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Dennis Headlee, of Illinois, holds up a photo during the Civil War show at the trade center on Sunday of the Libby Prison Camp in Richmond, Va., taken during the Civil War. He says many photos of the camp exist, but most were taken after the war. Headlee believes this one was taken during the war because a Confederate flag is flying instead of an American flag.

# Worth 1,000 words

Civil War photos tell their own stories

BY MISTY WATSON

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Among the tables of Civil War guns, swords, buttons, and insignia, a few soldier's faces stared up, frozen in a photograph.

Most were portraits of Union soldiers printed on albumen paper — photo paper of the mid 1800s. But a few collectors at the Civil War show at the trade center Sunday proudly displayed photos of Confederate soldiers.

Confederate soldiers, especially if they're on a horse, are a rare find, the collectors said.

"They didn't have the metal or

the chemicals they needed to develop photos," in the south, said collector Ron Chojnacki, of Ohio. "Chemicals were hard to come by. They were too busy trying to get the essential supplies in, swords, guns — more so than photographic chemicals."

Photography was still fairly new by the time the war began in 1861. Many of the surviving images today are carte de visite (CDV) and were portraits printed on albumen paper, Chojnacki said. Other photographs are ambrotypes, which were printed on glass, or tintypes, which were printed on metal.

"Pictures can tell their own story," said Dennis Headlee, of Illinois, who specializes in collecting photographs of Confederate soldiers. "You can tell a lot about what (the soldiers) were carrying and what they were wearing. There was so much diversity in the Confederate army. What you see on TV makes you think it was blue on this side and gray on this side, but it wasn't that consistent. A confederate may have been in civilian garb."

Headlee said he was drawn to

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## AARP tax aides set up at library

BY CHARLES OLIVER

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Benjamin Franklin said only two things in this world are certain: death and taxes.

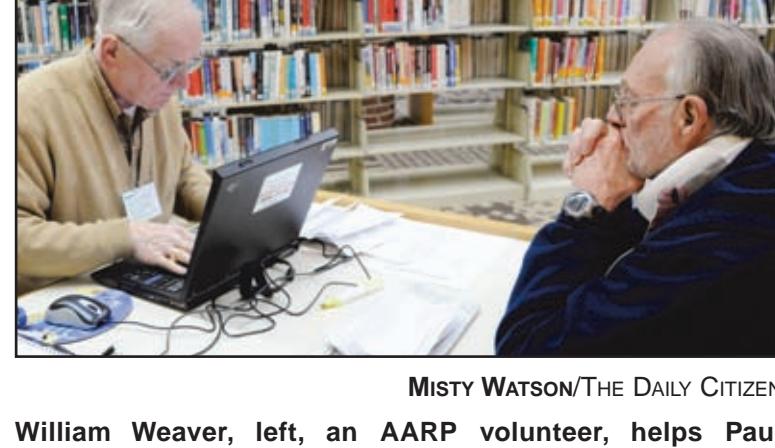
But finding AARP tax aides at the Dalton-Whitfield Library each spring seems fairly certain.

Library director Joe Forsee says the AARP has been coming to the library for at least 12 years to provide free tax preparation for elderly and low-income taxpayers.

Why?

"This seems to be a place most everybody comes to. It's convenient and the facility is good," said Hugh Shropshire, one of the AARP tax aides.

Forsee said people had lined up at the door Monday when the library opened at 10 a.m. to wait for one of two AARP tax aides to help fill out their income tax returns.



MISTY WATSON/THE DAILY CITIZEN

William Weaver, left, an AARP volunteer, helps Paul Hollingsworth of Chatsworth with his taxes at the Whitfield County Library on Wednesday.

"We had 35 people who received assistance that day, and I think they had 965 people they helped in the last tax season," said Forsee.

"This is a collaboration that

works well," said Forsee. "They can give hands on help and current

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Obama  
faces  
tough  
week

Stimulus,  
bailout on tap

BY JIM KUHNHENN  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama plunges into a difficult test of his leadership this week, struggling to get a divided Congress to agree on his economic recovery package while pitching a new plan to ease loans to consumers and businesses.

The Senate's \$827 billion stimulus legislation seems assured narrow passage by Tuesday. Harder work for Obama and the Democrats comes in the days ahead, when the House and Senate attempt to reconcile differences in their two versions.

Obama and Democratic Party leaders had hoped to have a bill ready for the president's signature by Feb. 16 — a deadline that grows more challenging by the day.

At the Treasury Department, Secretary Timothy Geithner delayed the unveiling of a new bailout framework for financial institutions from Monday to Tuesday to let the administration focus on the Senate legislation.

Geithner is considering steps to broaden the use of a new lending facility at the Federal Reserve, provide government guarantees to help banks deal with their troubled assets, and continue direct infusion of capital into banks in exchange for securities and tougher accountability rules.

For Obama, the economy has become a two-front engagement, with one effort aimed at creating or saving jobs and the other at unfreezing the credit markets. Amid the urgency created by nearly 600,000 new unemployed workers last month and new bank failures, Obama's economic prescriptions are coming under critical scrutiny by both Congress and the American public.

The House and Senate bills are about \$7 billion apart in cost and overlap in numerous ways. But the Senate bill has a greater emphasis on tax cuts, while the House bill devotes more money to states, local governments and schools.

Lawrence Summers, Obama's top economic adviser, signaled the struggle ahead as he made the rounds of Sunday morning talk shows. "There are crucial areas, support for higher education, that are things that are in the House bill that are very, very important to the president," he said on ABC.

The Senate bill is finely tuned. With only two or three Republicans on board, it is guaranteed, at most, 61 votes; the bill needs 60 votes to advance and avoid procedural hurdles. Any change in the balance struck by the Senate bill could doom it.

Obama will take his case to the American people at 8 p.m. today with his first prime-time news conference. He'll also participate in town hall-style meetings in cities suffering particularly hard times — Elkhart, Ind., on Monday and Fort Myers, Fla., on Tuesday.

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TODAY'S FORUM

**Editor's note:** Please keep your comments as brief as possible. Get to the point! Longer comments should be submitted as letters to the editor. If you include a name, please spell it. Call (706) 272-7748 to reach Today's Forum.

"I wish they'd go back to slow pitch (softball) for girls. That way, they would enjoy it more. I don't think anyone likes the fast pitch. And I wish more people would support slow pitch."

"Our county commissioners and county Board of Education gives work to people not from here. We've got people here who can do the work ... I think that's our tax money."

"I went to sign up my little girl up for softball, and she has to move up to fast pitch this year. I think that if parents got together, that maybe they wouldn't have to move up. I think a lot of the girls think the fast pitch is too scary for them."

"Why do Democrats keep bashing big business? Aren't businesses the ones who create jobs so Democrats can get a check?"

"The Dalton firefighter who clearly had twice the legal limit for DUI, why is he on administrative leave with pay? I don't think you would see this with a public works worker."

"There was such a great write-up on Dr. Pilcher in Wednesday's paper. He is my doctor and we're going to miss him so much. He is such a wonderful human being and doctor. We wish him well when he goes back to his hometown. He deserves the best."

"Thank you to Dr. Jim Pilcher for his year's of service to our community. He will be missed by hundreds of people. His shoes are too big to ever be filled. We love him."

"Dr. Pilcher is truly a rare breed in physicians because he doesn't herd you through like a herd of cattle, and money isn't his top priority, by any means. He takes so much time with each of his patients. I've been a patient of his for years, and we're all going to miss him so much."

"The person on George Brock Road who's worried about the dog that's worn a path around the base of the tree, call the Dalton animal control, and they'll come out and check on the dog."

"Is there a particular reason there's not a four-way

stop at the intersection of Valley Drive and Franklin Street. On the same note, why do most people hit 50 miles per hour with less than 100 yards before there's a stop sign?"

"I didn't vote for Obama. He's not my president. He's the most destructive, lying, crooked individual that's ever been in the Oval Office."

"Rush Limbaugh needs to move to Texas and help George Bush clear brush. The two of them could generate enough hot air to supply all the energy needs of Texas and half of California."

"Obama is going to be a one-term president, and it wouldn't surprise me if he were impeached for dereliction of duty or reckless conduct of office."

"If a person can't afford a cat or a dog, they shouldn't get them. And don't expect a vet to give you free or low-cost medical care for your pets when you can't afford them. Just don't get them."

"Here again is a perfect example of a liberal leftist not listening to what Rush is saying. His statement is that his talent is on loan from God, not him. He feels that everyone has talents, and his is on loan from God."

"The state lawmakers caused the dog overpopulation by requiring neutering to be done only by a vet. This simple skill could be taught in a trade school and open doors to a free market for those who want to use it. Moreover, it would save thousands of dogs from being euthanized each year in this county."

"I've been having to show my ID to vote for years. I don't know what the problem is unless they're trying to hide something."

"When I went to school and you got a slap from the teacher, it meant that you'd better behave or she'd slap you again."

"Spring Place doesn't need a bypass. A four-way stop is fine."

"I have to know why Whitfield County is hiring a consulting firm to determine how to straighten a half a mile of road when they have two engineers and a county planner working for them. Come on citizens, please get involved in your county government."

"Would someone please send Sonny Perdue a Georgia map and circle Dalton. He really doesn't know where it's at."

"Trade center, six-figure deficit for 2008. Local church, seven-digit profit, tax-free, for 2008."

## Photos: Telling stories

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Civil War photography because pictures "freeze" the soldiers in time and because photographs were cheaper than some of the other memorabilia.

Civil War photographs can range anywhere from \$100 to \$20,000, depending on the subject and what method of photography was used, collectors say.

To take a tintype or ambrotype the subject had to be still for anywhere from 1 to 10 seconds "so it's rare you get a static horse," Headlee said. "You usually see a little blur caused from movement from the horse, but I now have six Confederates on horses

where the horse is static. They are a fairly rare find."

Photos of soldiers outdoors in camps or on the road are more "unusual," Chojnacki said. "In my 30 years of doing this, I've had maybe four or five outdoor shots of groups."

One of his photographs was an ambrotype taken on a country road of a militia group, but Chojnacki says he doesn't know which militia. Photos such as those sell for about \$1,200, he said.

Chojnacki believes his militia ambrotype was taken before the Civil War or near its beginning because ambrotypes were less common as the war progressed. Though images on tintypes were not usually as sharp or

clear, they are more durable than ambrotypes.

Because of how long it took to take a picture, photographs of the actual battles were posed, Headlee said.

"Many of what we think are battlefield shots were actually posed," he said. "Photographers even handed soldiers props sometimes."

Headlee said he has photos of two soldiers taken at the same time, and both are wearing the same hat. He had it enlarged and noticed there were flaws in the stitching in the same place on the hats.

"So the soldiers either didn't have a hat, or it wasn't pretty enough," Headlee said.

TODAY'S CITIZEN

**NAME:** Carson Sharp

**AGE:** 14

**HOME:** Dalton

**FAMILY:** Mom,

LeighAnn; dad Robbie;

sister, Cameron

**SCHOOL:** Dalton

Middle School

**PLAY:** Basketball,

marine biology, knitting,

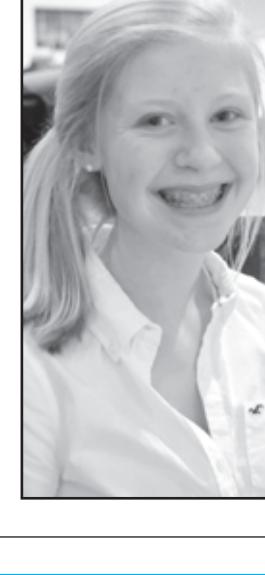
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# Pedestrian injured

FROM STAFF REPORTS

At least two people were airlifted following a wreck involving a pedestrian on Highway 225 just north of Mitchell Bridge Road in Murray County Sunday evening, a 911 operator said.

There were several other people injured, the operator said. She said she believed two cars and a pedestrian were involved in the wreck which happened around 7:30 p.m.

Details were not immediately available because emergency response officials were still on the scene late Sunday evening.

# No injuries in house fire

FROM STAFF REPORTS

No one was injured in a house fire early Sunday morning in southern Whitfield County, a 911 operator said.

A home caught fire around 3:30 a.m. in the 600 block of West Nance Springs Road, the operator said.

A complete report was not immediately available Sunday evening.

# AREA ARRESTS

■ Nicolas Ramirez Cordova, 25, 511 Sanders Ave., Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.

■ Travis Wayne Gipson, 19, 401 Harper Valley Drive, Tunnel Hill, was charged Saturday by the Tunnel Hill Police Department with burglary.

■ Ray Eldred Harper, 54, 562-A Old Praters Mill Road, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with driving without a license and DUI.

■ Jaime Espino Hernandez, 54, 1414 Liberty Drive, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with DUI, possession of less than an ounce of marijuana, open container of alcohol, a seat belt violation, impeding the flow of traffic, failure to maintain lane, striking a fixed object, driving without a license and two counts of failure to obey a traffic control device.

■ Raymond Eugene McKeel, 50, 1724 Hotwater Road, Soddy Daisy, Tenn., was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with failure to maintain lane and DUI.

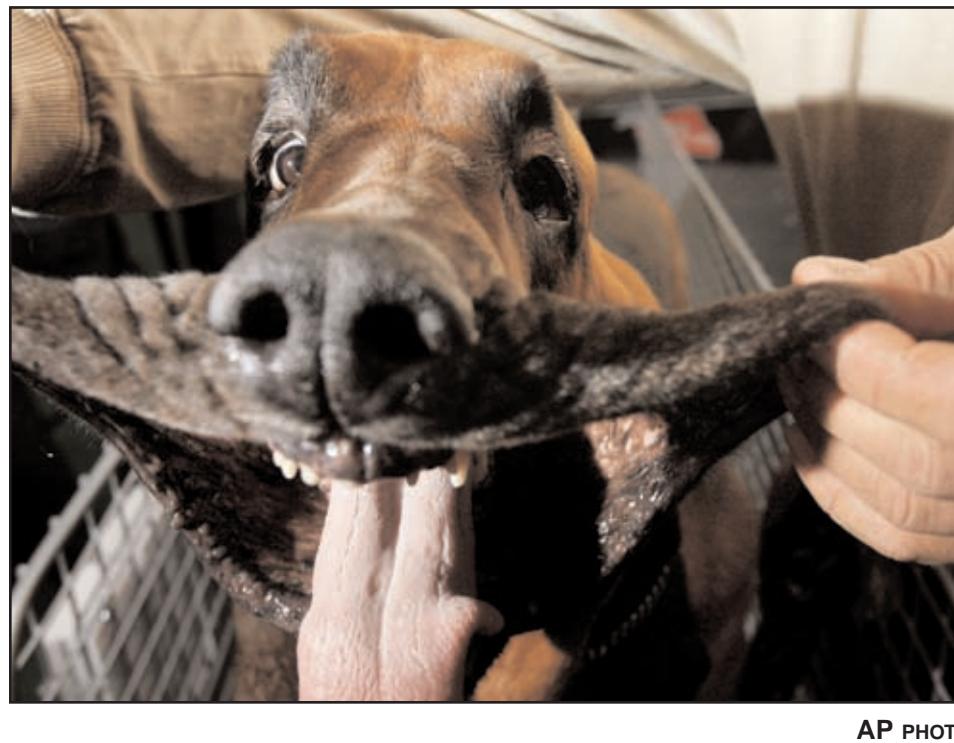
■ Jonathon Lynn Revels, 37, 428 Barbara Ave., Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with forgery in the first degree.

■ James William Wilkey, 43, 828 Tilton Church Road, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with possession of dangerous drugs and theft by shoplifting.

■ Angela Davis Maynard, 43, 14 Delta Lane, Chatsworth, was charged Sunday by the Tunnel Hill Police Department with DUI, open container of alcohol, failure to maintain lane, a taillight violation and failure to change address on drivers license.

■ Carlos Miguel Semidey, 26, 4605 Gallatin Road, Nashville, Tenn., was charged Sunday by the Dalton Police Department with DUI and failure to maintain lane.

# GOOD GUMS



AP PHOTO

**A handler shows off a bloodhound named Moonie's gums in New York, Sunday, Feb. 8. The 133rd Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show will be at Madison Square Garden for two days, starting today.**

# Books, computers needed

## Library plans to meet state standards

BY CHARLES OLIVER  
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From the number of books on its shelves to the number of computers it has to the size of the library itself, the Dalton-Whitfield Library does not meet state standards, according to library officials. But they've developed a long-term plan to bring it up to state standards and have presented it to the Board of Commissioners and City Council for possible funding.

"We are a service organization, and we want to serve the people as well as we can," said library board chairman Joan Chapman.

In meetings last year with city and county officials, library director Joe Forsee noted that libraries across Georgia get pretty much the same funding per county resident from the state government. The difference is in local funding, where the Dalton-Whitfield library lags.

Data provided by the library shows it got just \$3.99 per resident in local funding, compared to a state average of \$14.68.

After those meetings, the City Council boosted its share of funding to \$162,800 this year, up \$20,000 from last year. The Board of Commissioners held its funding steady at \$226,000, but county officials said they would try to help the library with more in-kind services,

such as possibly repaving its parking lot. They also asked library officials to come up with a long-range plan to address some of its needs.

Forsee said he delivered that plan to city and county officials at the end of January.

Forsee said three items are at the top of the library's list.

"We've got about \$10,000 worth of building repair and

maintenance that we've got to do," he said. "One of the things we have to do, and I'm not saying we have to do it right this minute, but we do have to work on our air conditioner compressor."

He also says he'd like to open the computer lab for a few hours on Sunday. He says that many people are using the library's computers now to compile resumes, search the Internet for jobs and get e-mail.

He said that ideally he'd like to open the entire library on Sundays as well as expand its hours.

It is currently open Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. But he said that would require the library to add more staff. According to Forsee, the library should have about 47 staffers to meet state standards. It would have to add 33 employees to meet those standards.

Finally, the library also doesn't meet the state standard of two books per county resident.

It would have to add more than 71,000 books to meet that standard. That would cost more than \$1 million.

But Forsee says the long-range plan calls for meeting these needs over a number of years, not all at once. He says the library would like a 10-year commitment for materials, for instance.

"Rather than saying, 'Give us a million dollars,' we are saying, 'We realize that's difficult to do all at once.' So we are asking that it be done over 10 years as part of a long-range capital plan," he said.

The library's plan also calls for adding more library space. The plan says that state standards call for about 56,400 square feet of library space for a county as large as

Whitfield. That would call for adding about 20,000 square feet of library space.

Forsee said that could be done by renovating some storage space at the library as well as adding some satellite branches. Mayor David Pennington has expressed interest in a satellite branch at the Dalton Community Center. Forsee said that, several years ago, county officials expressed some interest in a satellite branch at Edwards Park but those discussions didn't go anywhere.

Board of Commissioners chairman Mike Babb said he hasn't had a chance to read the long-term plan yet.

"But everybody needs to understand, and I think everybody does understand, the economic conditions we are in now. We'll do what we can. We have equipment. We have employees, so in-kind services we can handle better than we can handle taking more money out of the budget," he said.

Babb said many of those areas that provide more local funding to their libraries also have higher property tax rates than Whitfield County.

"People don't believe it when they are paying their taxes, but we are running Whitfield County pretty well on the cheap as far as the millage rate goes," he said.

Mayor David Pennington said he hasn't had a chance to look at the plan, either, but he wants to see how the library fits into a larger plan to increase the level of education in Dalton and Whitfield County.

He also says it will be difficult for the city to boost funding this year because of the recession, but a long-range plan could give the city some goals for the future.

"Hopefully, this economy won't last forever," he said.

# Taxes: AARP aides helping

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answers to questions, while we can provide general information."

Forsee said that the library tries to be more than just a place where people check out books or use the Internet.

For instance, in January, its Living Library program brought in experts in diet, exercise and finance to give people advice on keeping their New Year's resolutions.

Forsee said the library would like to do more

events like that but the library's hours limit them. The library closes at 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday and at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

"A lot of times we have people say 'I'd really like to do a program, but I really need to do this until 8 or 9 o'clock at night,' and we can't afford to staff the place to stay open at this point," he said.

Forsee said more funding for staff could help the library expand its hours.

"We used to be open until 8 p.m. We used to open

at 9 in the morning. But we had budget cuts," he said.

### AARP tax help

Dalton-Whitfield Library, Mondays 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesdays and Saturdays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. until April 14.



# EDUCATION BRIEFS

Dean's list at Mississippi College

■ Jessica Tatum, the daughter of Randy and Mitzi Tatum, made the dean's list a student at Mississippi College majoring in sociology.

Tatum is a 2005 graduate of Christian Heritage School.

### Master's in environmental science

■ Susan Dennard, a 2002 graduate from Dalton High School, recently received her master's of science degree in environmental science, with an emphasis on marine biology.

Her thesis, titled "The Greenland Halibut of Cumberland Sound: Trends in Catch Rates and Preferences in Diet," focused on a cold-water marine fish. To collect data, she spent a month camping with Inuit fishermen on winter sea ice in the Arctic Circle.

She received the degree from the Great Lakes Institute for Environmental Research (GLIER), which is affiliated with the University of Windsor in Windsor, Ontario.

Dennard graduated from the University of Georgia in 2007 with a major in fisheries biology and a minor in statistics. She is now moving to Germany to continue analyzing fisheries data and with the future intention of pursuing a Ph.D.



Dennard

### Fall lists

■ Brittany Taylor of Dalton completed courses with exemplary marks and made the president's list for the 2008 fall semester from Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville.

The following students from Dalton completed courses with exemplary marks and made the dean's list for the 2008 fall semester from Georgia College & State University: Lauren Lawson, Amanda Smith, Mitchell Snyder, Stephanie Susey and Zachary Vinsant.

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## GEORGIA VIEWS

### Funding Georgia's transportation needs

House and Senate leaders are racing down separate train tracks toward the same destination: a new tax mechanism for funding Georgia's transportation needs.

And since physics insists that two trains cannot occupy the same space at the same time, something's got to give. If the House and Senate both refuse to give way to the other chamber, we're going to see a very nasty train wreck.

And personally, I'm betting on the train wreck.

The House takes a statewide approach to the funding problem, offering voters the chance to approve a 1-percent statewide sales tax that would be reserved for transportation. The Senate approach is more locally oriented, allowing voters in metro Atlanta and other areas to levy that 1-percent sales tax on a regional basis, with revenue to be controlled and spent regionally as well.

It's hard to imagine a common ground between those two very different approaches. That's particularly true since the House is led by Speaker Glenn Richardson and the Senate by Lt. Gov. Casey Cagle, two men with little mutual regard. Earlier this week, for example, Cagle told TV cameras that the House approach would mean "the largest tax increase in Georgia history," rhetoric that's not exactly conducive to good feelings.

Politically, though, Cagle has the most to lose if a train wreck occurs. He is counting on business support for his run for governor next year, and many in the business community blame him for the Legislature's failure to address transportation funding a year ago. That failure has delayed an already overdue solution to metro Atlanta's problems for at least another two years. Cagle can't afford to let that happen again.

And then, of course, there's the silent Buddha on the Capitol's first floor, where the governor's office is located. Sonny Perdue has occupied that space for six years and in all that time he has yet to show leadership on transportation.

Last June, he did commission a study by McKinsey and Co. that laid out in stark terms the state's shortfall in transportation funding, its consequences in terms of growth and quality of life, and the benefits of increased investment in highways and transit. In the wake of that study, Perdue is rumored to be contemplating a major transportation initiative, including perhaps a restructuring of transportation agencies, but it's a month into the '09 session and nothing has happened.

The likely loser in any shuffling of transportation authority would be the dysfunctional state Department of Transportation. DOT Commissioner Gena Evans — put into the office with Perdue's help a little more than a year ago — has made significant progress in identifying if not curing the agency's deep institutional and cultural problems. But the agency itself is seriously weakened and vulnerable.

House Transportation Committee Chairman Vance Smith, author of the House funding approach, may have provided a clue or two to the future in his proposed bill. It gives responsibility for handling proceeds of the tax — estimated at \$25 billion over 10 years — not to the DOT but to the State Road and Tollway Authority, which is dominated by Perdue appointees. It also creates a special oversight committee to manage the program.

That powerful committee would comprise three members appointed by the governor, four state senators appointed by the lieutenant governor and four representatives appointed by the speaker of the House.

There's a lot of merit in Smith's proposal, but the makeup of that committee is dangerous. Many of the DOT's problems can be traced to the fact that its 13-member board operates less as a transportation planning agency and more as a patronage operation, with board members focused on delivering projects and jobs.

With an oversight committee dominated by state politicians, the House approach risks creating a brand new patronage operation with its own independent funding mechanism, a body in which handing out political favors once again takes precedence over transportation needs. That's not a model Georgia voters are likely to endorse.

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## WORDS OF WISDOM

**Bible Text:** "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

Colossians 3:15-17

**Thought for Today:** "Modesty is the conscience of the body."

Honoré de Balzac  
French author and dramatist (1799-1850)

# The new era of irresponsibility



Jacob Sullum

Last October, while campaigning in Toledo, Ohio, Barack Obama called for "a new ethic of responsibility." The nation's economic troubles, he said, occurred partly because "everyone was living beyond their means," including politicians who "spent money they didn't have." In his inaugural address last month, Obama regretted "our collective failure to make hard choices" and heralded "a new era of responsibility."

Now President Obama, as one of his first priorities, is pushing a gargantuan "stimulus" plan that will add around \$1 trillion to the national debt and cannot possibly work as advertised. Welcome to the new era of responsibility.

Remember when the problem with Americans was that we saved too little, preferring instant gratification even when we couldn't afford it? As Obama put it in October, "we were allowed and even encouraged to spend without limits, to borrow instead of save."

Economists worried that our low saving rate made our economy and our government dangerously dependent on the whims of foreign investors. Yet on Monday, when Commerce Department data showed that the U.S. saving rate had risen sharply, from less than 1 percent of after-tax income a year ago to 3.6 percent in December, the press treated the increase as bad news.

"Putting away money and paying down debt may be good for one family's kitchen-table economics," The New York Times reported. "but the broader economy suffers in the short term when

millions of families do it." The Associated Press agreed: "What's good for individuals — spending less, saving more — is bad for the economy when everyone does it."

This is the theory underlying the "stimulus" package: Since we can't depend on consumers to spend money they don't have on stuff they don't need, the government has to do it for them.

Never mind the disappointing history of using government spending to jump-start the economy. Although it didn't work in the United States during the 1930s or in Japan during the 1990s, Obama is eager to try again, like Bullwinkle reaching into his hat for a rabbit after getting a lion and a rhinoceros, exclaiming, "This time for sure!"

Even if the mechanics of Obama's trick were sound, his timing would be off. According to the Congressional Budget Office, only a fifth of the spending and tax breaks in the House version of the "stimulus" bill would be felt in 2009. The vast majority of the money, ostensibly intended to jolt the economy out of recession, would be spent after the recession is expected to end.

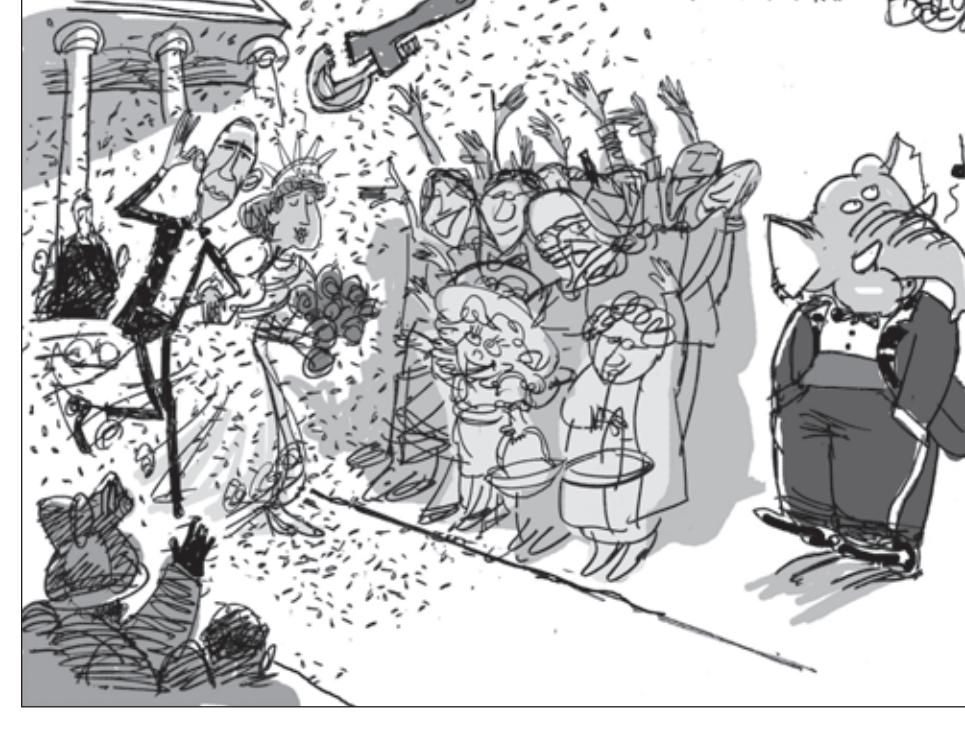
Spending a trillion bucks is not as easy as it looks, even for a government accustomed to throwing money around.

The House bill allocates \$9 billion to the expansion of broadband Internet service in rural areas, for instance, but the CBO predicts the resulting projects would not be completed for five to eight years, partly because they would require "technological features that are not widely available today." Similarly, "much of the construction and procurement work associated with highway and transit projects would occur over an extended period of time, leading to federal outlays over several years."

A particular telecommunication or transportation project may or may not be a sound investment, but nothing funded by the "stimulus" package has to meet that test, since spending the money is an end in itself. Hence there is no need to justify the \$127 billion for health care and the \$150 billion for education (which would more than double the Education Department's annual budget) as proper and wise uses of taxpayer money.

Indeed, pausing to ask whether offering Medicaid to millionaires, giving \$1 billion to perpetually penurious Amtrak, devoting \$44 billion to "clean energy," or boosting the budget of the National Endowment for the Arts is a good idea would be reckless at a time like this. "When it comes to rebuilding our economy," Obama warned just before the House approved the pseudo-stimulus bill, "we don't have a moment to spare." Acting responsibly, in other words, would be irresponsible.

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## Heroes without a dollar sign

The crew of the Jan. 15 US Airways Flight 1549 — Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger III, first officer Jeffrey Skiles, and flight attendants Doreen Walsh, Sheila Dail and Donna Dent — deserve all the public praise they have received, and more, for their incredibly cool and heroically courageous leadership and actions in saving all 155 lives on board while "landing" their Airbus 320 on New York's Hudson River.

But as Sullenberger nobly and accurately emphasizes: There were countless other heroes that cold January day in addition to the admirable US Airways quintet. To listen to the three-and-a-half minutes of tapes released by the Federal Aviation Administration is to hear, for the first time, the composed know-how of Patrick Harten, a 10-year veteran air traffic controller. Under unimaginable pressure, Sullenberger, Harten and a number of other air traffic controllers (whose names I do not know) comprise the very definition of professionalism.

Even before the aircraft touched the arctic waters of the Hudson, the "first responders" were racing to the rescue. The crews of the New York Waterways and Circle Line ferries rushed to help. Once again, the men and women of the New York Police Department and the Fire Department of New York more than answered the call and met the

challenge. Fire and rescue workers from New Jersey's Hudson County sheriff's department and fire and rescue teams provided valuable help.

This is a great American story with a New York City dateline. New York has been too much in the news of late with sordid stories about the rampant, almost criminal greed among the elites of the city's financial district. New York, to read the headlines, must be a place where the smartest know the price of everything and the value of nothing. They are full of guile and know all the angles.

But the people who came to save strangers — strangers facing death by drowning in the Hudson — were also New Yorkers. These New Yorkers were not motivated by the almighty buck, however. Profit was not their feverish pursuit. Most of them were public servants — that's right, public employees.

Do you remember the 343 New York firefighters who marched into the fires of Hell on Sept. 11, 2001? Just like the 114 firefighters who died in the line of duty last year and the 132 police

officers who gave their lives, they too were public employees.

Public employees — that subspecies commentators and candidates love to belittle and attack. If they are not incompetent and surly, the caricature goes, they are zealous meddlers bent on crippling the initiative and ingenuity of the captains of capitalism. You've heard about them: the faceless bureaucrats who've never met a payroll.

It's been too long since an American leader spoke publicly the way John Kennedy did in his first State of the Union: "Let the public service be a proud and lively career."

Yes, there are incompetent and surly public employees. But surliness and incompetence are not entirely alien to our vaunted private sector, either.

The next time you hear about a teacher giving up her free time to help a struggling child, or a social worker comforting a family in distress, or a young Marine risking his own life to save three buddies, please remember that they — like the firefighter and the cop and those "first responders" on the Hudson that fateful January afternoon — in addition to being American heroes, are all public employees.

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## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Feb. 9, the 40th day of 2009. There are 325 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Feb. 9, 1943, the World War II battle of Guadalcanal in the southwest Pacific ended with an Allied victory over Japanese forces.

**On this date:**

In 1825, the House of Representatives elected John Quincy Adams president after no candidate had received a majority of electoral votes.

In 1861, Jefferson Davis was elected the provisional president of the Confederate States of America.

In 1870, the U.S. Weather Bureau was established.

In 1942, daylight-saving "War Time" went into effect in the United States, with clocks turned one hour forward.

In 1971, the crew of Apollo 14 returned to Earth after man's third landing on the moon.

**Ten years ago:** The Senate began closed-door deliberations in President Bill Clinton's impeachment trial, even though members from both parties acknowledged that the two-thirds margin for conviction could not be attained.

**Five years ago:** President George W. Bush and Democratic front-runner John Kerry sparred over the president's economic leadership, while Kerry's rivals sought to slow his brisk pace. Anti-government rebels took control of nearly a dozen towns in western Haiti as the death toll in the violent uprising rose to at least 40.

**One year ago:** Democrat Barack Obama swept the Louisiana primary and caucuses in Nebraska and Washington state; Republican Mike Huckabee outpolled John McCain in the Kansas caucuses and Louisiana primary, while McCain won the Washington caucuses.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress Kathryn Grayson is 87. Television journalist Roger Mudd is 81. Actress-politician Sheila James Kuehl ("The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis") is 68. Singer-songwriter Carole King is 67. Actor Joe Pesci is 66. Singer Barbara Lewis is 66. Actress Mia Farrow is 64. Actress Judith Light is 60. Rhythm-and-blues musician Dennis "DT" Thomas (Kool & the Gang) is 58. Actor Charles Shaughnessy is 54. Country singer Travis Tritt is 46. Actress Julie Warner is 44. Country singer Danni Leigh is 39.

# Eager for poultry-raising tips

More people in suburbs going green, using chicken waste for compost

By KATIE LESLIE

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

JOHNS CREEK, Ga. — Andy and Jennifer Schneider's yellow ranch-style house looks like any other you might expect in Johns Creek: The grass is clipped and flower beds are groomed. An American flag hangs in front.

But walk inside the immaculate home and you'll likely hear a sound more befitting a barnyard than suburbia. A cacophony of peeps. A chorus of chirps. A choir of chicks.

On this day, Andy Schneider — self-dubbed "the Chicken Whisperer" — has returned from the post office with two cardboard boxes carrying 125 newborn chicks. Seventy are already promised to Atlanta residents through the Schneiders' company, Atlanta Pet Chickens, just one sign that chickens are increasingly afoot in the city.

More people are interested in "going green" and use the chicken waste for compost, he said, and view chickens as helping them become more self-sufficient. Others still like to know the source of their food and that it can be chemical- and hormone-free. And some simply keep fluffy varieties such as Silkie as unusual pets, he explained.

One by one, Andy Schneider takes the creamy Buff Orpingtons, black Barred Rocks, Silver Laced Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds and striped Ameraucanas and dips their beaks into water and seed to introduce them to their new home, a brooder he's built with a Rubbermaid plastic bin. The chicks he doesn't sell will stay there for six weeks before joining the mid-size chickens he keeps in a 12-by-6-foot straw-bottomed brooder in his garage.

Due to his meetup.com group, many Atlantans know



AP PHOTO

**Andy Schneider, the self dubbed "chicken whisperer," explains his poultry expertise on Jan. 16, in Johns Creek, Ga. Chickens are Atlanta's new favorite pet. No one knows this better than Schneider, who owns Atlanta Pet Chickens and helps people get their own flock off the ground.**

Schneider as their go-to-guy to get in the "game," even if the game is played, er, raised in an urban backyard or garage. He created the online Atlanta Pet Chicken Meetup Group to find others who share his plucky passion; membership has grown to 285 in less than nine months, he said.

The Chicken Whisperer, 39, got his start peddling pet poultry about five years ago when on a whim, he purchased some chicks as a gift to his wife Jennifer. He had raised poultry before, but this time, wanted them for fresh eggs.

About a year ago, he placed an ad on craigslist.com to sell a few chicks. The calls came pouring in, but not from farmers.

"The majority of people pulling in my driveway were soccer moms with minivans," said Schneider. "I knew something was going on."

It might be a chicken revolution. Oakhurst Community

Garden director Stephanie Van Parys said that just two years ago, the Decatur garden couldn't fill a single "Chicks in the City" class on raising backyard chickens, but now offers four a year with long wait lists.

Schneider and those who share his interest use the Meetup group to share advice, such as ways to deter predators. He also advertises events like his Chickenstock and Eggtober Fest.

Most importantly, he helps enthusiasts navigate local chicken ordinances. Cities such as Atlanta, Decatur and East Point allow people to raise up to 25 backyard chickens within certain space parameters.

"It's an absolute lack of understanding from all sorts," he said of governments that ban backyard flocks for city-dwellers and suburbanites. "A lot of people have images of rural chicken farms that have hundreds of thousands of

chickens. They think whether it's six chickens or 600,000, they're going to stink and be loud."

Schneider said chickens are like any animal: If the owner doesn't regularly clean the pen, odor and unsightly appearance is inevitable.

While he keeps his chickens legally, he says he had them for nearly two years before neighbors knew. The Schneiders raise about 30 chickens in backyard coops. He brings noisy roosters indoors at night and shares fresh eggs with neighbors to keep the peace.

For now, helping people with hens is merely a hobby; the former emergency medical technician sells defibrillators as his real job.

But that could change, he said, once the chicken revolution goes mainstream.

"All it's going to take is Paris Hilton showing up on 'Extra' with a Silkie, and the bubble is going to fly away."

## Drought evaporates in Legislature

By GREG BLUESTEIN

Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA — A year ago, legislators couldn't wait to show the public they were tackling Georgia's epic drought. One of their first votes was to embrace a statewide water plan. And powerful lawmakers soon backed a quixotic bid to claim water from the Tennessee River.

The drought still grips parts of north Georgia, and Lake Lanier — Atlanta's main water supply — is still around 14 feet under normal level. But the environmental groups fear debate over drought has all but evaporated in the Georgia Legislature.

"Water's definitely not as high profile as it was last year," said Jill Johnson of Georgia Conservation Voters, an environmental lobby. "But the drought hasn't gone away, and Georgians are still concerned about their water supply."

It's not for lack of trying. At least a half dozen proposals have been introduced by lawmakers from both parties that would spur conservation and crack down on pollution. But chamber leaders have not pub-

licly made any of them a priority.

Instead, they have said they will deliberate each proposal on an individual basis. And Carol Couch, the state's top environmental official, said her office is focused on a statewide water management plan to help set Georgia's water policy for decades to come.

"While drought is not making news like it was a year ago, drought management remains an issue and we need to manage water use for the greatest conservation savings," said Couch, the director of the state Environmental Protection Division.

Meanwhile, there's a growing number of lower-profile measures percolating in the Legislature.

State Rep. Richard Smith proposed new rules that would make it more difficult for local governments to add septic systems, which don't return water into the sewage system.

The green lawns dotting Georgia neighborhoods could get an overhaul under a proposal by state Rep. Calvin Smith that would prevent neighborhood associations from blocking drought-tolerant plants in yards.

State Rep. Judy Manning is backing a measure that would require multifamily complexes to be built with a water meter on each housing unit to encourage more conservation.

And anyone who runs a sewage or septic sludge disposal operation would have to have a written financial plan in place to fix any mishaps under a proposal by state Rep. Tommy Benton.

The proposals generally have support from green groups, but none have been embraced with the same sense of urgency as the proposals that emerged last year when Georgia was locked in a historic drought.

"It's early yet," said state Rep. Lynn Smith, a Republican who chairs the House Natural Resources and Environment Committee. "Does it mean we don't have knowledge about things that need to be done? No. But the legislative process is meant to be slow. There's going to be lots of options, and I'm open to them."

In the opening days of last year's legislative session, lawmakers quickly approved Georgia's first water management plan, an outline of how the resource should be managed.

They soon followed that up by passing a measure that gave Georgia's top attorney the power to sue to move the state's northern boundary just far enough north to tap into the Tennessee River. The state contends a flawed 1818 survey mistakenly placed the state's northern line just short of the mighty river.

And lawmakers signed off on a plan to funnel \$40 million of state funds to build reservoirs, although the funding was later quietly abandoned as Georgia's budget shortfall grew.

Since then, above-average rainfall has helped most of the state emerge from the driest conditions. Some 71 percent of Georgia was locked in at least a "moderate" drought last February; now less than 14 percent of the state is in that category.

But extreme drought still lingers in Georgia's northeast corners, and the pressure on its water system isn't likely to ease as the state's population continues to grow.

**On the Net:**  
www.drought.gov  
legis.ga.gov

## BRIEFS

108 killed in Australia wildfire

H E A L E S V I L L E , Australia (AP) — Entire towns have been razed by wildfires raging through southeastern Australia, burning people in their homes and cars in the deadliest blaze in the country's history.

The number of dead Monday stood at 108, a grim toll that rose almost by the hour as officials reached further into the fire zone.

Searing temperatures and wind blasts created a firestorm that swept across a swath of the country's Victoria state, where at least 750 homes were destroyed and all of the victims died.

The skies rained ash and trees exploded in the inferno, witnesses said, as temperatures of up 117 F (47 C) combined with blasting winds to create furnace-like conditions.

**Stimulus would aid colleges, students**

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — The stimulus plan emerging in Washington could offer an unprecedented, multibillion-dollar boost in financial help for college students trying to pursue a degree while they ride out the recession.

It could also hand out billions to the states to kick-start idled campus construction projects and help prevent tuition increases at a time when families can least afford them.

But cuts of \$40 billion for state and local governments in the Senate version were a big disappointment for college leaders. House-Senate negotiations will determine whether education aid to the states is relatively modest or massive — and how much gets directed to high-need institutions for building projects, versus elite universities that would benefit if the final package spends more of the money on scientific research.

Students are big winners. Both the House and Senate bills call for the largest-ever funding increase for Pell Grants, the government's chief college aid program for low-income students.

It will take much of the proposed \$15.6 billion increase in the House version (slightly less in the Senate) just to erase the existing funding shortfall and meet the surging demand as the economy sours and more students enroll.

## AREA BRIEFS

Price of gas up 6 cents across US

CAMARILLO, Calif. (AP) — The average national price of gasoline rose 6.4 cents in the past two weeks, according to a national survey released Sunday.

Oil industry analyst Trilby Lundberg says the average price of regular gasoline Friday was \$1.92 a gallon. The price of mid-grade was \$2.04 a gallon and the price of premium was \$2.16 a gallon.

Despite the increase, the price of regular gasoline is \$1.02 below its year-ago level of \$2.94 a gallon.

Of cities surveyed, the nation's lowest price was \$1.57 in Cheyenne, Wyo. The highest price was \$2.37 in Anchorage, Alaska.

**Democrats edgy on stepping up efforts in Afghanistan**

WASHINGTON (AP) — After campaigning on the promise to end one war, President Barack Obama is preparing to escalate another.

Obama's dual stance on the two wars is not lost on congressional Democrats, many of whom also ran on anti-war platforms. In coming weeks, they expect to have to consider tens of billions of dollars needed for combat, including a major buildup of troops in Afghanistan.

While increasing the military's focus in Afghanistan was anticipated — it was a cornerstone of Obama's campaign — many Democrats acknowledged in recent interviews that they are skittish about sending more troops, even in small numbers.

The concern, they say, is that the military could become further entrenched in an unwinnable war on their watch.

**Slain Fla. toddler's grandmother pens eulogy**

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The grandmother of a slain Florida toddler is asking that only those with "the purest of hearts" and "truly honorable intentions" attend a public memorial service for her.

In a eulogy published in the Orlando Sentinel on Sunday, Cindy Anthony also says granddaughter Caylee "now has her angel wings and will be watching over so many other children."

Caylee was 2 when she disappeared last summer. Her remains were found Dec. 11.

Her mother, Casey Anthony, has been charged with killing her.

The memorial service is set for Tuesday.

## AREA BRIEFS

### Board of Education

The Dalton Board of Education will meet today. There will be a budget work session at 5:30 p.m. and the regular session will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The location for both meetings is 100 S. Hamilton St. in downtown Dalton. The public is invited.

### Board of Commissioners

The Whitfield County

Board of Commissioners

will not hold a work session or their regularly scheduled business meeting today. Board members will be attending the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia 2009 legislative conference in Atlanta through Wednesday.

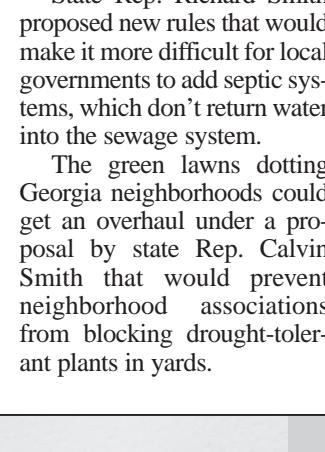
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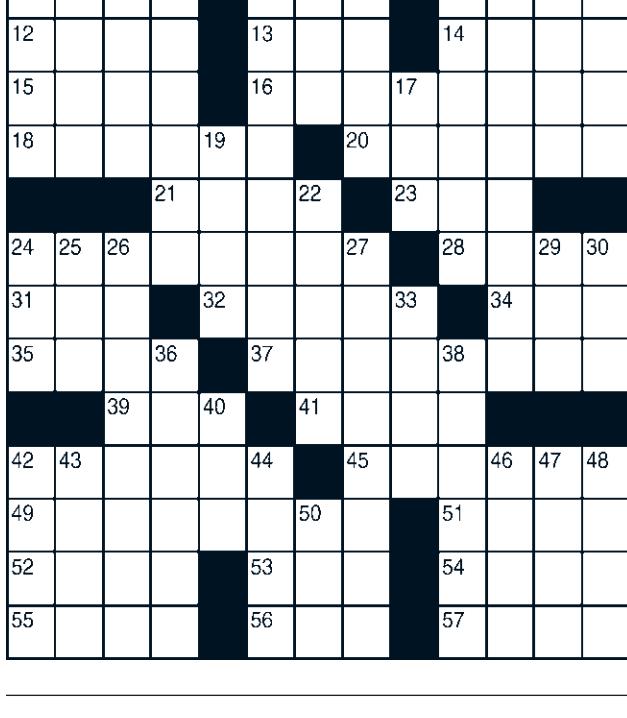
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**BRIDGE****Famous hand**

This deal occurred in the semifinal of the 1996 United States Open Team trials. The match brought together two powerhouse squads captained by Howard Weinstein of Chicago and Zia Mahmood of New York.

The final contract was five spades doubled at both tables, but only one of the declarers got home safely.

At the first table, Michael Rosenberg of the Zia team wound up as declarer after the auction shown. The bidding was relatively straightforward up to East's four-notrump bid, which asked West to choose a suit for the purpose of sacrificing against four spades.

West, Bruce Ferguson, led the heart ace and cashed the spade ace. He then exited with the king of clubs, a play that would have been harmless on most occasions, but not this one.

Rosenberg won the club king with the ace, discarding a diamond from dummy, drew a second round of trumps and led the jack of clubs. West covered with the queen, ruffed in dummy, and declarer subsequently discarded another diamond from dummy on the ten of clubs. Rosenberg then made the rest of the tricks on a crossruff for plus 650.

At the other table, North rather than South wound up as declarer at the same contract, and East led the jack of diamonds. Declarer, Steve Weinstein, won with the ace and conceded a spade to the ace. Lew Stansby, West, then cashed the heart king and exited with the diamond queen. Weinstein won with the king, but, without any assistance from West in the club suit, he could not avoid a diamond loser at the end and finished down one, minus 100.

The combined pickup of 750 points for Zia's team gave it a 13-IMP gain on the deal and helped put it into the final.

**Tomorrow:** Good technique pays off.

**CRYPTOQUIP**

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**Saturday's Cryptoquip:** IF SOMEBODY HAD AN EASY WORKLOAD FOR FIFTY-TWO WEEKS, I GUESS THAT WOULD BE ONE LIGHT YEAR.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Q equals L

**HOROSCOPE**

**Happy Birthday:** Look back before you move forward. Consider the patterns of your past and correct for the future anything that didn't pan out. Make this a new beginning. To stand still and wait will lead to more of the same. Instead, set your goal and work diligently toward it. Your numbers are 4, 9, 17, 20, 25, 32, 46

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):**

Stand behind your beliefs and don't let anyone push you around.

Uncertainty regarding work and future direction can lead to all sorts of variations that will help you build a stronger base.

Don't rely on others to drum up business.

Opening lead — acc of hearts.

fall for the false information being given. Ask questions and go to the source if you want a true assessment.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20):

Don't give in to pressure or let stubbornness be your downfall.

Taking on too much or being too indulgent or melodramatic can lead to challenges that will cost you time and money.

Get as much done on your own as possible.

2 stars

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):**

Doors are opening and the time to talk about your plans is now.

Your Gemini charm will entice others to do things for you and will attract romantic interaction.

A playful approach to everything you do will seal the deal personally and professionally.

4 stars

**CANCER (June 21-July 20):**

Don't let an incident cause you to miss out on an opportunity for monetary help.

Being pushy or clingy will hold you back.

You need a change of scenery to rethink where you feel you should be heading.

3 stars

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):**

Emotions are high and the ability to change your personal life is looking very positive.

Speak up about your plans for the future and the interest someone has in you will grow.

Now is a great time to make changes.

3 stars

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):**

Don't let someone take over or do your work for you.

If you aren't in the loop, you will lose out.

You cannot trust anyone to do what's best for you.

Uncertainty within a relationship must be handled carefully.

3 stars

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):**

You have plenty to contribute to any group.

A partnership is apparent and can change your world professionally,

personally or both.

Don't back away when all you have to do is take what you want.

3 stars

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):**

Change is on the horizon but you have to push a little harder to get things to

happen.

3 stars

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):**

Love is all around you and a lot can be accomplished with the people you are closest to.

A few alterations regarding your vocation are looking positive.

The information or skill you acquire should lead to more personal freedom.

5 stars

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):**

You may end up saddled with a problem someone brings with him or her.

A contract will be rid-

uled with problems that must be adjusted before you can

agree to sign.

Loss is apparent if you let your emotions rule.

3 stars

**To Your Good HEALTH****Knobby finger joints indicate osteoarthritis**

**Paul G. Donohue**

**ASK THE DOCTOR**

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

people of all races, of all classes, of all social strata and of all ages. It's acquired through close personal contact. People in the 18-to-30 age group often get it through sexual contact, but others get it from ordinary personal contact with an infected person. Children come down with it. If she truly has scabies, someone in the home gave it to her -- another patient, or one of the staff. The contact occurred three to four weeks before the itch started.

Diagnosis of scabies takes more than a cursory look at the skin. Scrapings of the skin examined with a magnifying glass or a microscope show the mite, its eggs or its waste material.

The female scabies mite burrows into the skin to make a tunnel for deposit of her eggs. The tunnels look like fine, black lines about the size of black threads. The affected skin most often is the areas between the fingers, extending onto the backs of the hands, the wrists, the lower abdomen, the pelvic area and the ankles. A whole-body rash is not usual. I have doubts about the diagnosis. Scabies is treatable with permethrin (Elimite) cream or lotion, or with the oral medicine ivermectin. Antihistamines can control the fierce itching.

**ANSWER:** Tell your mother that scabies affects

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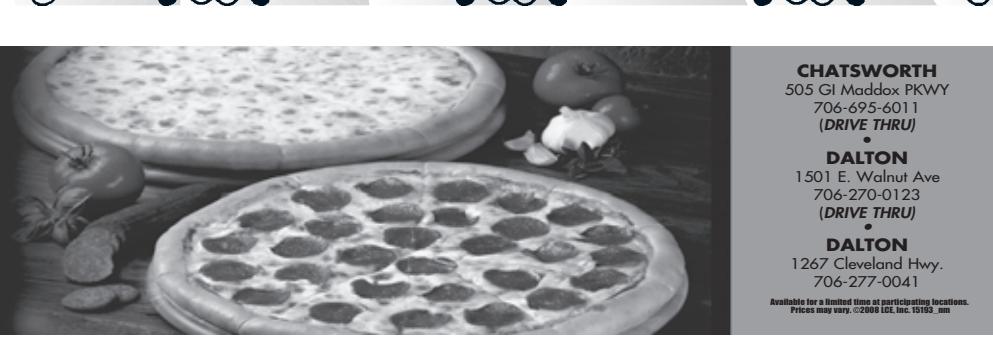
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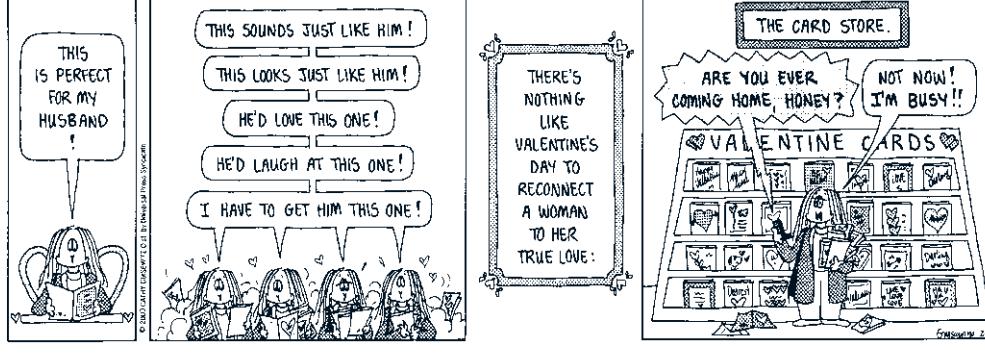
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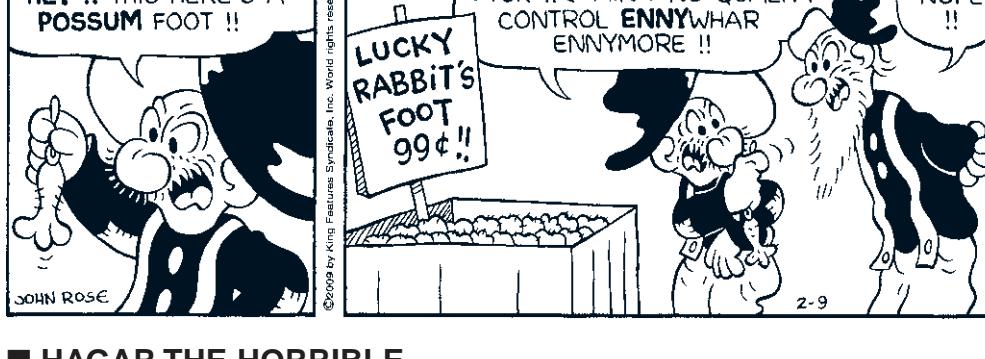
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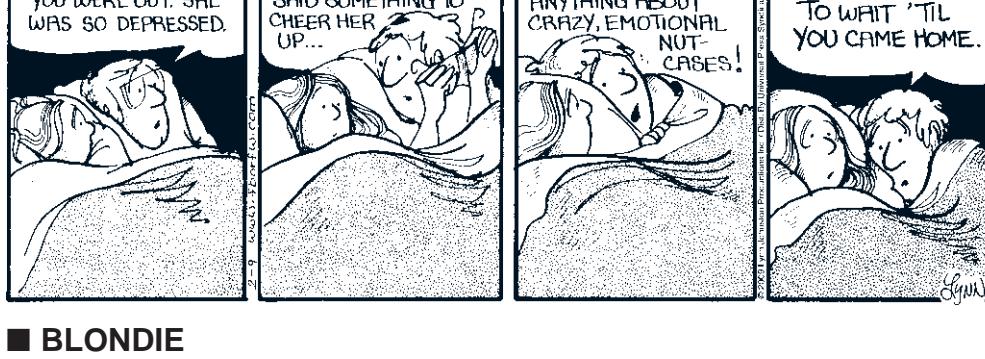
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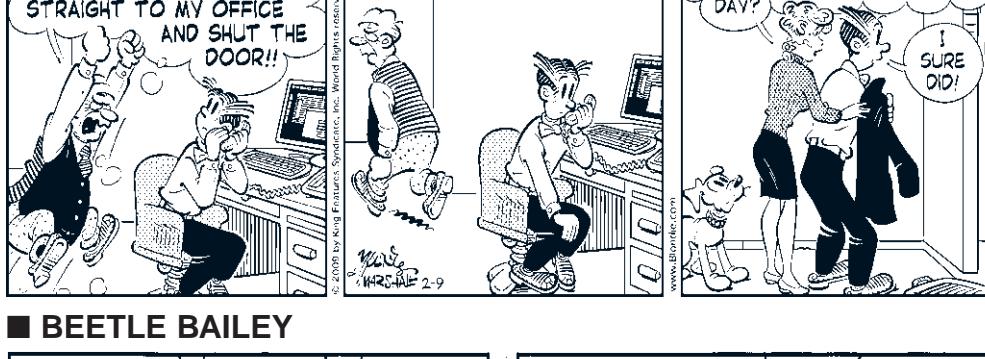
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## Father's authority wanes as son's popularity grows

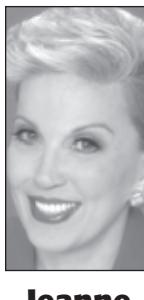
**DEAR ABBY:** My youngest son, "Trent," is 17. At a very early age it became apparent that he was a gifted athlete. Years of stellar performance in baseball and other sports have elevated him to a high social status — and it has created a rift between us.

Trent has become unmanageable. He regards my influence, direction and discipline to be nothing more than a daily hindrance. Somewhere in the sports mania, I lost control as a father.

As his only parent (and support), I wonder how many other parents are really aware of the crushing burden and peer pressure these young people experience in the quest for athletic perfection. I have and always will support my son's goals, but I see a disassociation with reality while he revels in his status. A college scholarship is a given.

Is my issue unique? Do you have any advice for me? — **SPORTS DAD DOWN SOUTH**

**DEAR SPORTS DAD:** As a single parent, watching his last child getting ready to leave the nest, your situation is far from



Jeannie Phillips

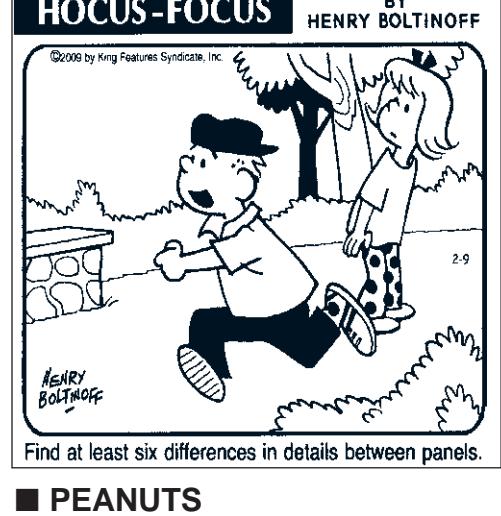
unique. You have devoted the last 17 years to your son's welfare, and now that he is nearing adulthood you feel him slipping away.

There comes a point when parents have to start trusting that the values they have instilled in their offspring are deeply rooted enough to guide them in the right direction in the coming years. You cannot supervise and influence your son much more than you already have. So my advice is to keep the lines of communication open and to start letting go. Life will teach him lessons that will bring him back down to earth eventually.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have a friend who leaves full bottles of liquor on her kitchen table for days at a time. She has an 8-year-old son who eats at the table. Is this good for the boy, or can it affect him in any way? I need to know if I should say something. — **RUTH IN DAYTONA BEACH**

**DEAR RUTH:** Unless you have reason to think that your friend's son is sampling the booze, I see no reason for you to interfere. You did say they were FULL bottles of liquor, didn't you?

## ■ HOCUS FOCUS



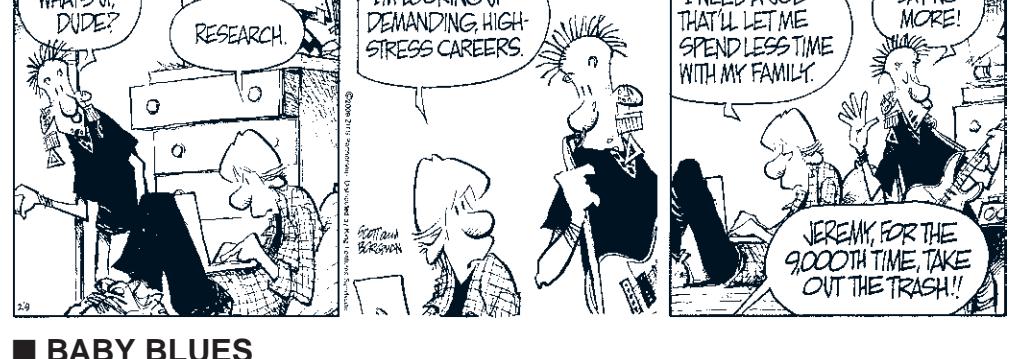
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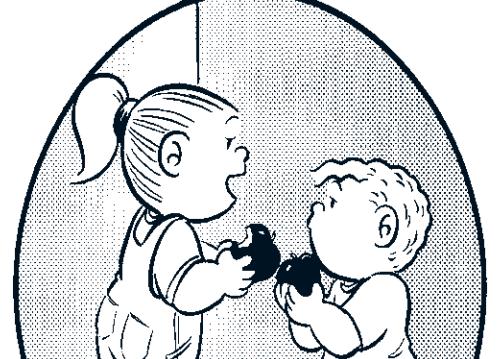
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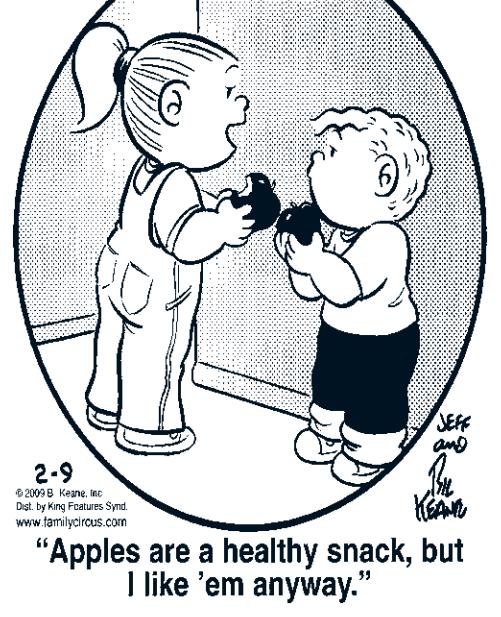
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### OBITUARIES

- Florence Marie Peet Brent
- Gwendolyn P. Gilliland
- Joel E. Kaufmann
- Jerry Pickard

Obituary notices are posted online at [www.daltoncitizen.com](http://www.daltoncitizen.com)

#### Florence Marie Peet Brent

Florence Marie Peet Brent, age 83, passed away Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009 at Chatsworth Health Care Center after a long illness.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar Duncan Peet and Lillie Cooper Peet; sister, Susan Elizabeth Peet Anderson, brother, Leonard Kenneth Peet and her husband of 63 years, Oscar Dennis Brent, Jr.

Survivors include her son, John D. Brent and wife Judy, of Dalton; daughter, Judith Brent Carroll and husband William Jesse of Dothan, Ala.; grandchildren, Michael Brent of Dalton; Beth Brent of Chattanooga; Andrew Clark Carroll and wife, Ann of Auburn, Ala.; Christine Carroll Fain and husband Nicholas of Dothan; great grandchildren, William Clark Carroll and Charlotte

Anna Carroll of Auburn; nieces and nephews, many wonderful friends.

Mrs. Brent was a member of First Baptist Church, where she served as GA leader and Sunday school teacher for many years. A registered nurse, she attended Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing at Emory University, Dalton College, and Southern Missionary College. She helped create Hamilton Home Health, Hamilton Hospice, Hamilton Industrial Health, The Olive Branch Hospice, and the first shelter for battered women and children in Whitfield County. She was active in the League of Women Voters and served as a framer for Georgia's new State Constitution. She was the recipient of the 1985 Nursemates Heart of Gold Award and was Dalton's Woman of the Year in 1982.

The funeral service will be held Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2009, at 3 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Dalton with the Rev. Bill Wilson officiating.

The family will receive friends in the Atrium of the First Baptist Church Tuesday from 2 until 3 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, Hamilton Hospice, or the

First Baptist Church of Dalton Reach Campaign.

Burial will be in West Hill Cemetery. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers. Messages of comfort may be sent and the guestbook signed at [www.julian-peeples.com](http://www.julian-peeples.com).

Julian Peebles Funeral Home, Pleasant Grove Chapel, 2801 Cleveland Road, Dalton, is in charge of funeral arrangements. For further information, call (706) 259-7455.

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#### Gwendolyn P. Gilliland

Mrs. Gwendolyn P. Gilliland, 89, of Dalton, passed away Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009. She was born Oct. 19, 1919 in Sugar Valley, Gordon County, Ga.

When her mother (Winnie Joyce Parker) died suddenly in 1937, she became the housemother, cook and counselor for her father (Oscar T. Parker), two older brothers and a younger sister (all of whom passed away several decades ago).

For 39 years she was married to the late Harold C. Gilliland, who passed away prematurely in 1978.

She was a grateful member of Trinity United

Methodist Church. Her Husband was a career U. S. soldier, who served in Korea and other tours of duty.

During her working life she was employed in the textile industry and retail sales. Although her husband's military career caused occasional relocation of the household, Dalton was her home where she grew up, married and reared her children, lived for more than 80. She was a wonderful cook and loved to garden.

Gwendolyn is survived by two sons, Cullen Gilliland and his wife Jeanne of Atlanta, Stephen Gilliland and his wife Suzanne of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; grandchildren, Andrew Gilliland of Cleveland, Tenn., Alice Gilliland of Chapel Hill, N.C.; great-grandchildren, Claire Gilliland, Benton Gilliland, Kate Gilliland, Edie Gilliland; sister-in-law, Elizabeth Edwards; nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at Trinity United Methodist Church with the Revs. Fred Johnson and Rhoda Howell officiating.

She will be buried next to her late husband in West Hill Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at Love Funeral

Home Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m.

Words of comfort may be sent to the family at [www.lovefuneralhome.com](http://www.lovefuneralhome.com).

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#### Joel E. Kaufmann

Dr. Joel E. Kaufmann, DDS, 64, of Dalton, passed away Friday, Feb. 6, 2009 at his residence.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Kaufmann of Dalton; son and daughter-in-law, Sam and Stacey Kaufmann of Chattanooga, Tenn.; grandchildren, Christopher, Summer, Anna and Kate; sister, Joan Zion of Decatur, Ga.; nieces and nephews.

Private graveside services and burial were held Sunday, Feb. 8, 2009 at Whitfield Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the Dalton Salvation Army 1101 N. Thornton, Ave., Dalton, GA 30720 or

to the Humane Society of North West Georgia, P.O. Box 3946, Dalton, GA 30719-3946.

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#### Jerry Pickard

Mr. Jerry Pickard, of Atlanta and formerly of Dalton, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009 at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Survivors and arrangements will be announced later by Love Funeral Home, 1402 N. Thornton Ave., Dalton.

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## Robotic arms roll into surgery, offers precise touch

#### By SUSAN ORR

Scripps Howard News

Brace yourself, robots are rolling into surgery.

When Dr. Leo Bonaventura first heard about the da Vinci Surgical System, he wasn't sold on the idea.

The da Vinci is a robotic system that assists in a laparoscopy, in which a fiber-optic viewer is inserted into the patient to permit a surgical procedure.

"I'm a skeptic," said Bonaventura, a reproductive endocrinologist who practices in Evansville and Carmel, Ind.

"...I've seen a lot of things that are interesting ideas that I used once or twice and didn't use anymore."

In a nutshell, the da Vinci system works like this: A cart that is positioned next to the patient includes four robotic arms that hold a 3-D, high-definition camera and up to three surgical instruments, which are inserted into the patient through a series of dime-size incisions. The surgeon sits at a console and, with a view through the high-definition camera, manipulates the robotic arms using hand and foot controls.

Monitors placed elsewhere in the room provide other operating-room personnel with a 2-D view of what the surgeon sees.

To test the technology, Bonaventura chose a challenging case — a 380-pound woman with fibroid tumors. Ordinarily, such a large patient would require an "open" surgical procedure, which is lengthy and includes a larger incision and longer recovery time.

Using the da Vinci, Bonaventura was able to remove the tumors laparoscopically, and the patient went home the next day.

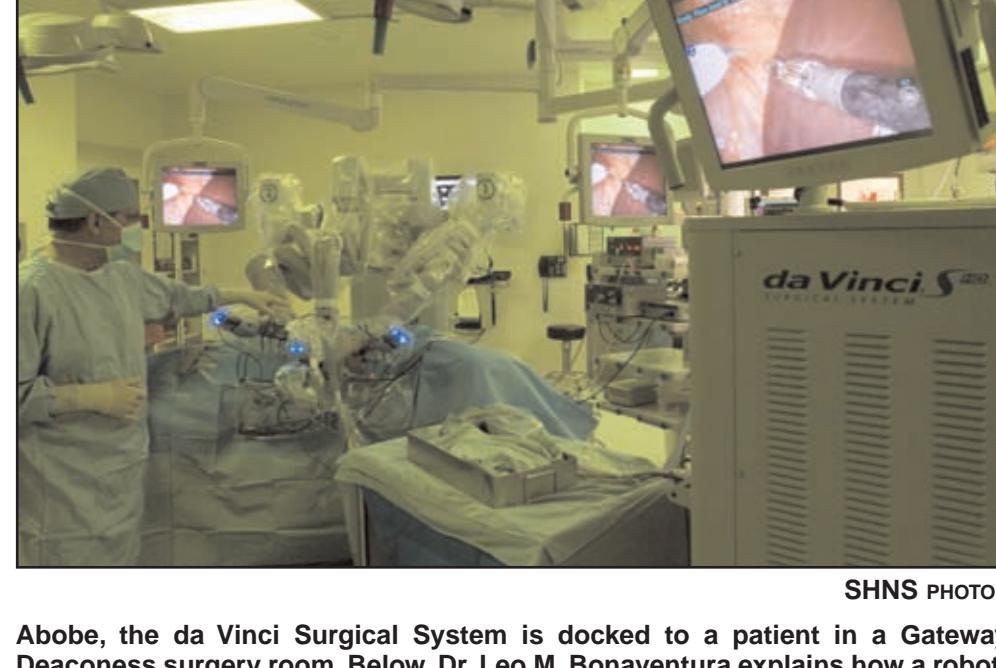
Bonaventura became a believer.

"From that time on, I said, 'If I can do that (procedure), I can do anything.'"

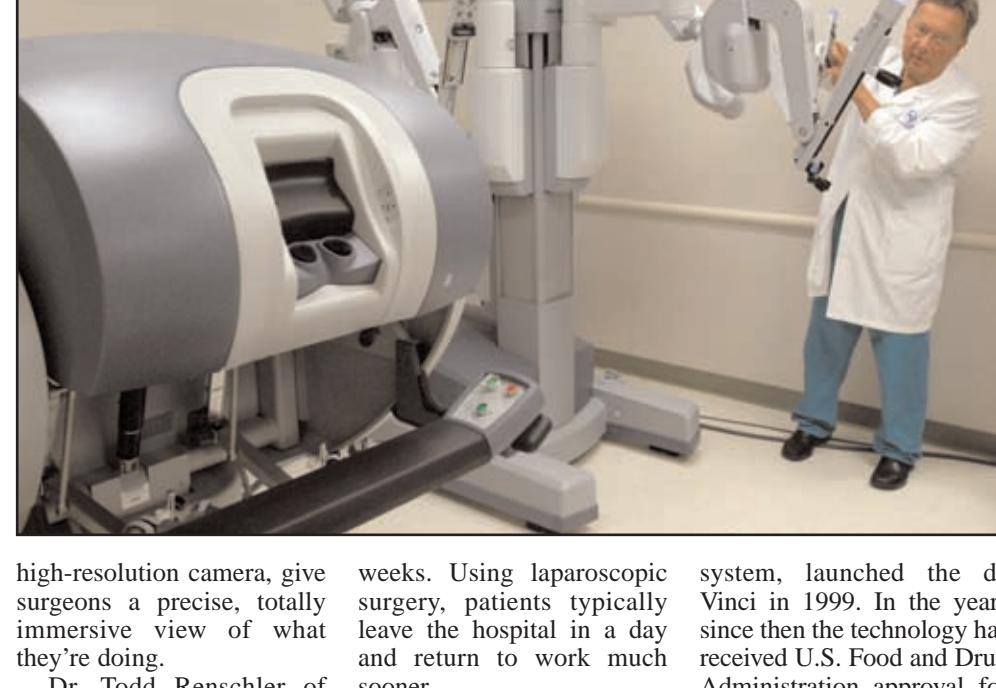
At all times, the surgeon is in control of the procedure — the da Vinci system cannot move on its own, nor can it make any decisions about what to do next.

The robotic arms are designed with patented precision joints that have a greater range of motion than the human wrist.

Those, coupled with the



Abobe, the da Vinci Surgical System is docked to a patient in a Gateway Deaconess surgery room. Below, Dr. Leo M. Bonaventura explains how a robotic arm of the da Vinci Surgical System works when he controls it using the controller with the 3-D display console on the left. The technology permits minimally invasive surgery, reducing recovery time for the patient.



high-resolution camera, give surgeons a precise, totally immersive view of what they're doing.

Dr. Todd Renschler of Urological Associates Inc. said, "The robot allows us to do more complex cases, and it allows us to do the simple cases better."

Currently, Renschler said, 72 percent of radical prostatectomies — a type of surgery for prostate cancer — are performed using robotic technology.

Using traditional surgical techniques, a man receiving a radical prostatectomy would be hospitalized for four to 10 days and unable to return to work for several

weeks. Using laparoscopic surgery, patients typically leave the hospital in a day and return to work much sooner.

Intuitive Surgical, the California company that manufactures the da Vinci

system, launched the da Vinci in 1999. In the years since then the technology has received U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval for use in thoracoscopic, cardiac, urologic and gynecologic surgical procedures.

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## Study: Pregnancy doesn't worsen breast cancer

#### By MIKE STOBBE

AP Medical Writer

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ATLANTA — Pregnant women who develop breast cancer do not have worse odds of death or of cancer returning than other young breast cancer patients, a new study has found.

The study is one of the largest to look at whether breast cancer hits pregnant and recently pregnant women harder than other women. It contradicts some smaller, earlier studies that suggested maternity made things worse.

"If we can get them early, we can treat them aggressively and have good and promising outcomes for both woman and child," said the study's lead author, Dr. Beth Beadle of the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

The Houston hospital has the world's largest registry of pregnant breast cancer patients and their children.

Frightening for any woman, a breast cancer diagnosis is particularly terrifying for a pregnant woman. It presents complicated decisions about how to treat the mother and not harm the fetus. Some doctors recommend abortion so they can focus on treating the mother.

In the new study, being published Monday in the journal *Cancer*, researchers analyzed data from 652 women ages 35 and younger who were treated for breast cancer at M.D.

Radiation — dangerous to a fetus — is commonly used in mammography and breast cancer treatment. But ultrasound can be used to look for breast tumors instead. And surgery and certain kinds of chemotherapy can treat the cancer without poisoning the womb.

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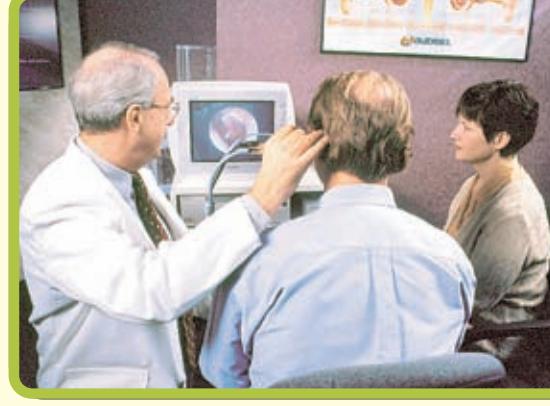


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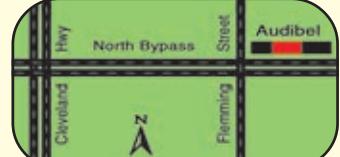
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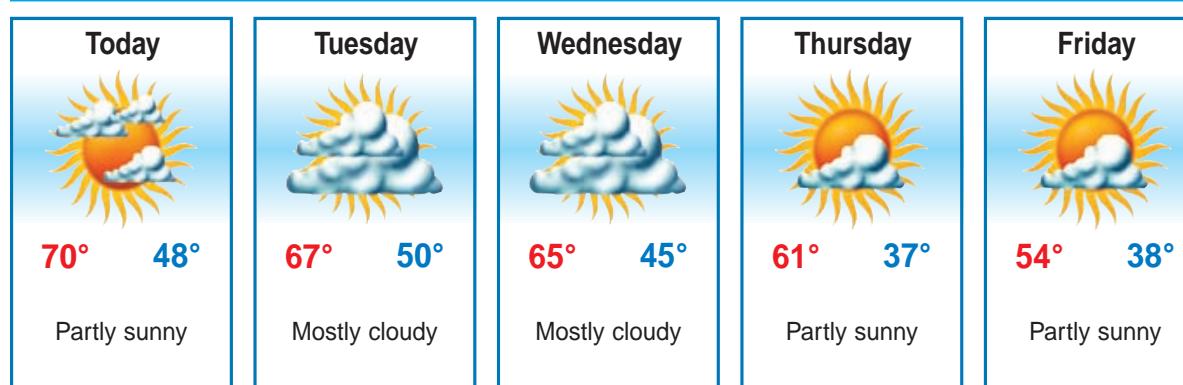
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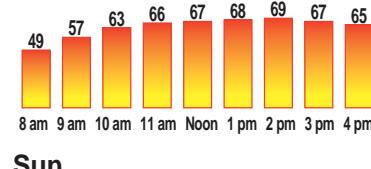


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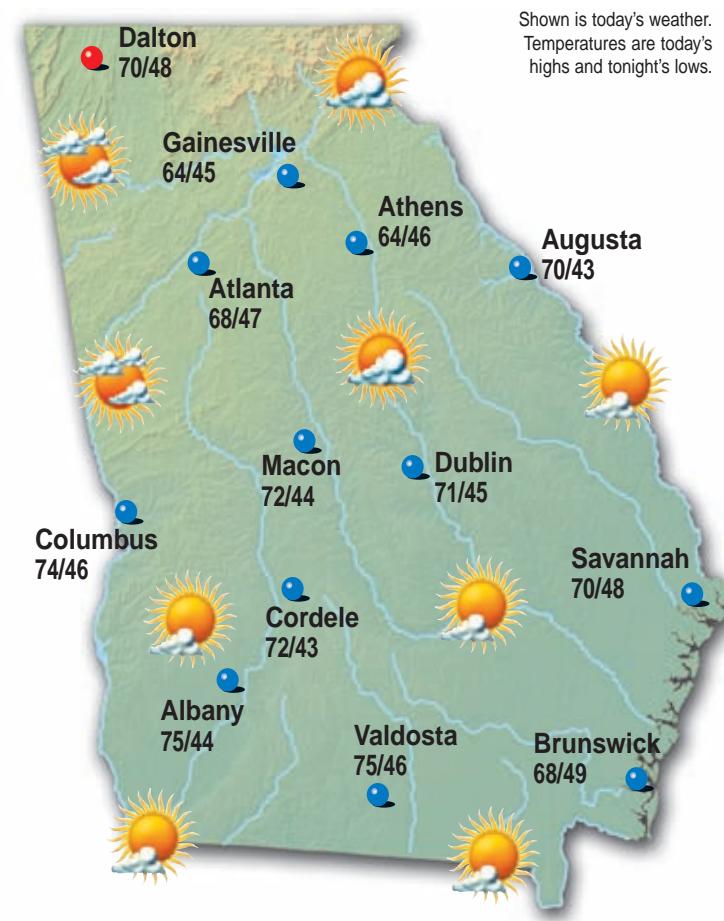
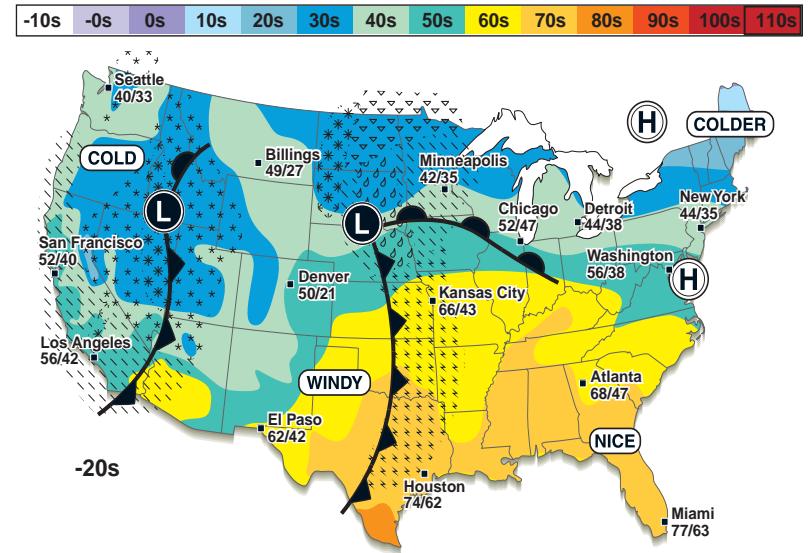
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**Georgia Weather**Shown is today's weather.  
Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.**National Weather for February 9, 2009**

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

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Chicago	52/47/c	60/44/pc	48/30/s	Philadelphia	47/33/s	53/44/c	58/43/c
Cincinnati	61/44/pc	61/46/sh	60/34/r	Phoenix	62/47/s	57/41/c	64/44/s
Cleveland	46/41/pc	58/39/c	58/39/c	Pittsburgh	51/39/p	57/46/c	64/42/r
Dallas	74/54/t	71/48/t	68/40/s	Portland, OR	45/34/r	43/36/r	46/33/r
Denver	50/21/s	48/18/sn	45/20/s	St. Louis	61/55/t	73/48/pc	54/34/r
Detroit	44/38/pc	55/46/c	55/36/r	Salt Lake City	41/27/s	35/24/sf	38/25/c
Indianapolis	61/49/c	67/50/c	53/35/r	San Francisco	52/40/p	54/47/p	56/44/r
Kansas City	66/43/t	62/39/pc	49/30/r	San Diego	58/48/p	60/48/p	62/50/p
Las Vegas	56/37/sh	55/35/pc	58/36/s	Seattle	40/33/c	40/35/sn	47/35/r
Los Angeles	56/42/sh	58/44/pc	62/46/pc	Wash., DC	56/38/s	55/45/p	62/45/c

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**The World**

City	Today	Tue.	Wed.	City	Today	Tue.	Wed.
Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W
Athens	55/47/r	58/46/s	65/52/pc	Jerusalem	84/49/c	52/46/t	54/42/sh
Auckland	78/70/r	76/69/pc	79/71/pc	London	37/36/sn	39/31/r	41/37/s
Amsterdam	43/36/s	44/36/r	43/36/s	Madrid	45/43/c	46/31/c	48/25/pc
Baghdad	70/61/pc	78/49/c	61/42/p	Montreal	18/10/s	30/30/sn	45/36/c
Beijing	52/30/s	54/30/s	48/32/s	Moscow	36/29/sn	35/30/c	32/29/sn
Berlin	33/28/c	37/36/sn	37/29/c	Paris	40/39/r	44/41/r	43/35/c
Buenos Aires	88/66/s	98/70/pc	92/62/pc	Rio	87/75/sh	87/74/t	88/75/r
Cairo	81/55/pc	65/52/pc	69/52/pc	Rome	55/43/pc	54/48/r	51/42/sh
Calgary	37/20/p	27/9/c	26/6/p	Seoul	46/32/p	48/36/p	52/32/s
Cape Town	81/66/pc	77/64/pc	81/63/s	Singapore	91/77/pc	91/77/pc	93/75/pc
Caracas	89/73/p	89/73/c	88/73/c	Sydney	77/66/s	72/64/r	73/64/r
Dublin	43/35/s	41/36/c	44/37/c	Tel Aviv	72/54/pc	61/55/r	63/51/sh
Geneva	37/36/s	46/32/r	33/27/sn	Tokyo	52/43/pc	54/43/pc	54/42/pc
Hong Kong	81/66/pc	81/66/pc	79/66/s	Toronto	33/31/s	42/39/r	51/34/r
Istanbul	58/43/pc	44/39/c	56/48/s	Warsaw	33/22/c	35/27/c	31/31/sn

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## SPORTS SPOTLIGHT: BOBBY BOWDEN

# 'Biblically Correct'

## Coach not concerned with PC way

By LARRY FLEMING

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If Bobby Bowden hadn't made it as a college football coach, he would have been a good country preacher.

But Bowden hit the big time at Florida State and has achieved legendary status in 34 years with the Seminoles.

He is the second-winningest coach in the Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I) history, one win behind another legend, Joe Paterno of Penn State. Bowden is 382-123-4 over 43 years as a head coach. JoePa is 383-127-3. Bowden is 79 years old, Paterno 82.

Neither coach shows any signs of getting out of the college football rat race any time soon.

"I got a time in mind, but I won't say," Bowden said prior to delivering the Sunday morning worship service at Mount Vernon United Methodist Church in Rocky Face. "A one-year deal means I can stop anytime I want."

Will he coach one more year more than Paterno?

"I don't know if I'll live one more year than Joe. We don't talk about it (a rivalry with Paterno) when we're together, but we're the only two up there," said Bowden, nattily attired in a light gray suit and striped lavender tie. "It'll be 30 or 40 years before anyone can catch us. I'll be in the grave by then."

Bowden admitted he keeps up with Paterno's

game each Saturday during the season.

"After games, I'll find out," he said. "Sometimes I'll check at halftime. After the game somebody will always tell me how he did."

But Sunday was Faith and Football Day at Mount Vernon. Bowden has managed to balance the two throughout his illustrious career, captivating media representatives and a full-house congregation in a two-hour time frame.

"Many coaches do the politically correct thing," Bowden said. "I don't believe in that. I do the biblically correct thing and try to do it the right way. We have a chaplain (at Florida State). We have FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) and I'm big in that. But it's all voluntary."

Bowden's well-publicized faith even comes in handy when he's recruiting high school prospects. It sure worked with Lowndes cornerback Greg Reid, player of the year in Georgia.

"He (Reid) had a spiritual connection with coach Bowden right away," Lisa Akin, Reid's mother, was quoted by The Associated Press as saying last week after Reid signed with the Seminoles.

Bowden also said he writes to the parents asking them if it's OK if he takes "their boy" to church.

"Out of my 34 years at Florida State, I've only had two parents say no," the coach said.

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MISTY WATSON/The Daily Citizen  
Florida State University coach Bobby Bowden speaks at Mount Vernon United Methodist Church on Sunday morning.

## PREP SOCCER: AREA GIRLS 2009 PREVIEW

## Kicking off a new year

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The 2009 high school girls soccer season hopes to be one of new opportunity for area Georgia High School Association school's Dalton, Northwest Whitfield, Murray County and Southeast.

The new season features three first-year coaches for area teams in Dalton's Rebecca Snellman, Northwest Whitfield's Anna Stutts and Southeast's Kevin Kettenring. And of the four GHSA area teams, only Dalton (6-5) finished with a winning record. But Northwest, Murray County and Southeast will all look to turn things around this season.

Here's a look at each of the four area programs heading into the upcoming season.

### Dalton

With the departure of last year's coach, Tony Carlson, the Lady Catamounts turn to Rebecca Snellman to lead the way. Snellman has served as an assistant on the Dalton coaching staff for the last three seasons and is familiar with the talent that surrounds her.

"I'm feeling positive about this group," Snellman said. "There's a lot of individual talent on the team and this may be the most talented group since I've been here. There's a lot of incoming freshman and sophomores that didn't come out last year that have come out strong so far with a good work ethic."

Key losses from last year's squad include defender Erica Ortega and midfielder Cindy Hernandez. But the key group from last year's squad that finished 6-5 and made the Class 4A



MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen

Dalton Lady Catamounts' Lisa Mata controls a loose ball before taking a shot during a drill at a recent practice. The Lady Cats finished 6-5 last season.

## PRO BASEBALL

## Glavine considers new deal

BY PAUL NEWBERRY

Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA — The Atlanta Braves have made an offer to Tom Glavine, but the 300-game winner hasn't decided whether to accept a significant pay cut.

With the start of spring training just a week away, general manager Frank Wren confirmed Sunday the Braves recently offered a contract to Glavine, who's hoping to return for at least one more season after going down last year with the first serious injury of his career.

Glavine, who underwent elbow and shoulder surgery, has resumed throwing without any pain and could be an effective fifth starter in a rotation that includes offseason acquisitions Derek Lowe, Javier Vazquez and Japanese all-star Kenshin Kawakami. The Braves also have 13-game winner Jair Jurrjens.

Wren would not discuss details of the offer of Glavine, but media reports said it would include a base salary of less than \$2 million. The Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported Glavine could earn up to \$3 million, including incentives, if he remained healthy through the season.

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## NASCAR: DAYTONA 500

## Truex takes the top spot

BY JENNA FRYER

Associated Press Writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Martin Truex Jr. suffered through an uncertain winter, unsure if his revamped race team could take him to the top.

Mark Martin also endured a long offseason, anxious to join NASCAR's premier program.

Their waits proved worth it Sunday when the former teammates took the top two starting spots for the season-opening Daytona 500.

Truex, now driving for the organization born from the merger between sponsor-strapped Dale Earnhardt Inc. and Chip Ganassi Racing, earned the pole for the Feb. 15 showcase event. With a lap of 188.001 mph in a Chevrolet, he showed Earnhardt Ganassi Racing will go on — perhaps stronger than the individual teams ever were.

"It was a tough winter for most of us in the community," said Ganassi, the front man for the new race team. "Bringing two

companies together is a difficult task, a painful thing for a lot of people. My hats off to these guys because there was a core group of people who never wavered, never lost focus on what they wanted to do and today was a reward."

The merger resulted in roughly 150 layoffs, coupled with an additional 70 employees Ganassi let go in July when he shuttered one of his three race teams. And it came together with just a week left in the season, giving management only three months to ready for NASCAR's biggest event of the year.

But they were clearly ready for Daytona: Truex had the fastest time, Juan Pablo Montoya was fourth and Aric Almirola was seventh. Truex and Almirola were in old DEI cars, while Montoya will race in a car from the Ganassi inventory.

"It's good to see the hard work pay off. They've been through a lot this winter,"

> Please see NASCAR, 3B



AP PHOTO

Mark Martin, left, and Martin Truex Jr. joke around in victory lane after they won the top two starting spots for the Daytona 500 at Daytona International Speedway.

# Bowden: Has a good idea of when he'll retire

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Bowden's Christianity also comes into play when Seminole players get into off-field trouble, and he's seen his fair share of incidents over the years in Tallahassee.

In fact, the Seminoles are now awaiting whether the NCAA will cut scholarships over an academic cheating scandal that already caused two dozen players to miss four games. Bowden has dealt with a variety of player transgressions, including drinking and drugs.

"That bothers me terribly," he said. "You usually find out at 2 in the morning when the police call saying they've arrested one of your boys. It's not just at my school. It's all over the country. That's the way it is. It's a sign of the times."

Bowden preaches to his players to be exemplary role models, and most have little or no trouble having a positive effect on young people they come in contact with.

It's the same for Bowden.

Alex Mashburn, a 9-year-old student at New Hope Elementary School was directly behind Bowden on Sunday, holding up two 8-inch-by-11-inch paper signs, colored in FSU colors, in support of the coach.

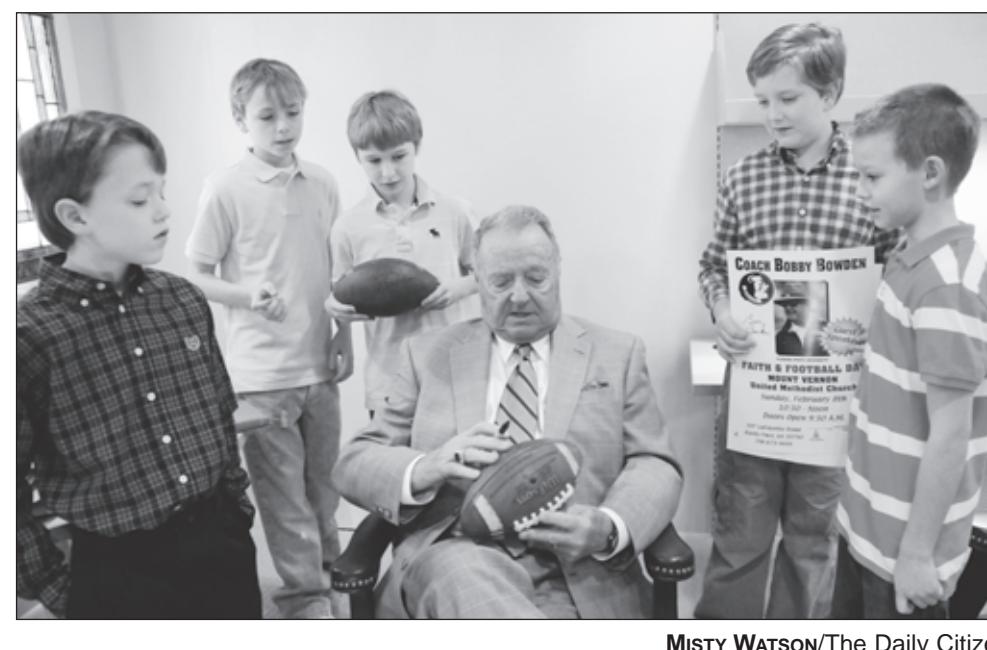
"This is just amazing," Mashburn said. "My former music teacher has gone back to college and he's at Florida State and I'm doing this for him."

A three-man pick-up-Bowden team left the church at 4:20 a.m. Sunday for Chattanooga where they boarded a private plane and flew to Tallahassee. They arrived back at the church at 9:10 a.m. They left the church at 12:05 p.m. to catch the flight back to Florida.

Before his departure and after a glowing introduction by Pastor Bill Curington, Bowden captivated the larger crowd with football tales and how his faith has served him — and how he has served the Lord — over four decades in the game.

He was humorous.

He was biblically serious.



MISTY WATSON/The Daily Citizen

**Florida State University football coach Bobby Bowden signs memorabilia Sunday at Mount Vernon United Methodist Church for Brice Curington, from left, 7, of Rocky Face, Mason Shepard, 11, of Dalton, Kyle Fleming, 10, of Dalton, James Curington, 9, of Rocky Face and Alex Mashburn, 9, of Resaca.**

And always inspirational.

He broke the ice by saying his wife, Ann, goes with him to most speaking engagements within a 50-mile driving radius of Tallahassee.

"She drives everywhere

we go," he said. "I just hold the wheel."

Bowden also told the audience that his wife also likes to watch all the TV cooking shows.

"I come home one day and she's watching Emeril,"

he said. "I asked her why she always watched those cooking shows? You never cook?" And she said, "Well, you watch football."

He had hooked everyone.

Bowden went on to say that nothing in life is guar-

anteed except Jesus Christ. You may have a beautiful home, he said, but over time it will crumble. A football victory is certainly not guaranteed. People may enjoy a great career and make a great amount of money, but you sure can't take it with you.

"Did you know last year 51 billionaires died," Bowden said. "Boy, I'd try and hang on as long as I could. I'd take every pill there is."

That story, as did others, brought instantaneous laughter.

Among his closing comments, Bowden implored those in attendance to remember that God doesn't reject man, men reject God.

"If you're not saved," he said, "I hope something I've said will trigger you to get with it. ... Make yourself available. I'm going to tell you folks what I tell my team after our last game each year. This is the last time we'll be together unless you go to heaven with me."

At that moment, everyone believed Bobby Bowden.

## Soccer: New season, new expectations

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state playoffs, which bodes well for the Lady Cats.

Snellman expects big things from key returners Rachel Czyz, Marixa Ortiz and Daniela Molinar as well as first-year player Keri Shealy.

Though Snellman feels good about the team she has, she's unsure of where her team stacks up with some of the new teams in Region 7-4A, including Sequoyah, who eliminated Dalton from the state playoffs last year.

"It's hard to know because we've played so few of those teams and we don't know much about them. If Sequoyah is any indication, this will be a very challenging region — even more so than last year."

"That being said, I think we can compete with the Atlanta-area schools."

### Murray County

The Goodrich sisters — April and Amber — are gone. April Goodrich was a Daily Citizen All-Area Spring Team selection. Also gone is Geneve Lopez. And goalie Miriam Ceja.

Still, Lady Indians coach Stephanie Wheeler looks forward to the 2009 season with hopes her squad can improve on a disappointing 2-11 campaign in 2008.

Despite the personnel losses, the fact that Region 5-5A is in Murray's rearview mirror is a huge plus in terms of the team's optimistic approach this season.

"We're excited to be out of 5A," Wheeler said. "I think we have a good chance this year to be successful. We're expecting a whole bunch of wins."

Wheeler said the talent level on this year's team is good.

"We won't be relying on just one or two girls," she

said. "There are a lot of girls with a lot of talent on this team. It was hard to make final cuts for the varsity and junior varsity teams. We have talent on both teams."

Sophomore midfielder Anita Guerrero, junior defender Diana Pulido and junior Melissa Ortiz are expected to be major contributors this year.

Elena Salazar, a sophomore forward, will show her versatility by also playing in goal at times in relief of starter Marlena Matos, a junior. Matos is a transfer from Southeast, Wheeler said.

"Elena is a phenomenal forward," Wheeler said. "Matos is very good and gives us a good situation there. It's hard to find good goalies in Murray County."

Wheeler said preseason practices have been tough, but it's for a purpose.

"We're trying to step up our game and that takes hard work in practice," she said. "Our expectations are high. I don't want to ever think we can't get a win. I expect the girls to give 100 percent at all times. I've been told I'm a tough coach and I work them really hard. Practices are tough. But I feel that will pay off."

The Lady Indians' first match is today at Paulding County at 5:45 p.m.

### Northwest Whitfield

First-year coach Anna Stutts takes over a team that finished 2-7 last year under Sarah Dawson. For Stutts, the challenge will be turning around a program that has seen three coaches in three years. Because of the constant changes in the coaching staff, Stutts said the program is in a rebuilding state.

Nonetheless, she believes her team can compete.

"I'm hoping to see these girls come out on top with a winning record," Stutts said.

"It will be challenging, but we have a lot of potential on this team. I've noticed a lot of talent on the team from watching them during tryouts.

"There's a lot of talent on this team, it's just a matter of getting everyone on the same page and working together."

Stutts inherits eight returning starters from last year's team and expects several freshmen and sophomores to be in the mix. The Lady Bruins will be working with a new goalkeeper in Hannah Hensley, who returns to the team after taking a year off. Stutts figures for freshmen Adora Cruise and Darlene Szwarcz to be a factor on the field as well.

Northwest will look to get on the winning track quickly as it did last year when it faces Ridgeland at home in Tuesday's season opener. Of the Lady Bruins, two wins last season, the first was a 5-3 season-opening win over Dade County. Their other win came eight games later over Ridgeland by a score of 2-1.

### Southeast

As Kevin Kettenring steps in as the Lady Raiders' third coach in as many seasons, he knows that the mental side of the game will be as important as the physical one for his players this year.

Everything from expectations to terminology is on the list of things he's been busy teaching during the preseason, but not all aspects of the game need rehearsing for the Lady Raiders.

"All these girls have built in their culture soccer/football," Kettenring said. "It's there, so I don't really have to teach the passion and the love for the game. They grow up in it. That's what unique about Southeast for

me, the innate love for the game. They're extremely coachable. They want to learn, they want to play at a higher level, because they see it all the time, but they don't know how to get there.

"That's what I feel my calling is this year, to set the foundation and get in their minds we're not out here just to field a team and maybe do this or that. We're here to do something different and we want to improve our potential ... that's what I try to draw out as a coach."

Kettenring comes to Southeast with a soccer coaching background that stretches, off and on, back to the early 1980s. Most recently, he worked as an assistant at Ringgold the past two seasons; his last varsity head coaching job was leading the Lakeview-Fort Oglethorpe boys in 2004.

Although the coach said he won't try to lock his players into a particular style, he expects the Lady Raiders to play "total soccer," with every player having a good understanding of and the ability to play every position on the field.

Teaching that has meant focusing on some very basic fundamentals so far, Kettenring said.

"They're picking it up a lot quicker than I thought they would," he said.

Among the players Kettenring expects to depend heavily upon are senior sweeper Raquel Mejia, junior striker Anna Valdez and sophomore midfielder Melaney Ramos.

"Over the past two weeks, they've been pretty consistent in workouts," he said.

The Lady Raiders open with a 7 p.m. match at Heritage-Catoosa on Feb. 24.

**The Braves have made an offer to pitcher Tom Glavine, but the 300-game winner hasn't decided whether to accept a significant pay cut.**

AP PHOTO

## Glavine: A fifth starter?

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bad, in getting ready and going through a baseball season — and a point where it's not," Glavine told the Atlanta newspaper. "There's a price for everything. I don't know how to say that without someone getting offended. In every business, there's a price that makes it worthwhile."

Glavine and his agent, Gregg Clifton, did not immediately return telephone messages left by The Associated Press on Sunday.

With the retirement of former teammate Greg Maddux, Glavine would be the leader among active pitchers with 305 wins if he returns. He needs two to pass Eddie Plank for 20th on the career list.

After surgery, Glavine said he wouldn't return for another season with any team other than the Braves. During the offseason, he hinted he might reconsider that stance if another team was seriously interested.

### GOLF

## Watney wins the Buick

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Nick Watney appeared to be along for the ride Sunday until making two birdies over the final three holes to take advantage of a late collapse by John Rollins and win the Buick Invitational.

Watney knocked in a 40-foot birdie putt from the fringe on the par-3 16th, then completed his five-shot rally with a two-putt birdie on the 18th hole. He closed with a 4-under 68 for his second career victory.

Rollins had a three-shot

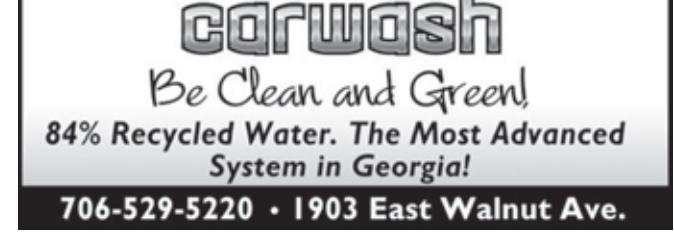
lead with five holes to play until making a bogey with a poor chip on the 14th, another bogey from a plugged lie in the bunker on the 16th, and failing to hit the green on the par-5 18th, leading to a par. He shot a 74.

Watney finished at 11-under 277 — the same total Ryuji Imada had last year when he was runner-up by eight shots to Tiger Woods, who has not played since knee surgery after winning the U.S. Open in June at Torrey Pines.



MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen

Dalton goalkeeper Julie Parham prepares for a ball during a drill at a recent practice. Last season, the Lady Catamounts finished with a 6-5 record under coach Tony Carlson and were eliminated from the first round of the Class 4A state playoffs by Sequoyah.



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## SCOREBOARD

### LOCAL

#### Prep Schedule

**Today**  
Varsity soccer  
Murray County at Paulding County, 5:45  
Junior varsity basketball  
Gilmer at Murray County, 6

**Tuesday**  
Varsity basketball  
North Paulding at Murray County, 6  
Northwest Whitfield at Rome, 6  
Dalton at Woodland, 6

**Varsity tennis**  
Ringgold at Northwest Whitfield, 4  
Junior varsity basketball  
Northwest girls at Rome, 4

**Wednesday**  
Varsity tennis  
Northwest Whitfield at Cleveland, Tenn., 4:15

**Junior varsity soccer**

Fannin County at Murray County, 5:30

**Thursday**  
Varsity soccer  
Murray County at Sequoyah, 5:45

**Varsity tennis**

Osborne at Northwest Whitfield, 4:30

**Friday**  
Varsity wrestling  
Class 3A sectionals at Riverwood, Atlanta

Class 4A sectionals at Upson-Lee, Thomaston

**Varsity soccer**

Murray County at Ringgold, 5

### TELEVISION

#### On Today

##### MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

7 p.m.  
ESPN — West Virginia at Pittsburgh

9 p.m.  
ESPN — Kansas at Missouri

**NHL HOCKEY**

7 p.m.  
VERSUS — N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey

### WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

7:30 p.m.

ESPN2 — Duke at North Carolina

### PRO HOCKEY

#### NHL Glance

##### EASTERN CONFERENCE

##### Atlantic Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	33	17	3	69	165	134
Philadelphia	28	15	9	65	167	153
N.Y. Rangers	29	19	5	63	135	146
Pittsburgh	26	24	5	57	167	168
N.Y. Islanders	16	31	5	37	128	174

##### Northeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	39	8	7	85	188	121
Montreal	29	18	6	64	162	153
Buffalo	28	20	6	62	161	148
Toronto	20	24	9	49	157	193
Ottawa	18	25	8	44	122	149

##### Southeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	34	16	4	72	178	155
Carolina	27	22	5	59	142	156
Florida	25	19	8	58	146	146
Tampa Bay	18	24	11	47	134	164
Atlanta	18	31	5	41	153	190

##### WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	35	11	7	77	199	154
Chicago	29	14	8	66	172	133
Columbus	25	23	5	55	142	152
Nashville	25	25	3	53	128	148
St. Louis	22	24	6	50	150	161

##### Northwest Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Calgary	30	18	4	64	161	155
Minnesota	27	22	3	57	134	118
Edmonton	26	23	4	56	146	166
Vancouver	24	20	8	58	154	152
Colorado	25	27	1	51	146	163

##### Pacific Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	36	7	7	79	172	119
Anaheim	27	24	5	59	156	156
Dallas	26	19	7	59	162	164
Phoenix	24	25	5	53	136	164
Los Angeles	23	21	7	53	134	142

### SCOREBOARD

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

#### Saturday's Scores

Philadelphia 4, Boston 3, OT  
Anaheim 2, Calgary 1  
Detroit 8, Edmonton 3  
Ottawa 3, Buffalo 2, SO  
Toronto 5, Montreal 2  
Columbus 3, San Jose 2, OT  
Washington 3, Florida 1  
Los Angeles 3, New Jersey 1  
Tampa Bay 1, N.Y. Islanders 0  
St. Louis 4, Colorado 1  
Carolina 7, Phoenix 2  
Vancouver 7, Chicago 3

#### Sunday's Scores

Detroit 3, Pittsburgh 0  
Philadelphia 3, Atlanta 2  
Minnesota 3, Edmonton 2, SO  
Dallas 4, Nashville 1

#### Tuesday's Games

N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 7 p.m.  
Montreal at Calgary, 9 p.m.  
Tuesday's Games

#### Wednesday's Games

San Jose at Boston, 7 p.m.  
Colorado at Columbus, 7 p.m.  
Los Angeles at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.

#### Thursday's Games

Toronto at Florida, 7:30 p.m.  
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.  
Detroit at Nashville, 8 p.m.  
Vancouver at St. Louis, 8:30 p.m.

#### Friday's Games

Philadelphia 12, Minnesota 1

#### Saturday's Games

San Antonio at Oklahoma City, late

#### Sunday's Games

Minnesota at New Orleans, late

#### Monday's Games

Phoenix at Detroit, late

#### Tuesday's Games

Utah at Golden State, late

#### Wednesday's Games

Washington at Memphis, 8 p.m.

#### Central Division

W L Pct GB

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	39	10	.796	—
Detroit	27	21	.563	11 1/2
Milwaukee	24	29	.453	17
Chicago	22	29	.431	18
Indiana	20	32	.385	20 1/2

#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

##### Southwest Division

W L Pct GB

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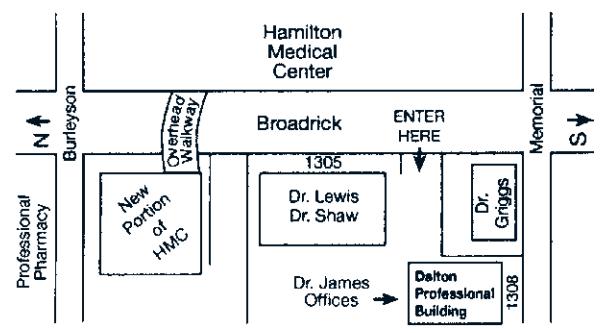
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