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Obama readies bailout road map



President Barack Obama speaks prior to signing an executive order dealing with the Middle Class Working Families Taskforce in Washington.

By PHILIP ELLIOTT
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama on Saturday promised to lower mortgage costs, offer job-creating loans for small businesses, get credit flowing and rein in free-spending executives as he readies a new road map for spending billions from the second installment of the financial rescue plan.

The White House is deciding how to structure the remaining half of the \$700 billion that Congress approved last year to save financial institutions and lenders. An announcement was possible as early as this coming week on an approach that would use a range of tools to unfreeze credit, helping families and businesses.

At the end of a week that saw hundreds of thousands of people lose their jobs, Obama also used his Saturday radio and Internet address to tell that nation that "no one bill, no matter how comprehensive, can cure what ails our economy."

During the final three months of 2008, the economy recorded its worst downhill slide in a quarter-century, stumbling backward at a 3.8 percent pace, the government reported Friday. It could get worse.

Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner is trying to finish a plan to overhaul the bailout program begun in the Bush administration. Geithner has said the administration is considering using a government-run "bad

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Members of the Knights of Columbus salute as the American flag is raised Saturday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Dalton.

Vatican flag now flies in Dalton

By CHARLES OLIVER
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With hands over their hearts, about 50 people watched the flags of the United States and the Vatican erected at Dalton's St. Joseph's Catholic Church Saturday.

"Those two flags represent probably the two most important things besides our families. Our country, which is probably the greatest country in the world, and our faith," said church member Mark Fidler. "Those flags are symbols, and when you look at them, think about what those symbols really mean."

Fidler explained that the Vatican's flag shows the Vatican City coat of arms, which consists of the papal tiara and gold and silver keys representing the keys to heaven. The Bible says that Jesus gave those keys to St. Peter, who is regarded as the church's first pope.

"It's probably the first time the Vatican flag has flown in Whitfield County or North Georgia," said Fidler.

The Knights of Columbus, a



The flag of Vatican City flies along side the American flag at Dalton's St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Church members hoisted the flag at a ceremony Saturday at the church off Haig Mill Road.

fraternal service organization, and the St. Joseph's Fest Committee raised money for the flags.

"The Knights of Columbus are dedicated to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. We are here for the church," said Larry Cooper, one of about a dozen four-degree Knights from across Northwest Georgia who provided an honor guard for the ceremony.

VANISHING LANDMARKS

Chief Vann Motel part of bygone era

By MARK MILLICAN
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CHATSWORTH — It wasn't the first motel in town during the 1950s, but it was the only one that had a neon sign with an American Indian's arm beckoning weary motorists off the road.

Torn down in late January, the Chief Vann Motel was a landmark on U.S. Highway 411 — once the primary route to Florida through north Georgia — before the national interstate system was developed in the late 1950s and 1960s.

The namesake Chief Vann House in Spring Place is one of the premier American Indian historic sites in the Southeast. Early in the 19th century, James Vann, the son of a Scottish trader, and his Cherokee wife built the house and a 200-acre plantation along the Old Federal Road. The house fell into disrepair, but a 12-year restoration project by local preservationists was finished in 1963.

Ravaged by fire on a couple of occasions through its 50-year history, the Chief Vann Motel finally fell to demolition in late January. The city worked with the Martha Young estate to demolish the building after the latest fire around three years ago left it uninhabitable, said Mayor Tyson Haynes. The cost of the demolition was \$2,475 to the estate.

"We were able to salvage \$375 worth of steel, and that went into the city's coffers," he said. "All of the bedding material that was still good was donated to Providence Ministries. We did borrow a couple of trucks from the county to haul it off."

Donald Bradley, whose father W.C. Bradley built the hotel around 1955, said his father owned the



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All that remains at the site of the Chief Vann Motel is its old sign. Years ago the Indian's hand "waved" motorists in by use of animated neon.

hotel "for 15 to 20 years" and had his late brother, Cecil Bradley, serve as manager.

"It was a booming business in its day before I-75 was built," said Bradley. "A lot of salespeople stayed there on a regular basis, and in the summer when the tourists came down from Ohio on the way to Florida it was about the halfway point. When I drove by there and saw where it was gone it brought back a lot of memories from that time. It had the first swimming pool among the local motels and hotels, and also the first animated neon sign."

Murray County historian Tim Howard said some of the early inns along Highway 411 were The Pines, Fort View Motel, The Colonial Pines, National Motor Court and The Adco Motel, which is still in existence.

Hannah Carter remembers her

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The old Chief Vann Motel on U.S. Highway 411 South was once flanked by Kin's Restaurant. This photo was taken around 1958.

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TODAY'S FORUM

Editor's note: Please keep your comments as brief as possible. Get to the point! If you include a name, please spell it. Call 706-272-7748 to comment.

"If the trade center is losing money every year they need to padlock the doors and sell it."

"I missed the forums for about three days. Now I don't know half of what's going on."

"Rush Limbaugh says shocking things because he needs ratings. Think of him as a political Howard Stern."

"Rush is a true American and cares deeply about the American people. People should listen to what he says, not how he says it."

"The trade center's loss of \$900,000 in one year tells the taxpayer that it needs to be shut down."

"Thanks for making the Forum more sophisticated and appealing to better educated people."

"I didn't vote for him, but how is Obama killing babies overseas?"

"I agree with the person who said we need to fund a low cost spay and neuter clinic."

"Another good read from Brian Anderson. When he writes for The Daily Citizen it's as good as a college lecturer, and it's free."

"So much for working together. The Republicans are back to the same old stuff. Not one person voted for that bill but they wasted all that money for eight years."

"Eton City Council needs to get the Eton post office a new paint job. It's a real eyesore."

"The city and county are laying people off because they are strapped for money yet they pay a million dollars for that trade center. It doesn't make sense."

"It doesn't matter where you were born, we're all the same. If you prick us, we will bleed."

"Being bald does not make a person a gang member. My son has been shaving his head since 1993 and he's a successful businessman today ... as well as Howie Mandel."

"Are we headed back to \$4 a gallon gas. If OPEC can cut back production, the American consumer can cut consumption."

"This the sweetie pie liberal who wants to cancel his paper. You need to get a life and get your head out of the sand."

"Rush Limbaugh is a poison to this country. Get him out."

"I think many of the Today's Forum respondents think the Earth is flat."

"Glad to see one of Miss Brochu's flunkies calling in to the Forum."

"I have seen prisoners picking up dead animals and trash on Airport Road all the way to the county line. They do a good job."

"Why did we not keep the three men who abused the dog in jail and let them pick up dead animals on the road?"

"I am not surprised Judge Adams let the three men out of jail. I've had trouble with him before."

"It really bothers me that those three men got out of jail. A \$10,000 bond is a joke. They should be in jail for 50 years."

Editor's note: Reasonable bail is legal right for all Americans.

"Rush Limbaugh is the reason George Bush is hated and John McCain didn't get elected."

"Jesus tells us that we should treat the hungry, the homeless, the stranger, the sick and the prisoner as though we were treating him the same way. He also says love your enemy. Many people who call the Forum and call themselves Christians are not following the words of our Lord and savior."

"I would definitely vote for a temporary tax to fund a low-cost spay and neuter clinic and a full time no-kill shelter. Spay and neuter are especially needed around here."

"How can anyone think abortion is OK? You can feel the baby move, feel its heart-beat?"

"To the editor: If we quit watching and reading lies, we would not be watching or reading anything and that would put you out of a job."

Editor's note: Huh?

"Wouldn't birth control pills be a lot cheaper than abortion?"

"I would love to hear a good debate between Rush Limbaugh and Al Sharpton."

"Was the comment about people being under 40 related to age or IQ?"

"What do you call those of us who are Irish, German, Indian and Scandanavian? Are we just mutts?"

Call 706-272-7748 to make a comment.

SPRUCING UP TREE PARK



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Mel Ottinger, left, and city of Dalton arborist and landscape foreman Kris Thomas place mulch around trees at the Otis Cook Tree Park in Dalton Saturday. The Dalton Tree Board gathered at the park off Underwood for a cleanup day. Thomas says there are 127 species of trees in the park.

Key decision remains on Tomb of Unknowns

The battle over the fate of the Tomb of the Unknowns is heating up as a decision by the Army approaches about what to do with America's most sacred monument.

The Army says it will make its call in February on whether to repair Arlington National Cemetery's iconic tomb, which has sprouted cracks and other evidence of deterioration, or replace it with a replica.

The service and the cemetery staff have argued in favor of having a new tomb sculpted out of marble cut from the same vein in the same Colorado quarry used to create the current tomb 78

years ago. They argue that repairs, though less expensive now, would be more costly over time. (The Army pegged cosmetic fixes at under \$70,000, while a new monument would cost more than \$2 million.)

The National Trust for Historic Preservation — which sounded the alarm about the possible replacement last year and recruited a raft of concerned congressmen to intervene and order the Army to more fully study the options — says it is worried that Army and cemetery officials are determined to win the fight.

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NAME: Mollie Snyder
AGE: 13
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FAMILY: Mother, Kelly; father, Kent; sisters, Hannah and Annie Kate and Dalton Middle School varsity basketball
SCHOOL: Dalton Middle
PLAY: Act, sing, basketball, cheer, RBCC and the occasional croquet
SHE SAID: "It's on like Donkey Kong."

BRIEFS

Iraqi leaders praise elections

BAGHDAD — Passing through razor-wire cordons and police checkpoints, Iraqi voters Saturday took another step in the nation's quest for stability in provincial elections that were carried off without major violence but tarnished by claims of flaws and threats of challenges. Even before a single ballot was counted, Iraqi officials were basking in the successes — watching millions of voters wave the purple-tinted fingers that have become symbols of the country's hopes for a workable democracy. But election observers and others were examining a growing list of complaints, including claims that hundreds of people — perhaps more — were wrongly omitted from voting lists in areas across Iraq.

Kentucky triples Nat'l Guard call-up

MAYFIELD, Ky. — Gov. Steve Beshear called up his entire Army National Guard on Saturday, tripling his troops with his state still reeling from a deadly ice storm that knocked out power from the Midwest to the East Coast. More than half a million homes and businesses, most of them in Kentucky, remained without electricity from the Ozarks through Appalachia, though temperatures creeping into the 40s helped a swarm of utility workers make headway. Finding fuel — heating oil along with gas for cars and generators — was another struggle for those trying to tough it out at home, with hospitals and other essential services getting priority over members of the public. The addition of 3,000 soldiers and airmen makes 4,600 Guardsmen pressed into service. It's the largest call-up in Kentucky history, which Beshear called an appropriate response to a storm that cut power to more than 600,000 people, the state's largest outage on record.

Obama may pick GOP senator

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama appeared Saturday to be leaning toward appointing a third Republican to his Cabinet, a move that would place the fiscally conservative Sen. Judd Gregg at the head of the Commerce Department even though a liberal Democrat was initially tapped for the post. The appointment of the New Hampshire Republican — his family has close ties to the family of former President George W. Bush — also could bring the Senate closer to the 60-vote majority Democrats need to thwart Republicans seeking to filibuster legislation. However, there was no guarantee that New Hampshire's independent-minded governor would replace Gregg with a Democrat.

GOP governors back stimulus plan

NEW YORK — Most Republican governors have broken with their GOP colleagues in Congress and are pushing for passage of President Barack Obama's economic aid plan that would send billions to states for education, public works and health care. Their state treasuries drained by the financial crisis, governors would welcome the money from Capitol Hill, where GOP lawmakers are more skeptical of Obama's spending priorities. The 2008 GOP vice presidential nominee, Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, planned to meet in Washington this weekend with Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky and other senators to press for her state's share of the package. Florida Gov. Charlie Crist worked the phones last week with members of his state's congressional delegation, including House Republicans. Vermont Gov. Jim Douglas, the Republican vice chairman of the National Governors Association, planned to be in Washington on Monday to urge the Senate to approve the plan.



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There are as yet no plans for build on the site of the former Chief Vann Motel in Chatsworth.

Motel: Empty site

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1972. Aunt Nina Middleton managing the motel. "We'd go down to visit her when I was with my mother," she said. "One of my memories is of Aunt Nina going behind the maids and remaking the beds. None of us could make up a bed like Aunt Nina." Connie Winkler, the daughter of Martha Young, said her mother purchased the Chief Vann Motel around

1972. "My mother went shopping for groceries one day, and someone told her there was an auction downtown," she recalled. "She went and bid on it and won it on a fluke. But my family enjoyed going down there and spending time with my mother, and of course it had a swimming pool. It was her life for over 30 years." Winkler said her mother's estate has no plans for the property.

Obama: Creating new strategy

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bank" to buy up financial institutions' bad assets. But some officials now say that option is gone because of potential costs. Many ideas under consideration could end up costing hundreds of billions beyond the original price tag. Aides would not rule out the possibility that the administration would seek more than the \$350 billion already set aside. Obama said Geithner soon would announce a new strategy "for reviving our financial system that gets credit flowing to businesses and families. We'll help lower mortgage costs and extend loans to small businesses so they can create jobs. We'll ensure that CEOs are not draining funds that should be advancing our recovery." He said his administration "will insist on unprecedented transparency, rigorous oversight and clear accountability so taxpayers know how their money is being spent and whether it is achieving results." Obama's message, largely repackaged from a week of

White House statements, was as much for the country as it was for lawmakers: Pass the separate American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan or things are going to get worse. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., planned to discuss Obama's legislative agenda during a White House visit Monday evening, an administration official said. "Rarely in history has our country faced economic problems as devastating as this crisis," the president said. "Now is the time for those of us in Washington to live up to our responsibilities." Obama this past week won passage of a separate \$825 billion economic stimulus plan in the House without a single Republican vote. It now heads to the Senate, where Vice President Joe Biden predicts the measure will fare better among GOP lawmakers. Republicans pledged to work with Obama. But they cautioned against treating government spending like a "trillion-dollar Christmas list" and renewed their oppo-

sition to much in the bill. "A problem that started on Wall Street is reaching deeper and deeper into Main Street. And the president is counting on members of Congress to come together in a spirit of bipartisanship to act," Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., said in the GOP radio address. "Unfortunately, the plan that Democrats in Congress put forward this week falls far short of the president's vision for a bill that creates jobs and puts us on a path to long-term economic health." Obama has signaled his willingness to compromise. His chief spokesman said the president hoped to "strengthen" the bill as it headed toward a Senate vote in the week ahead. Republicans said they hope the administration takes into account their wishes. "Every day brings more news of layoffs, home foreclosures and shuttered businesses," McConnell said. "And across the country, employers are cutting to the bone even at businesses that most Americans never thought were vulnerable."

Sculpture removed

BAGHDAD (AP) — The director of an Iraqi orphanage says a sculpture honoring an Iraqi journalist who threw his shoes at former President George W. Bush has been removed. Fatin al-Nassiri says Iraqi police told her the statue had to be removed from the orphanage in Tikrit because government property should not be used for something with a political bias. She says the sofa-sized statue of a shoe was taken down on Saturday after being unveiled on Thursday. Iraqi journalist Muntadhar al-Zeidi threw his shoes during a Dec. 14 news conference in Baghdad. Throwing shoes at someone is a sign of extreme contempt in Arab culture.

AREA ARRESTS

- Katie Lane Beavers, 18, 2790-H Old Grade Road, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute and possession of tools for the commission of crime.
- Zeshan Hussain Sheikh, 19, 1572 Margaret Circle, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, possession of tools for the commission of crime, DUI and failure to drive within a single lane.
- Jason Paul Rospert, 30, 3950 S. Dixie Highway Apt. 4, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with possession of less than 1 ounce of marijuana and probation violation.
- Billy Ray Sexton, 43, 132 Quarles Drive, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with theft by taking and probation violation.
- Kenneth Lamar Long, 50, 353 Old Federal Road South, Chatsworth, was charged Friday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with terroristic threats and acts, criminal trespass, carrying a concealed weapon, possession of a firearm or knife, fleeing or attempting to elude and DUI.
- Jeffrey Glenn Crowder, 36, 618B Carbondale Road, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with open container in vehicle, DUI, driving while license withdrawn, speeding, driving on the wrong side of the road, failure to stop for stop sign, fleeing or attempting to elude police officer, reckless driving, failure to drive within single lane, obstruction of an officer, possession of tools for the commission of crime, aggravated assault, aggravated assault on a peace officer and possession of methamphetamine.
- Gregory Devin Fowler, 22, 1436 Piedmont Drive, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Cohutta Police Department with possession of marijuana, possession with intent to distribute hydrocodone, possession of an opiate, probation violation, DUI, driving without a license, failure to drive within a single lane, driving too fast for conditions, leaving the scene of an accident, criminal damage to property — second degree, reckless driving, possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute, possession of methamphetamine, possession with intent to distribute oxycodone, possession of morphine, possession of tools for the commission of crime and possession of hydrocodone.
- Jose Avalos Lopez, 19, 523 Callahan Road, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with DUI and driving without a license.
- Richard Kermit Morrison, 26, 1309 Coogler Road, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with burglary.
- Craig Anthony Square, 42, 218 Southern Circle, Chatsworth, was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with DUI, driving while license withdrawn and failure to drive within a single lane.
- Ryan Adam Griggs, 18, 55 Dotson Drive, LaFayette, was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with driving while tag is suspended, no proof of insurance, open container in vehicle, DUI, expired tag or decal and sale of alcohol to a minor.
- James Patrick Owens, 23, 6749 Lynn Air Way, East Ridge, Tenn., was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with failure to drive within a single lane, open container in vehicle and DUI.
- Jeremy Lynn Prior, 509 Stone St., Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Eton Police Department with

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Looking for 2nd best

The late Steve Goodman teamed with the great John Prine to write a song called "You Never Even Called Me By My Name." It's more commonly known as the "The Greatest Country Western Song Ever," was a huge hit for David Allan Coe and has been sung/mangled by every roadhouse drunk in America.

It is an enormously popular sing-a-long. A sing-a-long is a song that people who can't sing a lick think they can sing, though they can't.

I put myself in this category.

Though I cannot sing, I love music. I can't carry a tune for three seconds, but I know when someone else can.

Now, for the point of this column.

I need your help.

I am attempting to determine the second greatest country song ever.

Second greatest?

No, God bless Goodman and Prine and Coe and all those million of sing-a-long drunks, but the greatest country song ever isn't that one, despite its title.

The best ever, as everyone who's ever tapped a toe to Johnny Cash can tell you, is "He Stopped Loving Her Today," by George Jones. No argument accepted.



Jimmy Espy

written and when performed by Jones at his best, it is devastating in its anguished simplicity.

Perfection.

So, with the top spot locked up, I am on a quest for the second best country song of all time.

Why? Why not?

It just seems like something that someone should do.

Call (706-272-7735), e-mail (jimmyspy@daltontitizen.com) or fax (706-275-6641) me your nominations. You can also call Today's Forum (706-272-7748) or zip over to my blog, espysoutpost@blogspot.com to leave your nominations.

Before you bother I will admit to being hugely prejudiced toward older songs written by people who look like they might have been beaten up a few times ... and

not by their big sisters.

For instance, a philandering Willie Nelson was once sewed up in his bedsheets by an ex-wife who took the opportunity to beat him with a broom handle.

That's the kind of life experience that leads to writing a great country song.

Merle Haggard spent time in San Quentin.

That's the kind of life experience that leads to writing a great country song.

Hank Williams had marital problems, a drinking problem, a pill problem and health problems.

That's the kind of life experience that leads to a writing a great country song.

Getting extra credit in my grading system are songs that include dead people/horses/dogs, bank robberies, bourbon, hookers and of course, love gone bad.

Bluegrass and mountain music are included in this competition and if you're not sure a favorite tune is country enough, toss it on the pile anyway and I'll try to keep an open mind.

Hope to hear from you soon.

Jimmy Espy is executive editor of The Daily Citizen.

A very bad plan

The Republicans in the U.S. House of Representatives and a handful of Democrats acted properly this week when they voted against President Barack Obama's stimulus package.

Their opposition was not enough to stop the \$825 billion plan in the House, but the show of backbone by the GOP was long overdue. More importantly, the lawmakers were right. The stimulus package is bad legislation and should be derailed.

President Obama was not amused by Republican recalcitrance and lamented the lack of "bipartisanship."

Phooey!

Bipartisanship is admirable only when the policy being supported is good policy. Lemming-like behavior on the part of Republicans in support of this bad legislation would have been insane on their part.

The proposal put forward by the White House is fundamentally flawed. The idea that we can simply spend our way out of a recession is wrong. The Obama plan is a gigantic shift of federal spending designed, however haphazardly, to reward the Democratic base (unions, radical environmentalists, etc.) and to fund as many new liberal spending programs as possible.

Its impact on the federal deficit and the debt of future generations will be frightening.

Whatever happened to those Democrats who were only a few months ago decrying the Bush Administration's deficit spending?

They were right ... then.

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LETTERS

Don't mistake role of animals to man

To the editor:

I read the Forum daily, and it is always interesting—so many points of view and varied opinions. But I would venture to say that no one has ever changed their point of view or their opinion simply because of a comment made in the Forum. Most people's minds are already made up, and they will refuse to be confused by the simple facts. It takes more than a single thoughtful observation — or a condemnation — to persuade people to change their minds. Accordingly, I would like to expand on some comments that have been generated by the current dog-eaters case — hopefully persuading some folks to take a more thoughtful view of that situation.

As I see it, there are two concerns involved. The first is the law itself. I do not know the fine points of the law. But when the government begins to decide what a person can kill and dress and put on his dinner table, then it is a law that needs to be changed. If it is not changed, then it should be enforced equally, and the entire USDA should be arrested for sanctioning this sort of thing to occur millions of times a day.

The second concern is those people who apparently seem to think the USDA should also be arrested. They seem to think that animals are on the same plane as human beings. They believe that we are partners with the animals, and that we owe them the same considerations that we do our fellow man. We all just need to be one big happy family and quit killing and eating each other — man and beast.

I agree with this thinking up to a point. It is fine and wonderful to love our pets and all animals in general. I love my dog, and take care of her. But in a strict sense, she is not "family." "Family" means human. She is not a human being, or anything close to a human being.

The men who decided to have their dog for dinner have been called perverts. Not just because of other things they might have done, but because they ate a dog. I cannot attest to anything else about these men, but I know for a fact that eating dog is not a perversion. The true perversion is in believing that it is. It is a perversion of the reason God put us all here together in the first place.

My argument for this assertion will have no credence for those who do not accept the authority of God's word, the Bible. They have other problems. But for those who do, I urge you to consider the central message of this blessed Book — Jesus Christ. He did not come to die on the cross to save animals from sin and death. Animals cannot sin. They are not made in God's image. Their spirit is not the same as man's spirit and man did not evolve from any animal. He is a special creation above and beyond what any animal ever was or ever can be.

It is sad the way we sometimes treat our animals, which were given to us for our use — whether it be for food, work or simple enjoyment — and we do have a responsibility toward them. But please, never confuse them or compare them with the life of a single human being for whom Christ died.

Maynard Preston Dalton

WORDS OF WISDOM

Bible verse: "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted."

Galatians 6:1

Thought for Today: "There is no such uncertainty as a sure thing."

Robert Burns
Scottish poet 1759-1796



Global warming now a bad joke

So-called "global warming" has shrunk from problem to punch line. And now, Leftists are laughing, too. It's hard not to chuckle at the idea of Earth boiling in a carbon cauldron when the news won't cooperate:

■ Nearly four inches of snow blanketed the United Arab Emirates' Jebel Jais region for just the second time in recorded history on January 24. Citizens were speechless. The local dialect has no word for snowfall.

■ Dutchmen on ice skates sped past windmills as canals in Holland froze in mid-January for the first time since 1997. Defense Minister Eimert van Middelkoop, who inhabits a renovated 17th Century windmill, stumbled on the ice and fractured his wrist.

■ January saw northern Minnesota's temperatures plunge to 38 below zero, forcing ski-resort closures. A Frazee, Minnesota dog-sled race was cancelled, due to excessive snow. Snow whitened Surf City, North Carolina's beaches. Days ago, ice glazed Florida's citrus groves.

■ As Earth faces global cooling, both troglodyte Right-wingers and lachrymose Left-wingers find Albert Gore's simmering-planet hypothesis increasingly hilarious:

■ "In terms of (global warming's) capacity to cause the human species harm, I don't think it makes it into the top 10," Dr. Robert Giegengack, former chairman of University of Pennsylvania's Earth and Environmental Sciences Department, told the Pennsylvania Gazette. Giegengack voted for Gore in 2000, and says he likely would again.

■ Commentator Harold Ambler declared Jan. 3 on HuffingtonPost.com that he voted for Barack Obama "for a thousand times a thousand reasons." He added that Gore "owes the world an



Deroy Murdock

apology for his actions regarding global warming." He called Gore's assertion that "the science is in" on this issue "the biggest whopper ever sold to the public in the history of mankind."

■ "Not only is it false that human activity has any significant effect on global warming or the weather in general, but for the record, global warming is over," retired Navy meteorologist Dr. Martin Hertzberg wrote on carbon-sense.com. The physical chemist and self-described "scientist and life-long liberal Democrat" added: "The average temperature of Earth's atmosphere has declined over the last 10 years. From the El Nino Year of 1998 until Jan. 2007, it dropped a quarter of a degree Celsius (0.45 degrees Fahrenheit). From Jan 2007 to the spring of 2008, it dropped a whopping three-quarters of a degree Celsius (1.35 degrees Fahrenheit). Those data further prove that the fear-mongering hysteria about human-caused global warming is completely unjustified and is totally counterproductive to our Nation's essential needs and security."

■ "It is a tribute to the scientific ignorance of politicians and journalists that they keep regurgitating the nonsense about human-caused global warming," veteran Left-wing commentator and Nation magazine columnist Alexander Cockburn wrote. "The greenhouse fear mongers rely on unverified, crudely oversimplified models to finger mankind's sinful contribution -- and carbon trafficking, just like the old

indulgences, is powered by guilt, credulity, cynicism, and greed."

Some Leftists believe the collective hallucination of warmism distracts from what they consider urgent progressive priorities:

■ "The most destructive force on the planet is power-driven financiers and profit-driven corporations and their cartels backed by military might," University of Ottawa physics professor Dr. Denis Rancourt has written. "The global warming myth is a red herring that contributes to hiding this truth."

■ Social historian Dr. David Noble of Canada's York University concurs. He has lamented that warmism is "diverting attention from the radical challenges of the global justice movements."

■ Geophysicist Dr. Claude Allegre, previously Education Minister in France's late 1990s Socialist government, denounced the "prophecy of doom of global warming." He sounded amused in a September 2006 L'Express article. "The ecology of helpless protesting has become a very lucrative business for some people."

"The so-called 'consensus' on man-made global warming is not holding up," Senator James Inhofe (R-Oklahoma) told his colleagues January 8. "It is becoming increasingly clear that skepticism about man-made global warming fear is not a partisan left vs. right issue."

So-called "global warming" has accomplished the impossible: It has united liberals and conservatives in laughter.

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Georgia Capitol Notes



By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Highlights from the week's legislative action.

Headlines:

Georgia homeowners got some good and bad news in a property tax bill that passed the state House of Representatives. The bill would fund a property tax break worth an average of \$200 to \$300 per household this year. But after that, the break could very well be history, meaning local governments will have to raise taxes or slash spending to make up for the lost cash. The House voted 117-55 to find \$428 million to pay for the Homeowner Tax Relief Grant. Gov. Sonny Perdue slashed the money from his fiscal year 2009 budget proposal to help close a \$2.2 billion shortfall. State lawmakers will have to find more budget cuts to pay for the tax break and they haven't identified yet where the money will come from. The state-funded relief would continue only if Georgia revenue grows by 3 percent plus the rate of inflation. In the near term that's unlikely in the recession-ravaged state.

Odds & ends:

House Republicans are proposing to shore up Georgia's fragile trauma care network with a new \$10 annual fee on each passenger vehicle. Rep. Austin Scott, R-Tifton, and Rep. Ron Stephens, R-Savannah, introduced the measure after showing a video on the House floor of the quick medical response to the Savannah sugar refinery blast that killed 14 people. A bipartisan group of Georgia lawmakers wants to slap a new fee on strip club

patrons to help fund rehabilitation programs for child prostitutes. The so-called "pole tax" would be between \$3 and \$5 for each customer at the 45 clubs around the state. The lawmakers also want to raise the minimum age for exotic dancers in Georgia from 18 to 21.

Rep. Ben Harbin, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, wants the HOPE grant to extend to the Georgia Military College. The school runs junior colleges in Atlanta, Augusta, Columbus, Madison, Milledgeville, Sandersville, Valdosta and Warner Robins.

Seventeen-year-old lawbreakers in Georgia would be treated as juveniles instead of adults under a proposal being pushed by a coalition of children's advocates. The change would mean that fewer teens would be prosecuted as adults. It faces an uphill fight in the Republican-led Legislature, which has moved in recent years to toughen criminal penalties.

A lawmaker who supports merging two historically black public colleges in Georgia with a pair of predominantly white schools nearby has introduced a resolution urging the Board of Regents to move ahead with his plan. Sen. Seth Harp says the merger would save money and erase a vestige of Jim Crow-era segregation.

Inspired by the ethics turmoil in Illinois, a veteran Georgia lawmaker says he'll introduce legislation to provide more transparency for campaign contributions from those with state contracts. Sen. George Hooks, an Americus Democrat, said his bill would require elected officials to disclose con-

tributions within two business days of receiving the cash.

House Republicans are proposing to shake up the way the Georgia Department of Transportation is run. The proposal would allow the governor, the lieutenant governor and the House speaker to appoint the five members of the board. The legislation, sponsored by Republican Rep. Steve Davis, would mark a significant departure from the current setup.

Spurred by the salmonella outbreak originating at a peanut processing plant in southwest Georgia, Sen. John Bulloch, R-Ochlocknee, introduced legislation to close a loophole in state law that doesn't require food processors to share their internal investigations with inspectors.

Georgia legislators unveiled a bill to shake up the bureaucracy that oversees health and social services programs. The restructuring was proposed by Gov. Sonny Perdue. Perdue wants social services and health programs now spread across two agencies to be reshuffled among three, including a new Department of Behavioral Health to handle mental health and addictive disease programs.

Quote of the week:

"People need to be held accountable and if there's a problem, we need to fix it" — Rep. Kevin Levitas, an Atlanta Democrat, referring to the gaps in peanut plant inspection reporting.

Days in session:

30 days remain in the 40-day session.

Look ahead:

Transportation is expected to take center stage in the coming week with the Senate set to vote on their regional sales tax plan to fund road and transit projects. The House will take the wraps off its own statewide plan to boost the sales tax by one penny to fund transportation.

AARP will help prepare income tax forms free

Free income tax preparation help by the AARP tax aide service will be available to taxpayers with low and middle incomes — with special attention to taxpayers 60 and older — beginning Monday at the Dalton-Whitfield Regional Library at 310 Capps St. Tax help will be available through April 14 on Mondays from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The deadline to file this year is April 15.

Volunteers trained and certified by the Internal Revenue Service will help in filling out your federal and Georgia tax returns. The service is confidential. Appointments are not necessary.

Taxpayers should bring:

- 2008 federal and

Georgia tax preparation booklets if available

- 2007 federal and Georgia tax returns

- Social Security cards for you and your dependents
- Forms W-2 from each employer

- Unemployment compensation statements (Form 1099-G)

- SSA 1099 forms (if receiving Social Security benefits)

- All Form 1099s showing interest and/or dividends/capital gains distributions and documents showing original cost of any sold assets

- Forms 1099-R (if receiving pension or disability payments or IRA distributions)

- Form 1099-Misc showing miscellaneous income

- All forms showing federal or state taxes withheld or

taxes paid by estimate

- Dependent/child care provider information including provider's name, address and identification or Social Security number

- If itemizing deductions, receipts and/or documentation to substantiate

- Receipt for real estate taxes paid in 2008 whether you itemize or not

- IRA Notice 1378 advising you of the amount of your economic stimulus payment. Your economic stimulus is not taxable, but the amount you received is needed to determine eligibility for the new Recovery Rebate Credit.

Taxpayers who because of low income are not required to file federal or Georgia tax returns may be eligible for a low-income credit or a refund from the state of Georgia.

Executive Pest ceases operating; new company takes customers

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Officials with Dalton's Executive Pest Services have agreed to give up its pest control license effective today for 24 months, according to a consent agreement provided by the Georgia Department of Agriculture. The company was assessed a penalty of \$8,000.

The agreement allows Executive Pest owner

Michael Moreland to register with another pest control company, provided he meets department requirements, and he says he has already done that.

"After 37 years in the business, I had a heart attack last year. All last year, I was just about out of work, and I had some problems with my license because I had employees who were working in the business who were

unregistered for a few weeks," said Moreland. "Three months ago, when this started, I formed a new company called Delete Pest Services. All my customers were rolled over to that. They all have new contracts. They all have new service agreements. I've already serviced every one of them. I'm in compliance now. Everything is fine, looking good, and I expect another 37 years."

NBC sells out Super Bowl ads for record \$206M

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — NBC said on the eve of Sunday's Super Bowl that it has sold the last two of the 69 advertising spots for the game, pushing total ad revenue for the event to a record \$206 million.

The network said its total of \$261 million in ad revenue for all of Super Bowl day also is a

record, calling it an especially impressive feat in the middle of the economy's steep downturn.

The Super Bowl is the premier advertising event with an U.S. audience of 100 million viewers, many of whom watch closely during game breaks for the debut of entertaining, big-budget commercials. The ads

have sold for between \$2.4 million and \$3 million per 30-second slot this year.

NBC said the ads featured during the game also will be available for viewing almost immediately after they air at Web sites including NBC.com, Hulu.com and Superbowl.com.

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Valley Point Elementary, 3798 S. Dixie Highway

Current score: 98
Current grade: A
Previous score: 98
Previous grade: A
Comments: Clean or replace ceiling tiles. Looks very good.

Fort Hill School, 104 Fort Hill

Current score: 97
Current grade: A
Previous score: 93
Previous grade: A
Comments: Chemical test strips required. Floor tiles need regrouting in some areas. Looks good.

Valley Point Middle, 3796 S. Dixie Highway

Current score: 96
Current grade: A
Previous score: 97
Previous grade: A
Comments: Clean fans. Clean walls. Trash can required by hand sink for paper towel waste. Fire extinguisher expired.

Northwest High School, 1651 Tunnel Hill-Varnell Road, Tunnel Hill

Current score: 96
Current grade: A
Previous score: 97
Previous grade: A
Comments: Sanitizer for damp cloths must be stored off floor. Wipe upper inside ledge of ice machine with sanitized cloth to remove any mildew or dust accumulation.

Blue Ridge Elementary, 100 Bogle St.

Current score: 95
Current grade: A
Previous score: 88
Previous grade: B
Comments: Pulper must be properly covered with tight fitting lids that are insect and rodent proof. Several gaps under cafeteria exterior doors.

Dalton State College, 213 College Drive

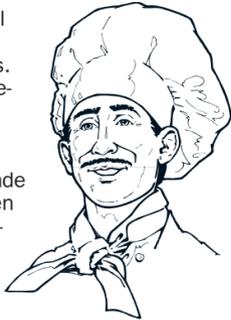
Current score: 94
Current grade: A
Previous score: 87
Previous grade: B
Comments: Employee drinks on top rack of walk-in cooler in bottle and can; must be in single-serve cup with lid and straw. Do not store over or next to food or food contact. Working hand sink required for front area; do not block. Plumbing in food prep sink is tight lined; air gaps required. Keep Dumpster lids closed.

Tacos Beto, 1009 Murray Ave.

Current score: 94
Current grade: A
Previous score: 93
Previous grade: A
Comments: Sanitizer in three-compartment sink too weak; must be between 50 and 100 ppm. Plumbing at vegetable prep sink and

Restaurant report card

Whitfield County Environmental Health conducts inspections of restaurants every three months. The inspectors may require a re-inspection. Restaurants are required by law to post their most recent inspection permit. The state now uses a letter grade for evaluations. The Daily Citizen lists areas where the establishments are out of compliance with the regulations.



three-compartment sink is tight lined; must have air gap. Repair broken floor tiles. Clean walls behind cook line. Need trash can by hand sink for paper towel waste.

McDonald's, 1210 Cleveland Highway

Current score: 94
Current grade: A
Previous score: 90
Previous grade: A
Comments: Do not hang clean utensils; must be protected from splashes, dust and contamination. Invert or wrap single-serve items. Replace torn gaskets. Door to ladies' room must be fully self-closing. Keep all outside waste containers covered. Replace broken base tiles. RegROUT tiles where needed. Segregate personal items. Missing end caps and light shield on storage building lights. Very good.

Iron Gate Pizzeria, 239-241 N. Hamilton St.

Current score: 92
Current grade: A
Previous score: 95
Previous grade: A
Comments: Date mark all potentially hazardous foods that is prepared in-house or prepackaged and opened properly with a maximum seven-day use by date. Repair hot water in kitchen. Covered trash can required in employee restroom; self-closing door required. Repaint floors. Clean walls.

Hickory Station, 3440 Cleveland Highway

Current score: 91
Current grade: A
Previous score: 98
Previous grade: A
Comments: Prepackaged potentially hazardous foods that have been opened must be properly date marked. Hair restraints required on all food handlers. Do not put air drying rack over food prep sink. Cracked floor tiles. Service Ansel system.

Little Caesar's Pizza, 1267 Cleveland Highway

Current score: 84
Current grade: B
Previous score: 93
Previous grade: A
Comments: Observed employee handling pizza toppings with bare hands.

Bare hand contact with ready-to-eat food is not permitted. Unlabeled chemical bottle. Do not stack containers up wet; must air dry first. Stack single-serve items 6 inches off floor. Three-compartment sink is tight lined; air gap required. Cover trash can in restroom. Do not put food or food contact items under bug zapper. Buttons missing in walk-in cooler.

Wendy's, 1140 Glenwood Ave.

Current score: 83
Current grade: B
Previous score: 89
Previous grade: B
Comments: Sliced cheese out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. Establishment doesn't have vegetable prep sink; vegetable prep sink required for washing fruits and vegetables. Must be stainless steel with air gap plumbing. Do not stack containers up wet; must air dry first. Do not use magnetic knife strips. Do not store cups and lids under bug zapper. Three-compartment sink is tight lined; must have air gap. Keep Dumpster lids closed. Clean up grease off ground. Replace missing or broken floor and base tiles. Seal new grout.

Shoney's, 1257 Cleveland Highway

Current score: 82
Current grade: B
Previous score: 90
Previous grade: A
Comments: Cottage cheese, bowtie pasta and macaroni salad out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. Fried chicken out of temperature; must hold hot at 135 degrees or above. For rapid cooling, use shallow pans. Do not stack containers, loose fitting lids, etc. Do not stack containers up wet; must air dry first. Replace torn cooler gaskets. Discard cracked containers and lids. Replace broken floor tiles.

HR certification prep program offered at DSC

SUBMITTED BY DALTON STATE COLLEGE

Dalton State College's Center for Continuing Education is offering Professional Human Resource Management Certification Preparation Program beginning Feb. 19 at the James E. Brown Center.

The program, developed by the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM), is ideally suited for new HR employees and those looking to advance within the HR profession, according to Pam Partain, director of Dalton State's Center for Continuing Education. Those who successfully complete the pro-

gram will be qualified to stand for the national certification exam which is offered in the spring.

"If you've been planning to earn the PHR or SPHR designation, then this intensive 10-week course can help you prepare for the HR certification exam," Partain said. "The program consists of the following seven functional areas defined by the human resources profession which include management practices; general employment practices; staffing; human resources development; compensation and benefits; employee and labor relations; health, safety and security."

Greg Batts is the instructor; he has more than 20

years of experience in the human resources field and is currently director of human resources for the city of Dalton. Batts earned his bachelor of science degree in psychology, and a master's degree in criminal justice, both from Eastern Kentucky University. In addition to teaching for SHRM, Batts has taught seminars in employee selection, performance intervention and human resources information system utilization.

Class will be from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday evenings Feb. 19 through April 30. The easiest way to register is online at www.daltonstate.edu (click on Professional Growth) or call (706) 272-4454.



Kelsey Mussaw, an eighth-grader at Gladden Middle School and a member of the Junior Beta Club led by Lisa Gribble and Jeanelle Hobbs, read to students in Karen Edwards' third-grade class at Spring Place Elementary recently. Standing, from left, are Karen Edwards, Kelsey Mussaw and Lisa Nix. Sitting are Christopher Barfield, Edwin Bautista, Lauren Caldwell, Jacob Chadwick, Daniela Cortez, McKinna Etheridge, Kayleigh Fincher, Justice Freeman, Alexys Gilbertson, Luiz Gutierrez, Taylor Jones, Cristina Perez, Kayleigh Pittman, Lina Ranquel, Cameron Sampley, Ana Trejo and Aram Valenciana. Not pictured are Mason Ward and Mackenzie Hughes.

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With most cameras these days, it's point and shoot. But when the camera is on the orbiting Hubble Space Telescope, selecting a subject is a bit trickier. NASA's doing a public poll to let people vote for 1 of 6 possibilities for the observatory to

study in depth in early April. Among the options are far-flung galaxies and dying stars. Vote at: <http://YouDecide.Hubblesite.org>. A space-shuttle mission to repair and upgrade the Hubble is set for mid-May.

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Tayla Gunn matches a candy kiss with a hidden number to the class number chart.



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Above, Sawyer Moore, Jacob Gentry, Hunter Frady and Danna Peinado pet surprise visitor "Lilly." At right, Kaden Runnels, Angel Perez, Jacob Hayes and Alex Torres stack canned pet food on a cart for the Humane Society. Above right, Jessica Vera and Alexis King count and make necklaces using 100 pieces of cereal.



Rita Burroughs from the Humane Society speaks with the kindergarten students at Dawnville.

Dawnville students mark 100th day of school

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The Dawnville Elementary kindergarten students recently celebrated the 100th day of school. Students were challenged to collect 100 cans of pet food to donate to the Humane Society of Northwest Georgia.

The students have been learning about animals in the kindergarten life science unit and school officials said this was a perfect community project to enhance both science and math concepts.

Rita Burroughs from the Humane Society spoke to the students about what the Humane Society does in the area. The students enjoyed a

surprise visit from "Lilly," an English bulldog.

Activities included sorting the cans by type; counting cans by ones, fives and tens; making necklaces using 100 pieces of cereal; matching hidden numbers to a number chart and making the numeral "100" using one pretzel stick and two dough-

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On the first row from left, are Chris Dale, Kelsey Mussaw and Diane Tyner, media specialist; second row, Maria Bradley, principal; Johnathon Arnold, Tyler Presley, Josh Cole and Chuck Piatt, assistant principal.

Gladden students 'go for gold' in reading

SUBMITTED BY GLADDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

To encourage reading, Diane Tyner, the media specialist at Gladden Middle School, challenged students to "Go for the Gold."

Under an Olympic theme, students were asked to read as many books as possible in a seven-week period. Prizes were awarded to the students and the language arts classes that read the most pages. The class winner for eighth grade was Miss Gilliam's second period class (28,834 pages). The class winners for seventh grade were Mr. Rollins'

fourth period class (42,357 pages) and Mrs. Stone's second period class (42,183 pages).

Each class received a pizza party. The individual winners for seventh-grade were Tyler Presley, Chris Dale and Johnathon Arnold. Eighth-grade individual winners were Zach Kendrick, Josh Cole and Kelsey Mussaw. The individual winners received medals and gift cards to Amazon.com.

The combined total of pages read by Gladden Middle School students was 267,778. Superintendent Vickie Reed, principal Maria Bradley and assistant principal Chuck Piatt congratulated the winners.

HEALTHMOBILE SCHEDULE

Hamilton Medical Center operates a mobile health service to increase access of the medically underserved to primary health care services. Services include pregnancy testing and referral, blood pressure screening, diabetes screening, HIV (AIDS) screening, and treatment or referral for acute illnesses.

The schedule for this week is:
 ■ Monday, Dalton, Lowe's (Cleveland Highway), labs only, 9 a.m. to noon

■ Tuesday, Dalton, Lowe's (Cleveland Highway), 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m.

■ Wednesday, Chatsworth, Bi-Lo, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m.

■ Thursday, Dalton, Lowe's (Cleveland Highway), 9 a.m. to noon and 1:15 to 3 p.m.

To confirm if the Healthmobile is in service for a particular day, call the Marketing Department at (706) 272-6114.

Winter activities abound at Creative Arts Guild

Beat the Winter Blues series kicks off

SUBMITTED BY THE CREATIVE ARTS GUILD

"Love Me, Love Me Not" featuring band members Marty Michaels, Lori McDaniels and Tom Minor will kick off the Beat the Winter Blues series at the Creative Arts Guild Feb. 14. Spend Valentine's Day at the Guild with your sweetheart and enjoy dinner from Amici's Italian Bistro while listening to love songs performed by local musicians.

The evening will begin at 6:30 with a chicken piccata entrée with all the fixings prepared by Michael Cook of Amici's Italian Bistro with music as a backdrop.

"Love Me, Love Me Not" will be a collection of love songs and love-gone-wrong songs," said vocalist McDaniel. "There are so many great love songs in both categories so we thought we would explore that and have some fun with it."

Additionally, the group will invite participants to sing with the band for a Guild donation of \$50 to benefit the music program.

The Beat the Winter Blues Series includes "Love Me, Love Me Not" on Feb. 14, Celtic Celebration featuring Ceilidh and The Brookwoods on March 13 with traditional Irish fare, and "An Evening of Improv" featuring Colleen Laliberte's troupe Squawking Heads with dinner provided by The Depot on April 24.

Tickets for each performance are \$35 per person or \$95 per person for the entire series. Ticket price includes dinner, beverage, tip, and performance.

"I think it's a great deal especially during these tough economic times. We want to do our part by continuing to offer events that are free or offered for a nominal fee," said Guild director Terry Tomasello.

Julie Whitehead featured in Gallery 111 for February First Friday

Gallery 111's February's featured artist of the month is native Daltonian Julie Whitehead. Ms.



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Dr. Marty Michaels is part of the band playing for "Love Me, Love Me Not" as part of the Beat the Winter Blues dinner theater series. The performance, including Lori McDaniels and Tom Minor, is set for Valentine's Day evening.

Whitehead will be displaying her dyed textiles in Gallery 111 on Friday from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. Her textiles include scarves, pillows, and wall hangings.

Ms. Whitehead attended Savannah College of Art and Design where she earned her bachelor's degree in fiber arts.

Although her focus was on computer-aided textile design, Ms. Whitehead continued to explore the creative possibilities silk dyeing holds during and after college.

"I would prefer to stay away from the traditional resist techniques that other silk artists have used for years, said Whitehead, "I like to invent my own ways of producing images on silk fabric utilizing the traditional methods while attaining a different and original look."

Whitehead works for The New Patcraft and Designweave as a color stylist and resides in Chattanooga.

The Guild's Main Gallery is featuring the paintings and collages of Michael Holsomback through Feb. 20. Both exhibits are free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

Parents Day Out a big hit

The brainchild of Guild gymnastics director Minnette Lusk, Parents Day Out is having a whopping success. Parents are invited to drop their 3-years-and-up children off at the Guild for three to four hours of energetic play this Saturday from noon till 3 p.m. for \$20 per child. Children may stay until 4 p.m. for an additional \$10 per child.

Lusk has created three hours of fun-filled activities for children including games, gymnastics obstacle courses, a healthy snack and a discussion of healthy snacks and positive eating habits.

"This is such a great opportunity for parents to get some errands run or just take a break from the kids. We are thrilled to have such a great response which tells us that parents are paying attention to the overall health of their children. This is the main goal of our program at the Guild," said Lusk.

For additional information or to make a reservation for "Love Me, Love Me Not" or Parents Day Out call 706-278-0168.

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OBITUARIES

• **Dollie Mae Earley, Dalton**
 • **Charley Alexander Henry, Tunnel Hill**
 • **Evelyn O. Johnson, Dalton**
 • **Margaret Ford Jones, Atlanta**
 • **Terry Ann King, Cohutta**
 • **Marie Hammond McKenzie, Dalton**
 • **Dorothy Goss Neal, Mill Creek community**
 • **Peggy Joyce White, Rocky Face**
 • **Martin L. Wood, Dalton**

Obituary notices are posted online at www.daltondailycitizen.com

Dollie Mae Earley

Mrs. Dollie Mae Earley, 84, of Dalton, departed this life Saturday morning, Jan. 31, 2009, at Quinton Memorial Health Care Center.

Mrs. Earley was born Oct. 24, 1924, in Sweetwater, Tenn., the last surviving child of Clayton and Sarah Sluder Jones. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Edil McKinley Earley.

She is survived by her special niece and caregiver and her husband, Janie and J.B. Cochran; daughter, Deborah Earley all of Dalton; several other nieces and nephews.

Services are Monday at 11 a.m. from the Hipps Chapel Methodist Church in Fannin County with the Rev. Delmar Davenport officiating. She will be laid to rest in the church cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the church after 10 a.m. Monday.

Messages may be sent to the family at www.pondersfuneralhome.com.

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Charley Alexander Henry

Charley Alexander Henry, 65, of Tunnel hill, died Friday, Jan. 30, 2009, at Hamilton Medical Center.

He is survived by his daughter, Rose Ann Isaacs of Ringgold; brother, Jerry Henry of East Ridge, Tenn.; sisters, Myrtle Dempsey of Soddy Daisy, Tenn., Brenda Coffeman of Bridgeport, Ala., Bernice Slatton of Tennessee and Wilma Dempsey of Signal

Mountain, Tenn.; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Monday from the chapel of Jones Funeral Home of Tunnel Hill.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 9 p.m. today.

Jones Funeral Home of Tunnel Hill is in charge of funeral arrangements. www.legacy.com

Evelyn O. Johnson

Mrs. Evelyn O. Johnson, 82, of Dalton, departed this life Saturday Jan. 31, 2009, at Morningside Assisted Living.

Mrs. Johnson was born Feb. 20, 1926, in Hamilton County, Tenn., a daughter of the late Oscar and Ida Belle Simpson Ownbey. She was preceded in death by her husband Morgan Wesley Johnson; brothers Walter Murphy Ownbey and Harold Julius Ownbey.

She is survived by her nephews, Nick and Brenda Ownbey of Dalton, Murphy Jr. and Pam Ownbey of McRae; great-nieces and nephews Nicole and Jeff Gazaway of Dalton, Meghann and Chris Ferguson of Indianapolis, Ind., Murphy III and Kim Ownbey of St. Louis, Mo., Taylor Ownbey of McRae; cousins, Faye Acuff of Atlanta; special friends Brenda and Bill King of Harrison, Tenn., Mac Gilliland of Chattanooga.

Graveside services are Wednesday at 2 p.m. from Chattanooga National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donation be made to Countryside Hospice or the Diabetes Association.

Visit the Web site at www.pondersfuneralhome.com to share words of comfort and memories with the Johnson Family.

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Margaret Ford Jones

Mrs. Margaret Ford Jones, 90, of Atlanta and formerly of Dalton died Saturday, Jan. 31, 2009.

Survivors and funeral arrangements will be announced by Love Funeral Home, 1402 N. Thornton Ave., Dalton. www.legacy.com

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Terry Ann King

Terry Ann King, 56, of Cohutta, died Thursday, Jan. 29, 2009, at her residence.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ollie and Nancy Borden, and a nephew, Samuel Gross.

She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist.

Survivors include her husband, Dwayne King of the residence; daughter and son-in-law, Pam and Darell Broadrick of Rossville; sons, Robert Wright and Leonard Wright, both of Cohutta; sisters and brothers-in-law, Kathy and Tommy Gross of Cohutta, Carla Stephenson of Albany, Ore., Rosie Wright of Dalton and Peggy and Harold Wright of Chickamauga; brothers and sisters-in-law, Franklin and Patricia Borden of Riley, Ore., Troy and Barbara Borden, Marvin and Peggy Borden and Darrell and Dena Borden, all of Redmond, Ore.; grandchildren, Kyle Dailey and Eric Dailey, both of Rossville; great-grandchild, Bryson Dailey; 29 nieces and nephews; stepchildren, Colin and Marion King and David and Kristen Green; step-grandchildren, Richey Black and Beth and Riley Green; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Cliff and Patricia Timms of Chatsworth.

Services are today at 10 a.m. at the Pleasant Grove Chapel of Julian Peoples Funeral Home with Pastor Peter Read officiating.

Burial will be in Hopewell Cemetery. A white dove release ceremony will conclude the service.

The family received friends at the funeral home Saturday.

Messages of comfort may be sent to the family and the guest register signed at www.julianpeoples.com.

Julian Peoples Funeral Home, Pleasant Grove Chapel, Dalton, is in charge of arrangements. For further information, call (706) 259-7455. www.legacy.com

Marie Hammond McKenzie

Mrs. Marie Hammond McKenzie, 92, of Dalton and formerly of Rome, died Saturday, Jan. 31, 2009, at Regency Park Health Care.

She was preceded in death by her devoted husband, John McKenzie; a young son, John “Jr.” McKenzie; father and mother, Benjamin and Ester Hammond; brother, Roy D. Hammond and sisters, Virginia H. Killion and Marjorie H. Williams.

Marie is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law, Steve and Barbara McKenzie of Dalton, Jerre and Gwen McKenzie of Birmingham, Ala.; grandchildren, Stephanie and Lee Lewis of Ringgold, Mark McKenzie of Tunnel Hill, Michelle Trulove of Birmingham, Ala., Kim George of Mobile, Ala., and Jason McKenzie of Birmingham, Ala.; great-grandchildren, Daniel and Rebecca Lewis, Ben and Sam Trulove, McKenzie and Ryan George; sisters-in-law, Eula Jo Shiflett of Asheville, N.C. and Betty McKenzie of Conyers; several nieces and nephews.

Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Love Funeral Home with the Rev. Larry Flanagan officiating.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. at Eastview Cemetery in Rome with the Rev. Flanagan officiating.

The family will receive friends at Love Funeral Home from 10 a.m. until the funeral at 11 a.m.

The family asks that flowers please be omitted and memorials be made to the First Baptist Church of Dalton, P.O. Box 827, Dalton, GA 30722.

Words of comfort may be sent to the family at www.lovefuneralhome.com.

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Survivors include her husband, Norman J. White Sr. of the residence; sons and daughters-in-law, Norman J. White Jr. and Therese White of Rocky Face, and Michael and Charlene White of Summerville; sisters, Brenda Maynor and Betty Fedroski, both of Old Fort, Tenn.; brother and sister-in-law, Bill and Louise Beard of Old Fort, Tenn.; grandchildren, Christina Jones, Melina White, Mekala White, Hunter White, Tanner White and Trevor White; great-grandchildren, Brandon, Brianna and Brody Jones; stepgrandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Services are today at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Love Funeral Home with the Rev. Joel Southerland officiating.

Burial will be in West Hill Cemetery.

The family received friends at Love Funeral Home Saturday.

Words of comfort may be sent to the family at www.lovefuneralhome.com.

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band, John McKenzie; a young son, John “Jr.” McKenzie; father and mother, Benjamin and Ester Hammond; brother, Roy D. Hammond and sisters, Virginia H. Killion and Marjorie H. Williams.

Marie is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law, Steve and Barbara McKenzie of Dalton, Jerre and Gwen McKenzie of Birmingham, Ala.; grandchildren, Stephanie and Lee Lewis of Ringgold, Mark McKenzie of Tunnel Hill, Michelle Trulove of Birmingham, Ala., Kim George of Mobile, Ala., and Jason McKenzie of Birmingham, Ala.; great-grandchildren, Daniel and Rebecca Lewis, Ben and Sam Trulove, McKenzie and Ryan George; sisters-in-law, Eula Jo Shiflett of Asheville, N.C. and Betty McKenzie of Conyers; several nieces and nephews.

Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Love Funeral Home with the Rev. Larry Flanagan officiating.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. at Eastview Cemetery in Rome with the Rev. Flanagan officiating.

The family will receive friends at Love Funeral Home from 10 a.m. until the funeral at 11 a.m.

The family asks that flowers please be omitted and memorials be made to the First Baptist Church of Dalton, P.O. Box 827, Dalton, GA 30722.

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worker for many years. She was a devoted and loving mother and grandmother.

Survivors include her daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and John Roderick, Betty Richardson and Lee Hudgins; one son, Robert Neal, all of Rocky Face; sisters and brothers-in-law, Betty and Wilford Hall of Dalton, Eileen and Carl Whiteside of Rocky Face, and Ann Federici, also of Rocky Face; brother and sister-in-law, Ronald and Dorothy Goss of Ellijay; 10 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

The funeral is today at 4 p.m. at the Westside Chapel of Julian Peoples Funeral Home with the Rev. Dewey Boyd and the Rev. George Ross officiating.

Burial will be in Mill Creek Cemetery with Sammy and Jeffery Linder, Jeremy and Terry Branson, Jim Smith and Robbie Neal serving as pallbearers. A white dove release will conclude the service.

The family received friends at the Westside Chapel of Julian Peoples Funeral Home Saturday.

For more information and an online guestbook, visit www.julianpeoples.com.

Julian Peoples Funeral Home, Westside Chapel, is in charge of funeral arrangements. For more information, call (706) 272-9777. www.legacy.com

Peggy Joyce White

Peggy Joyce White, 73, of Rocky Face, passed away Thursday, Jan. 29, 2009, at Quinton Memorial Health Care Center.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clifford and Pearl Beard; a brother, Joe Beard; and a sister, Alma Jean Hines.

Mrs. White was a member of Salem United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Norman J. White Sr. of the residence; sons and daughters-in-law, Norman J. White Jr. and Therese White of Rocky Face, and Michael and Charlene White of Summerville; sisters, Brenda Maynor and Betty Fedroski, both of Old Fort, Tenn.; brother and sister-in-law, Bill and Louise Beard of Old Fort, Tenn.; grandchildren, Christina Jones, Melina White, Mekala White, Hunter White, Tanner White and Trevor White; great-grandchildren, Brandon, Brianna and Brody Jones; stepgrandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

John the toilet laid to rest

CENTERVILLE, Utah (AP) — John, a porcelain commode gunned down in an accidental shooting at a fast food restaurant's bathroom, has died. His age was not immediately known.

The toilet was shattered by a bullet Jan. 12 when a man's gun fell from its holster as he was pulling up his pants, police said. Police do not plan to file criminal charges in connection with the incident.

Christian Martinez, manager of the Carl's Jr. where John was gunned down, held a memorial service Friday at the restaurant. He gave away bottles of John's favorite toilet cleaner, Kaboom Bowl Blaster, to the eatery's first 50 patrons.

A Bountiful flower shop provided a large floral arrangement.

“In all my years, I can say without a doubt that I have never delivered for a toilet,” said deliveryman Doug Graham, “but I thought it was the funniest thing I’ve ever heard. I got a kick out of it.”

Remnants of John hit and cut the gun owner's arm, but he was not seriously injured.

Police blamed John's death on the gun and style of holster the man was using. “He was survived by the men's urinal and wash sink,” said Martinez. “He left us way too soon.”

Grandma: Mom obsessed with having kids

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The woman who gave birth to octuplets this week conceived all 14 of her children through in vitro fertilization, is not married and has been obsessed with having children since she was a teenager, her mother said.

Angela Suleman told The Associated Press she was not supportive when her daughter, Nadya Suleman, decided to have more embryos implanted last year.

“It can't go on any longer,” she said in a phone interview Friday. “She's got six children and no husband. I was brought up the traditional way. I firmly believe in marriage. But she didn't want to get married.”

Nadya Suleman, 33, gave birth Monday in nearby Bellflower. She was expected to remain in the hospital for at least a few more days, and her newborns for at least a month.

A spokeswoman at Kaiser Permanente Bellflower Medical Center said the babies were progressing daily, with all eight breathing unassisted and being tube-fed.

While her daughter recovers, Angela Suleman is taking care of the other six children, ages 2 through 7, at the fami-

ly home in Whittier, about 15 miles east of downtown Los Angeles.

She said she warned her daughter that when she gets home from the hospital, “I'm going to be gone.”

Angela Suleman said her daughter always had trouble conceiving and underwent in vitro fertilization treatments because her fallopian tubes are “plugged up.”

There were frozen embryos left over after her previous pregnancies and her daughter didn't want them destroyed, so she decided to have more children.

Her mother and doctors have said the woman was told she had the option to abort some of the embryos and, later, the fetuses. She refused.

Her mother said she does not believe her daughter will

have any more children.

“She doesn't have any more (frozen embryos), so it's over now,” she said. “It has to be.”

Nadya Suleman wanted to have children since she was a teenager, “but luckily she couldn't,” her mother said.

“Instead of becoming a kindergarten teacher or something, she started having them, but not the normal way,” he mother said.

Her daughter's obsession with children caused Angela Suleman considerable stress, so she sought help from a psychologist, who told her to order her daughter out of the house.

“Maybe she wouldn't have had so many kids then, but she is a grown woman,” Angela Suleman said. “I feel responsible, and I didn't want

to throw her out.”

Little psychological research has been conducted on the reasons some mothers seem hooked on repeated pregnancies. David Diamond, a co-director for the Center for Reproductive Psychology in San Diego, said mothers can be drawn to repeat pregnancies for a number of reasons, with some finding the experience so satisfying they choose to become surrogates.

Diane G. Sanford, a psychologist and author specializing in women's reproductive mental health, said while she doesn't know much about Nadya Suleman's background, women that have obsessive-compulsive disorder can become fixated on different obsessions.



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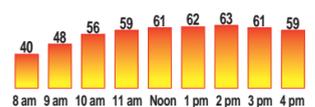
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City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Dalton	60/37		
Gainesville	60/38		
Athens	62/38		
Augusta	63/35		
Atlanta	62/39		
Macon	63/39		
Dublin	62/39		
Savannah	62/39		
Columbus	66/41		
Cordele	63/40		
Valdosta	66/40		
Brunswick	62/42		
Albany	64/44		

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Albany	64/44/pc	59/33/c	48/23/pc	La Grange	63/36/pc	52/31/sh	43/25/c
Atlanta	62/39/pc	48/30/c	41/26/sf	Macon	63/39/s	58/32/c	47/28/pc
Athens	62/38/s	52/32/r	43/28/pc	Marietta	60/34/pc	45/29/c	38/23/sf
Augusta	63/35/s	58/31/r	48/24/pc	Newton	66/40/pc	58/33/c	47/26/pc
Brunswick	62/42/s	56/36/r	51/32/pc	Rome	60/38/pc	52/31/r	39/26/sf
College Park	62/39/pc	48/30/c	41/26/sf	Savannah	62/39/s	59/34/r	46/25/pc
Columbus	66/41/pc	59/35/sh	49/29/c	Sparta	63/37/s	55/30/r	42/24/pc
Gainesville	60/38/s	50/31/c	35/25/sf	Valdosta	66/40/pc	59/35/r	54/26/s

National Weather for February 1, 2009

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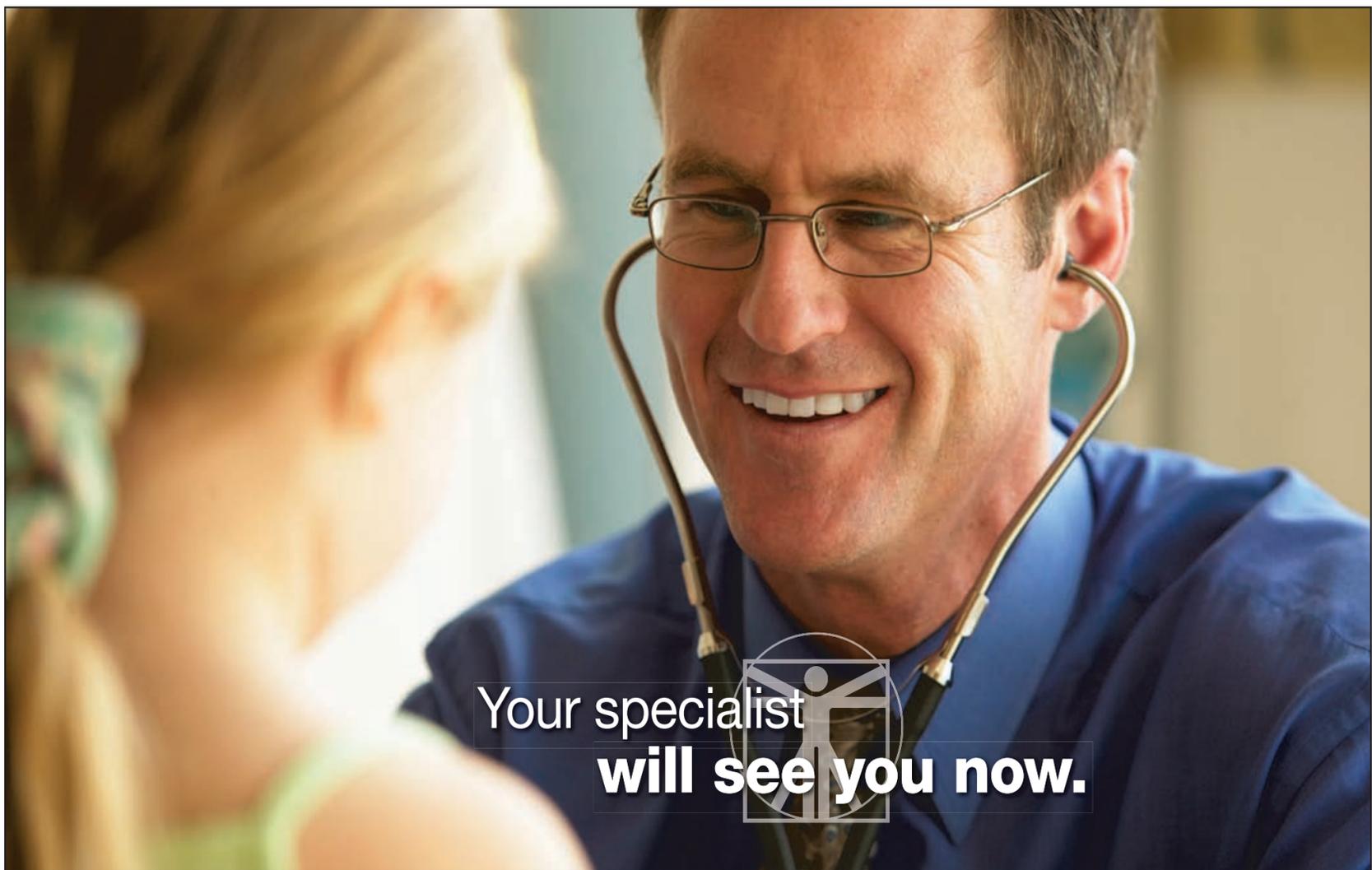
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Warm Front			
Stationary Front			

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
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Anchorage	14/4/pc	12/1/c	14/7/pc	Miami	70/61/c	76/60/pc	68/45/pc
Baltimore	50/31/pc	46/34/r	37/18/sn	Milwaukee	38/24/c	28/19/c	23/11/sf
Billings	38/16/pc	42/23/c	50/32/pc	Minneapolis	24/12/pc	18/4/c	18/7/c
Boise	38/29/pc	46/31/pc	39/32/pc	New Orleans	65/51/r	61/39/c	56/38/s
Buffalo	38/26/sf	35/21/sn	25/13/sn	New York	43/36/s	42/31/r	36/21/sn
Charlotte	61/37/s	58/34/r	37/22/pc	Okla. City	56/28/s	46/30/pc	55/28/s
Cheyenne	38/17/s	46/26/pc	50/26/s	Orlando	66/48/pc	67/47/r	57/38/pc
Chicago	40/23/c	28/20/c	22/11/sf	Philadelphia	45/33/s	46/33/r	35/18/sn
Cincinnati	48/25/c	39/20/c	23/14/sf	Phoenix	73/47/s	74/49/s	77/51/s
Cleveland	40/26/c	33/22/c	24/16/sn	Pittsburgh	41/32/c	36/23/sn	26/9/sn
Dallas	63/38/pc	55/35/s	59/33/s	Portland, OR	44/33/c	50/36/pc	52/39/c
Denver	38/18/pc	48/23/pc	54/26/s	St. Louis	46/26/c	42/22/c	29/17/sf
Detroit	38/24/c	29/22/c	24/16/sf	Salt Lake City	44/25/pc	47/27/pc	47/29/s
Indianapolis	46/26/c	35/21/c	27/18/sf	San Francisco	63/46/s	66/47/s	64/49/s
Kansas City	48/24/pc	41/19/pc	33/15/sf	San Diego	65/50/s	74/49/s	74/51/s
Las Vegas	66/41/s	67/41/s	69/42/s	Seattle	44/39/c	51/39/c	51/41/c
Los Angeles	74/46/s	80/48/s	80/48/s	Wash., DC	54/34/s	50/31/r	35/22/sn

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Auckland	77/65/pc	72/61/r	74/64/c	London	36/31/sn	36/35/sn	37/33/sn
Amsterdam	36/24/sn	39/38/sn	43/34/r	Madrid	39/38/r	44/34/sh	46/37/c
Baghdad	68/46/s	65/45/s	62/42/pc	Montreal	37/21/sf	32/19/pc	23/5/sn
Beijing	41/23/pc	43/23/c	43/21/pc	Moscow	7/6/c	19/12/pc	30/16/c
Berlin	27/22/sn	34/32/sn	40/33/c	Paris	36/35/s	44/38/r	39/34/s
Buenos Aires	78/68/s	80/66/t	81/69/t	Rio	87/76/s	85/74/sh	84/74/sh
Cairo	68/52/s	70/49/s	72/52/pc	Rome	49/48/r	55/54/r	58/52/r
Calgary	35/15/pc	36/25/c	41/27/pc	Seoul	50/30/s	48/36/c	50/34/c
Cape Town	79/61/s	75/59/s	72/61/s	Singapore	82/74/c	86/75/pc	88/75/pc
Caracas	88/73/sh	88/73/sh	89/73/sh	Sydney	82/72/s	81/70/pc	81/68/pc
Dublin	38/25/pc	34/26/sn	39/31/r	Tel Aviv	61/50/sh	66/51/s	65/50/s
Geneva	42/32/r	45/40/sn	47/42/r	Tokyo	46/36/pc	48/39/s	54/43/pc
Hong Kong	70/61/c	73/63/s	73/64/s	Toronto	36/20/c	31/15/sf	21/7/c
Istanbul	46/43/s	50/43/pc	54/52/c	Warsaw	26/17/sn	33/21/c	32/32/t

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PREP BASKETBALL

There and back again

Brown's basketball mind at work at Dalton once more

BY MARTY KIRKLAND

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One of the best gifts awaiting Jeff McKinney when he took over Dalton's girls basketball program was Christen Brown.

At that time a 6-foot-2-inch junior for the Lady Catamounts, she possessed a big bag of tricks in the post, the ability to knock down outside shots like a guard and a court IQ that allowed her to see the game in a way many high school players can't.

"Those things we were trying to teach," McKinney said, "she absorbed them like a sponge."

And it made a difference on the court during the 2002-03 season, McKinney's first in charge — he was an assistant for one season prior — when the Lady Cats won 29 games and advanced to the Class 4A quarterfinals. Brown had already been a starter for two years by then and, though not particularly outspoken, was a player McKinney knew could give her teammates insight even as games unfolded.

"She was a very quiet player," McKinney said. "But when she did speak, everybody knew there was something important coming."

It was luck McKinney had Brown on his roster when he became the Lady Cats coach. It was anything but that when she rejoined the program this season as an assistant coach.

When her days as a Lady Cat ended, Brown moved on to the Atlantic Coast Conference's Wake Forest, earning four letters and an education degree at the university in Winston-Salem, N.C. The self-described "homebody" decided to return to Dalton in search of her first teaching job this past summer, though, and McKinney saw an opportunity.

"I talked to as many people as I could to



MISTY WATSON/The Daily Citizen

Former Dalton High basketball standout Christen Brown, far left, has returned to the program as an assistant to coach Jeff McKinney after spending four years playing collegiately at Wake Forest in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

get her on board with us," he said.

While the 22-year-old Brown — who found a job teaching second grade at Roan Elementary — turned out not to be a difficult sell, she might not have approached McKinney on her own. She had wanted to teach since she was a little girl. Despite her enjoyment of basketball since that same age, coaching wasn't something she'd ever really considered.

What made the difference for Brown was a desire to stay linked to the game and make others want to do the same.

"My glory days are over," she said. "It's time for somebody else to learn and I want-

ed to pass on what I've learned to the girl who really does want to take the next step and be better and go to college and play."

That's exactly what McKinney was looking for.

'The tall girl'

Brown grew up in a home where there was little doubt she'd probably end up on a basketball court.

Her parents, Bill and Kaye, met during their own college basketball careers at Truett-McConnell in Cleveland; they went on to coach their daughter in recreation and AAU leagues. Inherited wealth in terms of

height (dad's 6-6, mom's 5-9) made Brown "always the tall girl" in class even in her early school days. For the Browns — Christen's younger brother Zach attends Georgia College and State University — basketball was and is a favorite.

"It's always been there," Brown said. "It's something we enjoy and all have in common. We still watch games together."

She played other sports growing up, dabbling in softball and dominating the volleyball court enough in high school to be named *Daily Citizen* All-Area Player of the Year twice, but it was basketball that got most of her attention and eventually got her the most attention.

But her devotion to hoops wasn't truly born until she got an up-close look at the possibilities ahead of her.

When Brown was in sixth grade, her mother took her to the NCAA Women's Final Four in Charlotte, N.C. Joining her on the trip was Rachel Hennon — an AAU teammate at the time whom she would also play alongside at Dalton Junior High and Dalton High — and Hennon's mother, Barbara.

"It was so much fun watching the girls, being there," Brown said. "Lisa Leslie was there and me and Rachel got her autograph. From then on, I told my parents I wanted to play college ball."

Knowing that, after having coached their daughter for three years as part of a Dalton-based AAU team, they sent her on to join Gwinnett County's Lady Lynx, believing they'd taught her "all they could," Brown said. She wasn't the only Dalton player on the roster, but there were also players from around the state on the team that competed in top-level tournaments.

"I think playing year-round is where I gained a lot of experience," she said. "Just



Striving for excellence

BY BARRY WILNER

Associated Press Writer

TAMPA, Fla. — Dynasty vs. door-mat.

The Pittsburgh Steelers have signified success in the Super Bowl era with their stable ownership, brilliant coaching and throwback style. A victory today will give them a record sixth Super Bowl title, and they are 6 1/2-point favorites to get it against the Arizona Cardinals.

Yes, those Cardinals — a franchise that has defined dysfunction since the 1950s.

If it's easy to believe the Steelers are back in the big game three years after winning one for the thumb against

GAME FACTS

- Who: Pittsburgh (AFC) vs. Arizona (NFC)
- When: Today, 6 p.m., NBC-TV
- Where: R. James Stadium, Tampa, Fla.
- Players share: Winners: \$78,000 per man; Losers: \$40,000 per man.

Seattle, it's just as difficult — nearly impossible, actually — to believe the Cardinals are providing the opposition. This is a classic yin and yang setup: the defensively miserly AFC champs against the offensively potent NFC winners. The team with the proud history against the club with the forgettable past.

As if any of that matters now.

"Legacies are something you kind of worry about after the season," Steelers All-Pro safety Troy Polamalu said.

When that season ends tonight, the Steelers will be judged by a commitment to excellence — sorry, Al Davis — established by the Steel Curtain teams of Chuck Noll in the 1970s and carried on through the Bill Cowher years. It is not something they can ignore, even if their coach, Mike Tomlin, has been on the job only two years and has few ties to Noll or Cowher.

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PREP ROUNDUP

Alexander-led Coosa topples Dalton in OT

BY ADAM KROHN

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Dalton's Lady Catamounts tenaciously battled visiting Coosa, Class 2A's ninth-ranked team, according to GaSports.com, but didn't have an answer to the Lady Eagles' Ieshia Alexander.

A senior, Alexander, played the entire 36 minutes, finishing with 32 points, including 22-of-30 free throw shooting, to lead the Lady Eagles to a thrilling 62-56 overtime victory at Dalton High.

In the boys game, Dalton held the Eagles to three second-quarter points and coasted to a 68-39 win.

"Ieshia Alexander is a very good ballplayer," Lady Cats coach Jeff McKinney said. "We fouled her and she shot 30 free throws and that may be a record. It was a good non-region ballgame for us."

The Lady Cats (14-7) appeared to take control of the game, opening the third quarter on a 5-0 run for a 32-27 lead. The Lady Eagles (15-6),

however, answered with a 7-0 spurt and Alexander scored 27 of the team's final 35 points.

"Ieshia is a gamer," Lady Eagles coach Connie Guinn said. "When we want a shot or we want something to happen, we want the ball in her hands. And she's a smart basketball player and knows the game well enough to know what we need and what we want. She did a great job tonight for us."

A critical moment in the game came midway through the fourth quarter with Dalton leading 47-41. The Lady Cats were in their half-court offense when Coosa deflected a pass that hit the foot of the referee, who was standing out of bounds. Alexander caught the ball off the referee's foot and, with the play not blown dead, led a fast break on the other end. Alexander was fouled while attempting a layup, sending



MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen

Dalton's Markisha Washington, left, drives to the goal against Coosa's Monea Ware.

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COMMENTARY

Miners, Robinsons tackling long odds

Lance Miner, the Eastbrook Middle School basketball and football coach, answered the phone Friday evening. But he was busy.

"Well, yeah," he said. "I'm feeding my daughter and trying to get her to sleep. She's watching ESPN with me."

I called back later.

Taking care of Chesnee Anh, born Nov. 6 of last year, is a collective golden moment for Miner and his wife, Tiffany. Chesnee's twin brother, Boston Lee, passed away six days after he shared the miracle of birth — albeit at 26 1/2 weeks — with his sister, sending the young parents into an emotional tailspin.

After many weeks at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga, the Miners brought Chesnee home a week ago, healthier and stronger than ever but still fighting problems associated with a premature birth. She now weighs 5 pounds and is 18 inches long, Miner said.

"And she's meaner than a striped snake," he joked.

It's wonderful — and maybe miraculous — that Lance Miner has maintained a sense of humor.

Miner's best friend, Northwest Whitfield coach Josh Robinson, who gave the Miners a great deal of support during their tremendous grief, faced a mind-numbing experience himself when his newborn son suddenly stopped breathing at Hamilton Medical Center, was rushed to Erlanger from where he was immediately flown by helicopter to Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville, all the while fighting for his life. "Josh called me at 5 a.m. that morning," Miner said, "and Tiffany and I couldn't believe what was happening. We were scared. What were the odds this was happening to the kids of two best friends? We thought we were jinxed. Josh was praying that Paxton wouldn't die or have brain damage and I tried to be as comforting to him as he was to our family."

Paxton Bryce Robinson was born Dec. 27, just 24 days premature. Josh Robinson's wife, Jennifer, had fed Paxton at 3 a.m., but he continued to cry. She tried to feed him again at 5 a.m. He quieted and Josh put him down to sleep in a bassinette. A nurse walked in the room shortly thereafter on rounds. Paxton wasn't breathing.

"What happened," coach Robinson said, "was that his blood sugar had dropped to nine. If I went without food for two or three days, my blood sugar might drop to about 50."

Paxton was quickly resuscitated, but in the X-ray room his heart stopped and he had to be defibrillated. While conducting tests three days in Nashville, physicians diagnosed Paxton with LCHAD, or Long-



Larry Fleming

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Brown: Good with players

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playing against that level of competition, playing people like Candace Parker and Tasha Humphreys in summer AAU tournaments.”

It prepared her well enough that there was little to no lag in Brown's readiness for her role as a varsity starter during her freshman season at Dalton. Former Lady Cats coach Janette Carroll, who coached Brown as a freshman and sophomore, recalled that she didn't start immediately, though that was less about skill and more about making sure the young standout wasn't facing too much pressure.

Carroll said the still-growing Brown also had to make adjustments in coordination. But that didn't take long and Carroll soon saw Brown's skills revealing themselves in the mental realm as much as the physical.

“She understood the game,” said Carroll, who in her final season as coach led the Lady Cats to the state semifinals. “There's no other way to say it. When she was on the floor, you pretty well knew her decision-making would be good.”

And if her decision was to take care of the scoring herself, she had options not available to every high school post player, recalled Hennon, a four-year starter at point guard who was one grade ahead of Brown.

“What was most beneficial from her was that most post players would, once she cut outside, think she was like every other post player,” Hennon said. “And they would play a good few feet from her. But she could nail a 3. She had a great outside shot and that's what made her great.”

Hennon, who went on to play at Savannah College of Art and Design, also remembered Brown being technically sound inside, where she had a good hook shot. McKinney had such confidence in Brown's ball handling and ability to run the floor, he sometimes asked her to take on heavy duty in trying to break a pressure defense. Carroll noted a soft touch that made her a good free throw shooter.

Northwest Whitfield coach Margaret Stockburger complimented Brown as “a competitor.” The Lady Bruins coach had four years of trying to scheme to stop a player she remembered having not only good offensive skills, but the ability to rebound and play shutdown defense inside.

“You always tried to keep her from getting the basketball,” Stockburger said. “But I don't think we ever accomplished it. She was such a good player, she was able to get the ball no matter what you tried to do.”

And though she often shared the court with other skilled players, Brown was good enough to take over a game if necessary. She was also smart enough to know when that time was.

“I remember going to Ridgeland the year Ridgeland went to (the state semifinals),” McKinney said. “She scored either 31 or 33 points, played a whale of a ballgame. Then the next year, she turned around and scored 29 points against them.”

As a senior, Brown averaged 16 points, 12 rebounds, three assists and nearly two blocks a game. She was chosen for the second consecutive year to the Georgia Sports Writer Association's Class 4A all-state girls team and nominated for McDonald's All-American status.

Yet despite her talent, teammates and coaches never worried about Brown's ego. She was driven, but never at the expense of the team's chosen destination, they said; passionate, but not in a way that would betray what emotions were inside.

Once again, it's a skill rare among high school athletes that seemed to come standard issue with Brown.

“I just remember she was always very poised and mature as a player,” said Whitney Deal, herself a former *Daily Citizen* Player of the Year whose final two years at Dalton coincided with the first two of Brown's. “She was that way even as a freshman and sophomore.”

Hometown hero

Everything that made Brown a standout in high school, from her command of basic fundamentals to her knowledge to her selfless attitude, was necessary to simply stay afloat at the college level.

Brown found the experience of playing four years of ACC basketball plenty rewarding, but in a league also home to regularly high-ranked programs like Duke and North Carolina, she found it plenty challenging as well.

“When I first got there, I thought I knew a lot about basketball,” Brown said, “but I learned so much more.”

While playing both inside and outside over the course of her career at Wake Forest, she worked her way into a bigger role. After playing in 45 games her first two seasons, but starting just



MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen
Ex-Dalton star Christen Brown could drive, shoot a 3-pointer and dominate with strong inside play.

three times, those numbers grew to 59 and 39 as a junior and senior. As a senior, Brown played in all 30 of Wake Forest's games, averaging 6.4 points and 4.7 rebounds while finishing with a team-best 47 3-pointers.

But games, as with all college sports, made up just a sliver of Brown's time as a student-athlete.

“You wake up at 5 in the morning, go to weights, shower, go to class, get breakfast some time in there, have tutors throughout the day, go to other classes, go to lunch, if it's preseason you may have individual workouts in the afternoon, if it's in season you practice and may have conditioning,” said Brown, finally taking a breath. “It's definitely a lot of commitment, but I learned a lot about time management through that.”

The knowledge of what it takes to play at that level is part of what McKinney was looking for when he pursued Brown for his staff, where she helps with the varsity team and co-coaches the junior varsity squad with Reggie Upshaw.

“At one of our first practices, I said, ‘All right, I want to do some of the drills y'all were doing,’” McKinney said. “It's just the overall presence of her being there from a Division I college. The girls already respect her. She's a resource for me and the girls.”

It doesn't hurt that she's from Dalton. Senior post Emily Broadrick and junior guard Kate Houston are among the current Lady Cats who are now being coached by someone they recall watching play as middle school students. Dalton's summer girls basketball camps are staffed by Lady Cats coaches and players, and both recalled having camp T-shirts bearing Brown's autograph.

“It definitely adds to the program to know where our players have been and have them come back and help,” Broadrick said. “She'll talk about (her college career) and be like, ‘Yeah, when we played North Carolina ...’ It's weird to hear about Ivory Latta and all those great players, but she's been up against them and those are the best of the best.” Houston complimented Brown's ability to correct.

“She's not one to just, like, yell it out,” she said. “But if she does see something, she'll tell you. Just you and her.”

However, that's also been part of the challenge for Brown.

Because of her extensive experience, it's not tough for her to recognize what needs to be done in many situations. Teaching a high school player to do it — and actually getting them to do it — is another matter.

“It's so different coaching,” Brown said. “I didn't realize how tough of a job it really is.”

McKinney has watched as Brown's eyes have been opened to that fact, but he's confident she's learning quickly.

“What makes a good coach is understanding and being able to work with the kids,” he said. “She's always had the understanding. From the side of working with the kids, she's going to have to learn, but she's good with kids.”

“It's one of those things where it's new to her and she's a little bit nervous, but if I got thrown out of the game and she took over, she would do a great job.”

In fact, during one of his talks with Brown about joining the Lady Cats staff, McKinney joked about simply letting her take over his job. (Her answer: “Not yet.”)

For now, Brown said, she's “enjoying the moment” and hasn't put much thought into coaching over the long haul. But she's unequivocally happy about being in Dalton and with the Lady Cats, even if she's holding a clipboard rather than sinking the big shot this time around.

“This is my home, where my heart is,” she said. “I'm so grateful to be back.”

Prep: NW girls claim JV title

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her to the free throw line. Dalton's Emily Broadrick argued with a game official over the previous play and was hit with a technical foul.

“I was right there when the ball went out of bounds,” said Broadrick, who finished with 15 points and 11 rebounds. “I turned to the ref and said, ‘That's our ball, that's our ball,’ and he completely ignored me and let the game go on.”

“I just kept talking to him and he called me for a technical. I wasn't cussing or anything, I was just trying to get the call.”

As a result, Alexander hit 3-of-4 free throws to trigger a personal 7-0 run that gave Coosa a 48-47 lead with 2:33 left in regulation.

Markisha Washington, who finished with 15 points, nine rebounds and three steals, answered with the Lady Cats' next four points and they regained the lead by three points. But Alexander hit three free throws over the final 1:20, including the game-tying toss with 11.8 seconds that sent the game to overtime.

Alexander scored all 11 of Coosa's points in the extra period and put the Lady Eagles ahead 56-51 with 2:36 left on a three-point play that sent Amanda Rector (11 points, six steals) to the bench with five fouls.

On Dalton's next possession, Alexander stole the ball and was fouled by Kate Houston, also her fifth, prompting McKinney to argue with the referee and pick up another technical foul. Alexander hit 2-of-4 free throws for a 58-51 with 2:19 left, essentially putting the game away.

For the game, Alexander made one more free throw than the Lady Cats attempted. Coosa was 34 for 47 from the line. Dalton was 11 for 21.

In the boys game, the Catamounts (7-12) overcame a season-long problem in the free-throw department by hitting nine straight in the first half to open up a 38-16 halftime lead and never took their foot off the gas.

Caz Cole led Dalton with 14 points, seven rebounds and five blocks, Shaquon Moore added 12 points and nine rebounds and Kelly Phillips and Mauro Guzman scored 10 points apiece.

Coosa (7-12) was led by Kelvis Jeffries' nine points.

“I was pleased with the way we came out and played,” Cats coach Mike Duffie said. “It was a tough win last night against a very good team and I'm always worried about responding (in the next game). Coosa is a very athletic team but we came out and got on them hard and played good team ball.”

■ **Trion boys 54, Southeast 48:** Zach Harper led the Raiders with 14 points as Southeast slipped to 7-13 overall and 5-4 in region 6-3A play. Raiders coach Joey Bryson refused to pro-

vide offensive details of the game.

■ **Trion girls 49, Southeast 36:** Shelby McFarland and Ashley Strong scored 11 points each, but it wasn't enough as the Lady Raiders (9-11, 7-3) dropped a region game for the second time in as many nights. Ali Witt led Trion with 16 points.

Varsity wrestling

■ Murray County took third place in the Clarke Central duals in Athens, beating Athens Christian 69-13, Chattooga 55-21 and Winder-Barrow, 63-10, before losing to eventual-winner Oconee, 33-30.

The Indians beat Ware County, 63-18, in a consolation match.

Five wrestlers went undefeated for Murray, including Josh Webb (5-0, 103 weight class), Dalton Lane (5-0, 135), David Thornbury (4-0, 171), Zac Dills (3-0, 189) and Jake McConathy (4-0, 285).

■ At the Burnt Mountain Classic, Dalton finished second with 188.5 points behind Eastside's 209.5.

The Catamounts had four first-place finishers including Eduardo Gutierrez (103), Christian Washington (119), Reynaldo Torres (130) and Taylor Duckworth (152).

JV basketball

■ **Northwest Whitfield boys 59, Adairsville 42:** John Brooker scored 11 points to lead the Bruins (7-5) to a third-place finish at the Cass tournament. Northwest's Tyler Smith made the all-tournament team.

■ **Northwest Whitfield girls 55, Cass 40:** Tori Clemmons scored 19 points and added nine rebounds and four steals to lead the Lady Bruins (14-0) to a first-place finish at the Cass tournament. Clemmons picked up tournament MVP honors while Summer Jackson and Sydney Roberts made the all-tournament team.

9th basketball

■ **Cartersville boys 52, Northwest Whitfield 36:** Cliff Phillips led the Bruins (6-7) with eight points and 10 rebounds as Northwest dropped to the losers' bracket in the Woodland tournament.

■ **Northwest Whitfield boys 60, Sequoyah 42:** Tyler Baker's 13 points helped Northwest (7-7) advance to next Saturday's Woodland tournament consolation championship game against either Hiram or Cass.

■ **Northwest Whitfield girls 38, Woodland 18:** Reid Roberts scored nine points and Brook Everett had eight for the Lady Bruins in the Cass tournament.

■ **Northwest Whitfield girls 36, Paulding County 7:** Brook Everett had 11 points and Taylor Baker nine as the Lady Bruins (7-5) reached the Cass tournament championship

Fleming: Friends being 'tested'

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Chain 3 Hydroxyacyl CoA Dehydrogenase, a genetic syndrome caused by an enzyme defect in the beta-oxidation cycle, according to fod-support.org, a Fatty Oxidation Disorder family support Web site.

In short, Paxton will never be able to properly digest fatty food. So, you won't see him eating hamburgers or ice cream. But that's OK with his parents.

“We lucked up,” Josh Robinson said. “Truly, if that nurse hadn't walked in when she did, well ... LCHAD is treatable through diet. It's disappointing to me because as a coach I wanted him to play basketball and football, but he won't be able to do that and that's hard to deal with. But there are a million other things that could be wrong with Paxton that I wouldn't want to be wrong with him. I don't believe God will give you anything you can't handle. There will be rough times down the road, but we're still blessed. There were opportunities for him not to make it. We're fortunate.”

As the torment of his best friend's traumatic episode faded, Lance Miner was looking forward to Chesnee leaving Erlanger on Jan. 17. The night before, a day before Miner's eighth-grade basketball team was scheduled to play New Hope for the Whitfield County Middle School Athletic League championship, he received a phone call informing him that one of his players had died.

How could this be? Could he cope with another tragedy? Could he be strong for the youngster's family, and his teammates?

“We had practiced that afternoon, watched film of New Hope and talked about it being our last practice together,” Miner said. “We left the school around 6:30. Me and the young man cut up a little bit as we left and joked about shaving our legs if we won the next day. He went with his dad to Wal-Mart and I went home. I got a call from a concerned parent ‘with bad news’ about 8:30. I was numb.”

The next morning, the Eastbrook players showed up for a shootaround at school, site of the championship games, and Miner informed them of their teammate's death. After meeting with New Hope coaches and players, it was decided to call off the championship game.

“We couldn't play the game,” Miner said. “We didn't need to play the game.”

About two weeks later, Miner and New Hope coach Burt Ridley decided to play the

title game. New Hope bussed from Tunnel Hill to Eastbrook Middle and a good crowd turned out. New Hope won, 52-34, but Miner's Mustangs won too, in their own way.

“It was,” Miner said, “absolutely the right thing to do. It was a period at the end of a sentence for my players and closed a chapter in their life. It helped me too.”

On Thursday, I watched Miner's reaction to game situations and how he “managed” his players. He showed emotion, like any other coach, to an official's call only twice. He patted players on the head, on the back or gave them “low fives” as they left the court to catch their breath on the bench beside him.

The past three months have reinforced Miner's approach to coaching.

“My main philosophy is family comes first,” he said. “Basketball was invented for kids to have fun. I'm not out there to embarrass them or belittle them. I teach them. I'm there for them as a teacher and mentor. Hopefully, I teach them to love the game like I love it.”

Miner took eight days off from teaching and coaching after Boston Lee's death. Time with his family was paramount. He and Tiffany talked a lot, working through their loss. Miner could have taken more time off, but returned to work because Tiffany was ready for him to.

“I was driving her crazy with all the questions,” Miner said. “When I went back to work she weighed 1 pound, 8 ounces. She was still hooked up to monitors and every time we changed her diaper bells and alarms went off and I had to pace the hospital hallway.”

The Miners are still adjusting emotionally and striving for some degree of normalcy in their lives. There are good days. There are bad days. The parents often catch themselves looking at their daughter and telling each other how much she looks like Boston Lee.

Chesnee will struggle with motor skills for a couple of years and that's common for premature babies.

“By the time she's 2 years old, she'll catch up with the other kids,” Miner said.

By that time, Chesnee will start discovering that she's receiving enough love and care for two children. And she'll have a good buddy in Paxton Robinson.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Shumpert's shot stuns Wake

Last-place Tech pulls major upset

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Iman Shumpert hit a pull-up jumper with one second remaining to lift Georgia Tech to its first Atlantic Coast Conference win, a 76-74 upset of No. 6 Wake Forest on Saturday.

Shumpert had only five points before tying the game on a basket with 20 seconds remaining and then faking a drive to the basket before stopping to hit his winning shot.

"I took what they gave me," the 6-foot-5 Shumpert said. "I knew I could shoot over whoever they put on me. I'm taller than their guards."

Shumpert made his last shot over Jeff Teague, who is 6-2.

Wake Forest committed two turnovers in the final 35 seconds and lost to the ACC's last-place team only three days after beating top-ranked Duke.

Georgia Tech senior Alade Aminu had 10 points, 13 rebounds and six blocks while younger brother Al-Farouq Aminu led Wake Forest with 17 points and 11 rebounds.

Gani Lawal had 25 points for the Yellow Jackets (10-10, 1-6), who ended a five-game losing streak. Georgia Tech was the last ACC team to pick up its first conference win.

Jeff Teague had 16 points for Wake Forest (17-2, 4-2).

It was only the second matchup of brothers on opposing teams in ACC history.

Wake Forest led 74-72 after the Aminu brothers traded baskets. Following a miss by Georgia Tech's Lewis Clinch, who had 19 points, the Demon Deacons were called for a shot clock violation with 34 seconds left.

■ **Alabama 75, Georgia 70:** At Tuscaloosa, Ala., Alonzo Gee scored 20 points, Senario Hillman

added 19 and Alabama beat Georgia in a battle of teams trying to rebound from midseason coaching changes.

JaMychal Green had 14 points and 13 rebounds for the Crimson Tide (13-8, 3-4 SEC) in the team's first home game since coach Mark Gottfried resigned.

Georgia (9-12, 0-6) was unable to comeback from a 12-point second-half deficit in the debut of assistant Pete Herrmann.

Trey Thompkins led the Bulldogs with 22 points and 14 rebounds. Terrance Woodbury added 15 points.

■ **Pittsburgh 93, Notre Dame 80:** At Pittsburgh, DeJuan Blair had 23 points and a career-high 22 rebounds and No. 3 Pittsburgh rallied from a rare halftime deficit to drop Notre Dame, handing the Irish their fifth straight loss.

Luke Harangody had 27 points and 11 rebounds for Notre Dame, while Luke Zeller added 18 points, all on 3-pointers. Notre Dame finished with 12 3-pointers, 11 in the first half.

■ **Oklahoma 78, Iowa State 68:** At Ames, Iowa, freshman Willie Warren scored 29 points and No. 4 Oklahoma closed the game on a 13-2 run to defeat Iowa State for its ninth straight win.

Blake Griffin had 23 points and 15 rebounds for the Sooners. Griffin has scored at least 20 points and grabbed 15 rebounds in four straight games.

■ **UConn 94, Providence 61:** At Storrs, Conn., Hasheem Thabeet recorded his first career triple-double and No. 2 Connecticut staked its claim to the No. 1 spot by routing Providence.

The 7-foot-3 junior had 15 points, 11 rebounds and tied his own school record with 10 blocked shots.

Randall Hanke had 16 points to lead Providence

■ **Purdue 67, Michigan 49:** At West Lafayette, Ind., E'Twaun Moore scored 17 points and Robbie Hummel added 13 as No. 16 Purdue clobber Michigan.

Jevohn Shepherd and DeShawn Sims both scored 10 points for Michigan.



AP PHOTO
Georgia Tech guard Lewis Clinch (0) goes up for a layup in the Yellow Jackets' 76-74 upset victory over No. 6 Wake Forest on Saturday.

■ **North Carolina 93, N.C.State 76:** At Raleigh, N.C., Tyler Hansbrough scored 31 points to help No. 5 North Carolina beat rival North Carolina State.

Ty Lawson added 16 points for the Tar Heels, who have won five straight league games after an 0-2 start. Courtney Fells scored 22 points to lead the Wolfpack.

■ **Memphis 83, Houston 68:** At Memphis, Tenn., Robert Dozier had 19 points and 10 rebounds, and Doneal Mack added 18 points to lead No. 18 Memphis past Houston, the Tigers' 49th consecutive Conference USA win.

Mack was 6-of-10 from the field, including 5-of-7 on 3-point-

ers, for Memphis (18-3, 7-0).

Aubrey Coleman had a career-high 35 points for the Cougars (12-7, 3-3), who have lost three straight, while Kelvin Lewis had 10 points.

■ **Louisville 69, West Virginia 63:** At Louisville, Ky., Jerry Smith scored a season-high 20 points and Terrence Williams had eight points, nine rebounds and four assists as No. 7 Louisville held off West Virginia.

Da'Sean Butler scored 20 of his 23 points in the second half for the Mountaineers.

■ **Marquette 94, Georgetown 82:** At Milwaukee, Wesley Matthews scored 19 of his 23 points in the second half, helping No. 8 Marquette remain undefeated in the Big East with a victory over No. 25 Georgetown, the Hoyas' fifth straight loss.

DaJuan Summers led the Hoyas with 22 points.

■ **Xavier 82, UMass 80:** At Cincinnati, Derrick Brown matched his career high with 23 points, and No. 10 Xavier used its balance and free throw shooting to hold off Massachusetts for its 10th straight win.

Ricky Harris led UMass with 17 points.

■ **Kansas State 85, Texas 81:** At Austin, Texas, Denis Clemente tied a Big 12 record with 44 points, leading Kansas State to an overtime upset of No. 11 Texas, ending the Longhorns' 19-game home winning streak.

Damion James scored 19 points to lead the Longhorns.

■ **Washington 84, Arizona State 71:** At Tempe, Ariz., Justin Dentmon scored a career-high 30 points and freshman Isaiah Thomas added 25 as No. 23 Washington handed No. 14 Arizona State its second straight home defeat.

Jeff Pendergraph had 21 points and a season-high 14 rebounds for Arizona State

■ **UCLA 97, Stanford 63:** At Los Angeles, Darren Collison, Alfred Aboya and Jrue Holiday all scored 15 points and No. 17 UCLA put away Stanford with a 40-14 run over both halves for an

easy victory.

Anthony Goods was the only scorer in double figures with 15 for Stanford.

■ **South Carolina 78, Kentucky 77:** At Lexington, Ky., Devan Downey's turnaround jumper with 3 seconds left and South Carolina upset No. 24 Kentucky, the Gamecocks' second victory in 23 games in Lexington.

Zam Fredrick led the Gamecocks with 24 points. Patrick Patterson had 28 points for the Wildcats.

■ **Gonzaga 64, San Diego 47:** At Spokane, Wash., Austin Daye scored 17 points and No. 20 Gonzaga beat San Diego to remain unbeaten in the West Coast Conference.

■ **Ole Miss 67, Miss. State 63:** At Starkville, Miss., Terrico White scored 18 points, David Huertas added 16 and Mississippi beat Bulldogs on the road for the first time since 1998.

The Bulldogs (14-7, 4-2) had won 10 straight in Starkville in the SEC's most-played rivalry.

■ **Vanderbilt 82, Auburn 75:** At Auburn, Ala., Jermaine Beal scored 21 points, hitting seven 3-pointers, to help edge Auburn and snap a four-game losing streak.

A.J. Ogilvy and Jeffery Taylor each scored 14 points for Vanderbilt, while Brad Barntley added 13. Rasheem Barrett led Auburn with 29 points.

■ **LSU 79, Arkansas 69:** At Baton Rouge, La., Bo Spencer scored 21 points, going 5-of-6 from 3-point range, and LSU edged Arkansas.

Michael Washington scored 24 for the Razorbacks.

■ **Davidson 55, Samford 52:** At Birmingham, Ala., Stephen Curry scored 20 points to lead Davidson past Samford.

Curry shot 6-for-20 from the field, including only 2-for-11 from 3-point range.

■ **Tenn.-Chattanooga 100, Ga. Southern 87:** At Chattanooga, Tenn., Stephen McDowell scored 27 points as Chattanooga defeated Georgia Southern.

TENNIS: AUSTRALIAN OPEN

Williams No. 1 again

BY JOHN PYE

Associated Press Writer

MELBOURNE, Australia — Serena Williams always selects a special outfit to bring to Australia for a victory celebration. Every second year, she gets to wear it.

Williams' 6-0, 6-3 rout of Dinara Safina on Saturday earned her a 10th Grand Slam title, a fourth Australian title — coming each odd-numbered year since 2003 — and the No. 1 ranking.

"I actually forgot until the end when I was saying hi to my box. They're like, 'Hey, you're No. 1.' I was like, 'Oh, yeah,'" she said.

Not that a number means everything. "I always believe I'm the best, whether I'm No. 1 or 100," she said. "Just having that extra bonus is pretty cool."

Williams set aside a stylish black top to wear for the big occasion this time. In between the match, doping tests and media commitments, she changed into it.

"I always bring an outfit for the championships," she said. "I always try to think positive, and I think it helps me be able to win."

Williams was so dominant that Safina, a 22-year-old Russian playing in her second major final, didn't feel worthy of being on the same court.

"It was first time for me to play not only for the Grand Slam, but also for No. 1 spot," said Safina, the 2008 French Open runner-up. "I never been through this situation, and she was already."

"Serena was too good ... I was just a ballboy on the court today," added Safina, apologizing to the Rod Laver Arena crowd after the 59-minute match.

After Melbourne's hottest three-day heat wave on record, conditions were a relatively mild 79 degrees for the tournament's first women's final at night.

Safina had been hoping to emulate two feats her brother, Marat Safin, achieved. He won the 2005 Australian Open — the day after Serena won her second title here — and held the No. 1 ranking.

"She played exactly the way she had to play



AP PHOTO
Serena Williams shows off her trophy for winning the Australian Open after a straight-sets win over Dinara Safina.

and she was much more aggressive and she just was taking time out of me," Safina said.

"She didn't give me a chance." Williams' win at the U.S. Open in September gave her the No. 1 ranking for the following four weeks, her first stint at the top since a 57-week stretch from July 2002.

She started this year at No. 2 and slowly worked her way through the tournament. She was struggling with her serve at times and had to fend off Svetlana Kuznetsova in the quarterfinals when the Russian was serving for the match.

"I was playing lazy tennis in the beginning and I was doubting myself," she said. "I'll thank my mom for hanging in there this week. The first week was tough, but we got through it."

She lifted herself in the semis to snap Olympic champion Elena Dementieva's 15-match winning streak and was overpowering from the first game of the final, losing only eight points and winning 18 of the last 20 in the 22-minute first set.



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PRO FOOTBALL: SUPER BOWL XLIII

Steelers guru never shows his age

BY ALAN ROBINSON
Associated Press Writer

TAMPA, Fla. — He is a master of disguise, so perhaps it's not surprising that Steelers defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau once was actor Michael Caine's double in a movie.

LeBeau's Steelers often go out of character, too — showing one look but doing something unconventional after the snap. One of the intriguing games-within-a-game during the Super Bowl today will be LeBeau's maneuvering against Cardinals coach Ken Whisenhunt, the former Steelers offensive coordinator and one of LeBeau's best friends.

Then again, almost anybody LeBeau works with becomes his friend, and a good one. LeBeau is the NFL's oldest assistant coach at 71, yet his players rave about his fatherly presence, calm demeanor, steady hand and non-confrontational style.

Is there another NFL assistant whose players call him Dad? Or who developed a defensive scheme because Bobby Knight, his former Ohio State classmate, influenced him with his pressure tactics in basketball?

"I think he is the best football coach I've ever been around," safety Ryan Clark said. "Just as a person and for the liveliness he brings to work every morning. The first thing he says is, 'It's great to be alive.' For a man to be 71 and that lively, doing push-ups on the field and talking about how good he is at golf, it's just awesome."

In a fortunate coincidence for them, the Steelers reached the Super Bowl in LeBeau's 50th NFL season — 16 as a star cornerback, 34 as a head and assistant coach. Being center stage in Tampa allows them to lobby for the Hall of Fame induction of the former star cornerback and the inventor of the zone blitz defense.

His players already feel as though they've won in Tampa: LeBeau told them he plans to return next season, scuttling rumors he was weighing retirement if the Steelers win a second Super Bowl in four seasons.

"I could barely walk before he came here," All-Pro safety Troy Polamalu said. "He has everything to do with the success of everybody on this team."

LeBeau gets along so well with his players that the decision to return next season



AP PHOTO
Pittsburgh defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau, right, is a master at devising schemes to confuse opposing teams. He'll go against Arizona today in the Super Bowl.

was easy. He was chosen by NFL coaches, players and executives as The Sporting News coordinator of the year.

"They keep me young, there's no question about it," LeBeau said. "As long as my health holds up and people want me to work, I think I'd be pretty foolish to leave these guys."

The Super Bowl winner may be determined by how effectively LeBeau's league-leading defense controls Cardinals quarterback Kurt Warner and playmaking receivers Larry Fitzgerald, Anquan Boldin and Steve Breaston. The offense is much like the one Whisenhunt, and top assistant Russ Grimm, once ran in Pittsburgh during practices against LeBeau's defense.

"I know we're going to see some things that coach Whisenhunt's done before, we're going to see some things he hasn't done," LeBeau said. "I know he'll have some surprises."

Conversely, Arizona must go against what

may be the best Steelers defense since the Steel Curtain of the '70s. The defensive linemen drop into pass coverage, Polamalu seems to cover an acre on every play, cornerback Ike Taylor is a tough matchup for any receiver and outside linebacker James Harrison is the defensive player of the year.

LeBeau has had two weeks to devise a game plan for slowing Fitzgerald, who has an NFL playoff-record 419 yards receiving in three games, and the occasionally turnover-prone Warner. Still, LeBeau's players won't be surprised if he revises much of it after the kickoff.

"He's such a football mastermind for coming up with schemes and plays to stop the opposing offense," defensive end Aaron Smith said.

This is LeBeau's second stop in Pittsburgh. The first came on former coach Bill Cowher's initial staff in 1992 as defensive backs coach, and he later became coor-

dinator of the mid-1990s Blitzburgh defense that featured Rod Woodson. He returned to his native Cincinnati to his former job as Bengals defensive coordinator in 1997 and was their head coach from 2000-02.

LeBeau's schemes are complex — according to cornerback William Gay, two seasons are needed to learn them — but LeBeau's philosophy is simple: Put players in position to make plays. Especially if it's a position the offense doesn't expect that player to be in, such as the 350-pound Casey Hampton dropping into pass coverage.

"The players have always enjoyed the pressure scheme. I move them and they like to move," LeBeau said. "I've never been exposed to very many players that didn't like to put pressure on the quarterback and not just sit in one position. The offense makes us adjust to everything — formation, snap count, shifts, no huddles — so it's fun to make them have to adjust."

LeBeau jokes his main job is "staying out of the players' way," but he doesn't hesitate to remind them that his 62 career interceptions for Detroit are more than all of his defensive backs combined.

"Every chance he gets," Hampton said. "Believe me, he tells stories about that all the time."

What other NFL coach would recite from memory "'Twas The Night Before Christmas" to his players each holiday season, a way to remind them that their lives aren't entirely about football? He even stepped out of character in 1970, while playing for the Lions, to be a stunt double for Caine in the movie "Too Late The Hero."

Remarkably, in a sport where head coaches keep getting younger — the newly appointed Raheem Morris of Tampa Bay and Josh McDaniels of Denver are 32 — a coach who is more than twice the age of many remains an innovator in a city that embraces defense perhaps like no other.

"He asks the critical questions," Tomlin said. "He's always looking for an edge, schematics or otherwise. He appreciates the day. He appreciates the journey. He appreciates the process that is required to prepare to play. I think all those things keep him out in front of his competitors."



Super Bowl XLIII strategy between Pittsburgh and Arizona



Cardinals must run, Steelers must get to passer

BY DAVE GOLDBERG
Associated Press Writer

TAMPA, Fla. — For both the Arizona Cardinals and Pittsburgh Steelers, today's Super Bowl is about the rush.

For Arizona, it will be rushing the ball to give quarterback Kurt Warner time to find targets like Larry Fitzgerald and Anquan Boldin, the top members of the most dangerous receiving corps in football. For Pittsburgh, it is rushing Warner so he doesn't have time to throw accurately — the Steelers were second in the NFL this season with 51 sacks.

A look at the strategy that each team is likely to use in Sunday's Super Bowl.

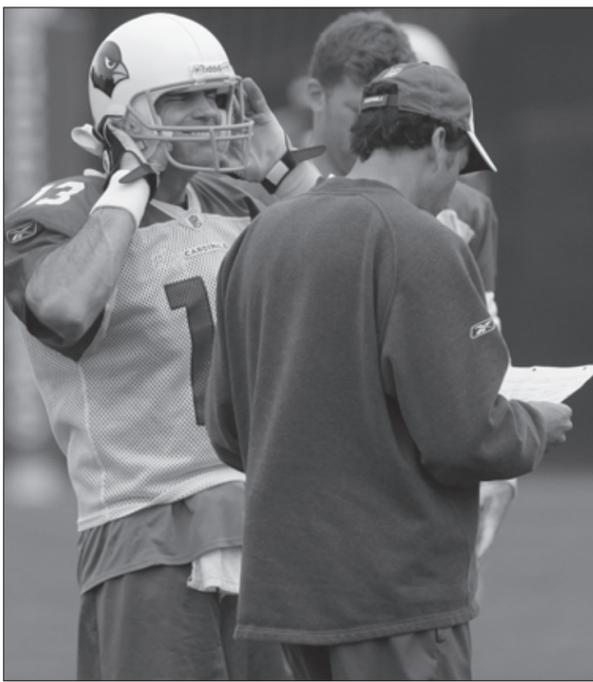
When Cardinals have the ball

The Cardinals were last in the NFL in rushing during the regular season at 73.6 yards a game. One of the main reasons they were able to upset Atlanta, Carolina and Philadelphia is that they have bumped their rushing yards up to 111 a game in the playoffs, making defenses treat Arizona as something more than a one-dimensional passing team.

Expect more of the same today. If the Cardinals can get 100 yards by handing off to Edgerrin James and Tim Hightower, it will hold down the all-out blitz that has been so effective for the Steelers. And if Arizona can get into third-down and five or less, Warner will be able to make quicker and shorter third-down throws to keep the ball moving.

Then, on an occasional first down, coach Ken Whisenhunt and offensive coordinator Todd Haley are likely to call a gadget play. Arizona converted flea-flickers for 42- and 62-yard TDs to Fitzgerald against Atlanta and Philadelphia.

The 6-foot-3 receiver has a postseason record 419 yards



AP PHOTO
Arizona quarterback Kurt Warner, left, puts his helmet on during practice earlier in the week. The Cardinals face a difficult task of running the ball against Pittsburgh.

receiving in three games, and is almost impossible to stop in one-on-one situations.

"What has made us so good over this last stretch, is that we're a lot better at keeping teams off balance than maybe we were earlier in the year," Warner said. "Although we had success and scored points and were able to throw the ball around, I think what you realize is that the more balance you have, the better you can be against good defenses."

The Cardinals certainly are facing a good defense.

Pittsburgh's defensive coordinator, 71-year-old Dick LeBeau, is considered one of the best ever in the NFL.

His unit was first overall in the league and second against the run. It allowed just over 80 rushing yards per game, 3.3 yards per carry and allowed just seven touchdowns on the ground, tied for second best in the league. If the Steelers play that kind of defense, it makes it difficult to protect Warner from a pass rush led by James Harrison, who had 16 sacks and was voted the league's defensive player of the year.

"Part of great pass defense is rush," coach Mike Tomlin said. "You can't have one without the

other. We've been consistently applying pressure to the quarterback, and that's our emphasis, not sacks. Sacks don't tell the story. It's to be disruptive, it's to apply pressure."

Pittsburgh's secondary features only one true standout, free safety Troy Polamalu. In fact, the Pittsburgh DBs are known as much for their hitting as their coverage skills, but rarely get burned because of the pressure on opposing quarterbacks.

Can they control the Cardinals' receivers?

With a pass rush, they probably can.

When Steelers have the ball

The Steelers have traditionally been a running team back to the 1970s, when they won four Super Bowls in six seasons with Franco Harris and Rocky Bleier. But for a long stretch this season, they didn't run very well, primarily because Willie Parker, who averaged 1,337 yards rushing in the 2005-2007 seasons, was hampered by knee and elbow injuries.

With Parker healthy, things should be easier for QB Ben Roethlisberger, who was sacked 46 times this year, the third straight season he has gone

down more than 40 times. One reason has been his tendency to hold the ball longer than he should.

But he might get away with that against the Cardinals, whose most dangerous pass rusher might be a strong safety, Pro Bowler Adrian Wilson. In his eighth season, Wilson is finally getting the recognition he should. Veteran defensive end Bertrand Berry is the most experienced lineman on a front seven that includes few true stars but a lot of experience.

Roethlisberger has pledged to atone for a less-than-stellar performance in the Steelers' Super Bowl victory over Seattle three years ago. He was just 9-of-21 for 123 yards in that game and threw two interceptions.

That was at the end of Roethlisberger's second NFL season. This is his fifth and he's become an acknowledged team leader, a player his teammates now consider the leader of the offense, even more so than Hines Ward, the feisty wide receiver who was the MVP of the 2006 Super Bowl.

"I'm more relaxed. I'm having more fun," he said. "The first time was my second year in the league, and I was so overwhelmed because it was such a dream to be in the game. This time, I'm just enjoying it and having more fun."

Still, the Cardinals' ability to score quickly suggests that the Steelers will play keepaway. They will try to run first, with Parker and Melvin Moore, and control the ball with short passes to Ward and tight end Heath Miller. After they've moved the ball that way, they will use play-action passes to go deep to Ward, Antonio Holmes and Nate Washington.

The danger will be an Arizona defense that has been much more opportunistic during the playoffs than during the regular season — it has 12 takeaways during the postseason to three giveaways, including five interceptions of Jake Delhomme in their upset of Carolina, their first victory in the Eastern time zone.

"They like to move around and show different blitzes," Roethlisberger said of the Cardinals. "Identification is going to be a big key."

If that works, the Steelers won't turn over the ball.

That also means they are likely to win.

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Indeed, when they look around Raymond James Stadium and see all those fans waving Terrible Towels, the players will readily accept that extra burden every Steeler has carried for decades.

"Well, there are really a lot of reasons. Success has had something to do with it,"



Rooney

Steelers owner Dan Rooney said. "The fact that they have had difficult times ... in Pittsburgh and we sort of filled the void — they could have something for their pride."

The Steelers could have something for the ring finger on the other hand after filling up five fingers following the 1974, '75, '78, '79 and 2005 seasons. They currently are tied with Dallas and San Francisco at five Super Bowl titles, but unlike the Cowboys and 49ers of late, the Steelers (14-4) have been regulars in the postseason.

Which is something the Cardinals could only have dreamed of. Since moving to Arizona in 1988, they've had two winning seasons. In 1997, they were a wild-card qualifier and beat Dallas in the playoffs, which merely was the franchise's second postseason victory. Ever.

The other came in the 1947 NFL championship game, and the Cardinals didn't even host a playoff contest again until last month's wild-card win over Atlanta.

They followed with victories over Carolina and Philadelphia, all as underdogs, to surpass their all-time postseason victory total — and shockingly get into the Super Bowl.

A wonderful story, with only one acceptable ending for the Cardinals (12-7).

"Nobody remembers the Super Bowl loser," defensive tackle Darnell Dockett said. "I don't believe in losing."

"We are definitely the underdogs. We all play with the underdog mentality."

But any steps forward against Pittsburgh's league-leading defense come with a price. The Steelers allowed the fewest points (223) and ranked first in nearly every defensive category, led by Defensive Player of the Year James Harrison and James Farrior at linebacker, Polamalu in the secondary, and the brilliant coordinating of Dick LeBeau. When Tomlin was hired, he wisely gave LeBeau all kinds of leeway.

The result is a unit as fearsome as any previous Steel Curtain, even if LeBeau downplayed the dominance.

"We try to level the field a little bit for your guys, that's all," he said. "We're always going to be a stimulus-response type of situation, but hopefully by moving and bringing some different people in different combinations, we can deter some of the things they want to do."

They've done it to everyone else this season; the Cardinals certainly can expect a dose of that punishing D.

"I think the biggest thing about the Steelers that you're concerned with, especially from a defensive standpoint, is just all the different looks that they give you," said quarterback Kurt Warner, whose reclamation story — from two-time league MVP and 2000 Super Bowl champion to retreat to star — is unique for the Cardinals. "It's going to be key for us to understand, to watch film, and to be able to recognize."

SCOREBOARD

LOCAL

Prep Schedule

Monday
Varsity wrestling
 Trion, Cedartown, Ringgold at Southeast, 5
Freshman basketball
 Adairsville at Northwest Whitfield, 6

Tuesday
Varsity basketball
 LaFayette at Southeast, 6
 Cass at Northwest Whitfield, 6
 Furtah Prep at Christian Heritage, 6:30
Varsity wrestling
 Cherokee at Dalton, 5:30
 Junior varsity basketball
 Furtah Prep at Christian Heritage, 4

Friday
Varsity basketball
 Christian Heritage at Heinyway Christian, 6
 Paulding County at Dalton, 6
 Murray County at Cass, 7
 Ringgold at Southeast, 7
 Osborne at Northwest Whitfield, 7
Varsity wrestling
 Area 7-4A traditional tournament at Rome, 5
 Area 6-3A traditional tournament at LaFayette
Junior varsity basketball
 Murray County at Cass, 4
 Christian Heritage boys at Heinyway Christian, 4:30
 Osborne at Northwest Whitfield, 5:30

Saturday
Varsity basketball
 Murray County at Sprayberry, 4
 Rome at Dalton, 4
 Northwest Whitfield at Hiram, 6
Varsity wrestling
 Area 7-4A traditional tournament at Rome
 Area 6-3A traditional tournament at LaFayette
Junior varsity basketball
 Murray County at Sprayberry, 1
 Northwest Whitfield at Hiram, 3
Freshman basketball
 Northwest at Woodland tournament

TELEVISION

On Today

GOLF
 8:30 a.m.
 TGC — European PGA Tour, Dubai Desert Classic, final round, at Dubai, United Arab Emirates (same-day tape)
 1 p.m.
 TGC — PGA Tour, FBR Open, final round, at Scottsdale, Ariz.
 3 p.m.
 CBS — PGA Tour, FBR Open, final round, at Scottsdale, Ariz.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
 2 p.m.
 FSN — Virginia at Duke

NBA BASKETBALL
 2:30 p.m.
 ABC — Cleveland at Detroit

NFL FOOTBALL
 6 p.m.
 NBC — Super Bowl XLIII, Pittsburgh vs. Arizona, at Tampa, Fla.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
 4 p.m.
 FSN — UCLA at Stanford

4 a.m.
 FSN — Texas at Baylor (delayed tape)

PRO FOOTBALL

NFL Playoff Glance

Super Bowl
 Sunday, Feb. 1
 Tampa, Fla.
 Arizona vs. Pittsburgh, 6 p.m. (NBC)

Pro Bowl
 Sunday, Feb. 8
 At Honolulu
 AFC vs. NFC, 4:30 p.m. (NBC)

PRO HOCKEY

NHL Glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE						
Atlantic Division						
W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
New Jersey	32	15	3	67	157	125
N.Y. Rangers	29	18	4	62	132	134
Philadelphia	26	13	9	61	159	141
Pittsburgh	24	22	5	53	157	157
N.Y. Islanders	15	29	5	35	123	169
Northeast Division						
W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Boston	36	8	6	78	175	112
Montreal	28	15	6	62	153	140
Buffalo	25	19	5	55	147	140
Toronto	19	23	8	46	149	182
Ottawa	17	23	7	41	112	135
Southeast Division						
W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	

Washington	31	15	4	66	159	143
Carolina	25	21	5	55	128	147
Florida	23	18	8	54	138	138
Tampa Bay	17	23	10	44	129	157
Atlanta	17	29	5	39	148	181
WESTERN CONFERENCE						
Central Division						
W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Detroit	31	11	7	69	179	144
Chicago	26	13	8	60	157	121
Columbus	24	21	5	53	136	142
Nashville	21	24	3	45	117	140
St. Louis	19	24	4	42	134	152
Northwest Division						
W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Calgary	30	14	4	64	154	141
Edmonton	25	20	3	53	137	149
Minnesota	24	21	3	51	124	111
Vancouver	22	20	7	51	140	142
Colorado	23	26	1	47	138	154
Pacific Division						
W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
San Jose	36	6	5	77	165	108
Anaheim	25	22	5	55	149	146
Phoenix	24	21	5	53	129	148
Dallas	23	18	7	53	143	157
Los Angeles	20	21	7	47	125	137

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.

Saturday's Games

Washington 4, Detroit 2
 Boston 1, N.Y. Rangers 0
 Montreal 4, Los Angeles 3
 Anaheim 4, Colorado 3
 Dallas 7, Columbus 3
 N.Y. Islanders 3, Florida 1
 Toronto 5, Pittsburgh 4
 Carolina 2, Atlanta 0
 Philadelphia at St. Louis, late
 Buffalo at Phoenix, late
 Minnesota at Vancouver, late
 Chicago at San Jose, late

Today's Games
 Ottawa at Washington, 12:30 p.m.
 Boston at Montreal, 2 p.m.
 Nashville at Edmonton, 2 p.m.

PRO BASKETBALL

NBA Glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE						
Atlantic Division						
W	L	Pct	GB			
Boston	39	9	.813	—		
Philadelphia	23	23	.500	15		
New York	21	25	.457	17		
New Jersey	21	27	.438	18		
Toronto	19	29	.396	20		
Southeast Division						
W	L	Pct	GB			
Orlando	35	10	.778	—		
Atlanta	27	20	.574	9		
Miami	25	21	.543	10 1/2		
Charlotte	19	28	.404	17		
Washington	10	37	.213	26		
Central Division						
W	L	Pct	GB			
Cleveland	36	9	.800	—		
Detroit	25	20	.556	11		
Milwaukee	24	27	.471	15		
Chicago	20	27	.426	17		
Indiana	19	29	.396	18 1/2		
WESTERN CONFERENCE						
Southwest Division						
W	L	Pct	GB			
San Antonio	32	14	.696	—		
New Orleans	28	16	.636	3		
Houston	29	19	.604	4		
Dallas	27	19	.587	5		
Memphis	11	35	.239	21		
Northwest Division						
W	L	Pct	GB			
Denver	31	16	.660	—		
Portland	28	17	.622	2		
Utah	26	21	.553	5		
Minnesota	16	29	.356	14		
Oklahoma City	11	36	.234	20		
Pacific Division						
W	L	Pct	GB			
L.A. Lakers	37	9	.804	—		
Phoenix	25	19	.568	11		
Golden State	15	33	.313	23		
L.A. Clippers	10	37	.213	27 1/2		
Sacramento	10	38	.208	28		
Saturday's Games						
New York 122, Indiana 113						
New Jersey 86, Philadelphia 83						
Dallas 111, Miami 96						
L.A. Lakers 115, Memphis 98						
Washington 106, L.A. Clippers 94						
Milwaukee 110, Atlanta 107						
Houston 110, Golden State 93						
San Antonio 106, New Orleans 93						
Chicago at Phoenix, late						
Utah at Portland, late						
Today's Games						
Orlando at Toronto, Noon						
Minnesota at Boston, Noon						
Cleveland at Detroit, 2:30 p.m.						
Oklahoma City at Sacramento, 3 p.m.						

TENNIS

Australian Open Road

Men
Rafael Nadal (1)
 First Round — def. Christophe Rochus, 6-0, 6-2, 6-2.
 Second Round — def. Roko Karanusic, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2.
 Third Round — def. Tommy Haas, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.
 Fourth Round — def. Fernando Gonzalez (13), 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.
 Quarterfinals — def. Gilles Simon (6), 6-2, 7-5, 7-5.
 Semifinals — def. Fernando Verdasco (14), 6-7 (4), 6-4, 7-6 (2), 6-7 (1), 6-4.
 Championship — vs. Roger Federer (2).

Roger Federer (2)
 First Round — def. Andreas Seppi, 6-1, 7-6 (4), 7-5.
 Second Round — def. Evgeny Korolev, 6-2, 6-3, 6-1.
 Third Round — def. Marat Safin (26), 6-3, 6-2, 7-6 (5).
 Fourth Round — def. Tomas Berdych (20), 4-6, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.
 Quarterfinals — def. Juan Martin del Potro (8), 6-3, 6-0, 6-0.
 Semifinals — def. Andy Roddick (7), 6-2, 7-5, 7-5.
 Championship — vs. Rafael Nadal (1).

Women
Serena Williams (2)
 First Round — def. Yuan Meng, 6-3, 6-2.
 Second Round — def. Gisela Dulko, 6-3, 7-5.
 Third Round — def. Peng Shuai, 6-1, 6-4.
 Fourth Round — def. Victoria Azarenka (13), 3-6, 4-2, retired.
 Quarterfinals — def. Svetlana Kuznetsova (8), 5-7, 7-5, 6-1.
 Semifinals — def. Elena Dementieva (4), 6-3, 6-4.
 Championship — def. Dinara Safina (3), 6-0, 6-3.

GOLF

FBR Open

Saturday
 Scottsdale, Ariz.
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 TPC Scottsdale
 Purse: \$2.5 million
 Yardage: 7,216; Par: 71

Third Round

Kenny Perry	72-63-66	—	201	-12
Scott Piercy	69-67-66	—	202	-11
Kevin Na	67-70-66	—	203	-10
Brian Gay	68-68-67	—	203	-10
Charley Hoffman	66-68-69	—	203	-10
Geoff Ogilvy	70-69-65	—	204	-9
Ted Purdy	71-68-65	—	204	-9
Jeff Maggert	70-68-66	—	204	-9
David Toms	69-68-67	—	204	-9
Ryan Moore	69-67-68	—	204	-9
James Nitties	65-69-70	—	204	-9
Matt Kuchar	67-67-70	—	204	-9
Rocco Mediate	68-70-67	—	205	-8
Cliff Kresge	68-69-68	—	205	-8
Zach Johnson	71-66-68	—	205	-8
Nick Watney	70-63-72	—	205	-8
Michael Letzig	70-67-69	—	206	-7
Rory Sabbatini	72-65-69	—	206	-7
Brendon de Jonge	71-67-69	—	207	-6
Bubba Watson	68-70-69	—	207	-6
Sean O'Hair	69-69-69	—	207	-6
Troy Matteson	70-68-69	—	207	-6
Carl Pettersson	71-68-69	—	208	-5
Ryan Palmer	73-67-68	—	208	-5
J.J. Henry	69-71-68	—	208	-5
Parker McLachlin	68-71-69	—	208	-5
Kevin Sutherland	68-71-69	—	208	-5
Jonathan Kaye	68-71-69	—	208	-5
Jonathan Byrd	72-69-67	—	208	-5
Gary Woodland	70-71-67	—	208	-5
Scott McCarron	70-72-66	—	208	-5
Aaron Baddeley	69-73-66	—	208	-5
Hunter Mahan	73-67-69	—	209	-4
Jarrod Lyle	71-69-69	—	209	-4
Luke Donald	76-65-68	—	209	-4
Steve Flesch	69-72-68	—	209	-4
David Berganio, Jr.	66-71-72	—	209	-4
Nathan Green	73-69-67	—	209	-4
John Senden	68-70-72	—	210	-3
Steve Elkington	70-69-71	—	210	-3
Kirk Triplett	70-70-70	—	210	-3
Rod Pampling	72-69-69	—	210	-3
Woody Austin	69-72-69	—	210	-3
Brandt Jobe	72-69-69	—	210	-3
Jeff Overton	70-72-68	—	210	-3
Cameron Beckman	68-67-75	—	210	-3
Rickie Fowler	73-66-72	—	211	-2
Vaughn Taylor	69-69-73	—	211	-2
Fredrik Jacobson	72-65-74	—	211	-2
D.J. Trahan	68-74-69	—	211	-2
Bob Tway	71-71-69	—	211	-2
Kevin Streelman	73-69-69	—	211	-2
Chad Campbell	70-70-72	—	212	-1
Jeff Klauk	74-66-72	—	212	-1
Charlie Wi	73-68-71	—	212	-1
Lucas Glover	65-72-75	—	212	-1
Webb Simpson	68-67-77	—	212	-1
Chris DiMarco	73-69-70	—	212	-1
Pat Perez	69-73-70	—	212	-1
John Merrick	71-71-70	—	212	-1
Dudley Hart	68-70-75	—	212	-1
Brad Adamonis	67-74-72	—	213	E
Briny Baird	70-72-71	—	213	E
Mark Wilson	71-70-73	—	214	+1
Joe Ogilvie	69-71-75	—	215	+2
Brett Quigley	71-71-74	—	216	+3
John Rollins	71-71-74	—	216	+3
Ben Curtis	71-71-74	—	216	+3
Jason Bohm	71-71-74	—	216	+3
Nicholas Thompson	72-68-77	—	217	+4
Dean Wilson	69-73-76	—	218	+5

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men's Scores

EAST
 American U. 72, Lafayette 61
 Binghamton 62, Maine 49
 Bucknell 59, Army 57
 Buffalo 72, W. Michigan 64
 Columbia 76, Brown 51
 Connecticut 80, Georgetown 61
 Cornell 57, Yale 42
 Dartmouth 56, Penn 39

CARPET CAPITAL RUNNING CLUB BANQUET



CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS
The Carpet Capital Running Club held its annual banquet last week and passed out runner of the year awards in various categories. At left, award winners are front row, left to right, Sarah Stinnett, Holly Kimsey, Lyn Douglas, Ali Donahue and Edwina Cohen. Back row, Ray Beem, Douglas Kerns, Randall Godwin, Doug Hawley, Walt Douglas and Patrick Douglas. Above, longtime members Woody and Elaine Cornwell flank Dalton mayor David Pennington, who presented the couple with a special award for their contribution to the club over the years.

Sports calendar

Registration

• The Whitfield County Parks and Recreation Department will begin registering for the upcoming Dixie Youth baseball and softball seasons on Feb. 2-3 and Feb. 5 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at each community elementary or middle school. Dixie Youth leagues will be for boys ages 4-14 with the age control date of May 1. Dixie Girls range from 4 to 14 with a control date of Jan. 1. A registration announcement for boys ages 15-19 and girls 16-18 will be made later. There will be a registration fee set by each community. Call (706) 226-8341 for information.

Tryouts

• The North Georgia Bulldogs minor league football team, based in Calhoun, will hold tryouts Feb. 21-22 at 2 p.m. at the Gordon County Recreation complex. Fee is \$25. Contact northgeorgiabulldogs.com, or team owner Kacee Smith at (770) 881-1433 or (706) 271-8112.

Meetings

• The Northwest Whitfield High tennis booster club will meet on Feb. 2 at 6 p.m. in the school's commons.
• Dalton High track and field parents will meet Feb. 10 at 6 p.m. in the school's commons.
• North Georgia/Chattanooga Metro USFA girls fastpitch softball is seeking qualified umpires for the 2009 season. Umpire training for anyone interested in umpiring will be offered as well. Contact Rick Hazelwood at (423) 364-6813 or Garry Headrick at (706) 483-1346.
• The Whitfield County Officials Association will hold an umpires meeting on Feb. 4 at 6:30 p.m. for the upcoming youth baseball and softball season at the WCRD office on Gillespie Drive. Contact the WCRD at (706) 264-3087.

Industrial golf

• Nob North Golf Course is taking entries for the 2009 Industrial Golf League, which plays a 10-week schedule and season-ending

playoff. Each team plays once a week with matches starting from 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Each team can have nine players, with four in the weekly competition. Entry fee is \$825 per team. Contact the pro shop at (706) 694-8505.

Fundraiser

• The Dalton High Tip-Off Club will have a fundraiser lunch at the Oakwood Cafe on Feb. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Basketball players will work as servers. Tickets are \$7.50 and can be purchased from players, Tip-Off Club members or at the door. Takeout lunches will be available by calling (706) 529-9663. Contact Wendy Houston at (706) 217-5760.

Tournaments

• The fourth Youth March Madness basketball tournament for boys and girls grades 1-12 will be held at various gymnasiums in the Dalton area March 20-22. Entry fee is \$150. Contact Stacy Pardee at e-mail at spardee@whitfield.k12.ga.us or (706) 483-7246.
• The eighth "Bash-4-Cash" softball tournament will be held in Cleveland, Tenn., on March 13-15 for teams in classes B, C, D, E, as well as rec and women's divisions. Prize for winning is \$1,000; rec teams will receive plaques. Entry fee is \$235, plus an ISA sanction fee. Contact Billy Knight at (423) 479-5500, (423) 421-3285 or (423) 504-2574.

Travel baseball

• A local 8-under travel baseball team made up of players from Whitfield and Murray counties is looking for two or three players for the upcoming season that starts in February. Players cannot turn 9 before May 1. Contact Robby Staten at (706) 280-5242.

Add your news

• If you have a tournament, registration, camp, meeting or other local sports event you'd like to have listed, we're happy to include it in our sports calendar. E-mail the details to larryfleming@daltoncitizen.com or send a fax to (706) 275-6641.

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COLUMN

Looking at life with your heart

My brother, who's been blind all his life, has his own ways of seeing things.

Rather than relying on his eyes, he depends on his hands and his feet and his ears and his nose and even, yes, his tongue. You should see him take a

g o o d look at a bowl of p e a c h cobbler.

B u t mostly, when he wants to s e e something or s o m e o n e t r u l y a n d

clearly, inside and out, the way God sees all of us, maybe — Joe looks at it with his heart.

That serves him well, most of the time. But occasionally it gets him into trouble. And then he has to do what he hates more than anything, even more than being blind and barely able to walk: He has to ask for help.

Lucky for him, he has a sister who's a saint. You are right. That sister would not be me.

Four months ago, when Joe was forced to move out of an apartment complex that had been his home for 17 years, he promptly called our big sister.

Sure, he could've called me. But he's spent all his life in the South, a world apart from Las Vegas, the place my husband and I call home. Maybe he just didn't want to tell his preacher he was going to Sin City.

Anyhow, he moved in with our sister, who lived nearby. She may not be the easiest soul to live with (she once tried to shoot me just because I poured a Diet Pepsi down her pants) but she's a covered-dish supper compared to pitching a tent in the parking lot of Walmart.

Never mind why he had to move. Why wasn't as important as what he would do next.

Bad things happen. You deal with them. My brother is no stranger to dealing with bad things. Cancer robbed him of his mother, his champion; his wife, the love of his life; and his dad, his very best friend.

Losing an apartment is not the same as losing the people who hang the sun and moon and stars in your sky. But if your eyes are in your heart, and your heart is broken, it can be hard finding your way.

Sister Saint had done all she could to help him back on his feet. They didn't need me to do anything, she said, except come home and make them laugh.

We all do what we can. The flight to Charlotte took less time than it took to get a table at Cracker Barrel on the way back to my sister's place.

Joe was waiting, smoking his pipe on the porch. "Hey, sister, good to see you!"

That night and each day since, I tied knots in the legs of his pajamas just to watch him grin as he got ready for bed and quietly untied them.

I fixed tuna salad with sweet pickles, the way he likes it, and showed him how to work the icemaker to get more ice for his

> See RANDALL, 2C



Sharon Randall

Letters to the president

Students at Park Creek Elementary send messages to Barack Obama

Editor's note: The following letters are printed as the students wrote them to the new president.

Dear President Obama,
You are the best President in the world can you tell your daughter Sasha and Milea I said Hi I can't believe your the 44th President I'm your biggest fan Oh and can you change a few little things for school first I want you to make ice cream for free and make more money I know your the best!
from: Jessica

Greeting
Dear Obama you are the best president I ever had you can help my city I enjoy you Your tow daughter will they body like it if I were their frind I want you to come to my school Park creek Sasha is nice even Milea
you best best best best fan
Linette
I wish I live wth you and my family Can your family be my frind yes or no

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I am so happy that you won, and I bet your daughters are too. I think that you're going to be a wonderful president. I just want to tell you that please change some things that are not going well. I watched the inaugeration on Tuesday. I liked you're speech that you said. Well I hope you have so much fun with being the presedent of the United States. Oh and if you need any help, just call me.
P.S. I'm always be there for you.
Your friend,
Lizbeth Torres
Park Creek School

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I am so exited you are president. You can change peoples lives. Mr. Obama you are enbrasing the future. Like you say we pick ourselves up, dust ourselves off and start a new life in the united states. You Rock!
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P.S. I heart you, Obama.
Love your friend
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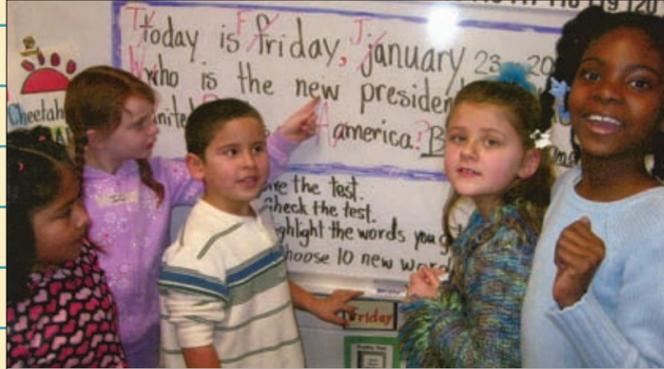
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Cynthia Castillo, Jesus Chaverez and Katy Beasley write about the inauguration of Barack Obama on the classroom's marker board.



Natalie Cervantez, from left, Brenn Boyd, Luis Linares, Catherine Paige and Catalina Griggs go over sentence structure in class at Park Creek.

Haydee Park Creek

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Cal Paige
Obama is the 44th president. He

is also the first African American president. He took an oath on the same bible as Abraham Lincoln did. He danced to "At Last" at the Neighborhood ball where Ted Kennedy suffered a seizure at the luncheon. And he is also (Ted Kennedy) a senator of Massachusetts. Obama is now commander in chief. But the night of the Inauguration they had 10 parties to go to in one night!

Blessin Parker

The inaguration only happen every 4 years so the one's that were there to witness the inaguration of the first african american presednt inagurated well they were a part of history that they can tell their grand kids the day that barack obama was inagurated. The people that were there were a part of history that will live with them forever.

Noah Benjamin Morales

Barack Obama is now the 44th president the first african american president he was sworn in as president of the United States on January 20, 2009 at noon he was on the west front of the U.S. Capitol overlooking the National monuments. President Obama planed to take the oath of office with his hand on the

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Hawkins follows newspaper trends for 60 years

Sue Hawkins doesn't claim laurels for having subscribed to the Dalton or any other newspaper longer than any other person or persons. However, she does stake her interest in following the papers' news contents, typography, and page designs for more than half a century — 60 years, to be exact.

As most children did in early childhood, what they referred to as "the comics," came from the reading voices of mother and/or daddy, often with their verbal description of what the cartoonist had sketched the characters' action.

Now, Mrs. Hawkins' interest in newspapers has risen from comics to news content and editorials.

She recalls that the best news she read during the years was in May, 1945, with the defeat of the Nazi armies, the downfall of Adolph Hitler, the surrender of Germany, the end of WWII, and the declaration of peace

Carefully reading its recent contents, she awaited The Daily Citizen's transition to the latest and most modern printing method of publication — the digital system — which the newspaper had promised was forthcoming, and which has brought numerous favorable comments from the reading public.

During her childhood days in Murray County, Sue Hawkins recalls that her father, Coleman Osburn, was more interested than her mother, Sadie, in reading to her their only daily, The Atlanta Constitution.



Mrs. Sue Hawkins reads a copy of the Dalton Daily Citizen and learns that another public attraction, television, is expected to go digital later this year.

From that, her mother thought that Sue, at about age 5, had obtained her interest in reading newspapers from her father's side.

Recalling the era before popularity of radio and television, Mrs. Hawkins said that actually most of her family was interested in reading newspapers.

"When any member of the family rode by horse or buggy to Spring Place they would bring home a copy of the Chatsworth Times. Pages of the newspaper were torn out and passed around for reading by family members sitting in the room," she

said. In 1925, while residents of Murray County, tragedy struck the family. Her father, Coleman, was operating a rural general store in the Center Hill community. "Three people, two men and a woman," Mrs. Hawkins said, "robbed the store and shot my father to death. The two men, one white, the other an African American, were electrocuted. The woman was given a life sentence in the state penitentiary, but later was released by Gov. Eugene Talmadge."

Following the death of her father, Sue's mother later married Fain



The best news Sue Hawkins remembers reading was such headlines as printed above at the defeat of the Nazis in 1945 to end WWII.

Wilson, a Murray County farmer. He likewise was interested in politics, having served as a Murray County road commissioner and a member in the state General Assembly.

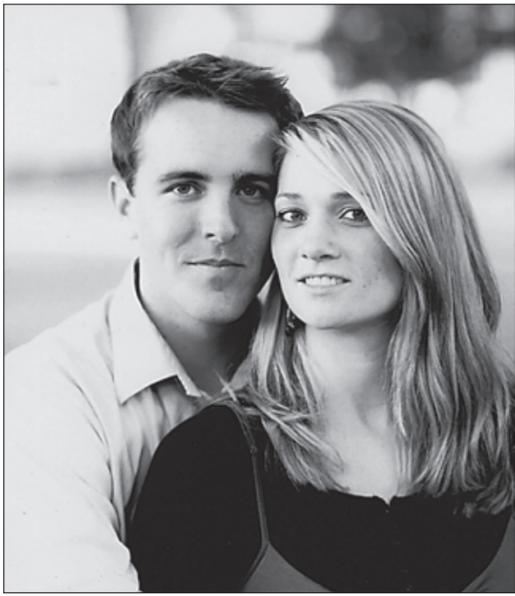
In 1940, Sue Osburn married Glitsen Hawkins, a Murray County farmer. In 1945, after his discharge from military service, they moved to Dalton. He worked with Ryman Pontiac body shop. She worked as a payroll clerk at Belcraft.

Prior to moving to Dalton, Sue, a high school graduate in 1938, had taught grades one through three at Center Hill School in Murray County; 12 years at Belcrafts, and 27 years at Hamilton Memorial Hospital.

Her other work experiences were at Hamilton for 27 years as a payroll clerk, and supervisor of patient accounts. Her volunteer services have been with the Red Cross at hospital for 15 years, and Thursday morning work at the library of the Dalton First Baptist Church.

■ Mark Pace is editor emeritus of The Daily Citizen.

ENGAGEMENTS



ARC STUDIO

Whitney Deal and Jason Hauser

Deal, Hauser

Billy Deal and Candace Deal, both of Dalton, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Whitney Deal of Atlanta, to Jason Hauser of Dallas, Texas. He is the son of Steve and Laurie Hauser of Orlando, Fla.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Josephine Deal of Dalton, the late Mr. T.C. Deal of Dalton and the late Thomas J. and Maxine Carden of Rocky Face. She is the sister of Allison Deal Hiller of Ringgold and Mr. Chandler Deal of Dalton.

Miss Deal obtained a degree in biochemistry from Berry College in Rome where she played on the women's basketball team. She will receive a

doctor of pharmacy degree from Mercer University in Atlanta in May. She was presented at the 2003 Dalton Cotillion. She is employed with SAVA in Atlanta as a research assistant.

Mr. Hauser is the grandson of Mrs. William Dunham and the late Mr. Dunham of Lakeland, Fla. and Mrs. Herbert Hauser and the late Mr. Hauser of Waterloo, Iowa. He is the brother of Amy Hauser Scott of Melrose, Fla.

The future groom obtained a bachelor's of science degree in business from the University of Florida in Gainesville, Fla. He currently attends Dallas Theological Seminary. He is employed part-time with PTG Ministry.

The wedding is scheduled for April 4, 2009 at First Baptist Church in Dalton.

Kraft, Starr

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hodgson Kraft of Atlanta are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter Daisy Penwell Kraft to Dr. Harlan McMillan Starr, Jr., son of Mrs. Leslie Mulloy Starr of Dalton and the late Harlan McMillan Starr.

Miss Kraft is the granddaughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. John Edward Hanle of Hinsdale, Illinois and the late Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Carol Kraft of Elmhurst, Illinois. She is the sister of Dr. Kate Heritage Kraft of Atlanta and Mr. Kenneth Hodgson Kraft, Jr. of New York, New York.

Miss Kraft is a graduate of The Westminster Schools of Atlanta. She graduated Cum Laude from the University of Georgia with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art History and a minor in French. She is employed as the Director of Alumni Giving for The Westminster Schools.

Dr. Starr is the grandson of Mr. James Jefferson Mulloy and the late Mrs. Julia Bright Mulloy of Lexington, Kentucky and



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Harlan McMillan Starr, Jr. and Daisy Penwell Kraft

the late Mr. and Mrs. Trammell Starr of Dalton. He is the brother of Mr. Jefferson Mulloy Starr of Athens, Georgia.

Dr. Starr is a graduate of Dalton High School. He graduated Magna Cum Laude, with Honors, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Microbiology from the University of Georgia. He also received a Medical Doctorate from the Medical College of Georgia, where he was inducted into Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society. He is employed as an Orthopaedic Surgery Resident with Emory University Hospital.

The wedding will take place on May 16, 2009 at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Atlanta.

Dream Wedding 101 course slated for Dalton State

SUBMITTED BY DALTON STATE COLLEGE

You said "yes" when he popped the question; you'll say "I do" at the ceremony. It's between "yes" and "I do" that wedding matters could get a bit overwhelming. That is why Dalton State College is offering Dream Wedding 101.

Professional wedding coordinator and event planner Morgan Wilder, owner of Soirées Weddings, Parties, and Events in Chattanooga, will unlock her treasure chest of wedding expertise to share with class members.

"This is truly a 'Wedding Planning 101' class," Wilder said. "After planning more than 60 weddings and now in the process of planning my own, I am eager to teach brides-to-be the basics of wedding planning. All brides will benefit from this course, whether they are do-it-yourself-ers, busy brides with no time for planning, or brides who aren't sure where to start or how to finish up the details."

"I am thrilled that Continuing Education is offering this class to our area brides," said Kelly Snyder, program coordinator. "Morgan has loads of wisdom and insider secrets to share with 'Dream Wedding 101' participants. She was an integral part of the team that coordinated the wedding of Scottie Mayfield's daughter. Clearly, the Mayfield family (of Mayfield Dairies) could select any wedding planner they wanted, and they chose Soirées. Morgan's resume is impeccable. It is an honor that she is instructing this course for Dalton State, and I cannot emphasize strongly enough the value of this course. It's an incredible bargain!"

Brides, aspiring event planners, or the ultimate maids-of-honor could benefit from this course, according to Snyder. Essential elements of wedding planning will be discussed including



JOHN BAMBER PHOTOGRAPHY

Professional wedding coordinator and event planner Morgan Wilder, owner of Soirées Weddings, Parties, and Events, oversees the details of a recent wedding.

the importance of a timeline, working successfully with vendors, reception ideas for every budget, invitations, favors, décor, and flowers.

"Perhaps most importantly, Morgan will discuss ways to make nuptials magical by personalizing the ceremony and reception," Snyder said. "Wedding bliss on a budget is possible, and she's going to show you how."

Wilder said she is excited to teach brides how to make their planning process easier and less stressful. "After completing this course, students should leave prepared to plan their own wedding, or, at the very least, know how to plan the fun stuff and turn the remainder over to a qualified professional. I want every bride who takes this course to have the joy-

ous wedding celebration of which they've always dreamed."

Dalton State College presents Dream Wedding 101 beginning Tuesday, Feb. 17 in the James E. Brown Center. Preregistration is required. Visit www.dalton-state.edu/cce to register online, or call 272-4454 to register or for more information.

AREA BIRTHS

Hamilton Medical Center has announced the following births for the area:

■ Maudilina Tomas and Calstino Gabriel, a daughter, Delia Baneza, Jan. 16.

■ Jessica Bishop and Scottie Brown, a daughter, Jadie Lin, Jan. 18.

■ Amber and Doug Hodge, a daughter, Shauna Jo Leigh, Jan. 18.

■ Meggan Elder and Dakota Davis, a daughter, Jada Gabrielle, Jan. 19.

■ Sayra Luviano and Jose Lugo, a son, Erick Alexander, Jan. 19.

■ Mary and Perry McLawhorn Jr., a son, Will Harrison, Jan. 19.

■ Shila Popham, a daughter, Hollie Elisabeth, Jan. 19.

■ Tiffany Rogers and Nevin Walden, a son, Xander Richard James, Jan. 19.

■ Lauren and Jeremy Bailey, a son, Kyler Shea, Jan. 20.

■ Reyna Corchado and Abigail Vicente, a daughter, Aby, Jan. 20.

■ Rahquel and Todd Friddell, a son, Clayton Robert, Jan. 20.

■ Ashley and Thomas Hales, a son, Harley Andrew, Jan. 20.

■ Julie Pintor and Troy Campbell, a daughter, Joslyn Harlee, Jan. 20.

■ Diana Sandoval and Victor Hernandez, a son, Ivan Rolando, Jan. 20.

■ Fallon Arnold and Chris Allen, a daughter, Hailie Rebacca, Jan. 21.

■ April and David Baggett, a son, Logan Allen, Jan. 21.

■ Olivia and Randy Bradshaw, a son, Randy Larry, Jan. 21.

■ Rose Taylor and Clint Mulkey, a daughter, McKenna Lee, Jan. 21.

■ Meredith and Chris Templeton, a son, Aslan Christopher, Jan. 21.

■ Jennifer and Darrin

Anderson, a son, Hayden Kole, Jan. 22.

■ Rhonda and Shon Aking, a son, Hayden Archer, Jan. 22.

■ Selena Blevins and C.J. Byers, a daughter, Lauren Blakilee, Jan. 22.

■ Kingsley Hudson and Tsali Russell, a daughter, Marlie Jade, Jan. 22.

■ Marivel Morales, a son, Dante Lamar, Jan. 22.

■ Megan and James Murray, a son, James Phoenix, Jan. 22.

■ Maria and Arturo Pintor, a son, Romeo Alexander, Jan. 22.

■ Alma Vigil and David Mejia, a daughter, Alondra Mishel, Jan. 22.

■ Amber White and Justin Jenkins, a daughter, Valerie Alondra Marie, Jan. 22.

■ Crystal Coram and Ronald Beavers, a son,

Ronald Huston Lane, Jan. 23.

■ Tiffany Crider and Ethon Patterson, a daughter, Bryleigh Grace, Jan. 23.

■ Roxanna and Spencer Hurst, a son, John Lannon, Jan. 23.

■ Ruby Hollingsworth and Robert Maddox, a daughter, Allie Brendalyn, Jan. 24.

■ Naidy Marrero and Royce Rankin, a son, Josiah Delane, Jan. 24.

■ Lindsey Sims, a daughter, Lana Danielle, Jan. 24.

Also, Jeremy and Gwen Harden, twin boys, Jeremy Jr. and Taft Douglas, Jan. 17 at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga.

Also, Chris and Missy Lockhart, a son, George Barrett, Aug. 28 at St. Mary's Healthcare System in Athens.

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'Phantom of Op'ry coming to ACT stage

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More than 20 young actors and actresses are hard at work as the children's wing of Artistic Civic Theatre prepares for the opening of the musical "Phantom of the Op'ry." Directed by Carol Burchfield, this restaging of Gaston Leroux's famous mystery will run Feb. 10-13 at 7 p.m. and Feb. 14 at 2 p.m. at the ACT Playhouse.

In the flaky Op'ry House of Skunk Creek, Nev., the phantom (Cordele Cole) laughingly makes a star of

"too good to be true" Christine Swansong (Emma Phinney), who dreams of a musical career. But star attraction Carlotta Barracuda (Jennifer Wade) will stop at nothing to see that she doesn't get it. However, the spooky phantom's goal is to see that Christine will replace Carlotta ... or else!

What is the phantom's dark secret? Will he strike again?

Other outrageously entertaining characters are created by Sheridan Fromm, Hannah Etheridge, Brittany Wade, William Alderman, Chandler Renz, Aaron Buckner, Allie

Lusk, Molly Martin, Caitlin Armstrong, Emily Ross, Tilea West, Sarah Kate Coleman, Meg Phinney, Laura Kate Wright, Mary Turner Renz, Caroline Theis, Cody Wade, David Giammarella, Kate Phinney, Sarah Knox and Madison Lester.

"Phantom of the Op'ry" is sponsored by Toys in the Attic, Premier Imaging Medical Systems and Dalton Surgical Group. For more information or reservations, call the ACT Playhouse at (706) 278-4796.



Emma Phinney, David Giammarella and Jennifer Wade prepare for Artistic Civic Theatre's "Phantom of the Op'ry."

PET OF THE WEEK



Tex needs a home

Tex is a male 1-year-old tuxedo.

Tex was observed at a church "food fair" and was going from person to person looking for a handout. A humane society volunteer made friends with him and couldn't leave him behind. Off he went to a foster home, and he turned out to be a very friendly little boy that loves attention and loves to play. He has been neutered, tested negative for feline leukemia and FIV and is up to date on shots. Tex is going to make a good family addition for a loving forever home.

For more information

about this pet, call the Humane Society of Northwest Georgia at (706) 226-5002 and press "2" to leave a message. To see other adoptable cats, kittens, dogs and puppies, visit our Web site at www.hsnwga.org or write HSNWGA, P.O. Box 3946, Dalton, GA 30719.

The next Humane Society meeting will be Feb. 16 at 6 p.m. at the Dr. Charles and Evelyn Wade Adoption Center at 1703 Cleveland Highway in Dalton. Adoption days at the facility are on Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. The public is invited.

Bradley Wellness Center announces classes

Bradley Wellness Center has announced the following upcoming classes:

■ **Healthcare Provider CPR** — This class is medically oriented and recommended for those in the health field. Class will be held Feb. 2 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Child, infant and adult CPR and foreign body airway obstruction are covered along with AED, oxygen and ambu-bag use. It is recommended to check with the BWC service desk to make sure this is the right class for you. The cost is \$40. Materials are available for checkout at BWC.

■ **Hiking Club** — The February hike will travel to

Fort Mountain Feb. 21. This hike is 9 miles and rated moderate. Register by Feb. 14.

■ **Hiking Workshop** — A free hiking workshop will be held March 7 from 9 to 10 a.m. The workshop is for all levels of hikers and will feature BWC's own hike leaders. Important hiking topics will be covered. Participants will also be able to get more information on the hiking club and upcoming hikes from BWC. Class registration is required by March 1.

For more information or to register, call (706) 278-9355. Bradley Wellness Center is at 1225 Broadrick Drive in Dalton.

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DEAR ABBY

Owner of failed business looks for sympathy

DEAR ABBY: Because of the downturn in the economy, I had to close my business. Let me tell you this — if anyone wants to know who their real friends are, here's how: Own your own business.

Not one friend or family member has mentioned my business loss, much less offered condolences — and they all know. People have told my husband, who was not part of the business, that they feel sorry for me,



Jeanne Phillips

but no one will say anything to me about it. I feel like it's the elephant in the room at gatherings when no one mentions it.

Am I wrong to feel hurt by this? I don't know what to do about it. I'm amazed at everyone's rudeness and total self-absorption. Have we become a society that talks to one another only when the news is good, but is too busy to tell people they are sorry for their loss? — **DEPRESSED IN UTAH**

DEAR DEPRESSED: Their reluctance to bring the subject up is not because they don't care. It's more likely that they're afraid to say the wrong thing and are afraid they'll make you feel bad if they mention it. This happens often when serious illness strikes or when there is a death in a family. Your friends and relatives don't realize that it's enough to say, "I heard what happened and I'm sorry," which would give you a chance to vent or change the subject if you didn't feel like talking.

I'm glad you wrote because your letter is timely. With businesses closing and people being laid off in record numbers, it is important that they not feel more isolated than they already do. You may not be able to solve an unlucky friend's problem, but knowing you care goes a long way.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were married five years ago. We had a lovely, informal wedding with close friends and loved ones.

I am ashamed to say that I am such a procrastinator

that I never mailed any thank-you notes for our gifts. I was raised that it is proper to send them in a timely fashion, but after a certain amount of time passed, I felt too embarrassed to do it.

Abby, every so often the guilt haunts me. I feel terrible for not sending them, and have made a point of telling young couples being married that they need to make sure they send their thank-yous out promptly or they'll regret it.

What should I do? Chalk it up to a life lesson about good manners, or send out thank-you notes five years late with my apologies? — **OOPS! IN MIDDLE-TOWN, VA.**

DEAR OOPS!: Sometimes for someone to do the right thing takes a "gentle nudge" from an advice columnist, so please allow me: The people who gave you the wedding presents likely have not forgotten that they didn't hear a word from you. So, **START WRITING.** Do what you know you should have done in the first place. Better late than never.

DEAR ABBY: My wife says it's impolite to point at a person or thing when drawing attention to it. We argue about this small matter all the time. Am I wrong in insisting it's OK? Thanks for your response. — **CHARLES IN MISSOURI**

DEAR CHARLES: It is considered bad manners to point at a person because to do so conveys the message that he — or she — is being talked about and possibly made fun of. Pointing at objects is a lazy way of communicating something you should be able to put into words, but it's nothing to argue about. On a scale of 10, it's a zero.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Letters: To Obama

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same bible just as Abraham Lincoln did because he was so fond of Abraham Lincoln. He was so protected they had snipers on top of the buildings of Pennsylvania Avenue. And his limousine was bomb resistant he also had a SWAT team. Obama is hopefully going to be a great president.

Marshall Phillips

Dear Obama,

Can we have free ice cream and cheap stuff and can you tell Hannah Montana to come. To Park Creek School Whan is your

Birthday.

Love, Brisa

Dear Mr. and Ms. Obama,

My name is Stacey Rodriguez. I am from Dalton, Georgia. I am very excited that you are the new president of the United States of America! I am sure your daughters are very happy to be in the White house! I saw the Inauguration on tuesday. I loved it also your speech Alot! I hope you love your job! Feel lonely call me!

Sincerely, Stacey

Antalis, Herd on dean's list

Christina M. Antalis and Kelly M. Herd, both of Dalton, have achieved dean's list honors at Furman University in Greenville, S.C. for the fall semester.

Undergraduates must earn a 3.4 or higher grade point average for dean's list honors.

Herd is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Herd,

and Antalis is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Antalis.



Earl Brackin



Linda McRae

Songwriter workshop coming here

The WinterSong Songwriters Workshop will be held Feb. 28 from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. at Dalton Little Theatre in Dalton.

The event will offer experienced and aspiring songwriters the opportunity to network, hone their craft and receive feedback from experienced professional songwriters. Session topics include the art and craft of songwriting, building melodies on little used scales and modes and the business aspects of songwriting. Instructors include Louisa Branscomb, Earl Brackin, Linda McRae and

others.

Participants will also have an opportunity to receive feedback on their compositions from industry professionals. The cost is \$55 (\$45 to members of the SouthEastern Bluegrass Association, Nashville Songwriters Association International or the Bluegrass Songwriters Association). Each participant will also receive a ticket to the Feb. 27 or 28 evening concert of his or her choice.

Scholarship opportunities exist for area high school juniors and seniors who



Louisa Branscomb

reside in Murray and Whitfield counties. The deadline for scholarship applications is Feb. 12.

The workshop will be limited to 50 participants. For more information email wintersongworkshop@gmail.com or visit www.wintersongworkshop.com. Workshop brochure, registration and scholarship materials may also be requested in writing at WinterSong, P.O. Box 375, Tunnel Hill, GA, 30755.

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Child star, parents happy to be part of 'Slumdog'

By SANDY COHEN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES — The makers of "Slumdog Millionaire" have done more for the film's child stars than their parents ever could, the father of one young actress said.

Rafiq Qureshi, whose 7-year-old daughter, Rubina, appears in the film, said that the filmmakers enrolled his daughter in school and "are taking complete care of my child."

"Whatever a parent could have done, they have done much more than that," he said during an interview with AP Television in Mumbai, India on Wednesday.

The film, which has earned widespread accolades and 10 Academy Awards nominations, came under criti-

cism this week after reports in British newspapers suggested the child actors weren't adequately compensated for their work.

The movie relies on young actors at different ages to tell the stories of its three main characters as they grow up in — and eventually leave — a Mumbai slum. Two of the youngest stars were literally plucked from India's slums to appear in the film.

The youngest stars have had their schooling paid for until they turn 18 and funds have been established to cover their basic living costs, health care and emergencies, director Danny Boyle and producer Christian Colson said in a statement Wednesday. Each child will also receive "a substantial lump sum" when they complete their studies, the statement said.

"A plan has been in place for over 12 months to ensure that their experience working on 'Slumdog Millionaire' would be of long term benefit," distributor Fox Searchlight said in a separate statement. It said the children were paid three times the average local annual adult salary in exchange for 30 days of work.

Rubina's mother, Munni Qureshi, said the "Slumdog" experience has been a positive one.

"I felt very happy that my daughter had become a star," she said.

Rubina said working on the film has inspired her to follow in the footsteps of Bollywood actress Preity Zinta.

"I would like to study and also pursue a career in the films," Rubina said, adding, "Our movie should definitely get an award (at the Oscars) because it's such a nice movie."

HOROSCOPE

Happy Birthday: You can make a profit if you take advantage of some of the deals that unfold because of the economic strife. Your ingenuity and farsightedness will position you well in the future. Originality will set you apart. Now is not the time to snooze when there is so much potential for gains. Your numbers are 8, 11, 13, 23, 26, 34, 41

ARIES (March 21-April 19): If things aren't going your way, remove yourself from whatever situation you are in before you are trapped into doing something you don't want to do. Follow your own path and don't sell yourself short. 2 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): There will be just as many people on your side as opposed today. You will have to choose your friends and allies based on what you know for sure, not what you assume. Don't wait for help. Hesitation will be your downfall. 5 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't let your heart rule your head. Use your intuitive guidance to lead you to the people who can benefit you the most. Anyone who is negative will slow you down. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Focus on relationships and what they mean to you. It's time to put an end to anyone or anything holding you back. Once you do, consider a way to size down or cut your costs to ease stress. 3 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Dream a little about your past and you will be inclined to touch base with someone who enriched your life years ago. A short trip down memory lane will lead to an excursion that will help you shape the years ahead of you. 3 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Plan out a healthier lifestyle that will help make you happier and more efficient and will improve your relationships with others. It's

doing something about your shortcomings that will count. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): If you have been wasting time talking and not doing, step up the pace and find a way to motivate and inspire yourself to get busy before someone complains about your idleness. Contribute to whatever group, family or organization you belong to if you want to have a voice. 5 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You need to plan something special for yourself and someone you love. For too long, you have neglected your responsibilities and, if you don't act now, it may be too late. It only takes a little effort to please someone who loves you. 4 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have skills that you probably haven't put to good use for some time. Recall the things you enjoyed doing way back when and turn your talents into something that can be of service to others now. Use your imagination, innovation and inspiration. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-

Jan. 19): Money and opportunities are heading your way from an unusual source. Be open to unique and unfamiliar ideas. An investment can bring big dividends and security in the future. A contract with someone special will put your mind at ease. 3 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You'll attract attention with your ideas and your humanitarian outlook. Combine your strengths and you will come up with a unique service that will help others and will make life better for you and your loved ones. 3 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may find your loyalty split between two groups — those you want to help and who can help you and those who aspire to do something unusual and creative but not necessarily sound or profitable. Think carefully about your future. Focus on what brings the highest returns. 4 stars

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Refinancing isn't always the right decision

By **DON TAYLOR**
bankrate.com

The chance to refinance a mortgage at a lower interest rate is sure to get a homeowner's attention. But it's not always the right decision.

Having bragging rights at the neighborhood picnic isn't a reason to refinance. Instead, it's good to put some thought behind the timing of your decision.

Multiple refinancings can reduce your overall financial benefit. Refinancing junkies who always migrate to the next low rate pay a hefty price by leaving a trail of closing costs in their wake.

In some cases, a mortgage refinance makes sense. In other cases, it may be more prudent to stick with your current mortgage.

Before deciding whether to refinance, you need to determine what you want to accomplish. Remember, a refinance doesn't pay off the debt; it just restructures it, often at a lower interest rate and a different loan term than the current mortgage.

Reducing the interest expense is the most common goal of a refinance. But some homeowners also appreciate the ability to extend the loan back out to 30 years, reducing

the monthly payment.

Debt consolidation is another goal of refinancing. If you have both a first mortgage and a home equity mortgage, combining the two mortgages into one fixed-rate mortgage levels out the payment over the loan term.

Many homeowners refinance because they want to get out of (or into) an adjustable-rate mortgage. In high interest rate environments, homeowners are attracted to ARMs because they typically are at a much lower interest rate than a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage.

On the other hand, in low interest rate environments, the differential between the fixed-rate and the ARM isn't as great, and homeowners like the security of locking in a fixed rate over the mortgage term.

After clarifying your reasons for refinancing, you need to consider whether the timing and circumstances make this the right time to get a new mortgage.

Usually, you have to plan to be in the house for awhile for refinancing to make sense. According to Bankrate's 2008 closing cost survey, the national average for closing costs on a \$200,000 loan is \$3,118. The fees in the survey don't include taxes, insurance or prepaid

items such as prorated interest or homeowner association dues.

When weighing whether to refinance, homeowners typically are urged to consider how many months of lower payments it will take to recoup the closing costs of the new mortgage.

For example, if your monthly payment goes down by \$156, it would take 20 months of lower payments to recoup the average closing costs. Bankrate's refinancing calculator lets you input your costs and the loan terms to calculate the months it will take to recoup your costs.

While this is not a bad rule of thumb, it doesn't really measure your savings. Savings come from a lower interest expense, not lower monthly mortgage payments.

You'll see that if you get a lower interest rate but extend the mortgage term, you can wind up spending more in interest. For example, replacing a mortgage that has 20 years remaining with a 30-year mortgage will result in higher interest expense over the life of the new loan.

Some people refinance simply to make the monthly mortgage payment more affordable. A

lower interest rate and/or a longer loan term both work toward lowering the monthly payment.

While short-term savings are important, they are not the only factor to weigh when considering a refinance. Refinancing to get out of an ARM, piggyback mortgage, interest-only mortgage or other onerous mortgage provisions may be reason enough to take on a refinancing.

However, in some cases, homeowners with ARMs would be fine sticking with their loan, especially if they don't plan on being in the loan long term and the reset rate on their mortgage isn't financially threatening.

If you don't plan to be in the house for very long, you should probably stay in your current mortgage. Here, the number of months it takes to recoup closing costs becomes the more important calculation done by the refinancing calculator.

You also should reconsider a refinance if you're underwater on your mortgage at this time. Borrowers in this situation are unlikely to find a lender willing to offer good terms on a refinance.

If you're struggling to make

your mortgage payment, but can't get a refinance, you may want to try to negotiate a mortgage modification.

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Mortgage rates fell moderately this week.

The average 30-year fixed-rate fell 11 basis points, to 5.48 percent. A basis point is one-hundredth of a percentage point.

This week's average 15-year fixed — a popular option for refinancing — slid 10 basis points, to 5.1 percent.

The average jumbo 30-year fixed dropped 16 basis points, to 7.06 percent.

Adjustable-rate mortgages also declined this week. The one-year adjustable-rate mortgage ticked down 4 basis points, to 5.87 percent. The popular 5/1 ARM fell 17 basis points, to 5.41 percent.

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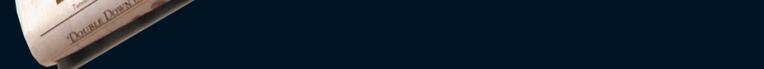
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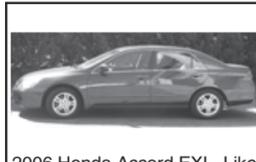


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Preferred Qualifications:
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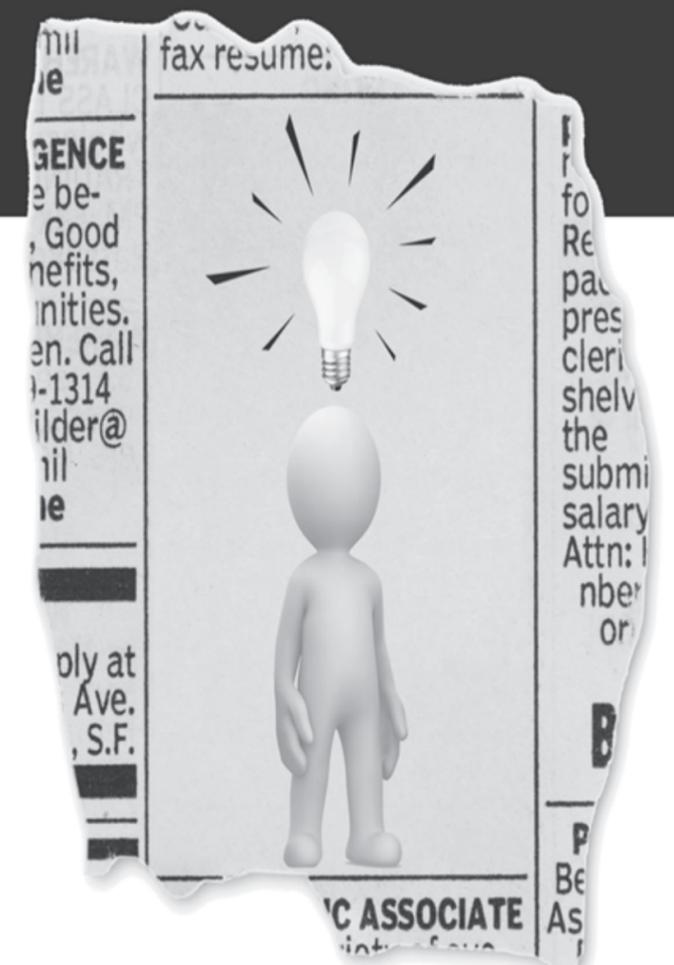
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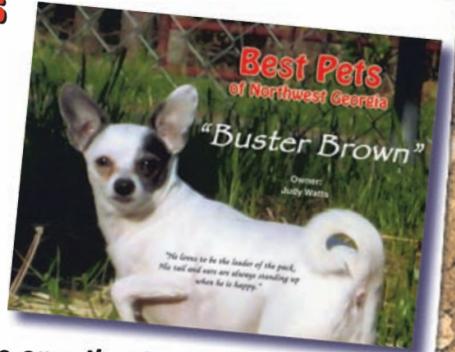


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