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It's a strike....



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Bauer Head Start student Bianca Mendoza, 4, gets ready to bowl, one of the several activities students participated in last week at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Veterans Home. Head Start is partnering with the veteran's home for the "Adopt a Grandparent" program. All last week, the students visited residents for the first time. Next, residents will visit the students at the Bauer school for story time. The program will last through the school year.

Weekend Shooting

Herald Staff Report

No more information about a shooting on the north side of town has been released.

According to CBS 7, Big Spring officers responded to a shooting that occurred in the 600 block of North Main St. The television station reported one person sustained injuries and was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Efforts to reach Big Spring Police officials for further information about the incident at press time were unsuccessful.

Love is in the air

Guest performer Elizabeth Aokia to play in Big Spring Symphony's February concert



ELIZABETH AOKI

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra will present its third concert of the 2014-2015 series, "Winter Love," on Feb. 7.

Close to Valentine's Day, the orchestra will perform works about love and romance.

Also featured will be 12-year old violin prodigy Elizabeth Aoki. She has performed in numerous concerts and has played for world leaders. She has been a soloist at Lincoln Center.

At the age of 6 she was the youngest prizewinner in a young artist concerto competition. She began her musical training at the age of 5 at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music and now studies at the Juilliard School.

She will perform Paganini's Violin Concerto No. 1 with the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra.

Maestro John Giordana will be the guest conductor. The repertoire will include the Romeo & Juliet Fantasy Overture by Tchaikovsky, Oblivion by Piazzola and Carmen Suite No. 1 by Bizet.

Tickets for the concert are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors. All students are admitted free. An adult must accompany children.

Because of the renovation at the Municipal Auditorium, the concert will be in the First Baptist Church sanctuary at 7:30 Feb. 7. Tickets can be purchased at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Blum's Jewelry, the Heritage Museum, the Big Spring Visitor's Center and HEB.

TEDC president to speak at EDC meeting on Tuesday

Herald Staff Report

Carlton Schwab, President/CEO of the Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC), will give a presentation at the next Big Spring Economic Development board of directors meeting Tuesday night.

According to the TEDC website, Schwab has been the president of TEDC since 1999. Prior to that, he was the director of the development at the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas in Austin. Also during his career, he served as a



CARLTON SCHWAB

director with Deloitte Touche offices in Austin and Chicago, specializing in corporate site location analysis and economic development strategic planning.

He also spent time working in economic development on the local level.

Schwab earned his master's degree from the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin, and a bachelor's degree from Austin College, in Sherman, Texas.

Community leaders from Big Spring, Coahoma and surrounding areas are expected to attend the meeting.

EDC board members meet at 5:15 p.m. on Tuesday in the Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, which is located at 215 W. Third St.

Gas prices continue to fall



HERALD photos/Lyndel Moody



According to gasbuddy.com, gasoline prices in Howard County currently range from \$1.95 per gallon to \$2.02. Sunday, a gas station in Big Spring located on Wasson Road was advertising gas at \$1.959 per gallon while a Sterling City station also advertised gas at the same price. However, on the same day, a San Angelo station located on Chadbourne St. and Highway 208 sold gas at \$1.87 per gallon, left.

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Eda Faye Schaaf



Eda Faye Schaaf died Wednesday Jan. 14, 2015, at Midland Memorial Hospital. She was born May 21, 1962, to Richard and Mary Sayers in Big Spring, Texas. She lived all her life in Big Spring. She was preceded in death by both parents.

She is survived by her children Robert Schaaf I I I (Trey) and Nina Schaaf both of Florida. Her brother Richard (Richie) Sayers of Alaska; sisters, Kay Davis of California, Mary Churchwell and Alice Broughton both of Texas. As well as many nieces, great nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

The family will have a private memorial at a later time.

John Melvin Weaver



Graveside services for John Melvin Weaver were held Monday, Jan. 19, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. at Hancock Cemetery with Kurt Borden officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith," II Timothy 4:7

John joined our heavenly father early morning, on Jan. 16, 2015, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

John Melvin Weaver was born Oct. 25, 1935 in a small farmhouse in a community created by his great-grandparents Aaron and Catherine Hancock. Initially John attended Hancock community school, establishing friendships with the same five friends that he attended school through high school. His final resting place, at Hancock cemetery, will be less than half a mile from where he was born.

Always a hard worker, John attended Lamesa High school and then went on to graduate from Texas Tech University in 1957 with a degree in petroleum engineering with high honors. After graduation, John went to work for Texaco, Inc and continued his career there for 35 years with progressively responsible leadership positions.

A leader of men, teacher and mentor, some of John's favorite roles were as a husband and father. He also found time to share his talents; coaching Little League baseball and Pee Wee football, leading a boy scout troop for years mentoring many young men, serving as deacon in multiple churches and even drove the church bus on Sunday mornings. Most recently John Weaver attended First United Methodist Church in Midland, Texas.

John married his high school sweetheart, Lexeen Woodul, in 1955 spending 59 years of friendship and adventure with the love of his life, even up to the last day of his life. Everything that John did, he did with talent and passion. He was famous for his fish stories and love of homemade ice cream. Along with fishing and hunting, his passion was truly his family and he passed the love of the outdoors to his children along with the love of adventure in his heart passed down through the generations.

John is preceded in death by his parents Minnie Ganell and William Webb Weaver and his brother Robert Weaver.

Survived by his wife of 59 years, Lexeen, and four children, Janae and Tad Hall, Dana and Ralph Johnson, Eric and Connie Weaver, and Vance and Charla Weaver; grandchildren, Taren Mandeville, Jonathan Hall, Steven Weaver, Kross Weaver, Dawson Weaver and Lexa and Julie Johnson; and five great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Manor Park, 2208, N. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX, 79707, or Midland Chapter Society of Petroleum Engineers Scholarship Fund. To send condolences online, please visit www.branonfuneralhome.com.

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Thomas Hardy Romine



Thomas Hardy Romine, 84, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015, at his residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rick Cunningham, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral

Home.

Thomas was born Jan. 16, 1931, in Dawson County, Texas. He was a hard working rancher and cotton farmer in the West Texas area for the majority of his life. He traveled thousands of miles all over the country pursuing his passion for calf and team roping at rodeos.

Thomas was drafted into the United States Army during the Korean Conflict, and when he was honorably discharged he began working at the Reynolds Cattle Company, where he met his wife, Lucille. They married Sept. 5, 1954. in Clayton, N.M. They had two sons, Tommy Lynn Romine and Larry Romine.

Thomas passed on his legacy of farming, ranching and rodeo down to them with Larry still farming in Martin County. He always was willing to teach his children and grandchildren the key and most important points of what hard work and dedication meant, because that was what was required to make a living doing what he did. Thomas was a God fearing man, and led his life in such a way to show it. He was baptized at the age of 67 years old. Being a man of few words, when Thomas spoke, you listened, because what he said was usually needed and meant to be said.

He is survived by one son, Larry Romine and wife, Vietia of Stanton; three grandchildren, Orin Romine and wife, Jennifer, Sheila Romine and Rachel Romine all of Stanton; one great-grandchild, Kelton Romine; and two brothers, Hershel Romine and wife, Lou Ellen of Gravette, Ark., and Gary Romine and wife, Christy of Big Spring. He is also survived Carol Ann Gonzales, Kenny Casbeer, Romelia Flores and Fabian Ontiveros, who took care of him and became part of the family.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucille; his parents, John Thomas Romine and Myrtle Hudson Romine; a son, Lynn Romine; and a brother, Jacky Romine.

Pallbearers will be Gary Romine, Larry Eaton, Jacky Romine, Orin Romine, Clinton Senn and Bill Romine.

The family suggests memorials to the Cherokee Home for Children, P. O. Box 295, Cherokee, Texas 76832.

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

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Leonard "Byrd" Jones

Leonard "Byrd" Jones, 71, died Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Leon W. Cavin

Leon W. Cavin, 86, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2015, at Lamun Lusk Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Elizabeth Wheat

Elizabeth Wheat, 84, of Big Spring, died Sunday, January 18, 2015, in a local hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Opal Jean Baker

Opal Jean Baker, 71, of Big Spring, died Saturday, January 17, 2015, in a Stanton hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Rev. Floyd Green, Sr.

The Rev. Floyd Green, Sr., 96, of Big Spring, died Sunday, January 18, 2015, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Bonnie Hyden

Bonnie Hyden, 88, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2015, at Laredo Medical Center in Laredo. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 1/18	Mon 1/19	Tue 1/20	Wed 1/21	Thu 1/22
66/37 Mainly sunny. High 66F. Winds SW at 10 to 20 mph.	71/39 Sunshine. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the upper 30s.	60/35 Mainly sunny. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	57/35 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the mid 30s.	42/30 Mix of rain and snow showers. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the low 30s.
Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 6:06 PM	Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 6:07 PM	Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 6:08 PM	Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 6:09 PM	Sunrise: 7:45 AM Sunset: 6:10 PM

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
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Amarillo	66	35	windy	Livingston	63	40	sunny
Austin	66	41	pt sunny	Longview	63	40	sunny
Beaumont	63	39	mst sunny	Lubbock	65	31	windy
Brownsville	64	50	cloudy	Lufkin	66	40	sunny
Brownwood	65	39	sunny	Midland	65	38	sunny
Corpus Christi	64	48	pt sunny	Raymondville	67	48	cloudy
Corsicana	64	41	sunny	Rosenberg	63	40	pt sunny
Dallas	65	43	sunny	San Antonio	65	40	pt sunny
Del Rio	65	42	pt sunny	San Marcos	65	41	pt sunny
El Paso	63	35	sunny	Sulphur Springs	63	42	sunny
Fort Stockton	67	43	sunny	Sweetwater	66	42	sunny
Gainesville	64	39	sunny	Tyler	63	41	sunny
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National average closes in on \$1.99/gal

Special to the Herald

From Another week, another decline in the national average, according to GasBuddy data. Gasoline prices fell an average of 6 cents per gallon in the last week, while diesel prices skidded 10 cents per gallon. A gallon of gasoline averaged \$2.052/gal while diesel yielded an average \$2.898/gal.

This comes as oil prices last week saw some volatility, rising several dollars a barrel on multiple days, while losing similar amounts the other part of the time. There are signs that perhaps the lowest oil prices are

now behind us, and that the national average may level off in the next few weeks.

Biggest weekly drops in gasoline prices:

- Connecticut, down 13.2c/gal
- Wyoming, down 12.8c/gal
- New Jersey, down 12.1c/gal
- Rhode Island, down 11.9c/gal
- Utah, down 11.9c/gal
- Vermont, down 11.8c/gal

Biggest weekly drops in diesel prices:

- Maine, down 13.6c/gal
- Ohio, down 13c/gal
- Oregon, down 12.6c/gal
- South Dakota, down 12.4c/gal

- Washington, down 12.4c/gal
- New Mexico, down 12.3c/gal

With markets closed today in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, there will be no traditional trading. However, over the weekend, oil prices did give some ground in limited electronic trading, showing that oil continues to be weak.

GasBuddy still believes the national average will breach the \$2/gal mark, an event that could happen as soon as this weekend.

As of today, 57.1 percent (over 77,000) of U.S. gas stations were charging under \$2/gal, while just 1 in 5 stations

were over \$2.25/gal. Meanwhile, almost 10,000 stations are under \$1.75/gal. The bigger story now seems to be diesel: a month ago some 88 percent of stations were over \$3/gal while today the percentage has dropped to just 23.4 percent.

Motorists along the East Coast and in the Northeast will likely continue to see gasoline price drops outpace the rest of the country as more expensive Brent crude oil continues to move lower and allow for refineries to pass along savings to motorists there.

Read more at blog.gasbuddy.com.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- TREYCEE LYNN FAIRMAN, 34, of 1410 S. Lancaster St. was arrested on a charge of possession of a dangerous drug.
- AMELIA C. COLINS, 41, of 1604 Benton St. was arrested on a warrant for parent contributing to nonattendance.
- ALVIN KENT

MCCURLEY, 58, of 1304 Colby Avenue was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass-property/building/aircraft/vehicle.

- COLTON JON SPECK, 22, of 800 W. Marcy 11 was arrested on a charge of disregard stop sign and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- MICHAEL LEE LOPEZ, 27, of 411 N. Scurry was arrested on

a warrant for bail jumping/failure to appear and driving while license invalid.

- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 4200 block of Parkway Drive.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Road.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1800 block of Wasson Drive.

Take Note

- Mitchell County Senior Citizen's Dance is set for Jan. 22 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Colorado City Civic Center, 157 West Second St, Colorado City, Texas. Admission charge is \$5 per person. Live music will be provided by Mike Porter and Kevin Rainwater.

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

- Scenic Mountain Medical Center will host a public forums on re-enrollment to the Health Insurance Marketplace. Representatives will be on hand to answer any questions you might have and to set up appointments for enrollment. The event will be at the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club on Jan. 20 at 6 p.m. and is free to attend and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided. For more information or to RSVP, call Amanda Duforat at 268-4699.

- Reservations are being taken for transportation to the Howard County Day in Austin. The one-day event is meant to highlight the economic importance of Howard County to Texas law makers. Howard County Day in Austin is set for Feb. 10, 2015. Reservations are now being taken for a seat on a bus leaving from the Dorothy Garret Coliseum to attend the event. The charge is \$40 per person and the deadline to register for a seat is Feb. 2. For more information, contact Teresa Darden at the Big Spring Economic Development at 264-6032.

- A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids - Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K

began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. Find us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids

- Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Thursday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 270-7263.

- The Cross Roads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

- Crossroads Hospice is looking for volunteers. Come and be part of our team. Contact Eva at 432-263-5300.

- 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. Cost is \$8 per person.

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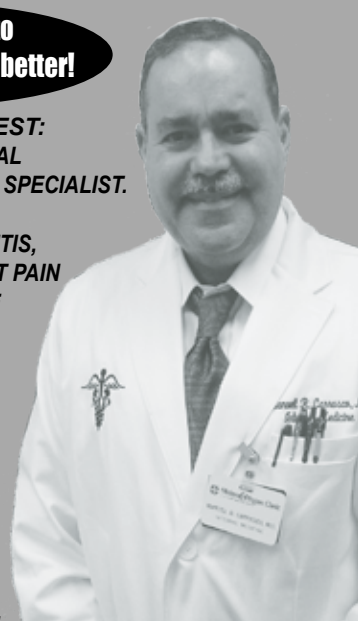
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- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and

caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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

9 p.m.

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.

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Zadie Winters, 86, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

William "Bill" Thompson, 75, died Saturday, January 10, 2015. Visitation, Vigil and Mass will be January 24, 2015

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Should the U.N. Declare a Palestinian State?

Palestinians have asked the U.N. for statehood recognition, but would this really lead to an Israeli-Palestinian peace—or to a viable Palestinian state?

In 1947, the United Nations proposed independent states for Arabs and Jews, but the Arabs rejected this plan. Since then, Israel has made many offers of land for peace and a Palestinian state, all of which the Arabs rejected. In 2013, Arab Palestinians again walked out of peace talks and instead recently approached the U.N. to recognize their state. But can the U.N. dictate an Israeli-Palestinian peace . . . or create a Palestinian state?

What are the facts?

Over the past 66 years, since Israel's formation, the Palestinians have had numerous opportunities to create a sovereign state. Following Israel's repulsion of three invading Arab armies in 1967, the Jewish state offered to negotiate peace with the Arabs and to return land captured during that war. The Arabs rejected this overture with their famous Khartoum Resolution: "No peace with Israel, no recognition of Israel and no negotiations with it." Decades

later, during U.S.-sponsored peace negotiations with the Palestinians in 2000, 2001 and 2008, Israel offered the Palestinians most of its ancient Jewish lands, Judea and Samaria (the West Bank), plus Gaza, plus a capital in Jerusalem for their state, but the Palestinians rejected each of these offers. At the heart of the Palestinians' refusal to accept a lasting peace is their steadfast rejection of the demand that they accept Israel as a Jewish state.

Would it bring peace if the U.N. were to unilaterally recognize a Palestinian state? A peace accord between Israel and the Palestinians must resolve many thorny issues for both sides. What should the borders of a new Palestinian state be, since no borders ever existed? How should the nations share Jerusalem? How can Israel be assured of security in light of existential threats from the Palestinian terror group, Hamas, which insists that Israel must be destroyed, as well as from terrorists such as the Islamic State and al Qaeda, both based in nearby Syria? If Israel relinquishes the territories it controls, what guarantees does it have that the Palestinians will finally accept its existence—and not continue the six-decade Arab effort to obliterate the Jewish state? Unfortunately, a recent poll shows that a 60% majority of Palestinians still believe their goal should be to conquer all of Israel, from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean Sea. Surely a U.N. resolution

recognizing a Palestinian state cannot possibly address, let alone resolve these issues. Rather, Israel and the Palestinians must continue the arduous path to peace—and to a Palestinian state—that can be achieved only through negotiations.

Would U.N. recognition lead to a secure and viable Palestinian state? Palestinian institutions are currently so weak that it's doubtful their state could survive on its own. Despite tens of billions of dollars donated primarily by the

U.S. and European nations to aid the Palestinians, their economy is in shambles, with few viable industries and a crumbling infrastructure. Indeed, without continued international aid of more than a

billion dollars annually, the economy would likely collapse. In addition, the Palestinian political system is dysfunctional, riven by corruption and in-fighting verging on civil war. Because the Palestinians have held no elections since 2005, President Mahmoud Abbas is now in his tenth year of a four-year term. According to a 2013 European Union audit, some \$2.7 billion in international aid to the Palestinians is unaccounted for, believed to have been siphoned off to corrupt leaders within Abbas' ruling Fatah party. Billions more aid dollars have been diverted to help Hamas build rockets and tunnels used to attack Israeli civilians. Finally, continued violent disputes between Fatah in the West Bank and Hamas in Gaza make their "unity government" incapable of governance. In fact, most analysts believe that if Israel were to withdraw its security forces from the West Bank, Hamas would quickly seize control there, too, turning the Palestinian territories into another terrorist state. In short, no decree by the United Nations can give the Palestinians the strength and stability necessary to manage the rigorous, high-stakes demands of statehood.

A unilateral U.N. declaration of Palestinian statehood cannot resolve the fundamental disagreements between Israel and its Arab neighbors, especially the requirement that the Palestinians accept the Jewish state. In addition, such a U.N. resolution will not address the disarray and instability within Palestinian society that makes statehood functionally unrealistic at this time. Perhaps most importantly, a U.N. declaration would only encourage Palestinians to believe that negotiations with Israel are unnecessary to reach their goals—that they can achieve statehood without resolving the tough issues that have to date made it elusive. Thus the U.S. and other U.N. Security Council members must continue to vote against and, if necessary, veto attempts by the Palestinians to avoid good-faith peace talks with Israel.

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Lady Hawks to host Victoria College tonight

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Howard College Lady Hawks will return to action this evening with a mission. They would like to end a lengthy slump.

The Lady Hawks will make their latest attempt at ending a five-game losing streak this

afternoon when they square off against the Victoria College Lady Pirates in a non-conference game in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The teams are scheduled to tip off at 5:30 p.m.

Howard College enters the contest sporting a 5-14 record, and having dropped 11 of its last 12

games.

The good news for the Lady Hawks is they will be facing a Victoria College Lady Pirates program they have already beaten once this season. Howard College defeated Victoria by a 61-53 margin on Oct. 31.

The Lady Hawks are led into the contest by

Bria McCullough and Rosemary Rits. A 5-foot-2 freshman from Cleburne, McCullough is averaging a team-high 8.8 points per game this season.

Rits is averaging 7.7 points per contest.

Tamara York paces the HC defense with 8.4 rebounds per contest.

The Howard College men will also be back in action this evening. The Hawks will continue their trip through the first round of Western Junior College Athletic Conference with a trip to Roswell to face off against New Mexico Military Institute. The game will tip off at 7:30

p.m.

The Hawks, 14-4 overall, enter the contest as the WJCAC's only unbeaten squad, sporting a perfect 5-0 mark on conference play following a win over No. 10-ranked Odessa last Thursday.

NNMI enters the game at 8-7 for the year and 2-3 in WJCAC Play.

Seattle to face Patriots for NFL championship

By OWARD FENDRICH

AP Pro Football Writer

For Russell Wilson's Seattle Seahawks to become the first team in a decade to win consecutive Super Bowls, they'll have to beat the most recent group to do it, Tom Brady's New England Patriots.

In an enticing matchup pitting the defending champions against the dominant NFL franchise of the 2000s, the NFC's Seahawks (14-4) will face the AFC's Patriots (14-4) in the title game at Glendale, Arizona, in two weeks.

New England reached its eighth Super Bowl, equalling the Dallas Cowboys and Pittsburgh Steelers for most in league history. It's the sixth time quarterback Brady and coach Bill Belichick made it in the past 14 years; they won trophies after the 2001, 2003 and 2004 seasons.

But they lost in their past two appearances, after the 2007 and 2011 seasons, both times against Eli Manning and the New York Giants.

Some Las Vegas sports books had the Seahawks

— heading to the franchise's third Super Bowl — as 1-point favorites, while others made the game a pick 'em.

A year ago, Seattle beat Peyton Manning and the Denver Broncos 43-8 in the big game. In nearly a half-century of Super Bowls — this will be the 49th — there's never been so long a stretch without a repeat champion.

But with coach Pete Carroll, Belichick's predecessor with the Patriots, and general manager John Schneider in charge, Seattle has the makings of a dynasty, thanks to cool-as-can-be Wilson, cornerback Richard Sherman and the first defense since the 1985-86 Chicago Bears to give up the fewest points and fewest yards two seasons in a row.

Among the on-field story lines that will be discussed and dissected from now until Feb. 1:

— how Seattle's defense will try to control Brady, impossible-to-tackle tight end Rob Gronkowski and the rest of New England's versatile offense;

— whether Sherman, who has an interception in both of Seattle's playoff games this season, is OK after injuring his left elbow late Sunday;

— whether Wilson and his unheralded receivers, shut down for most of Sunday, will be able to bounce back against noted defensive mind Belichick and New England's own shutdown cornerback, Darrelle Revis, and former Seahawks defensive back Brandon Browner;

— what wrinkles might Belichick and Carroll and their staffs dream up.

Wilson set aside four interceptions and a 16-point deficit to lead the Seahawks past the Green Bay Packers 28-22 in overtime in the NFC championship game Sunday, Seattle's eighth straight victory. No team had ever won a conference title game after trailing by more than 15 points until Wilson helped produce two touchdowns in a 44-second span late in the fourth quarter, then threw a 35-yard TD pass to Jermaine Kearse on the first drive of OT.

Manning to miss Pro Bowl with injury

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — As Peyton Manning ponders his football future, he's concluded one thing: He won't play in the Pro Bowl next weekend in Glendale, Arizona.

Manning said his right

thigh injury hasn't gotten much better in the week since the Denver Broncos were bounced from the playoffs by Indianapolis.

The five-time NFL MVP extended his QB record with his 14th Pro Bowl selection this season, tying

center Bruce Matthews and tight end Tony Gonzalez for the most in NFL history.

"I'm disappointed that I'm just not healthy enough this year to be part of it," Manning stated.

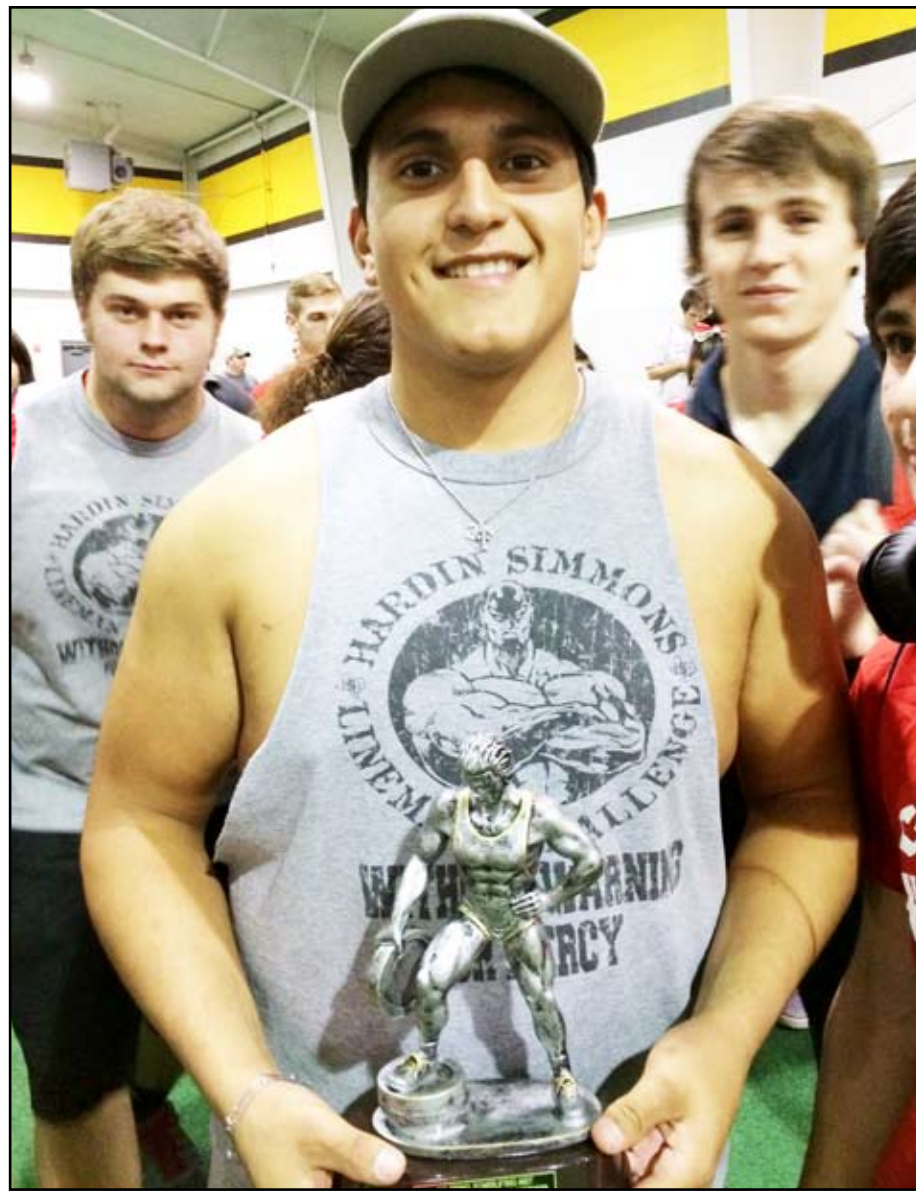
BSJHS teams move MC games to Tues.

The Big Spring Junior High School boys' seventh and eighth grade teams will have to wait a little longer to play their next games.

BSISD officials announced late last week that the Steers' games against Midland Christian have been rescheduled for Tuesday, begin-

ning at 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

The games had originally been scheduled for tonight.



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Coahoma's Joe Melendez displays the trophy he won for being named the top lifter at the Big Spring Powerlifting meet last week.

Melendez wins top lifter honors at BS Invitational

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Joe Melendez made sure everyone knows he will be a major player on the powerlifting scene this season rather quickly this season.

Like at the first meet.

Melendez earned the Best Lifter honors last weekend at the 2015 Big Spring Powerlifting Championships. The Coahoma High School standout won the boys' 220-pound weight class with a combined lift of 1,400 pounds.

During the meet, he posted lifts of 550 in the Squat and Deadlift events, and summed up 300 in the Bench.

Zak Walton also earned a first-place finish. He won the 242-pound

division with a total of 1,400.

Walton lifted 550 in the Squat, and registered 375 and 475, respectively, in the Bench and Deadlift events.

Callum Hurst and Tyler McFall also placed in the meet for Coahoma. Hurst was third in the 123-pound division, while McFall was fifth.

Kelsey Garza and Ashlet Grimsley highlighted the Bulldogettes' efforts as both finished third in their divisions. Grimsley was third in the 105-pound division with a total of 310, while Grimsley was third in the 123-pound division with a mark of 265.

Ashley Ferguson was fourth in the 132-pound bracket, while Brooke Martin was fifth.

Scoreboard

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♣ 10 5				♣ 9 6 4	

WEST

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

SOUTH

♦ Q 5 4 3 2	
♥ K Q J	
♦ K	
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The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	3 ♦
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
4 ♣			

Opening lead — four of diamonds.

Barry Crane was best known to the general public for his role in producing, directing and writing such popular television shows as "Mission: Impossible" and "Mannix" in the 1960s, '70s and '80s.

In the bridge world, however, Crane was a standout for a different reason. For many years after his untimely death in 1985, he still headed the American Contract Bridge League's all-time master

point list, having accumulated 35,084 points in his lifetime.

Crane was declarer in this deal played in the Vanderbilt Team Championship. West led a diamond to his partner's ace, and East returned a diamond, ruffed by Crane.

It would be very easy to go down in four spades. All declarer need do is to make the natural-looking play of a low spade toward the jack, and he is sure to lose three trump tricks as well as the diamond already lost. But Crane accomplished his mission quite easily when, at trick three, he led the queen of spades rather than a low one!

This singular thrust rendered the defense helpless. It did not matter whether East or West won the trick; in either case the defenders could not score more than two trump tricks.

Crane based his queen-of-spades play on the reasonable assumption that East — who was known to hold a long diamond suit — had the doubleton ace or king of trumps, and the queen lead was specifically directed toward that possibility.

In the actual case, East took the queen with the ace and returned a club. Crane went up with the ace, led another trump toward the J-7, and the battle was over. He later discarded two clubs on dummy's hearts to bring the contract home.

Tomorrow: Keep your eye on the ball.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

yourself for what you did right so far. For starters, you've been courageous and true to yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Playing makes you feel lighter. Being overwhelmed with too much work and pressure makes you feel heavier. Knowing this, what can you throw over the edge of the boat to keep yourself buoyant?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). While you can predict many people in your life, a certain relationship is full of surprises. New information could be interpreted many different ways and your first assumption may not be correct.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If it doesn't feel right to you, it's not right. Regardless of what the others are doing, your own conscience is the best guide. Follow its suggestions and you'll enjoy life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There is something to be gained from the practice

of listening to people who do not believe what you believe. You might not particularly like it, but you will learn and grow from the experience anyway.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You give credit where it's due -- and sometimes where it's not -- but you'd rather err on the side of generosity. Continue to expect the best from your loved ones and they'll impress you with their efforts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Reel in your inclination to help others improve. Instead, focus your excellent ideas on yourself. And if you feel a bit unsure what to do next, that's a good thing -- certainty is overrated.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Physical relaxation leads to an easy mind. So let those shoulders descend from their upright and locked positions. Your job becomes less stressful when you trust others to do theirs.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll be the funny one

in your group without even trying. You can't help but to call things as you see them, and it just so happens that you deliver your wit with perfect comic timing.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 19). It takes courage to challenge your own beliefs, and that's exactly what will free you and renew your spirit. You'll fit into a new group and have much to contribute there in February. This leads singles to find love, while couples relate with more playfulness due to the outside influence. May brings a diploma. Scorpio and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 16, 9, 40, 22 and 17.

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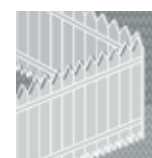
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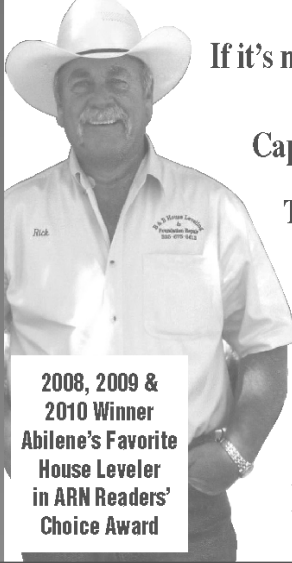
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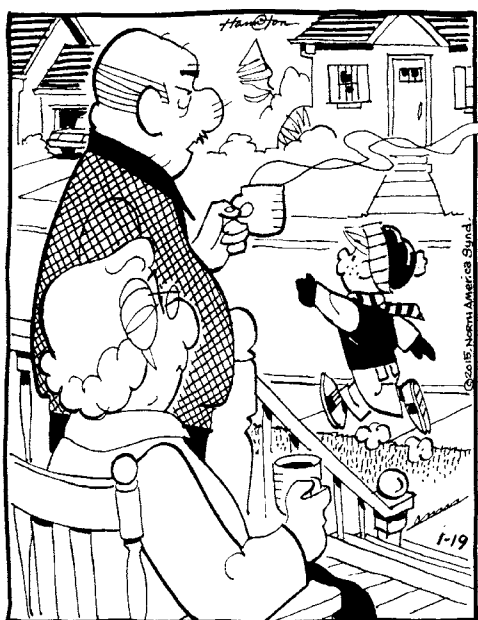
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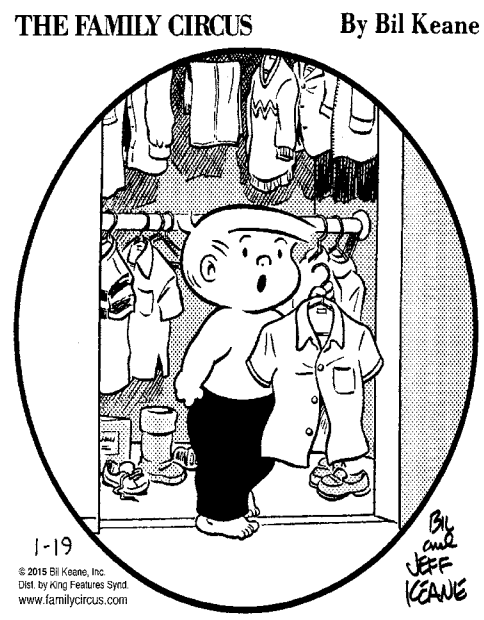
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"IMAGINE ALL THAT ENERGY, AND NO CAFFEINE."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



"Wow! You're right, Mommy! I DID find it hangin' in my closet."

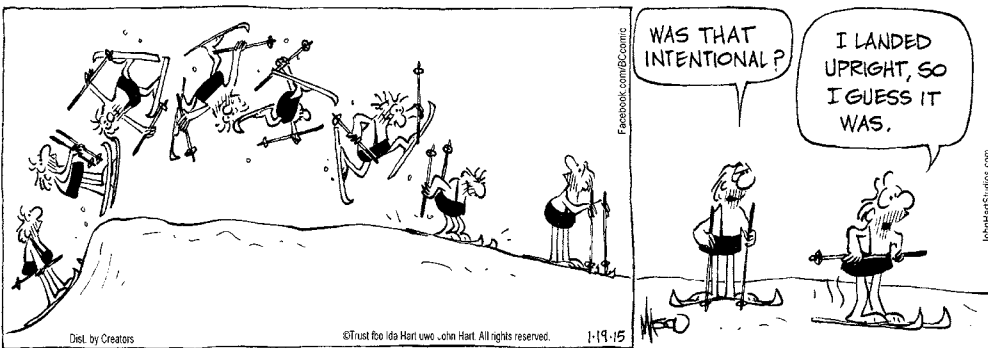
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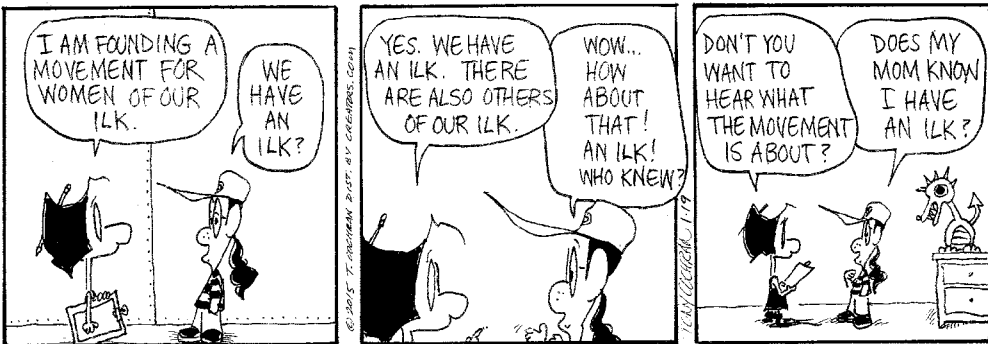
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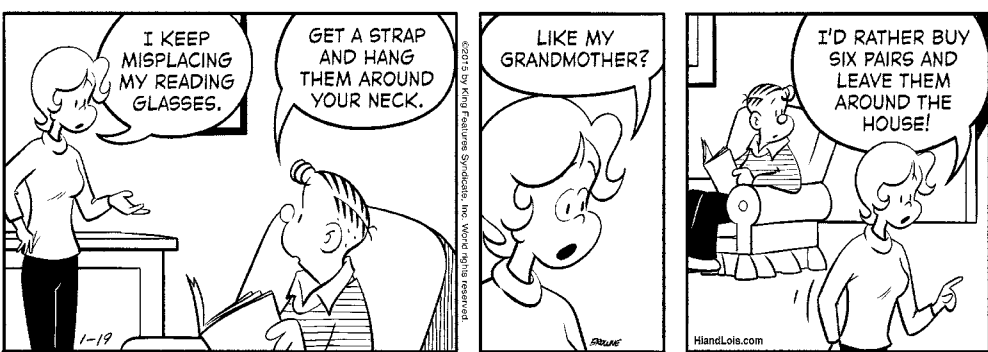
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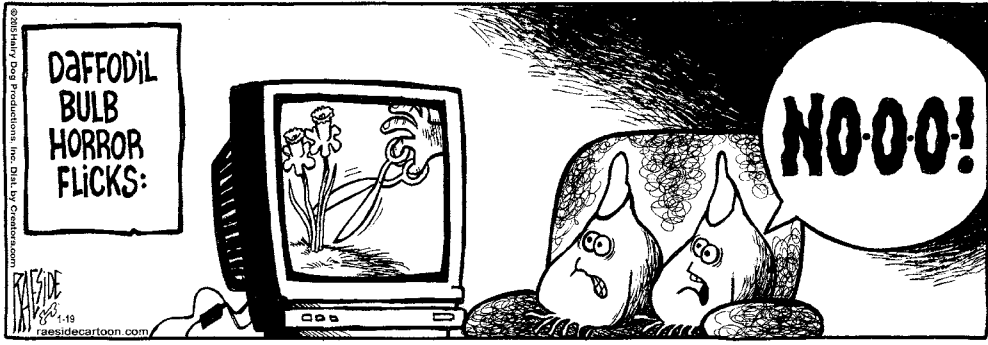
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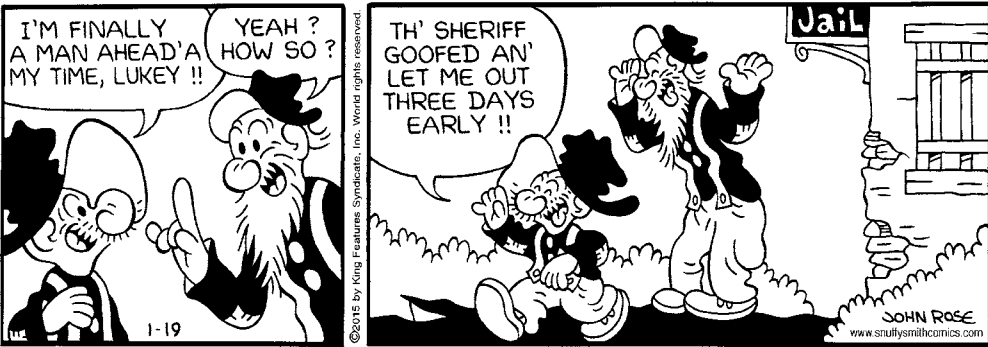
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Jan. 19, the 19th day of 2015. There are 346 days left in the year. This is the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 19, 1915, Germany carried out its first air raid on Britain during World War I as a pair of Zeppelins dropped bombs onto Great Yarmouth and King's Lynn in England. On this date: In 1807, Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee was born in Westmoreland County, Virginia. In 1853, Giuseppe Verdi's opera "Il Trovatore" premiered in Rome. In 1861, Georgia became the fifth state to secede from the Union. In 1937, millionaire Howard Hughes set a transcontinental air record by flying his monoplane from Los Angeles to Newark, New Jersey, in 7 hours, 28 minutes and 25 seconds. In 1942, during World War II, Japan invaded Burma (Myanmar). In 1944, the federal government relinquished control of the nation's railroads to their owners following settlement of a wage dispute. In 1955, a presidential news conference was filmed for television

and newsreels for the first time, with the permission of President Dwight D. Eisenhower. In 1966, Indira Gandhi was elected prime minister of India. In 1970, President Richard M. Nixon nominated G. Harold Carswell to the Supreme Court; however, the nomination was defeated because of controversy over Carswell's past racial views.

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Answer to previous puzzle

FILMS	GARP	MARE
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BRONTE	GAMBIT	
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	STOMPS	BETSEY
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TRASH	ROSE	ROSE
EVIL	SCOT	OBESSE
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ACROSS

1 Minor quarrel
5 Sis' sibling
8 Group of students
13 Fast-food beverage
14 Isn't truthful
15 New person on the payroll
16 Pub beverages
17 Word-of-mouth
18 "That is to say..."
19 The Beatles or the Beach Boys
22 Luau necklace
23 Letters after kays
24 Lead or zinc
28 Opinion piece
31 Not working today
34 Banish
35 "Absolutely!"
36 Author Edgar Allan ____
37 Musical group with violins, cellos, etc.
42 Exist
43 Yale student
44 Standing straight
45 Feeling mopey
46 Four-door car
48 Takes the bus
49 Small-size batteries
50 Three, on a sundial
52 Small classical-music coffeehouse order
61 Coffeehouse order
62 Baking appliance
63 Desertlike
64 Knight's suit
65 Vegetarian's no-no

66 Pushed, as a doorbell
67 Mexican coins
68 Elbow's location
69 Leg's middle joint

DOWN

1 Lasting impression
2 Sport on horseback
3 Baldwin of 30 Rock
4 Chore
5 One under par, on a golf hole
6 Raise, as a child
7 Capital of Norway
8 Rather cold
9 Tree branches
10 Region
11 Connery or Combs

12 Drop into the mailbox
14 Unaccompanied
20 Director Woody ____
21 Dog's restraint
24 Western plateaus
25 Something additional
26 Ready for a nap
27 Boxer Muhammad ____
29 Where Damascus is capital
30 Part of a minute: Abbr.
31 Chose, with "for"
32 The "F" in USAF
33 Notable accomplishments
38 Honking birds

39 Outdated
40 Spine-tingling
41 ____ Lanka
46 Cavalry swords
47 Hr. when many businesses open
49 Response to "Are not!"
51 "Say it ____ so!"
52 Applaud
53 Rabbit relative
54 24-hr. cash sources
55 Italy's capital, to Italians
56 Hardly ____ (rarely)
57 Grade on an exam
58 High-fiber cereal
59 End of the ____ (last stop)
60 Outer boundary

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