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**Efrain Escobedo, senior director of civic engagement for the National Association of Latino Elected Officials (NALEO), poses at NALEO headquarters in Los Angeles on Friday. Speaking about the organization's plans for the 2010 Census, Escobedo said, "We're prepared to mount our own national campaign to count ourselves."**

## How many Hispanics?

Census faces tough task

BY JESSE WASHINGTON  
 AP National Writer

What seems like a simple question — How many Hispanics are living in the United States? — has become surprisingly complex as the 2010 census approaches.

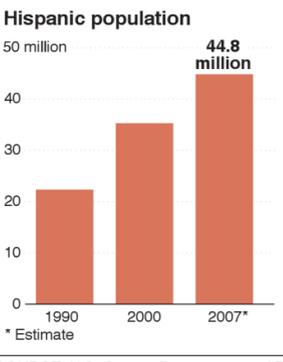
Hispanics and other minorities have historically been undercounted in the once-a-decade survey. Advocacy groups are now launching their traditional efforts to ensure an accurate count, but a variety of factors have created new problems for the painting of America's official portrait.

Activists and government officials say fears over immigration enforcement and government snooping are making people more reluctant to share their information. The economic meltdown and Bush administration budget cuts have slowed funding for the census. Millions of laid-off renters and foreclosed homeowners are on the move.

There are more immigrants here, speaking more languages, than ever before. Some of those immigrants may not know what a census is, or may come from countries where such information is used against

### Keeping count

The U.S. Hispanic population has doubled since 1990, but like other minorities, Hispanics have historically been undercounted in census reports.



rather than for the people. "This country is just much more complex now, on many different levels," said Terry Ao, director of census and voting programs for the

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## Schools may lose nurse positions

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Some of the 17 nurses the Whitfield County Health Department provides for local school systems may not have jobs there next year.

Health department manager Cheryl Wheeler said she met with her staff Monday morning to explain how budget cuts in Whitfield County Schools and Dalton Public Schools will affect the department next school year.

"As far as the county, there's a real possibility that some of them won't have jobs next year," Wheeler said. "We are looking at our budget next year, and (city school officials have) asked us to cut a little bit."

Whitfield County school officials aren't planning to provide any local funding for the 11 positions for elementary and middle schools, said Judy Gilreath, assistant superintendent of support services. She said the local system pays about \$220,000 to contract with the health department — about 45 percent of the total nursing budget. The rest is paid by the state. Gilreath said plans are to hire as

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**Tim Franzen, peace building program director of the American Friends Service Committee, from left, Jason Hurd, a southeast regional director of Iraq Veterans Against the War, and Raed Jarrar, who was born in Iraq but has been in America since 2005, answer questions from students at Dalton State College on Monday.**

## Speakers: Leave Iraq soon

BY RACHEL BROWN  
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Jason Hurd said an Iraqi man's words struck a chord with him when he paused from his duties in the Tennessee National Guard to ask how he felt about Americans being in his country.

"He said, 'Look mister. We know that you have some good intentions here, but the fact of the matter is before you guys got here, we didn't have to worry about car

bombs in our streets,'" Hurd said.

Hurd and Baghdad native Raed Jarrar spoke to more than 200 Dalton State College students on Monday as part of a multi-college tour by Iraq Veterans Against the War. The anniversary of the first "shock and awe" in which the United States bombed Iraq is this week.

Hurd urged students to support the anti-war organization and push for earlier troop withdrawal. He said the war costs \$720 million a day, began on false information

about Iraq having weapons of mass destruction, and has become nothing more than a long occupation.

Senior Kimberly Shaw, who founded the Dalton State organization "Students United for Peace" last year, organized the speaking engagement.

"I think it's obvious that we went in (to Iraq) on lies, but that aside, it's immoral, and we're

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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.**

"Thank you Daily Citizen for the nice book on the presidents I really do enjoy it."

"Sarah Harrison was very wise to resign. Before long there won't be much of downtown Dalton as we know it left."

"We welcome Dr. Whitaker to the HCC. He will be a good doctor."

"President Obama would be eaten up in a debate. Rush might choke to death."

"To the person who thinks he is only getting what he put in to Social Security, add up what you put in and what you are now getting. We seniors are drawing now what is being paid in by the people who are working now."

"WOW stands for Wild on Waste."

"Democrats preach to us about 'responsibility' but they have yet to take it on for themselves."

"I don't attend Rick Bridge Church but it's an asset to downtown Dalton. It puts good, trustworthy people in the area."

"Downtown Dalton looked so nice this morning. I wish more of the stores were open."

"Why would Sarah Harrison resign from DDDA after doing such a great job?"

"This is for the lady who wants a little Jack Russell Terrier. We have a little female. If she would call 695-6809 we will talk to her about it."

"Thanks to our county deputies and city police officers for a job well done, considering they are paid very little for a job that requires them to put their life on the line."

"Why does everybody believe in Limbaugh? I consider him a convicted felon."

**Editor: Limbaugh was not convicted of a felony.**

"They are closing schools in Chattahoochee, but here they are building one on every corner. They're also cutting teachers here. I don't understand."

"I think people under the age of 18 have just as much right to text and talk on cell phones as anyone else."

"It's OK to applaud Vickie Reed and the school board for building a North Murray High School. But paying for it is not going to bring a lot of applause from taxpayers."

"I wish people would quit worrying about places like Darfur and worry about America like they should."

"Why are the police always at Walmart or stopping cars on the bypass while people on Crow Valley Road off of city property are always getting stuff stolen from our cars. We're about tired of it."

"I really enjoyed Jimmy's article about 'Back in Time' in the Sunday paper. Enjoyed the article, son. It really brought back some memories."

"I think we should move those poor homeless people into City Hall. After all they only use part of it. They need

to move over and let them in."

"They shouldn't be putting down our president. Republican or Democrat, he's our president."

"The article about the homeless people was so sad. I wish the community would get together and do some kind of fundraiser and help these people."

"With all these empty buildings around here, they could open one of these homeless people."

"Dalton needs to attract new types of industry to this area like Chattanooga. It's obvious the carpet industry is on the way out."

"Obama and our Democratic Congress are bailing out the insurance giant AIG, which is giving its executives huge bonuses. Remember that when you can't pay your own taxes."

"I woke up this morning so thankful that I was not a leftover embryo. Thank you, mother."

"Mayor Daley was really great about stealing elections. Southern politicians don't hold a candle to him on that."

"Can someone tell me the reason for the Downtown Dalton Trolley? I never see anyone on it. It makes no sense to run an empty trolley when all our other services are being cut?"

"Unfortunately, we must use traffic light cameras to make people obey the law."

"I know there have been budget cuts but could the health department not help the homeless with their needs?"

"There are so many complainers you could give gold bars to and they would complain that it wasn't in a pretty box."

"Bill Shipp's column is very informative about what is going on down at our capitol."

"If people would discipline their children at home, teachers would have more time to teach. That's a no-brainer."

"A teacher cannot teach without discipline and discipline starts at home."

"I think Doyle Dobson was railroaded. I think that was dirty. He did a good job and was well liked."

"The old Winn Dixie on Cleveland Highway would be a good place to house the homeless. Why can't they use a place like that?"

**Editor: Possible answers: Crime, drug and alcohol abuse. Theft. Insurance costs.**

"Thank you Rock Bridge Community Church volunteers for providing food and water to the homeless inhabitants in the tent community off Elm Street."

"The leaders of our country have a responsibility towards the people of the country, and that their decisions ultimately affects all our lives. We all need to be watching all of them 'like a hawk.' They need to be accountable."

"Reassign Katie Brochu and the board of education to Clayton County."

"Where have you been all these years if you think people have to go to Chattanooga to buy liquor?"

**LOTTERY WINNING NUMBERS — FOR MARCH 16**

**Georgia:** Midday Cash 3: 2-8-5, Cash 4: 1-3-2-5, Evening Cash 3: 2-6-8  
Cash 4: 6-3-3-6, Fantasy Five: 26-4-29-38-23  
**Tennessee:** Midday Cash 3: 6-0-9, Lucky Sum: 15; Cash 4: 7-2-1-8, L Sum: 18;  
Evening Cash 3: 5-5-2, L-Sum: 12, Cash 4: 8-9-0-9, Lucky Sum: 26

**ARRESTS**

**None of the following people have been convicted of these crimes. They have been charged with violations of the law.**

- Karen Kay Burchfield, 49, 1285 Skyview Drive, apartment 26, Dalton, was charged Sunday by the Chatsworth Police Department with DUI and failure to maintain lane.

- Manuel Cerda Manzanares, 24, 706 Carter Place, Dalton, was charged Sunday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with forgery in the second degree, underage consumption, giving false information and probation violation.

- Fabian Urbano Perez, 29, 905 Fifth Ave., Dalton, was charged Sunday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with driving while license withdrawn, open container in vehicle and DUI.

- Larry Craig Reece, 29, 1775 Lower Kings Bridge Road, Dalton, was charged Sunday by the Chatsworth Police Department with headlight violation, failure to maintain lane and DUI (third offense).

- Travis Prescott Reed, 20, 454 Baggett Road, Chatsworth, was charged Sunday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with open container in vehicle and DUI.

- Telina Elizabeth Wasserman, 36, 5367 Old Federal Road, Chatsworth, was charged Sunday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with financial transaction card theft, theft by deception, giving false information and probation violation.

- Aaron Cornelious Dixon, 61, 253 Nelson St., Dalton, was charged Monday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with concealing vehicle identification, driving while license suspended or revoked, no insurance, reckless driving, DUI, failure to maintain lane and failure to stop for stop sign.

- Brandon Keith Langham, 27, 182 Weaver Drive, Chatsworth, was charged Monday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with possession of less than an ounce of marijuana, possession of methamphetamine, possession of tools for the commission of a crime, DUI and contraband across guard lines.

- Mario Enrique Moreyra, 26, 154 Bowen Road North, Chatsworth, was charged Monday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with possession of methamphetamine and possession of tools for the commission of a crime.

- Robby Gene Watkins, 31, 371 Red Road, Chatsworth, was charged Monday by the Chatsworth Police Department with driving while license suspended or revoked (third offense), open container in vehicle, DUI (third offense) and failure to maintain lane.

**BRIEFS**

**Rec committee to meet today**

The Whitfield Parks and Recreation Steering Committee will meet today at 6 p.m. at the Varnell Gym on Prater's Mill Road.

**MCHS reunion**

The Murray County High School Class of 1974 is planning a 35-year reunion for June 20. Class members who would like to help plan are asked to contact Joey Parrott at (706) 226-1514, Sharon Byrd at (706) 695-7960 or Susan Dunn at (706) 695-5388 for information.

**TODAY'S CITIZEN**

**NAME:** Stacy Burrell  
**AGE:** 37  
**HOME:** Chatsworth  
**FAMILY:** Son, Landon  
**WORK:** Tandus  
**PLAY:** Watching football, basketball, baseball, etc.  
**SHE SAID:** "Smile ... it increases your face value."



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# Nurses

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many school nurses as next year's state funding will allow. Gov. Sonny Perdue has proposed slashing the \$30 million nursing budget, but no decisions have been made. Funding amounts to local school systems are based on several factors including student population.

"We still don't know exactly what we're going to do," said Whitfield Board of Education member John Thomas. "I know that they serve a great purpose, but we've got to look at all options."

Dalton schools officials are negotiating the year-to-year contract for 2009-10, but are planning to keep the six nurses in each elementary school, spokeswoman Deana Farmer said. She said the system budgeted \$315,000 for nurses, and about 55 percent of that is locally funded.

"We're renegotiating with all of our contracted vendors to try to reduce our costs," Farmer said. "What form the final contract will take will depend on our final budget and final revenue projections."

Valley Point Elementary School principal Karey Williams said school nurses take temperatures, deal with some illnesses, give regular medications — such as for allergies or diabetes — among other duties.

"I think everybody knows that schools use nurses every day," she said.

Renee Smith, who supervises school nurses in Whitfield and Dalton schools, said a federal law passed in the 1970s mandating schools provide both education and care to disabled students changed the way educators think about medical care in schools. Many public schools employ nurses in part to help care for students on feeding tubes or who need catheters placed.

Murray County Schools officials are expecting budget cuts too, but haven't made any decisions on the fate of their school nurses.

The school system budgeted \$451,000 for nurses this year, and \$307,000 comes from local coffers, said Dean Donehoo, director of administrative services. Murray County schools hires its own nurses rather than contracting with an outside agency, he said. There are nine nurses — one for each elementary, middle and high school.

"We do not know exactly what we're going to do about school nurses once we get to that stage," Donehoo said. "No decision has been made yet."



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**Raed Jarrar, who was born in Iraq but has been in America since 2005, speaks about the Iraqi war to students at Dalton State College on Monday.**

## Iraq: Withdraw

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spending so much money on it that we could be doing a lot of things to help our citizens," Shaw said.

Hurd's unit was deployed to Iraq in 2004 and stayed for a year, he said. Yet the atrocities he said he witnessed as a medic there were enough to turn him even more strongly against an engagement he already opposed. He said he witnessed American soldiers firing on unarmed civilians without cause, watched soldiers fudge rules that determined when to attack, and saw mothers have their sons taken from them and returned weeks later without explanation when coalition forces determined they'd made a mistake.

Jarrar said he left Iraq shortly after the war began and arrived in the United States in 2005 after marrying an American citizen he met at a Jordan University. Most Iraqis didn't like Saddam Hussein, but also didn't want a foreign presence to invade the country to remove him, he said. Jarrar said that while Iraq's political leadership has asked the United States to remain for a while, average Iraqis don't appreciate the ongoing occupation.

Jarrar isn't pushing for immediate withdrawal, but he said he believes it should come sooner than almost two

years from now. "If the U.S. withdrew, many people like myself would consider going back there," he said.

Maya Wooten, a senior sociology major from Chattanooga, said her father retired from the Army, but she never believed in the Iraq war.

"We wouldn't want anyone over here doing the same thing," she said.

Several professors offered extra credit to attendees, but not every student welcomed the speakers with open arms.

Chris Kernea, a junior early childhood education student from Rossville, said his own experience in the National Guard was nothing like Hurd's. Kernea said he was in Iraq at about the same time Hurd was there.

"I believe (Hurd) was projecting some over-generalizations," he said.

What Kernea saw were elementary schools being built, power grids turned on, and other humanitarian measures implemented.

"When we leave there, it'll be a better place," he said.

Kernea said he favors pulling out but not necessarily by President Barack Obama's 2011 deadline. The appropriate time for withdrawal is when Iraqis can fully replace the Americans who are there, he said.

# City won't de-annex lot

BY CHARLES OLIVER

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Holly and Ray Triplett urged the Dalton City Council Monday night to de-annex their home at 201 Brenda Drive. But council members said that could set a dangerous precedent.

Holly Triplett told council members that then-city administrator Butch Sanders had promised them both orally and in writing de-annexation would be no problem when they approached him last summer and that city officials had taken \$150 from them for legal advertising of the de-annexation.

But the proposal died when no council member made a motion to approve it.

"I apologize for the inconvenience and the confusion caused by the letter the former city administrator sent regarding the de-annexation. The City Council is only one that has the authority to be able to do something such as that," said Mayor David Pennington.

Pennington said he could only find one instance in which the city had de-annexed property and it would set a dangerous precedent if the city started doing that.

"We want to apologize, and I will make sure your \$150 is refunded," he said.

The Triplett's want the property de-annexed so their granddaughter Riley could continue to attend Whitfield County schools.

"We were led to believe this was a done deal," said Tommy Triplett, the girl's father. "That's the reason we moved Riley over to the Whitfield County school system. It's hard to believe we didn't even get a motion to vote on it."

"We were told when we came in that the letter we had on the letterhead would suffice to get her enrolled but we would have to have the paperwork of us being de-annexed for her to continue to attend next year," he said. "We may have to make some adjustments, but hopefully, we will be able to keep her in county schools. I'm not sure yet."

In other business, the council voted 4-0 to:
 

- Approve a \$29,000 contract with Barge Waggoner Sumner and Cannon for crack sealing and runway markings for the Dalton Municipal Airport.

- Approve a \$6,500 contract with Barge Waggoner Sumner and Cannon for environmental planning at the airport.

- Approve a contract with Gilbert and Associates to administer a community block development grant for \$55 an hour not to exceed \$21,000.

The council also held first readings of
 

- An ordinance that would require pawn shops in the city of Dalton place items they receive on an online database that law enforcement agencies can access.

- An amendment to the city sign law to make it content neutral. City attorney said the changes will make the law better conform to the U.S. Constitution and court rulings.

- An ordinance governing stacked burials in cemeteries.

The council also discussed a new city take-home vehicle policy. City finance director Cindy Jackson said the policy would make sure the city had one policy for all departments and also make sure that the policy conformed to Internal Revenue Service rules on taxation of some take-home vehicles.

## County OKs money for sewer

BY JAMIE JONES

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Construction continues on the Volkswagen plant in Chattanooga and companies that will supply the car manufacturer are searching for homes. Often the first question they ask: "Does the land have sewer?"

Now, city of Tunnel Hill officials reply no. But that answer could soon change.

The Whitfield County Board of Commissioners on Monday voted 4-0 to approve an agreement with Dalton Utilities to extend a sewer line to Tunnel Hill. Whitfield County will pay \$1 million of the \$3 million project.

Members of the Dalton Utilities board have not voted on the agreement.

County and Tunnel Hill officials say sewer service plays a major part in attracting Volkswagen plant suppliers. Production at the Volkswagen facility is slated to begin in early 2011.

"We're already getting a tremendous amount of interest in our area," Mayor Kenny Gowin said.

Tunnel Hill officials are not contributing any money to the project. City manager Blake Griffin noted since the county's \$1 million payment is about 2 percent of its overall budget, Tunnel Hill council members may consider giving 2 percent of the city's overall budget — about \$10,000 — towards the project.

"It's about economic development," Griffin said.

Gowin hopes the city will receive federal economic stimulus money to pay for part of the project. City officials have "explored just about every option" including loans and grants, but has so far been unsuccessful, Griffin said.

"We've got to have a project (before receiving grant money)," Griffin said.

The proposed sewer line will begin at the Mill Creek wastewater treatment plant near Crow Valley Road, then run north along Highway 41 through the Tunnel Hill business district, to Highway 201 and end at I-75 exit 341.

The county is pushing ahead with the sewer project despite a \$4 million sales tax revenue shortfall and the possibility of furloughing most of its approximate 600 employees later this year. The county will receive a pro rated amount of money from sewage fees Dalton Utilities collects. Commissioner Mike Cowan floated the idea of establishing a special utility district tax to recoup part of the county's \$1 million.

"I think it's a good investment for us, a good investment for Whitfield County," Cowan said of the project.

In other business:
 

- Commissioners voted 3-1 to rezone 3.65 acres at 815 N. Tibbs Road from general commercial to light manufacturing despite a recommendation from the Dalton-Whitfield Planning Commission not to approve the change. Commissioner Randy Waskul voted against the rezoning.

Stan Watkins, owner of the propane gas distribution company U.S.A. Gas, asked the county to rezone the land because the previous zoning classification did not allow him to have a 30,000-gallon liquid propane storage tank on site. Residents of neighboring Rocky Face Estates, which is in the city of Dalton, protested the change. Several residents spoke against the rezoning at a public hearing last month, claiming the propane tank is unsafe.

"It's a joke," Rocky Face Estates resident Stefan Fromm said of the commission's decision. "They have made the zoning laws not worth the paper they are written on. What's the point of having zoning laws if you can change them for whatever whim you had?"

Cowan said he believes Watkins' land "was incorrectly zoned to begin with." He also said the propane tank meets all local and state safety guidelines.

Waskul disagreed. When asked if he had safety concerns about the propane tanks, Waskul replied, "Absolutely."

"When you look at what the requirements are for an M-1 zone, that plays into it as well as the type of facility, the 500-foot boundary, all of those recommendations from the national organizations played into my choice," he added.

## Lowery leaves Atlanta hospital

ATLANTA (AP) — Civil rights icon the Rev. Joseph Lowery was released from a hospital Monday following a dizzy spell a day earlier as he greeted parishioners at the famed Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Lowery, 88, was the keynote speaker Sunday to mark Ebenezer's 123rd anniversary. Called "America's Freedom Church," the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. preached there from 1960 until his death in 1968.

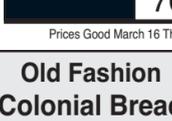
"I just got overheated," Lowery told The Associated Press in a telephone interview from his home. "The doctor did tell me to slow down, though. I'm going to slow down, but it's hard. Nobody respects my retirement, and I don't insist. You have to be grateful folks still want you around."

Lowery had preached for about 40 minutes, said the Rev. Raphael G. Warnock, senior pastor at Ebenezer.

"He was shaking hands and he just became a little

weak and lost his balance," Warnock said.

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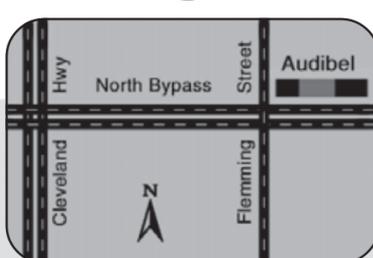
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### WORDS OF WISDOM

**Bible verse:** "I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture."

John 10:9

**Thought for today:** "There is no tyranny so despotic as that of public opinion among a free people."

**Donn Piatt**  
American journalist (1819-1891)

## Madoff's sins



**Cal Thomas**

The bilked have provided numerous sound bites denouncing Bernie Madoff as "evil," a word whose true meaning is sometimes difficult to grasp in our "nonjudgmental" age.

The definition of evil can be imprecise. Dictionary.com makes a run at it: "morally wrong or bad." According to whom and according to what? Is evil something we see only in others when we define it according to our subjective standards, or is it so embedded in each of us that we work overtime to hide it, not only from ourselves, but from everyone else?

Here is the dirty secret about the Madoff tragedy. Madoff is us. Yes, he is. Do not throw down your newspaper in disgust. We are all potential members of "Swindler's List." Do you know why our gut reaction is so strong and so hostile to Bernard Madoff ("I hope he rots in jail," said one of his "victims")? It is because he mirrors the flaw in each of us. We instinctively react to such people because they strip away our facade and reveal what theologians used to call "sin," before we became "dysfunctional" and in need of medication, not salvation. In extreme circumstances, we have crucified people who exposed our darkness to the light.

"It takes two to tango," my mother used to say when someone's affair was exposed. Madoff could not have prospered without willing participants. People who otherwise exhibited intelligence in their business and personal affairs were seduced by the old get-rich-quick scheme that has suckered humanity for millennia.

Everyone knows, don't they, that a guaranteed return on such investments is impossible? Everyone knows, don't they, that financial reports, with no audits or oversight, and coming from the one with whom you have invested, is a prescription for fraud? And yet the partners in this "tango" were all too happy to dance because their leading man held them tightly and played music they loved to hear. But Madoff's crimes cut doubly deep because he robbed his own.

"No one since Julius Rosenberg has so damaged the image and self-respect of American Jews," said Mort Zuckerman, who runs a charitable trust that lost \$30 million to Madoff.

"It really is a shame we Jews don't believe in hell," writes Rob Eshman, The Jewish Journal.

"I'd like to believe someone raised in our community, imbued with Jewish values, would be better than this," said Rabbi David Wolpe of Sinai Temple in Los Angeles.

So would I, but greed is greed, immorality is immorality and evil is evil.

Recall those who turned over the names of neighbors and colleagues to Joseph McCarthy. What about the Catholic Church that shielded pedophile priests? Slaves often gave up runaway slaves. The Spanish Inquisition had those whose ignominy helped it along. Evangelical

Christians turn on Evangelical Christians. Protestants turn on Protestants. Recall the traitors in the Nazi death camps who turned in their fellow prisoners in order to curry favor with the guards they hoped would spare their lives.

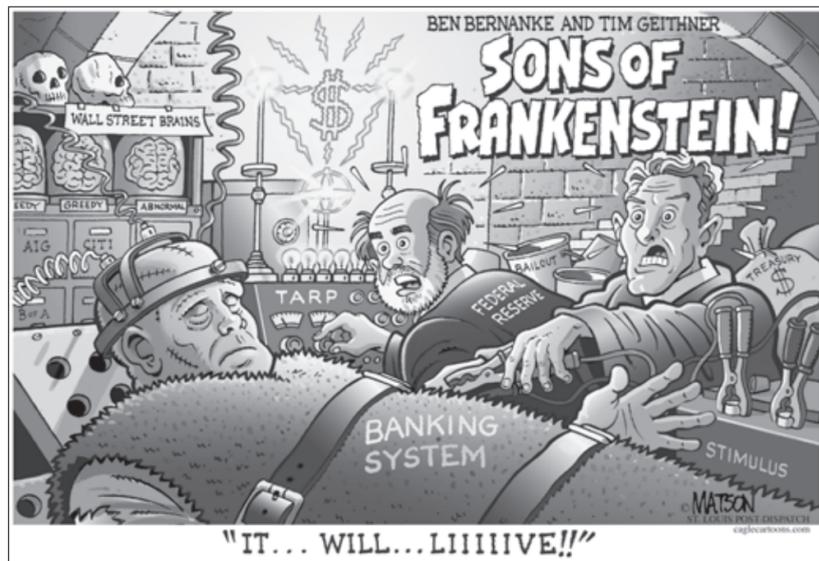
That evil has its enablers does not excuse the Nazis, Catholics, the Inquisitors nor Madoff, but it should give pause to all of us who denounce Madoff in ways that make us feel superior to him and incapable of performing evil acts of our own.

In his book, "The Body," Charles Colson, writes about the trial of Adolph Eichmann. Among the witnesses was Yehiel Dinur, who had escaped death in Auschwitz. On his day to testify, Dinur entered the courtroom and stared at the man in the bullet-proof glass booth, the man who murdered Dinur's friends, personally executed a number of Jews, and presided over the slaughter of millions more. Dinur shouted and sobbed, collapsing on the floor.

Had hatred of Eichmann, or horrendous memories, caused his strong reaction? No. As he later explained in a riveting "60 Minutes" interview it was because Eichmann was not the demonic personification of evil Dinur had expected. Rather, he was an ordinary man, just like anyone else. s

Fyodor Dostoevsky wrote, "Nothing is easier than denouncing the evildoer; nothing more difficult than understanding him."

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## About those false choices

One of President Obama's strengths is his mild manner. It tends to give the impression of reasonableness, and is reinforced by his habit of presenting strongly ideological moves as mere pragmatism. Rather than acknowledge that he is choosing sides, he spins tales of transcending "the stale political arguments that have consumed us for so long..."

In reversing his predecessor's executive order regarding embryonic stem cell research, the president outlined the choice as follows: "In recent years, when it comes to stem cell research, rather than furthering discovery, our government has forced what I believe is a false choice between sound science and moral values. In this case, I believe the two are not inconsistent." You see, there really is no moral quandary worth considering because "I believe we are called to care for each other and work to ease human suffering." Everyone is for easing human suffering. That begs the question: Would the president be in favor of easing human suffering if it required using the organs of, say, 6-month-old fetuses? The problem is not that some people are against "sound science" but rather that science cannot answer questions like "When is human life worthy of respect and protection?" Those are inherently political questions that can only be answered by the whole society.

A few sentences later, President Obama himself acknowledged that "sound science" is not the only consideration. He declared that "we will ensure that our government never opens the door to the use of cloning for human reproduction. It is dangerous, profoundly wrong, and has no place in our society, or any society." Come again? What if human



**Mona Charen**

cloning could get paraplegics to walk again or deliver diabetics from a lifetime of needles? What if the federal government's refusal to fund such research caused "some of our best scientists (to) leave for other countries that will sponsor their work"? Apparently there are moral constraints on science and President Obama stands ready to impose them.

One of President Obama's first official acts was to announce the closing of the detention center in Guantanamo Bay and to issue a new executive order on permissible interrogation techniques. "We reject as false the choice between our safety and our ideals," the president proclaimed in his inaugural address. Once again, he dismisses a genuine dilemma as a false choice. There is no conflict between the two because "It is precisely our ideals that give us the strength and moral high ground to deal with the unthinking violence that we see emanating from terrorism organizations around the world." Is it? Before 9/11, the U.S. was not known around the world for subjecting prisoners to harsh questioning. Did that protect us? Former CIA Director Michael Hayden has offered the view that tough interrogation succeeded in getting some of the worst al-Qaida terrorists to talk. "The Abu Zubaydah, the Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, I just can't conceive of any other way, given their character, given their commitment to what it is they do" he told the BBC.

This is not to suggest that stress positions, sleep deprivation, or waterboarding (which was reportedly used in only three cases) are or are not torture. But it is possible, reasonable people can agree, that in certain situations such rough treatment of a detainee might actually be the more moral choice — for example, if half a million people would die from a nuclear explosive hidden in a large city. And once again, one senses that Obama himself knows this and simply chooses to de-emphasize it.

Buried in his statement about interrogations was the promise to create a committee to consider whether the Army Field Manual techniques are too limiting "when employed by departments or agencies outside the military." And when members of the Senate Intelligence Committee asked CIA chief Leon Panetta about a ticking-bomb scenario at his confirmation hearing, Panetta said, "If we had a ticking-bomb situation and, obviously, whatever was being used I felt was not sufficient, I would not hesitate to go to the President of the United States and request whatever additional authority I would need."

The White House did not contradict the CIA director, which isn't surprising. We're beginning to understand the pattern. Wave away serious moral and or policy quandaries; grandstand about your own superior morals; and hope no one notices that you are contradicting yourself.

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## Mexico increases tariffs on U.S.

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico said Monday it will increase tariffs on about 90 U.S. products in retaliation for last week's decision to end a pilot program that allowed some Mexican trucks to transport goods in the United States.

Economy Secretary Gerardo Ruiz Mateos said the U.S. decision violates a provision of the North American Free Trade Agreement that was supposed to have opened cross-border trucking by January 2000.

"We consider this U.S. action to be wrong, protectionist and a clear violation of the treaty," Ruiz Mateos told reporters. "By deciding to protect their trucking industry, they have decided to affect other countries and the region."

The measure will affect about \$2.4 billion in trade involving approximately 90 agricultural and industrial products from 40 U.S. states. Ruiz Mateos said the department later this week will publish a list of the products, which he said were chosen to represent a large number of U.S. states and significant trade items.

He did not specify how much tariffs would be increased, but said "the retaliatory measures are the cost the United States is going to have to pay for failing to fulfill its obligations under NAFTA."

The action alarmed Rep. Kevin Brady of Texas, the ranking Republican on the trade subcommittee of the House Ways and Means Committee. Wheat and beef are two of his states top three exports.

"We've got a tough economy. We are going to lose sales, as sales of exports that we are selling into Mexico and that may well go to other countries," he said. "If you raise (duties), our wheat or beef may not be competitive to Mexico consumers."

A pilot program begun in 2007 that had allowed a few Mexican trucks beyond a border buffer zone died last week when President Barack Obama signed a sweeping government bill that barred spending on it.

## WORLD

### Ex-general heads Juarez police

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico — A retired Mexican army general took over as head of public safety in the violence-plagued border city of Ciudad Juarez on Monday and a retired colonel was sworn in as police chief, as part of a militarization that includes 7,000 soldiers dispatched to keep the peace in the city of 1.3 million.

Gen. Julian Rivera Breton was sworn in as city public safety secretary to replace a man who resigned after criminals threatened to kill a policeman every other day until he left. Two such signs appeared on the bodies of a dead officer and a jail guard.

### U.S. downs Iranian drone

BAGHDAD — U.S. jets shot down an Iranian unmanned surveillance aircraft last month over Iraqi territory about 60 miles northeast of Baghdad, the U.S. military said Monday.

A U.S. statement said the Ababil 3 was tracked for about 70 minutes before U.S. jets shot it down "well-inside Iraqi airspace" and that the aircraft's presence over Iraq "was not an accident."

An Iraqi official said the Iranian aircraft went down near the Iraqi border town of Mandali. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to the media.



AP Photo

Richard Walker, 61, right, an admitted homeless man, and another homeless man rest in the north terminal of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport on Saturday. After Hartsfield winds down nightly, a different breed of traveler emerges; groups of homeless men and women who occupy some of the nation's largest airports.

## Homeless 'dig in' to remain at Hartsfield

ATLANTA (AP) — Life has taken Roger Gleen up and down the East Coast, and on this night the weary traveler settles into a chair in the corner of the world's busiest airport.

His bags propped neatly beside him, Gleen is among a dozen or so ticketless passengers at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, folks with no destination in mind.

They're Hartsfield's homeless, and like their counterparts in other major terminals, they've successfully resisted most efforts to clear them out.

"We have to go sooner or later," Gleen admits. "But you have people (who have) been coming to the airport for years."

Clusters of homeless have long settled in terminals from Philadelphia to Chicago, ideal round-the-clock shelters for men and women displaced by cities trying to clean up their downtowns.

Federal authorities labeled this population a security threat in 2005, warning that terrorists might disguise themselves as homeless to do surveillance on their targets.

Hartsfield and other airports consider the homeless more nuisance than danger, just as they're seen in entertainment, shopping and transit districts everywhere. There has been no record of any security threat posed by the "handful" of blanket-covered vagrants sometimes found sleeping near ticket areas and other public spaces at Hartsfield, airport spokesman John Kennedy said.

Nonetheless, Hartsfield officials decided last year to join a program that trains police to identify homeless and coax them into shelters. Airport-based officers have since taken about 400 homeless to shelters, aided by monthly visits from United Way of Atlanta outreach workers, Kennedy said.

As quickly as they can cart them off, more are back, said Protip Biswas, head of United Way Atlanta's Regional Commission on Homelessness, which coordinates the outreach. His group collected 21 men and women from the terminal on



AP Photo

A pair of homeless people pass their time at in the main terminal atrium of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport on Friday, Feb. 6.

a recent visit.

Despite the double-team approach, "Last time we went out, we thought it was more" than the time before that, Biswas said.

Some of the nation's biggest airports have considered different approaches to clearing out vagrants.

In the early '90s, Chicago's O'Hare International Airport thought about building a shelter on site. The same decade saw legislators in Hawaii weigh whether to set up mental health and alternative housing programs for the roughly 70 homeless bedding down at Honolulu International Airport every night.

Neither effort was realized.

At Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, the city and homeless advocates sent outreach teams into the airport almost every night for two months in 2006 after police found dozens of homeless sleeping in sensitive parts of the airport, such as in doorways to secured areas, said Brian Davis, head of the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless.

The effort cleared all but the most stubborn handful of men and women, and most of them have stayed away. It took city funds and five outreach teams available for near nightly sweeps to make it happen though, almost unheard of resources even in the best of times.

"We would never be able to do it if we just went out there every month," Davis said. "There's so many people who come in and out of the system — we would never be able to keep track of

## Census: 2010

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Asian American Justice Center.

The 2000 census counted 35,305,818 Hispanics in the United States. Hispanic groups estimate that several million more were missed. In 2007, the most recent year available, the Hispanic population had grown to an estimated 44,852,816.

The Constitution mandates that every ten years, each person living in the country — regardless of citizenship or immigration status — must be counted.

The census results are used to draw congressional districts and allocate hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding for schools, roads and other services. The data also trickles down to state and local governments for determining everything from the size of hospitals to the placement of bus stops.

On a more emotional level, the census is the measure of our nation, a literal definition of what we are. That can touch nerves left raw by the simmering immigration debate.

Anti-immigration groups don't object to an accurate count, which may provide fuel for their arguments. But they are opposed to the past practice of suspending immigration raids while the census is being conducted. And they have major objections to counting non-citizens when drawing congressional districts.

Steven Camarota, director of research at the Center for Immigration Studies, called the practice "an assault on the 'one man, one vote' idea."

"It transfers political power to the citizens who live in districts with high numbers of illegal aliens," he said. "If you live in Southern California, your vote counts a great deal more than if you live in Michigan or somewhere with lower immigration."

Ensuring that the maximum number of minorities are counted "seems to be a much bigger issue for the ethnic interest groups and advocacy groups, because that's how they build their interests and political power," said Ira Mehlman, spokesman for the Federation for American Immigration Reform.

Those interest groups point out that everyone suffers if undercounting leads to less funding for schools, roads or hospitals.

"If you go back to your district, regardless of how many people there are citizens or voters, when you're counting one million and need to count two, this has a huge impact on whether you can deliver services for your

voters," said Efrain Escobedo, senior director of civic engagement for the National Association of Latino Elected Officials.

Numbers certainly do mean power, so the census has long been subject to political maneuvering.

Earlier this year, for example, a brief dispute arose after President Barack Obama nominated Republican Sen. Judd Gregg of New Hampshire to head the Commerce Department, which oversees the census. Minority groups protested that Gregg and other Republicans had voted to cut census funding because counting additional minorities or urban dwellers was unlikely to lead to more GOP votes or districts.

The White House responded by saying it would take a greater role in supervising the census — which prompted a Republican outcry over possible Democratic manipulation of the redistricting process.

The exploding Hispanic population has been widely noted in political circles, and Hispanics were considered a key component of Obama's presidential victory in states like Florida, Nevada and Colorado.

Hispanic groups are now at the forefront of a coalition spanning politics, social services and Spanish-language media that is planning a broad census effort. They are hoping to partner with the Census Bureau on community-based programs, public service announcements and paid advertising. They also want minorities hired to plan the outreach and conduct door-to-door surveys in areas with high percentages of immigrants and other hard-to-count populations, such as black men.

"We're prepared to mount our own national campaign to count ourselves," Escobedo said. "We are going to motivate every ounce of people power that we have ... to let people know it's so critical for your child's education, and for your services in the community."

The Census Bureau seems receptive to these efforts.

For the first time, it will mail bilingual forms to 13 million homes this year. It has a more accurate database of addresses and demographic information thanks to the annual American Community Survey, which began in 2001. It is soliciting employees who can speak languages other than English.

Stephen Buckner, a Census Bureau spokesman, said it will be working with minority groups to "hire indigenously."

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### BRIDGE

#### Gain versus loss

Experience South dealer. North-South vulnerable.

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**WEST**  
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**SOUTH**  
 ♠ A Q  
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The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 2 NT Pass 3 NT All Pass  
 Opening lead — four of clubs.

Take this case where West led a club and declarer played low from dummy, losing the finesse to East's king. Back came the jack of spades, the queen losing to the king, and a spade continuation drove out the ace.

When declarer then tried his third finesse — this time in diamonds — East won and cashed his spades to put South down two.

The hand shows how easy it is to fall victim to habit. It is admittedly tempting to finesse West's opening club lead, but declarer should put up the ace more quickly than he can say Rumpelstiltskin.

Taking the ace assures the contract, while taking the finesse jeopardizes it. The finesse should therefore be rejected.

If South were dealing only with the problem of winning the maximum number of club tricks, he would of course finesse. But that is not his assignment. He is trying to make three notrump, and he should not permit himself to be diverted from that goal by the opportunity to take a club finesse. Instead, he should take the ace of clubs, cross to the ace of hearts, lead the queen of diamonds and finesse.

If the diamond finesse loses, South has nine tricks. If it wins, he has at least 10 tricks. He should not concern himself with the location of the king of clubs. The 30 points he may gain by winning a club finesse are a drop in the bucket compared to the value of making a game.

**Tomorrow:** A positive approach.

### HOROSCOPE

**Happy Birthday:** You've got the stamina to take on monumental tasks, surprising people who know you and attracting people who don't. You can make some critical changes regarding your friendships and allies. In the end, loyalty will count. Love is in the stars but be careful not to fall for someone who is too demanding. Your numbers are 8, 14, 25, 27, 34, 40, 42.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Make some of the alterations in your life that you feel will help you obtain greater security and financial gains. Discipline, a little pushiness and a whole lot of dedication will help you see your way to the top. Don't slow down because of someone else. 5 stars

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Too much, too soon and too fast will be your downfall. Keep things small, to yourself and, above all, cost efficient. Your success will come from working slowly but consistently toward something you believe in. 3 stars

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don't let the competition scare you into thinking you aren't up for something you really want to do. Refuse to let your emotions take over, causing uncertainty. Positive thoughts will get you to the starting line and see you through to the end. 3 stars

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Something interesting is heading your way so be prepared to take advantage of what's offered. Not everyone or everything will please you but you will be given enough to work with and can come up with a plan everyone accepts. 3 stars

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You are a leader, so set the standard but don't feel you have to carry everyone along with you. Once you've given everyone instructions, you should be able to move on to more important matters. Never feel that you have to pay for others. 5 stars

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** You'll have trouble con-

trolling emotional matters. Don't give up but don't get sucked into someone else's dilemma. Make some changes at home that will benefit everyone. Versatility will be your saving grace. 2 stars

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Ease your own stress by delegating work to people on whom you can count to do a good job. Expand your ideas and make greater plans for the future. A trip will allow you to hook up with someone you find exciting and special. 4 stars

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Finish what you start and don't let others interfere with your plans.

Letting others meddle will set you back. It's time to satisfy your own needs instead of letting someone guilt you into doing things his or her way. 3 stars

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Jealousy will not get you very far. Exaggerating a point will put you in a tight spot. Think before you make a promise. Your emotional response to a romantic situation will help you smooth things over. 3 stars

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** There are financial, contractual and personal opportunities to be considered. Before you take on something new, clear your decision with the people you love most. An interesting point could alter your decision. 3 stars

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Sitting back will make you look lazy and incompetent. Physical changes will enhance your appeal and help you get ahead personally and professionally. Someone may have an emotional problem with the choices you make. 4 stars

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** If you want to make the right decision, wait and see how others react to the same choices. Don't be fooled by someone's sob story or emotional plea. Ulterior motives are present so be sure you can trust the people you are dealing with. 2 stars



**Eugenia Last**

### CRYPTOQUIP

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**Yesterday's Cryptoquip:** SUPPOSING AN OGRE PREFERRED A CERTAIN SEMISOFT CHEESE. COULD ONE CALL HIM A MUENSTER MONSTER?  
 Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Z equals A

## CREATING SHAPE MOBILES



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As a culminating activity based on geometry Georgia Performance Standards for fourth grade, students in Christy Kelly's homeroom created three dimensional shape mobiles. Class members include Cynthia Alvarez (not pictured), William Beck, Caitlin Bowen, Alex Carroll, Billy Chancey, Trenton Clark, Matthew Cobb, Mario Dena, Destiny Dollar, Brooke Elrod, Jacob Elrod, Leticia Garcia, Jake Garrison, Glenn Grimes, Selena Patton, Andrea Queener, Lindsey Ramey, Tony Ramos, Alex Terrones, Vanessa Torres and Dana Trejo. Also pictured is Meredith Evans, exceptional student services teacher.

## READING ACROSS AMERICA



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In celebration of Read Across America Day, the cafeteria ladies at Spring Place Elementary wore their special hats and had several Dr. Seuss books displayed on the lunch line to motivate students to read. Back row, from left, are Suzanne Baggett, Evelyn Kennedy and Rhonda Hughes. Bottom row, from left, are Joy Tankersley, Betty Sue Grooms, Anita Wells, Tina Ballew and Sherri Ray.



## WINNING SPELLERS

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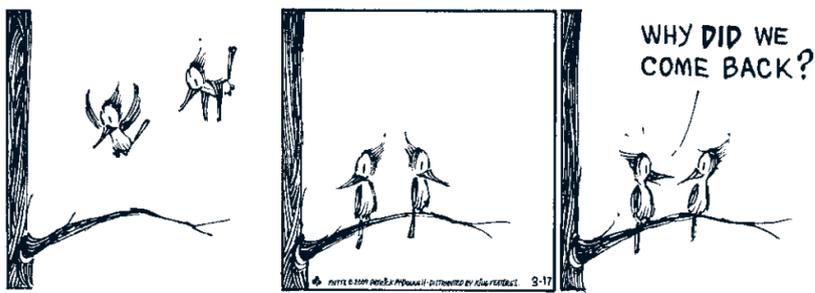
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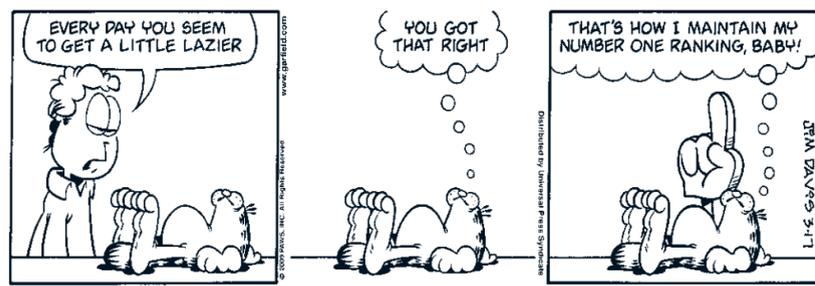
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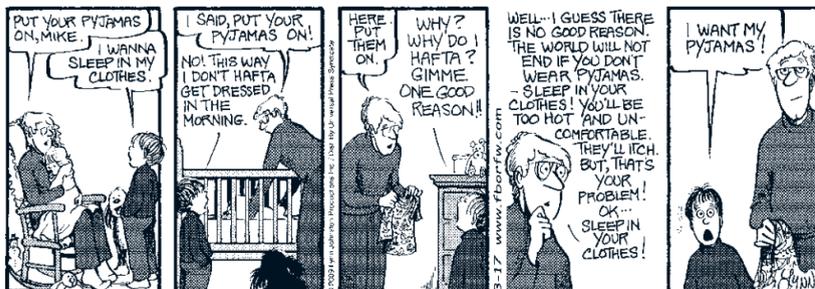
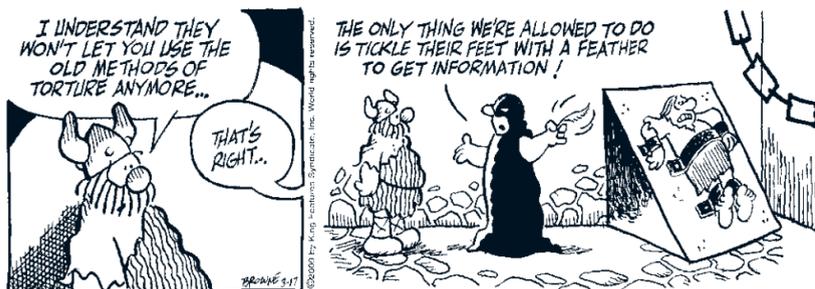
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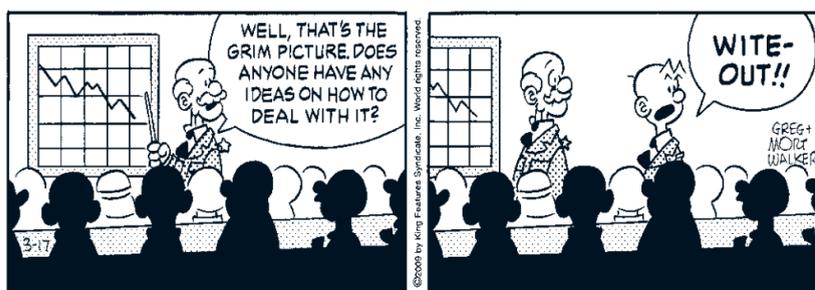
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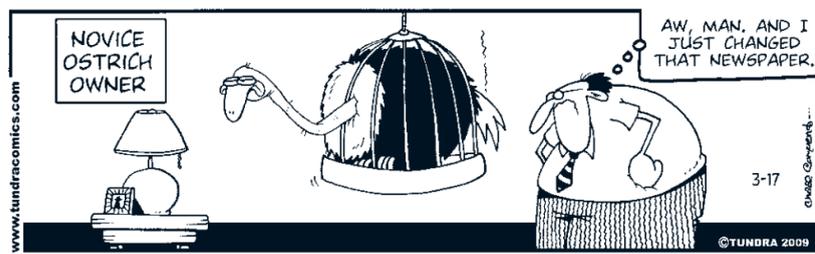
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DEAR ABBY

Medical diagnosis can ease stress for both mom and son

DEAR ABBY: Your answer to "Frustrated Mom in Virginia" (Jan. 5) was on the money. There could be a wide range of reasons for her son's "shortcomings."

I can say from personal experience that it is never too late to get her son diagnosed. I am an ADHD (Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder) adult, whose mother mistakenly believed that being "on my case" would lessen my frequent errors. However, no matter how hard you try to learn from your mistakes, when your mind is going 100 miles an hour and thinking of 10 different things at the same time, errors are repeated.

"Frustrated's" son may appear not to care because, in part, he feels that no matter what he does, he will still fail. When I began to develop physical symptoms from the stress, my mother was told she needed to back off. I know how hard it was for my mom — an organized person with strong attention to details — to have a child like me who was the exact opposite.

That young man needs strategies to help improve his life, as I did. There is so much more knowledge and research than there was when I was a child. "Frustrated" should not blame herself but, like her son, she needs help, too. — E.P. IN GARRISONVILLE, VA.

DEAR E.P.: Many readers wanted to share their experiences with "Frustrated Mom" to help provide an explanation for her son's behavior. However, a psychological or neurological disorder is something that can be determined only by a physician. Read on:

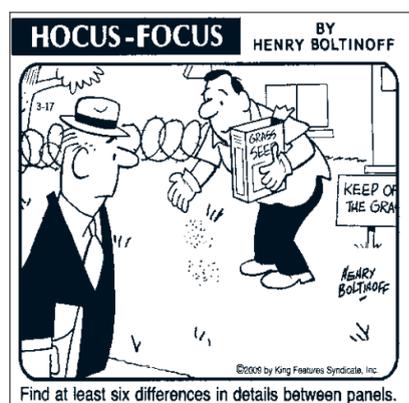


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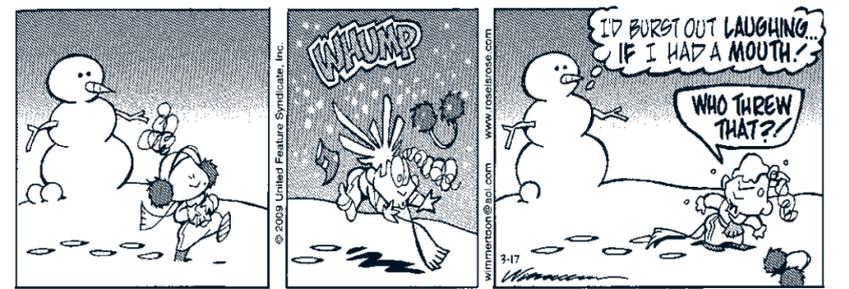
DEAR ABBY: I am an occupational therapist, and it sounds like this young man could have Sensory Processing Disorder. I suggest that the mother have her son evaluated by an occupational therapist who specializes in sensory integration. If he has SPD, their lives will change dramatically through intervention and education. — THERAPIST IN WINTER GARDEN, FLA.

DEAR ABBY: My 17-year-old son displays similar behavior. Asperger's syndrome is often overlooked because its symptoms can be so mild that behavior otherwise appears normal. A common symptom is lack of personal space awareness, or the person may appear to be rude or insensitive. The behavior can be especially frustrating because it appears the otherwise "normal" person is inconsiderate, thoughtless or unfeeling. "Frustrated" should have her son evaluated for Asperger's. — EMPATHETIC DAD IN SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

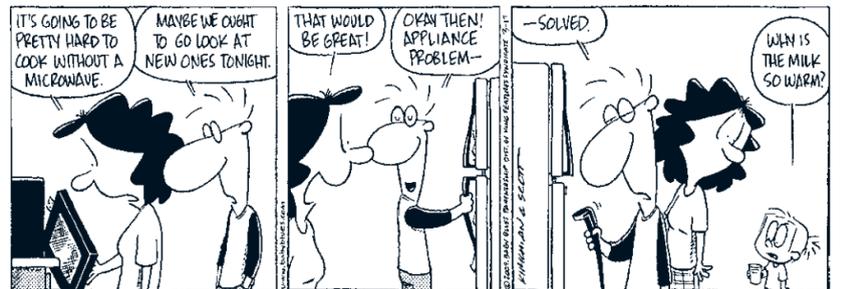
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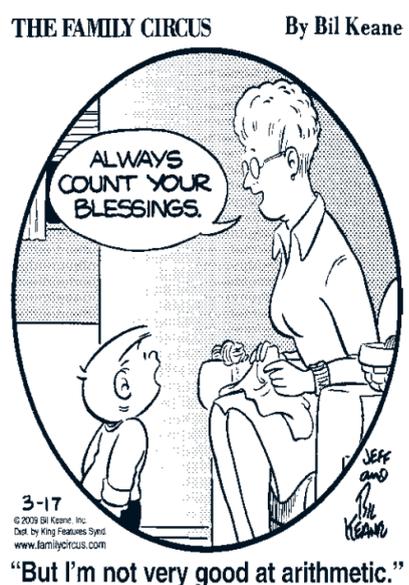
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# OBITUARIES

- Lee L. Evans, Dalton
- Dorothy Mae Mull, Dalton
- Patricia McCoy, Dalton
- Eva Johnson Messer, Dalton
- Kenneth E. Fowler, Chatsworth

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

## Lee L. Evans

Lee L. Evans, age 62, of Dalton, passed away Sunday, March 15, 2009 at Erlanger Medical Center as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Horace and Bertha Evans; and a sister, Imogene Peels.

Survivors include the mother of his daughter, B.J. Evans of Dalton; daughter and son-in-law, Tracey and Dwayne Reece of Dalton; sister, Marie Sweet of Tellico Plains, T.N.; brothers and sisters-in-law, Dexter Evans of Tellico Plains, T.N., Bernard and Rita Evans of Madisonville, T.N., and Hollis and Shannon Evans of Loudon, T.N.; grandchildren, Haylee Blackwell, and Hunter and Hayden Reece, all of Dalton; sister-in-law, Diane Hix of Ringgold; brother-in-law and wife, LeRoy and Helen Hull of Dalton; mother-in-law, Newell Hull of Madisonville, T.N.; nieces and nephews also survive.

The funeral service will be Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at the Pleasant Grove Chapel of Julian Peoples Funeral Home with Rev. Jeff Vess and Rev. Niles Dockery officiating.

Burial will be in United Memorial Gardens. A white dove release will conclude the service.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Tuesday, March 17, 2009 from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m.

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

Arrangements are by Julian Peoples Funeral Home, Pleasant Grove Chapel, 2801 Cleveland Road, Dalton. Call 706-259-7455 for further information. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Dorothy Mae Mull

Mrs. Dorothy Mae Mull, 79, of Dalton, departed this life unexpectedly Sunday evening, March 15, 2009 at her home.

Mrs. Mull was born Aug. 22, 1929 in Summerville, a daughter of the late Fred and Lena Simmons Mull. Along with her parents, she was also preceded in death by her sister, Betty WestBrook.

Mrs. Mull is survived by her daughters and son-in-law, Cathy Mull and Charles Lawson and Joan Dotson, all of Dalton and Mary and Ray Smith of Chatsworth; son and daughter-in-law, Jimmy and Sheila Mull of Dalton; brother and sister-in-law, Billy and Nell Mull of Summerville; grandchildren, Steve and Violet Smith, Cheryl and Tracy Sneed, Amanda and Jason Dover; seven great-grandchildren also survive.

Services to celebrate the life of Mrs. Dorothy Mae Mull are Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Melrose Chapel of Ponders Funeral Home with the Rev. Alfred Turley officiating.

Mrs. Mull will be laid to rest at Colonial Hills Memorial Park with a white dove release ceremony concluding the service.

The family will receive friends today after 4 p.m. at the Melrose Chapel of Ponders Funeral Home.

Please visit our Web site

at [www.pondersfuneral-home.com](http://www.pondersfuneral-home.com) to share words of comfort and memories with Mrs. Mull's family.

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## Kenneth E. Fowler

Kenneth E. Fowler, 74, of Chatsworth, died Monday, Feb. 16, 2009 at Hamilton Medical Center.

He was preceded in death by his father, Raymond Fowler; mother, Pauline Causby; and sister, Yvonne Benner.

He was a member of Grace Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Madeline Fowler of the residence; sons, Ray Fowler of Chatsworth, Lynn Fowler of Cleveland, Tenn., Danny Fowler of Decatur, Tenn., Kenney Fowler of Tennessee, Dennis Fowler of Memphis and Timothy Fowler of Cleveland; daughters, Kathy Fowler of Cleveland and Tracey Fowler, Pattie Fowler and Gail Fowler, all of Tennessee; four stepchildren; sisters, Margie Wise of Florida, Patsy Presley of Cleveland and Denny Fowler of Florida; brothers, Ray Fowler Jr. of Tennessee; Tom Causby of Texas; and David Causby of Chatsworth; several grandchildren; nieces and nephews

Services are Wednesday at 4 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church with the Rev. Raymond English, the Rev. Arthur Corbin and the Rev. Chris Corbin officiating.

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

The family will receive friends at the Pleasant Grove Chapel of Julian Peoples

Funeral Home today from 5 to 9 p.m.

Messages of comfort may be sent and the guestbook signed at [www.julian-peoples.com](http://www.julian-peoples.com).

Julian Peoples Funeral Home, Pleasant Grove Chapel, 2801 Cleveland Highway, Dalton is in charge of arrangements. For further information, call (706) 259-7455. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Patricia McCoy

Patricia McCoy, 87, of Dalton, died Monday, March 16, 2009 at Regency Park.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond R. McCoy; daughter, Mary Kain; sister and brother-in-law, Sally and Robert Whitener.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Pat and Sylvia McCoy of Cohutta; grandchildren, Paige Gardiner and Joseph Patrick McCoy; nephews, Scott and Charles Whitener; and a niece, Sarah Lavallee.

She was especially happy to have been included in the First United Methodist prayer list and given Communion by Dr. Joe Peabody. She also appreciated the church's visitation group.

We are grateful for the wonderful people of Regency Park who took care of Patsy. You have meant so much to our family. Our family is appreciative of this wonderful, caring community. God bless you.

A service to honor Patsy McCoy is Saturday at 3 p.m. at the chapel of the First United Methodist Church of Dalton. All are welcome.

Messages of comfort may be sent and the guestbook signed at [www.julian-peoples.com](http://www.julian-peoples.com).

Julian Peoples Funeral Home, Pleasant Grove Chapel, 2801 Cleveland

Highway, Dalton, is in charge of arrangements. For further information, call (706) 259-7455. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Eva Johnson Messer

Mrs. Eva Johnson Messer, 86, of Dalton, went to be with the Lord, Sunday March 15, 2009.

She was the daughter of the late, Rev. James A. and Katherine Wilhelmina Lange Kammer Johnson and was preceded in death by her husband, Jesse Ford Messer, Sr.,



grandson, Jesse Ford Messer, III; sisters, Grace Johnson, Delene Young Marshall, Lillie Leath Marshall and Matilda Messer Ritch; brothers, Herman Kammer and Lange Johnson.

Eva graduated from Central High School in Knoxville, Tn. and after attending Business College she was employed as secretary of James A. Goodson (CEO and president and founder of JFG Coffee Company in Knoxville, Tn.) In April 1944 she married and moved to Augusta, Ga. where she worked for her sister and brother-in-law, with Bill's Foods, then later at Augusta Chronicle and retired from Fort Gordon, Ga., as a civil service employee in personnel. Upon retirement she moved to Dalton where she lived the rest of her life. She was a devoted Christian and was a long time Sunday School Teacher and loved to sing. She attended Hamilton Adult Day Care (RossWoods Day Care Center) and was a member of the Dalton Chapter 65 Order of the

Eastern Star.

Eva is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Mary and David Bond; son and daughter-in-law, Jesse "Jeff" F. Messer, Jr. and Linda Faye; grandson, Jesse C. Bond; sister Irene J. Haney all of Dalton; brother, Hoover L. Johnson of Mascot, Tn.; special life long friends, Ruth and Fred McDaniel of Augusta, and Rick, Margaret and Rowdy Zeisig and Grace Kling of Dalton; nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 P.M. in the Chapel of Love Funeral Home with the Rev. Denny F. Smith officiating.

Burial will follow in West Hill Cemetery with Ernie Verhine, Stanley Bond, Danny Bond, Floyd Carrell, Jamey Messer and Richard Jackson proudly serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers are, James A. Messer, William J. Messer, Enice Wells and Rick Zeisig. A white Dove release will conclude the ceremony.

The family will receive friends at Love Funeral Home Tuesday after 4 P.M.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the RossWoods Adult Day Health Services, 1428 Ross Dr., Dalton, GA. 30721 or to Alzheimer's Association, 855 Abutment, RD. Suite 6, Dalton, GA. 30721.

Words of comfort may be sent to [www.lovefuneral-homega.com](http://www.lovefuneral-homega.com).

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# Obama rips AIG on bonus payout

WASHINGTON (AP) — Joining a wave of public anger, President Barack Obama blistered insurance giant AIG for "recklessness and greed" Monday and pledged to try to block it from handing its executives \$165 million in bonuses after taking billions in federal bailout money.

"How do they justify this outrage to the taxpayers who are keeping the company afloat?" Obama asked. "This isn't just a matter of dollars and cents. It's about our fundamental values."

Obama aggressively joined other officials in criticizing American International Group, the company that is fast becoming the poster boy for Americans' bailout blues even as it protests that the bonuses were required by employee contracts.

The bonuses could contribute to a backlash against Washington that would make it tougher for Obama to ask Congress for more bailout help — and jeopardize other parts of the recovery agenda that is dominating the start of his presidency. Thus, the president and his top aides were working hard to distance themselves from the insurer's conduct, to contain possible political damage and to try to bolster public confidence in his administration's handling of the broader economic rescue effort.

David Axelrod, senior adviser to Obama, said in an interview with The Associated Press that there was no question that the bonuses and the public's anger over them could run many things off the rail. "People are angry because they've seen exhibit after exhibit of irresponsibility and people walking away with money in their pockets," he said. "It's undermined the discussion that we have to have."



AP Photo

**This 2008 image provided Monday by the Puzey family shows Catherine "Kate" Puzey in her classroom in the village of Badjoudé in Benin, where she taught English. Puzey, of Cumming., was found dead early on Thursday, outside her home in Badjoudé, and authorities suspect she was murdered.**

# Service planned for Georgian found dead in west Africa

ATLANTA (AP) — Family members of a Peace Corps worker from suburban Atlanta who was found dead in the west African nation of Benin said she lived to help people and was optimistic but not naive.

Catherine "Kate" Puzey, 24, of Cumming was found dead early Thursday outside her home in the village of Badjoudé, and authorities suspect she was killed. She had been teaching English since July 2007 at a rural school in the village that is about six hours from the capital of Cotonou.

"She loved life and she loved people," said Puzey's mother, Lois, in a telephone interview Monday. "She was able to just reach out and touch each person in an individual way."

Kate Puzey was born in Germany, where her parents were U.S. Department of Defense teachers. When she was 7, the family moved to Okinawa, where she graduated at the top of her high school class. She went to the College of William and Mary and spent a year studying in France while there.

Lois and Harry Puzey said they taught Kate and her brother, David, a 28-year-old graduate student, to be "world citizens," instilling in them a love of travel and a desire to make the world a better place.

"When people were defenseless or an underdog, she would stand up for them," Lois Puzey said of her daughter. Ultimately, her parents said, Kate Puzey's determination to stand up for what was right and to defend the defenseless may have led to her death.

The Puzey family said authorities have two sus-

pects but haven't told them many details about the investigation. They said their daughter was not raped or robbed and that they believe her death was not random or politically motivated.

"We think that because she was standing up for people who couldn't stand up for themselves, she got herself in harm's way," Lois Puzey said.

Neither the State Department nor the Peace Corps has commented on the cause of death, which will be determined by U.S. and local investigators.

Puzey loved the Peace Corps and wouldn't have wanted what happened to her to prevent other people from joining it, her parents said.

"Kate was an extraordinary person, who embodied the tenacious spirit of so many Peace Corps volunteers that we have met, people that are willing to not just talk about change, but actively take steps to make it happen," Harry Puzey said.

The Puzey family said their daughter when she came home in June for her mother's 60th birthday before going to Mexico for her cousin Emilie's wedding. Her mother then went back with her to Africa for a few weeks. They last spoke to her on March 8, when she called them, as she did every Sunday, from a spot on her porch, the only place her cell phone worked.

Emilie Jacobs-Finnegan, 31, spent her November birthday in Benin visiting her cousin for the second year in a row.

# Cope: Still a drought

**FROM STAFF REPORTS**  
Despite recent rains, the Dalton area remains in a drought.

Dalton Utilities president Don Cope briefed board members on the situation at their meeting Monday. He said that average flow in the

Conasauga River, the area's main source of drinking water, in February was just 329 cubic feet per second. The historic average flow for the month is 908 cubic feet per second. So far in March, the average flow has been 471 cubic feet per second.

# THE MARKET

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Monday's NASDAQ: 1404 ▼ 27.50

	Friday	Monday		14.70	14.25
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Silver	12.90	13.21	Interface	2.03	2.03
Acuity	22.77	22.56	JCP	16.43	16.09
AAir	4	4.07	JNJ	50.64	50.73
Apple	95.93	95.42	Kroger	21.26	21.13
AT&T	24.27	24.36	Lowes	15.89	15.46
BAC	5.77	6.18	McDonalds	52.38	51.69
BB&T	17.28	16.98	Merck	27.02	26.21
BP	38.29	38.42	Microsoft	16.65	16.25
BristolMyers	20.93	20.52	Mohawk	20.76	21.20
HP-Compaq	29.45	29.02	Motorola	3.75	3.65
Chevron	62.86	62.94	Region-Fin	3.87	3.85
CocaCola	41.22	41.27	Rock-Tenn.	24.96	25.30
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Dow	7.53	7.90	Wal-Mart	49.19	48.80
Duke	12.86	13.16	Wells Fargo	13.94	13.70
DuPont	19.47	20.26	Wendy's	4.73	4.74
Earthlink	6.60	6.28	Yum	26.96	26.65
Ericsson	8.72	8.85	Xerox	5.19	5.12
Exxon	67.20	66.97			
Ford	2.19	2.10			
FSG	3.02	3.50			
GE	9.62	9.66			
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Goodyear	5.24	5.20			
HomeDepot	20.72	20.14			

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## MARTIAL ARTS: TAE KWON DO

### Organizer hopes event kicks up Dalton's status

By ADAM KROHN

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In most cases, athletes announce they're "Going to Disney World!" after they win a competition.

But in the case of the Tae Kwon Do students at Seo's Martial Arts in Dalton, if all goes well they'll be competing at Disney World in October.

First, the students will have to compete in the southeast regional qualifying Tae Kwon Do event on Friday and Saturday at the Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center.

Five hundred martial artists, from ages 5-89 and from all over the Southeast, will be in Dalton competing in events such as creative form, team demonstration, board breaking, high-jump board breaking, traditional form and sparring.

Competitors will be divided by age and then belt level, with the first-place finisher earning an invitation to the 10th annual Disney's Martial Arts Festival, a national

competition on Oct. 16-18 at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

Friday's competition at the trade center is the first-ever regional qualifier held in Georgia for the Disney event. In the past, a local competitor's only option was to travel to Florida.

But Master Juhyon Seo (pronounced "so"), owner of Seo's, along with two other local instructors, organized this year's event. Seo knew that the Disney selection committee was looking for a qualifier in the Atlanta area and made his pitch.

"This is a very exciting thing, especially with Disney's name involved," Seo said. "This event features a lot of forms, not just sparring and fighting. It's a big event and I'm excited that my students will have so many opportunities to compete and grow."

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MISTY WATSON/The Daily Citizen

Phillip Lee, 7, right, spars with Anissa Sosebee, 11, during a Monday session at Seo's Martial Arts in Dalton. Lee and Sosebee — along with 20-25 of their classmates — will compete in a southeast regional qualifying Tae Kwon Do event on Friday and Saturday at the Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center.

## MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: NCAA TOURNAMENT



AP PHOTO

With 65 spots in the NCAA tournament, the championship hopes of many college basketball teams still have plenty of life in them — at least for today. Above, Alabama State's Chief Kickingstallionsims, left, and Roland Fitch work out on Monday in preparation for today's play-in game against Morehead State for the right to be a No. 16 seed in the tourney. Meanwhile, Louisville's Earl Clark, below, and his team will enjoy the prestige of being a No. 1 seed.

# Why not them?

## For a while, 65 dream

By NANCY ARMOUR

Associated Press Writer

For the next two days, Butler, Dayton, Arizona, even North Dakota State can bask in the same euphoria and hope as Louisville, Pittsburgh, Connecticut and North Carolina.

There are 65 teams in the NCAA tournament, and every single one of them is thinking "Why not me?" After the craziness in college basketball this year, who's to say any of them are wrong?

"I really do think it's wide open," Louisville coach Rick Pitino said Monday. "I think any of us can get beat. I don't think there's a dominant team out there."

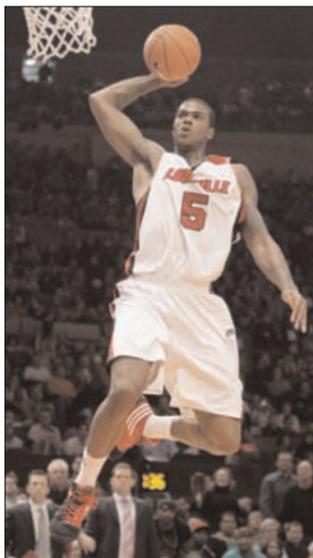
This from the guy whose team

was dubbed the best of the best, the overall No. 1 seed.

A year after all four No. 1 seeds reached the Final Four in a tidy display of power, this tournament is shaping up to be more of a delightful mess with no clear favorite. In fact, with the exception of Louisville, all of the No. 1s could just as easily have slipped to No. 2.

Connecticut limps in on a two-game losing streak, though it shouldn't be penalized for its six-overtime loss to Syracuse in the Big East tournament. But the Huskies are just 4-3 since Jerome Dyson went down with a knee injury, and

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## COMMENTARY

### Diamond vision: Jones changes up

When I was in elementary school, one day in class we all stood up and announced what we wanted to do when we grew up. One kid said, "I want to be a football player, and if that doesn't work out, I'll lose some weight and become a baseball player." The adults in the room laughed in an "Aw, that's so cute" kind of way.

But when you hear former Southeast High standout Marcus Jones state the same goal as a young adult, there's nothing cute about it.

Now a senior at Duke, the 22-year-old recently completed his collegiate football career for the Blue Devils, demonstrating his versatility by making starts at quarterback, wide receiver and outside linebacker.

Jones, who transferred from Chattanooga's Baylor School to Southeast for his senior year, played both football and baseball — as well as basketball — for the Raiders.

As a member of the football team, Jones was Mr. Everything for then-Raiders coach Chip Kell, playing quarterback, wide receiver, safety and even punter. He passed for 517 yards, rushed for another 308, recorded 52 tackles, had a punting average of 36.4 yards and was named to the 2004 *Daily Citizen* All-Area Football Team.

"I remember when he accounted for 349 total yards against Murray County," Kell said. "He's that kind of athlete. Tremendous physical ability —



DUKE UNIVERSITY PHOTO After four years away from the sport, former Southeast standout Marcus Jones has returned to baseball.

he has all the tools. And he excels at everything he does."

He was just as much if not more of a force on the Raiders baseball team, setting single-season school records in home runs (eight), runs (36), stolen bases (32), hits (33, though Michael Simpson broke the record last year with 36) and doubles (tied with two others at 10) while hitting .452 and driving in 27 runs. He played center field, third base and shortstop and again made all-area.

At the time of high school graduation, scouts from the Mets and Reds showed interest in Jones, but he liked the idea of playing quarterback for a Division I school over life in the minor leagues, so he headed to Durham, N.C., in 2005 with aspirations to one day play in the NFL.

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DUKE UNIVERSITY PHOTO

After transferring to Southeast High from Chattanooga's Baylor for his senior year, Marcus Jones earned a football scholarship to Duke. He played several positions for the Blue Devils, finishing up his career as an outside linebacker.

## PREP SOFTBALL: CHRISTIAN HERITAGE SEASON PREVIEW

### Lady Lions ready to swing bats

By ADAM KROHN

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It's been a while, but Christian Heritage once again has a varsity softball program.

Disbanded after the 2005 season due to players either graduating, transferring or quitting, the Lady Lions will take the field for the 2009 season opener tonight when they play at Copper Basin in Copperhill, Tenn.

First pitch is scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

The Lady Lions will be led by coach Lawrence Walter, who has coached the middle school program since it restarted in 2007. Walter

was also the coach of the last varsity team in 2005.

A varsity program once again became a possibility when a promising incoming freshmen class and two pitchers — Rebecca Leonard, an eighth grader, and Shelbee Wilbanks, a sophomore transfer — emerged to form a team.

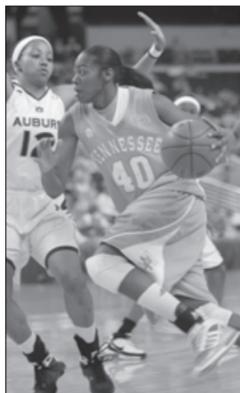
This season's team consists of 13 players and will play a non-league, 12-game schedule. All of Christian Heritage's opponents, save Covenant Christian Academy of Birmingham, Ala., are from Tennessee and compete in the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association.

There will be no postseason once the 12-game schedule is completed, but this spring will serve as a tuneup for the fall, when the Lady Lions will compete in Georgia Independent School Association's Region 4-2A — the same association and region the basketball program participates in.

Once the Lady Lions are in the GISA, they'll have a chance to compete in postseason play, which is nothing new to the program. In 2004, they won the Tennessee Association of Christian Schools

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WOMEN'S HOOPS



AP PHOTO Tennessee's Shekinna Stricklen and the Lady Vols will be a No. 5 seed for the tourney.

Summitt: Low seed no 'bother'

BY BETH RUCKER  
Associated Press Writer  
KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Tennessee coach Pat Summitt spent Monday trying to keep herself from thinking too much about the Lady Volunteers' fate in the NCAA tournament bracket after a roller-coaster 10-loss season. A practice, a workout, a nap and an afternoon in the kitchen later, Summitt and the Lady Vols found out they were a No. 5 seed — the program's worst seeding ever.

"It doesn't really bother me," Summitt said. "A four seed? Yeah, that would have been good, but as I look at the bracket, I don't see where it's a big deal."

Tennessee (22-10) drew the Berkeley, Calif., regional and a first-round matchup against Ball State in Bowling Green, Ky., on Sunday. That region features five teams the Lady Vols faced this season, including two that beat them: sixth-seeded Texas and top-seed Duke.

The Lady Vols are the defending national champions in name only after graduating five seniors and replacing them with seven freshmen.

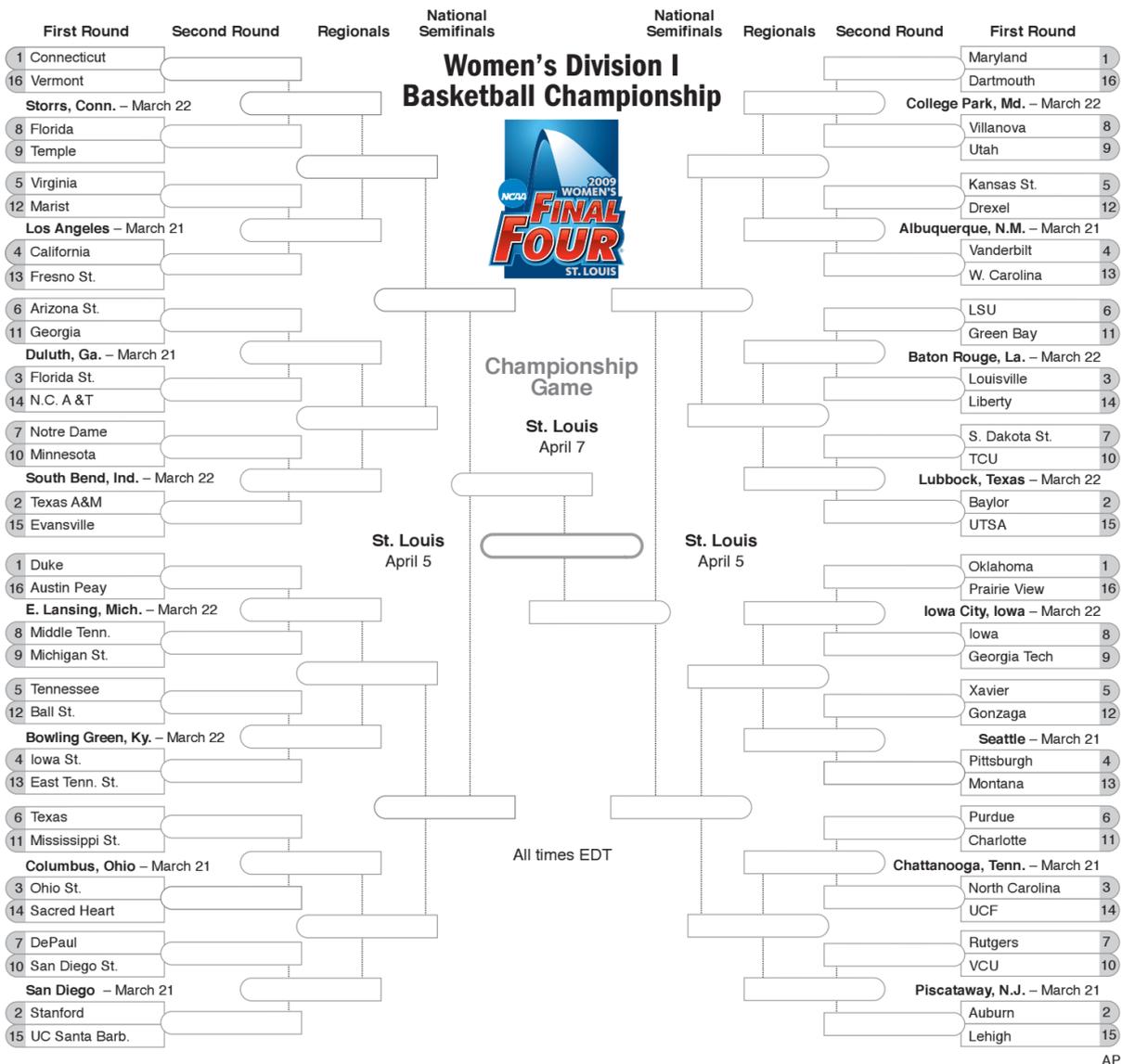
Monday was the first time the freshman participated in Summitt's selection day cookout. The team crowded into her pool house to watch the announcements, cheering at clips of themselves and falling silent at a clip of Summitt speaking of her frustration from the season.

A fixture atop the bracket since the first NCAA tournament in 1982, Tennessee has earned a top seed 19 times, a No. 2 seed four times and No. 3 seed three times. The analysts usually talk about Tennessee being among the teams to beat, but this time the talk was about the Lady Vols' off year.

"It just motivates us," said freshman Shekinna Stricklen, who leads the team with 13.1 points per game. "Some people like us and some people don't, and we're going to get there either way we go."

Tennessee, which is the only team to play in every NCAA tournament, has only been seeded as low as fourth once — in 1986. The Lady Vols also hold a streak of reaching the regional semifinals in every NCAA tourney.

Tennessee took 10 losses into the NCAA tournament in 1997, earned a No. 3 seed and made an unlikely run to the title.



WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: NCAA TOURNAMENT

UConn tips at the top

Huskies still have shot at perfection

BY DOUG FEINBERG  
Associated Press Writer  
Connecticut's quest for the fifth perfect season in NCAA history will begin at home.

The undefeated Huskies earned the No. 1 overall seed in the NCAA women's basketball tournament Monday night and will open against Vermont at Storrs.

Nine teams have entered the NCAA tournament unbeaten; only four have emerged unscathed. UConn and coach Geno Auriemma were the last in 2002. Auriemma said he's not worried about the bulls-eye on his team's back.

"We don't care who we play. We don't care where we play," Auriemma said. "We don't care what time we play. I'm anxious to get started, and I know our players are as well."

Oklahoma, Maryland, and Duke earned the other three No. 1 seeds. The Sooners are in the Oklahoma City regional, the Terrapins are headed to Raleigh and the Blue Devils will make the cross-country trek to Berkeley.

Tennessee also extended its run as the only team to make every NCAA tournament but earned a No. 5 — its lowest seed ever, creating a tough road to a third consecutive title.

The Final Four is scheduled for the Scottrade Center in St. Louis on April 5 and 7. When the city last hosted the championship in 2001, UConn lost in the semifinals.

The Huskies (33-0), who have run through their oppo-

nents this season winning by an average of 31 points, will be looking for their sixth national championship. A potential second-round opponent for UConn is former assistant coach Tonya Cardozo and Temple. The Owls must beat Florida to meet the Huskies.

If the Huskies advance to the regionals, they'll take a trip down I-95 to Trenton where California, Texas A&M or Florida State could be waiting. The Seminoles lost to UConn by 12 in the Caribbean Classic.

One team UConn won't play until at least the Final Four would be Tennessee.

Coach Pat Summitt said she was not surprised her 22-10 team received a No. 5 seed. The team also took 10 losses into the tournament in 1997, grabbing a No. 3 seed and winning the title.

Tennessee's previous lowest seed was fourth — in 1986, and the team has advanced to the regional semis every season.

The Lady Vols have been a fixture atop the bracket since the first NCAA tournament in 1982. They've earned a top seed 19 times, a No. 2 seed four times and a No. 3 seed three times.

Not this time. "For once in a long time, we're not the top dog. We're the underdog," Summitt said. "They have nothing really to lose and everything to gain in laying it all on the line."

They'll play Ball State in their opener Sunday.

Duke's a No. 1 seed for the third time in the past four



AP PHOTO No. 1-seeded UConn's Tina Charles, Tiffany Hayes, Maya Moore and Meghan Gardler, from left, hope to celebrate even more than their Big East tournament title when the NCAA tourney is complete.

seasons and potentially must beat No. 2 Stanford in the regional finals to get back to the Final Four for the first time since 2006. The Blue Devils play Austin Peay in the first round at Michigan State — coach Joanne P. McCallie's former school. She could meet up with the Spartans in the second round if they can beat Middle Tennessee State.

"I don't know if that's some drama by the committee," McCallie said. "For us, it's about us and what we

want to accomplish and do. We finally have an opponent, and that's our one concern, the one opponent we have."

If all goes right, Duke could face former coach Gail Goestenkors and Texas in the regional finals.

In that same Berkeley regional Stanford will play UC Santa Barbara in the Cardinal's opener. The Cardinal were a No. 2 seed last season and knocked off Maryland in the regional final before getting to the title game.

Georgia, Jackets in field

BY CHARLES ODUM  
Associated Press Writer  
ATLANTA — Georgia had to wait until the end of Monday night's NCAA tournament selection show before finally hearing its name called. The reaction from the Lady Bulldogs was immediate — and very loud.

"When they called out our name there was a scream that went up that covered the entire room," said Georgia coach Andy Landers, who said his 18-13 team was "on a very small bubble."

Georgia is the host school for the first- and second-round games to be played at the Gwinnett Center in Duluth, about an hour drive from the Georgia campus, so the Lady Bulldogs were automatically placed in the Duluth bracket when they were included in the field.

Georgia, a No. 11 seed, will play No. 6 seed Arizona State on Saturday. Florida State, the No. 3 seed, will play No. 14 North Carolina A&T in Saturday's second game in Duluth. The Lady Bulldogs made the NCAA women's tournament field for the 26th time in 28 years.

Georgia Tech, the No. 9 seed in the Oklahoma City Regional, will play No. 8 seed Iowa in Iowa City on Sunday night.

Georgia Tech (21-9) will be making its third straight NCAA appearance under coach MaChelle Joseph. The Yellow Jackets were a No. 10 seed last season when they suffered a first-round loss to Iowa State.

CHS: Walter to coach team

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championship under Heather Lowery, who is now the girls basketball coach.

This season's team will have a mix of players ranging from grades 8-12.

Leonard is looking forward to the chance to pitch for the Lady Lions.

"It's a great opportunity for me because I'm still in eighth grade and I get to play for the high school team," said Leonard, who pitched

for the middle school team last season.

"I'd like to show some leadership and pitch well and have the program grow more so we can keep it around after I graduate."

Senior Lauren Henley played for the school's first-ever middle school softball team in 2003 as a fifth-grader, but in recent years had to participate in other sports in the absence of softball.

"I was very disappointed when we didn't have enough

players for the varsity program," Henley said. "But when (Lowery) told me we would be getting a team this year, I told her I'd be glad to play."

Henley believes the team has a chance to play at a high level.

"We have a young team with a lot of talent," she said. "If we give 100 percent, I think we can be great."

Lady Lions coach Lawrence Walter was not available for this story.

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Cutler to Denver: Please trade me

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Jay Cutler says he wants to break up. The Denver Broncos say they want to make up.

The Pro Bowl quarterback was a no-show on Monday for coach Josh McDaniels' first team meeting and the start of the Broncos' offseason workouts, and if he gets his way, he'll never step foot in the team's training facility again.

Team officials confirmed on Monday that Cutler has requested a trade.

McDaniels declined interview requests after telling The Denver Post that he wanted to meet again with Cutler to try to resolve their differences before he considers a trade.

### Thornton heads All-SEC team

ATLANTA — LSU senior guard Marcus Thornton was named player of the year Monday.

Thornton, who averages 20.7 points a game, was a unanimous first-team selection.

He was joined by the SEC's top scorer, Jodie Meeks of Kentucky (24.2), along with South Carolina's Devan Downey, Tennessee's Tyler Smith, Mississippi State's Jarvis Varnado, Florida's Nick Calathes and LSU's Tasmin Mitchell.

### Anheuser-Busch, NHRA part ways

ST. LOUIS — Anheuser-Busch ended its sponsorship of the NHRA on Monday.

The St. Louis-based division of Anheuser-Busch InBev also announced that it will end its 30-year relationship with Kenny Bernstein Racing's NHRA team. The brewery said the three-decade relationship was the longest in motorsports history, eclipsing STP's 28-year sponsorship of NASCAR's Richard Petty.

Dan McHugh, the brewer's vice president of media sponsorship, said Anheuser-Busch is looking at different ways to reach a new generation of consumers who haven't yet tried Budweiser.

### Lehtonen saves 49 for Thrashers

ATLANTA — Kari Lehtonen made a career-high 49 saves, and Slava Kozlov and Tobias Enstrom each had a goal and an assist to help the Atlanta Thrashers win a team-record sixth straight game, 5-1 over the Washington Capitals on Monday night.

Lehtonen, who faced a career-high 50 shots, nearly earned his third shutout in five starts, but Eric Fehr spoiled the bid with 1:15 remaining when he swept in his 11th goal.

### Peppers to NE? Pats deny rumors

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The Carolina Panthers denied a report Monday they've discussed trading four-time Pro Bowl defensive end Julius Peppers to the New England Patriots.

The reason: They aren't allowed to have any trade talks involving Peppers until he signs his one-year tender worth \$16.7 million — or until his agent brokers a deal with another team and comes to Carolina for approval.

NFL.com, citing unidentified sources, reported the Panthers and Patriots were close to a deal that would send Peppers to the Patriots for New England's second-round pick, 34th overall, that was acquired from Kansas City in the Matt Cassel trade.

— The Associated Press

## LOCAL

### Prep Schedule

**Today**  
**Tuesday**  
**Varsity baseball**  
Murray County at Gordon Lee, 4:30  
Ringgold at Northwest Whitfield, 5  
Dalton vs. Heritage-Catoosa at AT&T Park, Chattanooga, 5:55  
Pope John Paul, Tenn. at Southeast, 6  
Christian Heritage at Harvester  
**Varsity golf**  
Dalton, Northwest Whitfield boys at North Georgia Invitational at Barnsley Gardens, 3  
Dalton, Murray County, Northwest Whitfield, Southeast girls at Indian Trace, 4  
**Varsity soccer**  
Northwest Whitfield at Gordon Central, 5  
Southeast at Ringgold, 5  
Christian Heritage boys at King's Ridge Christian, 6  
**Varsity tennis**  
Northwest Whitfield at Notre Dame, 4  
Ridgeland at Southeast, 4  
**Varsity track and field**  
Northwest Whitfield, Heritage-Catoosa at Baylor, 4  
Dalton at Murray County  
**JV baseball**  
Murray County at Gordon Lee, 6:30  
Ringgold at Northwest Whitfield, 7:30  
**JV golf**  
Dalton vs. Murray County, Spring Lakes, 3:30  
**Middle school baseball**  
Rome at Dalton, 4:30  
New Hope at North Whitfield, 4:30  
Valley Point at Eastbrook, 4:30  
Gladden at Westside, 4:30  
David Brainerd vs. Christian Heritage at Lakeshore Park, 6:30  
**Middle school soccer**  
Eastbrook at Valley Point, 4:30  
North Whitfield at New Hope, 4:30  
Gladden at Westside, 4:30

### Wednesday

**Varsity soccer**  
Murray County at Southeast, 6  
Calhoun girls at Northwest Whitfield, 6:30  
**JV soccer**  
Calhoun girls at Northwest Whitfield, 5  
Murray County at Southeast, 4

### Thursday

**Varsity baseball**  
Northwest Whitfield at Southeast, 5  
Murray County at LaFayette, 5  
**Varsity golf**  
Dalton, Northwest Whitfield boys at North Georgia Invitational, The Farm, 3  
Southeast vs. Ringgold at Windstone, Ringgold, 3:30  
**Varsity soccer**  
Gilmer girls at Murray County, 5  
Rome girls at Dalton, 5:30  
**Varsity tennis**  
Dalton at Northwest Whitfield, 4  
Southeast at LFO, 4  
Murray County at Rome, 4:30  
**Varsity track and field**  
Northwest Whitfield, Pepperell, Chattooga at Gordon Central, 4  
Southeast at Dalton, 4

### JV baseball

Murray County at LaFayette, 7  
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Murray County, Heritage-Catoosa, LFO boys, Battlefield, 3:30  
Murray County, Heritage-Catoosa, LFO girls, Spring Lakes, 3:30  
**JV soccer**  
Dalton boys at Rome, 6

### JV tennis

Northwest Whitfield at Dalton, 4  
**Freshman baseball**  
Northwest Whitfield at Southeast, 7:30  
**Middle school baseball**  
Gladden at New Hope, 4:30  
North Whitfield at Eastbrook, 4:30  
Westside at Valley Point, 4:30  
**Middle school soccer**  
Eastbrook at North Whitfield, 4:30  
New Hope at Gladden, 4:30  
Eastbrook at North Whitfield, 4:30

### Friday

**Varsity baseball**  
LaGrange Academy at Christian Heritage, 4  
Dalton vs. Science Hill, Red Bank at Red Bank, 4  
Darlington at Murray County, 6  
**Varsity soccer**  
Christian Heritage girls at LaGrange Academy, 5  
Northwest Whitfield at Rome, 5:30  
North Hall at Dalton, 5:30  
LFO at Southeast, 5:30  
Murray County at Woodland, 5:30  
Holy Spirit Prep boys at Christian Heritage, 5:45  
**Varsity softball**  
Christian Heritage at David Brainerd, 6  
Dalton at Cass, 4  
**Freshman baseball**  
Northwest Whitfield at Heritage-Catoosa, 5:30  
**Middle school baseball**  
Christian Heritage at Dalton, 5:15  
New Hope at Valley Point tournament  
**Middle school soccer**  
Gladden at Christian Heritage, 4  
**Middle school softball**  
Christian Heritage at David Brainerd, 4:30  
**Middle school tennis**  
St. Jude vs. Christian Heritage at Lakeshore Park, 4:15

### Saturday

**Varsity golf**  
Dalton, Northwest Whitfield boys at Warrior Invitational, Mossy Creek GC, Cleveland, 1  
**Varsity soccer**  
Sequoyah at Northwest Whitfield, 1  
Christian Heritage girls at LaFayette Christian, 2  
Osborne at Dalton, 6  
**JV baseball**  
Dade County at Northwest Whitfield, Noon  
**JV golf**  
Northwest Whitfield at Warrior Invitational, 1  
**JV soccer**  
Woodland at Murray County, noon  
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**Middle school tennis**  
St. Jude vs. Christian Heritage at Lakeshore Park, 4:15

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**Varsity soccer**  
Sequoyah at Northwest Whitfield, 1  
Christian Heritage girls at LaFayette Christian, 2  
Osborne at Dalton, 6  
**JV baseball**  
Dade County at Northwest Whitfield, Noon  
**JV golf**  
Northwest Whitfield at Warrior Invitational, 1  
**JV soccer**  
Woodland at Murray County, noon  
**Freshman baseball**  
Dade County at Northwest Whitfield, 2  
**Middle school baseball**  
New Hope at Valley Point tournament

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**BASEBALL**  
Murray County at LaFayette, 7  
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Murray County, Heritage-Catoosa, LFO girls, Spring Lakes, 3:30  
Dalton boys at Rome, 6  
Northwest Whitfield at Dalton, 4  
Northwest Whitfield at Southeast, 7:30  
Gladden at New Hope, 4:30  
North Whitfield at Eastbrook, 4:30  
Westside at Valley Point, 4:30  
Eastbrook at North Whitfield, 4:30  
New Hope at Gladden, 4:30  
Eastbrook at North Whitfield, 4:30

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LaGrange Academy at Christian Heritage, 4  
Dalton vs. Science Hill, Red Bank at Red Bank, 4  
Darlington at Murray County, 6  
**Varsity soccer**  
Christian Heritage girls at LaGrange Academy, 5  
Northwest Whitfield at Rome, 5:30  
North Hall at Dalton, 5:30  
LFO at Southeast, 5:30  
Murray County at Woodland, 5:30  
Holy Spirit Prep boys at Christian Heritage, 5:45  
**Varsity softball**  
Christian Heritage at David Brainerd, 6  
Dalton at Cass, 4  
**Freshman baseball**  
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**American League**  
DETROIT TIGERS—Optioned RHP Chris Lambert, INF Michael Hollimon and OF Casper Wells to Toledo (IL). Assigned C Alex Avila and INF Cale Long to their minor league camp.  
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Optioned RHP Ryan Webb, INF Jeff Baisley and INF Eric Patterson to Sacramento (PCL). Assigned RHP Kevin Cameron, RHP James Simmons, RHP Jerome Williams, INF Joe Dillon and INF Sean Doolittle to their minor league camp.  
SEATTLE MARINERS—Optioned OF Freddy Guzman and RHP Stephen Kahn to their minor league camp.  
TAMPA BAY RAYS—Optioned RHP Wade Davis, RHP Mitch Talbot and RHP Dale Thayer Durham (IL). Optioned LHP Jake McGee to the minor league camp.  
REASSIGNED RHP Winston Abreu, INF Tim Beckham, RHP Jason Childers, RHP Dewon Day, RHP Julio DePaula, LHP Carlos Hernandez, INF Chris Nowak and C Matt Spring to their minor league camp.

**National League**  
ATLANTA BRAVES—Optioned RHP Steve Marek, RHP James Parr, RHP Todd Redmond and RHP Luis Valdez to Gwinnett (IL). Assigned LHP Francisley Bueno, LHP Mariano Gomez, C Phillip Britton and C Matt Kennelly to their minor league camp.  
COLORADO ROCKIES—Optioned RHP Jason Hirsh, RHP Samuel Deduno, RHP Shane Lindsay, RHP Ryan Matheus, RHP Steven Register, INF Hector Gomez, INF Chris Nelson and INF Eric Young, Jr. to Colorado Springs (PCL). Assigned LHP Cedrick Bowers, RHP Matt Daley, RHP Brandon Hynick, C Michael McKenry and OF Matt Miller to their minor league camp.  
MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Optioned LHP R.J. Swindle and LHP Chase Wright to Nashville (PCL).  
NEW YORK METS—Signed INF Junior Spivey to a minor league contract. Named Julio Franco manager, Frank Fultz pitching coach and Luis Rojas instructor of the Gulf Coast League Mets. Named Mike DeFence manager, Jonathan Hurst pitching coach, Juan Lopez bench coach, Luis Aguayo Jr. trainer and Troy Fessenden strength coach for Kingsport (Appalachian).  
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Optioned RHP Jimmy Barhnaier to Indianapolis (IL), C Steve Leud and RHP Jeff Sues to Altoona (EL), and 3B Pedro Alvarez and RHP Ronald Uviedo to Lynchburg (Carolina). Reassigned 2B Shelby Ford, RHP Juan Mateo and RHP Daniel McCutchen to their minor league camp.

**ST. LOUIS CARDINALS**—Optioned RHP Mitchell Boggs, LHP Charlie Manning, RHP Matt Scherer and OF Brian Barton to the minor league camp. Reassigned RHP Clayton Mortensen, RHP Adam Ottavino, RHP Jess Todd and INF to their minor league camp.  
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Optioned INF Conor Gillaspie, RHP Henry Sosa and RHP Jesse English to the minor league camp. Reassigned C Eli Whiteside, INF Matt Downs and INF Jake Wald to their minor league camp.  
WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Optioned RHP Tyler Clippard, RHP Marco Estrada, OF Leonard Davis and OF Justin Maxwell to Syracuse (IL), RHP Luis Atilano and INF Ian Desmond to Harrisburg (EL). Assigned RHP Josh Towles, C Gustavo Molina, INF Freddie Bynum, INF Joel Guzman and OF Jorge Padilla to their minor league camp.

**BASKETBALL**  
**NBA**  
NBA—Suspended Golden State G-F Stephen Jackson one game after receiving his 16th technical foul of the 2008-09 season.

**FOOTBALL**  
**NFL**  
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Agreed to terms with RB Jason Wright on a two-year contract.  
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Waived WR Matt Jones.

**HOCKEY**  
**NHL**  
ATLANTA THRASHERS—Recalled RW Spencer Machacek from Chicago (AHL).  
CAROLINA HURRICANES—Assigned C Brandon Sutter to Albany (AHL).  
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Recalled D Danny Syvret from Philadelphia (AHL).  
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Assigned D Josef Melichar to Norfolk (AHL).

**TELEVISION**  
**On Today**  
**GOLF**  
Noon  
TGC — Tavistock Cup, final round, at Orlando, Fla.  
**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
7 p.m.  
ESPN2 — NIT, first round, Davidson at South Carolina  
7:30 p.m.  
ESPN — NCAA Division I tournament, opening round, Alabama State vs. Morehead State, at Dayton, Ohio  
9 p.m.  
ESPN2 — NIT, first round, UAB at Notre Dame  
9:30 p.m.  
ESPN — NIT, first round, UNLV at Kentucky 11 p.m.  
ESPN2 — NIT, first round, Washington State at St. Mary's, Calif.

**NHL**  
7:30 p.m.  
VERSUS — Philadelphia at Detroit  
**TENNIS**  
4 p.m.  
FSN — ATP/WTA Tour, BNP Paribas Open, early round, at Indian Wells, Calif.  
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**PRO BASKETBALL**  
**NBA**  
**EASTERN CONFERENCE**  
**Atlantic Division**  
W L Pct GB  
y-Boston 50 17 .746 —  
Philadelphia 33 31 .516 15 1/2  
New Jersey 28 38 .424 21 1/2  
New York 28 38 .424 21 1/2  
Toronto 24 44 .353 26 1/2

**Southwest Division**  
W L Pct GB  
y-Orlando 49 17 .742 —  
Atlanta 39 28 .582 10 1/2  
Miami 36 30 .545 13  
Charlotte 29 38 .433 20 1/2  
Washington 16 51 .239 33 1/2

**Central Division**  
W L Pct GB  
x-Cleveland 53 13 .803 —  
Detroit 33 32 .508 19 1/2  
Milwaukee 31 38 .449 23 1/2  
Chicago 30 37 .448 23 1/2  
Indiana 28 40 .412 26

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**  
**Southwest Division**  
W L Pct GB  
San Antonio 44 21 .677 —  
Houston 43 25 .632 2 1/2  
New Orleans 41 24 .631 3  
Dallas 40 27 .597 5  
Memphis 17 48 .262 27

**Northwest Division**  
W L Pct GB  
Denver 42 25 .627 —  
Portland 41 25 .621 1/2  
Utah 41 26 .612 1  
Minnesota 20 46 .303 21 1/2  
Oklahoma City 18 48 .273 23 1/2

**Pacific Division**  
W L Pct GB  
x-L.A. Lakers 53 13 .803 —  
Phoenix 36 31 .537 17 1/2  
Golden State 23 43 .348 30  
L.A. Clippers 16 50 .242 37  
Sacramento 14 52 .212 39

x-clinched division  
y-clinched playoff spot

**Sunday's Scores**  
Toronto 110, Indiana 87  
Milwaukee 86, Boston 77  
Philadelphia 85, Miami 77  
Atlanta 98, Portland 80  
Memphis 89, Detroit 84  
L.A. Lakers 107, Dallas 100  
Orlando 105, Utah 87  
Washington 106, Sacramento 104  
Cleveland 98, New York 93  
Phoenix 154, Golden State 130  
L.A. Clippers 107, New Jersey 105

**Monday's Scores**  
Charlotte 112, Toronto 86  
Portland at Memphis, late  
Houston at New Orleans, late  
San Antonio at Oklahoma City, late  
New Jersey at Denver, late

**Today's Games**  
Sacramento at Atlanta, 7 p.m.  
Orlando at Cleveland, 7 p.m.  
Boston at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.  
Detroit at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
Minnesota at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.  
Washington at Utah, 9 p.m.  
Philadelphia at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.  
L.A. Clippers at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Miami at Boston, 7 p.m.  
Portland at Indiana, 7 p.m.  
Sacramento at Charlotte, 7 p.m.  
New Jersey at New York, 7:30 p.m.  
Denver at Memphis, 8 p.m.  
Orlando at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.  
Chicago at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.  
Minnesota at New Orleans, 8 p.m.  
Detroit at Houston, 9:30 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Phoenix, 10 p.m.  
Washington at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

**HOCKEY**  
**NHL**  
Boston 45 17 9 99 237 167  
Montreal 36 25 8 80 205 206  
Buffalo 34 27 8 76 203 193  
Toronto 28 29 13 69 209 249  
Ottawa 28 30 10 66 177 198

**Southwest Division**  
W L OT Pts GF GA  
Washington 43 22 6 92 229 210  
Carolina 36 28 7 79 200 203  
Florida 34 25 10 78 194 196  
Atlanta 29 35 6 64 214 234  
Tampa Bay 23 32 14 60 181 227

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W L OT Pts GF GA  
New Jersey 45 20 3 93 213 167  
Philadelphia 37 21 10 84 218 196  
Pittsburgh 37 26 8 82 222 216  
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N.Y. Islanders 24 38 8 56 176 224

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W L Pct GB  
New Jersey at Carolina, 7 p.m.  
Chicago at Columbus, 7 p.m.  
Dallas at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.  
Nashville at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

Xavier (25-7) vs. Portland State (23-9), 7:25 p.m.  
Florida State (25-9) vs. Wisconsin (19-12), 30 minutes following  
At UD Arena  
Dayton, Ohio  
Oklahoma State (22-11) vs. Tennessee (21-12), 12:25 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (28-4) vs. ETSU (23-10), 30 minutes following

## SCOREBOARD

**Central Division**  
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x-Cleveland 53 13 .803 —  
Detroit

## COMMENTARY: TOM PATRI'S GOLF WORLD



AP PHOTO

Camilo Villegas studies his putt on the seventh green during the third round of the CA Championship in Doral, Fla., on Saturday. Golf World columnist Tom Patri believes most amateur golfers — and lots of professionals as well — could easily lower their scores with more attention to the green.

## Short and sweet

This winter has all but flown by. Where does the time go? So once again, I'm on my soapbox about why the average amateur golfer doesn't improve.

First, in general, they don't practice. Second, those who do practice to some extent don't practice with any certain purpose.

Often even those of my students who do take lessons tell me of their various ailments. Then at some point during the season we go out for a playing lesson and — not that the original complaint is not true — but almost always, the problems with their short game and course management far outweigh the original item.

It is amazing after 28 years of teaching and coaching this game how this isn't perfectly clear to the club player.

That said, here's something that may shock you. Many PGA Tour players, relatively speaking, are really not very different. It is mind-boggling to me, but true.

Now I know this will get

the ugly e-mails flowing, but the ladies on the LPGA Tour in general are the worst violators. That really makes no sense at all to me.

They would benefit the most from that area of game improvement as a group. Yes, there are girls out there with decent short games, but not in comparison to the guys.

I often tell my amateur students putting, which is the deal-breaker for great scoring improvement, does not require you to be fast, strong, agile or a world-class athlete.

What it does require is a little fundamental information and tons of repetition. Translated, that is sound basics and a strong desire to improve. It sounds like a great formula for almost any area of improvement in life: a game plan and a work ethic.

I sincerely believe that I have never met a golfer of any skill level who I felt couldn't advance two levels forward in their scoring via short game if the only thing they brought to my lesson tee was desire.

Listen carefully: Go find a coach of sound reputation. Tell him or her you want six hours of nothing but short game help. Putting, chipping, pitching and bunker play.

Tell that coach at every session you want specific homework (drills and amount of recommended practice time between sessions) to be completed before your next meeting.

Then watch the shots jump off your scorecard. Ignore the above and be doomed to the land of repeating golf pain forever.

Make your short game your top project for 60 days. Just 60 days. It will change your golf game forever.

I wish you lots of one-putts and many a holed chip shot.

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## LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

### Registration, tryouts

• The Dalton Parks and Recreation Department is registering teams for adult softball leagues in co-ed, men's, women's and morning (12 games, \$400 per team) and church, Wednesday night and Friday night (eight games, \$325). Managers meetings are scheduled for March 23 (men's B, C and C+ at 6 p.m.; women's and co-ed at 7 p.m.) and March 24 (morning at 10 a.m.; Wednesday night, Friday night and church at 7 p.m.). For information, call (706) 278-1057.

• The Lakeview Lookouts are holding tryouts for their 17-under basketball team from 6-7:30 p.m. on March 24 at Lakeview-Fort Oglethorpe High School. For information, contact Mark Oliver at (706) 280-8121 or moliver.lfo@catoosa.k12.ga.us.

• Whitfield County Parks and Recreation is forming a Dixie Boys baseball league for ages 15-19 and a Dixie Girls softball league for ages 13-18. An organizational meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. on March 30 at the Whitfield County Recreation Department. Meeting is open to the public, including middle school and high school coaches. For information, call (706) 226-8341 or write jmanis@whitfieldcountyga.com.

• The North Georgia Bulldogs, a semi-pro football team based in Calhoun, are still looking for linemen to fill out their 50-man roster. The Bulldogs will hold preseason games in May and open on June 13. Anyone interested in trying out for the positions can write to co-owner Kacey Smith at northgeorgiabulldogs@hotmail.com.

• The Whitfield Reds are looking for one 8-year-old boy to play travel baseball. Call Ricky Chumley at (423) 593-5020.

### Clinics, camps

• Dalton Parks and Recreation Department will host a clinic by the Doyle Academy's baseball and softball school from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on March 21 at Lakeshore Park. Groups will be divided by ages (6-8, 9-10, 11-12 and 13-older). Fee is \$65. Participants should bring their own bat and glove, tennis shoes for indoor use and a lunch. Call (706) 281-1223.

• Advantage Basketball Camps is accepting registration for its spring break camp on April 4-6 and 10-12 at Trinity Chapel Academy in Powder Springs. Camp will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. For information, visit advantagebasketball.com or call Charles Overall at (404) 425-0890.

• The Catamount Ladies Football Clinic is scheduled for 6 p.m. on May 7 at Dalton High. The clinic will give an inside look at the program and raise funds the Catamount Care Fund, which will support a community project such as last year's adoption of a family for Christmas. Instruction will be provided by Dalton coaches and Chuck Harris will be featured as the motivational speaker. Cost is \$20 and also includes dinner. Call (706) 876-4882 or write adam.winegard@dalton.k12.ga.us.

• Dalton High will hold the Catamount Football Camp for ages 7 through rising eighth graders on

June 22-24 from 9 a.m. to noon each day. Camp will focus on fundamentals and basic skills and techniques of football, and campers will receive individual attention with encouragement to improve their game, sportsmanship and football knowledge. Motivational speakers, competitions and awards will also be part of the camp. Cost is \$50; campers will receive a T-shirt and camp picture. Registration will be available the day of camp. Contact Chad Jordan at (706) 217-5577 or chad.jordan@dalton.k12.ga.us.

• Ten Star All-Star Basketball is accepting applications for its invitation-only summer camp for boys and girls ages 10-19. Past participants include Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison, and players from all 50 states plus 11 foreign countries attended last year's camps. Camp locations include Gainesville, Ga. and Lebanon, Tenn., as well as other sites. A camp for ages players ages 9-18 of all skill levels is also available. For a free brochure, call (704) 373-0873 before April 15.

### Tournaments

• USFA girls fastpitch tournaments are scheduled for March 21-22 at Heritage Point in Dalton; March 28-29 at Warner Park in Chattanooga; April 4-5 at Cleveland (Tenn.) Industrial Park; and April 11 at Heritage Point. All teams from 8-to-18-under are invited. Contact Garry Headrick at Garry\_Headrick2001@yahoo.com or (706) 483-1346.

• The fourth Youth March Madness basketball tournament for boys and girls grades 1-12 will be held at various gymnasiums in the Dalton area on March 20-22. Entry fee is \$150. Contact Stacy Pardee at by e-mail at spardee@whitfield.k12.ga.us or (706) 483-7246.

• The Spring Place Ruritan Club's 10th fundraising golf tourney is scheduled for March 21 at Indian Trace. Proceeds will support the club's service projects in the Murray County area. Tourney is four-man select shot format and will start at 8:30 a.m. Cash prizes will be presented to the top three teams and other awards given for closest to pin and longest drive winners. A free lunch will be served to participants. For information on the tourney, call Jerome Parrott at (706) 278-4959, Carol Parrott at (706) 695-9760 or Carlton McDaniel at (706) 695-2110.

• The Northwest Whitfield Dugout Club will host a fundraiser golf tournament with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. on March 22 at Indian Trace Golf Course in Chatsworth. Format is two-person select shot and cost is \$75 per person. Contact Ricky Darnell at (706) 217-9338 or Kip Allen at (706) 260-9664.

### Add your news

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

## Kick: Disney World on line

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Seo estimates 22-25 of his students, ages 7-19, will compete in the event.

One of Seo's students, 20-year-old Josh Thomas of LaFayette, will compete in Friday's event along with his younger brother, Jeremy, 15.

Naturally, Thomas wants to qualify for the trip to Florida, but that's not his foremost goal.

"My outlook is that I want to perform my best," Thomas said. "Definitely, the idea of going to Disney World gives me butterflies, but I've been in competitions before and I know what it's like to win and I know what it's like to lose. There's always going to be someone better than me, so the biggest thing for me is to represent Master Seo's training and the time he dedicated to me."

"I want to show the community that I take this seriously and that I've improved over the years. That's my goal."

Anissa Sosebee of Dalton, 11, has been learn-



MISTY WATSON/The Daily Citizen

Jeremy Thomas, 15, right, spars with his older brother, Josh, 20, on Monday at Seo's Martial Arts in Dalton. Both will compete in this weekend at the Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center.

ing from Seo now for three years and will be competing in form, sparring and demonstration.

"I'm very excited about getting to compete," she said. "This (event) is very special to me because of Disney World."

In addition to Friday's event, Seo has already laid the groundwork for another major event to be hosted in Dalton. The Adidas Cup

Qualifier, a World Tae Kwon Federation event, is slated for next year. The idea is to put Dalton on the map in the world of Tae Kwon Do.

"Taking this to another level is really what we're looking towards," he said. "There's a lot of people involved in Tae Kwon Do around here, and I want to be able to provide a title for competitors all over Georgia to win."

## NCAA: Been a crazy season

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they're not likely to get him back for the tournament.

For all the love Tyler Hansbrough gets, North Carolina's hopes could hinge on Ty Lawson's big toe. Lawson missed the ACC tournament, and the Tar Heels barely got by Virginia Tech before falling to Florida State.

With DeJuan Blair parked on the bench in foul trouble, Pittsburgh looked downright ordinary in losing to West Virginia in the Big East tourney.

Even Louisville has its flaws. Sure, it won the regular-season Big East title, but who had them as a No. 1

seed — let alone THE No. 1 seed — until the Cardinals added the conference tournament crown, one of the few teams to survive last week's carnage?

Forget the Motor City. It might be a feat for all the No. 1s to make it to the regional finals.

"I think UConn, if they play right, they should have smooth sailing, but other than that, I'm kind of a believer that anything can happen," said Blake Griffin, whose Oklahoma Sooners are the No. 2 seed in the South.

It's not just the No. 1s that are vulnerable, either. Look anywhere in the bracket and there are trouble

spots. Or opportunities, depending on who you ask.

"This year, I don't see much difference between a one and a four (seed) or a two and a seven, or a three and a six," said Kansas coach Bill Self. "I don't see much difference at all."

Which is fitting, considering how this season has gone.

The top spot in The Associated Press poll felt more like a hot potato for most of the year. Six different teams held the No. 1 ranking, with four losing in their first game after moving to No. 1. The top three teams lost in the same week not just once, but twice. Last week, all but six of the top 25 teams lost.

## Krohn: Can also play in '10

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But during his time at Duke, Jones added 40 pounds and grew an inch and a half. Coaches saw that with his size and ability, he could be used at different positions. But because he never stayed in one spot on the field during his college career, NFL scouts have little to work with in terms of film.

That means Jones' best shot at a pro football career was putting up great numbers at Duke's NFL pro day in mid-March, where NFL scouts from around the league observe players in the 40-yard dash, the 225-bench press and other football-related drills. Even if Jones posted ideal numbers at pro day, there were no guarantees a team would draft him.

Jones didn't like those odds and, when discussing his future options with Blue Devils linebackers coach Jim Collins — Jones started at linebacker his senior year under Collins — he became enlightened to another option.

"Coach Collins knew I used to play baseball in high school," Jones said. "He suggested I try out for the team and see what happens."

Collins reminded Jones that as an NCAA athlete, he had five years of eligibility to play any sport. That meant that because Jones never played baseball at Duke, and because he never redshirted as a football player, not only could he play baseball his senior year, but could return to Duke next season for his fifth year of eligibility.

"As far as baseball goes, he's only a junior," said Collins said of Jones. "A lot

of people told me he was a heck of a baseball player and I knew that because he was such an incredible athlete, he'd have a chance to compete. So I ran the idea by him."

Following his talk with Collins, Jones headed to the office of baseball coach Sean McNally to discuss a possible tryout. After McNally confirmed Jones' eligibility, the stage was set for Jones to try and make the team.

But there was a catch. "The last time I played baseball was as a senior in high school," Jones said. "I had two days to prepare myself before the tryout. When I got in the (batting) cage, I still had the same swing and the same stance."

"It's almost like riding a bike in that you don't forget. It wasn't like it was perfect, but it didn't take long to get back into the swing of things."

And it didn't take long for the coaching staff to make its decision to name Jones to the team.

But while he adjusts to playing baseball in the ACC, he's played only sparingly. In Duke's 16 games heading into today, Jones has appeared in two. But he made the most of two plate appearances, hitting a single in one and drawing a walk and moving around to score in the other.

Jones is still getting big league exposure despite the lack of playing time. After a recent Duke practice attended by MLB scouts, Jones received letters of interest from the Rockies and Royals organizations.

Raiders coach Jason

Keller, who talks to Jones two to three times a week, is also using his network to get Jones' name out. Through playing college baseball at Texas A&M in Kingsville, Keller has contacts in the Braves, Mets, Mariners and Rangers organizations.

"He certainly has the tools to make it to the big leagues," Keller said. "Not playing for four years probably makes it a lot tougher, seeing live pitching and those types of adjustments, but if he can come around and make those adjustments, he's got a chance."

Because of his commitment to baseball, Jones decided not to participate in Duke's NFL pro day. Now, his focus is on signing with an MLB team and, if the opportunity comes after this season, he'll take it, Keller said.

He'll graduate in May with a degree in biological anthropology and anatomy. If he doesn't catch on with a big league team after this season, he'll stay at Duke and work to turn his minor (African-American studies) into a major and play another season of baseball.

At the end of football season, the idea of playing college baseball never crossed Jones' mind.

Now, baseball is all that is on his mind.

"I feel like a new man," he said. "Everything about baseball is fun to me — practicing, running. I'm just glad to be out there."

*Adam Krohn is a sports writer for The Daily Citizen. You can contact him at adamkrohn@dailycitizen.com.*

## Federer puts together 'big shots'; could face Nadal again

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. (AP) — Roger Federer and Andy Murray each took a step closer to a possible showdown in the semifinals with relatively routine victories during third-round matches Monday

at the BNP Paribas Open. Federer, a three-time Indian Wells winner ranked No. 2 and trying for another shot against No. 1 Rafael Nadal in the title match, downed Ivo Karlovic 7-6(4), 6-3. Playing

his first event since withdrawing from the Dubai tournament and the first round of Davis Cup because of back problems, Federer came up with big shots when needed against Karlovic.

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