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ISD offers single-stop registration

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

Call it one-stop registration. Parents of students new to the local school district will no longer have to visit multiple campuses to get their children registered, thanks to a move by the Big Spring Independent School District to consolidate those services under one roof.

The result is the Student Records and Registration office, located at the old Goliad Intermediate campus.

The office is staffed by Vickie Cheyne, the district's PEIMS coordinator, Denise Gandy and Jan Nichols. Together, they handle registration of all new students, as well as records for all BSISD students, past and present.

"We're trying to make the entire process more centralized and efficient," Cheyne said. "We had a parent come in a few days ago with kids in high school, junior high at the fourth grade. In the past, she would have had to take each of them to their new campus to register,



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

From left, Vickie Cheyne, Jan Nichols and Denise Gandy are shown at the Big Spring Independent School District's new Student Records and Registration office, located in the old Goliad Intermediate School building.

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2 sign for Ranger debate program

Special to the Herald

Two 2012 Big Spring High School graduates, Seth Trevino and Shawn Adams, have been accepted as members of the newly formed debate program at Ranger College.

"We're glad to have Big Spring represented on our roster," Jason Jordan, coach of the Ranger College team, said, "Big Spring has developed a reputation for producing successful debaters who are



Trevino



Adams

competitive, both regionally and nationally."

With next year being the first year debate is offered at Ranger College, Trevino and Adams will be on the ground floor of what should be a quality program.

"I'm glad these two students get a chance to go on to debate in college," BSHS Speech and Debate Coach Jennifer Adams said. "The boys proved to be a valuable asset to Big Spring High School and I know they will contribute to the Ranger College program."

Jordan, the former director of debate and head debate coach at Richardson High School and Decatur High School, will begin his inaugural year as a collegiate debate coach.

Ranger College will be traveling nationally, competing against both two-year and four-year institutions with the end goal of competing for a national championship.

"In college debate there are no school size divisions," Adams said. "The guys will be debating against schools of all sizes from all across the nation on a

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Scouts ask public to 'pick up tab' for good cause

The Lone Star District of the Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America is working with the Fraternal Order of Eagles Lodge Aerie 3188 in Big Spring to collect pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities.

"The program is a way for people of all ages to support RMHC and make a difference for families and children," said Brian Sweeney, Lone Star District executive.

The fundraiser benefits seriously ill children by helping provide a place for them and their families to stay while they are out of town for medical treatment.

Recycling the tabs generates proceeds to donate to an area Ronald McDonald House.

"Pop tabs are small and convenient to collect," said Sweeney. "Hundreds of thousands of pop tabs have been collected to benefit Ronald McDonald Houses. Save your pop tabs and bring them to the *Big Spring Herald* during business hours. There will be a conveniently placed drop bin as you walk in the door." The *Herald* is located at 710 Scurry.

For more information, contact Sweeney at 432-212-3577.

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Plastic surgeon arrested in doctor's death

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — A West Texas plastic surgeon paid someone \$9,000 — in the form of three silver bars — to kill another doctor who was dating his ex-girlfriend, police alleged Monday.

Dr. Thomas Michael Dixon and David Neal Shepard were arrested by police in Amarillo shortly after midnight, authorities announced. They are suspected of being involved in the death of Lubbock doctor Dr. Joseph Sonnier III.

An arrest warrant affidavit

suggests a love triangle between Dixon, Sonnier and a woman who was not identified by police. The affidavit alleges Dixon offered Shepard the three bars, each with an estimated value of \$3,000, to kill Sonnier, who was chief pathologist for Covenant Health System in Lubbock.

Sonnier, 57, was found shot and stabbed Wednesday inside his home in Lubbock, about 120 miles south of the Texas Panhandle city of Amarillo. A window was broken.

Sonnier's girlfriend told a police detective that Dixon, 48, was her ex-boyfriend and that he "insisted on seeing her, even though she was dating Dr. Sonnier," according to the affidavit.

Also, a co-worker of Sonnier told the detective that Sonnier had said that his girl-

friend's ex-boyfriend "would not leave her alone," the affidavit says.

Meanwhile, police discovered through an online database that Shepard had sold a 100-ounce bar of silver at an Amarillo pawn shop for \$2,750, the affidavit says. His roommate told authorities that Shepard had been watching Sonnier for weeks and texting Dixon.

Shepard told his roommate that he broke into Sonnier's home through a window and shot him several times with a gun Dixon had given him, the affidavit said. He knew several details that investigators had kept private, it said.

Shepard, 51, tried to commit suicide in the days after the murder by cutting his

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Obituaries

Mary Ann Williams Musick

Mary Ann Williams Musick, 70, of Big Spring died Monday, July 16, 2012, at her residence. Private family services will be at a later date.

She was born March 25, 1942, in Luling, Texas, and married Harry Musick on June 9, 1998.

Survivors include her husband, Harry Musick of Big Spring; two daughters, Kim Boeckel Brennan and Deborah Boeckel Richards, both of League City; three sisters, Kathryn Toyer of Salem, Mo., Tammy Deaton of Big Spring and Heather of Arlington; one granddaughter; and numerous aunts and uncles.

She was preceded in death by her father, Joe Williams; and her mother, Gracie Hughes.

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

Donna Jean Arroyo

Donna Jean Arroyo, 50, of Monahans, formerly of Big Spring died Sunday, July 15, 2012, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 19, 2012, at the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish in Big Spring.

A prayer vigil will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Donna was born Nov. 11, 1961, in Big Spring, Texas.

Survivors include her parents, Don and Gloria Arroyo of Big Spring; two sisters, Linda Ramos and husband Raul of Midland and Kathy Daniels and husband Preston of Marble Falls; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be made to the West Texas Centers for MHMR, 319 Runnels Street, Big Spring, TX 79720.

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

Alice Loraine Baker Rueda

Alice Loraine Baker Rueda, 64, of Big Spring died Monday, July 16, 2012, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Ulysses Mathews Jr.

Ulysses Mathews Jr., 55, of Big Spring died Monday, July 16, 2012, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

TUESDAY

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

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

WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

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

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at the Gold Rush Tobacco Shop, 800 E. Third Street. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

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

- Visual Awareness Support Group (VASG) will meet at 5:30 p.m. May 24, at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church Parish Hall. VASG is open to the public but specifically aimed for people who suffer from vision problems and their caregivers. Dr. Clipper Strickland will be the guest speaker at the next meeting, and he will speak on the topic of diabetic retinopathy. For more information, call 263-2501.

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Police blotter

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

- SPENCER NICOLE TURNER, 20, of 1700 E. 16th St., was arrested Monday on a warrant for dog or cat running at large.
- MICHAEL RENE ROBLES, 40, of 2509 Fairchild, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- ROBIN LEON JORDAN, 44, of 1405.5 S. Settles, was arrested Monday on charges of criminal mischief – more than \$500 and less than \$1,500 and public intoxication.
- LEROY COLEMAN JR., 23, of Riverside, Calif., was arrested Monday on charges of failure to identify – giving false information and a warrant from another agency.
- RAPHAEL FLORES BOLANOS, 21, of Colton, Calif., was arrested Tuesday on a charge of hindering the apprehension or prosecution of a known felon.
- THEFT was reported:
In the 1800 block of E. Highway 350.
In the 2500 block of Carol Drive.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 71 inmates at the time of this report.

- MICHAEL RENE ROBLES, 40, was booked into the county detention center Monday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- LEROY COLEMAN JR., 23, was booked into the county detention center Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of bondsman off bond for criminal mischief – more than \$1,500 and less than \$20,000 and failure to identify as a fugitive – giving false information.
- RAPHAEL FLORES BOLANOS, 21, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of hindering the apprehension or prosecution of a known felon.
- ANASTASIA LOZANO, 25, was booked into the county detention center Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of accident involving damage to a vehicle – more than \$200.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the area of FM 818. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 1900 block of N. U.S. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 900 block of E. Second Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of W. Seventh Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 300 block of W. Third Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- Orders are being taken through Wednesday in a fundraiser for local resident Jaurdin Briscoe, who has been called back to audition for “The Voice.” Orders are being taken for homemade chicken enchilada plates, which will be delivered Friday. Deliveries will be confined to businesses and residences within the Big Spring city limits and will begin at 11:30 a.m. Plates are \$8 and will include enchiladas, beans, rice, chips and salsa. Cash only please. Pre-order by calling 432-935-0411 or 432-270-1199. Donations are also being accepted.

- Operation Back 2 School Drive, benefitting the children of Knollwood Heights, is in progress until Aug. 24. We are collecting backpacks and school supplies. Donations may be dropped of at Knollwood Heights office, 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd. (across from the hospital), or Allans Gallery Furniture, 202 Scurry. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please call Sharon Rich at 432-517-0723.

- Nichols Road is closed for repairs through July 24, according to the Howard County Road and Bridge Department.

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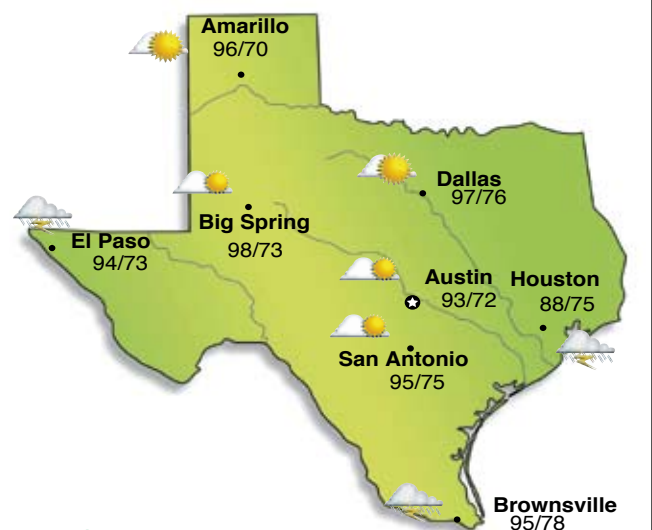
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 7/19	Fri 7/20	Sat 7/21	Sun 7/22	Mon 7/23
 98/73 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s. Sunrise: 6:52 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM	 97/74 Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s. Sunrise: 6:53 AM Sunset: 8:52 PM	 99/74 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s. Sunrise: 6:54 AM Sunset: 8:51 PM	 100/74 Plenty of sun. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the mid 70s. Sunrise: 6:54 AM Sunset: 8:50 PM	 101/75 Abundant sunshine. Highs 99 to 103F and lows in the mid 70s. Sunrise: 6:55 AM Sunset: 8:50 PM

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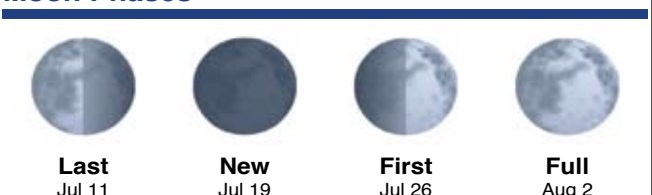
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	97	73	mst sunny	Kingsville	94	76	t-storm
Amarillo	96	70	mst sunny	Livingston	89	72	t-storm
Austin	93	72	pt sunny	Longview	94	74	mst sunny
Beaumont	89	74	t-storm	Lubbock	95	70	mst sunny
Brownsville	95	78	t-storm	Lufkin	90	74	mst sunny
Brownwood	96	72	mst sunny	Midland	97	73	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	90	79	t-storm	Raymondville	97	76	t-storm
Corsicana	95	73	mst sunny	Rosenberg	90	74	t-storm
Dallas	97	76	mst sunny	San Antonio	95	75	pt sunny
Del Rio	97	75	t-storm	San Marcos	93	73	pt sunny
El Paso	94	73	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	96	74	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	93	69	t-storm	Sweetwater	97	72	mst sunny
Gainesville	98	74	mst sunny	Tyler	94	74	mst sunny
Greenville	96	73	mst sunny	Weatherford	97	73	mst sunny
Houston	88	75	t-storm	Wichita Falls	102	74	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	90	73	t-storm	Minneapolis	88	71	rain
Boston	89	69	t-storm	New York	94	78	t-storm
Chicago	89	71	t-storm	Phoenix	101	80	sunny
Dallas	97	76	mst sunny	San Francisco	59	52	pt sunny
Denver	90	65	t-storm	Seattle	71	58	pt sunny
Houston	88	75	t-storm	St. Louis	104	81	pt sunny
Los Angeles	75	62	pt sunny	Washington, DC	100	82	t-storm
Miami	89	79	t-storm				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Thu 7/19	Fri 7/20	Sat 7/21	Sun 7/22	Mon 7/23
11	11	11	11	11
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

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

Take Note

- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council needs assistance in The Chalet Resale Shoppe, 115 East Second St. The Chalet Resale Shoppe is a fast-paced retail shop specializing in gently worn clothing and small household appliance. Volunteers are needed to sort, price, check out and stock donated items. Volunteer hours are flexible. The Chalet is open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us or 432 268-7535.

- Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$8 per person.

- An account has been established at American State Bank to help defray medical expense for Brad “Ghost” Ugstad, a local resident who was severely injured in a motorcycle accident. All donations will be appreciated.

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

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► News briefs

1st female country superstar Kitty Wells dies

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Without Kitty Wells, there might be no Taylor Swift. Or Miranda Lambert. Or Loretta Lynn.

She was THE pioneer, the first female singer with enough spunk and fire to get noticed in the male-dominated world of country music.

Think about it: No Tammy Wynette. No Tanya Tucker. No Carrie Underwood.

“Without her there wouldn’t be a lot of us,” said Country Music Hall of Fame member Jean Shepard.

The family of country music’s first female superstar said she died peacefully at home Monday after complications from a stroke. She was 92.

Dubbed “The Queen of Country Music” decades ago, Wells had been a member of the Country Music Hall of Fame since 1976 and could look back on a career that spanned more than six decades after her retirement.

Wells scored the first country No. 1 hit by a solo female artist with “It Wasn’t God Who Made Honky Tonk Angels.” Her success dashed the notion that women couldn’t be headliners. Billboard magazine had been charting country singles for about eight years at that time.

She recorded approximately 50 albums, had 25 Top 10 country hits and went around the world several times. From 1953 to 1968, various polls listed Wells as the No. 1 female country singer until Wynette finally dethroned her.

It was Well’s true-to-life songs that were modern in perspective and heartfelt in delivery that defined her career.

“As far as what she meant to country music, my God, just look at the hit songs she had,” Shepard said.

Her 1955 hit “Making Believe” was on the movie soundtrack of “Mississippi Burning” that was released 33 years later. Among her other hits were “The Things I Might Have Been,” “Release Me,” “Amigo’s Guitar,” “Heartbreak USA,” “Left to Right” and a version of “I Can’t Stop Loving You.”

Born Ellen Muriel Deason in Nashville, the daughter of a railroad brakeman, she was known as a gracious, elegant and family-oriented person.

She began playing the guitar at age 14 and soon was performing at dances in the Nashville area.

Wells married Johnny Wright, half of a duo called Johnny and Jack, in 1938 when she was not yet 20, and soon began touring with the duo. She took her stage name from an old folk song, “Sweet Kitty Wells.” Johnny Wright died Sept. 27, 2011.

By the late ‘40s they were appearing on the Grand Ole Opry. He performed with her throughout her career and their long marriage.

“What I’ve done has been satisfying,” she said in the 1986 AP interview. “I wouldn’t change a thing.”



Wells

Drought now grips more than half of the nation

WALTONVILLE, Ill. (AP) — The nation’s widest drought in decades is spreading, with more than half of the continental United States now in some stage of drought and most of the rest enduring abnormally dry conditions.

Only in the 1930s and the 1950s has a drought covered more land, according to federal figures released Monday. So far, there’s little risk of a Dust Bowl-type catastrophe, but crop losses could mount if rain doesn’t come soon.

In its monthly drought report, the National Climatic Data Center in Asheville, N.C., announced that 55 percent of the country was in a moderate to extreme drought at the end of June. The parched conditions expanded last month in the West, the Great Plains and the Midwest, fueled by the 14th warmest and 10th driest June on record, the report said.

Topsoil has turned dry while “crops, pastures and rangeland have deteriorated at a rate rarely seen in the last 18 years,” the report said.

The percentage of affected land is the largest since December 1956, when 58 percent of the country was covered by drought, and it rivals even some years in the Dust Bowl era of the 1930s, though experts point out that this year’s weather has been milder than that period, and farming practices have been vastly improved since then.

FBI dogs joining search for Iowa cousins, 8 and 10

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — With the trail apparently cold in the search for two missing Iowa girls, the FBI is sending in tracking dogs and local authorities are draining a lake near where the girls’ bicycles were found.

Elizabeth Collins, 8, and her cousin Lyric Cook-Morrissey, 10, were last reported seen Friday afternoon leaving their grandmother’s house. Their bicycles and Elizabeth’s purse were found later that day near a bike trail at the edge of Meyers Lake in the northeast Iowa city of Evansdale.

What followed was a massive sweep of the area that drew hundreds of volunteers over the weekend. But authorities suspended that effort Monday, saying it had failed to produce significant leads.

Black Hawk County Chief Deputy Rick Abben said the draining of the nearly 5-acre lake began Monday and could take up to three days. Officials believe it will go faster due to the low level of the lake and the Cedar River into which it drains.

Authorities previously dredged the lake and have been interviewing family, friends and registered sex offenders who live in the area.

Abben said local, state and federal officials have been “grasping for straws” in the frantic search. A tip line turned up numerous reports of articles of clothing that had been found, but none belonged to the girls. He said it was as if they had just disappeared.

“It wouldn’t be proper for me to stand here and tell you we have a theory, because we don’t,” he said. “We have two missing girls, and we have no idea why.”

Activists say Syrian troops using helicopter gunships to battle rebels

BEIRUT (AP) — Activists say Syrian government forces have used helicopter gunships to battle rebels in the capital Damascus.

The activists say that helicopters fired heavy machine guns during overnight clashes in the neighborhoods of Qadam and Hajar al-Aswad.

They say Damascus has been relatively quiet since 8 a.m. Tuesday after three days of intense clashes between troops and rebels.

The fighting has been the most sustained and widespread in the capital since the start of the uprising against President Bashar Assad 16 months ago.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights and Damascus-based activist Maath al-Shami said the fighting concentrated in Kfar Souseh, Nahr Aisha, Midan and Qadam.

Romney tries out new attack in Pennsylvania while Obama raises money in Texas

WASHINGTON (AP) — A counterattacking Mitt Romney is seeking to shift political attention away from his business tenure and his tax returns with a fresh assault on President Barack Obama’s record. Obama, anxious about losing a financial edge in the contest, is turning to Republican-tilted Texas to raise money from gay, Latino and big-dollar donors.

Romney planned to campaign in the Pittsburgh area Tuesday, stepping up his criticism of Obama in a state that has proven to be a tough presidential battleground for the Republican Party. Romney is accusing Obama of engaging in cronyism, citing federal grants and loan guarantees to alternative energy companies run by Obama backers and donors.

Obama is expected to sustain his offensive against Romney, claiming the Republican’s tax policies would benefit the rich and cost jobs. His re-election campaign continued to draw attention to Romney’s time at Bain Capital, the private equity firm he founded in 1984. But Obama’s central goal in Texas was to draw in money; he was holding two fundraisers in Austin and two in San Antonio, with an estimated haul of at least \$5 million.

The events came as a top Romney aide floated the possibility Monday that he may name his vice presidential selection by week’s end, raising the level of intrigue around what may be Romney’s most significant decision before Election Day. But the timing was not certain.

REGISTER

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but now she was able to register all three of them in one spot.”

School district officials began studying the

possibility of a centralized registration and records office early this year and officially approved the idea in June. The new office, located near the main entrance of the old Goliad building, has been up and running for the past few

weeks.

Parents of new students who were not enrolled in BSISD on May 25 of this year must come to the new office to register their students before they go to their assigned campuses, Cheyne said.

Aside from registering new students, office personnel also will be able to respond to transcript and records requests from current and former BSISD students.

“Even past students can come in and request transcripts,” Cheyne

said. “Our records go back to the 1920s.”

For more information, contact the office at 264-3622.

Contact Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@big-springherald.com

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regular basis.”

But Jordan isn’t wor-

ried about his team.

“In this, the first year of our program’s existence, we made a point to recruit debaters who we felt not only possessed a high degree of talent,

but also an equally high degree of drive to take an active role in creating a culture of success at Ranger College,” he said.

Ranger College, one

of the oldest continuously operating public community colleges in the state, is located in Ranger on Interstate 20

between Abilene and Fort Worth.

DEATH

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wrists, the roommate allegedly told authorities. The roommate said Dixon closed the wounds, told him to calm down and “suggested that David Shepard leave for a couple of weeks,” the affidavit said.

Lubbock Police Capt. Jon Caspell said Monday that he didn’t know when Dixon and the

woman broke up. Dixon and Sonnier appeared to have known each other aside from the woman, Caspell said.

Dixon is a well-known plastic surgeon in Amarillo. No one answered the phone Monday at his practice, High Plains Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. He was transferred from Randall County to the Lubbock County jail on Monday afternoon. Online court records did not yet list an attorney.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

With Your love in our life, Lord, we can remain serene and see the good in all our situations.

Amen

The worst financial scandal yet?

If only one in four American adults can name his or her U.S. senators, we can assume that even fewer know what Libor is. Libor (pronounced lie-bor) is at the center of another major financial scandal, but that may not improve its name recognition much. This is summer, after all, and making sense of financial manipulation requires effort.

The public should understand that what they don't know can cost them. The illegal fixing of Libor, the interest rate to which much of the world's financial transactions are tied, took a ton of money out of ordinary folks' pockets and handed it to the select few. The beauty of such cons is that the little people don't even know they're being fleeced.

Libor stands for the London Interbank Offered Rate. It's the interest rate banks charge each other for big loans. The British Banking Association is supposed to oversee it but apparently did not notice that Barclays was submitting falsely lower rates, probably to make its financial position look stronger. More than a dozen other banks are said to have been in on the fun.

We've been subject to shocking financial scandals in recent years, but some experts are calling this one the worst. Still, what exactly does Libor have to



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do with you and me?

If banks set the Libor rate artificially low, then they could pay the cities and states that entered financial contracts with them less than these governments were entitled to. Such shortfalls are traditionally made up by the taxpayers or through cuts in services. Hedge funds entering futures contracts tied to Libor rates were cheated, as well.

Libor is also used to set the interest rates we pay on our credit cards and adjustable mortgages. The word "Libor" appears in the small print on the contracts that few of us read.

If banks can manipulate Libor downward to make themselves look healthier, what's to stop them from manipulating that rate higher to extract more money from the little people with credit card balances and mortgages? Not much, it would seem.

So here's another example why accusing financial con artists of greed, dishonesty or avarice is so fruitless. Let a higher power dwell on their character. The job for we earthlings is to regulate them without apology. This latest scandal should make that a done deal.

But listen to the political conversation in which Republicans portray the financial industry as an outpost of muscular free enterprise shackled by Washington regulations. Clearly, it's the other way around. Wall Street is all over Washington. It extracts changes in the laws that let their billionaires pay taxes at lower rates than do their electricians

and police. It often obtains lax rules that let the financiers gamble with money guaranteed by the taxpayers. The financial wizards' modern Gilded Age fortunes come courtesy of government, not despite it.

And the way Wall Street makes government do its bidding is to buy the politicians. The new freedom to pour money into politics without being linked to the contributions gives cover for buying more of the same.

Foes of campaign finance reform point to cases where a candidate that greatly outspent a competitor lost, and they do exist. But when you have a complex matter — Libor isn't like gay marriage — and a populace that has not engaged the mental gears into how such things really work, what's going to move their vote? The last political ad they heard?

If the 2008 economic meltdown didn't make a compelling case for stiffening oversight of Wall Street and campaign finance, it's hard to know what would. One really does worry for the future of our democracy.

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Repeal of Obamacare, symbolic

So what about the GOP House vote to repeal that legislative monstrosity that masquerades under the misleading title of "Affordable Care Act"? Was the vote more than symbolic?

Will the vote have any impact on the presidential and congressional races? What about the GOP proposals to replace Obamacare? A host presented those three questions, and I'd like to address them more thoroughly than the time permitted on television.

I don't believe that the GOP repeal vote was merely symbolic, even though everyone knows that the obstructionist Democratic Senate, which hasn't produced a budget for more than 1,100 days, will reject it out of hand. The House vote to repeal, which included 5 Democratic votes, helps to frame a critically important issue in the 2012 presidential and congressional campaigns, which is also true of the House's passage of "cut, cap and balance" and Rep. Paul Ryan's budget plan, "The Path to Prosperity."

Obamacare, along with Obama's stimulus package and his overall bankrupting federal spending, gave rise to the national conservative grass-roots uprising that bitter clingers fondly refer to as the tea party movement but whose followers radical leftist Democrats — excuse the tautology — refer to as tea baggers. If Obamacare led to the initial uprising, Obamacare 2 — the Supreme Court majority's abominable affirmation of the law — will galvanize the tea party as much as any other issue and energize all conservatives to defeat Obama and congressional Democrats in November. It formally showcases and places in stark relief the Democrats' position on the law; it forces them, on the record, either to join the overwhelming majority of Americans who want it repealed or to thwart their will. That is big, if Mitt Romney and other

Republicans capitalize on it.

What impact will this vote and the Senate Democrats' inevitable refusal to repeal have on the presidential and congressional races?

This action and inaction, taken together with Obama's and his party's obstruction of entitlement reform and overall spending reductions, will further expose them as the sole party leading us over the cliff to national financial bankruptcy. Though it is a dagger in the heart of America's financial stability, it is a political gift to Romney, if he'll properly articulate the message. He must call Obama (and his Democratic Party co-conspirators) out as the Great Destroyer. He must shine a spotlight on the mountain of lies upon which Obamacare was based.

Obamacare was based on the fraudulent premise that we have almost 50 million Americans without health insurance and that this is tantamount to a lack of access to health care.

The facts should help dispel this pernicious propaganda.

In fact, millions included in that number are illegals; millions are young people in good health who can afford but choose not to purchase health care (the "young invincibles") — as many as 18 million; millions are eligible for government assistance and don't avail themselves of it; and millions are only uninsured for short periods of time. Health care expert Sally Pipes has estimated that the number of people who fall through the cracks — those who are working, are ineligible for aid and who don't earn enough to afford health insurance (the "chronically uninsured working poor") is closer to 8 million. So Obama succeeded in commandeering one-seventh of the nation's economy instead of providing an affordable safety net for these people and preserving, rather than destroying, the greatest health care system in world history — despite its flaws.

Thus, Obamacare is not about access to health care, nor is it about costs, which cannot be contained under this socialistic scheme without extreme ration-

ing. It is not about quality of care, which will necessarily be reduced from rationing, from the further elimination of market forces, from the exodus of doctors from the profession, and from other factors. It is about expanding government control.

Obama's other lies about Obamacare are that people will be able to keep their own plans, the cost curve will bend downward, the doctor-patient relationship will not be damaged, there will not be federal funding of abortions, there will not be rationing and access to and quality of care will not be reduced, when it will actually be severely reduced. If Republicans clearly communicate that those are lies, they will greatly enhance their election prospects.

Yes, Republicans should present a plan to reform health care, but only after Obamacare is firmly repealed, because they can't afford to allow disagreements over reform to interfere with repeal of a law that is infinitely worse than the status quo ante. Their replacement should center on market reforms — eliminating the discriminatory tax treatment between employer-based and individual plans; expanding health savings accounts; reducing federal regulations, taxes and costly government mandates; tort reform; and permitting buying insurance across state lines.

As Dr. David Gratzner said concerning health care reform, "capitalism is not the problem; it is the cure." The GOP must bring that message home in this campaign.

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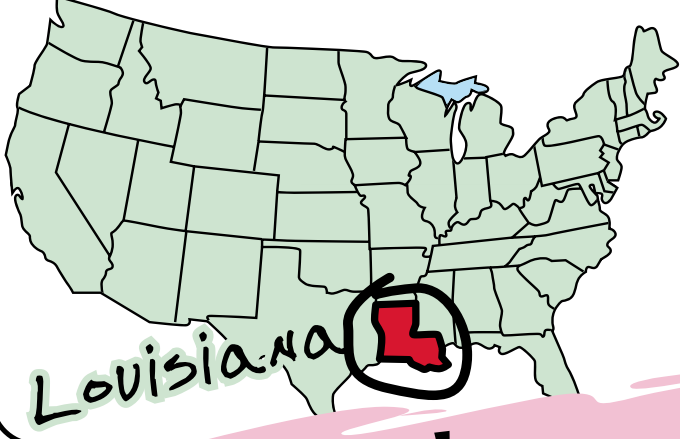
Guy Fieri's
Cooking with kids
It's a Wrap!

You can use a tortilla or flatbread to create a delicious wrap filled with your favorite ingredients. Wraps are like sandwiches with a twist!

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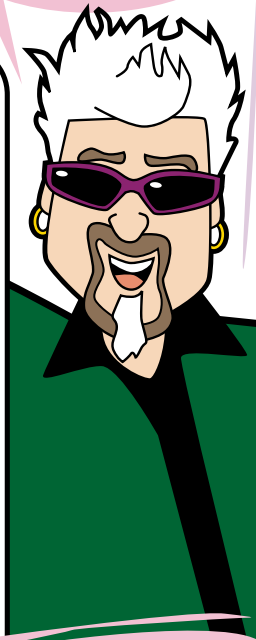
What is Creole?

Creole cuisine is a style of cooking that started in Louisiana. It blends the cooking styles of the French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, Native American and African peoples that live there.



LET'S DO THIS!
Work on this page with a parent. Cooking together builds creativity and confidence!

Try making this wrap for a little taste of New Orleans-style cooking!



Homophones!

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different meanings – like *wrap* and *rap*. Look at these homophones. Which homophone goes in each sentence?

bear bare blue blew by buy

Sky _____ is the color of my shirt.	We saw a polar _____ cub at the zoo.	The bird flew right _____ my window.	After the leaves fell, the trees were _____.
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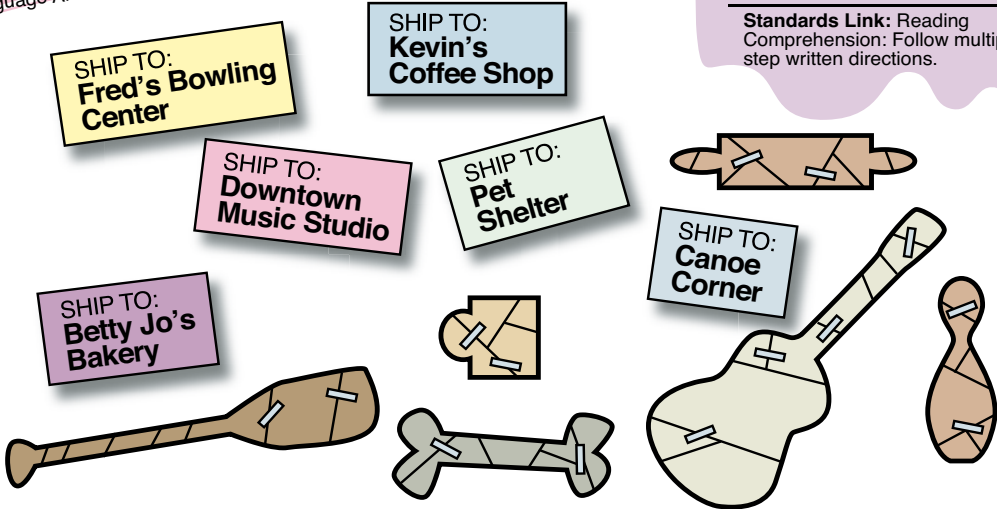
The wind _____ my hat into the lake.

My friend went to _____ new shoes.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Understand grade-level appropriate reading vocabulary.

Ship Shape

Each of these items has been wrapped up for shipping, but they need to be matched with the correct shipping label. Can you help by drawing a line from each package to its label?



Standards Link: Investigation: Look for patterns to solve problems.



Kids: Make a video or take pictures of your family making Guy's Creole Chicken Wraps. You might see it featured on Guy Fieri's very own Cooking With Kids website (cwkfoundation.org)! Send to: kidscook@kidscoop.com

Kid Scoop
Table Talks

Mealtime is a chance for families to talk about things that are interesting. Here's today's topic:
Guy's Creole Chicken Wraps may be new to you. Ask your parents what kinds of family meals were normal when they were kids.

Double
Double Word Search

HOMOPHONE
LOUISIANA
CANOE
CREOLE
LABEL
TWIST
TASTE
CHEESE
PAPRIKA
ONION
THYME
GUY
OIL
SEE
STYLE

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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I	B	G	E	E	H	J	H	T	T
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O	L	Y	L	G	C	A	N	O	E
P	A	P	R	I	K	A	P	E	G

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.



Exercise Story

Have someone read this story aloud. Every time you hear a verb, jump up and mime that action for 30 seconds. (If you hear the word *run*, for example, run in place for 30 seconds.)

Emily's Restaurant

Chef Emily *runs* a really crazy restaurant. She cooks delicious food, but in unusual ways.

Emily *drives* to a local farm every morning for fresh eggs. She likes to practice *juggling* them. This can get messy, but eventually she *rolls* them into the back of her truck. She calls this her Pre-Scrambled Eggs.



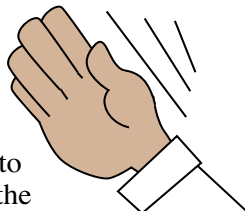
Chef Emily's pancakes are very popular. She *stirs* the batter with a baseball bat.

She *climbs* an orange tree behind her restaurant for fresh fruit to serve with the pancakes.

During the lunch hour, Chef Emily *rides* a zebra named Ed to deliver sandwiches to office workers. She also *swims* across the lake to feed the ducks.

Dinnertime is very busy for Chef Emily. She *rolls* out dough for her amazing pizzas. She *stretches* the dough and *tosses* it into the air, all while *balancing* on one leg!

She uses her karate skills to *chop* the vegetables for her soup. Chef Emily *sings* when the customer's orders are ready, and the waiters *dance* to each table.



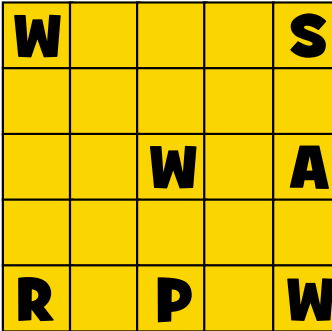
When her restaurant closes for the evening, Chef Emily and Ed *rollerskate* home. But before they do, Emily *scrubs* all the pots and pans, *mops* the floors and *rocks* her pet iguana to sleep.



Standards Link: Physical Education: Use a variety of basic and advanced movement forms.



Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word WRAPS in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.



Write On!

Well, Maybe a Small Spoonful ...

Describe a time you tried a new food. Were you nervous about trying it? Did you like it?

What did the mummy detective say when he solved the case?



Use the code to discover the punch line!

A = 8 E = 33 H = 17 L = 16 O = 30 R = 4 T = 24 W = 21
B = 19 F = 2 I = 29 M = 11 P = 26 S = 15 U = 5 Y = 28

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21 4 8 26 15 29 24 5 26 "

For more ideas about cooking with kids, visit www.cwkfoundation.org

Bird Poop: Storm claims a raptor's life

A clear morning on July 5 could not have predicted what was to come. The forecast of a sunny day was soon changed to a 10 percent chance for isolated showers.

With growing, dark clouds in the afternoon came doubts of the local weatherman's expertise. Coursing northward on the radar screen, red and yellow streaks warned of possible incoming surges of wind and rain to follow. As leaves and debris traveled horizontally up our street, we were reminded of another summer storm that occurred during the same month two years earlier. After that event, the nightly news had reported winds measured at 90-92 mph in portions of Midland County.

Although relieved that Howard County



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had been spared, we were expecting calls from Midland. People who had found injured birds either knew of our work, or would have called a game warden or Animal Control. There were none.

When an employee phoned from the tank farm east of the city, we realized three days had passed since the weather event. Several workers had noticed a large brown bird on the ground near one of the tanks.

Assuming it was hunting prey, they left it alone. The second day they noticed it had moved to the base of another vessel. The next morning, it was still there.

Approached by several employees, the "big enough to be a hawk" creature did not move. With head bowed, it had no inkling any one was close until one of the men pressed its wings to its body and placed it in a large box.

At Parks & Wildlife, once Art had raised both lids, I slipped my hands around a red-tailed hawk and placed

it in our carrier. Having quickly glanced at the raptor while it was in the cardboard container, we noticed its wings were held evenly, and it was upright. There were no cast pellets or droppings on the bottom of the box. A thorough exam could be better handled once we were home.

As soon as Art placed the carrier on the floor of our garage, I started to open the gate. Horrified at the amount of blood that had pooled in the crevices and on the floor of the container, I asked Art to put the hawk back in the vehicle. Alerting the staff at Highland Animal Hospital that we were on our way, our hopes were the hemorrhaging could be controlled and the bird saved.

Standing nearby, Debbie Barr watched as I laid the hawk on its back. When I spread its left wing, we saw the extent of its injury.

Imbedded in the flesh of its breast, but hidden by a closed wing, was a chunk of wood weathered by years of exposure to the elements. Having known that many of the raptors we brought to the clinic were beyond treatment, Debbie left the room for a moment.

Barely touching the wooden fragment, I was surprised when it slid from the hawk's body.

When hurled by gale force winds its tapered edge had easily penetrated the chest.

Shaped like the small head of a hatchet, the missile had inflicted a sizable wound. Only after being in the flesh for a while did the object



Courtesy photo
Soaring in a West Texas sky, the red-tailed hawk frequents open country, mountains, rangeland and desert terrain. Seen year round, the bird of prey

loosen as the surrounding tissue reacted to it.

Not acceptable to this bird of prey was succumbing to the death that awaited it. Its struggle had verified the intensity of its will to live.

Its brown upper parts, creamy under parts, streaked belly, and rusty tail were once notable, identifying features. After the pounding rain and swirling winds had applied a coating of dirt, its noble appearance was dull and its feathers had been left in disarray.

When Debbie returned with the merci-

ful, end-of-life drug, I showed her what had brought the hawk our way. "I don't know how you do what you do," she said. Fortunately, euthanasia allowed the suffering of the red tail to end.

Our 2012 storm left parts of town with broken or toppled trees. While some residents enjoyed nearly an inch of rain, other areas received only a spattering. Thus were the whims of a weather phenomenon.

For wildlife volunteers, any storm presents potential challenges. Baby birds soaked

to the skin are easily chilled. Having fallen from nests, many have internal damage.

Whether nurturing these down-covered, struggling infants, or experiencing the indomitable spirit of an injured raptor from another storm, was to relate to the ultimate price paid by wildlife against the perils of nature.

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

sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Sheer Logic

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 10 8 7 6 4
♥ 5 3
♦ K 7 6 2
♣ K 9

WEST
♠ A J 3
♥ Q 8 7 2
♦ Q 10 9
♣ 6 5 4

EAST
♠ Q 9 5 2
♥ J 10 6 4
♦ 4
♣ J 10 8 3

SOUTH
♠ K
♥ A K 9
♦ A J 8 5 3
♣ A Q 7 2

The bidding:
South 1♦
West Pass
North 1♠
East Pass
3♦
3 NT

Opening lead — two of hearts.

Bridge is the kind of game where you can't afford to be intellectually lazy if you want to be a good player. To be successful, you must be ready and willing to concentrate at all times, and never stop thinking for a moment.

For example, suppose you're West and lead a heart against three notrump. Declarer takes your partner's ten of hearts with the king, leads a low diamond to dummy's king and a low diamond back to his

eight. You win with the ten as your partner discards a heart, and the question is what to play next.

It is clear that you should lead the ace of spades at this point followed by the jack and another spade. If you do, the contract goes down one; if you don't, South makes at least three notrump.

How can you be expected to find this deadly defense without seeing all four hands? The answer is simple enough. All you have to do is to put all the available clues together and take it from there.

At trick one, you learned that declarer had the A-K-9 of hearts. How could you tell this? Because East would have played the ace if he had it, and similarly would have played the nine (not the ten) if he had started with J-10-9.

You learned during the play of the diamonds that South had exactly five cards in that suit, and you also learned from the bidding that South almost certainly had four clubs. It follows, therefore, that South started with a singleton spade, and that regardless of the size of that spade, your side can quickly cash four spade tricks and so defeat the contract. The ace is played first not only to guard against South's singleton being the king, but also to unblock the suit so that your side can collect all its spade tricks.

Tomorrow: Strike while the iron is hot.
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Parent's Corner: It's your own fault

Recently, I read a comment that certainly sparked my imagination. The comment was rather harsh but once I pondered on it for a while I found a lot of truth. It was stated in this fashion: a person who is destitute, dirty, drunk, spaced out on drugs, unemployed and generally miserable, is referred to as "less fortunate." If this is true, then the one that has a job, a home and a future is in that position because he or she was "fortunate."

The dictionary says that fortunate means "having derived 'good' from an unexpected



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place." But I believe that there is nothing unexpected about deriving "good" from hard work. There is also nothing unexpected about deriving misery from choosing drugs, alcohol, destitution or filth. If success and failure are simple matters of "fortune" or "luck," then no wonder that some folks wish to promote and justify various schemes for income redistribution. I once read that former Democratic presidential candidate, Richard Gephardt, referred to high-achievers as "people who have won life's lottery." He seemed to believe folks are making the big bucks because they are lucky. I choose to disagree.

It's not luck, it is choice. I have learned that one of the best things a person can learn is the wise use

of the power of choice. The person sitting on a heating grate, smelling like a wharf rat is there by choice. He is there because of the sum total of the choices he has made in his life. This truism is absolutely the hardest thing for some people to accept, especially those who consider themselves to be victims of something or other; victims of discrimination, bad luck, the system, capitalism, whatever. After all, nobody really wants to accept the blame for his or her position in life. Not when it is so much easier to point and say, "Look! He did this to me!" than it is to look into a mirror and say, "You, you did this to me!"

The key to accepting responsibility for our life is to accept the fact that our choices, every one of them, are leading

us inexorably to either success or failure, however we define those terms. Some of the choices are obvious: Whether or not to stay in school; whether or not to get pregnant; whether or not to hit the bottle; whether or not to keep this job we dislike until we get another one; whether or not to save some of our money, or saddle ourselves with huge payments for that new car.

Some of the choices are seemingly insignificant: Whom to go to the movies with; whose car to ride home in; whether to watch the tube tonight, or read a book on investing. But, and we can be sure of this, each choice counts. Each choice is a building block, some large, some small. But each one is a part of the structure of our life.

If we make the right choices, or if we make more right choices than wrong ones, something absolutely terrible may happen to us, something unthinkable. We could become one of those who are hated. We could become successful! Interesting way of looking at things, isn't it?

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Softball all-stars place fifth at tourney

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The Big Spring Shockers traveled to San Angelo over the weekend where the 10-U squad placed fifth out of 23 teams in the region. The Shockers are: (back, left-right) Macee Grant, Jaydan Mann, Kynleigh Joy, Maggie Mendez and Belle Ramirez (middle) Caitlyn Corley, Alani Torres, Alex Bailey, Amber Martinez and Aubrey Green (front, left-right) Illiana Sandoval and Jocelyn Gonzales.



Cowboys' WR Bryant arrested

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Dez Bryant is free on bond after he was arrested on a misdemeanor family violence charge.

Bryant turned himself in Monday afternoon to police in the southern Dallas suburb of DeSoto. His attorney, Royce West, says Bryant posted \$1,500 bond after learning a warrant had been issued for his arrest.

West said he was gathering details of the allegations and

declined to elaborate or comment. Dallas Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple also declined to comment while the team gathered information.

DeSoto police said details would be released Tuesday.

Under state law, family violence is an attack or "a threat" of imminent harm against a member of a family or household. It's a misdemeanor punishable by up to a year in jail and a \$4,000 fine.

Spencer \$8.8M franchise; Sensabaugh knee OK

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Cowboys outside linebacker Anthony Spencer will make \$8.8 million this season with his franchise tag, and safety Gerald Sensabaugh expects to be ready for training camp after arthroscopic knee surgery.

Sensabaugh sent out a tweet that he had a "very minor procedure" last week to clean up his right knee.

He said he plans to be ready for the start of training camp in two weeks.

Meanwhile, as expected, there was no long-term contract extension reached by Monday's deadline between the Cowboys and Spencer, their 2007 first-round pick out of Purdue.

Spencer has 21 1/2 sacks in 76 career games, including 53 starts. He has started all but one game the past three years. He had 66 tackles with six sacks and four recovered fumbles last season.

NCAA won't rule out death penalty for PSU

NEW YORK (AP) — The president of the NCAA says he isn't ruling out the possibility of shutting down the Penn State football program in the wake of the Jerry Sandusky child sex abuse scandal.

In a PBS interview Monday night, NCAA President Mark Emmert said he doesn't want to "take anything off the table" if the NCAA determines penalties against Penn State are warranted.

"never seen anything as egregious as this in terms of just overall conduct and behavior inside a university." He added, "What the appropriate penalties are, if there are determinations of violations, we'll have to decide."

The last time the NCAA shut down a football program with the so-called "death penalty" was in the 1980s, when SMU was forced to drop the sport because of extra benefits violations.

Astros blank Padres to end road woes

SAN DIEGO (AP) — J.A. Happ and the Houston bullpen ended a long road losing streak for the Astros.

Happ and three relievers combined on a five-hitter, Scott Moore drove in two runs and Houston beat the San Diego Padres 2-0 Monday night to snap a 13-game slide away from home.

Jose Altuve doubled and scored twice to help Houston stop its longest road skid since dropping 14 straight in 1997.

"Everybody has been talking about what's been going on on the road and so forth, but we just needed to play good baseball, and we did tonight," Astros manager Brad Mills said.

Happ (7-9) allowed a double in the first to Alexi Amarista but retired his next 12 batters. The left-hander gave up four hits over 6 1-3 innings while striking out four and walking one.

"I was trying to work quick and get ahead of those guys," Happ said. "I just wanted to keep the ball down in the zone, and for the most part we were able to do that. I felt like I was definitely hitting the corners pretty good tonight."

Jesus Guzman hit a one-out double off the left-center wall in the seventh and Logan Forsythe drew a walk to chase Happ, who threw 86 pitches in the opener of a four-game series.

Mills acknowledged it was a difficult decision to pull Happ.

"It was very tough," the manager said. "Sure enough, he didn't want to come out of the game, but pitchers never want to come out. His command, to me, seemed to be going at that time. I didn't want him to get behind the next hitter and have to lay a ball in there. That was the situation."

Fernando Rodriguez walked Cameron Maybin to load the bases, but Rodriguez struck out Everth Cabrera and induced a flyball from pinch-hitter Yonder Alonso to end the threat.

"We did enough tonight to win," Happ said. "We made some great defensive plays, too. That helped."

Wilton Lopez allowed a one-out single in the eighth to Amarista, who stole second. Lopez, however, retired Chase Headley and Yasmani Grandal on groundouts.

Brett Myers worked around a two-out infield single by Cameron Maybin in the ninth for his 19th save in 21 chances.

"(Happ) did a good job of coming right at us," Padres third baseman Chase Headley said. "He was throwing strikes right from the start. I felt like we were playing defense for three quarters of the game, like we weren't on offense at all. He did a really good job."

San Diego went 0 for 8 with runners in scoring position and was shut out for the ninth time this season and fifth time at home.

Houston (34-56), which has the fewest wins in the majors, recorded its fifth shutout.

Padres starter Kip Wells (1-3) yielded two runs and three hits in 4 1-3 innings.

Wells, facing Houston for the second time in four starts this season, walked five and hit two batters with pitches while striking out two.

"I just didn't throw enough fastballs to find a rhythm for them," Wells said. "I felt, in looking back, I should've worked off my fastball more than I did."

Altuve's double to center in the first sailed past Maybin, who took a few steps in before turning and chasing the ball to the wall.

"I think the ball was hit harder than he thought," Padres manager Bud Black said.

Altuve also walked in the third and stole second. Both times he scored on a sacrifice fly by Moore.

"Jose is obviously doing the job in front of me," Moore said. "Fortunately, I was in the situation with less than two outs and a runner on third. It was a good win for J.A. and a good win for us. J.A. pounded the strike zone and really went after those guys and didn't give them room to breathe. He did a really good job."

Mayo tweet: 'Will be signing' with Mavs

DALLAS (AP) — Free agent shooting guard O.J. Mayo tweeted that he "will be signing" with the Dallas Mavericks.

Soon after Mayo posted his note on Twitter late Monday night, Mavericks owner Mark Cuban sent out his own tweet that read, "Welcome to the family O.J. We are fired up !! MFFL Mavs/Mayo Fan For Life!"

In 301 games over the past four seasons with the Memphis Grizzlies, the 6-foot-4 Mayo has averaged 15.2 points a game. Mayo was the third overall pick in the 2008 draft by Minnesota, who then traded him to Memphis in a seven-player deal.

Mayo started all 164 games his first two seasons in Memphis, but has since played off the bench. He started only 17 of 71 games

played in 2010-11 and played in all 66 games without starting last season, when he still averaged 12.6 points and 2.6 assists per game.

There were no details of the contract or official confirmation from the team Monday night. ESPN, citing an unnamed source, said Mayo was getting a multiyear deal.

Dallas has restocked its roster after being unable to get Deron Williams to join his hometown team this offseason. Guards Jason Kidd and Jason Terry left in free agency a year after the Mavericks won their only NBA title, and 7-foot center Brendan Haywood was designated as their amnesty player.

The Mavs won the bid to claim two-time All-Star forward Elton Brand off amnesty waivers by Philadelphia on Friday.

James helps U.S. team win after rough start

WASHINGTON — The problem was Brazil, not the president's presence.

The U.S. Olympic basketball players said they weren't nervous about playing in front of President Barack Obama, nor were they thrown off by the lengthy delay while the first fan took his seat just before tip-off.

"No, we just came out trying to pressure as much as we could, see how they would handle it, which we'll probably do nightly, and they did a pretty good job of handling the pressure," U.S. guard Chris Paul said. "And we settled down in the second quarter, held them to five points and got going."

LeBron James scored 30 points and the U.S. rallied from an early 10-point deficit to beat Brazil 80-69 on Monday night in its final exhibition game on home soil.

Obama and Vice President Joe Biden watched the Americans get off to a dismal start, then turn it around by holding the Brazilians to two baskets in the second quarter.

"They came out really counterpunching and taking advantage of our aggressiveness on defense, and they're well-coached. They came in with a great plan and executed their plan very well start of the game," U.S. guard Kobe Bryant said. "We made our adjustments second quarter, kept them to five points, which after the 20-something point first quarter is pretty impressive."

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The Cancer moon has a way of stirring the soul and mixing up deep feelings, all the while making it seem by the glossy, hard surface of her crabby shell that everything is normal and perfectly intact. The Cancer moon is like a police officer handling crowd control: “Move along, people. There’s nothing to look at here.”



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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You never know how badly you wanted to unburden your soul until it’s done. Feelings have a way of flying from your lips. You’ll say what you never meant to say and be so glad you did.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). During the time of

the Cancer sun, it’s important to remember that home is a community of sorts. Your expression of love is closely tied to the way you express yourself in the domestic environment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You could argue that “your heart isn’t in it,” although no one would listen to such an argument. There are very few who know how to put their heart into the task at hand, and the ones who do are quite busy.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). All of the rules of social conduct apply. If you think it’s too late to call someone, it probably is. Bad behavior breeds more of the same. Habits, both good and bad, have a way of rubbing off.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Letting others entertain you is fun, but it’s your own impetus that will bring you the most joy. Fly the kite of your imagination. It will take

Tomorrow’s Horoscope

you to surprising places now. Also, it’s much cheaper than other forms of travel.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may feel compelled to connect others only when you have a fair understanding of where the connection might lead. Having control over what happens will seem crucial, though it may not actually be crucial.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If you want to remember what you did and what happened to you in your lifetime, you are halfway to immortality. The other half is making sure to take pictures and write notes. These are good times.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The one you admire is in awe of you, as well. Keep in mind, though, that everyone has a different way of showing feelings, if they choose to show them at all. Be self-assured, and just do your

thing.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Even though you always learn more by losing than you learn by winning, every time you win there’s something in you that bursts alive. Play short games, and you’ll handle both winning and losing gracefully today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The one who helped you in your time of need also helped you in your time of not needing. The latter help is most rare and should have more weight in your scorekeeping — if indeed you happen to be keeping score.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Love at first glance is more common than people think. What’s harder to understand is how people stay in love after years of gazing upon the same face. That’s the kind of love you want in your life.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A frugal approach in

all you do will serve you well today. For instance, go for the basic suit. It’s a better value than all of the pricey accessories that go along with it.

TODAY’S BIRTHDAY (July 17). In the next 10 weeks, you’ll make a move you’ve been wanting to make for a very long time. Your courage will open doors. August and September are the most romantic months, with laughter and dancing. November brings the chance to put away money for future ventures. March brings family together in shared joy. Aquarius and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 24, 38, 28 and 17.

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Annie’s Mailbox ®

situations awkward. We move in the same circles.

It would make it easier to walk away if I had some tools to use. What do I say when people ask about Lena? — *Need the Break*

Dear Need: It depends on what they are asking. If they want to know how she’s doing, any variation on “fine” or “same as always” is sufficient. If they want to know more, you can simply say, “You should ask Lena.” You don’t want to create a scene or invite a flurry of follow-up questions, so be vague and noncommittal. You don’t owe people an explanation of your relationship or the details of an estrangement.

Dear Annie: My husband, “Mark,” and I have been together for 12 years. It’s a second marriage for both of us. His ex embezzled \$30,000 and forged Mark’s name on her credit cards, which she maxed out and he paid for. Their daughter, now 35, calls her father only when she wants money.

Last year, after a health scare, we made our funeral arrangements. Mark’s son died 20 years ago, and at that time, he bought three adjoining cemetery plots. When his ex divorced him, she got the house, car and everything else, but Mark got the burial plots. When his ex and his daughter saw our prepared headstone next to his son’s grave, they became hysterical.

Annie, I am being cremated, and my ashes are being put in Mark’s headstone. The third cemetery plot is for any family member who

might want it. They are solely in Mark’s name. Apparently, the ex wanted to be buried next to their son and doesn’t want me in the picture at all.

Now Mark’s daughter barely has anything to do with her father. We feel bad about this, but don’t believe we did anything wrong. Any suggestions, or do we just ignore all the drama? — *A Grave Situation*

Dear Grave Situation: Ignore it. Unless Mark is willing to sell the adjacent plot to his ex-wife, she has no claim on

it. If she wants to be buried near her son, she should look at nearby plots and see what she can arrange.

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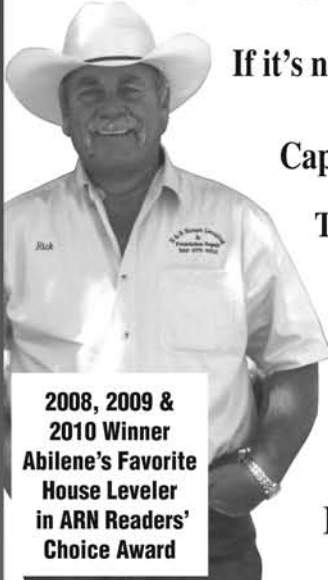
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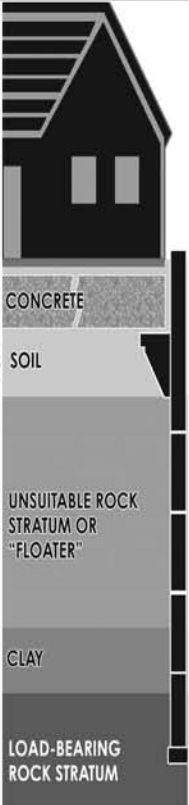
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Today's Highlight in History:

On July 17, 1862, during the Civil War, Congress approved

Civil War, Congress approved the Second Confiscation Act, which declared that all slaves taking refuge behind Union lines were to be set free.

On this date:
In 1812, British forces captured Fort Michilimackinac (mihsh-ih-lih-mak-ih-naw) on Mackinac Island during the War of 1812.

In 1821, Spain ceded Florida to the United States.

In 1912, radio and television personality Art Linkletter was born Gordon Arthur Kelly in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada.

In 1918, Russia's Czar Nicholas II and his family were executed by the Bolsheviks.

In 1936, the Spanish Civil War began as right-wing army generals launched a coup

attempt against the Second Spanish Republic.

In 1944, during World War II, 320 men, two-thirds of them African-Americans, were killed when a pair of ammunition ships exploded at the Port Chicago Naval Magazine in California.

In 1955, Disneyland had its opening day in Anaheim, Calif.

In 1962, the United States conducted its last atmospheric nuclear test to date, detonating a 20-kiloton device, codenamed Little Feller I, at the Nevada Test Site.

In 1975, an Apollo spaceship docked with a Soyuz spacecraft in orbit in the first superpower link-up of its kind.

In 1981, 114 people were killed when a pair of suspended walkways above the lobby of the Kansas City Hyatt Regency Hotel collapsed during a tea dance.

In 1987, the science-fiction film "RoboCop" was released by Orion Pictures.

In 1996, TWA Flight 800, a Europe-bound Boeing 747, exploded and crashed off Long Island, N.Y., shortly after leaving John F. Kennedy International Airport, killing

all 230 people aboard.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Phyllis Diller is 95. Jazz singer Jimmy Scott is 87. Actor Donald Sutherland is 77. Actress-singer Diahann Carroll is 77. Rock musician Spencer Davis is 70. Rock musician Terry "Geezer" Butler is 63. Actress Lucie Arnaz is 61. Actor David Hasselhoff is 60. Rock musician Fran Smith Jr. (The Hooters) is 60. Television producer Mark Burnett ("Survivor," "The Apprentice") is 52. Actress Nancy Giles is 52. Singer Regina Belle is 49. Country singer Craig Morgan is 48. Rock musician Lou Barlow is 46. Contemporary Christian singer Susan Ashton is 45. Actor Andre Royo is 44.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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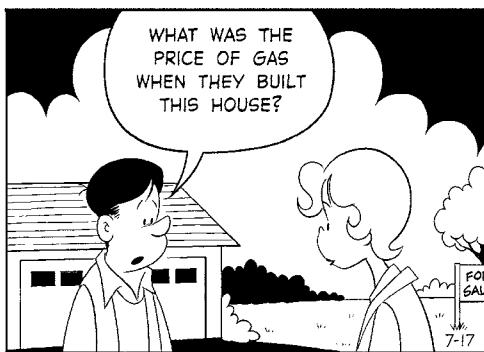
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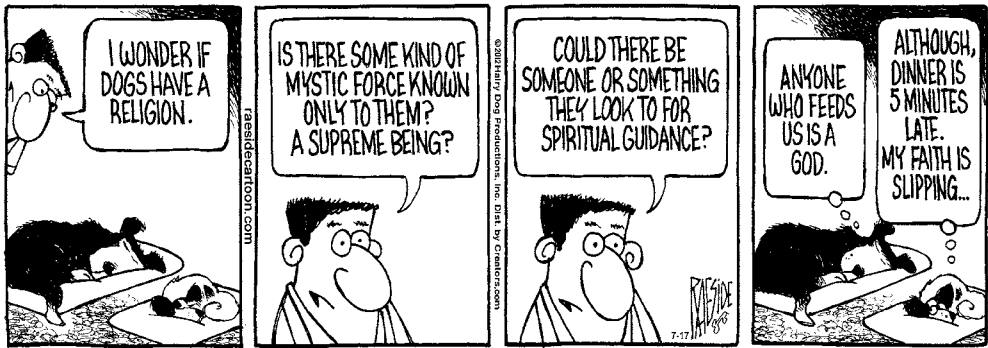
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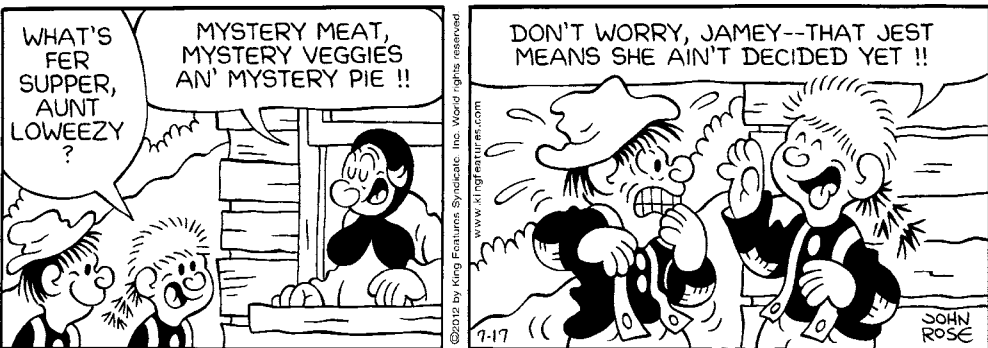
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Ravens' Rice, Bears' Forte get long-term deals

BARRY WILNER

AP Pro Football Writer

Ray Rice and Matt Forte got what they wanted Monday: long-term contracts that sometimes elude NFL running backs.

Neither Rice nor Forte was enamored of playing under the franchise tag tender in 2012, and negotiations went down to the wire. Then Rice scored big with the Baltimore Ravens, getting \$40 million for five years, while Forte took a four-year, \$32 million deal with the Chicago Bears.

Also getting a longer contract just before the deadline was Jacksonville placekicker Josh Scobee, who will stay with the Jaguars for four years and \$13.8 million.

Rice led the NFL with 2,068 yards from scrimmage in making his second Pro Bowl.

He helped the Ravens to their second AFC title game in his four pro seasons.

"Ray has been an integral part of us earning the playoffs in each of his four seasons," Ravens general manager Ozzie Newsome said. "His

production on the field speaks for itself, and his leadership in the locker room is outstanding."

Although his numbers aren't quite at Rice's level, Forte is just as significant a contributor in Chicago's offense. Had he stayed healthy in 2011, he might have matched Rice, too.

Forte made the Pro Bowl for the first time, finishing with 1,487 yards from scrimmage, 997 rushing. He missed the final four games after spraining his right knee in a loss to Kansas City. The Bears lost all but one of those games, falling out of playoff contention.

Each of them would have played for the \$7.74 million franchise tag — the average of the five highest-paid players at running back — had they not gotten the new contracts.

"I'm proud to be a Chicago Bear and excited to be here for another four years," Forte said in a statement released by the Bears. "I've been working hard this offseason and am looking forward to joining my teammates at training camp next week. I'm glad the business part is done and we can all turn our attention to football."

JAMES

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James helped the U.S. pull away in the final four minutes after they led by only seven with 4 ½ minutes left, getting his final point on a free throw with 31 seconds left as Obama departed to chants of "Four more years!"

James, who scored 14 points in the final period, said it was "humbling" and "overwhelming" to play in front of the president.

"You have dreams about being in the NBA. You have dreams about making the game-winning shot at the buzzer. You never have dreams about having the president actually watching you play, because you

don't think it's possible," he said. "It's definitely humbling, to see him here, the first lady and their kids here to watch us play. Really, it's amazing."

Kevin Durant, a D.C. native, added 11, and Paul scored 10 for the Americans, who will leave Tuesday for Europe to complete their Olympic preparations. They face Britain in Manchester, England, on Thursday before traveling to Barcelona to play Argentina and Spain.

It's a solid exhibition schedule, and this game showed the Americans have some work to do before they get to London. They were just 1 of 12 from 3-point range in the first half and struggled offensively

when forced to play in the halfcourt.

"It felt good, though, to compete and stuff like that," Paul said. "Like we said, our defense is what's going to win games for us, and obviously we imposed that after the first quarter."

Players were just walking onto the floor for the jump ball when Obama and Biden emerged from the tunnel to take their seats. The start was delayed while they greeted fans, and perhaps the break had the U.S. players out of rhythm at the beginning of the game.

James hit two free throws to open the scoring, but the Americans didn't make their first basket until more than 2 ½ minutes in after

Woods ready for softer test at British Open

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England — Tiger Woods' last trip to northwest England for the British Open ended in a two-shot win at Royal Liverpool.

That was six years ago, and it seems even longer.

There was no discussion about No. 1 in the world because Woods' point average was nearly double that of Phil Mickelson.

Now it's a matter of getting back.

The good news for Woods is that the British Open is the first major since the 2011 Masters that he has a mathematical chance to return to No. 1 in the world. At this time a year ago, he was No. 19 and at home in Florida letting his leg

injuries heal.

Only it's not that simple. Woods now has gone four years since winning his last major, and he conceded Tuesday that they are not getting any easier to win. Fifteen players have won the last 15 majors, the longest stretch without a multiple winner since 1993 to 1998.

But when asked whether he was feeling any anxiety over when he will win another major, Woods simply shook his head.

"I just try and put myself there," Woods said. "I think that if I continue putting myself there enough times, then I'll win major championships."

A miserable English summer of rain has left the course green and soft, and the rough so

incredibly dense that Woods described some spots as unplayable. That much was evident Tuesday morning on the 10th hole, when he slightly pulled his 3-wood into hillocks covered by thick native grass. Six marshals were looking for his ball. Woods simply walked past them — it was a practice round — and even when he was on the green, the marshals had not abandoned the search.

Throw in some wind, and the 206 bunkers that give Lytham its character, and it should be a demanding test.

"The rough is more lush. The fairways are softer. The ball is not chasing as much," Woods said. "This is different. It's a slower golf course, but still, it has some mounding in it."

against the USA.

"It was a very important challenge to make the team ready for the Olympics," he added.

But the Americans got the tempo they wanted in the second, simply wrestling the ball out of Brazilian hands to create turnovers and fast breaks. A 12-0 run fueled by steals and layups turned an eight-point deficit into a 33-29 lead, and James powered to the basket for the last two baskets of the half as the Americans went into the break with a 37-32 lead.

Brazil gave the U.S. its toughest game at the world basketball championship two years ago, the Americans pulling out a 70-68 victory when Leandro Barbosa's shot from the lane bounced off the rim as time expired.

Of course, that U.S. team didn't have James or anyone else from the team that won the 2008

Olympic gold medal and are the favorites to repeat. The Americans believe they have a better squad than four years ago and maybe even could have beaten the Dream Team, but perhaps it's time to end that debate.

The Dream Team never found itself in a six-point game with six minutes to go, as the Americans did after Varejao tipped in a miss. The U.S. finally pulled away in the final 4 minutes, started by consecutive baskets by James, a 3-pointer and a bucket in the lane.

"I think we just had a slow start, missing shots, some shots that we make every single day in practice," center Tyson Chandler said. "But the good thing about tonight is they showed us some looks that we haven't seen so far and we're learning defensively from it, and we'll make shots."

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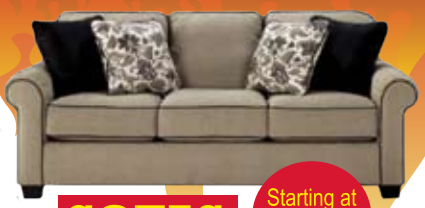
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