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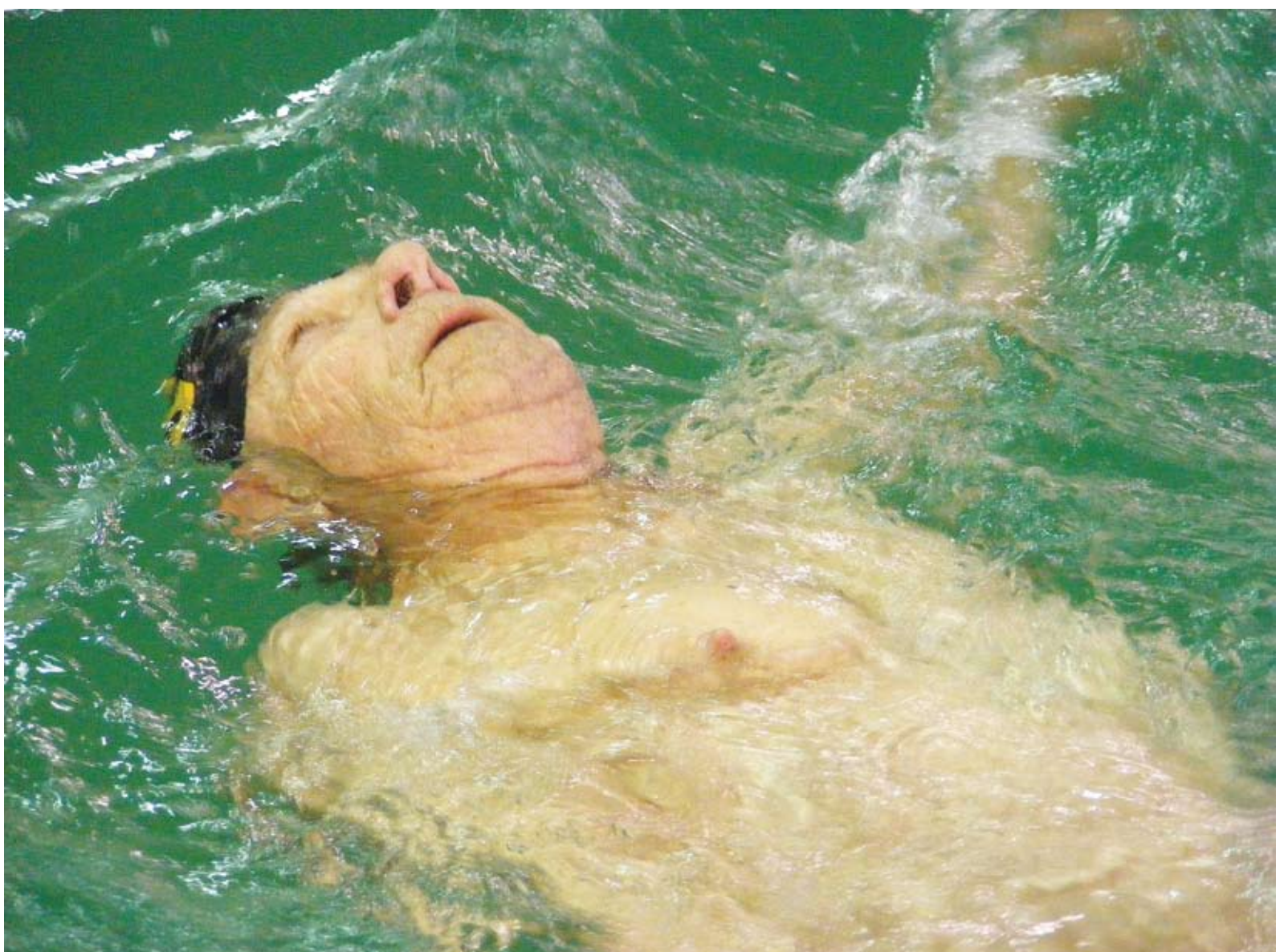
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Bernhard Bartel, 94, of Snyder, swims laps at the YMCA Friday in training for upcoming trials in San Antonio to qualify for the Senior Olympics. Bartel has won three gold medals and set a record for his age bracket in the 2011 games.

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Policy discussions top Big Spring EDC meeting

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Obituaries

Pat ‘Mimi’ Richardson
Patsy Richardson, 73, of Big Spring, died Monday, March 17, 2014, in a Midland hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Oliver ‘Bud’ Nichols
Oliver “Bud” Nichols, 80, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, March 19, 2014, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Take Note

- A fund has been set up to help the Renteria family who lost their house from a fire. Donations can be made at State National Bank, Renteria Fire Fund, No. 9012478.
- Relocation Rescue, a non-profit animal rescue, is holding a “Paint Your Pet” fundraiser event 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, April 5, at the Heritage Museum located at 510 Scurry. We supply all the materials needed for participants to paint a picture of their pets while enjoying a silent auction, wine and cheese, hors d’oeuvres, and a whole lot of fun. For more information call the Heritage Museum at 267-8255.
- The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol, or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped accessible. The cost is \$8 per person. March 14, “Prowlers;” March 21, “Prowlers,” March 28 “Midnight Express.”

• Howard County A&M Club is accepting applications from high school students who are graduating this May and have been accepted at Texas A&M University for fall 2014. Students must be Howard County residents and will enroll for at least 12 hours. Deadline for applications is April 1. More information and the application may be found on the club website at www.westexags.com

• Howard County Fair Association is in need of volunteers to cross stitch squares for the Howard County Fair quilt to be raffled at the fair. Theme this year is “Hummingbirds.” Patterns are from easy to more difficult, so you do not have to be an expert. Squares may be picked up at the Heritage Museum front desk Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call Suzanne Markwell at 214-256-1674.



- Scenic Mountain Medical Center Healthy Woman and American Cancer Society present “Be a Superhero” on April 16. A Lunch n Learn will take place at 11:30 a.m. and the Healthy Woman event – snacks provided - will be at 5:30 p.m. Both events will be held in the Senior Circle Room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. ACS Relay For Life Specialist Manny Negron will be delivering information about the 20th anniversary Howard and Glasscock Counties Relay For Life. The free event is open to the public. To RSVP call, Amanda Duforat at 432-268-4699 or Anita Cline at 432-268-4721.
- The Prom Closet will be back this year to provide beautiful barely worn or never worn prom dresses at no charge for area girls. For more information call Christian Fair at 816-3573.

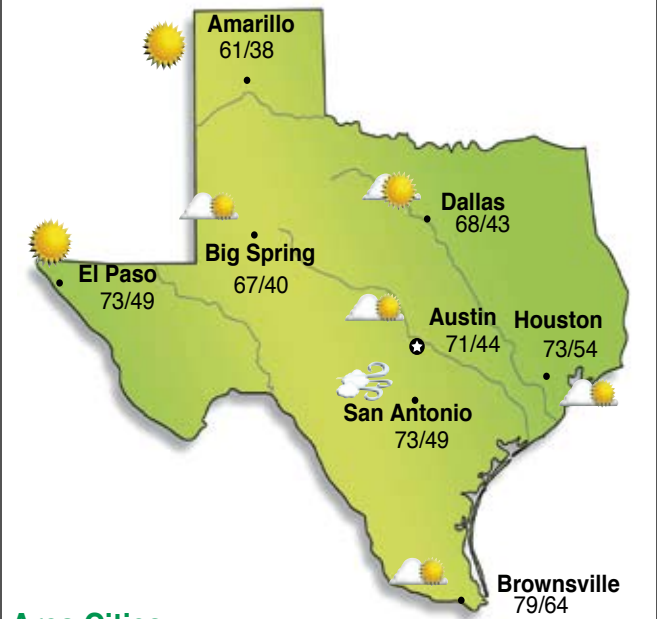
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 3/20	Fri 3/21	Sat 3/22	Sun 3/23	Mon 3/24
67/40 Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 67F. Winds NE at 10 to 20 mph.	79/54 More sun than clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 50s.	86/46 Considerable cloudiness. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the mid 40s.	72/42 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 40s.	57/44 Occasional showers possible. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the mid 40s.
Sunrise: 7:51 AM Sunset: 7:57 PM	Sunrise: 7:50 AM Sunset: 7:58 PM	Sunrise: 7:48 AM Sunset: 7:58 PM	Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 7:59 PM	Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 8:00 PM



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	66	40	pt sunny	Kingsville	77	58	cloudy
Amarillo	61	38	sunny	Livingston	71	47	pt sunny
Austin	71	44	pt sunny	Longview	66	40	pt sunny
Beaumont	73	51	pt sunny	Lubbock	63	35	sunny
Brownsville	79	64	pt sunny	Lufkin	71	43	pt sunny
Brownwood	69	38	mst sunny	Midland	66	41	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	73	57	cloudy	Raymondville	81	62	pt sunny
Corsicana	66	40	pt sunny	Rosenberg	72	52	pt sunny
Dallas	68	43	mst sunny	San Antonio	73	49	windy
Del Rio	78	51	pt sunny	San Marcos	71	45	windy
El Paso	73	49	sunny	Sulphur Springs	65	39	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	67	46	pt sunny	Sweetwater	65	41	pt sunny
Gainesville	64	39	mst sunny	Tyler	66	40	pt sunny
Greenville	65	38	mst sunny	Weatherford	65	41	mst sunny
Houston	73	54	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	65	39	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	68	45	pt sunny	Minneapolis	40	18	sn shower
Boston	41	36	pt sunny	New York	43	41	rain
Chicago	46	29	rain	Phoenix	78	51	sunny
Dallas	68	43	mst sunny	San Francisco	69	51	mst sunny
Denver	56	31	sunny	Seattle	49	36	rain
Houston	73	54	pt sunny	St. Louis	54	35	pt sunny
Los Angeles	78	54	sunny	Washington, DC	45	40	rain
Miami	80	69	pt sunny				

Moon Phases



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Thu 3/20	Fri 3/21	Sat 3/22	Sun 3/23	Mon 3/24
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Police/Sheriff/Fire/EMS reports

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

- BENJAMIN EDWARD MOORE II, 34, of 4201 W. 80 Highway Apartment 13, was arrested on charges of assault—family violence causing bodily injury and violation of protective order—go to or near a residence/employment/school.
- PAULA JOLLEY BUTLER, 44, of 1606 E. Sixth St., was arrested on charges of interference with duties of a public servant and resisting arrest, search or transport.
- NATASHA MICHELLE MORRIS, 27, of 4201 W. 80 Highway 13 was arrested on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.
- MICHAEL BRANDON FOSSEE, 29, of 4100 S. Highway 87 Trailer 86, was arrested on warrant from another agency.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 4200 Block of Highway 80.
- CRIMINIAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 700 block of Belvedere and in the 2800 block of Coronado Ave.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 1100 block of North Nolan St.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1200 block of E. 15th.
- RUNAWAY was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80.

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 66 inmates at the time of this report.

- PAULA J. BUTLER, 44, was booked by the BSPD on charges of interference with public

duties and resisting arrest, search or transport.

- REYMUNDO MARTINEZ, 50, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for sentence/indecency with a child.
- JUAN DAVID VELEZ, 25, was booked on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- BENJAMIN EDWARD MOORE, 34, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of violation of bond/protective order.
- NATASHA MICHELE MORRIS, 27, was booked by BSPD on a charge of hindering officers, discharging official duties.

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

Monday

- TRAUMA CALL was reported in the area of First and Austin streets. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC).
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3500 block of East I-20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- RUBBISH FIRE was reported in the 200 block of Union. Fire was extinguished.
- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported in the 1600 block of Wood. Fire was out on arrival.

Tuesday

- TRAUMA CALL was reported in the 2200 block of Morrison. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Boulevard. One person was transported to SMMC.
- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported in the 1600 block of Sixth St. Fire was out on arrival.

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Support groups

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.
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.
- Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas.

Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Baptist Temple Church Fellowship Hall, 400 E. 11th Place. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

- 7 p.m. — The Just For Today Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets in Room 3 at Spring Creek Fellowship, 501 Birdwell Lane.
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.
- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Baptist Temple Church Fellowship Hall, 400 E. 11th Place. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Noon — The Just For Today Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets in Room 3 at Spring Creek Fellowship, 501 Birdwell Lane.

JURY

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considered for parole. Martinez had been eligible for probation, but the jury rejected that option.

"The jury heard the full story, they heard all the evidence and they assessed an appropriate verdict," Wilkerson said. "The victim and her caregivers seemed

pleased with the results. I'm just glad justice has been served in this case."

Martinez was immediately remanded to the Howard County Law Enforcement Center, pending his transfer to state prison.

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EDC

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tor Terry Wegman, with the board agreeing to 10 working days.

The director's report included possible prospects for the city, including a drilling company, Hydraulic Acid Group and a pipe coating company, as well as the continued growth and expansion at the airport.

Wegman made a request to attend a conference in San Angelo, which was unanimously approved. Recent accomplishments of the EDC were listed by Scott MacKenzie which included the Howard County Healthcare Clinic and the funding of the Howard College vocational training, i.e., wind turbine training, truck driving, welding and hydraulic training.

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rail.

Following the mostly amenable official meeting, the floor was opened for public comment which was, for the most part, focused on the behavior of the board members at the February meeting, with some individuals saying they were "appalled" by what transpired.

Prior to adjourning, board members reiterated that they hope to overcome the controversy and "back stabbing" and move forward.

President Don Avant apologized for the disharmony and encouraged those attending and those in official capacities to work together and help each other.

Vice President Nati Saldivar commented on the increased numbers attending the meetings saying she takes credit due to her involvement in the "Hispanic community."

To contact Andreia Medlin call the Herald at 263-7331.

SNAKE

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An arts and craft show and flea market will be held in the front building of barns, the Dora Roberts Building. According to organizers, 45-50 vendors will hawk a number of items including but not limited to salsa, jewelry, trading cards and snake items.

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the AMBUCS scholarship program for therapist and purchasing AmTryke bicycles for children with disabilities.

The round-up opens at 10 a.m. and runs to 6 p.m. Saturday and from

noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ages 4 to 11.

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

SENIOR

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breast stroke for his age bracket. He has also won one silver medal and one bronze medal. He also excels at horse-shoe pitching.

Bartels is a retired mechanical engineer, but switched to farming when he tired of the sedentary nature of his career.

"I've always been active," Bartels explained. "I grew up on a farm and I've just always

been very active. Most people, when they retire from a sedentary career, flop down on a couch and they usually don't last long."

Not wanting to be a statistic, Bartels said that staying active helps him enjoy his retirement.

"When I found out about the games, I thought it would be something fun to do and it keeps me going."

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Friday, March 21
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
◆Weigh-in of snakes

Saturday, March 22
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
◆Snake Shows, Demonstrations, Races
◆Arts & Crafts Show - Dora Roberts Bldg.

Sunday, March 23
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DAILY PRAYER

Give us strength, dear Lord, to deal with adversity.

Amen

Modern martyrs of the faith

It's hard to imagine that people in the 21st century are being brutally murdered around the world because they are professing Christians, yet it is absolutely true. It is happening in shocking numbers, yet many here in peaceful and prosperous America treat Christianity as if it is something relatively inconsequential. Only when something so utterly shocking that it defies comprehension occurs do we read or hear about it, but it is happening. Far too often people go to church or ask for spiritual intervention in their lives only when facing a crisis or a tragedy and they feel overwhelmed. It begs the question how a generation of religious softies would handle legitimate persecution like thousands of Christians are experiencing today.

A large number of historically accurate accounts of atrocities against Christians exist, including Fox's Book of Martyrs, which details the lives, sufferings and triumphant deaths of the early Christian and Protestant martyrs.

The days of freedom of religion are still non-existent in many parts of the world, and the number of devoted Christians who gave their lives for their faith proves this very fact. According to the non-denominational group, Open Doors USA, the numbers of deaths reported from martyrs have almost doubled in 2013 from the year prior. In 2012, it was reported that 1,201 Christians were killed for their devout faith.

A year later, the number astoundingly increased to a total of 2,123. The same report by Open Doors USA additionally reports that more than half of the deaths of Christians have occurred in Syria with a total of 1,213 executions.

All experts agree the figures may be hugely understated since not all murders are reported. Head researcher Frans Veerman stated that the numbers are “a very minimal count based on what has been reported in the media and we can confirm.” The statistics also do not include other Christians who have been prosecuted and held captive for

their beliefs in concentration camps throughout the Eastern regions. Open Doors further reported that up to “50,000 to 70,000 Christians live in concentration camps, prisons and prison-like circumstances under the regime of leader Kim Jong-Un.”

There have always been, and there always will be, those who hate the entire premise and ideology of Christianity. Even today here in America there are many prominent celebrities, politicians, and ordinary citizens dedicated to discrediting the entire concept of Christianity as we know it. Woody Allen, Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie, Bruce Lee, Morgan Freeman, Jodie Foster, Hugh Laurie, Larry King, and Bill Maher are just a few. The list is very long of those who have an agenda against believers in Jesus Christ and boldly declare it.

While many are content to simply embrace their personal beliefs about God quietly, others are so radically opposed to Christianity they actively seek to humiliate and discredit anyone who professes faith in a Supreme Being that is anything beyond their human comprehension and understanding. Some have even followed in the footsteps of those described in historical chronicles who took it upon themselves to pronounce judgment on Christians and have tragically produced modern day martyrs.

We were pastoring in the St. Louis area in 2009 when the pastor of a Maryville, Illinois, church was shot to death during a Sunday morning service in front of horrified church members who then tackled the gunman.

Fred Winters, the pastor of the First Baptist Church, was shot and killed during the 8 a.m. service, and the attacker and two church members suffered knife wounds in the attack.

Hatred of Christians has become a common occurrence in the U.S. and Open Doors USA says deadly violence against believers around the world occurs on a daily basis.

“Most Christians in the United States don't know this kind of violence happens every day in some restrictive countries around the world, places like Iraq, Iran, India and Pakistan. And the attacks are directed almost exclusively against Christians. Open Doors USA

President, Dr. Carl Moeller, estimates 100 million Christians are being persecuted for their faith in Christ with torture, imprisonment, harassment and murder all directed towards Christians. ODUSA recently released its annual World Watch List of 50 countries where Christians suffer the most severe persecution. It was headed by Syria and North Korea again, followed by Saudi Arabia and Iran. While those countries are always among the top persecutors, they certainly are not the only countries where Christians are tortured and oftentimes murdered for their faith.

But the shocking truth is that, as I noted from personal experience, it is happening right here in America also and oftentimes stirs less outrage than when an animal is abused. At the 2012 Arab International Festival in Dearborn, Michigan, which is an outdoor event held on public streets, a group of Christian evangelists were attacked, brutalized and stoned. The horrific event was all captured on video and the Dearborn police at the event not only did nothing to protect the Christians from the attacks, they kicked out the evangelists and later detained them on the street. This is some of the most blatant evidence of the rising anti-Christian sentiment in this country as the spirit of Antichrist rises in America. It was a scene that looked straight out of a news report on Muslim violence in the Middle East. Dearborn, which has the largest Muslim population of any city in the United States, has been a hotbed for anti-Christian activity and clear pro-Muslim bias in the past. At this same event in 2010 and 2011, Christians were arrested for simply distributing Gospel tracts at the public event.

All indications are that persecution will continue to increase as anti-God sentiment is more widely embraced. Now would be the time for Christians to stand strong, anchoring their faith in eternal truth and be prepared for opposition unlike anything we have ever seen.

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

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Affordable Care act or war on conscience?

Billionaire David Green's success story could come straight from Silicon Valley. He started his business in a garage in 1970. Through hard work and innovation, he built a business that employs more than 13,000 full-time workers. He determined to treat his employees well, providing health care and setting a higher in-house minimum wage for staff.

Here's where Green departs from the standard Bay Area billionaire success story: He's a devout Christian whose Hobby Lobby Stores Inc. and an affiliated Christian bookstore chain are headquartered in Oklahoma. His family controls the business. He's the CEO; a son is president; a daughter is a vice president; and another son is vice CEO. The Greens have signed a statement of faith and trustee commitment to run the business according to their religious beliefs. In that spirit, Hobby Lobby locations, which often broadcast Christian songs and won't sell shot glasses, are closed on Sundays, a decision that costs the corporation millions every year.

Hobby Lobby is challenging the mandate in President Barack Obama's Affordable Care Act that requires large employers to include birth control coverage if

they provide health care benefits to their workers. I should emphasize that Hobby Lobby's health plan already includes contraceptive coverage, but it excludes RU-486 because that drug can terminate a pregnancy, as well as four drugs or devices that can prevent the embryo from implanting in the womb. The Obama administration requires un-grandfathered health care plans to provide these methods and exempts employees from having to make copayments for them.

“These abortion-causing drugs go against our faith,” Green said in a 2012 press call, “and our family is now being forced to choose between following the laws of the land that we love or maintaining the religious beliefs that have made our business successful.”

The Becket Fund brief lays out the ugly choices the Greens face.

The corporation can refuse to comply with the law and pay draconian fines of \$100 per day per employee; that amounts to about \$475 million per year.

Or the corporation can drop its health plan and pay \$26 million in fines levied against large employers that do not cover their workforce. But the Greens don't want to do that; it's bad for business, and the retailers' decision to provide health care was “itself religiously motivated.”

Or Hobby Lobby can go against the family's deeply held beliefs because the government demands it? Last year, the 10th

U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals gave the business a reprieve pending final resolution of the case. Both sides will be arguing before the U.S. Supreme Court on March 25.

The government's case is simple. Solicitor General Donald B. Verrilli has argued that the courts cannot allow “for-profit corporations to deny employees the health coverage to which they are otherwise entitled by federal law based on the religious objections of the individuals who own a controlling stake in the corporations.”

Except the government exempts grandfathered plans — which cover 36 percent of workers — businesses with fewer than 50 employees and churches from the contraception mandate. So why not exempt employers with deeply held beliefs?

A month doesn't pass without the administration's issuing another exemption from a mandate previously held out as nonnegotiable. Old “substandard” individual policies? Now kosher through 2016. Individual mandate? Not so much with hardship exemptions. Why not exempt employers for issues of conscience?

Or does the Obama administration not want corporations to have a conscience?

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Why not check this out at the library?

This column is for the “Dummy” in you, and I will be the first one in line! Sometimes (no, many times), I fail to realize the very basic precepts of a subject unless it is laid out for me in a step-by-step fashion. This is where the “Dummy” books have helped me immensely. The library has received many, many of these books on a myriad of subjects and I am going to give a short synopsis of them in today’s column.



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“Business Writing for Dummies” (808.066 CAN N), by Natalie Canavor, is designed for you to learn how to draft emails, letters, proposals, etc. You will learn how to adapt same for different people, edit and troubleshoot your writing and communicate effectively with global audiences.

“Ham Radio for Dummies” (621.384 SIL H), by H. Ward Silver, will tell you all about ham radio. Before email, telephone or Facebook, ham radio was used to talk to people all over the globe and to communicate during disasters and emergencies.

You will learn how to acquire your license and call sign, assist with emergency communication and much more.

Moreover, you will be surprised with whom

you will talk with via the ham radio.

Do you want to leave a family record? Then you need “Memoir Writing for Dummies” (808.066 CLE R) by Ryan G. Van Cleave. Learn how to mine your past for great stories and how to choose to structure the stories for best effect, get your manuscript published and market it.

Another popular subject is writing children’s books; this one will help you: “Writing Children’s Books for Dummies” (808.068 BUC L), by Lisa Rojany Bucieri. Who knows, you may have an award-winning book locked inside of you!

The next few are for perhaps hard-core Micro-Soft people: “Excel Formula and Func-

tion for Dummies” (005.54 BLU K), by Ken Bluttman; “HTML5 Game Development for Dummies” (006.74 HAR A), by Andy Harris; “Windows 8.1 for Dummies” (005.446 RAT A), by Andy Rathbone; and “Microsoft Office 2013 All-in-One for Dummies” (005.5 WEV P), by Peter Weverka.

We also have “Facebook Marketing All-in-One for Dummies” (658.872 POR A), by Amy Porterfield, for those who wish to market themselves on

Facebook. If you are into blogging, there is “Blog Design for Dummies” (006.752 CUL M), by Melissa Culbertson, to hone your skills. These “Dummy Books” could work together: “Property Law for Dummies” (346.043 ROM A), by Alan Romero, “Property Management Kit for Dummies” 333.338 GRI R), by Robert S. Griswold, and “Real Estate License Exam for Dummies” (333.330 YO E J) by John A. Yoegel. You would get the basics of property law while you are also working on your real estate license.

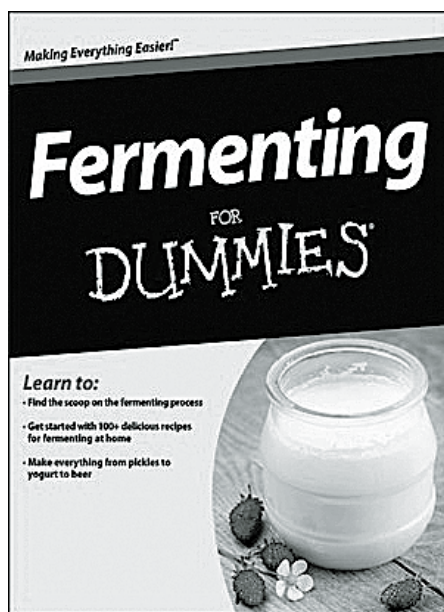
Language skills are becoming more and more important in today’s world. The following books could improve your understanding and accent with the accompanying CD: “Japanese for Dummies” (495.683 SAT E), by Eriko Sata; “Arabic for Dummies” (492.782 BOU A), by Amine Bouchentouf; and “Chinese for Dummies” (495.182 ABR W), by Dr. Wendy Abraham, are available for checkout.

Other Dummy books that we have are:

- “Fermenting for Dummies” (664.024 WAS M), by Marni Wsserman. You will learn how to master the fermenting process, get started with delicious recipes to get started at home and make everything from bread, yogurt, bread to sauerkraut to kimchi at home.

- Do you have chicken? It has become very popular to keep a small brood of chickens to

provide fresh eggs at home. “Chicken Health for Dummies” (636.5



GAU J), by Julie Gauthier, provides wisdom on keeping your chickies in peak condition, di-

agnose and treat ailing chickens and grasp and treat common diseases of chickens.

- Do you have an iPad and don’t know how to use it? Check out “iPad for Seniors for Dummies” (604.846 MUI N), by Nancy Muir, and she will guide you on how to send email, share photos, browse the web, read books, watch movies, listen to music or play games.

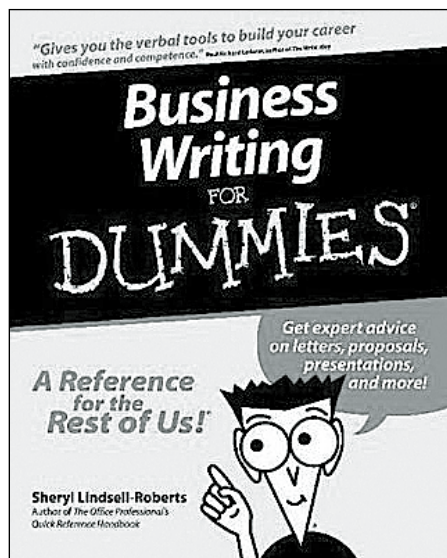
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Odds and ends

UK legislator pans no-guitar prison policy

LONDON (AP) — A guitar-loving British legislator has challenged a policy that he says makes it impossible for prisoners to play steel-stringed or electric guitars.

The Labour Party’s Kevin Brennan Tuesday cited singers Johnny Cash and Billy Bragg as people who helped bring music into prisons for rehabilitative purposes.

He said government policy was making it more difficult for prisoners to develop their musical skills.

There are fears that steel strings

could be used as weapons.

Police seek Amish buggy in W. Pa. hit-and-run

NEW WILMINGTON, Pa. (AP) — State police are searching for an unlikely suspect in a western Pennsylvania hit-and-run accident: the driver of an Amish buggy.

Troopers from the Mercer barracks say the buggy twice hit a passenger vehicle at a crossroads on Route 158 in Wilmington Township.

The buggy then left the scene and its driver has yet to be identified.

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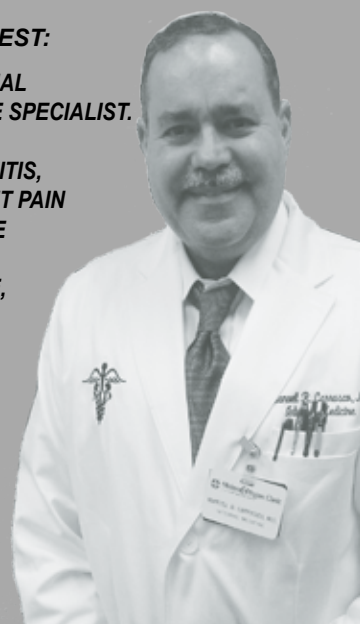
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Paredez, Nairn reach state powerlifting meet

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor
Tyler Nairn and Andrew Paredez are headed to the Texas high school powerlifters' "Promised Land" this weekend. The two Big Spring High School standouts will be competing in the Texas High School Powerlifting Association's state powerlifting meet this weekend at the Tay-

lor County Civic Center in Abilene.

Nairn and Paredez both qualified for the state meet by turning in outstanding efforts at the recent Region I Powerlifting Championships in Sundown. Both finished first in the respective weight classifications at the regional meet.

Tyler Nairn finished first in the 123-pound weight divi-

sion with a three-lift total 995 pounds.

The BSHS standout awoke the rest of the field at the event. Already assured of winning his division, Nairn attempted a personal best of 395 pounds in the deadlift competition to set the regional record for total weight lifted on his last lift. He did not get credit for that lift.

The first-place finish in his

weight classification guaranteed Nairn his third straight berth in the state meet, which will be held on March 22. He has been a top five qualifier in the 123-pound division in each of the past three seasons.

Paredez finished tied for first in the 114-pound weight class with a total of 750 pounds lifted.

Paredez competed at a high

level during the regional meet, besting his previous total by 60 pounds.

He finished the meet with a combined total of 750 pounds, and tied Lubbock Cooper's Juan Duran for the top spot.

Backed by the efforts of Nairn and Paredez, the Steers placed sixth in the final team standings at the regional

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BSHS girls fall to Snyder

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor
The Big Spring High School Lady Steers find themselves in an unusual situation as they head into the third game of their District 4-3A schedule.

Winless.
The Lady Steers fell to 0-2 in district competition on Tuesday by suffering a tough 11-1 loss to the Snyder Lady Tigers at the BSISD Softball Complex.

With the loss, the Lady Steers fell to 9-8 for the season. Snyder improved to 19-4 overall, and to 2-0 in district action.

The loss to Snyder comes on the heels of an 9-7 loss to Abilene Wylie on Friday.

In that game, the BSHS girls committed six errors but battled their way back.

"The girls fought back in the latter innings but just could not get the runs across the plate," said Lady Steers' coach John R. Sparks. "(We) were not able to put runs on the board after having runners in scoring position at two crucial times in the game."

Despite the loss, Sparks said Mariah Sarmiento and Mia Oliva both played well.

Steers split JV games with Snyder, Buffaloes

The Big Spring High junior varsity teams went 1-2 in action on games played against Snyder and Forsan on Monday at Steer Park.

The Big Spring "A" team suffered a pair of tough losses against Snyder, falling by a 12-2 clip in Game 1, and by a 5-2 score in the nightcap.

The Steers' "B" team emerged victorious by claiming a hard-fought 8-3 decision over Forsan.

The JV teams will return to action this weekend. The BSHS "A" team will face off against Sweetwater, beginning at noon, while the JV "B" team will play Forsan starting at 2 p.m.

BSHS teams to run in Andrews

The Big Spring High School boys' and girls' track teams will be competing in the Max Goldsmith Mustang Relays in Andrews on Friday.

The meet will begin at 2:30 p.m. with the field events.



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring's Adam Franco slides in under throw to second base during the Steers' District 4-3A opener against Snyder on Tuesday at Steer Park. Snyder won the game, 9-8.

Big Spring drops 4-3A opener to Tigers

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Steers went into Tuesday's District 4-3A opener with two pretty simple goals. They wanted to get the district race off to a good start, and prove they could compete with the best.

They got half of their wish.

Snyder, one of the preseason favorites to battle for the District 4-3A title, scored late and claimed a tough 9-8 victory over Big Spring at Steer

District 4-3A Standings

	District	Season
Wylie.....	1-0	14-2
Sweetwater.....	1-0	14-3
Snyder.....	1-0	11-5
Big Spring.....	0-1	9-8
Greenwood.....	0-1	12-6
Monahans.....	0-1	10-6

Friday's Games

Greenwood at Wylie, 4:30 p.m.
Monahans at Snyder, 7 p.m.
Big Spring at Sweetwater, 7 p.m.

Park.

With the loss, Big Spring fell to 0-1

in district play - and falls a game behind Snyder, Sweetwater and Abilene Wylie.

Sweetwater opened district play with a 7-6 win over Greenwood, scoring the game-winning run in the top of the ninth. Wylie had two pitchers combine for 16 strikeouts while allowing just one hit in a 4-0 victory over Monahans.

Big Spring slipped to 9-8.

The Steers will return to action on Friday at Sweetwater. The game will start at 7 p.m.



Courtesy photo

Forsan's Jahniah Willard (second from right) placed third in the Class A 148-pound division at the THSWPA state powerlifting meet

Forsan standout claims 3rd at THSWPA state meet

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Jahniah Willard etched her name deep into the Forsan High School powerlifting history books recently with an impressive outing at the Texas High School Women's

Powerlifting Association's state meet March 14.

Willard finished third in the final standings in the Class A 148-pound division.

Her three-lift total was 680 pounds, including 275 pounds in the squat, 125 in

the bench press and 280 in the deadlift.

Ozona's Nicole Higgins won the 148-pound title with a total of 860 pounds. Forsan powerlifting coach Tommy Thompson said he was pleased with Willard's effort at the meet.

Cowboys agree to deal with former Bears DT

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have agreed to terms with Henry Melton, the third defensive lineman to join them in free agency since the release of franchise sacks leader DeMarcus Ware.

A person with knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press that the team was working on final details of the contract Tuesday. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because an agreement had not been announced.

Melton missed most of last season with Chicago after tearing a ligament in his left knee against Pittsburgh on Sept.

22. He will be reunited with former Bears defensive coordinator Rod Marinelli, who now has the same title in Dallas.

The fifth-year player was a high school running back in the Dallas area before becoming a defensive tackle with the Texas Longhorns.

The 27-year-old Melton has 15½ sacks and 63 tackles in 48 career games, including 32 starts. The Bears drafted him in 2009.

The Cowboys released Ware just as free agency opened. Defensive tackle Jason Hatcher signed with Washington after leading the team last season.

BSHS girls to run in Stephenville

Due to a late cancellation, the Big Spring High School Lady Steers found themselves scrambling for a track meet for next week. They found a good one.

Big Spring was to have competed in the Merkel

Relays on March 27, but was forced to fill the spot when MISD officials cancelled the event.

To fill the open date, Big Spring entered the Optimist Relays, which will be held on March 29 in Stephenville.

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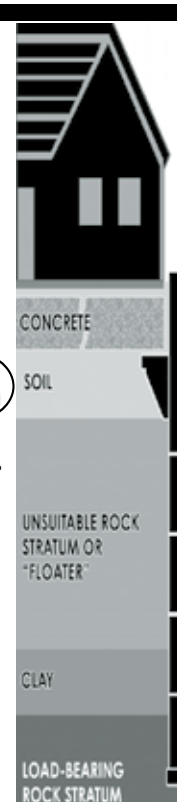
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Last Day of Winter

Tomorrow the sun moves into the springtime sign of Aries (or if you are in the Southern hemisphere, the autumn sign of Aries) with a promise of new development. This is the ideal time to clear a space for fresh excitement, projects and relationships. The most welcoming space will be both emotional and physical.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Nice people tend to eat what they are served. You are nice, but you're too aware of your appetites to unconsciously swallow whatever life dishes up. This is true both metaphorically and actually.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Those who don't know that there's a system in place will have a really hard time working that system. Realizing this, you will take the time to be savvy about how things work.

GEMINI (May 21-June



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21). Be careful of what you declare. Chances are, it will be an impulsive and half-baked declaration that you won't want people to remind you of five years from now. You're better off doing this: Walk it; don't talk it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You feel glad for what others post on social media, write in books and share in emails, while simultaneously having no desire whatsoever to contribute to those media just now.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your climb in an organization will be slow and steady. So stop measuring; you'll only be discouraged. Just trust that if you continue in this way you will one day find yourself at the top.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). After you make a few sacrifices, you can't help but feel that it's your turn to be on the receiving end of things. But if you are engaged in a relationship with a narcissist, good luck with that. Seek out the givers.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Life gets easier because you loosen up your rules of friendship. It would be extreme to oust someone just because he or she doesn't pay the proper attention to the relationship.

Instead, adjust the person's role in your mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You don't have to feel tied to one way (or a handful of ways, for that matter) of being. When it comes to how to do you, there are a multitude of choices, so don't be self-limiting.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Those who were once dependent on you now show small signs of being independent. It's a source of pride, although you should be careful not to draw too much attention to it. That could get in the way of the process.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Just as retailers don't expect everyone who enters the store to buy, you should not expect to get a "yes" from every person who seems slightly interested in what you have to offer.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's like you're incapable of a selfish act lately. The thought of doing something exclusively for your own happiness simply doesn't occur to you -- although now that I bring it up, it might.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). New developments will open up your schedule. There finally will be time for you to get

involved with the project or person you've been dreaming about.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 19). A special teacher will offer you guidance and support, but it's you who will do all of the work necessary to lift off to the next level. In April, a clever plan breaks you out of a rut. You'll succeed in a brand-new environment in May. June shows you cashing in on your patience, maturity and experience. August brings a surprising twist. Libra and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 15, 3, 25, 1 and 7.

MOLEOMANCY SPECIAL: See the archives for information on birthmarks and moles on the arms, neck, shoulders and head. Continuing on down the body...

--Left Chest: A birthmark on the left side of the chest is a karmic indication of great heartache and/or physical energy in a past lifetime. Trust issues may be present in the person who possesses this mark, and he or she will wisely want people to prove themselves before any involvement, especially intimate, will occur.

--Right Chest: A birthmark on the right side of the chest indicates the spirit of a fighter who will battle on despite setbacks, wounds or personal hardship. This

is the type of person who "goes down with the ship."

--Left Upper Back: A birthmark in this area signifies a strong respect for justice and a deep desire to right the wrongs of the world.

--Right Upper Back: This birthmark indicates a tendency to take on extremely challenging endeavors and risk more than most people would dare to make them work. Precautionary measures, safety measures and plan B's might not seem appealing, but they are strongly advised for those with this birthmark.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: A little known fact about Pisces Bruce Willis is that he overcame the stutter he wrestled with for the first 20 years of his life before he rose to fame. The A-list movie star and producer was born when the sun and communication planet Mercury were in sensitive Pisces. His Saturn in Scorpio suggests great power through the integration of subconscious and conscious desires.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The Philosophy of Defense

North dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ Q 10
♥ K 8 5
♦ K 10
♣ K Q J 9 6 4

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

EAST
♠ A 4
♥ J 10 7 6
♦ A Q J 3
♣ 8 7 2

SOUTH
♠ K J 9 8 7 2
♥ A 9
♦ 8 6 4
♣ A 3

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♣ Pass 3 ♣ Pass
4 ♠

Opening lead — two of diamonds.

In the normal course of events, a player will be declarer in one deal out of four, dummy one deal out of four, and a defender two deals out of four, which means that a player is on defense twice as often as he is on offense. Despite this obvious fact of bridge life, the role of a defender does not receive anywhere near the attention it deserves. To defend well is surely as important as playing well

as declarer.

Consider this deal, which illustrates the kind of challenge a defender can encounter. South is in four spades, and West leads the deuce of diamonds. East wins dummy's king with the ace and must decide what to do next.

His proper return is the four of trumps, after which declarer must go down; with any other return, declarer gets home safely. Moreover, East should work out that the low trump return at trick two offers virtually the only chance to defeat the contract.

East should reason that West's deuce-of-diamonds lead, presumably fourth-best, marks declarer with three diamonds, all losers. East also knows from the bidding that South must have both missing aces as well as the king of spades. So it would be futile for him to play the ace and another spade to try to stop a diamond ruff in dummy. Indeed, declarer would make the rest of the tricks against that defense.

Only by maintaining control of the trump suit can East hope to stop the contract. He can't be absolutely certain that the low trump return will do the job, but he should conclude that it offers the only realistic chance to score three diamond tricks and put the contract down one.

Tomorrow: An elegant swindle.

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In Sunday's
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Money Matters

Money guru Dave Ramsey and daughter Rachel on the importance of raising financially savvy kids.

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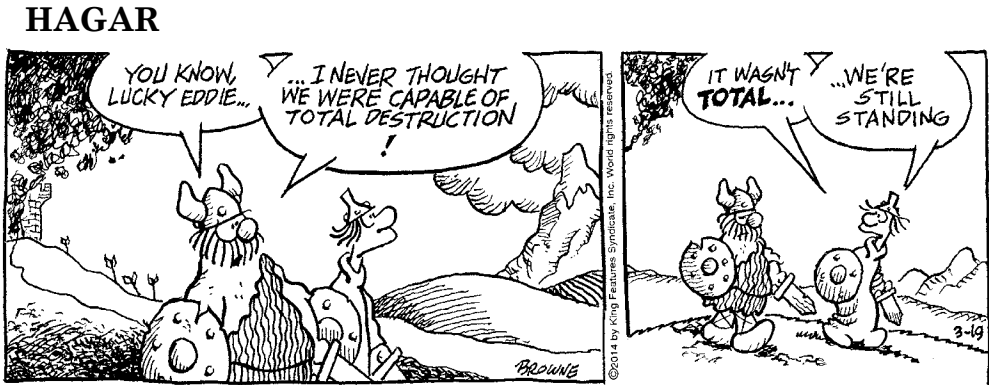
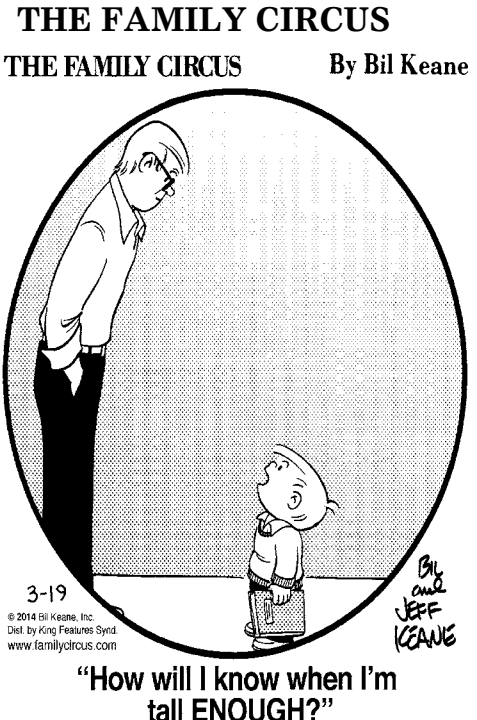
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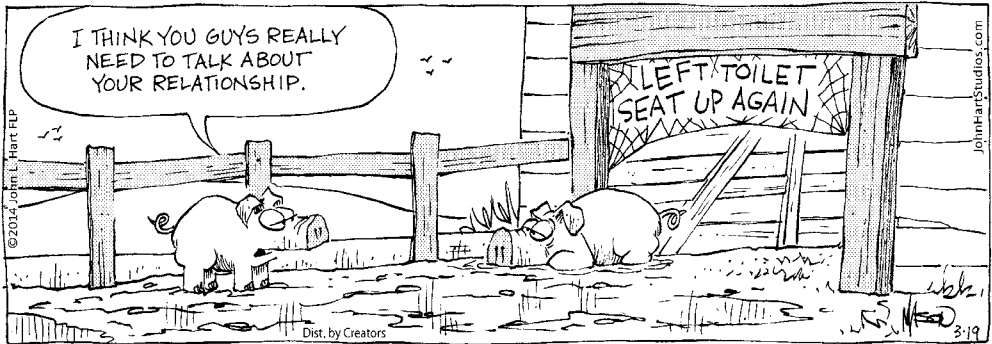
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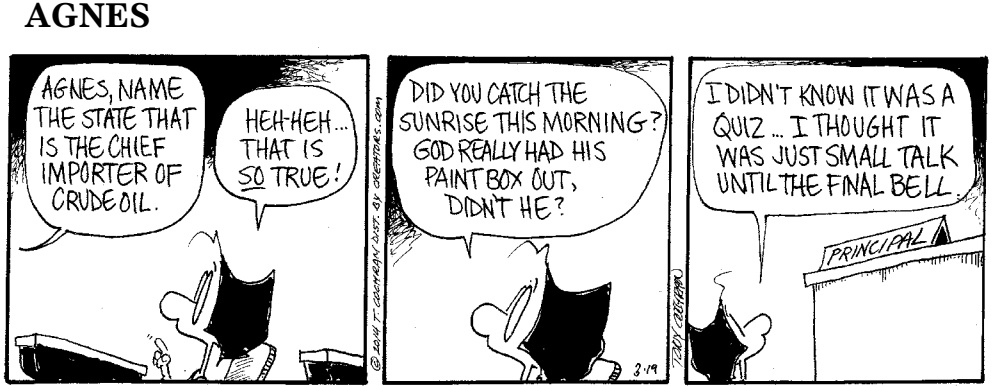
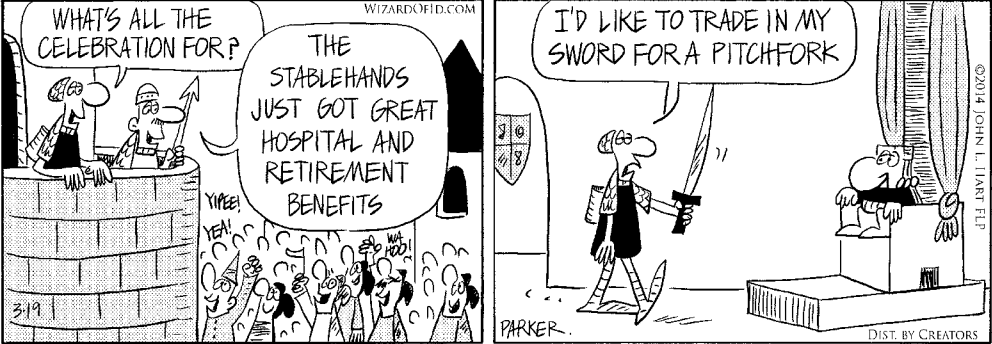
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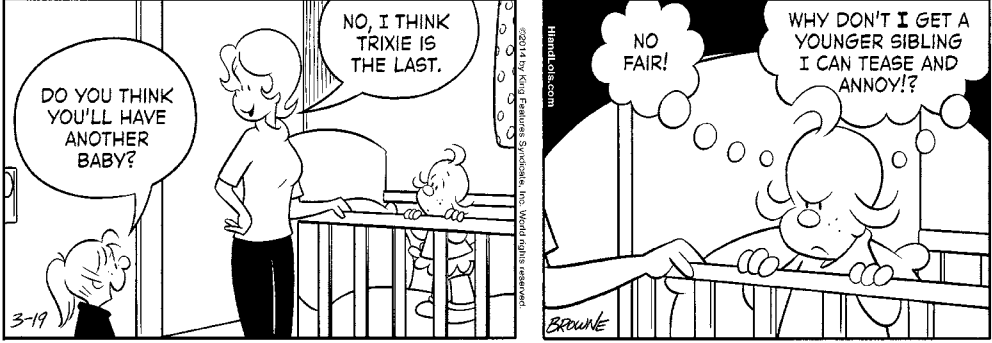
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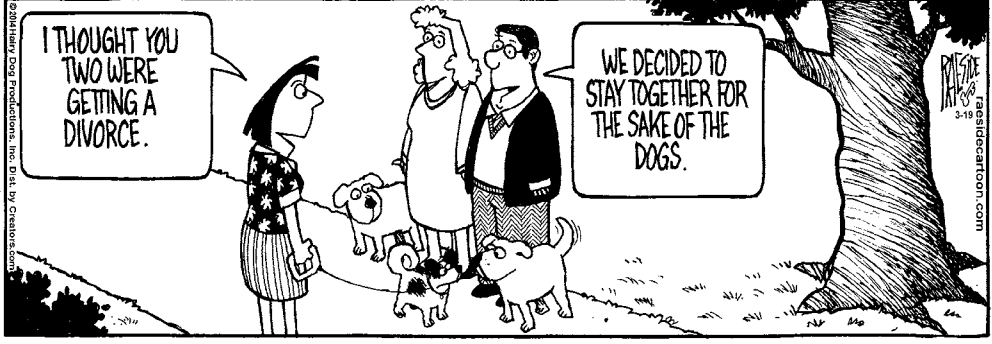
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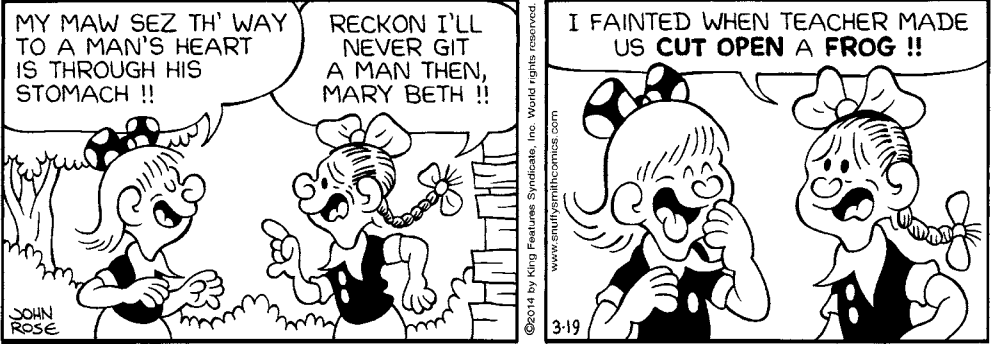
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On this date:

In 1687, French explorer Rene-Robert Cavellier, Sieur de La Salle -the first European to

navigate the length of the Mississippi River- was murdered by mutineers in present-day Texas.

In 1863, the Confederate cruiser Georgianna, on its maiden voyage, was scuttled off Charleston, S.C., to prevent it from falling into Union hands.

In 1918, Congress approved daylight saving time.

In 1920, the Senate rejected, for a second time, the Treaty of Versailles (vehr-SY') by a vote of 49 in favor, 35 against, falling short of the two-thirds majority needed for approval.

In 1931, Nevada Gov. Fred B. Balzar signed

a measure legalizing casino gambling.

In 1945, 724 people were killed when a Japanese dive bomber attacked the carrier USS Franklin off Japan; the ship, however, was saved. Adolf Hitler issued his so-called "Nero Decree," ordering the destruction of German facilities that could fall into Allied hands.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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1 A few		61 Trite		10 Low spirits, with "the"		36 Fly high
5 Intermission follower		62 Farm animals		11 Tibetan priest		38 Persian Gulf city
10 Expose a secret		63 Moccasin, for instance		12 Tel __		39 Regional animals
14 Part of Muffet's meal		64 "No bid"		13 Commanded		44 __ Jones
15 Nodded off		65 Moral misdeeds		21 Sopranos' challenge		45 Stones in crowns
16 Liquid rock				22 Clothing label		46 Manner
17 Actress Hathaway				25 Fire starter		47 Greedy guy
18 Angelic toppers				26 Can't stand		48 Boxing of myth
19 In the center of				27 Picture-hanger parts		49 "Nope"
20 Present getter's comment				28 Rt.-hand person		50 Go it alone
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25 Take charge of				31 Mexican donkey		53 Sgts. and cpls.
29 Sink stopper				32 Knight clothing		54 Fleet vehicle
31 59 Across flier				33 Typical promgoers		55 Fairly matched
34 Embarrass						56 Hideaways

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NCAA tourney fever strikes New Mexico

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — For the third year in a row, New Mexico and New Mexico State are headed to the NCAA men's basketball tournament.

But after two straight early exits, fans say this year they are being more restrained. Fans say they don't want to get their hopes up.

The seventh-seeded New Mexico (27-6) is scheduled Friday to

take on 10th seed Stanford (21-12) in the South Region in St. Louis.

Meanwhile, the 13th-seeded New Mexico State (26-9) will face No. 4 seed San Diego State (29-4) on Thursday in Spokane, Wash.

Still, fans from Las Cruces to Albuquerque are pulling out their jerseys, setting up viewing parties and hitting social media to discuss their chances.

CGA sets scramble for March 23

The Chicano Gold Association will be holding a 4-man scramble at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Sign-ups will be held from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. A shotgun start will be held at 10 a.m.

Entry fee is \$25. Mulligans are available for \$5.

Spring Bash set for March 21-23

The Jester's First Annual Spring Bash Rag Ball Tournament will be held on March 21-23 in Big Spring.

Registration for the

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The top three places will receive T-shirts.

The three-day tournament will be played at the Comanche Trail-Park field.

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Boling was 7th in the 242-pound division with a total lift of 1,180 pounds. He posted a season's best mark of 480 in the squat.

Schneider placed 11th in the 220-pound bracket, while Williams was 10th in the region as an alternate with a 1,055 total.

Martinez finished third in the region in the 148-pound class and just missed a berth in the state meet. He attempted a personal-best of 440 pounds on his last attempt in the deadlift in an effort to qualify for state but narrowly missed the lift.

BSHS coach John Wright said he was pleased with the team's overall performance at the regional meet, including the efforts by his seniors. Their hard work helped pave the way for the Steers' success, he said.

"Many thanks to our senior power lifters for a great season to remember and great leadership," Wright said. "They will be missed next year."

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