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County OKs state park pact

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners voted unanimously Monday in favor of an inter-local agreement with the city to lend financial support to the Big Spring State Park, opting to go from a previously

approved three-year renewal schedule to revisit the matter annually.

Both local governments have agreed to chip in \$10,000 each — to be paid to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department — to help fund the continued operation of the state park, which was targeted for

closure by the state earlier this year.

Officials with Howard County and the city of Big Spring stepped in shortly after the list of state parks to be placed on the fiscal cutting block was released earlier this year.

The legislature, faced with a massive budgetary shortfall

that cut into the TPWD 2012-2013 budget by more than 20 percent, handed down a whopping \$162 million cut to the department's estimated coffers.

Part of those cuts involves TPWD transferring more than a half-dozen parks out of state control, as well as the

elimination of two state park regional offices.

Among the parks targeted for transfer are Big Spring State Park, Blanco State Park, Daingerfield State Park, Lockhart State Park, Lake Casa Blanca International State

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Plans are cooking for St. Mary's celebration

Special to the Herald

Something's cooking at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, literally and figuratively.

The members of St. Mary's Parish are busy preparing traditional Scottish recipes for their upcoming St. Andrew's Day Evening Prayer and Scottish Music Festival set for 7 p.m. Sunday.

"In addition to things cooking in the kitchen, extra special plans are being cooked up for this year's festival," said Linda Hill, St. Mary's music director. "The service and reception on the 20th will be the final event in a year-long celebration of St. Mary's 125th anniversary. This will also be the 10th presentation of the church's annual St. Andrew's Day gala."

"This year, St. Mary's will be honored to have The Right Rev. J. Scott Mayer, Bish-

op of the Diocese of Northwest Texas, officiating along with The Rev. Barbara Kirk-Norris, rector of St. Mary's," Hill said. "A choral anthem by composer Willis R. Bordine of Gainesville, Fla. has been commissioned for the occasion, and will be premiered during the Evening Prayer portion of the festival."

The anthem is scored for four-part choir and organ, and includes a solo flute part written for Gloria Steelman of Midland and a trombone part written for Rocky Harris, band director at Big Spring High. Dr. Keith Graumann will conduct.

"The text is a beautiful original poem about St. Mary," Hill added. "E.J. Jones, a guest piper for the event, will premiere an original composition for bagpipes that

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File photo
St. Mary's Episcopal will hold its annual St. Andrew's Day Evening Prayer and Scottish Music Festival at 7 p.m. Sunday.

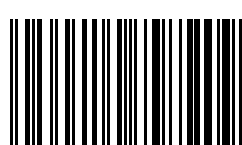


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CFOT: Bringing Christmas to our soldiers

By AMANDA MORENO
Staff Writer

From modest beginnings, Christmas For Our Troops is doing its best to ensure soldiers are not forgotten during the holiday season.

"It all started with five boxes and a group of guys thinking we need to send those guys on the ground over there fighting for us some Christmas," said Scott Davis, CFOT founder.

Each year after the first five boxes went out, the program continued to increase. After a few years the program became too big for the small group of family and friends to handle and Davis decided to take the program public.

"Within a few years we realized we were sending out more boxes than we as a small group could handle on our own," Davis said. "This is a completely volunteer-run program."

The Midland-based program has donation spots located throughout Midland, Odessa and Big Spring. This year, the goal is to send out 2,500 boxes to troops in Afghani-

"We can't allow what happened with our Vietnam vets to happen again. We owe these soldiers more than we can possibly ever pay them. We are able to do what we do every day because people sacrifice for us. They are willing to give their legs, arms, eyesight and intellect on our behalf."

Scott Davis
Christmas For Our Troops founder

stan. Midland volunteers will pack 1,500 boxes, and Odessa and Big Spring will pack 500 boxes each.

"Big Spring has really stepped up to the plate," Davis said. "Truly, all of our volunteers are amazing; they never fuss and go full force with this.

This isn't just a Midland project, but a West Texas and Southeast New Mexico project."

Volunteers will get together at 6 p.m. Dec. 7 at First Christian Church in Big Spring to pack this year's 500 boxes. Midland and Odessa volun-

teers will be packing boxes at First Presbyterian Church at noon on Dec. 7, as well.

"December 7 is Pearl Harbor Day and packing the boxes then gives us a nice tie to the past," Davis said. "It also allows us enough time to ensure the boxes will be able to get there in time for Christmas."

Boxes will be picked up by the post office Dec. 8 and be shipped Dec. 9 with a seven-to-10-day expected delivery range. Davis said postage alone will be costing the program a little more than \$31,000.

"We send these priority mail because we want to make sure they get there on time," Davis said. "With these boxes comes the realization that people have not forgotten them and we do care about them back home."

Davis reminds the communities there are always volunteers needed to help purchase items and pack boxes, but names of soldiers are also needed to make the project a success.

"We have to have a specific name and APO for the boxes to be delivered to," Davis said. "We need people to submit the name of a soldier, whether it be a family member or close friend. We want to make sure those over there in the danger zones are getting something special at Christmas time."

Names can be submitted online at www.Christmas-ForOurTroops.org. The deadline for name submissions is Dec. 2, in order to allow time for the boxes to be labeled and shipped off in time. For those needing more information,

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Obituaries

Blair Nicole Schuelke

Blair Nicole Schuelke, infant daughter of Clint and Brooke Schuelke of Ackerly, passed from this life to the arms of the heavenly Father on Friday, Nov. 11, 2011, in a Midland hospital. Graveside funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel with the Rev. Jeff Scott, Youth Minister at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church of Abilene, officiating, and Corbin Young, regional assistant for the Brownwood district FCA, assisting.

Survivors include parents, Clint and Brooke Schuelke of Ackerly; paternal grandparents, Kenneth and Patty Schuelke of Stanton; maternal grandparents, Eric and Linda Johnson of Lamesa, and Andy and Malinda Wieczorek of Albuquerque, N.M.; paternal great-grandmothers, Joann Peugh of Stanton and Pauline Schuelke of Ackerly; maternal great-grandparents Shirley Whitehead of Albuquerque, N.M., and Larry Shaw of Knott; five aunts, Tarah Scott and husband Jeff of Abilene, Kandace Schuelke and fiancé Corbin Young of Brownwood, Julia Schuelke of Brownwood, Brittany McGough and husband Chase of Lubbock and Aubrey Myers and husband Nate of Albuquerque, N.M.; three uncles, Greyson Wieczorek of Albuquerque, N.M., Shawn Lepard of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Chris Lepard and wife Sally of Austin; and numerous cousins.

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

Paid obituary

Ronald I. Dallefeld

Ronald I. Dallefeld, MSgt. Retired, 72, of Big Spring died Friday, Nov. 11, 2011, in a Midland hospital. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rick Cunningham officiating.

He was born Jan. 31, 1939, in Kansas City, Mo., to Donald and Lois Fangel Dallefeld. He married Delma Henley on June 2, 1961, in Big Spring, Texas.

Ronald served in the United States Air Force for more than 20 years and retired as a master sergeant. He then worked as a pumper for 24 years, retiring in 2000. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of Staked Plains Lodge #598 A.F.&A.M.

Survivors include his wife, Delma Dallefeld of Big Spring; one daughter, Debra Shumaker and husband John of Dallas; and two grandchildren, Paige Guthrie of San Angelo and Austin Davidson of Mertzon.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hangar 25 Air Museum, P.O. Box 2925, Big Spring, Texas 79721-2925; or to the Vietnam Memorial Committee of Big Spring Inc., P.O. Box 2854, Big Spring, Texas 79721-2854.

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Paid obituary

Larry Mattingley

Larry Mattingley, 59, of Big Spring died Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011, in Spur. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jacob Anthony Arguello

Jacob Anthony Arguello, 9, of Coahoma died Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Pam Yanez



Pam Yanez, 56, of Big Spring died Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011, at Baylor Medical Center in Fort Worth. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Chaplain Rick Foster officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Jan. 17, 1955, in Big Spring to Emma and Cecil Milam. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She married Adam "Popcorn" Yanez on April 12, 1986, in Big Spring. She graduated from Howard College with a nursing degree. She was a registered psychiatric nurse, working at the Big Spring State Hospital for more than 20 years, retiring in 2009.

She is survived by three daughters, Alesha Yanez of Big Spring, Desiree Yanez of Dallas and Nicole Yanez Smith of Big Spring; two granddaughters, Kiana Ramsey and Mia Smith, both of Big Spring; her dog and companion, Alexis; and her two best friends, Mary Watkins and Bea DeLeon.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Adam "Popcorn" Yanez on May 14, 2011.

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

Paid obituary

Sydney Rosene Cook



Sydney Rosene Cook, 93, of Sun City, Ariz., formerly of Big Spring, Texas, died Nov. 9, 2011. She was born to Emmie Rubie and Albert Sidney George French on April 11, 1918, in O'Donnell, Texas.

Sydney was a long-time member of the First United Methodist Church in Big Spring. She was active in many church and civic activities, including the civic theater group and many Passion of

Christ pageants.

Sydney was preceded in death by her husband, Roy W. Rosene; and daughters, Kay Loveland and Dana Baker.

She is survived by her husband of 12 years, Eldon H. Cook, formerly of Big Spring, Texas; a son, Kyle W. Rosene; as well as six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Burial will be at the Houston National Cemetery, 10410 Veterans Memorial Dr., Houston, Texas 77038. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her honor to the Salvation Army.

Barbara DeSantis

Barbara A. DeSantis, 61, formerly of Big Spring died Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011, in Round Rock, Texas. No funeral services are planned.

Born Aug. 23, 1950, in Butler, Penn., she was the daughter of the late Charles and Catherine Fry. She married Robert DeSantis on Dec. 30, 1972, in Butler. She moved to Big Spring in 1994, where she worked at her husband's practice, Big Spring Chiropractic, serving as the office manager.

She is survived by her husband, Robert F. DeSantis; mother, Catherine Fry; daughter, Larissa Worthen and husband Jason of Round Rock, Texas; five siblings, Sandra, Bruce, Patricia, Charles and Thomas; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father, Charles Fry.

A memorial to celebrate her life will be held at a later date.

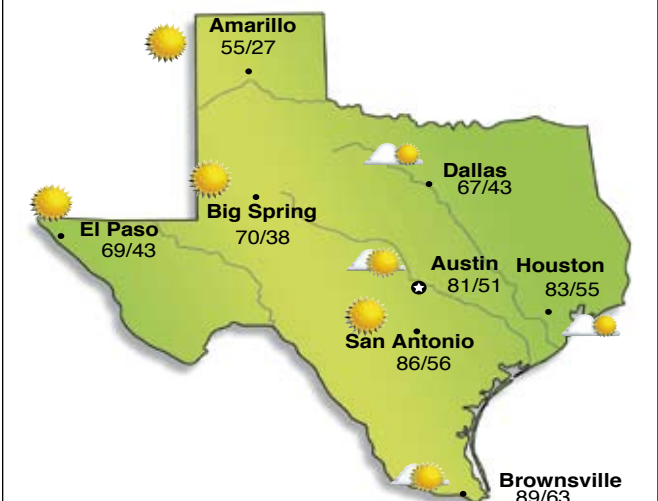
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Local 5-Day Forecast

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Texas At A Glance



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Abilene	68	39	sunny	Kingsville	91	58	mst sunny
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Beaumont	82	52	pt sunny	Lubbock	61	30	sunny
Brownsville	89	63	mst sunny	Lufkin	76	45	pt sunny
Brownwood	73	44	mst sunny	Midland	71	39	sunny
Corpus Christi	88	59	mst sunny	Raymondville	91	61	mst sunny
Corsicana	68	43	pt sunny	Rosenberg	83	56	pt sunny
Dallas	67	43	pt sunny	San Antonio	86	56	sunny
Del Rio	82	51	sunny	San Marcos	82	51	mst sunny
El Paso	69	43	sunny	Sulphur Springs	63	41	cloudy
Fort Stockton	74	43	sunny	Sweetwater	66	38	sunny
Gainesville	63	36	pt sunny	Tyler	67	41	cloudy
Greenville	65	39	pt sunny	Weatherford	66	38	pt sunny
Houston	83	55	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	62	33	pt sunny

Petra 'Pat' Arguello

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Randy Gambrell

Randy Gambrell, 61, of Coahoma died Monday, Nov. 14, 2011, at his mother's residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jeanine Huskey

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Take note

- A benefit account for the Arguello family, who lost two family members and their home in a fire Sunday in Coahoma, has been established at Western Bank. Interested persons can contribute to the account at any of the bank’s three locations (two in Big Spring; one in Coahoma). For more information, call 432-394-4256.
- The HC Dance Dept. will have a “Brown Bag” Concert, Wed. Nov. 16 from 12:20 to 12:50 p.m. in the Howard College Fireplace Room of the Student Center. The program features Student choreography by students in the Howard Dance Technique class. Bring your “Brown Bag or sack lunch and come join us.
- An account has been established at Wells Fargo to help defray medical expenses for 4-year-old Zayde Stallings, who recently died of a rate heart condition. She was the daughter of Kenny and Renea Stallings of Big Spring. If you need more

- information, contact Four Seasons Insulation and Siding at 264-8610. The account number is 7938527277.
- A fund has been set up at Myers & Smith Funeral Home for Mike Williams, 39, a lifetime resident of Big Spring who died Nov. 1. He leaves behind a wife and seven children. Any donations can be brought to the funeral home office at 301 E. 24th St. For more information, call 267-8288.
 - Casa Blanca is the Dine-Out-Days United Way sponsor until Saturday. A portion of the proceeds from this week will go towards benefitting the 2012 campaign and the 15 agencies the United Way supports.
 - St. Mary’s 10th Annual St. Andrew’s Day Festival is set for Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. The festival will be open to the community with no admission fee. There will be choral and instrumental music of

- the British Isles. Guest musicians for this year’s event include professional pipers E.J. Jones of Asheville, N.C., Doug Frobese of Dallas, Richard Kean of Houston and drummer Stephen Cameron of Georgetown. A reception will follow, featuring Scottish fare in the courtyard. For more information, call Linda Hill at 432-230-9897.
- SMMC is offering a free diabetes education series, “Diabetes – Living With It”, beginning at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 15 in the fourth floor education room. This six-week course will be led by SMMC clinical dietitian Dr. Nelson Guadalupe and other health professionals. For more details and to register, call 268-4528.
 - American Cancer Society will have its board meetings at noon on the second Tuesday of the month through April. Lunch will be furnished. Meetings will take place at Home Hospice, located at 111 E. Seventh.

PARK

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Park near Laredo, Sebastopol State Historic Site in Seguin and Wyler Aerial Tramway in El Paso.

According to County Judge Mark Barr, a previous version of the agreement — which called for it to be re-

viewed and possibly renewed every three years — drew fire from the court.

“The commissioners weren’t comfortable with that timetable,” Barr said. “So we’ve decided to approve the same inter-local agreement, only on an annual basis.”

The park will remain in the ownership of

TPWD and maintain its state park designation, a matter which was of utmost importance to local officials.

“The state park designation makes it a travel destination, so that was one of the things we were ready to fight for,” County Judge Mark Barr said. “It’s well worth the funds were are putting forth to keep

the facility open and to keep the state park designation.”

Commissioners won’t have much time off until their next meeting, as the court is set to meet in a special meeting Thursday with County Elections Administrator Saundra Bloom to canvas the Nov. 8 constitutional amendment election.

That meeting is expected to get under way at 1 p.m. in the commissioners old courtroom, located on the second floor of the county courthouse. For more information, contact the county judge’s office at 432-264-2202.

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PLANS

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he has written in celebration of the friendship and warm hospitality of the people of St. Mary’s and Big Spring.”

Pipers Doug Frobese of Dallas and Richard

Kean of Houston will join with E.J. Jones of Asheville, N.C. for the service.

Stephen Cameron of Georgetown will play the Scottish snare drums.

“The procession of the pipers and drummer into the church and the playing of “Amazing

Grace” are among the highlights of the service,” Hill said.

“The pipes and drums will play a group of selections during the service, and Stephen Cameron will be featured in a drum solo.

“A favorite part of the service each year is the singing of national

anthems and patriotic songs from Scotland, England, Wales and the United States, along with the presentation of the flags,” Hill continued. “A gala reception featuring delicious traditional Scottish fare follows in the courtyard.”

St. Mary’s is located

at 1001 S. Goliad in Big Spring.

There is no admission charge for the St. Andrew’s Day Festival.

“The members of the church cordially invite the people of Big Spring to join us for this special event marking our 125th anniversary,” Hill said.

CFOT

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contact Davis at 432-620-8820.

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The program has grown to a size Davis never imagined, but the modest and humble beginnings are only part of what makes the program a success.

“People want to say thank you to these sol-

diers; we are just providing a venue for them to do that,” Davis said.

To find out more information about CFOT visit www.Christmas-ForOurTroops.org.

Drop-off locations and specific items include:

Hardison Appliance Service, Wal-Mart, Harris Lumber, First Methodist Church, Jazzy’s, Allan’s Furniture, First Christian Church, Christy’s Hair Studio & Spa, Senior Citizens Center, Baptist Temple, Alive in Christ Lutheran Church, Wells Fargo Bank, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Life Church, Dora Roberts Rehab/Wellness Center, 11th and Birdwell fire station and many area schools. Donation jars are in various business locations around town. Local citizens and organizations contribute miscellaneous items

such as: Bibles, handmade small wooden crosses & small Christmas stockings and so much more.

Monetary donations can be mailed to, Debbie Burrow at 1606 E. Third St. or CFOT, PO Box 10549, Midland, Texas 79702.

All donations need to be received by Nov. 30, Burrow said.

For those donating items, a list is provided. In order to keep the boxes similar, those donating are asked to select the following items and sizes when shopping:

Tylenol (100 tablets), Pepcid (30 tablets), Claritin (10 tablets box), antibacterial ointment (½ to 1 ounce), anti-bacteri-

al soap (8 ounce liquid), cough drops (20-30 drop-let package), eye drops (½ ounce), deodorant (2.5 ounce), Kleenex (small pocket size), toothpaste (4.5 ounce), tooth brushes, cocoa (individual packages), powdered gatorade (small packages), powdered lemonade (small packages), trail mix (6 ounce), sunflower seeds (+3 ounce), nuts (+3 ounce), jerky (3.5 ounce), socks (medium and large white or black athletic), batteries (AA 4 or 8 per package), DVDs and CDs, magazines/paperbacks (auto, motorcycle, hunting, sports, etc.), handmade Christmas cards, toys (small to give out to local children), knit caps

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we not push our luck, Lord, and come to You right now for our heavenly life.
Amen

The same old President Obama

President Obama's various remarks at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation CEO business summit in Honolulu over the weekend show he is simply incapable of growing in office. In just a few short statements, we saw many of the familiar practices through which he has alienated such a large percentage of the American people and damaged the economy.

Away from his teleprompter, he treated us to further insults of Americans, his unfriendly attitude toward business and the private sector, his narcissism, and his refusal to accept responsibility for his own actions.

In his Sunday evening press conference from APEC, Obama showed that he can't shake his narcissistic impulses. One would think that with all that has been written about Obama's "me, myself and I" fixation, he would at least try to pretend to be other-directed on occasion, to show he has the capacity to think of his position as something larger than himself.

In his opening remarks, he didn't say that "we" or "Americans" want other nations to buy American-made goods, but "I want them to," and so "I've been doing everything I can to make sure" we stay competitive. He didn't say, "The United States was honored to host APEC this year," but "I've been proud to host APEC this year."

When NBC's Chuck Todd asked him to clarify his "hot mic" conversation with French President Nicolas Sarkozy, in which they both insulted Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, he refused to comment, which means he refused to deny, much less apologize for offending the leader of our staunch ally, Israel, when he told Sarkozy, "You're fed up with (Netanyahu), but I have to deal with him even more than you do."

Two days earlier — on Sat-

urday — Obama had modified his comment in September that Americans had "gotten a little soft" in competing in international markets. At APEC, Boeing CEO Jim McNerney asked him to consider the Chinese perspective and their concern about impediments to investment in the United States. How, wondered McNerney, would he address their dissatisfaction over these obstacles?

Rather than addressing the question directly, Obama deflected any responsibility for the situation and said, "We've been a little bit lazy, I think, over the last couple of decades. We've kind of taken for granted - well, people will want to come here and we aren't out there hungry, selling America and trying to attract new business into America."

I happen to believe that comment is absurd on its face, as even my small hometown in Missouri has made great efforts to bring foreign businesses into the community, sometimes successfully.

Other communities throughout the United States daily engage in a competitive effort to attract businesses into their cities and states, and for the president to characterize them as "lazy," demonstrates he is as out of touch with Americans as he is disdainful toward them.

He might consider responding to the question next time, which involved impediments to doing business that often put American companies and communities at a competitive disadvantage in attracting foreign businesses. Doesn't Obama owe us all an answer to that question?

But to answer would require Obama to account for his own deplorable economic record and his hostility toward business, the private sector and the free market. A fair, reasonable response would have included his acknowledgment of how much damage his policies have caused to the American business climate, instead of an indictment of every American besides himself.

With his accelerating mounds of regulations, his imposition of Obamacare, his increased taxes,

his incessant spending and the resulting jobs-challenged economy, why would foreign companies be any more excited about the Obama business climate than American businesses are?

Obama's aptly titled "Regulatory Czar," Cass Sunstein, protests, "the annual cost of regulations has not increased during the Obama administration." But the Heritage Foundation has called Sunstein out on that, just releasing a study showing that the administration is churning out regulations at a significantly faster pace than previous administrations. Obama recently announced reforms to eliminate burdensome, obsolete rules, but they were more hype than substance. Our regulatory costs are continuing to increase with no end in sight.

While little austerity was practiced in the regulatory area during the George W. Bush era, Obama has easily outpaced his predecessor. Through the end of March 2011, Obama had piled on \$40 billion in new costs to the economy, more than doubling Bush's additions. In fiscal year 2010, Obama added \$26.5 billion in costs, making it the record year for increased regulatory costs.

With Obama at the helm, in economic terms, among others, we've got the worst of all possible worlds: a rigid commitment to policies that harm rather than help, and personality traits that prevent him from admitting, learning from and correcting his mistakes. We'll just have to wait a little longer.

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The angst in giving thanks

Americans typically eat over 1,000 meals a year. But for many, Thanksgiving dinner seems to be the one that, like a magnet, gathers the iron shavings of every food anxiety. Why should that be?

You'd think that this feast with family and friends would be accepted for what it is — an innocent once-a-year gorge. In a country where disciplined eating is sadly lacking, why pile on the one time we traditionally throw caution to the wind?

Of course, much of the angst in giving thanks is media driven. There's no War on Thanksgiving. Rather, the media are battling the empty space on their pages or airwaves. Thanksgiving's unchanging menu leaves little room for serious innovation, so the only thing to do is tweak it like crazy.

Thus, features on how to not wreck one's diet on Thanksgiving have become as predictable as recipes for stuffing. With over 360 days a year to agonize over calories, you'd think that Thanksgiving would be given a pass as a day off. Eating rich food over the year may have put on pounds, but this one piece of pumpkin pie is a very minor contributor, you can be sure of that.

Every November, we see more Thanksgiving recipes for vegetarians. Again, if you're vegetarian the rest of the year, staying

so on Thanksgiving should not be a big stretch. But this year, I spotted an odd bunch of recipes for having a vegetarian Thanksgiving dinner that's acceptable to children.

One presumes that children who live in vegetarian households don't need special accommodations on this particular day. My theory is that these recipes are for vegetarian cooks who have invited their meat-eating nieces and nephews for the holiday — children who have come to expect turkey and might be highly resistant to substitutes.

Perhaps vegetarians shouldn't be hosting meatless Thanksgivings for turkey eaters.

Perhaps they should wait for the day after, when they can serve cheese lasagna with no repercussions. (Vegans — vegetarians who do not eat dairy products — are on their own.)

There was another story about making the Thanksgiving dinner gluten-free. Found in several kinds of grain, gluten can inflame the small intestines of those with celiac disease. Presumably, someone who can't eat gluten on Thanksgiving can't eat it on other days, as well.

The same principle applies to pointers on having a heartburn-free Thanksgiving. What about this meal requires more care than the others?

Perhaps Thanksgiving raises all these dietary red flags because many Americans are out of practice on having long family dinners at home.

Sitting for hours with others and having a large formal meal attached to old custom may

be unsettling for some. A cell phone on the lap provides just so much escape.

Added to the tension this year are encroachments on eating time, courtesy of major retailers. More chain stores are opening their doors for "Black Friday" sales at midnight, rather than, say, 6 a.m. Legend holds that Black Friday is the day that retailers supposedly start turning a profit for the year. Business being slow, they can't mess up.

Anyhow, these earlier times will give some Thanksgiving diners insufficient leisure to digest — or take a nap, thinking that the tryptophan in the turkey did it.

Wal-Mart has decided to open at 10 p.m. on Thanksgiving, forcing some bargain-hunters to choose between dessert and positioning themselves near the door for a fast sprint to the discounted camcorders.

How about a stress-free Thanksgiving? Leave the worry-making to the airlines and family members with "issues" that can't wait a day. Eat as much as you want, and give thanks that you can.

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Kid Scoop Funny Filler

Ask a friend to come up with nouns (person, place or thing), verbs (action words like swim and walk) and adjectives (describing words, such as hairy or silly). Use them to fill in the blanks in this story. Read it aloud to share some big laughs!

Funny Money

I went to the _____

to buy some _____

_____. But when _____

I used my debit card, the cashier said "I'm sorry, but

you don't have enough

_____ in your

account." I was very

embarrassed. So I put a

few _____

_____ back on

the shelf. I took the two

_____ out of my

shopping _____.

And then I decided I could

_____ without the

_____ I had placed in

the cart.

I left the store with only a

few _____

_____, but when

you use a debit card, it's

important to know how

much _____ you

have to spend before you

shop. Don't make the

same _____ as I did!

Standards Links: Language Arts:
Use nouns, adjectives and verbs correctly
in writing.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:

DEBIT

The noun **debit**
means a payment
made or owed.

Mrs. Vargas paid for
her groceries using a
debit card.

Try to use the word **debit**
in a sentence today when
talking with your friends
and family members.

Kid Scoo-doku™

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

D				B
E		T		
B				
I			D	
T				

MONEY MATTERS: What is a debit card?



You've probably seen a parent using a card
to pay for groceries, gas or other items.
A **debit card** is one of the ways to spend
money you've saved.

Debit Cards vs. Credit Cards

A **debit card** takes money
directly from your bank account
now. What you buy is paid for right
away.

A **credit card** allows you to buy
something now, and pay for it later.
You also can be charged **interest** –
a fee added to the purchase price by
the credit card company.

Can you keep a secret?

When you use a debit card, you
also enter your secret code, called
a **PIN**. Cross out the word **PIN**
every time you see it below. The
leftover letters tell you what **PIN**
stands for.



**PINPPINPINRPNINPIN
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DPINPINNNPINTPINIPIN
FPINIPINCPINAPINTPIN
IPINOPINNNPINNNPINU
PINMPINBPINEPINR**

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Shopping with a Debit Card

Many people find it more convenient to use a debit card to buy items rather than carrying a lot of cash. But it's important to remember that with a debit card, you are spending real money. You can't spend more than you have in your bank account.

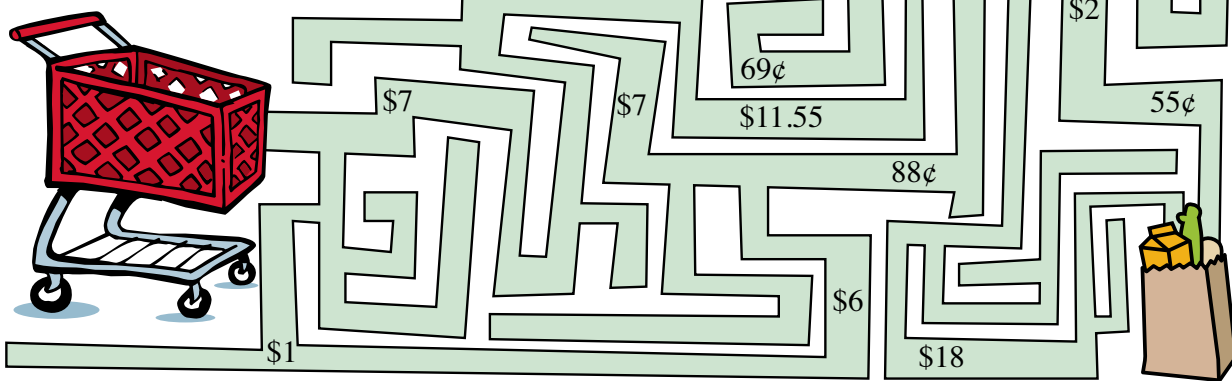


If you had \$100 to spend, how many of these sweaters could you buy?

Standards Links: Number Sense: Calculate sums using money.

It All Adds Up

Mrs. Vargas budgeted \$25 for
groceries this evening. Find the
path that allows her to stay within
her budget.



Standards Links: Number Sense: Calculate sums using money.

Extra! Extra! Money Search

In today's
newspaper or at
your newspaper's
website, look for
articles that contain
these words related
to money:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ☐ debit | ☐ spending |
| ☐ credit | ☐ budget |
| ☐ debt | ☐ cost |
| ☐ deficit | ☐ revenue |

Standards Links: Research:
Use the newspaper to locate
information.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

When you have a debit card, your PIN should be a series of
numbers that only you memorize. It should be very hard for
someone to guess in case your debit card is lost or stolen.

A lot of people make the mistake of using a certain number.
Use the code to find out what to **NEVER** use as your PIN.

10	12	7	5	6	11	4	2
12	14	9	8	5	4	3	

A = 11 D = 6 F = 14 I = 8 R = 5 U = 7
B = 9 E = 2 H = 3 O = 12 T = 4 Y = 10

Standards Links: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.



Earn credit with Dusty Debit Card in a
finance game for students. Go to:
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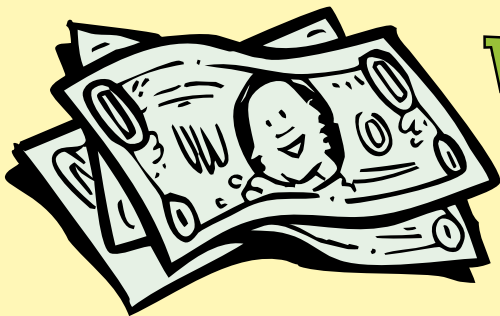
Double Double Word Search

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ACCOUNT
BUDGETED
CASH
BANK
BUY
REVENUE
PIN
PAID
SPENDING
SAVED
CARD
PAY
PURCHASE
MONEY

Find the words in the puzzle,
then in this week's Kid Scoop
stories and activities.

H	S	A	C	C	O	U	N	T	T
P	D	A	J	B	T	N	S	I	S
U	E	C	V	U	Y	U	B	M	P
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C	E	P	A	I	D	M	N	N	N
H	G	A	T	T	W	O	K	E	D
A	D	Y	E	N	O	M	P	Y	I
S	U	R	E	V	E	N	U	E	N
E	B	I	T	D	D	R	A	C	G

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



Where can you
always find
money?

ANSWER: In the dictionary!

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Wants and Needs

Look through the newspaper advertisements
and make a list of 10 things you **want** (toys,
movies, etc.) and 10 things you **need** (healthy
food, a coat, etc.). Add up the cost of each list.
Are **wants** or **needs** more expensive?

Standards Links: Economics: Understand the differences between
wants and needs.

Write On!

\$100 in My Pocket

You discover a \$100 bill
in your jeans pocket.
Would you buy something
with the money? Would
you save it?

A loon makes a crash landing

Every morning seemed the same when his drive to work started before sunup. Turning east, he welcomed the lightening gray on the horizon. With streaks of clouds layered near the earth, a promise of a colorful sunrise was beginning. As the first shafts of dawn turned the wisps into soft pinks, purples, and orange, he neared the intersection. The four-way stop meant nothing to the constant oil field traffic.

Slowly braking while looking both ways to see if any trucks were approaching, he looked back at the road just as a large, dark object came over the electric lines and onto the pavement.

Tumbling on its side,

the bird looked inept and awkward at making a landing. Loosened feathers, caught by the wind, swirled above the struggling creature.

By the time he pulled on to the shoulder and parked his truck, the bird had partially righted itself. Leaving his truck, he walked toward it. Grateful no vehicles had been whizzing through the intersection, the man was soon aware that this bird couldn't stand, let alone fly.

Surprised by the hands that suddenly pressed against its wings and heavy body, the bird used its webbed feet to push against his waist. With its long, sharp bill, it nipped at his arms.

When the man called, the first response to my "hello" was, "They told me to call you. It can't fly." His excitement over having rescued and held what he had seen on "Animal Planet" was notable.



Courtesy photo

Often called an ember goose because of its size and ash gray, winter coloring, the common loon wears its breeding plumage from March through September. Its underwater dives usually last 10-60 seconds. Threatened or stressed, the loon can stay submerged for close to three minutes.

"It's a loon, a young one. And it can't fly," he continued.

Telling me he was outside Snyder caused me to mention that he was about halfway between the wildlife center in Lubbock and Big Spring. Although he

could choose to carry the bird to either location, he was unable to transport the bird until after work.

Most important was to make sure he was correct in both his identification and analysis of what was wrong with

the bird. Adamant about its being a loon, he thought it was young because of its grayish-brown color. He was unaware in spring its plumage would change, whereas in November the coloration could be that of a juvenile or a non-breeding adult.

When asked about its legs and feet he quickly replied, "They're toward the back of its body." Only two other species, grebes and coots, would have similar physiques. He definitely had a loon.

"What time of the day did you see it and what was it doing?" were my next questions. "I was going to work. The sun was just coming up. That bird came over the wires and down on the pavement."

Suggesting that I thought the loon had been in flight, I added that otherwise it would not have been at the elevation of the wire. In the early morning light, asphalt could have ap-

peared to have a glimmer, or sheen, such as seen on water. Since the bird had anticipated the soft buoyancy of water below, it had quickly made its approach toward the surface reflected by the first hints of morning.

With its small wings unable to slow its momentum, the loon had been accustomed to hitting surfaces with its breast after a rapid descent. Once its heavy body had created a huge spray on either side, it would have settled into a watery domain to feed and rest. Instead, it smacked into the asphalt.

When the man related that the loon had struggled to stand, and flapped its wings helplessly, he had assumed it could not fly because it did not leave immediately. Although the bird's feet and legs enable it to be an excellent diver and swimmer, for walking, the appendages are useless.

Needed was a large,

See **LOON**, Page 7

The '50s: A 'perfect' time to grow up

I'm writing today's column for those of you who grew up in the '50s as I did.

The '50s were, in fact, quite radical. This is the decade that began rock 'n' roll, the civil rights movement, better family living, advances in technology, fashion, medical research and other wonderful things this country was not used to seeing or hearing.

The '50s were considered more as a state of

mind or a way of living rather than just another decade or time era in American history.



PARENT'S CORNER
DARRELL RYAN

Everything was peaceful, which looking back on the two world wars and the

pression, this country was not used to at all. Nobody worried about war, nobody worried about how they were going to feed their children and keep a roof over their heads because everyone had jobs and the economy was doing great.

Teenagers were having more fun than ever; they all seemed to know what they wanted out of life — to go to school, graduate, get a job, get married and have chil-

dren, all in that order, just as their parents had.

The '50s were the most influential decade in American history up to that point. The civil rights era had begun, fashion was completely new and trendy, there were tremendous advancements in entertainment and medicine and suburban life was much more "functional" than any other decade in American history.

Most people were happy with their lives because everything was "perfect." The majority of people had their families, their homes and their cars and just about all they needed to survive. Everyone had jobs because the economy was doing great.

They were able to en-

joy a much higher standard of living because of higher paying jobs; 60 percent of Americans were now part of the middle class and thusly 60 percent were being paid about the same amount of money.

The United States was producing half of all the world's goods.

Between 1949 and 1959, most small businesses were being taken over by large corporations; the number of mergers rose by 300 percent.

The U.S. was a time of peace and prosperity due to the economy's well-being and no one wanted that to end.

Technological advancements in entertainment helped people live a much happier and exciting life. Television had become

available to average people and every family wanted one, which has forever influenced this country's culture and politics.

As I recall the '50s, they were good times, but maybe that's just what has been fixed in my memory; I'm sure the adults worried about things but they didn't talk about them. They felt safe, in all aspects of the word — security was not an issue. (The one exception was the threat of the use of the bomb shelters).

So, as I recall, the '50s were the best time in history to grow up. I'm glad I'm a product of that time.

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You deserve a factual look at . . .

Why Should the U.S. Fund the Palestinian Authority?

The Palestinians spurn U.S. diplomatic requests and snub U.S. financial aid. Should we be sending them nearly a billion dollars a year?

Despite all efforts by President Obama, the Palestinian Authority (P.A.) has rejected U.S. diplomatic efforts and a negotiated peace with Israel by requesting a unilateral declaration of Palestinian statehood at the United Nations. The P.A. also announced a merger with the Islamic terror group Hamas. Currently the U.S. sends some \$600 million dollars annually in direct aid to the P.A., plus an additional \$225 million in funding through the U.N. Is this the best use of American tax dollars?

What are the facts?

Since 1979, the United States has expended untold diplomatic capital to forge an Israeli-Palestinian peace. Yet every time peace has seemed at hand—including the U.S.-brokered Oslo accords in 1993, and Israel's historic Camp David offer in 2000 of a Palestinian state with a capital in East Jerusalem—the Palestinians have refused to make peace. In

"If a Palestinian state were declared today, it would be neither democratic, nor peaceful nor willing to negotiate with Israel."

U.S. Representative Ileana Ros-Lehtinen

The Palestinian Authority did indeed reject requests by the United States not to form an alliance with Hamas terrorists in May, 2011, knowing full well that it is against U.S. law for Congress to fund any organization with terrorist ties. Remember that Hamas stands openly by its goal to conquer every inch of Palestine, cleanse it of Jews, and establish a fundamentalist Islamic caliphate. Above all, Hamas refuses to

accept the state of Israel and condemns any efforts to negotiate peace. Most recently, in September, 2011, President Abbas rejected pleas by the Obama administration and the European Union to return to negotiations with Israel and refrain from a bid for unilateral recognition of a Palestinian state at the U.N. Instead, Abbas proceeded to the U.N. and made his defiant request.

Time to stop aid to U.S. enemies. Hillary Clinton stated in April, 2011: "We will not deal with nor in any way fund a Palestinian government that includes Hamas unless and until Hamas has renounced violence, recognized Israel and agreed to follow the previous obligations of the Palestinian Authority." In fact, annual U.S. foreign operations appropriations bills expressly forbid funding for "assistance to Hamas or any entity effectively controlled by Hamas or any power-sharing government of which Hamas is a member."

In July, 2011, both houses of Congress overwhelmingly passed resolutions that threaten withdrawal of aid from the Palestinian Authority if it persists in efforts to circumvent direct negotiations with Israel by turning to the United Nations for recognition—which it has done—and if the Palestinian Authority shares power with a recalcitrant Hamas. According to the chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, "Despite decades of assistance totaling billions of dollars, if a Palestinian state were declared today, it would be neither democratic, nor peaceful nor willing to negotiate with Israel."

By allying with the terrorist group Hamas, abandoning peace talks with Israel, and taking its case for statehood unilaterally to the United Nations, it's clear that the Palestinian Authority has no respect for the interests of the United States in the Middle East. In this time of financial crisis and soaring budget deficits, isn't time for Congress to stop spending nearly a billion American tax dollars annually supporting the rogue Palestinian Authority?

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NBA players: No deal

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NEW YORK (AP) — Two years at the bargaining table led nowhere, so NBA players are ready to take their chances in a courtroom.

The players' association rejected the league's latest proposal for a new labor deal Monday and began disbanding, paving the way for a lawsuit that throws the season into jeopardy.

With All-Stars, role players, NBA champions and a new legal team crowding around them, union leaders announced the significant change in strategy, saying the collective bargaining process had "completely broken down."

"This is where it stops for us as a union," presi-

dent Derek Fisher said.

And where the NBA's "nuclear winter" starts.

"We're prepared to file this antitrust action against the NBA," union executive director Billy Hunter said. "That's the best situation where players can get their due process."

And that's a tragedy as far as Commissioner David Stern is concerned.

"It looks like the 2011-12 season is really in jeopardy," Stern said in an interview aired on ESPN. "It's just a big charade. To do it now, the union is ratcheting up I guess to see if they can scare the NBA owners or something. That's not happening."

Hunter said players

were not prepared to agree to Stern's ultimatum to accept the current proposal or face a worse one, saying they thought it was "extremely unfair." A day before players normally would have received their first paychecks, the NBPA's website greeted visitors Monday with the following message:

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And they're aware what this battle might cost them.

"We understand the consequences of

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Courtesy photo

The Bronze medal winners from the state cross country meet were the Forsan Buffaloes. Pictured top left to right: Kyle Stevenson, Elgen Suazo, Tyler Evans, Matthew Mims, Dillon Bagnall, Coach Robert Hillger. Bottom: Justin Goff, Taybor Flores (alt.), and P.J. Horton.

This boys team had a record breaking year which consisted of seven meet championships (including District and Regionals) and two runner up finishes before the third place finish at the state meet. Kyle Stevenson and Elgen Suazo will graduate this year having been on a boys team which has been district champions for six straight years (including JH). The boys cross country program has been regional qualifiers for six consecutive years and improved on a 10th place finish at the state meet last year, by placing third Saturday.

Pack still undefeated in NFL

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — So much for all that talk about Clay Matthews' sack slump.

The Green Bay Packers' primary pass rusher took down Minnesota Vikings rookie quarterback Christian Ponder twice, leading a defensive resurgence as the Packers blew out the Vikings 45-7 on Monday night.

"Tonight was no different than any other night for me," Matthews said. "It was just the fact I was able to get home. (I'm) just putting pressure on the quarterback each and every week and if he holds on to

the ball when I hit him, then so be it. If not, I'm still going to take a shot. It's good."

Matthews came into Monday night with only three sacks in the Packers' first eight games, part of an inconsistent pass rush that has helped make the Packers' defense susceptible to big plays.

But Matthews, Charles Woodson and the rest of the Packers' defensive players showed they still can take over a game, limiting Adrian Peterson to 51 yards and a touchdown and holding Ponder to 190 yards passing with an inter-

ception.

"We're mad," Woodson said. "We're mad about the way we've been performing. Not holding up our end of the bargain. The way our offense has been playing and carrying this team, we want to be a part of that too. We don't want it to just be one-sided."

At 9-0, Green Bay remains the NFL's lone unbeaten team. And if the Packers can field a decent defense to go with its trademark high-octane offense, they just might become unstoppable.

"I think we've known that we can play at this

level, it's just a matter of getting it done," Matthews said. "We have the same players, same coaching staff, same defensive scheme, it's just a matter of putting it all together and that's exactly what we did tonight."

Green Bay's defense came into the game giving up nearly 300 yards passing per game, second-most in the NFL. Their last time out, the Packers nearly blew a big lead in the fourth quarter at San Diego, holding on for a 45-38 victory.

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BSJH leads the field in tennis tournament

By **ROBERT GRIFFIN**
Sports Editor

MIDLAND — The Big Spring Junior High tennis teams placed first and second in the Midland Christian tennis tournament this weekend.

The seventh grade team finished with a second place team total, with several top individual finishers. Brandon Hilario was the consolation winner in boys singles and Morgan Parnell took first place in the girls singles action. Jonathon Byrd took third place for the boys, while Sean Rios and Brett Cervantez took second in boys doubles.

The eighth grade team finished in first place overall, with a

consolation winner and two first place finishers. William Griggs was the consolation winner in the boys singles division, while Jennifer Campos took first place in the girls singles. The team of Louis Salazar and Donovan Salinas grabbed first place in the boys doubles division of the tournament.

Three athletes grabbed third place finishes for Big Spring's middle school as well. Joshua Baker made the mark in the boys singles, while Bailee Allen did the same in the girls singles. The team of Brandi Flores and Sarah Marshall finished in third place in the girls doubles competition.

The Second Mile a tough climb in wake of Penn State scandal

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A youth charity at the center of the child sex abuse charges against former Penn State assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky received hundreds of corporations, community groups and individuals — including the judge who arraigned Sandusky earlier this month and Penn State itself.

The charity, The Second Mile, announced Monday it had accepted the resignation of its president, Jack Raykovitz, who said he hoped his departure would help restore faith in its mission. The charity also announced it had hired Philadelphia's long-time district attorney as its new general counsel.

Raykovitz, a practicing psychologist, had led the charity, which was founded by Sandusky in 1977, for 28 years. His resignation was accepted Sunday.

Raykovitz had testified before a grand jury that recommended indicting Sandusky on child abuse charges. The panel said Sandusky found his victims through the charity's programs.

The grand jury report called Sandusky the charity's primary fundraiser, and The Second Mile's annual reports show that some donations came from entities now involved in the scandal.

Penn State donated money even after high-ranking university officials were told that Sandusky had been seen sexually assaulting a boy on campus. Penn State donated between \$1,000 and \$1,999 to The Second Mile in 2009, and its Altoona campus donated be-

tween \$2,000 and \$4,999 that year.

Another donor was State College District Judge Leslie A. Dutchcot, who set Sandusky's bail earlier this month. She and her husband donated between \$500 and \$999 to The Second Mile in 2009, and she volunteered for the group, according to annual reports and her website.

The judge set bail for Sandusky at \$100,000 unsecured — meaning he did not have to post collateral to be freed but would have to post \$100,000 if he ever failed to show up for a hearing.

Dutchcot did not immediately respond to a question on whether she will recuse herself from the case because of those past ties to The Second Mile. She has removed the mention of The Second Mile from her website.

Major companies and their foundations also have given to The Second Mile. Between 2008 and 2010, the Bank of America Charitable Foundation, Highmark Foundation, The Hershey Co. and State Farm Companies Foundation all gave \$50,000 or more to the charity.

Other donors included U.S. Steel Corp., the University of Pittsburgh, The Pepsi Bottling Group, Frito-Lay, the Pa. School Counselors Association, local Walgreens and newspapers.

Raykovitz said in a statement Monday that he hopes his resignation would mark the beginning of a "restoration of faith in the community of volunteers and staff" at The Second Mile.

Tax forms indicate that Raykovitz's wife, Katherine Genovese,

was executive vice president of The Second Mile. She has been with the group since 1984. It's unclear if she still works at the charity, as the staff biography page has been removed from the website.

According to a 2009 tax return, Raykovitz received about \$133,000 from The Second Mile that year and Genovese received about \$100,000.

The Second Mile has said that its youth programs serve as many as 100,000 boys and girls a year. Many children are referred by guidance counselors but the charity also works with foster children and operates fitness camps. According to Sandusky's biography, "Touched," the charity began by serving just 35 children through two programs.

Sandusky, who retired from Penn State in 1999, informed The Second Mile board in November 2008 that he was under investigation. The charity subsequently barred him from activities involving children, charity officials said.

The ex-coach is accused of assaulting eight boys, some on Penn State property, over a 15-year span. He told NBC he's not a pedophile but said he had "horsed around with kids" and "touched their legs without intent of sexual contact."

Penn State athletic director Tim Curley and senior vice president Gary Schultz were charged with perjury related to the case. They

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BS girls remain undefeated on b-ball courts

By **ROBERT GRIFFIN**
Sports Editor

ABILENE — The Big Spring Lady Steers basketball team is off and running, winning their first two games of the young season. The girls defeated Abilene Cooper 40-27 this weekend in a game which relied heavily on the defense skills of Big Spring.

The Lady Steers got into a bit of foul trouble early in the game, but fought their way through it to claim a tough road victory, remaining undefeated.

Bridgette Tuitt led the Lady Steers with 12 points, followed closely by Mackenzie Stone with nine, who

knocked down three 3-pointers for Big Spring.

Dyrshae Vanderbilt scored seven points for the Lady Steers and Yaneira Vanderbilt had six, while Ambra Hill, Alexis Cansino and LaShaunte Anderson each put up two points.

The Lady Steers will be at home tonight at Steer Gym. The freshman team will play at 4:30 p.m., the JV at 6 p.m. and the varsity at 7:30 p.m.

The 2-0 Lady Steers will be playing against Odessa High.

Meanwhile, the boys basketball team begins their season tonight as they travel to Fort Stockton.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

The Cancer moon is a mother with the sole intention of nurturing and protecting her young. If you feel like snuggling in a warm blanket and being insulated from the harsh world, to some degree, you'll be accommodated. Then again, the Scorpio sun has a way of engaging the truth of our reality, so there will be a balance of coddling and tough love.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You don't always feel it's necessary to reveal your true self; sometimes that ruins the game. And so you'll carefully control your image, taking notice of what people want to perceive in you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Don't hesitate to dive in and deal with the morning's knotty little problem. Once it's handled, you'll be more sociable, talkative and generally fun to be around.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You may start out a bit ungrounded — as though you're merely a character in someone else's dream. This is a signal that it's time to take back your experience, personalize your life and make things your own.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). People will wonder what you're really thinking, though you're not quite ready to let down your guard. Let them stew in the mystery of you for a while. Everyone enjoys the touch of drama you bring now.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There's someone in your life who seems to make a hobby of telling you what to do. This person isn't your boss, technically, but may as well be by the looks of everything you've been doing for him or her lately.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Stay productive even when your work doesn't seem all that compelling. Stick with it. If you can avoid getting distracted, or at least limit your distractions considerably, you'll have a breakthrough.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll be inclined to take a straightforward approach with others,



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declaring, "This is me. Take me how I am, or don't. I'll go on just the same." This method will be most effective in preventing wasted time and energy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll relate to the legendary tortoise, as there will be a hare-like character in today's story: so eager to get ahead, and yet without the stamina to follow through to the end. You'll be the first to reach the finish line.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's a wall around you that you're hardly even aware of. It's self-constructed to keep out the dangerous people who can waste your time or hurt your feelings. Remember to unlock a door for people you trust.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll be inspired to break out of a rut. Here's how: Instead of sighing, sing. Instead of rolling your eyes, clap your hands enthusiastically. Do little things differently, and the big things fall into place.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Different is good, especially when it's not so different that no one understands. If you can stand out from the crowd when it matters, but relate to everyone in the crowd just the same, your originality will be celebrated.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're glad that people feel comfortable around you, but when they behave in an inconsiderate manner, you may wonder if you're too open, kindhearted and forgiving for your own good.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 15). Political success and spiritual fulfillment will be yours in 2012. The efforts you make to change the way you present yourself to the world will be most effective, and you'll create the impression you desire. Authority figures teach you in January, and you'll teach the same lesson to others in the summer. Aquarius and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 19, 40, 32, 15 and 7.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I've spent the past six years in school getting my master's degree and working on my doctorate, and I still have no idea how I'm going to make money. My sister is a

Pisces who never finished college, and yet she seems to always make the smart choice. When I ask her about her decisions — for instance, how she knew to pick one job over another — she usually just says she 'just felt like doing it.' That infuriates me."

Let it inspire you instead. Spiritual Pisces sometimes forgoes the process or reason and leaps into the realm of faith with excellent results. One has to have faith in oneself to take action. To be clear, this is different from having faith that success is at hand. Success is an outcome, and often outcomes are not completely within the realm of control. What is controllable is your reaction to circumstances. A confident person doesn't necessarily believe that he or she will succeed in every endeavor. But a confident person does believe that there is a chance of success and, more importantly, that whatever happens, he or she can manage it. The confident person trusts that the tools to handle life are either inherent or attainable. In other words, this person believes that failure, if it comes, will be bearable.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: From competitive figure skating as a young child to doing Shakespeare as a teen, Rachel McAdams already has more experience as a performer than many people twice her age. It's paying off now as she continues to rise as a major film star. McAdams was born when the sun, Venus and Uranus were all in the sensual and seductive sign of Scorpio. Her lucky natal Jupiter is in entertaining Leo.

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Annie's Mailbox ®



KATHY MITCHELL
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Dear Annie: Here's the story: My sister married into a wealthy family. Unfortunately, her husband died three weeks ago at the age of 63.

My grieving sister was visiting with her in-laws recently and was informed through casual conversation that they had prepared a new will so that their surviving two sons receive equal shares of the estate, and no provision had been made for my

sister.

Now she feels as if 35 years of being a loyal, loving and dependable family member meant nothing to these people.

Although I know they have no legal obligation to include their late son's spouse in their will, don't you think there is a moral obligation to see that she is provided for to some degree after being part of their family all this time?

I'm sure if they had had children together, the kids would have inherited some of that money, but because they were childless, my sister gets nothing. Is this fair? — *Just Wondering in the USA*

Dear Wondering: We know you have your sister's best interests at heart, but keep in mind that parents have no obligation, moral or otherwise, to leave their estate to any of their

children or grandchildren.

They could easily give it all to charity. Unfortunately, when one child receives less, for whatever reason, it gives the impression that the child is not loved as much as the others.

We suspect your sister's in-laws are simply dividing the estate to ensure that it goes to future descendants, but your sister feels that her contributions and devotion are not valued.

This is undoubtedly not true, and she might want to express those hurt feelings to them before the relationship is permanently damaged.

We do hope they leave her some piece of jewelry or other personal memento, however, to show how much they love and appreciate her.

Dear Annie: My wife

and I are a mature couple in our mid-50s. We were very passionate when we married 11 years ago, but time has taken the wind out of "Betty's" sails.

I don't begrudge her the change of life. What bothers me is how overly sensitive she is to discussing the issue.

I'm not looking for an excuse to have a fling, and seeing a counselor is out of the question.

I love Betty and want our lives together to be happy. Her doctor prescribed hormone replacement therapy, but she's a bit iffy about taking it.

How can I resolve my strong desire for her when she's told me straight-out that she feels guilty she isn't able to share those special moments with me anymore? — *Chagrined in Chicago*

Dear Chagrined: Betty needs to under-

stand that although her desire is diminished and there may be some physical difficulties with intimacy, she must make the effort for the health of her marriage.

This doesn't necessarily mean hormone replacement if she doesn't want to take it, but it does require some accommodation and a willingness to try.

If she refuses to discuss this with you, a counselor or her doctor, cut this letter out, put it on her pillow tonight and tell her we think she should make every effort to work on this.

Dear Annie: "A Bewildered Mother" said she found out on Facebook that her daughter had married.

She said she only spoke to her every six weeks. In your response, you referred to her "semi-annual" phone calls.

But semi-annual

means twice a year, not every six weeks. — *Kathy in the Villages*

Dear Kathy: You are right — along with the dozens of other readers who took us to task for getting it wrong. Thirty lashes with a wet noodle for us.

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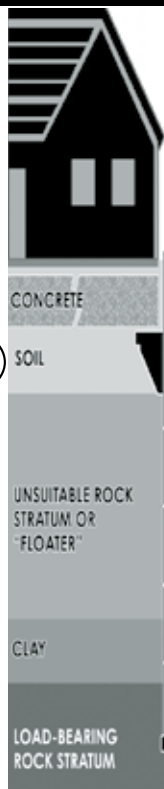
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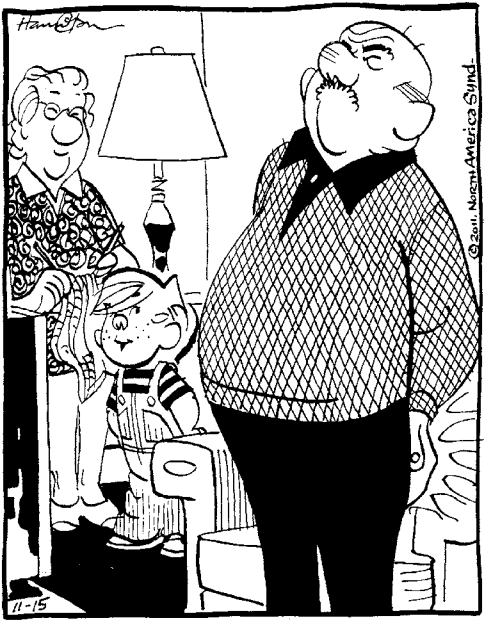


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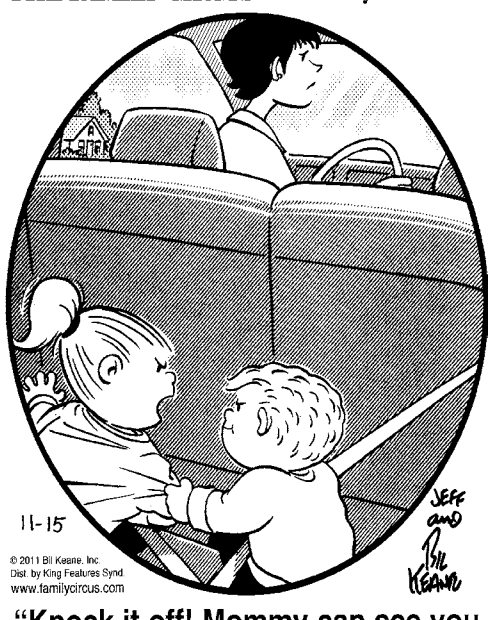
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"POOR MR. WILSON. HE'S WATCHED SO MUCH FOOTBALL, HE'S WORN OUT HIS 'END ZONE.'"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



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"Knock it off! Mommy can see you in her review mirror."

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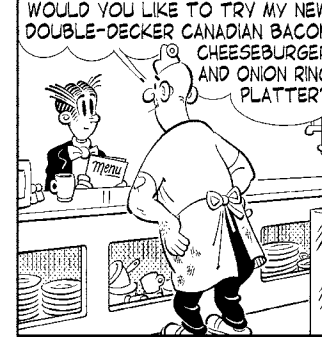


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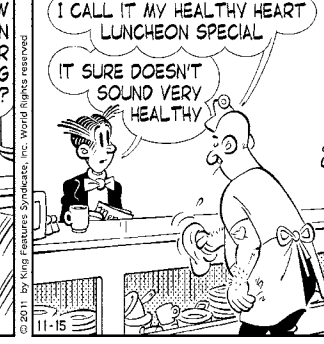


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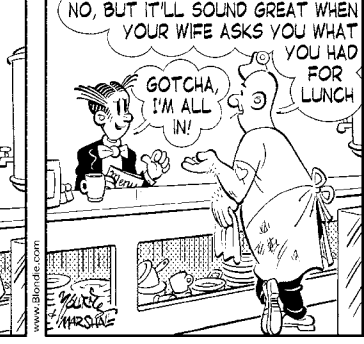
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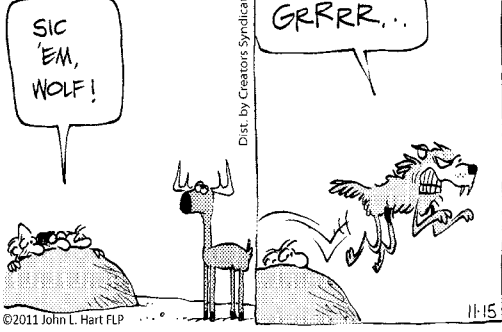


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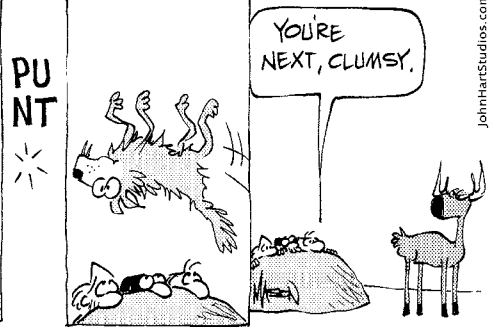


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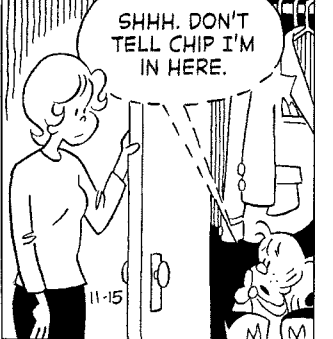


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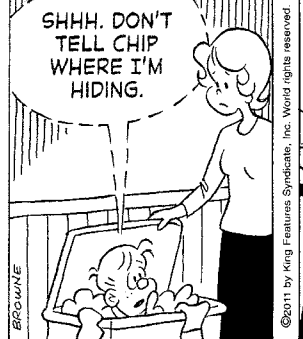


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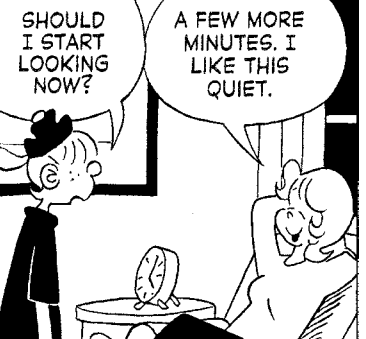
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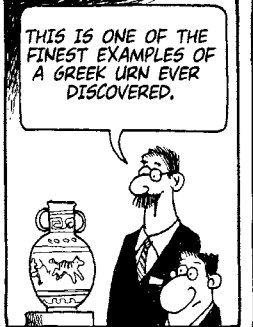


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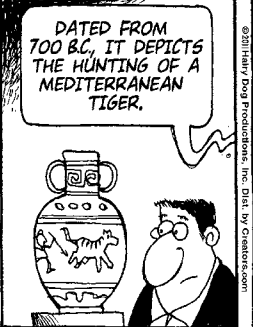


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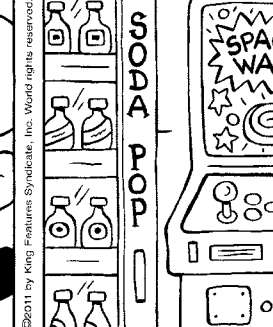


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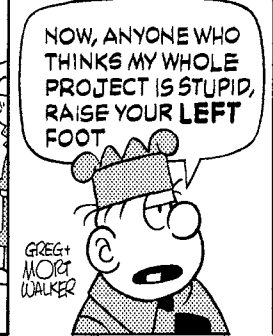


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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 15, the 319th day of 2011. There are 46 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 15, 1777, the Second Continental Congress approved the Articles of Confederation.

On this date:

In 1806, explorer Zebulon Pike sighted the mountaintop now known as Pike's (cq) Peak in present-day Colorado.

In 1889, Brazil was proclaimed a republic as its emperor, Dom Pedro II, was overthrown.

In 1935, the Commonwealth of the Philippines was established as its new president, Manuel L. Quezon, took office.

In 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt laid the cornerstone of the Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C.

In 1948, William Lyon Mackenzie King retired as prime minister of Canada after 21 years; he was succeeded by Louis St. Laurent.

In 1961, former Argentine President Juan Peron, living in exile in Spain, married his third wife, Isabel.

In 1966, the flight of Gemini 12 ended successfully as astronauts James A. Lovell and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin Jr. splashed down safely in the Atlantic.

In 1969, a quarter of a million protesters staged a peaceful demonstration in Washington against the Vietnam War.

In 1979, the British government publicly identified Sir Anthony Blunt as the "fourth man" of a Soviet spy ring.

In 1985, Britain and Ireland signed an accord giving Dublin an official consultative role in governing Northern Ireland.

Today's Birthdays: Judge Joseph Wapner is 92. Statesman Howard H. Baker Jr. is 86. Actor Ed Asner is 82. Actor John Kerr is 80. Singer Petula Clark is 79. Comedian Jack Burns is 78. Actress Joanna Barnes is 77. Actor Yaphet Kotto is 72. Actor Sam Waterston is 71. Classical conductor Daniel Barenboim is 69. Pop singer Frida (ABBA) is 66. Actor Bob Gunton is 66. Former New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson is 64. Director-actor

James Widdoes is 58. Rock singer-producer Mitch Easter is 57. Fox News reporter John Roberts is 55. Former "Jay Leno Show" bandleader Kevin Eubanks is 54. Comedian Judy Gold is 49. Actress Rachel True is 45. Rapper E-40 is 44. Country singer Jack Ingram is 41. Actor Jay Harrington is 40. Actor Jonny Lee Miller is 39. Actress Sydney Tamiia (tuh-MY-yuh) Poitier is 38. Christian rock musician David Carr (Third Day) is 37. Rock singer-musician Chad Kroeger is 37. Rock musician Jesse Sandoval is 37. Actress Virginie Ledoyen is 35. Actor Sean Murray (TV: "NCIS") is 34. Pop singer Ace Young (TV: "American Idol") is 31. Golfer Lorena Ochoa is 30.

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ACROSS

1 Corrosive chemical

5 Relative of a butte

9 Wash thoroughly

14 Aroma detector

15 Word-of-mouth

16 Emerged

17 Sharp taste

18 Partition

19 Jack, Jayden and Julie

20 Additional

22 Don't compromise

24 Outer border

26 Reason for cramming

27 Toward the rear, on a ship

30 Drag from behind

31 Optimistic statement

35 ___ de Janeiro

36 Gobbled up

38 Capital of Switzerland

39 Become brave somehow

42 Bakers' appliances

43 Foe

44 Media mogul Turner

45 Jules Verne captain

46 Weep

47 Fiction books

49 High-school dance

51 Still ___ (type of painting)

52 Overcome

56 Airline patron

60 Nutmeg State school, for short

61 Bathtub cake

63 Sheltered inlet

64 French cap

65 Otherwise

66 Totally destroy

67 Kids' winter vehicles

68 Escalator part

69 Capital of Norway

DOWN

1 Poker-hand starter

2 Try to convince

3 "This ___ funny!"

4 Doctorate or master's

5 Cut the lawn

6 Wipe clean

7 Shaker contents

8 Simultaneously

9 Smooths, as wood

10 More sly

11 Capital of Italy

12 Puts to work

13 Highest-quality

21 Magazine's salespeople, for short

23 Still in the box

25 Pesky insect

27 Gas in fluorescent bulbs

28 Colander kin

29 Indian carving

30 Very small

32 Wooden fruit box

33 Well-behaved kid

34 Requires

37 Insulated coffee containers

38 Pay a bribe to

40 Still in the box

41 Prefix meaning "all"

46 Corn eater's throwaway

48 Zipper alternative

50 Talks wildly

51 Rental document

52 Massages

53 Nation west of Norway: Abbr.

54 Angry

55 Electrical unit

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58 Wicked

59 Nevada city

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“I felt as a defense we owed it to ourselves to play a game like that,” Woodson said. “Owed it to our fans, our team, especially our offense who’s been playing out of their minds this year. We needed a game like that. It feels good, but it’s still one game.”

Aaron Rodgers, meanwhile, turned in another one of the standout performances the Packers have come to expect from him, throwing for 250 yards and four touchdowns

without an interception. Rodgers comes closer to perfection than nearly anyone in the NFL most weeks, but even he isn’t ready to start pondering the possibility of a perfect season by the Packers.

“We try to go 1-0 every week,” Rodgers said. “I know I said that last week. We’ve got nine of them right now banked and we’re going to try to get to 10 this Sunday.”

The Vikings did their best to make life rough for Rodgers, sacking him three times and smacking him virtually every time he took off running. In the end, their NFC North nemesis just walked

away with another victory. “Anybody can be stopped,” defensive end Jared Allen said. “We were hitting him. It comes back to guys doing their jobs. We’ve got to cover guys better, we’ve got to get to him, we’ve got to capitalize on third and long — I don’t think we got off the field on third down. He’s in the zone, though. He’s a hell of a player. I hope they win it all now.”

Worse yet, the Vikings could be without cornerback Antoine Winfield for the rest of the season because of a broken clavicle.

Monday was Winfield’s first game back from a neck in-

jury.

It was a rough night all around for Vikings coach Leslie Frazier.

“You got to take a look at where we are and you look at the team that’s undefeated in our division,” Frazier said. “And you try to use this game as a gauge as to how far you have to go. And if the score’s any indication we have a long ways to go.”

The Packers’ biggest play of the day came from rookie Randall Cobb, who returned a punt 80 yards for a touchdown in the first quarter.

It was an up and down night for Cobb, who muffed a punt

to set up the Vikings’ only touchdown — then immediately rebounded with a 55-yard kickoff return.

“I guess when the lights come on my tempo, my game speed goes up,” Cobb said. “But I’ve got to get to where I’m doing it every game, not just on big games. Going forward, moving forward, like I said a few weeks ago, I want to be more consistent on my returns, especially in the punt-return game.

“It’s been ups and downs. I’m still having some ups and downs. I’ve got to get better and get more consistent at that.”

NBA

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potentially missing the season; we understand the consequences that players could potentially face if things don’t go our way, but it’s a risk worth taking,” union vice president Maurice Evans said. “It’s the right move to do.”

But it’s risky. Hunter said all players will be represented in a class-action suit against the NBA by attorneys Jeffrey Kessler and David Boies — who were on opposite sides of the NFL labor dispute, Kessler working for the players, Boies for the league.

“Mr. Kessler got his way, and we’re about to go into the nuclear winter of the NBA,” Stern told ESPN. “If I were a player ... I would be wondering what it is that Billy Hunter just did.”

The league already has filed a pre-emptive lawsuit seeking to prove the lockout is legal and contends that without a union that collectively bargained them, the players’ guaranteed contracts could legally be voided.

During oral arguments on Nov. 2, the NBA asked U.S. District Judge Paul Gardephe to decide the legality of its lockout, but he was reluctant to wade into the league’s labor mess. Gardephe has yet to issue a ruling.

Two years of bargaining couldn’t produce a deal, with owners’ desires for more competitive balance clashing with players’ wishes to keep the salary cap system largely intact. The sides last met Thursday, when the league offered a revised proposal but told the players there would be no further negotiating on it.

Stern, who is a lawyer, had urged players to take the deal on the table, saying it’s the best the NBA could offer and advised that decertification is not a winning strategy.

Players ignored that warning, choosing instead to dissolve the union, giving them a chance to win several billion dollars in triple damages in an antitrust lawsuit.

“This is the best decision for the players,” Fisher said. “I want to

reiterate that point, that a lot of individual players have a lot of things personally at stake in terms of their careers and where they stand. And right now they feel it’s important — we all feel it’s important to all our players, not just the ones in this room, but our entire group — that we not only try to get a deal done for today but for the body of NBA players that will come

into this league over the next decade and beyond.”

Fisher, flanked at a press conference by dozens of player representatives and superstars including Kobe Bryant and Carmelo Anthony, said the decision was unanimous. But there were surely players throughout the league who would have preferred union leadership put the proposal to a vote of the full membership, with many ready to go back to work.

The sides still can negotiate during the legal process, so players didn’t want to write off the season just yet.

“I don’t want to make any assumptions,” union VP Keyon Dooling said. “I believe we’ll continue to try to get a deal done or let this process play out. I don’t know what to expect from this process.”

Hunter said the NBA’s “notice of dis-

claimer” was filed with Stern’s office about an hour before the news conference announcing the move. Now, the NBPA is in the process of converting to a trade association as the fight shifts to the courts.

“The fact that the two biggest legal adversaries in the NFL players dispute over the NFL lockout both agree that the NBA lockout is now illegal and subject to triple damages speaks for itself,” Kessler said in an email to The Associated Press. “I am delighted to work together with David Boies on behalf of the NBA players.”

Players made numerous economic concessions and were willing to meet the owners’ demands of a 50-50 split of basketball-related income — a transfer of about \$280 million annually from their feeling the league’s desires to improve competitive

balance would hurt their guaranteed 57 percent under the old deal — but only if the owners met them on their system wishes.

“This deal could have been done. It should have been done,” Hunter said. “We’ve given and given and given, and they got to the place where they just reached for too much and the players decided to push back.”

During the weekend, Stern said he would not cancel the season this week.

Regardless, damage already has been done, in many ways.

Financially, both sides have lost hundreds of millions because of the games missed and the countless more that will be wiped out before play resumes. Team employees are losing money,

and in some cases, jobs. And both the owners and players eventually must regain the loyalty of an angered fan base that wonders how the league reached this low point after such a strong 2010-11 season.

“It’s horrible,” said Ty Agee, president of the Beale Street Merchants Association in Memphis, Tenn. “This is bad. Personally, I don’t believe they will be able to fix it. This is really, really bad.”

And it was seemingly destined. Hunter said he believed years ago owners were going to lock out the players until they could force through the changes they sought. Given that, he has been criticized for not disbanding the union sooner in hopes of creating some leverage that the union never

had.

The proposal rejected by the players called for a 72-game season beginning Dec. 15.

On Sunday, the league made a very public push on the positives of the deal — hosting a 90-minute twitter chat to answer questions from players and fans, posting a YouTube video to explain the key points and sending a memo from Stern to players urging them to “study our proposal carefully, and to accept it as a fair compromise of the issues between us.”

In the memo, posted on the league’s website, Stern highlighted points of the deal and asked players to focus on the compromises the league made during negotiations, such as dropping its demands for a hard salary cap.



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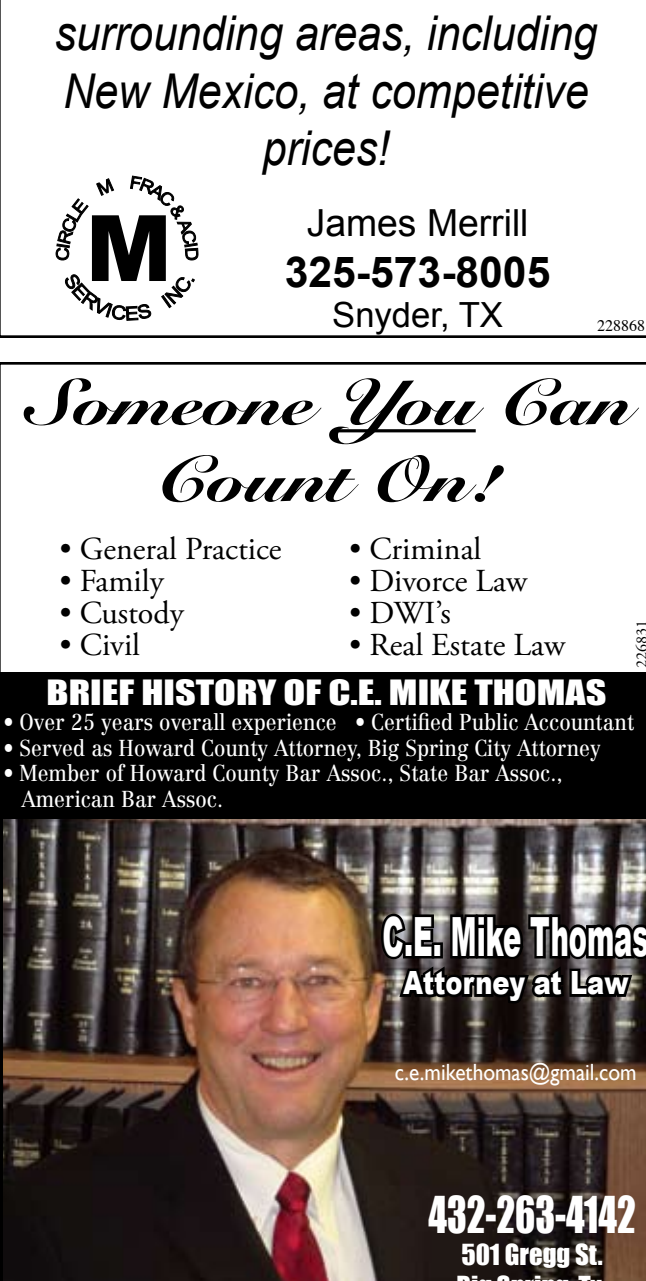
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have denied wrongdoing and have left their university posts. Others who claim they saw or heard about child abuse told only their immediate supervisors, not police, according to a grand jury report.

State Sen. Kim Ward said Monday she is writing a bill that would require all employees of colleges and universities to report suspected child abuse to the person in charge of the institution and to ChildLine, a child abuse reporting hotline.

"The Penn State situation just showed a glaring problem in the law," said Ward, who also wants to increase the penalties for not reporting to make a second offense a felony.

Sandusky continues to collect a \$59,000 annual pension and received a \$148,000 lump sum when he retired from the university in 1999, according to the Patriot-News of Harrisburg. Schultz collects more than \$330,000 yearly from his pension and received a \$442,000 lump payment upon retirement in 2009, the newspaper reported.

The abuse scandal led to the departure of university president Graham Spanier and the dismissal of legendary head coach Joe Paterno after law enforcement officials said they didn't do enough to stop suspected abuse when it was reported to them in 2002.

Paterno has conceded he should have done more. Spanier, who remains a tenured member of the faculty, has said he would have re-

ported a crime if he'd suspected one had been committed.

The Second Mile has said in a statement that it has done "everything in our power to cooperate with law-enforcement officials," but Attorney General Linda Kelly has said there was an "uncooperative atmosphere" from some officials at Penn State and The Second Mile.

The Second Mile also announced a new general counsel on Monday. Lynne Abraham is replacing Wendell Courtney, who resigned last week. Abraham served as the top prosecutor in Philadelphia for nearly two decades, during which she was known for her no-nonsense approach. The city's first female district attorney, she earned the lasting nickname "one tough cookie".

Ali pays respect to Smokin' Joe Frazier

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — With his championship belt and a pair of gloves draped over his casket, Joe Frazier was going one more round.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson asked mourners to rise, put their hands together and for one last time "show your love" for the former heavyweight champion.

Muhammad Ali obliged.

Wearing a dark suit and sunglasses, a frail and trembling Ali rose from his seat and vigorously clapped for "Smokin' Joe," the fighter who handed Ali his first loss.

Ali was among the nearly 4,000 people who packed the Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church in Philadelphia, where Frazier spent much of his life, for a two-hour "joyful celebration" in honor of the boxer. He died last week of liver cancer at the age of 67. Also attending were former heavyweight champion Larry Holmes, fellow Philadelphia fighter and longtime middleweight champion Bernard Hopkins and promoter Don King.

His body ravaged by Parkinson's disease, Ali was accompanied by members of his family and wife, Lonnie, who rubbed his back while he was seated and held his hands as he entered and left the church. Jackson delivered a stirring eulogy, describing Frazier as someone who "came from segregation, degradation and disgrace to amazing grace."

"Tell them Rocky was not a champion. Joe Frazier was," he said, referring to the hometown character from the boxing movie, "Rocky," whose statue stands at the base of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. "Tell them Rocky is fictitious, Joe was reality."

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