officials had earlier halted westbound traffic along the interstate.

Motorists heading eastbound to Louisiana are urged to use Interstate 20 as an alternate route,

TxDOT advises the following alternate routes for motorists traveling to Louisiana:

- From El Paso, take I-20 east of Van Horn.
- From San Antonio, take I-35 north to I-20, then east to Shreveport.
- From Houston, take U.S. 59 north to I-20, then east to Shreveport.
- From Beaumont, take U.S. 96 north to U.S. 69, then north to U.S. 59, then north to I-20.

Visit www.DriveTexas.org or call 1-800-452-9292 for the most updated road conditions. Follow @TxDOT on Twitter.

Putting the focus on children



File photo

In this 2014 photo, Big Spring Mayor Larry McLellan, left, and others attend Scenic Mountain Medical Center's balloon release recognizing April as National Child Abuse Prevention month.

Ceremony to mark child abuse awareness month

Special to the Herald

Turning a blind eye doesn't make the problem any less real when it comes to those affected by child abuse. For this reason, Scenic Mountain Medical Center and other local agencies have joined together to help raise awareness in Howard County.

A balloon release ceremony will take place at 6 p.m. on April 14 on the front lawn of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. This year, the event is being co-sponsored by CASA of West Texas, High Sky Children's Ranch, Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA), Child Protective Services, Howard County Child Welfare Board, Department of Family Services and Victim's Services and SMMC.

"Child abuse is an issue that isn't talked about all that often in Howard County, but that doesn't make it any less of an issue. The amount of families and number of children affected by child abuse in our county is rather high,"

Kathy Harmon, CASA Marketing Specialist and Volunteer Recruitment, said. "Our numbers for the past couple of years have actually sat around the same as, if not a little higher, than other cities in our area."

"It is nice to see though that numbers are starting to trend down," she continued. "There were 174 cases of confirmed child abuse in 2014 which decreased to 124 confirmed cases in 2015. The number of children in foster care has also decreased from 172 to 136 from 2014 to 2015."

This is the third year for these entities to come together in an effort to bring awareness in the community. This time they are asking for even more community involvement.

"This has been an event that has continued to evolve over the years, which is a great thing because it shows that more people are becoming aware of the issue," Amanda Duforat, SMMC Marketing Manager, said. "This year, we are looking to add more entities and gain more community involvement."

In addition to the balloon release, there will be in-

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88 and going great

Octogenarian Ferguson celebrates latest birthday the same way he always has — by going to work

By AMANDA ELSTON

Managing Editor

Today John Ferguson is celebrating his 88th birthday, not from a nursing home or senior citizen center, but from behind the desk at his Big Spring law firm, Weaver & Ferguson P.C Attorneys at Law. And unlike some senior citizens, Ferguson still exhibits a quick wit and a playful sense of humor.

"I'll retire when they bring in a box or a net," joked Ferguson on his impressive 66 year long career. "I'd be bored to death at home watching TV. This is all I've ever done!"

Ferguson primarily practices oil and gas law, citing it as his favorite. But he also practices probate and estate planning, real estate, and family law. He graduated law school at the University of Texas in 1950 after growing up in south Texas. When he moved to Midland at age 22 for his first job after graduation, Ferguson said it was a bit of a culture shock.

"When I was offered the job with Phillips Petroleum in Midland, I had to get a map out to see where it was," laughed Ferguson. "I thought I was going to be able to have my pick of jobs since I had a law degree and was in Chancellors (a prestigious honor society at UT's law school) but that was the one that I got."

Ferguson attributed his lack of offers to



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Obituaries

Dana Dickson



Dana Dickson, 79, of Coahoma, died Monday, March 14, 2016 in a Lubbock hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 17, 2016 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Pastor Billy Guy officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6p.m. to 8p.m. Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born April 6, 1936 in St. Louis, Mo., and married William "Bill" Dickson June 25, 1960 in Stockton, Calif. He preceded her in death Nov. 30, 2012.

Dana and Bill lived in California and moved to

Coahoma where they retired. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

Survivors include two daughters, Deidrei Dickson of Big Spring, and Dr. Loretta Dickson and husband, Dr. Joseph Calabrese of Lock Haven, Pa.; one son, Sgt. Maj. William A. Dickson and wife, Michelle of Fort Riley, Kan.; two grandchildren, Trista Leighanne Dickson and Elizabeth Hope Dickson; one brother, Dr. Raymond Reeves and wife, Dr. Nancy Magnuson of Pullman, Wash.; one sister, Sandee Unger and husband, Daniel of Stockton, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Ogle C. Reeves and Mildred O. Reeves.

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

Paid obituary

Jeffrey Parks



Jeffrey Wayne Parks, 49, of Golinda, died March 12, 2016 following a long battle with a rare genetic cancer. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 19, at Pecan Grove Funeral Home, 3124 Robinson Dr., Waco.

Jeff was born Aug. 24, 1966 in Lubbock to Doyle and Mary (Bryant) Parks. He graduated from Klondike High School and attended Texas Tech University.

Jeff is survived by his parents of Golinda; brothers, Kelly and wife, Maureen of Waco, Wade and wife, Cassie and their son, Ethan of Katy; his son,

Nicholas Hicks of Wind River, Ill.; paternal grandmother, Lorene Parks of Goldthwaite; along with many relatives and friends. Jeff also leaves his fiancée, friend, confidant, care-taker, and soul mate, Teresa Esther Chapoy of Del Rio, Texas. Teresa was constantly at his side throughout his illness and was truly his "Angel."

The family suggests memorials be made through gifts of services, food, or monetary donations to The Fisher House at Fisher House Foundation, 111 Rockville Pike #420 Rockville, Md. 20850. The Fisher House provides housing for veteran's families during medical crisis across the United States.

Online guestbook available www.pecangrovetfuneral.com

Paid obituary

Shawna of Lubbock, his daughters, Sara Daniel also of Lubbock, Rachel Guillory and husband Joseph of Houston, Gwendolyn Ellis of Snohomish, Wash.; a sister Diana Boyer and husband Joe of Loan Oak, a brother, Clayton Daniel of Lubbock and his father James Ray Sr. and wife Mary of Lubbock; and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother Lena Daniel, one brother and his paternal and maternal grandparents.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myers-sandsmith.com

Daniel "Dan" Wright

Daniel "Dan" Wright, 60, of Big Spring died in a local hospital Thursday, March 3, 2016. Burial was held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at the Texas State Veterans Cemetery at Abilene. He was born Aug. 4, 1955 to Claire Burke (Roche) Wright and John Wright in Kerrville, Texas.

He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and was an SSgt at the time of discharge.

His survivors include his father John Wright of Fuqua Varina, N.C., and his brothers: Chris Wright of Fuqua Varina, N.C., and Patrick Wright of Westfield, Mass. He was preceded in death by his mother. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

O.J. "Bo" Bohannon

O.J. "Bo" Bohannon, 89, of Big Spring, died Tuesday at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 3/17	Fri 3/18	Sat 3/19	Sun 3/20	Mon 3/21
69/52	64/37	55/37	65/44	77/49
Intervals of clouds and sunshine. A stray shower or t-storm is possible. High 69F. Winds NE at 10 to 15 mph.	Windy with clouds giving way to sun. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the upper 30s.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the upper 30s.	Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	Mainly sunny and windy. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the upper 40s.
Sunrise: 7:52 AM Sunset: 7:55 PM	Sunrise: 7:51 AM Sunset: 7:56 PM	Sunrise: 7:50 AM Sunset: 7:57 PM	Sunrise: 7:49 AM Sunset: 7:58 PM	Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 7:58 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	78	52	Sunny	Kingsville	80	67	Cloudy
Amarillo	66	34	Sunny	Livingston	84	61	M Sunny
Austin	83	65	M Sunny	Longview	79	53	Sunny
Beaumont	82	66	Foggy	Lubbock	79	39	Sunny
Brownsville	82	69	Cloudy	Lufkin	82	58	Sunny
Brownwood	80	55	P Cloudy	Midland	84	52	Sunny
Corpus Christi	77	67	Cloudy	Raymondville	85	70	Cloudy
Corsicana	80	56	P Cloudy	Rosenberg	82	67	P Cloudy
Dallas	79	54	Sunny	San Antonio	83	67	M Cloudy
Del Rio	86	64	Sunny	San Marcos	81	64	M Sunny
El Paso	81	50	Clear	Sulphur Springs	77	51	Sunny
Fort Stockton	85	54	Sunny	Sweetwater	80	51	P Cloudy
Gainesville	75	48	Sunny	Tyler	79	53	P Cloudy
Greenville	77	51	Sunny	Weatherford	78	52	Sunny
Houston	82	68	Cloudy	Wichita Falls	78	48	Sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	77	49	P Cloudy	Miami	83	69	P Cloudy
Boston	53	44	Cloudy	Minneapolis	47	35	Cloudy/Wind
Chicago	58	42	P Cldy/Wind	New York	59	47	P Cloudy
Dallas	79	54	Sunny	Phoenix	89	58	Sunny
Denver	52	30	P Cloudy	San Francisco	67	52	Sunny
Houston	82	68	Cloudy	Seattle	52	37	M Cloudy
Los Angeles	85	58	Sunny	Saint Louis	63	43	Sunny

Moon Phases

First	Full	Last	New
Mar 15	Mar 23	Mar 31	Apr 7

UV Index

Thu 3/17	Fri 3/18	Sat 3/19	Sun 3/20	Mon 3/21
6	6	7	8	8
High	High	High	Very High	Very High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV index showing the need for greater skin protection.

Police & Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **NAOMI NADINE RIOS**, 27, of 1400 Mt Vernon was arrested on warrants for driving with invalid license, expired motor vehicle inspection certification, and safety seat system-child less than eight years or 4'9" tall.

- **JESSE HERRERA JR**, 34, of 909 E 16th was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **NICHOLAS PHILIP SMILEY**, 19, of 3600 Boulder Drive was arrested on warrants for theft of property greater than \$100 but less than \$750, failure to appear, speeding, and no drivers license when unlicensed.

- **LUCIE BELLE VOGEL**, 51, of 900 Pine Street was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

- **DIEGO ADRIAN DEHOYOS**, 21, of 606 Caylor Drive was arrested on a charge of evading arrest/detention with vehicle or watercraft.

- **DAVID LANCE KILGORE**, 45, of 2729 E 25th Street was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **JEFFREY RAY MEEKS**, 26, of 3413 Old Colorado City Highway was arrested on a warrant of possession of a controlled substance, greater than 3 grams but less than 28 grams.

- **HOLLEY DENISE JENNINGS**, 30, of 1203 N FM 700 was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 300 block of South Avenue.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 500 block of S Birdwell Lane.

- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported on High School Drive.

- **BURGLARY OF HABITATION** was reported in the 3500 block of Gail Hwy, the 1400 block of S Runnels, and the 1200 block of W 6th.

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the corner of N Gregg and 3rd.

- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in

the 1200 block of N FM 700.

- **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 100 block of WB.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Road.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 85 inmates at the time of this report.

- **VICTOR MAUEL CASTILLO**, 20, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, greater than three grams but less than 28 grams.

- **VICTORIA LYNN CASTILLO**, 19, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for criminal mischief, failure to appear, no drivers license when unlicensed, violation of promise to appear, and cell phone use in school zone.

- **DIEGO ADRIAN DEHOYOS**, 21, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of evading arrest/detention with vehicle or watercraft.

- **ANGELITA GARCIA**, 59, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for parent contributing to non-attendance.

- **JESSE HERRERA JR**, 34, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **HOLLEY DENISE JENNINGS**, 30, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for evading arrest with motor vehicle.

- **DAVID LANCE KILGORE**, 45, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **JEFFREY RAY MEEKS**, 26, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance, greater than three grams but less than 28 grams.

- **MARCOS MENDEZ**, 23, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance, less than one gram.

- **NICHOLAS PHILIP SMILEY**, 19, was booked

by the BSPD on charges of theft of property, greater than \$100 but less than \$750, failure to appear, speeding, and no drivers license when unlicensed.

- **LUCIE BELLE VOGEL**, 51, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for issuance of bad check.

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• American Legion Post 506 Fish Fry Saturday from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Delivery available from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Plates are \$12 each. The American Legion is located at 3203 W. Hwy 80. Call 432-263-2084 to place an order or for more information.

• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.
Cost is \$8 per person.

• The Howard County Fair needs people to cross stitch squares for the annual Quilt Fundraiser. Complete kits may be picked up from Cheryl Joy at the Heritage Museum, Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call Suzanne Markwell at 214-256-1674

Meetings

• The Big Spring Art Association meets every third Tuesday, September through May at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library. Everyone is welcome to attend. Memberships are available. The annual dues are \$20.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors

meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring meets at noon every Thursday in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Visitors are welcome.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday 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 271-2176.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

Volunteer opportunities

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fund-raisers and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, (432) 268-7535 or danielle.lindsey@dshs.state.tx.us

• 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.

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Kim Plew at 263-4016 or 213-7960.

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

• 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.

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formational booths set up by the supporting agencies. There will be different activities set up for the kids, including a karaoke station sponsored by the Howard County Child Welfare Board. The Teddy Bear Clinic will once again be available for kids to bring their stuffed animals for a check up.

"Child abuse is a topic that people tend to steer

away from, but we are hoping to not only bring awareness to how real this issue is in our community, but we want to do so in a way that the whole family can get involved," Harmon said. "It's important that anyone — no matter how young or old — can feel empowered to speak up against child abuse."

If you have a local agency connected to helping children and would like to get involved with this year's event, contact Duorat at 432-268-4699.

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perhaps his youthful look, as he was just 22 years old at the time. But after seven years with Phillips under the careful mentorship of colleague Horace Burton, Ferguson landed the assistant county attorney position in Stanton. After some opposition from his then-wife over the lack of social events in Stanton, Ferguson packed up to

Big Spring and on June 1, 1966, he started his almost 50-year tenure at Weaver & Ferguson.

"Big Spring is a unique place in West Texas," said Ferguson. "When I lived in Midland I would take drives here just to look around. It is a really pretty place."

When Ferguson isn't practicing law, he makes time to be an active member of his church home, First Presbyterian Church of Big Spring. Ferguson sings in the choir, teaches an adult Sunday School class, and serves on

the session committee. He talks highly of his family, including an adult son and younger brother who he joked "couldn't believe what a nice guy he turned out to be".

So while some look forward to spending their golden years watching TV or relaxing on the couch, Ferguson couldn't imagine spending his days any other way.

"I've always wanted to be a lawyer," said Ferguson. "Well, except when I was little. I wanted to be a cowboy then."

TRUMP

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America great in the first place."

Clinton triumphed in the Florida, Illinois, Ohio and North Carolina presidential primaries, putting her in a commanding position to become the first woman in U.S. history to win a major-party nomination. Trump strengthened his hand in the Republican race with wins in Florida, North Carolina, and Illinois but fell in Ohio to that state's governor, John Kasich. Votes were also being counted in Missouri, though races in both parties there were too close to call.

Kasich, celebrating his win, told NBC's "Today" show, "I dealt him a very, very big blow to being able to have the number of delegates." He added that neither Trump nor Texas Sen. Cruz can win the general election.

Florida Sen. Marco Rubio ended his once-promising campaign after a devastating home-

state loss that narrowed the field to just three candidates: Trump, Kasich and Texas Sen. Ted Cruz.

Even before Tuesday's results, a group of conservatives was planning to meet to discuss ways to stop Trump, including a contested convention or rallying around a third-party candidate. While no such candidate has been identified, the participants in Thursday's meeting planned to discuss ballot access issues, including using an existing third party as a vehicle or securing signatures for an independent bid.

A person familiar with the planning confirmed the meeting on the condition of anonymity because the person was not authorized to discuss the gathering by name.

Even House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., did not rule out the idea of being drafted by the party at the convention.

"People say, 'What about the contested convention?' " Ryan said in an interview with CNBC. "I say, well, there are a lot of people

running for president. We'll see. Who knows?"

With more than half the delegates awarded through six weeks of primary voting, Trump is the only Republican candidate with a realistic path to the 1,237 delegates needed to clinch the nomination through the traditional route.

Kasich prevented a total Trump takeover by denying him victory in Ohio. But after Tuesday's contests, it's mathematically impossible for the Ohio governor to win a majority of delegates before the GOP's July national convention.

"No candidate will win 1,237 delegates," Kasich's chief strategist, John Weaver, declared in a post-election memo. He suggested Kasich is well-positioned to amass delegates in the upcoming primary contests to help bolster his position in a contested convention.

Cruz is in better position than Kasich, but he too faces a daunting mathematical challenge after losing four of five contests Tuesday. The Texas senator needs to

claim roughly 75 percent of the remaining delegates to earn the delegate majority, according to Associated Press delegate projections.

With Rubio out of the race, Cruz welcomed the Florida senator's supporters "with open arms." The fiery conservative tried to cast the GOP nomination battle as a two-person race between himself and Trump.

On the Democratic side, Clinton's victories were blows to Sanders and bolstered her argument that she's the best Democrat to take on the eventual Republican nominee in the general election. Her win in Ohio was a particular relief for her campaign, which grew anxious after Sanders pulled off a surprising win last week in Michigan.

Clinton kept up her large margins with black voters, a crucial group for Democrats in the general election.

Clinton has at least 1,561 delegates, including the superdelegates who are elected officials and party leaders free to support the candidate

of their choice. Sanders has at least 800. It takes 2,383 to win the Democratic nomination.

Trump's Florida victory brought his delegate total to 621. Cruz has 396 and Kasich 138. Rubio left the race with 168 delegates.

Clinton was more willing than Republican officials to recognize the likelihood of a Trump nomination, warning supporters that the New York real estate mogul has laid out a "really dangerous path" for the country.

Republican voters continue to back Trump's most controversial proposals, with two-thirds of those who participated in GOP primaries Tuesday saying they support temporarily banning Muslims

from the United States, according to exit polls.

"There is great anger, believe me, there is great anger," Trump said of voters.

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Check this out: What's at the library

The library acquired so many fiction books this week it was hard to choose which ones to include in the column.

I'm sure everyone has heard about the movie, "War Room." We are fortunate to have the book "War Room" by Chris Fabry (F FAB C) that is based on the movie. Tony and Elizabeth Jordan seem to have great jobs, a beautiful daughter, and their dream house, but appearances can be deceiving. Their world is actually crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage.

While Tony basks in his professional success and flirts with temptation, Elizabeth resigns herself to increasing bitterness. Their lives take an unexpected turn when Elizabeth meets her newest client, Miss Clara, an older, wise widow who challenges Elizabeth to start fighting for her family instead of against her husband. They soon come to the realization that prayer is a powerful weapon.

"War Room" is a compelling story with humor and heart that explores the power that prayer can have on marriages, parenting, careers, friendships and every other area of our lives.

"House of the Rising Sun" by James Lee Burke (F BUR J) tells the story of a father and son separated by war and circumstance — and whose encounter with the legendary Holy Grail will change their lives forever.

"Indefensible" by Lee Goodman (F GOO L) is a taut legal thriller with an unforgettable cast of characters that portray the ties that bind the innocent to the guilty, and the lengths we're willing to go to protect the ones we love.

"The Things We Keep" by Sally Hepworth (F HEP S) tells the story of Anna Foster, a 38-year-old whose family decides to put her in an assisted-living facility because her mind is slowly slipping away from her.

At the facility, Anna meets Luke, the one other resident her age, and finds a love that blossoms even as she resists her new life. When a tragic incident leads their families to separate them, they find an ally in Eve, a

single mother putting her culinary training to use at the facility. Eve finds herself questioning what she is willing to risk to help them. This novel is about the power of love to grow and endure even when faced with the most devastating obstacles.

"Revival" by Stephen King (F KIN S) is a dark and electrifying novel about addiction, fanaticism, and what might exist on the other side of life.

Karen Robards' "Hush" (F ROB K) is a thriller that finds Riley Cowan questioning if her ex-husband's death is a suicide or if "they" caught up with him. Her ex-father-in-law is in jail accused of one of the biggest financial frauds of all time and hun-

deadly puzzle feels like an impossible task, but at least they're on the same side ... aren't they?

"Blue" by Danielle Steel (F STE D) tells the story of Ginny Carter, a rising star in TV news, married to a top anchorman, with a 3-year-old son and a full and happy life in Beverly Hills — until her whole world dissolves in a single instant on the freeway two days before Christmas.

She pieces her life back together and tries to find meaning in her existence as a human rights worker in the worst areas around the globe. Ginny reaches out to Blue, a 13-year-old boy who is leery of everyone and runs from her again and again. He always finds his way back to her and in time their relationship grows.

Ginny offers him respect as they form an unusual bond and become the family they each lost. Just as Blue is truly beginning to trust her, she learns of a shocking betrayal that he has been hiding. Is it a wound too deep to heal, or will she be able to fight the battle

where the girl with the dragon tattoo — a genius hacker and uncompromising misfit — and the crusading journalist whose championing of the truth often brings him to the bring of prosecution join forces.

The secret they are both chasing is at the center of a tangled web of spies, cybercriminals, and governments around the world, and someone is prepared to kill to protect it.

"Long Man" by Amy Greene (M GRE A) is a searing portrait of a tight-knit community brought together by change and crisis, and of one family facing a terrifying ticking clock. This wondrously evocative novel of a family in turmoil is set against the backdrop of real-life historical events — the story of three days in the summer of 1936, as a government-built dam is about to flood an Appalachian town and a little girl goes missing.

"Blackout" by David Rosenfelt (M ROS D) spins a tale of Doug Brock, a New Jersey state police officer who has been after infamous criminal Nicholas Bennett for years, but now Brock has discovered something big, something terrifying, something they need to call in the FBI to handle.

When he calls his former partner on the force, the call ends abruptly, and shortly afterward Doug is found in a hotel room, shot and in critical condition. When Doug awakens from his coma, he has no memory of the case, or even the last several years of his life. But the pull of what he might have discovered is too strong, and he finds himself immersed in the desperate search for truth once again, regardless of the danger.

The only non-fiction this week is "Killing Reagan" by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard (973.927 ORE B), a page-turning epic account of the career of President Ronald Reagan that tells the vivid story of his rise to power and the forces of evil that conspired to bring him down.

Just two months into his presidency, Reagan lay near death after a gunman's bullet came within inches of his heart. Reagan was grievously injured, forcing him to encounter a challenge that few men ever face. Could he silently overcome his traumatic experience while at the same time carrying out the duties of the most powerful man in the world? This violent assault forever changed a presidency.

We have 30 books going on the shelf this week so come see if there's one calling your name.

In honor of Dr Seuss' birthday this month, I leave you with this:

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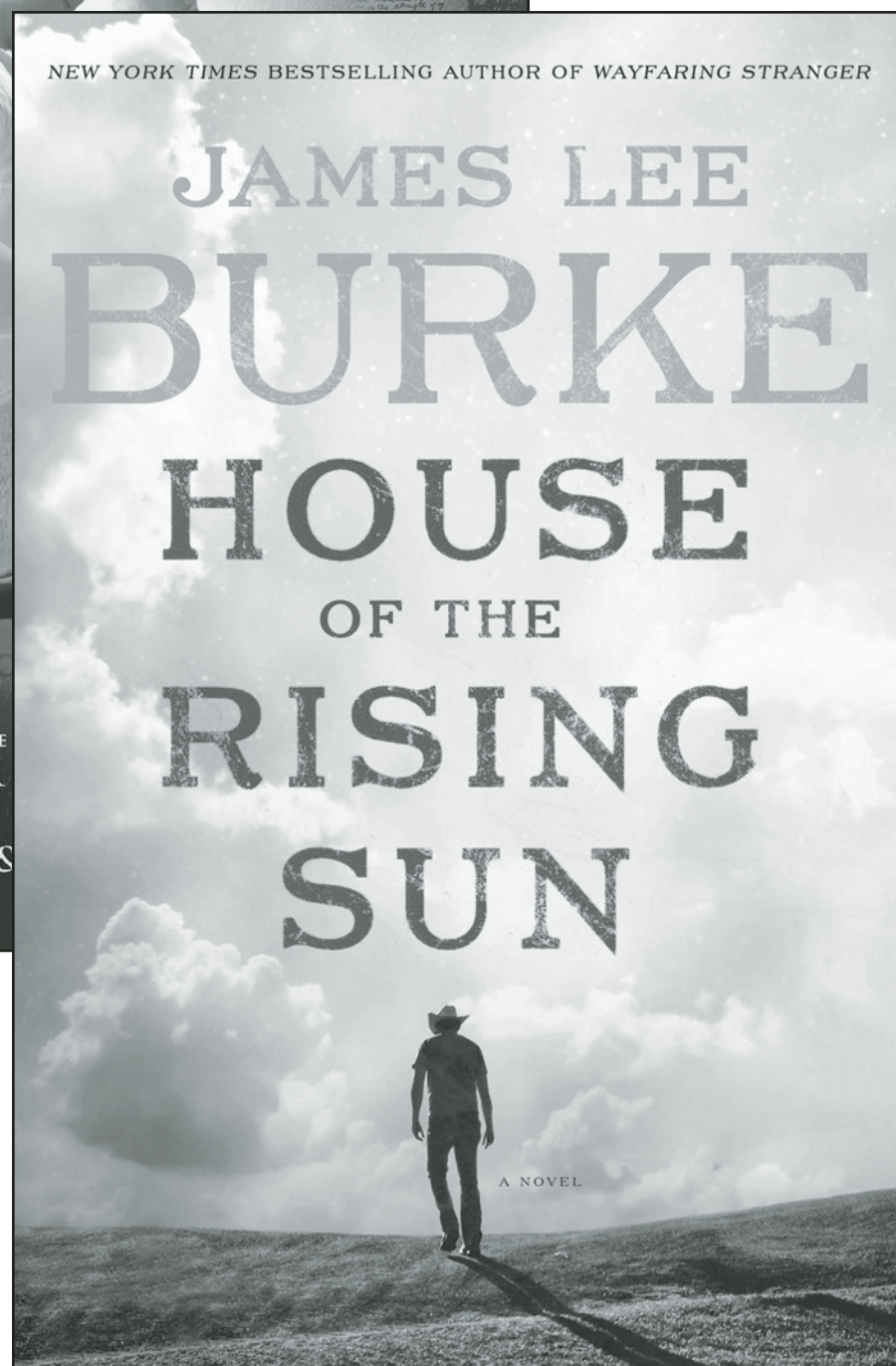
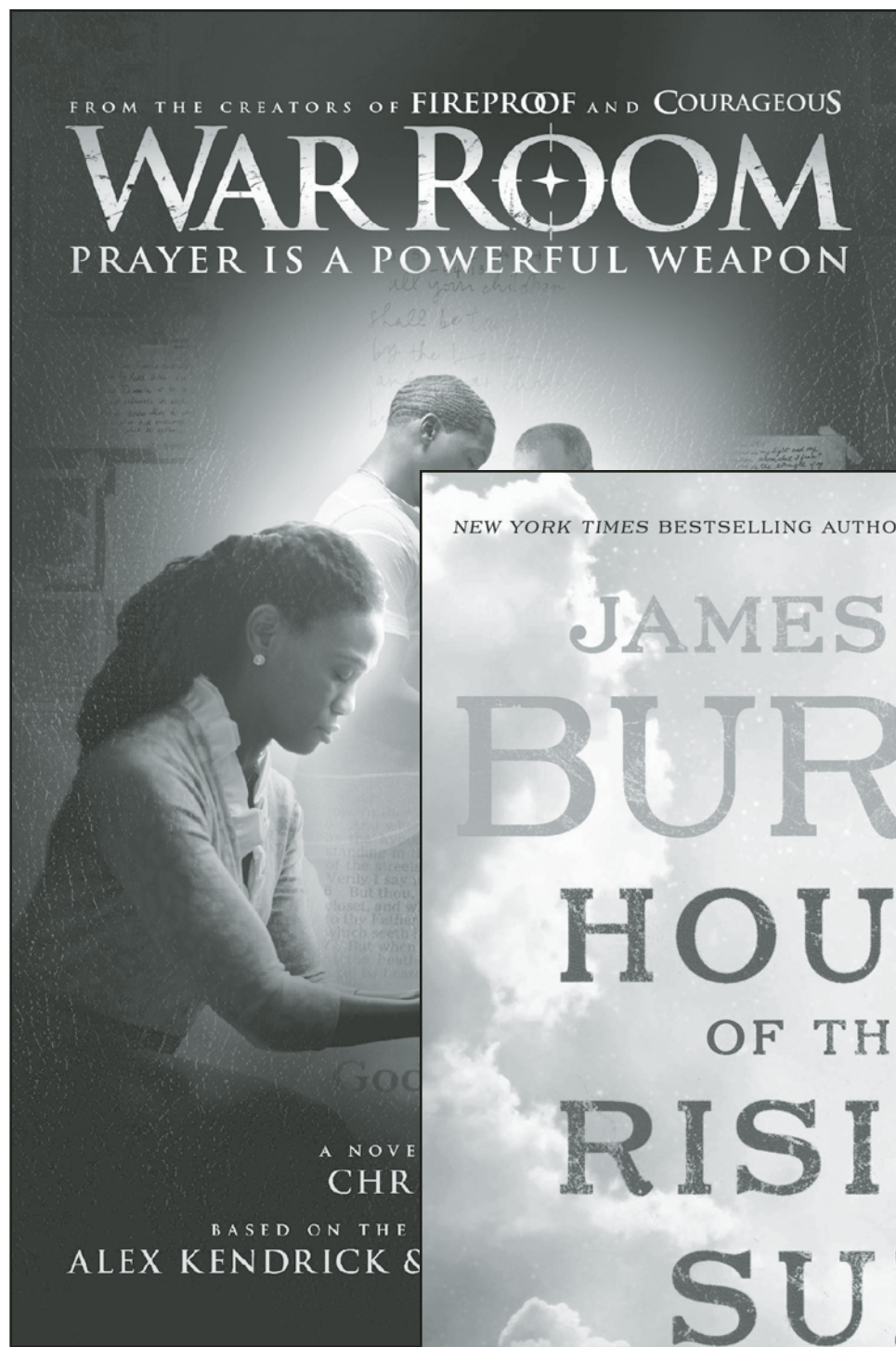
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that will make them both whole again?

Since I went overboard on the fiction, I will just list three mysteries but check out the "new book" table for others.

"The Girl in the Spider's Web" by David Lagercrantz, which continues Stieg Larsson's Millennium Series (M LAR S), is a adrenaline-charged, uniquely of-the-moment thriller

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Trump: The quintessential Florida man?

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Donald Trump drew thousands to his rallies around the Sunshine State, basking in their adoration, his face glowing like a Florida orange as he anticipated victory.

"Florida loves Trump, and I love Florida, so I think I'm going to win Florida," he repeated.

Trump did win Florida on Tuesday, claiming victory with the bravado of someone who survived a particularly hellish South Florida commute.

The only actual Floridian in the race — Marco Rubio, a Cuban-American born in South Florida who earned all his degrees from Florida universities — failed to make his case, and Trump had already squashed the hopes of the GOP's other Florida candidates like so many palmetto bugs.

Former Gov. Jeb Bush, who was supposed to have this thing locked up before the Southern primaries, flamed out shortly after he finally tried to find Trump's jugular by labeling him "the chaos candidate." Ben Carson, who lives in a West Palm Beach mansion, finally quit, too, and endorsed Trump.

Somehow, it's Trump who captured Republican hearts in what some consider America's strangest state.

Trump made his name in New York City, displaying "New York values" with a brash, fast-talking, larger-than-life persona. But really, when you think about it, Donald Trump is the quintessential Florida Man.

"He embodies the Florida dream: the idea of a better life," says historian Gary Mormino.

All the things people fantasize about in the frigid north — a beachfront mansion and endless riches to spend on endless rounds of golf — Trump has it and more, right here in Florida.

And he doesn't just live the Florida lifestyle — he's a Sunshine State soulmate.

"Trump is more casual, more flippant, less buttoned up, just like Floridians," says Paul George, a history professor at Miami-Dade College.

But what about Rubio, the actual Floridian who dropped out of the race after Tuesday night's crushing loss? Rubio seems youthful and has

a vision for America, but "comes off as restrained," George says, "much more buttoned up, which is ironic, since he's from Florida."

Like each winter's snowbirds and two-thirds of state residents, Trump is from outside Florida. But he plays and does business here. In 2010, he launched a multi-level marketing company that sold vitamins to an adoring crowd of thousands in Miami. Earlier this month, after 2012 GOP nominee Mitt Romney declared that "a business genius he is not," Trump summoned the media to his Trump National Golf Course in Jupiter.

"He's an empire builder, and Floridians, especially South Floridians, are empire builders," says George. "Or they dream of building an empire."

While his Trump Tower penthouse in New York imitates the Palace of Versailles, his most famous home has been Mar-a-Lago. In 1985, he paid \$10 million for the 58-bedroom Mediterranean revival mansion with a 20-acre oceanfront estate straddling Palm Beach Island.

Trump and his third wife, Slovenian model Melania Knauss, held their wedding reception at Mar-a-Lago, which Trump had turned into a high-end club, much to the consternation of his traditional Palm Beach neighbors. "Trump's Palm Beach Club Roils the Old Social Order" was the headline on the Wall Street Journal story.

That's another Florida Man attribute: roiling the social order. Trump's been doing it for years.

Mormino, a professor emeritus at the University of South Florida-St. Petersburg, points out Trump bought into Palm Beach when national ads by the tourism bureau proclaimed: "Florida. The rules are different here."

That could almost be Trump's campaign slogan, no?

Take his four corporate bankruptcies: No big deal in Florida, which trails only California in bankruptcy filings. Or his marriages: 7 percent of Florida's men have married three or more times, like Trump. The national average is 5 percent, according to the Pew Research Center.



AP photo
Hillary Clinton acknowledges the crowd during a rally in West Palm Beach, Fla. Tuesday night.

Big nights for Clinton, Trump Front-runners pad delegate total; Rubio bows out

CLEVELAND (AP) — Hillary Clinton triumphed Tuesday in the Florida, Ohio, North Carolina and Illinois presidential primaries, putting her in a commanding position to become the first woman in U.S. history to win a major-party nomination. Donald Trump strengthened his hand in the Republican race with a big win in Florida but fell in Ohio to that state's governor, John Kasich.

Florida Sen. Marco Rubio ended his once-promising campaign after his devastating home-state loss, so the GOP primary is now down to three candidates: Trump, Kasich and Texas Sen. Ted Cruz.

Trump also picked up wins in North Carolina and Illinois. The billionaire businessman told a victory rally, "This was an amazing night."

Trump is the only Republican candidate with a realistic path to the 1,237 delegates needed to clinch the nomination before the July convention. But his loss in Ohio kept hope alive for mainstream Republicans dismayed by his candidacy and suggesting the real estate mogul can still be stopped in a convention fight.

"The campaign goes on," Kasich declared at a victory rally. Now thrust into the center of a campaign that has been biting personal, Kasich vowed to "not take the low road to the highest office in the land."

Both the Republican and Democratic races in Missouri's presidential primaries were too close to call Wednesday morning.

A confident Clinton pivoted quickly to November during her victory rally, assailing Trump's hardline immigration positions and support for torture. "Our commander-in-chief has to be able to defend our country, not embarrass it," she declared.

Underscoring Republican concerns about Trump, Rubio focused heavily on an implicit critique of Trump in a speech announcing he was dropping out of the race. The senator urged Americans

to "not give in to the fear, do not give in to the frustration."

A favorite of Republican leaders, Rubio is the latest candidate to fall victim to an unpredictable election cycle and Trump's unmatched ability to tap into the public's anger with Washington and frustration with sweeping economic changes.

Clinton's victories in Ohio, Florida and Illinois were blows to rival Bernie Sanders and bolstered her argument that she's the best Democratic candidate to take on the eventual Republican nominee in the general election. Her win in Ohio was a particular relief for her campaign, which grew anxious after Sanders pulled off a surprising win last week in Michigan, another important Midwestern state.

Clinton kept up her large margins with black voters, a crucial group for Democrats in the general election. Democratic voters were more likely to describe Sanders as honest, but more likely to describe Clinton's policies as realistic, according to exit polls.

Campaigning Tuesday in North Carolina, Clinton said "the numbers are adding up in my favor." She signaled an eagerness to move on to a possible general election showdown with Trump, saying he's laid out a "really dangerous path" for the country.

In Missouri, the margins between Trump and Cruz and between Clinton and Sanders, were less than one-half of 1 percentage point, meaning the losing candidate can request a recount. The Associated Press did not call either race.

Trump entered Tuesday's primaries embroiled in one of the biggest controversies of his contentious campaign. The GOP front-runner has encouraged supporters to confront protesters at his events and is now facing accusations of encouraging violence after skirmishes at a rally last week in Chicago.

The atmosphere at his events has deepened the concern over his candidacy in some Republican circles. Rubio and Kasich have suggested they might not be able to support Trump if he's the nominee, an extraordinary stance for intraparty rivals.

His closest competition so far has come from Cruz, who has kept relatively close to the businessman in the delegate count and has been urging other candidates to drop out so he can take Trump on one-on-one.

After another good night for Trump, some Republicans were struggling to come to grips with the prospect of him becoming the nominee and desperate to find long-shot ways to stop him.

A group of conservatives planned to meet Thursday to discuss options including a contested convention or by rallying around a third-party candidate. While such no candidate has been identified, meeting participants planned to discuss ballot access issues, including using an existing third party as a vehicle or securing signatures for an independent bid.

House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., did not rule out the idea of being drafted by the party at the convention.

"People say, 'What about the contested convention?'" Ryan said in an interview with CNBC. "I say, well, there are a lot of people running for president. We'll see. Who knows?"

Despite concerns from party leaders, Republican voters continue to back Trump's most controversial proposals, with two-thirds of those who participated in GOP primaries Tuesday saying they support temporarily banning Muslims from the United States.

The exit polls were conducted by Edison Research for The Associated Press and television networks.

Trump's Florida victory brought his delegate total to 621. Cruz has 396 and Kasich 138.

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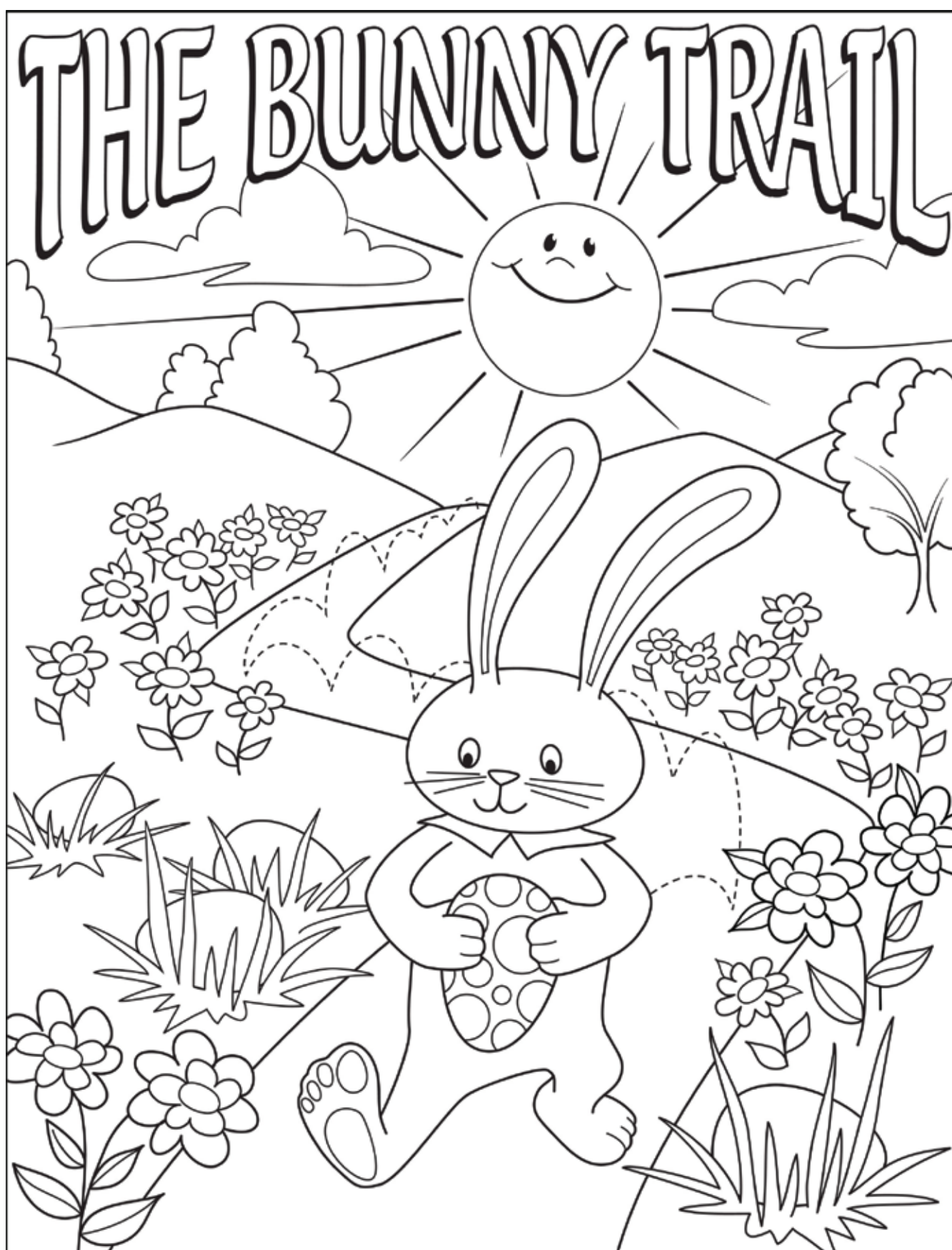


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Thornton, Davison shine in Hawks win

By DREW WILLIAMS
Sports Editor

The top of the order continues to produce for the Howard Hawks (12-10, 3-1), and the first three in the lineup contributed 17 RBIs in a 22-11 win against Western Texas College Tuesday.

James Davison was again dominant in the leadoff spot, going 2-for-4 with a grand slam, six RBIs and five runs scored, and number two hitter Dominic Thornton was even better, going 5-for-6 with three home runs, seven RBIs and four runs scored.

"I'm just trying not to do too much and just taking team at-bats and approaches. Success will happen just like Coach Smetty tells us every day. Just play for the team and good things will happen. So I'm just working hard and playing for my team," Davison said.

But the bottom of the order is still the bigger story for the Hawks. For the first four combined to go 10-for-18, the final five went 7-for-23, a performance head coach Britt Smith wasn't happy with.

"Most of our lineup is treating it like a buffet, like they get to go up there and not work what they want. And it doesn't work like that, the pitcher never has to give you what you want," he said. "So it's a learning process. It's a frustrating learning process for the coaches, the players, for everybody. But we're continuing to work and we're trying to get better. I'd like to say that there's a light at the end of the tunnel, but as of right now, I'd say no, there's not."

A total of 22 runs and a winning by 11 wasn't good enough for Smith. Western Texas didn't start their best pitcher, and the Hawks let an 11-2 lead and possible run-inning opportunity slip away in the fifth inning.

"We were just ok. With the guys they threw today, we probably should have



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Robbie Lammons catches a belt-high strike from pitcher Jake Davis in Tuesday's 22-11 win over Western Texas College. Lammons went 2-for-5 with four RBIs on the day.

scored more. We stranded 11 guys in the first four innings and didn't really take good at-bats. They gave us a bunch of stuff, gave us a bunch of walks and didn't make plays in the field," Smith said. "We were just ok and they were just ok. That's what happens when you get weather conditions like this with the wind blowing straight out as hard as it is."

Western Texas committed seven errors and walked 12 batters, which led to the number of runners left on base for Howard. But the Hawks' errors

played a role in Western Texas getting back in the game. Relief pitcher Alec Maley, who has been struggling of late, came in with a 15-4 lead. He retired the first two batters, but a hit-by-pitch and two errors led to a rally that got the score to 15-9.

"We really wanted Maley to pitch right there because we're trying to have him work on some stuff and get him some confidence. Then we go out and we don't make plays behind him, and the next thing you know he's got to throw 45 pitches to get out of the in-

ning," Smith said. "He's like any other 18-year-old kid, the hard thing to do is put the stuff that's out of your control behind you and just think about the things that you can control."

"That's what really affects your performance, and we spend all our time trying to get these guys to do that. Offensively, defensively, certainly with the pitchers, because that's a big part of the game is being able to handle the mental side of the game."

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Jaci Aguilar swings the bat Tuesday for the Lady Steers. She finished the day 3-for-4.

Lady Steers fall to Abilene Cooper, 10-5

By DREW WILLIAMS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Lady Steers (10-3) played a tough game to the Abilene Cooper Lady Cougars (11-5) Tuesday, 10-5.

The Lady Steers took a 3-1 lead in the second inning after trailing 1-0 early. Ysabel Soliz hit a double with two runners on who both scored, and she would advance to third and score on a passed ball.

But the Lady Cougars got the lead right back in the top of the third inning. With two outs, Cooper's Krista Howard reached on an error and Logan Usery walked. Adora Gar-

cia followed with a three-run home run to put the Lady Cougars back on top 4-3.

Cooper extended its lead to 6-3 in the top of the sixth, but the Lady Steers regained the momentum with two in the bottom half to trim the lead back down to just one run. With Hannah Alsobrooks and Makenzie Roberts on base, Cierra Martinez doubled to center field for two RBIs.

The top of the seventh started with a Cooper groundout to second base, but the next batter hit a dribbler down the third base line that

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Texas hoping Shaka Smart can spark tournament success

By JIM VERTUNO
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas wasn't winning in March. So the school ushered out coach Rick Barnes and hired Shaka Smart to change the trend.

Now it's Smart's turn to try to deliver some postseason success, although the way this team limped into March has a familiar look to seasons past. The Longhorns, the No. 6 seed in the West Regional, face No. 11 Northern Iowa (22-12) on Friday night in Oklahoma City.

The public message when Texas hired Smart wasn't explicitly "win in March" but it might as well have been.

Texas rarely struggled under Barnes to get the NCAA Tournament — 16 appearances in 17 years — but it was his inability to get the Longhorns past the first weekend since 2008 that brought fan and school administration frustration to a boil.

Former athletic director Steve Patterson forced Barnes out and hired Smart from Virginia Commonwealth, a hot young coach who made his name nationally with an improbable Final Four run in 2011. Smart's VCU teams struggled to duplicate that success. VCU didn't make it out of the NCAA tournament's first weekend for the next four years. The last two years were one-and-done.

Smart said he's not feeling any special pressure heading into this tournament with Texas.

"Trust me, I'm going to put everything I have into helping our team be the best it can be," Smart said. "I understand how the media works. If you win, there's a level of credit you get. If you lose, there's a level of blame you get. That's how it worked at VCU. I don't really focus on that because at the end of the day, I can live with myself if I do

the best job for our guys and help them try to be their best on and off the court."

Smart's first season slowly renewed excitement about the Longhorns' program. Texas goes into the tour-



(AP Photo/Eric Gay)

nament boasting some big wins, including one over a No. 1 seed (North Carolina) and three more against No. 2 seeds (Oklahoma, and West Virginia twice).

"We've shown that we can play with anybody in the country," senior forward Connor Lammert said.

But the momentum of the regular season disappeared in recent weeks. Texas limped to a 3-3 finish with three blowout losses. A 30-point loss to Kansas, the tournament's overall top seed, ranked among the most lopsided home defeats in school history. Then came a first-round exit from the Big 12 Tournament.

After returning home, Smart sat the team down for a players meeting to clear the air.

"I didn't do a lot of talking. We encouraged our guys to put some things on the table," Smart said. "I listened to all that. You

can rip some scabs off and uncover some things. It's not like we've got all kinds of time to heal the wounds. I just felt like, the way we're playing, some descriptive things needed to be said."

Texas heads into the tournament with its share of aches and pains.

Point guard Isaiah Taylor, the Longhorns' most dynamic player, is struggling with plantar fasciitis in his right foot. Texas center Cam Ridley, who returned for the league tournament after more than two months off with a broken bone in his foot, still just 2 minutes and is still trying to get into game shape.

"The guys really want to win. They want to go on a run. They want to experience March Madness," Smart said. "If you are a really good college basketball player or a really good basketball team, this is the time of year when you make your mark. They realize they haven't done that yet."

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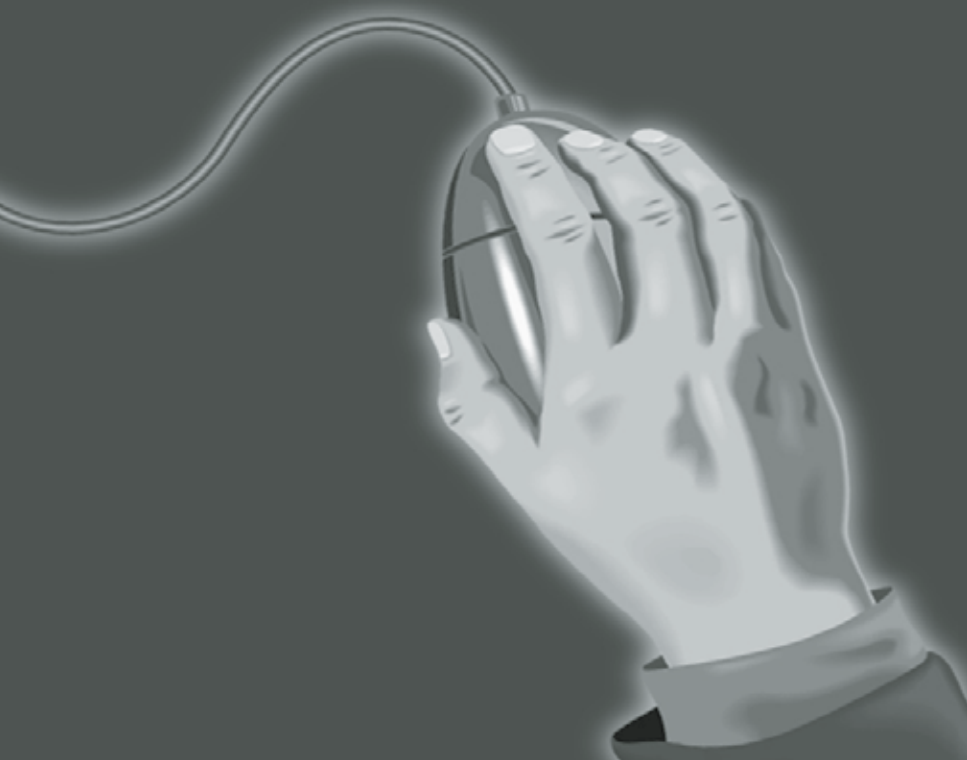
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Tomorrow's Horoscope



Jupiter and Pluto Trine

HOLIDAY OF JUPITER TO PLUTO

The angle of Jupiter to Pluto suggests that there are opportunities to be had in the process of revealing oneself. We are our own best public relations firm, and most of the message comes across before we even open our mouths.

The way we dress and our manner of movement will lay down the groundwork. Put thought and energy into this!

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're too worried about making the right move. Don't think so hard on this one. There will be genius that shows up inside of your action, but you have to take it first to find out. Trust yourself. Move.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Follow your intense desire to figure things out. You won't be able to, not in one day anyway, but that's not the point. Being involved in the puzzle will connect you with others. (SET ITAL) That (END ITAL) is the point!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's someone who makes you feel funnier and more confident. It's no surprise that you want to be around this person. Why wouldn't you want to be around the person who brings out your maximum awesome?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Do you find it strange that your subconscious mind isn't thinking about anything and yet it's totally in control? You'll see evidence of this, and it will inspire you to stop with the over-thinking. Believe that you're enough. You are!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Someone is putting on a show just for you. If you don't think this is true, try walking out of the room and see if that doesn't stop the action. Hopefully you'll find this all to be quite flattering.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). People will want you to weigh in on their lives. It's not like they can't make a

decision without you; it's just that they prefer to do it with you. More than anything, they crave your attention.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The truth of the matter is that you're doing a job that's really not your responsibility. You said you would, though, and that is reason enough to follow through. You'll be lucky when you do.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You feel like your life is an open book, but there's more mystery around you than you might have guessed. Keep it that way for a while! Someone is just getting to know you and you can have some fun with this!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When you don't like the way a situation is going, throw on the brakes immediately. You're so creative now that you'll be able to come up with several alternatives. Be bold.

lieve it or not, being fussy and specific will be very lucky for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your attention will be yanked back to something that seems, upon a cursory look, to be innocuous enough. Something about it isn't quite adding up. Pay attention. If it doesn't feel right, it's not right.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Why haven't you forgiven yourself yet? The real problem isn't that you messed up; it's that you're not letting yourself move past it. Just let go. There's no reason to be this hard on yourself.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 16). You read the hearts and minds of those close to you. You can sense even the quietest anger, fear, joy and elation. You'll employ this skill to make a relationship truly great. A professional advance will lead to a better living situation. You'll make a substantial purchase in July. Your family will grow in September. Cancer and Virgo adore you. Your lucky

numbers are: 4, 39, 20, 11 and 14.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "I'm an Aries who has been dating three guys at one time. One is an Aries, like me; one is a Virgo, and one is an Aquarius. Which is the best match?"

For you and all Aries, boredom is no small consideration when it comes to relationships. And with another Aries, it never becomes a problem. If your self-esteem is well placed, another child of Mars is an eternal source of delightful discovery; take turns bossing each other around, and you've got it made! You know you can depend on each other, and the physical attraction is extremely strong. If you can keep your competitive spirit in check this could be a match made in heaven this year. Virgo offers the follow-through you sometimes lack; this can make for a fine complement in business and other practical partnerships. Perhaps passionate romance isn't the best direction to take this partnership, but you

can certainly make money together, have terrific parties and accomplish shared goals. In Aquarius you find a friend who is as hungry for new adventures as you are. Make sure you share the same romantic values before giving your heart to this.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Pisces professionals often know what they want to do at a young age -- definitely the case with Los Angeles Clippers star Blake Griffin. He started basketball training as a toddler! The slam-dunker was born when the sun, Mercury and Venus were all in Pisces. These aspects lend mighty powers of imagination, which can be used to envision greatness on the court and then make it happen.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: As a youth anti-tobacco advocate, I'm incredibly proud of our country's progress against tobacco. We've cut smoking among high school seniors by nearly 70 percent since 1997. I know we can make the next generation tobacco-free, but we've got a lot of work left to do.

Tobacco is still the No. 1 cause of preventable death in our country. It kills nearly half a million Americans each year, most of whom started smoking as kids. The tobacco industry spends billions on marketing, and they use slick ads and sweet flavors that attract kids under 21.

My state of Hawaii is leading the way in winning this fight. Last year, I joined with other advocates to push for a law prohibiting tobacco sales to anyone under 21. When I testified at a hearing, I realized my voice could make a difference in my community and state. The law passed, and on Jan. 1, Hawaii became the first state to raise the tobacco age to 21. Our U.S. Senator Brian Schatz has introduced a bill in Congress to raise the age nationally.

Across America, young people are fighting Big Tobacco. On March 16, we'll hold Kick Butts Day, a national day of activism sponsored

by the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids. We'll share our stories using #iKickButts. Together, we will create the first tobacco-free generation.

-- Sabrina Ray Olaes
Dear Sabrina Ray Olaes: That would really be something we all could be proud of. It's amazing how many young people are still unaware of the long-term dangers of smoking when they pick up that first cigarette. Or they think those risks don't apply to them, and they can quit any time. It's not so. We hope our readers will visit kickbuttsday.org to see how they can help.

Dear Annie: I am a certified school nurse,

but I understand the frustrations of teachers. They are being mandated to teach more and more, with increasing pushes for accountability, and with raises and evaluations tied to test scores. Most are highly educated professionals with a passion for children and education. They are mandated not only to teach the subjects that are important for a student's education, but also to teach things that should be taught at home. Morality, ethics and character education are now woven into the school's curriculum. At what point do we hold parents responsible and accountable?

You've printed letters

from those who want schools to teach cursive and how to balance a checkbook. Instead of pointing fingers at schools, I challenge them to take responsibility by teaching these skills at home. There are plenty of websites and online workbooks and tools for teaching various subjects at home. -- Certified School Nurse

Dear Nurse: There are many subjects that used to be covered in school, but are no longer part of the curriculum. A lot of folks are upset by this, but times change and kids need different skills today. Some subjects are going to be dropped, and this is where parents and

grandparents can fill the void. You want the kids to learn cursive or to make correct change? Here is your opportunity to teach them.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Timing Is Everything

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ J 10 8
♥ A 10 9 3
♦ Q 9 3
♣ K J 7

WEST
♠ K 7 5
♥ Q 8 7
♦ K 8 5 4
♣ 6 4 2

EAST
♠ Q 9 4 3 2
♥ J 6 4 2
♦ A 2
♣ 8 5

SOUTH
♠ A 6
♥ K 5
♦ J 10 7 6
♣ A Q 10 9 3

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

Opening lead — four of diamonds.

The race for the establishment of tricks is a key feature of notrump contracts. Given more time, each side would be able to develop and win more tricks than it might in the ordinary course of events.

In this deal, for example, South starts with eight tricks and would have no trouble making 10 if he could get the opponents to cash the A-K of diamonds right away. He would in the process acquire two diamond tricks, which he does not have ready-made, and the play would essentially be over.

But if the defenders function efficiently, they can win the race against time and defeat the contract. Assume West leads the four of diamonds and East wins dummy's queen with the ace. (The purpose of the queen play by declarer is to get East to return a diamond, which East might not do if the queen remained in dummy.)

But if East is alert, he does not return a diamond. He views the queen play with a jaundiced eye. With the deuce and three of diamonds in view in his own hand and dummy, he concludes from the lead of the four that West has at most four diamonds and South therefore also has four. So East shifts to the spade three instead.

The spade shift beats declarer fair and square. South plays the six, whereupon West takes the king and returns a spade. East ducks, of course, and South wins with the ace. Declarer can cash eight tricks but is then finished.

Finding declarer with only two spades might be viewed as a lucky shot by East, but actually it is not that unlikely on the bidding. Since South has four diamonds and opened with one club, he might easily have five clubs. Declarer's other four cards are then almost certain to be divided two-two, which means he has exactly two spades.

Tomorrow: A bridge player's nightmare.

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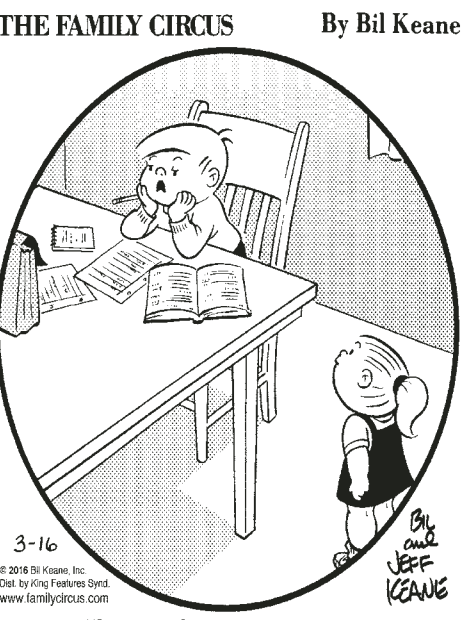
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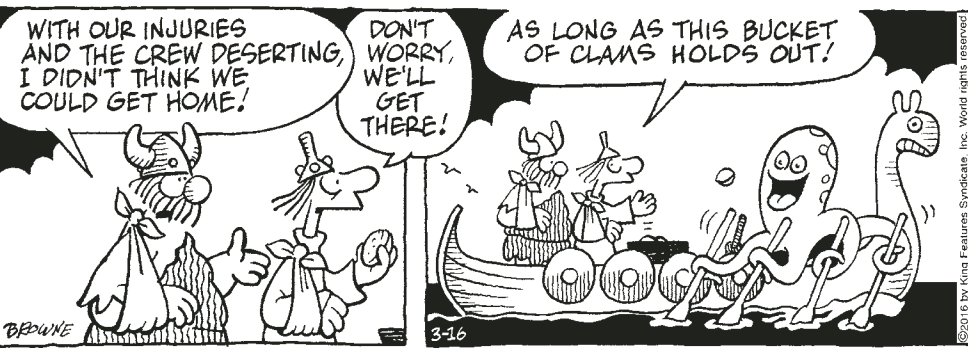
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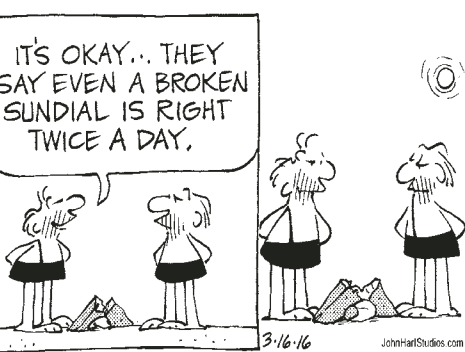


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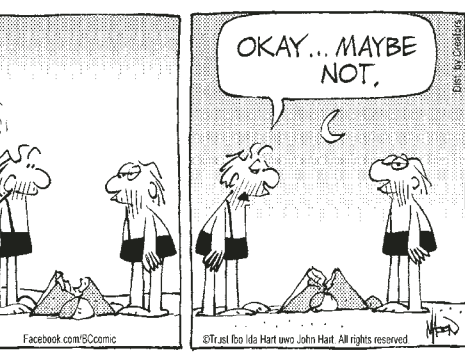
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This Date In History

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Today's Highlight in History:

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On this date:

In 1751, James Madison, fourth president of the United States, was born in Port Conway, Virginia.

In 1802, President Thomas Jefferson signed a measure authorizing the establishment of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York.

In 1850, Nathaniel Hawthorne's novel "The Scarlet Letter" was first published.

In 1935, Adolf Hitler decided to break the military terms set by the Treaty of Versailles (vehr-SY) by ordering the rearming of Germany.

In 1945, during World War II, American forces declared they had secured Iwo Jima, although pockets of Japanese resistance remained.

In 1966, Gemini 8 was launched on a mission to rendezvous and dock with Agena,

a target vehicle in orbit; although the docking was successful, the joined vehicles began spinning, forcing Gemini to disconnect and abort the flight.

In 1968, during the Vietnam War, the My Lai (mee ly) Massacre of Vietnamese civilians was carried out by U.S. Army troops; estimates of the death toll vary between 347 and 504.

In 1974, the Grand Ole Opry House opened in Nashville with a concert attended by President Richard Nixon and his wife, Pat.

In 1984, William Buckley, the CIA station chief in Beirut, was kidnapped by Hezbollah militants (he was tortured by his captors and killed in 1985).

In 1985, Terry Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press, was abducted in Beirut; he was released in December 1991.

In 1991, a plane carrying seven members of country singer Reba McEntire's band and her tour manager crashed into Otay Mountain in southern California, killing all on board. U.S. skaters Kristi Yamaguchi, Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan swept the World Figure Skating Championships in Munich, Germany.

In 2003, American activist Rachel Corrie, 23, was crushed to death by an Israeli military

bulldozer while trying to block demolition of a Palestinian home in the Gaza Strip.

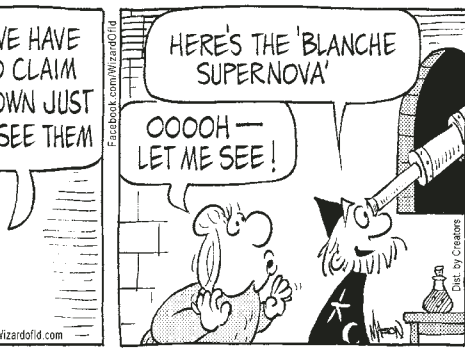
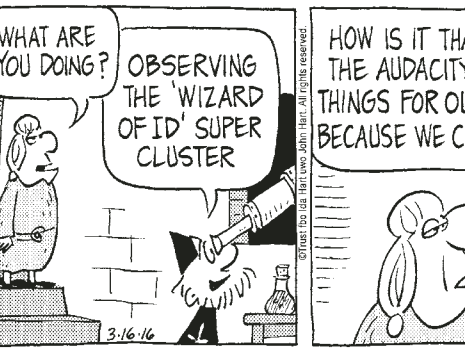
Ten years ago: Iraq's new parliament met briefly for the first time; lawmakers took the oath but did no business and adjourned after just 40 minutes, unable to agree on a speaker, let alone a prime minister. The Senate narrowly passed a \$2.8 trillion election-year budget blueprint.

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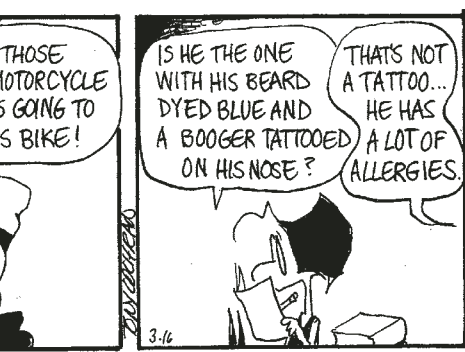
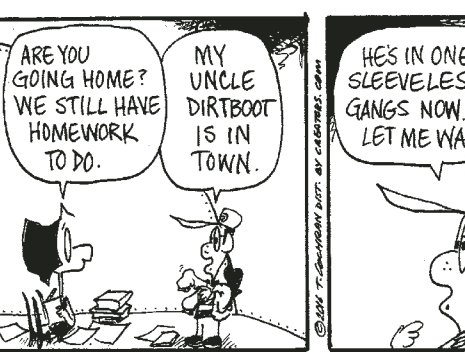
"No man, for any considerable period, can wear one face to himself, and another to the multitude, without finally getting bewildered as to which may be the true."

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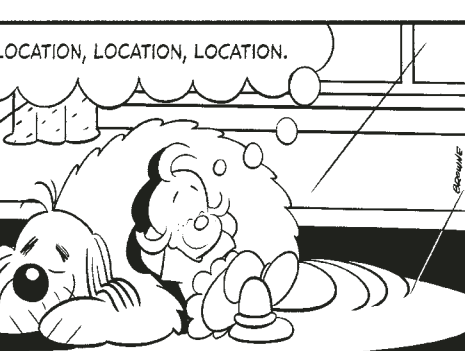
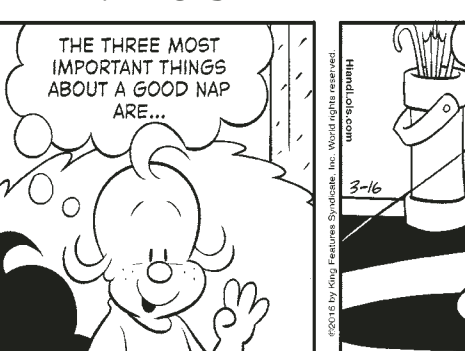
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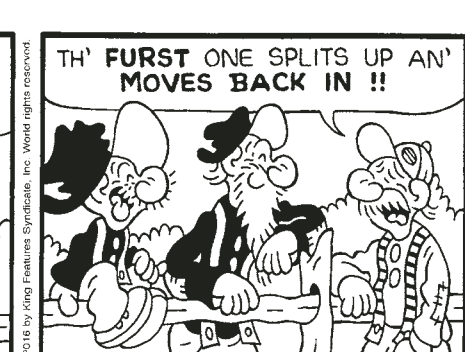
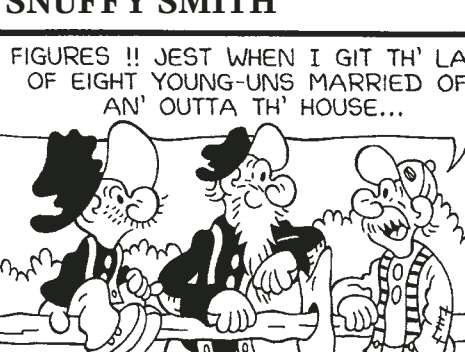
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Havana's land
 - 5 Dry as a desert
 - 9 Malice
 - 14 Molecule part
 - 15 Horse's hair
 - 16 Small game bird
 - 17 Speak in flowery language
 - 19 Lobbies for
 - 20 Timid
 - 21 Largest Greek island
 - 22 Wear away
 - 23 Storage structure
 - 24 Degree in finance: Abbr.
 - 26 Protective knee band
 - 29 Socialize
 - 35 Measuring sticks
 - 37 "Deep blue" region
 - 38 Operatic solo
 - 39 Modern Persia
 - 40 Lewis' explorer partner
 - 42 Strikes sharply
 - 43 Identify
 - 44 Oil-drilling equipment
 - 45 Tea biscuits
 - 47 Handle superficially
 - 50 Infuriated
 - 51 Dedicated verse
 - 52 Makes inquiries
 - 54 Circus performer
 - 58 Join forces
 - 60 Barnyard sound
 - 63 Invitation to a hitchhiker

- DOWN**
- 1 Crow calls
 - 2 State west of Colorado
 - 3 Cube-shaped
 - 4 Sound booster
 - 5 "___ formality!"
 - 6 Not for tots, as some films
 - 7 Monogram ltr.
 - 8 Wall calendar page
 - 9 Sty sound
 - 10 Run smoothly
 - 11 Othello villain
 - 12 Headed for overtime
 - 13 Otherwise
 - 18 Earth tone
 - 23 Vistas
 - 25 Birds' bills
 - 26 Take along
 - 27 Filled with farms
 - 28 San Antonio shrine
 - 30 Practical application
 - 31 British noblemen
 - 32 Chimp's cousin
 - 33 Windshield device
 - 34 Impudent
 - 36 New England seafood
 - 41 Meet the expectations of
 - 46 Bakery buys
 - 48 Verse of 14 lines
 - 49 Complained strongly
 - 53 Goosebumps author
 - 54 Burn slightly
 - 55 Ear tip
 - 56 Creative work
 - 57 Prudent
 - 59 "Silent Night," for one
 - 60 Big galoot
 - 61 Puffy hairdo
 - 62 Way out there
 - 65 Drapery edge

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NCAA tourney: Madness, not science

Experts warn: Your bracket is going to be busted

By EDDIE PELLIS

AP National Writer

Warning, analytics lovers: The next three weeks will not be easy.

Like most sports, college basketball has been steadily infiltrated by math types who have built careers on analyzing every win, every loss, every strength of schedule — all in the name of gaining that .1 percent edge for those who take this bracket-filling thing seriously.

Then the games start. March Madness. It's a one-game, and, sometimes, one-shot proposition that may as well be called the Anti-Analytics championships.

Jim Valvano. Danny and the Miracles. George Mason. Bucknell over Kansas. VCU and Butler (The first time). From a pure statistics point of view, none of that should have happened. Because it did, we spend the next three weeks obsessing over upsets, unknowns and the unimaginable.

But the math geeks don't give up.

Among them is Ed Feng, who runs the website thepowerrank.com, which promises better predictions through analysis. A PhD in chemical engineering from Stanford, Feng decided to leave the world of polymers and plasma and devote himself to the important stuff — like figuring out who will win Thursday's Iona-Iowa State game. (By the way, picking that game, or any game in the first week, doesn't really matter in the big picture, Feng says. More later.)

He's done well. Feng's 2002 through 2015 pre-tournament numbers predicted the winners of more than 71

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percent of March Madness games, a stat even he admits gets skewed a little because some things really never do happen — like a No. 16 seed beating a 1 seed. At least not yet.

About that other 29 percent? "You really can't see everything coming, in some ways," Feng said. "The 70-foot bank shot, the fluke injury to key players. There are some things you just don't know about."

Ah, that 70-foot bank shot. That happened last week in the quarterfinals of the American Athletic Conference tournament. Connecticut was losing by three with 0.8 seconds left when Jalen Adams took an inbounds pass and launched the ball bucket-ward. It went in. Mayhem ensued. The shot forced a fourth overtime and UConn came out on top. In addition to helping UConn punch its once-shaky ticket to the dance, it served up a nice refresher in the randomness of sports — and just in time for tournament week.

Feng's job is to find that delicate balance between the unthinkable and the hard numbers, and give subscribers the best chance of winning their contest, whether it be a 10-person office pool, or some huge contest offered by ESPN. Some of this involves straight

analytics — basically, analysis of who beat who, and by how much, and the strength of the opponents they played. He also offers a "contrarian" analysis, in which he studies brackets that have already been submitted to allow people to best position themselves for victory.

Last year, with undefeated Kentucky dominating the sport, Feng noticed a relative dearth of brackets being filled out in Duke's favor. He recommended taking the Blue Devils to go all the way, which, in fact, happened. Picking the eventual champion, especially if that champion isn't everyone's favorite, makes a much bigger impact on most pools than nailing five upsets in the opening week.

Of course, Duke's win didn't come without its own bit of anti-analytics — something nobody saw coming.

In last year's title game against Wisconsin, Duke was struggling — losing by nine to a veteran team that had knocked out the Wildcats two days earlier.

Coach Mike Krzyzewski went with a hunch and called on Grayson Allen, who, at the time, was an overshadowed freshman averaging four points a game.

Allen made a 3-pointer to start Duke's comeback and screamed, "Let's Go," in an attempt to bring his team back to life. He finished with 16 points and became the focal point of a comeback for a team filled with NBA talent.

"Grayson put us on his back," Krzyzewski said.

While Allen won't sneak up on anyone this year — he's Duke's leading scorer at 21 points per game — there's almost certainly another Grayson Allen lurking in some part of the country, ready to break a bracket near you.

It brings back memories of a game from 15 years ago — not a "One Shining Moment" game, mind you, but one that offered a valuable lesson nonetheless.

The great Temple coach, John Chaney, was in his fifth and last regional final, still looking for his first trip to the Final Four — a destination he would never reach.

In a game against Michigan State, Chaney's vaunted matchup zone did just about everything it was designed for. Except one. It did not account for unheralded David Thomas, a 5-point-per-game scorer who came off Tom Izzo's bench (and now serves as Izzo's director of basketball operations).

Thomas went 8 of 10 for a career-high 19 points, including a key 3-pointer with a minute left.

With the tears still fresh on his face, Chaney gave an explanation that summed up both the pros and cons of analytics — and did so years before they became an industry unto themselves.

HAWKS

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Shortstop Rahman Williams, who committed one of the errors in the inning, continues to struggle defensively, though he did go 3-for-4 at the plate.

"We've just come to the realization that we're not very strong at short, that's just what it is," Smith said. "He's got 17 errors in 22 games, and that's not going to get it done."

The Hawks take on Midland College at 1 p.m. Friday at Christensen Stadium in Midland. They'll look to improve

on their 3-1 conference record with four games against the Chaparrals. Davison said he's happy with the way the offense has been playing, and will look to improve upon that this weekend.

"I feel like

we're getting better and better every time we come out. We're playing more as a team, starting to find it together and pick it up a little bit," he said.

"We've still got a lot of things to fix, but I'm happy with the direction we're going right now."

STEERS

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barely stayed fair, giving the Lady Cougars one on with one out. Uesry followed with a single to left field, and Garcia gave Cooper the momentum right back with her second three-run home run of the game. Their 9-5 lead would stretch to 10-5 with three consecutive singles after the home run, and Big Spring couldn't answer in the bottom half, giving the game a 10-5 final score.

"She's an excellent hitter," Big Spring head coach Howell Martin said of Garcia. "We should have gotten out of the inning both times she hit the home run, but we had one er-

ror that she hit a home run behind, and then the umpire missed an infield fly call that continued the inning in the seventh. But she definitely hit both of those home runs well, neither of them were flukes."

Jaci Aguilar led the Lady Steers offensively, going 3-for-4 on the day. Martinez finished 1-for-3 with two RBIs, and Soliz went 1-for-4 with an RBI and a run scored batting leadoff.

"It was back and forth pretty much all day, and we're in one of those streaks right now where it seems things just aren't going our way," Martin said. "We're getting good pitching, and our hitting came around a little bit yesterday. We swung the bat better, so we're making some progress there. We just got to do a bit better job shutting them down defensively."

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