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Water restrictions still in place

Officials fear drought to return

By CHARLES OLIVER
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Whitfield and Murray counties, like most of the state of Georgia, have emerged from a two-year drought, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. But Georgia Environmental Protection Division officials say they are waiting to make sure the drought doesn't return, so don't expect to see outdoor watering restrictions eased any time soon.

The National Weather Service reports Georgia saw above average rainfall in March. Atlanta, for instance, got 7.13 inches of rain, 1.75 inches above normal.

According to data provided by Dalton Utilities, this area has had 17.56 inches of rain this year as of Friday. The average annual rainfall for the area is 56.52 inches.

But EPD assistant chief of



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The Conasauga River rises close to Beaverdale Superette after a heavy rain in January of this year. Despite recent rains, outdoor water restrictions remain in place in the Dalton area.

watershed protection Tim Cash says many of the state's sources of groundwater haven't fully recharged, and if the state has a dry summer, the flow of waters in streams and rivers could decrease and lake levels could fall.

That means the EPD isn't going to lift outdoor watering restrictions any time soon. The Dalton area remains under Level 4c water restrictions from the state, which permit outdoor water use three nights a week, on an odd-even

On the Net

For more information on current drought conditions on the Web, go to www.georgiadrought.org. For more information on conserving water, go to conservewatergeorgia.net. And Dalton Utilities has information on current outdoor water restrictions, as well as conservation tips, at www.dutil.com.

address basis, between midnight and 10 a.m.

To move from the current restrictions to a lower level of restrictions, Cash says the state would have to see three more months of improvement in three different indicators: groundwater levels, rain and reservoir levels.

"If we see improvement after

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Suburbs have amenities for drug traffickers

By KATE BRUMBACK
Associated Press Writer

LILBURN — Azaleas bloom brightly in front of two-story homes on quiet streets where speed humps enforce the 20 mph speed limit. Neighbors wave and smile at passers-by, drawn to the booming Atlanta area by its accessible transportation, increasingly diverse population and urban amenities.

But others are drawn to the quiet suburbs in the hopes that law enforcement or their business competitors will miss what happens inside — the movement of tons of illegal drugs, millions of dollars in cash and sometimes lethal discipline of wayward employees.

"This county's awash in drugs," said Gwinnett

County Assistant District Attorney Keith Miles.

The placid nature of Gwinnett County and other nearby counties has drawn workers for Mexican drug cartels to suburbs like Lilburn, northeast of Atlanta. Interstate 85 provides convenient transport, and the area's exploding Latino population makes it easy for Mexican traffickers to blend in.

Over the last five to seven years, the Atlanta area has become the main distribution hub to move drugs and cash throughout



AP PHOTO

In this Sept. 17, 2008 photo, Drug Enforcement Administration field agents pack up cash that was confiscated during a raid in Gwinnett County as part of Project Reckoning, a multi-agency law enforcement effort led by the DEA, targeting the Mexican drug trafficking organization known as the Gulf Cartel. In fiscal year 2008, federal authorities seized about \$70 million in drug-related cash in Atlanta, more than any other region in the country, according to DEA records.

the East, Drug Enforcement Administration officials say. The cartels are drawn to Atlanta by the same conveniences that

have attracted corporations here over the last decade or so — access to major transportation systems and proximity to large

population centers.

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Ecumenical Earth Day focuses on 'going green'

By MISTY WATSON
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"This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise, the morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise."
~ Maltbie D. Babcock

Along with the "privilege" of living on earth comes the responsibility to take care it, John Rossing says.

"It's God's creation, and it's our responsibility to take care of it," said Rossing, pastor of Christ the King Lutheran Church on Thornton Avenue. "God created a beautiful and abundant earth. We're not just to use the earth for our benefit, but to love and cherish it."

That's what the annual Ecumenical Earth Day is all about — celebrating God's creation and learning to care for it, Rossing said. This Sunday will be the 13th

ECUMENICAL EARTH DAY

The 13th annual Ecumenical Earth Day will be Sunday from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. behind the Christ the King Lutheran Church on Thornton Avenue. For more information, call Cheryl Phipps at (706) 264-2789.

Ecumenical Earth Day in Dalton. It is from 12:30-3:30 p.m. behind the church.

There is no charge for admission, food, plants or to participate in any of the interactive booths, such as a petting zoo or making a craft.

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Cheryl Phipps, left, a member of Mineral Springs United Methodist Church, and John Rossing, pastor of Christ the King Lutheran Church, unfold a banner for Sunday's Ecumenical Earth Day. The event is from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. behind the Lutheran Church on Thornton Avenue.

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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.

"Here's a moronic thought: according to the Georgia Forestry Commission, in Whitfield County you can burn tree branches if they fall off the tree, it is illegal to burn them if you cut them off the tree."

"Who paid for this nutjob Jeremy Rifkin to speak at the college about global warming. People are stupid."

"Shame on Bush and Cheney for lying, for saying they weren't doing torture."

"I can see why one in nine people are losing their homes to foreclosures, the banks are doing absolutely zero to help these people and therefore will get worse before it gets better."

"Murray County elected officials are never, ever in the office."

"I hope that no emergencies occur on Friday in Murray County, because Murray County elected officials never work on a Friday."

"I live in the South, and I'm not union, and I voted for Obama who is doing a good job."

"We don't need Obama going all over the world apologizing for the U.S.A. He is such a wimp."

"I believe the editor wouldn't pass a drug test."

"I've researched it, and it would take 15 acres to set up a top-notch horse park facility. Does anyone know of a piece of land for that purpose?"

"I would love to have a local place for my grandchildren to ride their ponies."

"Did you know the Whitfield County Saddle Club sponsors a college scholarship each year through the Whitfield County School System."

"Who do you call to complain about neighbors in Westerly Heights who have yard sales all the time?"

"Since when does knowing what you're talking about have anything to do with what's written?"

"Is there anyone else living in Whitfield who is originally from Chester, S.C.?"

"I wish someone would do something about this barking dog on Saddlebridge Drive."

"After living in this area for eight-plus decades and reading the Forum for the past few months, I'm almost afraid to venture out among so many irrational people."

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Poll: Americans back legal aid to poor

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans strongly support government-paid legal services for the poor, says a poll commissioned by the Legal Services Corp.

Two-thirds of those polled for the American Bar Association by Harris Interactive said they favor federal funding for people who need legal assistance.

Legislation introduced in March by Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, would nearly double the budget for Legal Services, which Congress created 35

"We need a Popeye's in Dalton, I'm tired of driving to Chattanooga to get good chicken."

"Willie's Burger Shack by Green Spot has the best hamburger I've ever eaten, it's huge and good."

"To the people who dump their kittens off at Prater's Mill: Shame on you."

"Let's legalize pot and tax it. Use that money for meth rehab and drug court."

"Where were all the teabaggers when the last administration ran up the deficit and there weren't even two wars."

"Roll one out of your bag, Mr. Editor."

"Murray County speaks out in fear of changes unknown. You would speak out too, if faced with the same situations."

"What happened to the Braves the last four or five games, they're on a losing streak. Like you said, it comes down to the depth and pitching strength."

"Are people so bored with their own lives that they've got to worry about who's gay or straight? Come on people."

"I'm 20 years old and I would kiss a 73-year-old man if he could be my sugar daddy."

"How about a Krispy Kreme Doughnuts in that Starbucks when they leave on Walnut. They'd make a million dollars in this town."

"I wonder if life jackets would have helped."

"Does anyone remember the U.S. Cafe on South Hamilton? I took my wife there on our first date 52 years ago."

"My wife fell down a steep embankment at our house and hit her head on a rock. Our sincere thanks to Derek and Brian from Imperial Landscape, the guys from Varnell Fire Department, the paramedics from Hamilton Emergency and Dr. Marshall Chris and the emergency unit team at Hamilton. This professionalism, kindness and concern is a perfect example of why we love this area."

"We still miss you Dr. Pilcher, you and your wife. Thanks for all the years of looking after your patients."

"Is there anyone in the county who does housecleaning and has a reference?"

"People need to be reminded that we the black people of this community have always paid our taxes to support this town, and our men, our father and sons, have gone to war to protect this country and we deserve some respect."

LOTTERY WINNING NUMBERS — FOR APRIL 19

Georgia: Evening Cash 3: 3-9-2, Cash 4 and Fantasy 5 were not available.

Tennessee: Evening Cash 3: 9-3-6, Lucky Sum 18
Cash 4: 8-3-0-2, Lucky Sum: 13

Drugs

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But Georgia-based corporations don't bring with them the kind of disciplinary practices the cartel-affiliated workers have imported from Mexico. Dominican citizen Oscar Reynoso, 31, was lured to Lilburn from Rhode Island last July to settle a \$300,000 debt to the Mexican Gulf Cartel. Dehydrated, gagged and badly beaten, Reynoso was found chained to a wall in a basement. The onslaught of law enforcement on the scene shocked neighbors, said resident Maria Ramos.

That same month, police in another Gwinnett County suburb shot and killed a suspected kidnapper as he tried to pick up a \$2 million ransom owed to his cartel bosses.

Authorities have also won a string of high-profile drug busts in recent years, including Project Reckoning, which targeted the Gulf cartel, and Operation Xcellerator, which hit the Sinaloa cartel. In fiscal year 2008, federal authorities seized about \$70 million in drug-related cash in Atlanta, more than any other region in the country, according to DEA records. Already this fiscal year in Atlanta they've seized about \$34 million.

Project Reckoning alone seized \$60 million and more than 40 tons of illegal drugs over nearly two years. That operation also resulted in the arrest of 175 people over two days, including 43 in the Atlanta area.

"We've seen this coming for a while, with bigger seizures of drugs and cash," Miles said.

Whereas five years ago a 1-kilo cocaine seizure was a big deal, said District Attorney Danny Porter, it is common now for law enforcement officers to seize 10, 20 or even 50 kilos in a single bust.

And while the overall number of drug cases has actually dropped, Porter said, the number of cases involving organized distribution groups has increased.

Chuvalo Truesdell, a DEA spokesman in Atlanta, said known Mexican drug cartel members have been arrested in the Atlanta area.

While the command and control structures tend to be complicated and compartmentalized, the cartels' basic operations are simple, said Rodney Benson, the DEA special agent in charge of Atlanta.

Drugs destined for Atlanta are brought across the U.S.-Mexico border into Texas in relatively small quantities — 20 to 25 kilos — frequently hidden in secret compartments in personal or commercial vehicles. They are accumulated near the border, and then larger shipments are sent along Interstates 10, 20 and 40 to Atlanta, often in commercial trucks carrying legitimate cargo.

Drug-fueled violence has increased in Mexico in



AP PHOTO

U.S. Attorney General Michael Mukasey, center, listens as U.S. Attorney David E. Nahmias for the Northern District of Georgia explains the results of Project Reckoning, a multi-agency law enforcement effort led by the Drug Enforcement Administration, targeting the Mexican drug trafficking organization known as the Gulf Cartel.

Once the drugs reach the Atlanta area, they are taken to stash houses and broken down into smaller shipments that are sent via Interstates 75, 77 and 85 to cities like Miami, New York and Detroit. Cash collected is heat sealed in plastic to prevent tampering and sent on the reverse journey back to Mexico.

In suburban Atlanta, Mexican drug trafficking organizations generally rent nondescript houses in middle-class neighborhoods in suburbs like Lilburn. They often have one house for storing and processing drugs, one house for storing and processing money and a third for conducting transactions, so when an arrest happens at one house, they don't lose everything, Porter said.

Unlike the Colombian traffickers in south Florida in the 1980s, the Mexican cartels tend to keep a low profile, said Jack Killorin, director of a government program to fund drug-fighting efforts in the region.

"They tend not to be too bling and high-living," he said. "They're very quiet, they try to stay hidden in the communities. They want to be low key. They prefer not to be observed. They're serious businessmen — they bring their drugs here and money back, and that's what they focus on."

Drug-fueled violence has increased in Mexico in

response to President Felipe Calderon's crackdown after he took office in December 2006, and spillover violence is a rising fear.

The violence in the Atlanta area, like in other distribution hub cities, tends to be limited to those involved in the drug or human trafficking trade, authorities said.

But Miles said he thinks the violence is already increasing and cited about a dozen unsolved homicides in Gwinnett County that he believes are drug related. He cited a case in which two men apparently shot each other to death in a house where a money counter was found. As busts net increasingly large amounts of drugs and cash, he said, law enforcement officers are also finding more and bigger guns.

"You don't have shootouts in the street, but who's to say that's not coming? I think it is," Miles said. "I see it getting worse before it gets better."

Atlanta was designated a High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area, or HIDTA, in 1995. The city's designation has been broadened over the last two years to include 12 counties in Georgia and five in North Carolina. The Atlanta HIDTA program, directed by Killorin, uses federal grant money to fund anti-drug efforts by local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

TODAY'S CITIZEN

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Exxon overtakes Wal-Mart

By **DAN STRUMPF**
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — Exxon Mobil Corp. unseated Wal-Mart Stores Inc. in the 2009 Fortune 500 list, shrugging off the oil price bubble and weathering what the magazine called the worst year ever for the country's largest publicly traded companies.

Fortune's closely watched list, released Sunday, ranked companies by their revenue in 2008. Irving, Texas-based Exxon took in \$442.85 billion in revenue last year, up almost 19 percent from 2007. The company also raked in the biggest annual profit, earning \$45.2 billion.

Bentonville, Ark.-based Wal-Mart had held the top spot for six of the last seven years but fell to No. 2 this year. Still, the retail giant's 2008 revenue climbed 7 percent to \$405.6 billion, as the battered economy sent more consumers searching for bargains. The world's largest retailer took in \$13.4 billion in annual profit, an increase of about 5 percent.

Although it may have been a good year for Exxon and Wal-Mart, 2008 was far from rosy for most of remaining companies on the list. Overall earnings plunged 85 percent to \$98.9 billion from \$645 billion in 2007, the biggest one-year decline in the 55-year history of the Fortune 500 list.

"America is getting used to the sound of bubbles bursting," Fortune said.

Energy companies continued to dominate many of the top positions, as last sum-



AP PHOTO

A customer pumps gas at an Exxon station in Middleton, Mass. Exxon Mobil has unseated Wal-Mart Stores to top the 2009 Fortune 500 list after a year the magazine called the worst ever for the country's 500 largest publicly traded companies. Fortune released the list on Sunday.

mer's skyrocketing oil and gas prices more than compensated for their plunge later that fall. Chevron Corp. held on to third place with \$263.16 billion in revenue, up 25 percent. ConocoPhillips climbed one place to fourth, with \$230.76 billion in revenue.

General Electric Co., the diverse conglomerate whose troubled financial arm has been weighing on recent results, rose one notch to fifth. Battered automaker General Motors Corp. fell two spots to sixth, as revenue fell 18 percent and losses totaled \$30.86 billion amid the imploding car market. Crosstown rival Ford Motor

Co. followed, with \$146.28 billion in revenue.

Telecom giant AT&T Inc. moved up two notches to take eighth place, with Hewlett-Packard Co. and Valero Energy Corp. rounding out the top 10.

Among the hardest hit in 2008 were financial services companies, Fortune said. Banks, securities firms and insurers took cumulative losses of \$213.4 billion, accounting for almost 70 percent of the total dollar decline from the peak year of 2006, the magazine said.

Citigroup Inc. and Bank of America Corp., which were No. 8 and No. 9 respectively last year, each slipped a couple notches from the Top 10. Thirty-eight companies fell off this year's list, including financial firms Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc., Washington Mutual Inc. and Wachovia Corp., all of which have either gone under or been acquired by rival banks. Engineering and construction company URS Corp. moved the most up the list, leaping 185 spots to No. 264. But the title of "biggest loser" went to AIG Corp. The insurer, which has received more than \$180 billion in government bailout aid since last fall, fell 232 spots to 245 in this year's ranking.

AREA ARRESTS

- Carlos Dejesus Aponte, 42, 151 Cowwood Road, Ringgold, was charged Sunday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with DUI.
- Edgar Giovanni Castillo-Deleon, 33, 900 Cascade Drive, Dalton, was charged Sunday by the Dalton Police Department with DUI.
- Abimael Cruz-Gonzales, 25, 4473-D Mitchell Bridge Road, Dalton, was charged Sunday by the Georgia State Patrol with DUI, leaving the scene of an accident, driving without a license, failure to maintain lane, driving too fast for conditions and open container of alcohol.
- Sara Leanne Edmond, 23, 1508 Glendale Drive, Dalton, was charged Sunday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with failure

to maintain lane, open container of alcohol and DUI.

• Federico Garcia-Melendez, 25, Charlotte, N.C., was charged Sunday by the Dalton Police Department with failure to maintain lane, a turning violation and DUI.

• Rigoberto Moreno Hurtado, 46, 211 Fields Ave., Dalton, was charged Sunday by the Dalton Police Department with a turning violation, failure to maintain lane and DUI.

• Tabitha Lynn Nix, 20, 250 Callie Jones Road, Chatsworth, was charged Sunday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with possession of less than an ounce of marijuana, underage consumption, failure to maintain lane and driving too fast for conditions.

Green: Earth Day

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The theme for this year is "Our Father's World," which has also been the theme for the past several years. The theme was chosen as a parallel to the well-known hymn "This is My Father's World" written by Maltbie D. Babcock.

The focus for this year is "going green." Different organizations will have displays on how to maintain a "green" lifestyle, from reducing energy to leaving no trace behind while hiking, said Cheryl Phipps, one of the event organizers who attends Mineral Springs United Methodist Church.

Members of the Tennessee Interfaith Power and Light organization and EarthCare, based in Chattanooga, will have information on how to conserve energy. Dalton State College's environmental club, Dalton Utilities and Keep Chatsworth-Murray County Beautiful also will have information booths.

One demonstration will compare how much energy an incandescent bulb uses to how much a florescent bulb uses, Phipps said.

The Coosa River Basin Initiative will have a booth where children can decorate T-shirts, and there will be an area for children to learn how to

make crafts out of recycled items. This year children will learn to make crafts from natural items, such as pine cones, Phipps said.

"There's going to be lots of interactive stuff," she said. "There will be a petting zoo. The Murray County Humane Society will have animals for adoption. There will be free plants. Exhibitors will have demonstrations."

There will also be live music throughout the afternoon, including a gospel and bluegrass band and a contemporary Christian band called Soulshine, whose members live in North Georgia, Phipps said.

The Community Based Vocational Instruction Class at Northwest High School will receive the annual Community Caretaker Award for the recycling program students started, she said. Since last year, the students have collected 32,380 pounds of recycled paper.

Several area churches of different denominations come together to organize the event each year.

There have been as many as 30 different churches represented in previous years, Phipps said.

"We're united," she said. "Even though we're from different denominations, we're all wanting to promote being good stewards for the earth."

Obama to address credit card abuses

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House says that it will back congressional efforts to clamp down on credit card abuses in an effort to address the recession's effect on Main Street.

The House and Senate are considering a credit card bill of rights to limit the ability of credit card companies to raise interest rates on existing balances and to require greater disclosure. White House economic adviser Larry Summers said people need to save more, but that the government also needs to curb credit card pitches that addict people to plastic.

President Barack Obama is "going to be very focused, in a very near term, on a whole set of issues having to do with credit card abuses, having to do with the way people have been deceived into paying extraordinarily high rates that they wouldn't have paid if they knew what

they were getting themselves into," Summers said.

Summers said the administration wants to see a better-regulated financial system, encourage savings and eventually get back to a situation where government spending is not a drain on the economy.

"Individuals are going to have to save more, that's why savings incentives are so important," he said. "That's why we need to do things to stop the marketing of credit in ways that addicts people to it — so that our households are again saving, and families are again preparing to send kids to college, for their retirement, and so forth."

Summers made the comments in an interview broadcast Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press." He was attending a summit of Western Hemispheric leaders in Trinidad and Tobago.

AT TV AWARDS



AP PHOTO

Reba McEntire, left, and Matthew McConaughey are seen backstage at the TV Land Awards on Sunday in Universal City, Calif.

Miss N.C. crowned Miss USA

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Miss North Carolina USA Kristen Dalton was crowned Miss USA 2009 on Sunday, beating out 50 other beauty queens in the live pageant televised from Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino in Las Vegas.

The 21-year-old aspiring motivational speaker from Wilmington edged out first runner-up Miss California USA Carrie Prejean, of San Diego, and second runner-up Miss Arizona USA Alicia-Monique Blanco, of Phoenix.

Contestants from all 50 states and the District of Columbia competed in the pageant, aired live on NBC. Contestants were judged by their performance in swimsuit and evening gown modeling contests and their responses to a question asked onstage; unlike the rival Miss America pageant, Miss USA contestants do not perform a talent.

The top 15 contestants worked the stage in white string bikinis designed by pop star Jessica Simpson's swimwear line. Rocker Kevin Rudolf performed his song "Let it Rock," followed by The Veronicas, who performed their single "Untouched" as the top 10 beauties showed off their choice of glittering evening gowns.

Drought: Not over

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three months, that would be the point we say 'OK, we need to go to less severe drought restrictions,'" Cash said. "If we do it right now and things get worse, which they could, we could quickly be back to where we were just a few months ago."

Cash said if drought restrictions are lifted it could be difficult to get people to go back to them. But David Potts, owner of Dalton's Rosewood Garden

Center, says he believes many people are already ignoring those restrictions.

"We do have people coming in and asking 'I live at this address, when can I water?'" he said. "And we tell them what days and hours."

But he says many may not be obeying the strict letters of the rules.

Through July, the National Weather Service Web site predicts Georgia has equal chances of normal, above normal or below normal rainfall.

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VIEWPOINTS

Don't kill river to help Atlanta

U.S. Reps. Lynn Westmoreland, R-Ga., and Nathan Deal, R-Ga., want the federal government to spend \$10 million to study a bad idea — the construction of dams on the Flint River to hoard water for metro Atlanta.

Damming the Flint was proposed back when Jimmy Carter was governor. Carter's opposition helped kill it. This new proposal is another dragon in need of slaying.

While the recent torrential downpours the state has endured for the past couple of weeks have put drought and water consumption in the back of most people's minds these days, it's absurd to think the issue won't return to the forefront in the near future.

As metro Atlanta's population swells, so does its demands on Georgia's resources. Lake Lanier, which provides water for metro Atlanta, is still under stress despite the recent heavy rains. Once a dry spell hits, there will again be cries for new water supplies.

Deal and Westmoreland tried to get the \$10 million study of new dams on the Flint River through Congress last year and, thankfully, failed. But they plan to attempt to reintroduce the legislation.

With the river flow high now, it's easy to forget how low the Flint flow can get during dry times. If Atlanta interests manage to dam it up even more, that flow will be reduced to a trickle.

That threat — and make no mistake, it is a threat to our river — is what led American Rivers, a conservation organization focused on keeping U.S. waterways healthy, to list the 350-mile Flint as No. 2 on its top endangered rivers list, behind only the Sacramento-San Joaquin River System in California.

"It is senseless to spend money on a dam when Atlanta has all the water they need," Paul DeLoach, chairman of the Flint Riverkeeper organization, said last week. "There are more efficient ways for Atlanta to serve their water needs. I always knew (the Flint) was highly endangered."

Indeed, DeLoach has long been a strong advocate for keeping the Flint healthy, as has the Flint Riverkeeper organization. It's hard to make people realize the impact that an unhealthy river can have on an area. Flint Riverkeeper has done its best to sound the alarm, but not enough people are listening.

This No. 2 spot on the endangered rivers list isn't just a publicity stunt to get attention. It is a warning that action has to be taken to keep this vital part of our ecosystem intact.

Now is the time to go to work, not later when legislation has passed and the study is under way. Anyone who knows anything about government knows that once a project gets started, it's next to impossible to stop it.

Elected leaders need to hear from you. Local leaders need to hear you demand that they take your concerns to regional and state leaders. U.S. Rep. Sanford Bishop, D-Ga., and Sens. Saxby Chambliss, R-Ga., and Johnny Isakson, R-Ga., need to hear your concerns, and they need to carry those concerns to others.

Political pressure needs to be applied now.

Metro Atlanta's water problems are real and they must be dealt with, but killing the Flint River is not the answer.

The Albany Herald

WORDS OF WISDOM

Bible Text: But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:20-22

Thought for Today: "If anyone tells you something strange about the world, something you had never heard before, do not laugh but listen attentively; make him repeat it, make him explain it; no doubt there is something there worth taking hold of."

Georges Duhamel
French author 1884-1966

Without a clause

Last week, the Vermont legislature overrode the governor to legalize gay marriage. The week before, the Iowa Supreme Court achieved the same result by overriding the state legislature, declaring a 1998 ban on same-sex marriage unconstitutional.

For those who agree (as I do) that the benefits of civil marriage should be available to all couples regardless of sexual orientation, does it matter how we get to that destination? I think it does, because the approach taken in Iowa, although liberty-enhancing in this case, ultimately undermines a constitution's ability to constrain government action and protect individual freedom.

The seven-member Iowa Supreme Court unanimously ruled that limiting marriage to heterosexual couples violates the state constitution's guarantee of equal protection, which it said "is essentially a direction that all persons similarly situated should be treated alike." It seems safe to say that neither the constitutional convention delegates nor the voters who approved this provision in 1857 would have agreed that two people of the same sex and two people of opposite sexes were "similarly situated" and "should be treated alike" under civil marriage laws.

In fact, that remains a minority opinion in Iowa. Last month, a University of Iowa survey found that only 26 percent of Iowans supported gay marriage.

The Iowa Supreme Court overrode the majority's view by reinterpreting the equal protection clause to mean something it did not mean when it was adopted. "Our



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responsibility," the justices explained, "is to protect constitutional rights of individuals from legislative enactments that have denied those rights, even when the rights have not yet been broadly accepted, were at one time unimagined, or challenge a deeply ingrained practice or law viewed to be impervious to the passage of time."

Here we are not talking about applying a constitutional provision in a way consistent with the original public understanding of it (for example, by extending the First Amendment to television or the Fourth Amendment to electronic records). We are talking about applying a provision in a way the people who ratified it would have rejected. How can a right that was "unimagined" in this sense be a constitutional right?

According to the court, "equal protection can only be defined by the standards of each generation." But if the justices had defined equal protection by the standards of *this generation* (in Iowa, at least), they would have let the gay marriage ban stand.

"The point in time when the standard of equal protection finally takes a new form," the court said, "is a product of the conviction of one, or many, individuals that a particular grouping results in inequality and the ability of the judicial system to perform its constitutional

role free from the influences that tend to make society's understanding of equal protection resistant to change." Let's be frank: Under this approach, it does not take "one, or many, individuals" to change the meaning of the constitution. It takes exactly four.

As the court noted, legislatures draw distinctions between groups all the time. They establish criminal penalties, impose age restrictions and set conditions for government benefits. If such policy judgments violate equal protection whenever four justices disagree with the reasoning behind them, the line between what judges do and what legislatures do begins to disappear.

Worse, this sort of result-oriented jurisprudence cannot be confined to decisions that limit government and expand freedom. If courts can reach "a new understanding of equal protection" that renders invalid heretofore constitutional laws, they also can reach a new understanding of the First Amendment, allowing restrictions on political speech in the name of fighting corruption, or the Commerce Clause, allowing the federal government to intervene in areas previously reserved to the states or the people.

In these and other cases, changing conditions are said to require reinterpretation, and since no constitution is perfect, you or I may occasionally like the results. But over the long term we cannot count on an evolving constitution to protect our rights.

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My kind of anti-Yankees sermon

In my Irish-American Massachusetts family, you were born a Democrat and baptized a Catholic. If your luck held, you were also brought up to be a Boston Red Sox fan, which meant that, for you, the Axis of Evil or the Evil Empire was not a totalitarian regime somewhere on the other side of the world, but instead the super-rich, spoiled and arrogant New York Yankees just four hours away by car.

In his recent Easter Sunday sermon to a congregation that included the nation's first family at Washington's historic St. John's church, Rector Luis Leon celebrated the joys of spring, including the new baseball season that had begun with the lowly Baltimore Orioles winning two out of three games over the mighty Yankees. Then Father Leon added this from the pulpit, "I'm a fairly charitable person, but I have to tell you — I hate the Yankees."

Now this is a homily that could hold my attention and command my respect.

I do not know the St. John's rector, but perhaps he, too, is a fan of William B. Mead, who wrote: "Most all good Americans hate the Yankees. It is a value we cherish and pass on to our children like decency and democracy and the importance of a good breakfast."

Let me be clear: This emotion is not simply visceral, and it is not irrational. Hatred of the Yankees is completely defensible. Consider what the deep-pocketed Yankee owners have done just since the end of the 2008 season. First, they outspent everybody to purchase the services of two authentic pitching aces, C.C. Sabathia and A.J.



Mark Shields

Burnett for \$243.5 million. Add to that first baseman Mark Teixeira at a price tag of \$180 million. The Yankees 2009 team payroll is more than \$200 million and more than three times the total of the American League champion Tampa Bay Rays.

This was the same Yankees organization that then asked the public authorities for an additional \$259 million in tax-exempt bonds (on top of the \$940 million in tax-exempt bonds the Yankees have already been granted). The reason for the bonds? To pay for the brand new \$1.3 billion Yankee Stadium. The Yankees' tax-exempt bonds will cost the taxpayers of New York City, New York state and the United States more than \$80 million in lost revenues — at a time when revenues to pay for public schools and health care are acutely scarce.

To meet the team's highest-in-baseball payroll, Yankee owners have raised most ticket prices out of reach of most of those unfortunate souls who are Yankee fans. When Ronald Reagan was in his last White House year, a Yankee stadium box seat cost \$10. Today, when the average price of a box seat at the Colorado Rockies' Coors Field (the most fan-friendly ballpark I have ever visited) is \$36.50, a comparable seat at the new Yankee stadium is

\$510.08. But, wait, the first row of Yankee box seats, those closest to the field, costs \$2,625 a game.

The Yankees are truly Wall Street's team. Both favor pinstripes. Both have about them an attitude of entitlement. When either has a case of the "shorts," they have no compunctions about tapping the public treasury, even if it means taking bread from the mouths of babes or leaving the poor widow's prescription unfilled.

Candor demands that we concede that the Yankees have indeed gotten a very large bang for their big bucks — an unmatched success record of 39 American League pennants and 26 World Series championships in the last 87 years. There are classy Yankees whom fairness requires us to salute — Derek Jeter, Jorge Posada, Mariano Rivera and Hideki Matsui.

But still, rooting for the Yankees is like rooting for Rupert Murdoch or Donald Trump to win your church bingo game, like rooting in the middle of an arctic New England winter for OPEC against a struggling family with an empty oil tank.

The late Bill Veeck, a baseball owner with heart, humor and honor, probably put it best: "Hating the Yankees isn't part of my act, it is one of those exquisite times when life and art are in perfect conjunction."

Even Luis Leon, the rector of St. John's church, could not have said it better.

■ To find out more about Mark Shields and read past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web site at www.creators.com.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, April 20, the 110th day of 2009. There are 255 days left in the year.

Highlight in History:

Ten years ago, on April 20, 1999, the Columbine High School massacre took place in Colorado as two students, Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold, shot and killed 12 classmates and one teacher before taking their own lives.

On this date:

In 1812, the fourth vice president of the United States, George Clinton, died in Washington at age 72, becoming the first vice president to die while in office.

In 1889, Adolf Hitler was born in Braunau am Inn, Austria.

In 1945, during World War II, allied forces took control of the German cities of Nuremberg and Stuttgart.

In 1949, scientists at the Mayo Clinic announced they'd succeeded in synthesizing a hormone found to be useful in treating rheumatoid arthritis; the substance was named "cortisone."

In 1971, the U.S. Supreme Court, in *Swann v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education*, unanimously upheld the use of busing to achieve racial desegregation in schools.

In 1972, the manned lunar module from Apollo 16 landed on the moon.

In 1988, gunmen who'd hijacked a Kuwait Airways jumbo jet were allowed safe passage out of Algeria under an agreement that freed the remaining 31 hostages and ended a 15-day siege in which two passengers were slain.

Five years ago: A tornado tore through north-central Illinois, killing eight people.

One year ago: Before a full house at Yankee Stadium, Pope Benedict XVI celebrated his final Mass in the United States, blessing his enormous U.S. flock and telling Americans to use their freedoms wisely.

Today's Birthdays:

Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens is 89. Actor Paul Phillips is 85. Actor George Takei is 72. Actor Ryan O'Neal is 68. Rock musician Craig T. Nelson is 60. Actress Jessica Lange is 60. Actress Veronica Cartwright is 60. Actor Clint Howard is 50. Actor Crispin Glover is 45. Country singer Wade Hayes is 40. Actor Shemar Moore is 39. Rock musician Mikey Welsh is 38. Actress Carmen Electra is 37. Actor Joey Lawrence is 33.



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BRIEFS

Obama suggests prisoners' release

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad — Defending his brand of world politics, President Barack Obama said Sunday that he "strengthens our hand" by reaching out to enemies of the United States and making sure that the nation is a leader, not a lecturer, of democracy. Obama's foreign doctrine emerged across his four-day trip to Latin America, his first extended venture to a region of the world where resentment of U.S. power still lingers. He got a smile, handshakes and even a gift from incendiary leftist leader Hugo Chavez of Venezuela, and embraced overtures of new relations from isolated Cuban President Raul Castro. "The whole notion was that if we showed courtesy or opened up dialogue with governments that had previously been hostile to us, that that somehow would be a sign of weakness," Obama said, recalling his race for the White House and challenging his critics today.

Pharmaceuticals found in water

U.S. manufacturers, including major drugmakers, have legally released at least 271 million pounds of pharmaceuticals into waterways that often provide drinking water — contamination the federal government has consistently overlooked, according to an Associated Press investigation. Hundreds of active pharmaceutical ingredients are used in a variety of manufacturing, including drugmaking: For example, lithium is used to make ceramics and treat bipolar disorder; nitroglycerin is a heart drug and also used in explosives; copper shows up in everything from pipes to contraceptives. Federal and industry officials say they don't know the extent to which pharmaceuticals are released by U.S. manufacturers because no one tracks them — as drugs. But a close analysis of 20 years of federal records found that, in fact, the government unintentionally keeps data on a few, allowing a glimpse of the pharmaceuticals coming from factories.

U.N. divided on eve of racism meet

GENEVA — The United Nations opens its first global racism conference in eight years on Monday with the U.S. and at least five other countries boycotting the event out of concern that Islamic countries will demand that it denounce Israel and ban criticism of Islam. The administration of President Barack Obama, America's first black head of state, announced Saturday that it would boycott "with regret" the weeklong meeting in Geneva, which already is experiencing much of the bickering and political infighting that marred the 2001 conference in Durban, South Africa. The Netherlands declared its boycott Sunday, while Australia, Canada, Israel and Italy already have said they would not attend.

8 officers killed in attack on convoy

MEXICO CITY — In the latest of a series of brazen, drug-related attacks, gunmen ambushed a prisoner transfer convoy in western Mexico, killing eight officers in a failed attempt to free a high-level cartel member, police said Sunday. At least 20 assailants fired in three separate gun barrages Saturday on the dwindling column of vehicles as it raced between an airport and prison in the Pacific coast state of Nayarit, police said. Police called it a well-planned attack intended to free Jeronimo Gamez, cousin of Arturo Beltran Leyva, the reputed leader of one of Mexico's most powerful cartels. Gamez was arrested in Mexico City in January and was being moved to a prison in Nayarit's capital city, Tepic.

Bully? Hero? Britain fetes Henry VIII

BY JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press Writer

LONDON — Monarch. Tyrant. Reformer. Husband from hell.

King Henry VIII, who took the throne 500 years ago Tuesday, went on to transform Britain. He married six times and sent two of his queens to the executioner. His battle to divorce his first bride led him to break from the Roman Catholic church and establish the Church of England.

He still divides opinion. "He was an awful person," said Brett Dolman, a curator at Hampton Court Palace, Henry's residence southwest of London. "Emotionally twisted, a bully."

His colleague, Suzannah Lipscomb, is a bit more forgiving.

"I wonder sometimes whether I am the first female sympathizer with this monstrous tyrant," said Lipscomb, who is overseeing anniversary exhibitions at Hampton Court and has written a book about Henry. "I'm not sure I like him, but I think I have a lot more insight into why he did what he did."

Lipscomb said Henry's influence on Britain was huge.

"He marked the transition from a medieval state to a modern state. He founded the Church of England. He swaggered out and claimed a place for England on the European stage that it has held ever since, despite its size."

Henry is probably Britain's most famous monarch, instantly recognizable from Hans Holbein's portrait of a stout, bearded



AP PHOTO

Costumed interpreters Richard Evans as Britain's King Henry VIII and Kathryn Nutbeam as the king's sixth wife Katherine Parr pose for photographs in front of Hampton Court Palace near Kingston Upon Thames on the outskirts of London. During 2009 King Henry VIII's most famous royal residence plays host to "Henry VIII: heads and hearts" a year-long program of events and celebratory activities to mark the Tudor monarch's accession to the throne.

man in a black-and-white hat.

Hampton Court, the sprawling red-brick Tudor palace that was a favored retreat for the king and his court, draws tourists by the busload to its grand state apartments, cavernous kitchens and 500-year-old tennis court, as well as its 60 acres (24 hectares) of riverside gardens and famous hedge maze.

Knowledge of its former resident, however, tends to be limited to a few facts.

"His wives and the creation of the Church of England," said Matt Cicinelli, 22, visiting from Washington, D.C. "Overall, just a monarch who did what he wanted to do."

"I haven't heard entirely positive things about him, to be honest," said his friend, Tom Peterson.

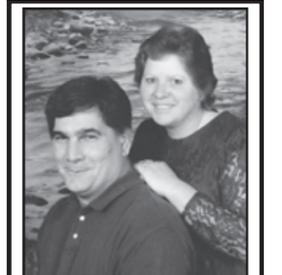
Britain's museums and palaces are using the anniversary to take a closer look at the man behind the image.

Many have mounted special exhibitions to mark the occasion. Venues include Windsor Castle, one of the homes of the current monarch, Elizabeth II, and the place where Henry is buried alongside his third wife, Jane Seymour, who bore him a son.

The British Library is showing off a large collection of Henry's books — many annotated by him — in an attempt to get inside the mind of the monarch. The National Archive is exhibiting original documents from Henry's reign, including a parchment roll recording his second wife Anne Boleyn's trial for high treason, with its lurid allegations of adultery and incest.

There's also a major television series hosted by historian David Starkey, who calls Henry "our most important single ruler."

Henry took the throne on April 21, 1509, as a svelte and athletic 17-year-old with a passion for jousting — not too far from the lithe, sexy figure portrayed by Jonathan Rhys Meyers in Showtime's popular TV series "The Tudors."



25th Anniversary

James and Susie Cantrell of Dalton are celebrating their 25th Anniversary today. They have four children; Amanda Cantrell of Cohutta, Ms. Michele Quintanilla of Dalton, Linda & Willie Cantrell of Dalton. They also have five grandchildren; Chris, Alyssa, Tina, Paige Quintanilla and little baby Sherry Cantrell.

Mr. Cantrell is the son of Charles & Pauline Cantrell of Dalton. Mrs. Cantrell is the daughter of Ricky & Gladys Silvers of Dalton and Barbara & Larry Davenport of Ellijay.

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COLUMBINE

Students strive 10 years after massacre

By **SANDY SHORE**
Associated Press Writer

LITTLETON, Colo. — The “boy in the window” — who fell bloodied and paralyzed into the arms of rescuers during the horrifying Columbine High shooting rampage — is doing just fine.

Now 27, Patrick Ireland has regained mobility with few lingering effects from gunshot wounds to his head and leg a decade ago. He is married and works in the financial services industry. His mantra: “I choose to be a

victor rather than a victim.”

Like Ireland, many survivors of the April 20, 1999, massacre have

Ireland

moved on to careers in education, medicine, ministry, retail.

But emotional scars still can trigger anxiety, nightmares and deeply etched recollections of gunfire, blood and bodies.

Some have written books; a few travel the world to share their experiences to help victims of violence.

“People have been able to have 10 years to reconcile what happened and see what fits in their life and who they are,” said Kristi Mohrbacher of Littleton, who fled Columbine as the gunfire erupted. “It’s kind of a part of who I am today. I think my priorities might be a little bit different if I hadn’t had that experience.”

Just after 11 a.m. on that day, Eric Harris, 18, and Dylan Klebold, 17, stormed the suburban school, killing 12 classmates and a teacher and wounding about two dozen. The massacre ended with the gunmen’s suicides not quite an hour later.

Sean Graves saw the pair loading weapons in a parking lot and thought they were preparing a senior prank with paintball guns.

Graves, Lance Kirklin and Daniel Rohrbough were walking toward them for a



AP PHOTO

In an April 20, 1999, file photo, police officers point weapons at a building as students take cover and flee the area outside Columbine High School in Littleton Colo., during a shooting rampage by two students. Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold killed 12 students and a teacher before taking their own lives in what remains the deadliest school attack in U.S. history.

better look when the gunmen opened fire, killing Rachel Scott and Rohrbough and critically wounding Anne Marie Hochhalter, Graves and Kirklin, among others.

In the second-floor library, Ireland was about to finish some homework when he heard pipe bombs exploding in the hallway. Debris fell from the ceiling and a teacher shouted for students to take cover.

Klebold and Harris strode in, shouted for students to stand up, laughing and ridiculing classmates as they sprayed bullets.

Ireland was under a table with Dan Steepleton and Makai Hall when they were shot in the knees. Ireland was shot twice in the head and once in a leg, and lost consciousness.

The killers shot out a library window. Graves, lying partially paralyzed on a sidewalk below, worried that they would return. He smeared blood from his neck wound on his face and the ground to make it appear he was dead.

Harris and Klebold killed 10 students in the library before they left to reload, which gave some survivors a chance to flee. Steepleton and Hall tried to pull Ireland but couldn’t move him far

before they fled for safety.

Shortly before noon, the gunmen returned to the library and committed suicide.

Ireland awoke some time later, his vision blurred. With fire alarms sounding and strobe lights flashing, the partially paralyzed teen began to push himself toward the bullet-shattered window.

Over the next three hours, he pulled his body along, lost and regained consciousness, then moved again through tables and chairs and past classmates’ bodies. He figures he traveled about 50 feet to the window.

“I thought how much easier it would be just to give up, stay there and let somebody come get you or whatever would happen to you,” Ireland said.

“But every time those thoughts came in my mind, I thought about all the people that I would be giving up on. ... It was really the friends and family I would be letting down that kept me going.”

Ireland pushed himself up to the window and got the attention of SWAT teams below. He doesn’t recall flopping over the sill and dropping into the arms of rescuers, the image that grabbed the attention of TV

viewers nationwide.

Graves, now 25, moved into a suburb near the mountains, where he recently purchased a home with his fiancée, Kara DeHart, 22. He walks with a limp and still feels pain but keeps a positive attitude. He plans to return to college to pursue a career in forensics science, a path that began to interest him after Columbine.

On Monday’s anniversary, Graves will go back to the spot where he was shot, smoke a cigar and leave another on the ground for Rohrbough, something he does every year.

With two children at Columbine, Ted Hochhalter watched the drama unfold on television while waiting in a Seattle airport for a flight back to Denver. He arrived to find his daughter, Anne Marie, paralyzed and in critical condition, and that his son Nathan had been trapped, but unhurt, in the science wing for four hours.

He took a leave of absence from his job as a government emergency management coordinator. Six months later his wife, Carla, who had a history of mental illness, walked into a pawn shop, picked up a gun and committed suicide.

Hochhalter believes the

aftermath of the shootings exacerbated his wife’s illness. “It got to a point where she made a choice,” he said.

He moved the family into the mountain community of Bailey and married Katherine Zocco, a massage therapist specializing in neuromuscular, spinal cord and brain injuries who worked with Anne Marie and other Columbine survivors.

Anne Marie, now 27, graduated from Columbine in 2000 and lives in a Denver suburb where she works as a retail store manager and a child advocate. Her father retired with a medical disability for post-traumatic stress disorder.

The elder Hochhalters are working with John-Michael and Ellen Keyes, whose daughter Emily was killed in a 2006 school shooting in Bailey, to get parents involved in school emergency management programs.

Patrick Ireland, the boy in the window, endured grueling therapy to regain the use of his legs, and he had to relearn how to read, write and talk.

With a control-your-destiny determination, he graduated as valedictorian from Columbine and magna cum laude from Colorado State University. Today, he is a field director for Northwestern Mutual Finance Network in the Denver area and has been married to Kacie for nearly four years.

Ireland recognizes he’ll long be remembered as the face of Columbine because of his dramatic rescue. He accepts it as a way to emphasize that Columbine should be another word for “hope and courage.”

And how does he want to be remembered?

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Columbine survivors: An update

By **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

An update on three survivors of the Columbine High attack on April 20, 1999:

Crystal Woodman Miller had gone to the Columbine library on her lunch hour to study for a test, when she heard popping sounds. The 16-year-old saw a friend holding her shoulder, blood soaking through her T-shirt. She crawled underneath a table, where Seth Houy wrapped his arms around her and said: “Crystal, I promise I would take a bullet for you.”

“The next seven and a half minutes ... felt like an eternity,” she recalled.

The gunmen killed 10 in the library, then left for more ammunition. Woodman Miller, Houy and Houy’s sister, Sara, ran for an exit.

“The days, weeks, months to follow were some of the darkest, most difficult days,” she said, recalling the funerals and the blanket media coverage.

Every night for two years, she had nightmares about violence, kidnapping, rape.

“I was afraid to close my eyes because I knew the nightmares were coming,” she said. To this day, she is careful about what she watches on television because the nightmares return occasionally.

Woodman Miller has spent much of

her life since traveling the world to talk with survivors of other shootings and do humanitarian relief work. She wrote a book, “Marked for Life,” and is working on a documentary about Columbine and survivors of violence.

“That common bond we share in suffering ... we understand each other like nobody else can,” she said.

She has been married for six years to Pete Miller, whom she met in college. They live in Edmond, Okla.



Kristi Mohrbacher and her classmates fled from a math class when fire alarms sounded, then watched the attack unfold on television at a nearby home. She saw her sister, Kim, leave the school. Her brother, Dan, was in one of the last classes to be rescued hours later.

“It was like a roller coaster ride” for the family, she said. “My mom, still to this day, she’ll tell you about how guilty she feels that she had three kids in the school and got all three back where parents had one child in the school and didn’t get their one child back.”

Mohrbacher said some former class-



Mohrbacher



Craig Scott was in the Columbine library, where he saw two friends killed by the gunmen. He joined students fleeing when the killers left for a short time, and helped a female student who had been shot. His sister, Rachel, was killed outside the school.

Scott, 26, is a public speaker for Rachel’s Challenge, a nonprofit foundation started by his father, Darrell Scott, that promotes kindness and compassion. It is based on his late sister’s life and diary entries.

“I’m doing well 10 years later,” Scott said. “It’s not just a tragedy but getting through the initial years after the shooting and ... coming out on the other side as a stronger person.”

“I know a few people that are still been negatively affected,” he said. “Most of my friends, I feel like, have dealt with it in their own way.”

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Poor economy stalls cities' rehabs

COMMERCE — Officials say the economic slowdown has dried up investments in historic restoration projects in downtown Commerce and Winder.

Barry Edgar, director of planning and zoning for Winder, says it's not that people don't want to invest in downtowns, they just don't want to invest anywhere right now. Winder's Old Granite Hotel, saved from demolition, is among the stalled projects.

In Commerce, one of the city's largest vacant buildings — a brick warehouse on State Street — has had no offers. Hasco Craver, director of the Commerce Downtown Development Authority, says no one has heard from the owner in months.

2 arrested in woman's slaying

SMYRNA — Smyrna police say two men have been arrested and charged in the fatal stabbing and robbery of 30-year-old Adrienne Young. One of the suspects is her former boyfriend.

Young's body was found April 11 in her car outside Mission at Galleria Apartments in Smyrna. Police say she was robbed of cash and two credit cards.

The suspects are identified as 36-year-old Freeman Matthews, who is the victim's ex-boyfriend, and 18-year-old Laroyce Garnto. Charges include armed robbery, battery, stalking and some lesser crimes.

The two men were captured Thursday after Smyrna police officers chased them into an apartment complex.

Woman slain in domestic attack

ROSWELL — Authorities say a Roswell woman is dead after a dispute with the father of her children who apparently rammed his car into the front of her home, struck her with a rock and held police off for hours before surrendering.

Roswell police spokesman Lt. James McGee says 37-year-old Calvin Meyers was charged in the attack Saturday on 40-year-old Minka R. Grogan. The initial charge was aggravated assault, but McGee says more charges are pending.

He says Meyers is the father of two of the Grogan's four children.

Meyers also chased a man in the Grogan home with a butcher knife. The man told police he was there to mow the lawn and was taking a shower.

He says he escaped by locking himself in the bathroom.

Memorial held for Georgia family

LITHONIA — Four family members killed on Easter Sunday in a multi-vehicle collision in south Fulton County were remembered at a memorial service.

At New Birth Missionary Baptist Church in Lithonia on Saturday, friends and family celebrated the victims' lives and mourned them.

Robert and Delisia Carter, as well as the couple's newborn son, Ethan Blake, and Delisia Carter's 9-year-old daughter, Kayla, died in the chain-reaction crash near Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

Police said 43-year-old Tracy Johnson of Atlanta survived the accident in another vehicle, but the impact killed her 6-year-old daughter, Morgan. Tracy Johnson is now listed in satisfactory condition at Grady Hospital.

Police are still searching for a BMW driver who fled the scene of the fatal crash and may face charges.

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Savannah stirred by Cyrus filming

BY LESLEY CONN
Savannah Morning News

SAVANNAH — Malik Berry has no doubt in his mind — Miley Cyrus will help make him famous.

Malik, an 11-year-old fifth-grader from Islands Elementary School, has called his aunt in Atlanta to see what she knows about auditions there.

He also picked up the telephone to contact the Savannah Morning News, inquiring what more the newspaper staff knew about auditions, the name of the hotel where Miley was staying and what flight she'd be on. (For the record, we can't help with hotel and flight information.)

Malik, however, is under-terred.

"I sing and I dance," Malik explained.

When asked how long he'd be willing to wait if open auditions take place in Savannah, he said firmly: "Until I get called."

Even, he said, if it takes days.

Malik isn't the only one with visions of Hollywood.

The Savannah Tourism and Film Services Office is getting lots of inquiries about auditions for "The Last Song," the film starring Miley Cyrus set to begin



AP PHOTO/THE RACHAEL RAY SHOW, DAVID M. RUSSELL

In this image released by "The Rachael Ray Show," host Rachael Ray talks with performer Miley Cyrus, right, during a recent taping in New York. Cyrus will be filming her new movie "The Last Song" in Savannah in June.

filming in Savannah in mid-June.

Within the week, a production office for the film should be open in Savannah, and movie officials also expect that within the week, casting agents in the region should be at work filling about six or eight minor roles.

The local production office and Savannah's film office won't have a role in

casting, said Jay Self, director of the city film office. They will pass along any head shots and resumes to Disney officials, but there are more direct routes.

Those trying for their big break might heed a few words of caution.

"When people get excited and get stars in their eyes, that's when scam artists come out of the woodwork," Self said. "Never, ever pay

anyone for taking your information.

"If legitimate casting people represent you, and if they get you work, they get a pre-agreed cut. None of the people involved in this are going to ask for any kind of payment."

Sindy Schneider, a talent representative with blocSouth in Atlanta, confirmed that feature film directors work through cast-

ing agencies that are certified and licensed.

Walt Disney Studios in California is handling casting for the major roles, but the smaller parts are being handled by Mackey/Sandrich Casting in Santa Monica, Calif., and blocSouth.

In the past, Self said, the film office has helped with casting smaller parts. But because "The Last Song" is scheduled to begin shooting here this summer, filling roles has to be handled quickly. Disney likely will do casting calls for extras in Savannah, but no details have been finalized, a Disney official in Los Angeles said.

If you pin your hopes on that, prepare for a long wait. When Disney scheduled an open casting call in April 2008 in Nashville for "Hannah Montana: The Movie," thousands of young fans waited in line for hours, according to The Tennessean. Some did get small parts.

Malik would be happy enough for a shot like that.

"He can't stop talking about it," his mother, Christina Berry, said of auditions. "He loves her. He watches her every day. He says he wants to become famous so he can take care of his momma."

To Your Good Health

Constipation defined with two criteria

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Is it important to have a bowel movement on a daily basis? A gastroenterologist told me that it is an old wives' tale that you must have a daily bowel movement. He said I should not take stool softeners or laxatives to initiate a movement; I should do it naturally, no matter how difficult that is. He said that not having a movement for days is not harmful to my system.

This does not sound correct. I appreciate your comments. — W.G.

ANSWER: It isn't necessary to have a daily bowel movement. Two criteria define constipation. One is stool frequency. Having fewer than three movements

a week is one defining factor. Having to strain to eliminate hard stool is the other defining factor, regardless of frequency. In bygone years, people believed that a daily movement was needed to remove poisons from the body. That theory has been laid to rest and should be allowed to rest in peace.

A gradual increase in the amount of fiber a person eats can prevent constipation. Those in the know tell us to get 25 to 35 grams of fiber a day. Vegetables and fruits are good fiber sources — beans, peas and raspberries, to mention a few. Whole grains are another fiber bonanza. Whole grains are grains that haven't been refined. They have their natural outer coat, bran. Bran is the fiber material. You can buy it at health-food stores if you can't find whole-grain foods. Increase water intake when you increase your fiber intake.

Psyllium and methylcellulose are commercial fiber sources that you can turn to if you can't get enough fiber from food. Metamucil is one

ASK THE DOCTOR

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

brand name for psyllium, and Citrucel is a brand name for methylcellulose.

You can make your own natural remedy by adding prunes and 1 or 2 tablespoons of flaxseed (another health-food-store item) to a cup of yogurt.

Stool softeners — Colace is an example — are safe. Even laxatives aren't scorned the way they used to be. Terrible consequences don't stem from their occasional use.

The booklet on constipation treats this national obsession in detail. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 504, Box 536475, Orlando, FL

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: It's reported that the best way to obtain vitamin D is through sunlight on skin. How much skin exposure, and for how long? When out for a walk or a bike ride, only the arms, legs and face are exposed. How long does it take to obtain the RDA for vitamin D? Can one get too much? — K.H.

ANSWER: Ultraviolet B rays, found in sunlight, convert a substance in the skin to a precursor of vitamin D, which is then turned into the actual vitamin by the kidneys and liver. During summer, only 15 minutes of sun exposure to the arms, legs and face, three times a week, provides the body with all the vitamin D it needs.

Older people are not as good at converting the skin

material into vitamin D as young people are. And everyone living in the North rarely gets enough skin-made vitamin D in the winter. Vitamin D can be obtained from milk fortified with it. Eight ounces has 100 IU, as does 8 ounces of fortified orange juice. Salmon, 3.5 ounces, provides 360 IU, and the same amount of tuna has 200 IU. Multivitamins usually have 400 to 500 IU in each capsule.

The daily requirement for people over 71 is 600 IU; for those from 51 to 70, 400 IU; for adults 50 and younger, 400 IU. Many experts believe the daily intake should be 800 to 1,000 IU. The daily upper safe limit is 2,000 IU.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Can vitamin D be gotten from sunshine passing through car-window and house-window glass? — N.H.

ANSWER: No. Window glass filters out ultraviolet B rays, the ones responsible for the conversion of a skin material into the vitamin.

Police to charge driver in fatal crash

HOUSTON (AP) — Police planned to charge a driver suspected of being intoxicated when he lost control of his car while using his cell phone, plunging the vehicle into a rain-filled ditch where five young passengers died, a spokesman said Sunday.

Charges of intoxication manslaughter were being prepared against Chanton Jenkins, 32, Houston police Kesa Smith said.

Smith said Jenkins failed a field sobriety test after the Saturday afternoon crash, which followed torrential rain storms. The results of a blood alcohol test were pending. Smith did not know if Jenkins had an attorney.

The bodies of three boys — ages 4, 7 and 11 — were found inside the vehicle. A body believed to be that of a 1-year-old girl was found Sunday, and a search was continuing for the body of a 3-year-old girl.

The car crashed into a tributary about two miles from the point where it feeds into Greens Bayou, a waterway that begins in northern Harris County and flows eastward and then south for about 40 miles before emptying into the Houston Ship Channel.

The driver and another adult escaped from the vehicle, along with a 10-year-old girl.

It took 2 1/2 hours to find the car in the ditch, which had

filled with 9 1/2 feet of fast-moving water, and it was close to midnight before the current had eased enough for a dive team to recover the boys' bodies and discover that the girls had been swept away, Smith said. Police said the vehicle was swept 100 feet from the spot where it left the road.



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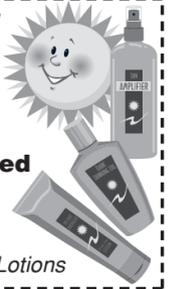
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Jerry John Howard

Mr. Jerry John Howard, 62, of Dalton, departed this life Saturday afternoon, April 18, 2009, at the local hospital.

Mr. Howard was born Dec. 28, 1946, in Whitfield County, a son of the late John Howard and Thelma Mathis Howard.

He is survived by Jean Blackman and family; son, Wayne Howard, daughter, Lynn Howard; brothers and sisters-in-law, Tony and

Kathy Howard, Randall and Debra Howard, Kenneth and Tracey Howard; sister and brother-in-law, Shirley and Donnie Cooper; special aunt, Ophia Byers; niece; Brenda Byers; seven grandchildren; several other nieces and nephews.

Graveside services are Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Harmony Grove Baptist Church Cemetery.

Thoughts and memories may be shared with the Howard family at www.pondersfuneralhome.com.

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Congress returns this week

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama wants Republicans to return to Congress this week from their spring recess with a more constructive attitude toward health care, energy and other administration initiatives. GOP lawmakers say they have ideas, just not the ones the president may want.

"When you're the party of no, when you're the party of never, when you're the party of no new ideas, that's not constructive," White House chief of staff Rahm Emanuel said Sunday. "The challenge will be, will the Republicans come to the table with constructive ideas?"

Emanuel predicted progress by congressional committees on changing the

health care system, particularly on proposals for controlling costs and providing incentives for healthy lifestyles. Obama will not consider proposals to tax employer benefits before those and other problems are addressed, Emanuel said, and perhaps not even then.

House Republican leader John Boehner of Ohio agreed that Democrats and Republicans want Americans to have access to high-quality, affordable health insurance and that lawmakers differ on how to reach that goal.

"We're working on a plan that preserves the doctor-patient relationship, rewards quality and rewards innovation," Boehner said. "We're not for a plan that puts the

government in charge of our health care, decides what doctors ought to be paid or what treatments ought to be prescribed."

On energy, Boehner said Republicans continue to favor the all-of-the-above strategy, including more nuclear energy and more domestic oil drilling, that they pushed last year.

Although the Environmental Protection Agency announced Friday that carbon dioxide and five other greenhouse gases pose a major health hazard, Boehner dismissed concerns about carbon dioxide as "almost comical." He questioned the role humans have played in climate change and what should be done about global warming.

"We don't want to raise taxes, \$1.5 to \$2 trillion like the administration is proposing, and we don't want to ship millions of American jobs overseas," he said. "And so we've got to find ways to work toward this solution to this problem without risking the future for our kids and grandkids."

Emanuel rejected Republican criticism that Obama's plan for a cap-and-trade system for carbon emissions amounts to a broad-based tax increase. He predicted that by the end of the first year of the new Congress the president would have an energy bill, though he would not say whether the cap-and-trade proposal would be part of it.

Diabetes?

Some beat it, but are they cured?

BY JAMIE STENGLE
Associated Press Writer

JoAnne Zoller Wagner's diagnosis as prediabetic wasn't enough to compel her to change her habits and lose 30 pounds. Not even with the knowledge her sister had died because of diabetes.

"I didn't have that sense of urgency," said the Pasadena, Md., woman.

But nine months later, doctors told Wagner her condition had worsened. She, too, now had Type 2 diabetes.

That scared her into action.

Now, two years later, the 55-year-old woman has slimmed down. She exercises regularly and her blood sugar levels are back in the healthy, normal range. Thanks to her success, she was able to avoid diabetes medication.

Diabetics like Wagner who manage to turn things around, getting their blood sugar under control — either escaping the need for drugs or improving enough to quit taking them — are drawing keen interest from the medical community.

This summer an American Diabetes Association task force will focus on this group of patients and whether they can be considered "cured." Among the points of interest:

■ What blood sugar range qualifies as a cure and how long would it have to be maintained?

■ How might blood pressure and cholesterol, both linked to diabetes, figure into the equation?

■ And what if a "cured" diabetic's blood sugar soars again?

"For right now, we're not saying they're cured, but the bottom line is ... good glucose control, less infections," said Sue McLaughlin, president of health care and education for the American Diabetes Association. The organization has no estimate of how many people fall into that category.

Being overweight is the leading risk for Type 2 diabetes. Genetics also plays a role, and blacks, Hispanics and American Indians are

at greater risk than whites.

Nearly 57 million Americans are prediabetic. Another 18 million have been diagnosed with diabetes, while the diabetes association estimates almost 6 million more Americans have diabetes and don't know it. About 90 to 95 percent of diabetics have Type 2, the kind linked to obesity.

The future is potentially even gloomier, with one study estimating that one of every three children born in the U.S. in 2000 will eventually develop diabetes.

But the news isn't all bad. Thirty minutes of daily exercise and a 5 to 10 percent loss in body weight can lower the odds of diabetes by nearly 60 percent and is more effective than medicine in delaying its onset, according to a diabetes prevention study.

Still, such lifestyle changes are often difficult. "It sounds like such a nonmedical recommendation, and yet it's the thing people say is the toughest to implement," said McLaughlin, the diabetes association official.

For Wagner, it meant changing not just her diet, but her lifestyle. A teacher, she now cooks most of her meals at home and avoids the sweets in the school lounge. She also tries not to stay late at work, using the extra time to exercise and make healthy meals.

Alice Stern describes a similar journey back to health since her diabetes diagnosis in 2007. The 50-year-old Boston woman was able to avoid diabetes drugs through diet and exercise, managing to trim 40 pounds off her 5-foot-2 frame.

"It is about willpower. That's how you make the changes," said Stern.

Even diabetics who have resorted to weight loss surgery have seen their blood sugar levels return to normal.

Lucy Cain, 61, of Dallas tried to control her diabetes through diet and exercise after she was diagnosed in 2004. But she found it difficult, and two years later had gastric bypass surgery. The 5-foot-7 Cain, who



AP PHOTO

Alice Stern displays a pair of size 18 pants as Lucy, her 2-year-old mini long-haired dachshund, plays with a toy in the living room of her home in the West Roxbury neighborhood of Boston. After being diagnosed in July of 2007 with Type 2 diabetes Stern made the lifestyle changes necessary to help her lose weight and lower her blood sugar.

once weighed over 300 pounds, is down to about 185, still losing weight and is off diabetes medication.

Whatever the route, weight loss is key, doctors say.

"There is no special diet. You've got to eat fewer calories than your body burns," said Dr. Robert Rizza, a Mayo Clinic endocrinologist and former president of the American Diabetes Association.

Many doctors stop short of calling these successful patients cured.

Dr. Philipp Scherer, director of the diabetes research center at University of Texas Southwestern, describes diabetes as a one-way road. He said it can be stopped in its tracks with diet and exercise, but there's no turning back.

Dr. Kevin Niswender, an assistant professor in the department of medicine at Vanderbilt Medical Center, said "technically, you could call somebody cured," but that patient still needs to be followed closely.

Doctors caution that, for some diabetics, lowering blood sugar may be only

temporary. Stress, weight gain and other factors can push it back to unhealthy levels.

"Blood sugars can come down to normal. Then the issue is how long does that last?" said Dr. Sue Kirkman, vice president of clinical affairs for the diabetes association. "Sometimes people start putting weight back on and their blood sugars come back up."

In other cases, patients are diagnosed so late that blood sugar levels can't be brought back to normal, even with weight loss, she said. As the disease progresses, even those who made diet and lifestyle changes might eventually have to go on medications.

That's one reason Wagner and some other diabetics who've managed their disease through diet and exercise are also reluctant to consider themselves "cured."

"American culture, our environment, is not conducive to having good health," said Wagner. She believes diabetes will always be lurking in the background, waiting for her to slip.

Too many cows, not enough demand spurs glut of milk

BY JIM DOWNING
Sacramento Bee

Drink up — milk prices are expected to stay low through summer as the dairy business struggles with a glut.

Milk is still selling for far less than it costs to produce. As production outpaces demand, analysts and farmers expect the market to stay weak for the next few months.

"We'll just be prepared for an ugly financial situation," said Case Van Steyn, who milks about 1,000 cows in the California.

The dairy sector is stuck with too many cows and not enough demand. And over the past couple of years rising feed prices increased costs.

Exports of dairy products are down by a third from last year, thanks to the bad global economy, a stronger dollar and foreign competitors.

Slumping sales in the restaurant sector — which, along with food service, accounts for 60 percent of the nation's cheese consumption — have hurt demand too, particularly for the mozzarella used on pizza.

With about \$7 billion in farm sales annually, California is the nation's largest dairy state. Behind Wisconsin, it is second in cheese output.

Supermarkets have hesitated to cut retail prices for many dairy products after wholesale prices collapsed in January. So today's low farm

prices aren't translating into a wave of consumer demand, said Joel Karlin, a commodities analyst at Western Milling in Goshen in Tulare County, Calif.

Dairy farmers have increased the rate at which they sell their animals to slaughter, but the move hasn't reduced the national herd of 9.2 million cows enough to cut supply appreciably. In hopes of trimming milk production more, a national dairy group is taking bids this month from farmers who want to sell off their herds, said Michael Marsh of Western United Dairymen.

That effort might eliminate as many as 200,000 more cows. But, based on the futures markets for dairy commodities, Karlin said, traders don't think the culling alone will be enough to boost prices.

The price farmers get for milk is expected to climb slightly in May, pushing up minimum retail prices.

"What would give the market an additional boost would be signs that demand for milk and dairy are starting to pick up — but that hasn't been the case," he said.

Still, some slices of the cheese industry are doing well, said Bill Schiek, an economist with the Dairy Institute of California, a processors group.

The cheddar business has been fairly strong thanks to demand from low-end buyers, who use a lot of that variety.

Town can't seem to decide what to call itself

WOODLAND PARK, N.J. (AP) — Would a New Jersey town by any other name smell as sweet?

West Paterson voters narrowly passed a referendum last November to change the Passaic County town's name to Woodland Park this year. But some supporters of the change claim borough officials are secretly supporting a grass-roots campaign for another referendum that could change the name back to West Paterson.

Among the reasons cited

by Woodland Park supporters is that many signs haven't been updated with the new name of the small community just west of New York City. They claim that's an endorsement by town officials of the Save West Paterson group.

Councilman Keith Kazmark says borough officials decided to gradually implement the name change to save money.

At least three other times residents rejected new names, including Garret Mountain in 2001.

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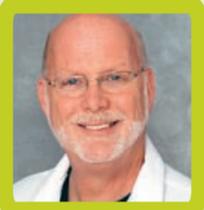
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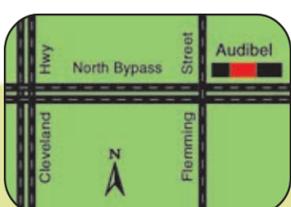
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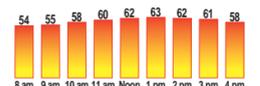
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Athens	70/46		
Atlanta	70/46		
Augusta	77/49		
Macon	76/48		
Dublin	77/46		
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Anchorage	48/31/s	52/31/s	48/32/pc	Macon	76/48/t	74/44/pc	76/49/s
Annapolis	57/50/r	67/44/t	60/39/pc	Marietta	68/43/t	65/40/pc	70/46/s
Baltimore	57/50/r	67/44/t	60/39/pc	Newton	78/49/t	73/49/pc	79/54/s
Birmingham	72/45/pc	78/47/s	79/44/s	Rome	68/45/c	69/38/pc	73/46/s
Boise	79/55/s	82/53/s	80/51/pc	Savannah	79/51/t	75/51/s	78/52/s
Buffalo	47/11/r	51/38/sh	47/34/c	Sparta	74/44/t	68/42/pc	74/48/s
Charlotte	73/47/t	66/38/pc	67/42/pc	Valdosta	79/52/t	76/50/pc	79/52/s
Cheyanne	62/39/pc	71/41/s	72/41/s				
Chicago	49/39/c	51/37/c	55/41/pc				
Cincinnati	57/41/r	50/37/c	55/40/pc				
Cleveland	55/43/r	52/36/sh	46/35/c				
Dallas	77/55/s	80/59/s	82/62/s				

National Weather for April 20, 2009

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Annapolis	57/50/r	67/44/t	60/39/pc	Indianapolis	52/40/r	52/37/c	59/42/pc
Baltimore	57/50/r	67/44/t	60/39/pc	Kansas City	64/42/pc	68/44/pc	73/55/s
Birmingham	72/45/pc	78/47/s	79/44/s	Las Vegas	92/62/s	92/66/s	93/67/s
Boise	79/55/s	82/53/s	80/51/pc	Los Angeles	95/56/s	96/58/s	77/57/s
Buffalo	47/11/r	51/38/sh	47/34/c	Los Angeles	95/56/s	96/58/s	77/57/s
Charlotte	73/47/t	66/38/pc	67/42/pc	Memphis	67/51/pc	70/50/pc	75/58/s
Cheyanne	62/39/pc	71/41/s	72/41/s	Miami	82/68/pc	85/67/t	82/71/s
Chicago	49/39/c	51/37/c	55/41/pc	Milwaukee	46/36/c	53/36/c	49/41/pc
Cincinnati	57/41/r	50/37/c	55/40/pc	Minneapolis	49/37/c	57/38/pc	63/48/s
Cleveland	55/43/r	52/36/sh	46/35/c	New Orleans	75/52/s	77/57/t	79/61/s
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NBA PLAYOFFS FIRST ROUND: HAWKS 90, HEAT 64, ATLANTA LEADS SERIES 1-0

That was too easy



AP PHOTO

Atlanta's Mike Bibby, right, and Miami's James Jones chase down a loose ball during the first quarter of a first-round playoff game on Sunday at Phillips Arena in Atlanta. Bibby, whose acquisition at last season's trade deadline gave Atlanta its first true point guard in years, ran the offense masterfully.

Defense key to big victory

BY PAUL NEWBERRY

Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA — This is why the Atlanta Hawks wanted to start the playoffs at home.

With Josh Smith delivering one rim-shaking dunk after another and plenty of teammates chipping in, the Hawks made Miami look like a one-man team, running Dwyane Wade and the Heat ragged for a 90-64 blowout in Game 1 of their Eastern Conference playoff series Sunday night.

Wade scored 19 points — 11 below his NBA-leading average — and only one other Miami player even reached double figures as the Hawks tied a franchise record for fewest points allowed in a playoff game.

Wade spent much of the night on his backside or complaining to the referees, his frustration growing as the Hawks turned the opener to the best-of-seven series into a laughter before halftime.

Game 2 is Wednesday night in Atlanta.

Miami was held to its fewest points of the season — its previous low was 68 — and the Hawks tied the mark they set against the Charlotte Hornets in a 1998 playoff victory.

Smith scored 23 points and every other Atlanta starter also was in double figures. Wade made just 8 of 21 shots, and Michael Beasley added 10 points on a night in which the Heat showed their youth, shooting just 37 percent and managing seven points in the final period.

Wade may have been the best player on the court, but the Hawks clearly had the best team. Smith led the way, firing everyone up with three thunderous dunks during a decisive second quarter in which the Hawks outscored the Heat 35-18 to build a 59-39 lead at halftime.

Miami rookie coach Erik Spoelstra got a rough initiation to the playoff game. He called three timeouts during the second quarter in a futile attempt to slow the Hawks, but all that seemed to do was give them a little extra rest so they could keep on running.

Mike Bibby, whose acquisition at last season's trade deadline gave Atlanta its first true point guard in years, ran the offense masterfully beyond just throwing up passes for the highlight shows. He dished out nine assists to go along with 10 points.

Smith had a double-double, also grabbing 10 rebounds.

PRO BASEBALL



AP PHOTO

Atlanta's David Ross celebrates as he rounds third after a three-run homerun by Martin Prado on Sunday.

Braves win, avoid sweep

BY ALAN ROBINSON

Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH — The regulars are returning from injuries and ailments, so maybe their Atlanta Braves backups figured it's time to take advantage of the swings they're getting.

Martin Prado and David Ross hit three-run homers to support Javier Vazquez's six shutout innings and the Braves finally found their missing offense, beating Pittsburgh 11-1 on Sunday to end a five-game losing streak.

The Braves hadn't scored in 22 innings and the Pirates hadn't allowed a run in 21 innings, a pair of streaks that ended when Jeff Francoeur's two-run single keyed a three-run first inning against Zach Duke (2-1). Atlanta kept piling on the hits and runs, finishing with seven extra-base hits among its 15 hits.

"I always felt like that was one of the things I was better at, getting a timely hit, getting a big hit for the team and hopefully I can get back to that," said Francoeur, who drove

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COMMENTARY: REGION 7-4A BOYS TRACK MEET



MIATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen

Dalton's Ahmed Farag (left) and Northwest Whitfield's Cameron Griffin compete in the Northwest Invitational in Tunnel Hill on March 7. They are two of the region's better hurdlers.

Cats look to 4-peat, NW and MC in mix

The Region 7-4A boys track and field meet begins Friday at Dalton, and with the region expanding from seven to 15 teams this season,

Catamounts coach Scott Thompson knows it will be difficult for his team to win its fourth consecutive region title.

Not only is Dalton playing without a talented 2008 senior class that accounted for 75 points in last year's meet, but

the competition from schools new to 7-4A such as Sequoyah and Hillgrove makes the goal of a four-peat that much harder to

attain.

"We have a hard road to hoe to win it again," Thompson said. "Looking at the times and distances of some of these kids in the region, it's going to be difficult."

Still, there are plenty of bright spots in Dalton's lineup. Chas Thomason has the best mark in the high jump of anyone in the region at 6 feet, 6 inches. And Thompson expects Ahmed Farag (110 and 300 meter hurdle), Andrew Bruner (800, 1600) and the 4x400 and 4x100 relay teams to be in the mix for qualification to the state meet.

And Thompson said he's got a solid group of No. 2's in Preston Pound (3200), Johnathon Fletcher (100, 200), Trae Washington (long jump) and Cody Patterson (discus)

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AUTO RACING: NASCAR SPRINT CUP

Martin savors victory lane return

BY JENNA FRYER

Associated Press Writer

AVONDALE, Ariz. — One by one the visitors filed into Victory Lane, eager to pay their respects to Mark Martin.

Jimmie Johnson pushed past a throng of fans to get there, while NASCAR president Mike Helton weaved through the grandstands and across the track. Tony Stewart set aside his disappointment from finishing second to make his visit, and Jack Roush stopped by with heartfelt happiness.

Race fans annually vote Dale Earnhardt Jr. as NASCAR's most popular driver, but after Martin's win Saturday night at Phoenix International Raceway, it was obvious the honor truly belongs to the beloved veteran.

"There's nobody that dislikes Mark," said second-place finisher Stewart. "Mark has taught us all a lot about what it takes to be not only a good driver in this series, but a good competitor and somebody that everybody respects."

In 27 years of NASCAR racing,

Martin has touched too many competitors to count.

He never viewed a raw young driver as potential competition, and instead offered his counsel about on-track etiquette, finishing races, handling a race car and balancing the job demands. Time and time again, drivers admit that when in a precarious position, they often attack it with a "what would Mark Martin do?"

"He taught you a lot while you were running those races," Stewart said. "And when you had a good day against Mark, and when you did things right and you watched him and learned from him, that just accelerated the learning curve."

Martin's reach stretches well beyond the race track. A fitness fanatic who obsessively monitors his diet, he's managed to coax

almost everyone around him to take better care of their bodies.

When he joined Hendrick Motorsports this season, he talked team owner Rick Hendrick into a fitness routine that helped him shed 20 pounds. Even Dale Earnhardt Jr. has traded in Tostitos for tuna salad on crackers, and has added a workout routine to his weekly schedule.

"My dad bought me a book called 'Strength Training' by Mark Martin when I was a kid, and I was like 'Man, this guy is built like a brick,'" said third-place finisher Kurt Busch, a former teammate of Martin's when they both drove for Roush.

"The guy has been at the top of his game for 30 years in this sport, it's unbelievable to watch. If I'm halfway as competitive as he is when I'm in my 50s, that would be an accomplishment."

At 50 years, three months and nine days, Martin became the

> Please see **MARTIN, 2B**

LOCAL GOLF: DGCC SPRING SHOOT OUT

Clarks take 1st in championship flight

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The team of Mike Clark and Jason Clark headed into Sunday's second round of the Dalton Golf and Country Club's 2009 Spring Shoot Out trailing round one leaders Dwight Hefner and Duane McMullen, who shot a 60 on Saturday, by four strokes.

But with a strong performance on Sunday, the Clarks shaved five strokes off their previous score to shoot a 59 and win

the championship flight by one stroke.

The Clarks, whose two-day score was a 123, started the day in third place but leapfrogged Hefner and McMullen (second place, 124) and David Noll and Todd Nelson (third, 125).

The first flight ended in a three-way tie at 127 between Eric Jensen-Jim Gordon, Bob Spahn-Bill Magee and Adam Phillips-Greg Phillips.

Roger Mitchell and Steve

McMullen ran away with the second flight, shooting a 129 to best the next best score of 135, a score shared with William Edwards-Mike Souther, Mac Carson-Ken Byrd and Byron Holder-Bruce Rominger.

The third flight also had a convincing winner in Preston Poag and Jay Poag, who shot a 133. Howard Padgett-Clint Padgett, Buddy Barrett-Cecil Carpenter and Ken Jones-Dixon White tied for second with a 140.

PRO BASEBALL: MLB ROUDUP

Ibanez powers Phils to win

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA — Raul Ibanez hit a two-run homer in the ninth inning to give the Philadelphia Phillies a 5-4 victory over the San Diego Padres on Sunday.

Ryan Howard started Philadelphia's winning rally with a leadoff single against Edwin Moreno (0-1), who was in because closer Heath Bell had worked three consecutive days. Ibanez followed by hitting a 2-0 pitch into the right-field stands.

Slumping shortstop Jimmy Rollins connected for a pinch-hit solo drive in the eighth for Philadelphia, which ended a three-game skid.

Clay Condrey (2-0) picked up the win working one inning in relief.

■ **Giants 2, Diamondbacks 0:** In San Francisco, Randy Johnson took a no-hitter into the seventh inning against his former team, leading the Giants to the win.

Johnson, who allowed one hit in seven innings, was perfect through four. He faced the minimum through six and stranded Augie Ojeda at third after the shortstop doubled to open the seventh.

The 45-year-old Johnson (1-2) got his 296th career win in his first start against the Diamondbacks, who he spent eight seasons with. Bob Howry pitched the eighth and Brian Wilson got the last three outs for his second save.

Max Scherzer (0-1) struck out six in five innings for Arizona, yielding one run and three hits with four walks.

■ **Dodgers 14, Rockies 2:** In Los Angeles, Matt Kemp hit a grand slam and



AP PHOTO

Philadelphia's Raul Ibanez hits a two-run homer in the ninth inning of Sunday's game in Philadelphia.

a solo homer to help the Dodgers pick up their eighth straight win.

Andre Ethier and Orlando Hudson each drove in three runs for Los Angeles, which has won its first six home games for the first time since the 1947 Brooklyn Dodgers started out 8-0 at Ebbets Field in Jackie Robinson's rookie year.

Scott Elbert (1-0) allowed two runs and three hits in 2 2-3 innings for Los Angeles, including seventh-inning homers by Brad Hawpe and Chris Iannetta.

Ubaldo Jimenez (1-2) was tagged for seven runs and seven hits in 4 1-3 innings for Colorado.

■ **Nationals 7, Marlins 4:** In Washington, Cody Ross hit the tying homer in the eighth inning, then hit a three-run double in the ninth to give the Marlins their seventh straight victory.

■ **Reds 4, Astros 2:** In Houston, pitcher Micah Owings hit a pinch-hit, two-run double to lead the Reds. Owings, who won the

2007 NL Silver Slugger award for pitchers, is 2-for-3 as a pinch hitter this season. Geoff Geary (0-1) set up the tiebreaking hit with a throwing error that allowed Jerry Hairston Jr. to score before Owings came to the plate.

Edinson Volquez (2-1) struck out seven in six innings for Cincinnati, yielding one run and four hits with five walks. Francisco Cordero pitched the ninth for his fourth save in four tries.

In his first major league game since Sept. 30, 2007, Felipe Paulino pitched six scoreless innings for the Astros.

■ **Brewers 4, Mets 2:** In New York, Mike Cameron homered against his former team and Todd Coffey escaped a pair of late jams during an eight-out save, helping the Brewers avoid the sweep.

American League

■ **Red Sox 2, Orioles 1:** In Boston, Jon Lester pitched seven shutout innings to return to his winning form in Fenway Park, leading Boston to victory

over Baltimore.

■ **Yankees 7, Indians 3:** In New York, pinch-hitter Jorge Posada's drive to right in the seventh inning was ruled a two-run homer by video replay, as the Yankees spoiled former teammate Carl Pavano's return.

■ **Rangers 6, Royals 5:** In Arlington, Texas, Michael Young hit a leadoff homer in the ninth inning to help Texas rally for the victory.

■ **Tigers 8, Mariners 2:** In Seattle, Rick Porcello shut down Seattle for seven innings in just his second major league start, retiring his final 14 batters, and Ramon Santiago had a career-high five RBIs.

■ **Blue Jays 1, Oakland 0:** In Toronto, Ricky Romero pitched seven sharp innings, striking out a career-high six and allowing only four hits for the Blue Jays.

■ **Twins 3, Angels 1:** In Minneapolis, Glen Perkins pitched through pain in the seventh and scattered four hits over eight innings, guiding the Twins to a three-game sweep of the spitting Angels.

■ **White Sox 12, Rays 2:** In St. Petersburg, Fla., Gavin Floyd took a shutout into the seventh inning, and Carlos Quentin and Jim Thome hit back-to-back homers to lead the White Sox.

Floyd (2-1) allowed two runs, coming on Ben Zobrist's homer in the seventh, and six hits in seven innings. Quentin hit his seventh homer of the season — a two-run shot — and Thome followed with his 544th career home run in the eighth inning off Dan Wheeler.

Braves: Ross huge

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in three runs. "We needed something like that to give us some momentum."

Third baseman Chipper Jones returned after missing four games with a bruised thumb and second baseman Yunel Escobar, who strained an abdominal muscle on Thursday, is due back Monday in Washington. With catcher Brian McCann also out with blurry vision in his left eye, the Braves' lineup was becoming depleted.

"You can do without one person in the lineup, but when you get two or three people out, it starts getting tough and you start pressing to score runs," Francoeur said. "You can't do that, not in this game." Left fielder Garret Anderson was pulled in the fourth with quadriceps tightness, but the Braves are encouraged that they're finally getting close to putting the lineup on the field they envisioned.

Prado, filling in for Escobar, connected in the fourth to make it 6-0 and Ross, starting for McCann, went deep during a four-run seventh against Craig Hansen. Prado and Ross each homered for the first time this season.

"We got our offense rolling a little bit," manager Bobby Cox said.

Atlanta had only 10 hits combined while losing the first two games of the three-game series, 3-0 Friday and 10-0 Saturday, and hadn't scored since the fifth inning of a 6-2 loss to Florida on Thursday. Before breaking out against Duke and three relievers, the Braves had been outscored 34-7 during their losing streak and were in danger of being swept in successive three-game series by Florida and Pittsburgh.

"Obviously, it's important — you never want to get swept and we weren't playing as well the last few games," Vazquez said.

Vazquez (1-1) permitted 10 earned runs in 12 innings over two starts against the Pirates the previous two seasons, but he didn't need all the offense he received Sunday. He struck out eight, gave up five hits and walked one, throwing 71 of 98 pitches for strikes in his first win for Atlanta.

He has 20 strikeouts in 12 innings over his last two starts, 12 during a 5-1 loss to Florida on Tuesday.

"I've been impressed with him every single game," Cox said. "He gets a lot of strikeouts, he's around the plate, he throws a lot of strikes."

Maybe Duke, who turned 26, should ask not to pitch again on his birthday. Duke, coming off a four-hit shutout against Houston on Monday, gave up 12 hits and six runs in six innings to raise his ERA from 0.59 to 2.59. Duke lost 7-5 to Milwaukee two years ago on his birthday.

"The command wasn't there. My fastball wasn't sharp, and my breaking ball wasn't breaking," Duke said.

Manager John Russell said he liked what Duke was throwing, but he said, "He couldn't get it where he wanted it to go."

All the Braves' runs scored with two outs, including the three they got in the first after Prado doubled with one out but was trapped off second on Jones' hard-hit ball to shortstop. Anderson doubled, Francoeur singled and Casey Kotchman added an RBI single.

Francoeur hit a run-scoring double in the seventh ahead of Ross' homer, which gave the catcher his first three RBIs this season.

Martin: Wanted to retire after 2005

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third-oldest winner in NASCAR history with Saturday night's victory. He broke a 97-race winless streak dating back to Kansas in 2005, and solidified what everyone inside NASCAR already knew: The guy is still at the top of his game.

It's what has made walking away from the sport so hard for Martin, who has tried, and failed, to ease his way into retirement.

He wanted 2005 to be his last season, but replacing him turned into a complicated mess and Roush coaxed him into another year. He still longed for a break the next year, but didn't want to completely walk away.

Roush didn't have a partial ride to offer, but he found a limited schedule that would work for him

with new team owner Bobby Ginn.

How good was the new arrangement? Martin nearly won the season-opening Daytona 500, then stepped out of the car a month later as planned for a two-race break.

While leading the points.

His sabbatical was mind-boggling to the many people who wondered why the man considered the greatest driver to never win a Cup championship would walk away from an apparent shot at that elusive title.

Martin said Saturday night he's never regretted that decision.

"I have a reputation going of being a flip-flop, and I have flip-flopped on some things. But I didn't flip flop on that, and I'm glad that I did what I did," he said. "It was my commitment to myself and to

my family, and it's what I needed to do. And I wouldn't have been a happy person had I gone forward. I needed that.

"That's changed me, and I believe that everyone that knows me has seen a difference in me. I needed to do what I did."

He skipped 24 races the past two seasons, and those weekends off re-energized Martin and renewed his commitment to racing. Then Hendrick came along, dangling in front of him a full season in the No. 5 car. Everyone knows the opportunity included another shot at a title — he's finished second in the championship race four times — but Martin insists he never looked at the job offer with dreams of hoisting the Sprint Cup title.

To him, Hendrick offered nothing more than a chance to make his way

back to Victory Lane.

"I'll give it hell, but that's not why I took this ride," he said. "I took this ride to drive a fast race car, and maybe get a chance to win a race."

After a rough start to the season — two mechanical failures and a blown tire dropped him to 34th in the points — Martin has moved within striking distance of the Chase for the championship. He gained five positions Saturday night and is now 13th in the standings, just nine points out of the final Chase qualifying spot.

Martin didn't want to hear about it.

"I'm not going to wreck a good time by worrying about a championship or points," he said. "I'm having a ball. Just let me have fun. Let me enjoy this. This is the opportunity of a lifetime, you know, and that's where I am on that."

Krohn: A NW 1-2 finish in pole vault?

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that, if they step up, could help the Cats make a serious push at this year's region meet.

One of the teams that will be standing in Dalton's way is area rival Northwest Whitfield. The Bruins have just about every key athlete returning from last year's team save Nate Woodason.

"Yeah, but all he did was win a state championship and become the state record holder," joked Northwest coach Jason Jackson, downplaying the significance of losing his pole vaulter, who set the state record in last year's state meet by clearing 15 feet.

Despite losing Woodason, the Bruins are still expected to compete for a 1-2 finish in the pole vault for a second straight year. At last year's region meet, Jake Bridges finished second behind Woodason. This year, Bridges and Nate's younger brother Luke will try to repeat last year's accomplishment.

"I think we've got a chance to do just as good as last year in the pole vault," Jackson said.

Other Bruins expected to compete for a spot in the state meet are Cameron Griffin (110, 300 hurdles), Zac Baker (shot put), A.J. Meyer (800, 3200) and Dean Haynes (triple jump, 200).

Jackson also said to look out for No. 2s Keonce Lovelace (100, 400) and Jordan Jones (800), a freshman whom Jackson calls "a tough kid that wants to win."

Though, as is the case in most seasons, inclement weather led to the cancellation of a lot of regular season meets, the Dalton Rotary Invitational earlier this month served as a point of reference for how the region meet should play out. The Rotary Invite featured 16 schools and some top-notch competition from schools such as Parkview, McEachern and Martin Luther King.

Of the five 7-4A schools

at the Rotary Invite, the Bruins finished the highest at third place overall, behind Carrollton (6-3A) and winner Parkview (8-5A). Dalton finished eighth and Murray County, who brought just a handful of competitors, finished 13th.

"That meet was a real good measuring stick," Jackson said. "That has been one of the best meets in the state for awhile now. Good folks come to that meet."

And although Murray County doesn't quite possess the depth the other two area 7-4A schools do, they have Josh Stanley, who has a chance at qualifying for state in the 800 and the 3200.

Stanley, a past state qualifier in cross country, has centered his training this season around the 800, an event his coach, Sam Young, said he's naturally excelled in.

"He will be competitive," Young said. "He's been posting some good times, but he still needs to

get under two minutes, because the best times in the region are at that mark."

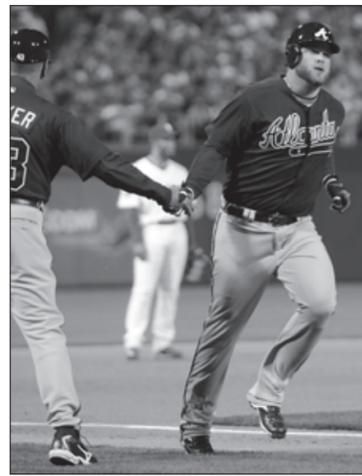
Stanley's best time this season is 2:01. He took first place in the event at both the Northwest Invitational and the Dalton Rotary Invite.

Others expected to provide a boost for the Indians are Rafael Pacheco (1600), Trey Miller (100, 4x100 relay) and Cody Howard (100, 200 and 4x100 relay).

Most of Friday's events will serve as preliminaries, except the triple jump, high jump and shot put, as well as the 3200 and 1600, which will make up Day 1's state qualifiers. The remaining events finals will take place on Monday.

"You've gotta have your athletes make it to Monday," Thompson said. "That's the key for any team."

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AP PHOTO

Blurry eye for Mac

BY ALAN ROBINSON

Associated Press Writer
PITTSBURGH

Atlanta Braves catcher Brian McCann was out of the lineup Sunday in Pittsburgh due to blurriness in his left eye, but is hoping that a different type of treatment will allow him to avoid additional surgery.

McCann had laser surgery to improve his vision following the 2007 season, and he had no problems last year. This season, he began experiencing blurry vision and dryness in the left eye during the Braves' first night game and the problem hasn't gone away.

McCann has tried different medications and eye drops, but said he won't know how much the latest treatment has helped until the Braves play Monday night in Washington.

"Day games, I'm still seeing a little blurry, but it's not like it is at nighttime," McCann said Sunday. "When I close my left eye I see fine, but when I close my right eye, things are blurry."

If the eye drops don't help, McCann might need an operation that could keep him out one to two weeks. Dryness in the eye is a side

effect that has been reported by other patients who have had laser eye surgery.

"You rule out all the possibilities before you go, and getting Lasik again is a last case (scenario)," McCann said. "Who knows, it could clear up tomorrow, but at the same time it might not. It could be as early as tomorrow, or it could be as late as I don't know."

McCann, an NL All-Star the last three seasons, hit .301 with 23 homers and 87 RBIs last season. This season, he is hitting .200 with two homers and seven RBIs and has one hit in his last 20 at-bats, going 0-for-3 Saturday against the Pirates.

Because McCann is slumping, manager Bobby Cox said he wouldn't have started Sunday in Pittsburgh even if he had been healthy. David Ross filled in and hit a three-run homer during Atlanta's 11-1 victory.

"We hope he gets it resolved with these new drops. He's been trying all kinds of drops to get it calmed down," Cox said. "But we weren't going to play him anyhow because he's been struggling with the bat."

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SCOREBOARD

LOCAL

Prep Schedule

Monday
Varsity baseball
 Polk County at Christian Heritage, 5
 Northwest Whitfield at Cass, 5:55
 Woodland at Dalton, 5:55
 Sequoyah at Murray County, 5:55

Varsity golf
 Dalton, Murray County, Northwest Whitfield at Region 7-4A boys tournament at Stonebridge Golf Club, Rome
 Southeast at Region 6-3A boys tournament at Oak Mountain GC, Carrollton, 9 a.m.
 Holy Spirit Prep vs. Christian Heritage, Indian Trace, 4

Varsity softball
 Signal Mountain (Tenn.) at Christian Heritage, 4:30

Varsity tennis
 GISA state individual tourney, Tifton

Middle school tennis
 Spalding vs. Christian Heritage at DGCC, 4:15

Tuesday
Varsity baseball
 Christian Heritage at LaGrange Academy, 4
 Northwest Whitfield at Murray County, TBD
 Southeast at Ridgeland, 5:30

Varsity golf
 Dalton, Murray County, Northwest Whitfield at Region 7-4A girls tournament at Indian Trace, 8 a.m.

Varsity soccer
 LaGrange Academy girls at Christian Heritage, 4
 King's Ridge Christian boys at Christian Heritage, 5:45

Varsity tennis
 GISA state individual tourney, Tifton

Varsity track and field
 Southeast at Dalton, 4

JV baseball
 Northwest Whitfield at Murray County, TBD

Middle school baseball
 Dalton at Hunter, 4:30
 Silverdale vs. Christian Heritage at Lakeshore Park, 5:30

Middle school JV baseball
 Dalton at Hunter (after varsity game)

Wednesday
Varsity baseball
 Dalton at Northwest Whitfield, 5:55
 Rome at Murray County, 5:55

Varsity soccer
GHSAA Class 4A girls state playoffs
 Dalton at Heritage-Rockdale, 5:30

GHSAA Class 4A boys state playoffs
 Loganville at Dalton, 6:30

Middle school baseball
 Bagley at Dalton, 4:30

Middle school JV baseball
 Bagley at Dalton (after varsity game)

Thursday
Varsity golf
 Christian Heritage boys at Kings Ridge, Alpharetta, 4

Varsity softball
 Covenant Christian at Christian Heritage (DH), 4:30

Varsity track and field
 Sub-region 6A-3A boys meet at LFO, 4

Middle school baseball
 St. Jude vs. Christian Heritage at Lakeshore Park, 5:30

Friday
Varsity baseball
 Arlington Christian at Christian Heritage, 5
 East Ridge, Tenn. at Southeast, 5:30
 Sequoyah at Northwest Whitfield, 5:55
 Rome at Dalton, 5:55
 Murray at Cass, 5:55

Varsity soccer
 The Heritage School at Christian Heritage, 4

GHSAA Class 3A boys state playoffs
 Dunwoody at Southeast, 7

Varsity track and field
 Region 7-4A boys meet at Dalton, 4:30

JV baseball
 Rome at Dalton, 8

Middle school softball

Christian Heritage at Belvoir Christian (DH), 4:30
Middle school tennis
 Christian Heritage at Grace, 4:15

Saturday
Middle school baseball
 Dalton at McCallie tournament

TELEVISION

On Today

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
 7 p.m.
 ESPN — Oakland at N.Y. Yankees

NBA BASKETBALL
 7 p.m.
 TNT — Playoffs, first round, Game 2, Chicago at Boston

9:30 p.m.
 TNT — Playoffs, first round, Game 2, Dallas at San Antonio

NHL HOCKEY
 7 p.m.
 VERSUS — Playoffs, Eastern Conference quarterfinals, Game 3, Washington at N.Y. Rangers

9:30 p.m.
 VERSUS — Playoffs, Western Conference quarterfinals, Game 3, Chicago at Calgary

PHILADELPHIA 6, Pittsburgh 3, Pittsburgh leads series 2-1
 Vancouver at St. Louis, late
 New Jersey at Carolina, late
 Anaheim at San Jose, late

Monday
 Boston at Montreal, 7 p.m.
 Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
 Chicago at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.

PRO HOCKEY

NHL Playoffs

First Round (Best-of-7)

Sunday

Philadelphia 6, Pittsburgh 3, Pittsburgh leads series 2-1
 Vancouver at St. Louis, late
 New Jersey at Carolina, late
 Anaheim at San Jose, late

PRO BASKETBALL

NBA Playoffs

First Round (Best-of-7)

Saturday, April 18

Chicago 105, Boston 103, OT, Chicago leads series 1-0
 Cleveland 102, Detroit 84, Cleveland leads series 1-0
 Dallas 105, San Antonio 97, Dallas leads series 1-0
 Houston 108, Portland 81, Houston leads series 1-0

Sunday, April 19
 L.A. Lakers 113, Utah 100, L.A. Lakers lead series 1-0
 Philadelphia 100, Orlando 98, Philadelphia leads series 1-0
 Miami at Atlanta, see 1B
 New Orleans at Denver, late

Monday, April 20
 Chicago at Boston, 7 p.m.
 Dallas at San Antonio, 9:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 21
 Detroit at Cleveland, 8 p.m.
 Houston at Portland, 10 p.m.
 Utah at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22
 Philadelphia at Orlando, 7 p.m.
 Miami at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
 New Orleans at Denver, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 23
 Boston at Chicago, 8 p.m.
 San Antonio at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
 L.A. Lakers at Utah, 10:30 p.m.

Friday, April 24
 Cleveland at Detroit, 7 p.m.
 Orlando at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
 Portland at Houston, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 25
 Denver at New Orleans, 1 p.m.

San Antonio at Dallas, 4 p.m.
 Atlanta at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
 L.A. Lakers at Utah, 9 p.m.

Sunday, April 26
 Boston at Chicago, 1 p.m.
 Cleveland at Detroit, 3:30 p.m.
 Orlando at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
 Portland at Houston, 9 p.m.

Monday, April 27
 Atlanta at Miami, TBA
 Denver at New Orleans, TBA
 Utah at L.A. Lakers, TBA, if necessary Tuesday, April 28
 Philadelphia at Orlando, TBA, if necessary
 Chicago at Boston, TBA, if necessary
 Boston at Portland, TBA, if necessary
 Houston at Portland, TBA, if necessary

Wednesday, April 29
 Miami at Atlanta, TBA, if necessary
 Detroit at Cleveland, TBA, if necessary
 New Orleans at Denver, TBA, if necessary

Thursday, April 30
 Orlando at Philadelphia, TBA, if necessary
 Boston at Chicago, TBA, if necessary
 Portland at Houston, TBA, if necessary
 L.A. Lakers at Utah, TBA, if necessary

Friday, May 1
 Cleveland at Detroit, TBA, if necessary
 Atlanta at Miami, TBA, if necessary
 San Antonio at Dallas, TBA, if necessary
 Denver at New Orleans, TBA, if necessary

Saturday, May 2
 Philadelphia at Orlando, TBA, if necessary
 Chicago at Boston, TBA, if necessary
 Houston at Portland, TBA, if necessary
 Utah at L.A. Lakers, TBA, if necessary

Sunday, May 3
 Miami at Atlanta, TBA, if necessary
 Detroit at Cleveland, TBA, if necessary
 Dallas at San Antonio, TBA, if necessary
 New Orleans at Denver, TBA, if necessary

PRO BASEBALL

AL Glance

East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Toronto	10	4	.714	—
New York	7	6	.538	2 1/2
Baltimore	6	6	.500	3
Boston	6	6	.500	3
Tampa Bay	5	8	.385	4 1/2

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	7	5	.583	—
Detroit	7	5	.583	—
Kansas City	7	5	.583	—
Minnesota	7	7	.500	1
Cleveland	4	9	.308	3 1/2

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	8	5	.615	—
Oakland	5	7	.417	2 1/2
Texas	5	7	.417	2 1/2
Los Angeles	4	8	.333	3 1/2

Saturday's Scores

Toronto 4, Oakland 2, 12 innings
 Cleveland 22, N.Y. Yankees 4
 Chicago White Sox 8, Tampa Bay 3
 Boston 6, Baltimore 4
 Minnesota 9, L.A. Angels 2
 Kansas City 2, Texas 0
 Detroit 2, Seattle 0

Sunday's Scores
 N.Y. Yankees 7, Cleveland 3
 Toronto 1, Oakland 0
 Boston 2, Baltimore 1
 Chicago White Sox 12, Tampa Bay 2
 Minnesota 3, L.A. Angels 1
 Texas 6, Kansas City 5
 Detroit 8, Seattle 2

Today's Games
 Baltimore (Hendrickson 1-1) at Boston (Masterson 0-0), 11:05 a.m.
 Oakland (Eveland 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 1-0), 7:05 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
 Kansas City at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
 Oakland at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
 Chicago White Sox at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
 Texas at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
 Minnesota at Boston, 7:10 p.m.
 Detroit at L.A. Angels, 10:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

NL Glance

East Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Florida	11	1	.917	—
Atlanta	6	6	.500	5
New York	6	6	.500	5
Philadelphia	5	6	.455	5 1/2
Washington	1	10	.091	9 1/2

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	7	4	.636	—
St. Louis	8	5	.615	—
Cincinnati	6	5	.545	1
Pittsburgh	6	6	.500	1 1/2
Houston	4	8	.333	3 1/2
Milwaukee	4	8	.333	3 1/2

West Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	10	3	.769	—
San Diego	9	4	.692	1
Colorado	4	7	.364	5
Arizona	4	8	.333	5 1/2
San Francisco	4	8	.333	5 1/2

Saturday's Scores

Pittsburgh 10, Atlanta 0
 Florida 9, Washington 6, 11 innings
 N.Y. Mets 1, Milwaukee 0
 L.A. Dodgers 9, Colorado 5
 Chicago Cubs 7, St. Louis 5, 11 innings
 Arizona 2, San Francisco 0
 San Diego 8, Philadelphia 5
 Houston 7, Cincinnati 0

Sunday's Scores
 Milwaukee 4, N.Y. Mets 2
 Florida 7, Washington 4
 Philadelphia 5, San Diego 4
 Atlanta 11, Pittsburgh 1
 Cincinnati 4, Houston 2
 San Francisco 2, Arizona 0
 L.A. Dodgers 14, Colorado 2
 St. Louis at Chicago, p.p.d., rain

Today's Games
 Atlanta (D.Lowe 1-0) at Washington (Zimmermann 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
 Florida (A.Miller 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Ohlendorf 0-2), 7:05 p.m.
 San Diego (Correia 0-1) at Philadelphia (Moyer 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
 Cincinnati (Arroyo 2-0) at Houston (Hampton 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
 Colorado (Marquez 2-0) at Arizona (Garland 1-1), 9:40 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
 Florida at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
 Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
 Atlanta at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
 Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, 8:05 p.m.
 L.A. Dodgers at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
 N.Y. Mets at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.
 Colorado at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
 San Diego at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m./9:40 p.m.

GOLF

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Sunday
At Harbour Town Golf Links
Hilton Head, S.C.
Purse: \$5.7 million
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Final Round
 Brian Gay 67-66-67-64 — 264 -20
 Luke Donald 73-70-65-66 — 274 -10
 Briny Baird 69-72-65-68 — 274 -10
 Lee Janzen 65-70-69-71 — 275 -9
 Todd Hamilton 68-66-71-70 — 275 -9
 Jose Maria Olazabal 68-71-70-67 — 276 -8
 Tim Wilkinson 71-67-65-73 — 276 -8
 Rory Sabbatini 70-68-73-66 — 277 -7
 Matt Weibring 70-70-69-68 — 277 -7
 Tim Petrovic 68-70-69-70 — 277 -7
 Paul Casey 73-70-69-66 — 278 -6
 Woody Austin 70-73-66-69 — 278 -6
 Tommy Armour III 70-68-74-67 — 279 -5
 Boo Weekley 69-72-70-68 — 279 -5
 Dean Wilson 69-74-68-68 — 279 -5
 Steve Marino 71-73-67-68 — 279 -5
 Spencer Levin 72-72-66-69 — 279 -5
 Bo Van Pelt 73-70-66-70 — 279 -5
 Bob Estes 68-71-69-71 — 279 -5

Alex Cejka	64-71-72-72	—	279	-5
Scott Verplank	72-66-73-69	—	280	-4
Aaron Baddeley	75-68-67-70	—	280	-4
Jeff Maggert	68-75-66-71	—	280	-4
Tom Lehman	70-69-68-73	—	280	-4
Davis Love III	70-67-69-74	—	280	-4
Ben Crane	73-69-71-68	—	281	-3
Lucas Glover	74-68-70-69	—	281	-3
Jason Dufner	70-73-69-69	—	281	-3
Ken Duke	69-70-71-71	—	281	-3
Mathew Goggin	73-70-72-67	—	282	-2
Greg Owen	69-70-75-68	—	282	-2
Chris Couch	73-69-70-70	—	282	-2
Vaughn Taylor	71-72-69-70	—	282	-2
Trevor Immelman	66-74-71-71	—	282	-2
Nick O'Hern	67-71-72-72	—	282	-2
Greg Owen	69-71-74-69	—	282	-2
Bill Lunde	73-69-72-69	—	283	-1
George McNeill	71-71-71-70	—	283	-1
Charles Howell III	69-74-70-70	—	283	-1
Camilo Villegas	70-72-71-70	—	283	-1
Fredrik Jacobson	76-68-69-70	—	283	-1
Nicholas Thompson	73-71-69-70	—	283	-1
Steve Lower	73-71-68-71	—	283	-1
Jeev M. Singh	71-69-71-72	—	283	-1
Zach Johnson	70-71-70-72	—	283	-1
Tim Clark	72-70-69-72	—	283	-1
Joe Durant	73-71-71-69	—	284	E
Matt Kuchar	71-70-73-70	—	284	E
Greg Kretz	72-72-69-71	—	284	E
Ernie Els	68-71-73-72	—	284	E
Nathan Green	70-71-70-73	—	284	E
Peter Lonard	72-71-68-73	—	284	E
Justin Leonard	70-73-67-74	—	284	E
Jose Cocheers	74-67-67-76	—	284	E

Outback Pro-Am

Sunday
AT TPC Tampa Bay
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Purse: \$1.7 million
Yardage: 6,828; Par: 72

Final
 Nick Price 66-67-71 — 204 -9
 Larry Nelson 65-71-70 — 206 -7
 Loren Roberts 71-69-67 — 207 -6
 Lonnie Nielsen 68-69-70 — 207 -6
 Hal Sutton 74-64-69 — 207 -6
 Jay Haas 68-68-72 — 208 -5
 Mike McCullough 67-69-73 — 209 -4
 Jim Thorpe 71-71-68 — 210 -3
 Mark O'Meara 73-68-69 — 210 -3
 John Cook 69-72-69 — 210 -3
 Bruce Fleisher 69-72-69 — 210 -3
 Larry Mize 69-71-70 — 210 -3
 Bernhard Langer 70-72-69 — 211 -2
 Tom Wargo 70-70-71 — 211 -2
 David Eger 69-71-71 — 211 -2
 Scott Hoch 70-73-69 — 212 -1
 Gene Jones 72-72-68 — 212 -1
 Fuzzy Zoelle 70-72-70 — 212 -1
 Joey Sindelar 72-70-70 — 212 -1
 Mark McNulty 67-72-73 — 212 -1
 Andy Bean 71-72-70 — 213 E
 Mike Goodes 71-73-69 — 213 E
 Dan Forsman 73-70-70 — 213 E
 Craig Stadler 76-69-68 — 213 E
 Jeff Sluman 72-70-71 — 213 E
 Bobby Wadkins 71-70-72 — 213 E
 Des Smyth 72-69-72 — 213 E

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Sprint Cup

Fresh Fit 500 Results
Saturday
At Phoenix International Raceway
Avondale, Ariz.
Lap length: 1.0 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (1) Mark Martin, Chevrolet, 312 laps, 145.6 rating, 195 points, \$232,150.
 2. (6) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 312, 121, 175, \$183,223.
 3. (3) Kurt Busch, Dodge, 312, 124.7, 170, \$145,375.
 4. (10) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 312, 104.5, 165, \$167,711.
 5. (13) Greg Biffle, Ford, 312, 106.6, 155, \$122,400.
 6. (12) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 312, 98.7, 150, \$107,975.
 7. (26) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 312, 96.9, 146, \$124,690.

8. (8) David Reutimann, Toyota, 312, 107.8, 147, \$109,723.
 9. (35) Sam Hornish Jr., Dodge, 312, 72.7, 138, \$106,860.
 10. (11) Carl Edwards, Ford, 312, 90.5, 134, \$127,756.
 11. (28) Jamie McMurray, Ford, 312, 82.8, 130, \$87,600.
 12. (36) Reed Sorenson, Dodge, 312, 71, 127, \$115,001.
 13. (21) Casey Kahne, Dodge, 312, 84.5, 124, \$117,381.
 14. (29) Marcos Ambrose, Toyota, 312, 76, 121, \$89,423.
 15. (16) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 312, 85.8, 118, \$117,381.
 16. (30) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 312, 78.3, 120, \$110,529.
 17. (2) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 312, 101.5, 112, \$117,023.
 18. (19) David Stremme, Dodge, 311, 67.8, 109, \$105,115.
 19. (5) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 311, 90.1, 111, \$100,298.
 20. (38) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 311, 57.7, 103, \$87,900.
 21. (31) Joey Logano, Toyota, 311, 50.7, 100, \$116,851.
 22. (14) David Ragan, Ford, 311, 67.9, 97, \$79,450.
 23. (7) Paul Menard, Ford, 311, 59.5, 94, \$102,581.
 24. (20) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 311, 75.4, 91, \$105,548.
 25. (4) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 311, 92.9, 88, \$108,801.
 26. (24) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 311, 54.8, 85, \$70,525.
 27. (17) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 311, 61.4, 82, \$113,440.
 28. (9) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 311, 68, 79, \$67,075.
 29. (42) Bobby Labonte, Ford, 311, 44.2, 81, \$97,679.
 30. (33) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 311, 47.2, 73, \$107,653.
 31. (15) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 310, 71.2, 75, \$94,660.
 32. (40) Elliott Sadler, Dodge, 310, 39.1, 67, \$77,475.
 33. (27) David Gilliland, Chevrolet, 310, 47.1, 64, \$67,300.
 34. (18) Scott Speed, Toyota, 310, 45.61, \$80,798.
 35. (25) AJ Allmendinger, Dodge, 309, 44.7, 58, \$66,100.
 36. (37) Scott Riggs, Toyota, 307, 34.6, 55, \$66,950.
 37. (32) Michael Waltrip, Toyota, 307, 33.3, 57, \$73,825.
 38. (41) John Andretti, Chevrolet, 307, 28.6, 49, \$73,675.
 39. (23) Robby Gordon, Toyota, 243, 54.4, 46, \$84,310.
 40. (39) Sterling Marlin, Dodge, accident, 117, 29.9, 43, \$65,400.
 41. (22) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, rear axle, 76, 28.6, 40, \$65,250.
 42. (34) Dave Blaney, Toyota, brakes, 59, 31, 37, \$65,125.
 43. (43) Tony Raines, Dodge, brakes, 56, 24, 34, \$65,496.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 108.042 mph.
 Time of Race: 2 hours

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ACROSS 36 Churlish types 38 Pit of your stomach 9 Bat wood 12 Beer cousin 13 Representative 14 Falsehood 15 Willa Cather work 17 Tribute in verse 18 Mel of Coopers-town 19 Christmas tree shimmer 21 Rose or carnation 24 Fit of peevishness 25 Mouth part 26 Groove on 28 Spread outward 31 Surrounded by 33 — de deux 35 Rational

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Saturday's answer 4-20

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BRIDGE

Famous hand

This deal occurred in the 1996 World Olympiad Women's Teams at Rhodes, Greece, in the match between Denmark and China. It features excellent play by Denmark's Bettina Kalkerup, who brought in a grand slam that seemed destined to fail due to a 5-1 trump split.

West led the king of diamonds against Kalkerup's seven-club contract. Given West's pre-emptive diamond bid, declarer feared that she would be done in immediately by East's ruffing the opening lead. But when East followed to the play of the ace, Kalkerup had at least a fighting chance, and she made the most of it.

She began by leading dummy's nine of clubs and letting it ride after East followed low. Next came a spade to the ace, and the club ace then revealed the 5-1 trump break. It now seemed declarer would have to lose a trump trick to East's jack, but Kalkerup proved otherwise by orchestrating a trump coup.

She began by cashing the spade king and then played the A-K-Q of hearts, discarding the eight of diamonds. She then ruffed dummy's fourth heart to bring about this position with four tricks remaining:

North dealer. North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ Q 10 9 2
♥ A K Q 2
♦ A 5 3 2
♣ 9

WEST
♠ 7 5
♥ J 10 9 8
♦ K Q 10 7 6 4
♣ 8

EAST
♠ J 6 4 3
♥ 6 5 4
♦ 9
♣ J 7 5 4 2

SOUTH
♠ A K 8
♥ 7 3
♦ J 8
♣ A K Q 10 6 3

The bidding:
North 1♥ Pass South 2♣ West 3♦
East Dble Pass 4♣ Pass
4♥ Pass 4NT Pass
5♦ Pass 5NT Pass
6♦ Pass 7♣

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

Kalkerup now led a spade to dummy's queen, and it was all over. With the lead in dummy and declarer holding the K-Q-10 of clubs over East's J-7-5, East's "sure" trump trick went up in smoke.

Making the grand slam yielded a 17-IMP gain for the Danish team.

Tomorrow: The making of a safety play.

CRYPTOQUIP

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Saturday's Cryptoquip: EVER SINCE THE FALCON BUILT A LOFTIER MOUNTAIN NEST, I SUPPOSE IT'S BEEN LIVING THE HIGH LIFE.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: T equals I

HOROSCOPE

Happy Birthday: You can offer your services but don't let anyone take advantage of you. Any uncertainty regarding what you are trying to accomplish should be a warning signal to avoid taking on responsibilities that will tie up too much of your time. Don't worry about changing your mind or your direction mid-stream. Look out for your own interests. Your numbers are 5, 14, 19, 23, 31, 34, 42

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The more emphasis you put on your work and getting along with colleagues or others, the easier it will be to put emotional matters behind you. Work on what you can change instead of lamenting over something over which you have no control. 3 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't get all wound up because someone is trying to pull something over on you. Go to the source and you will get the facts and figures you need to make the right choice. A move may be necessary. 3 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Go after your dreams and focus on the things you feel passionately about. You will discover how powerful and effective you can be. You will have the wisdom and wherewithal to face any opposition. Play by the rules. 3 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Give and take will be essential if you want to make progress. Don't avoid the truth or believe what you hear from someone trying to convince you to try something new. Find out the facts before you get involved. 4 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Try not to disagree with anyone who can influence your personal or professional life. Maintain a position that allows you to change your mind or your direction at the last minute, if necessary. A love connection appears to be taking on a different flavor. 2 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): If you are honest and straightforward about your needs as well as what you have to offer, you can make a deal that will work wonders for you. Don't let a jealous peer stand in your way. Don't get involved in rumors or gossip. 5 stars



Eugenia Last

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can make a financial deal that will help you with property, domestic changes or a contract. An innovative way of dealing with peers, friends or children will help you bring others around to thinking your way. 5 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Keep on top of what everyone around you is saying and doing. Someone is not being forthcoming with you about his or her directions. Make a few personal changes that will disguise what you plan to do in the future. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can trick most of the people you talk to but, when it comes to the ones who know you well, you may face a rude awakening. Don't play with fire or you will get burned. You mustn't use emotional tactics in business. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't let love screw you up when you have so much on your plate and the ability to get ahead professionally, financially and domestically. Make your plans and stick to them. In the end, everyone will realize you have made the right choices. 5 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Arguments will not bring about a solution or resolution. Be honest with yourself as well as others if you want to come up with a workable idea. Protect your assets and your loved ones. 2 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A challenge can turn into something very lucrative. Put your heart into something you enjoy doing. A professional gain can be the start of greater recognition, but get your facts straight. 4 stars

'DH' cast bids Sheridan adieu

BY MICHAEL CIDONI
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — For the cast and crew of "Desperate Housewives," it was a Saturday afternoon of warm hellos and bittersweet goodbyes, as they greeted an auditorium filled with cheering fans but also bid adieu to one of the show's leading original cast members.

Nicollette Sheridan, who plays Wisteria Lane's saucy "Edie," made her final appearance as a series regular on the episode that aired Sunday.

Co-star Teri Hatcher, whose sweet "Susan" was often at odds with Edie, got misty-eyed when recalling the filming of Sheridan's final episode.

"I made a scrapbook as my sort of parting gift, and it reminded me of how great those two characters were together," she said.

Excepting Sheridan, most of the "Housewives" principals participated in a panel discussion on the show as part of the two-week PaleyFest, an annual festival celebrating television held by The Paley Center for Media.

Sheridan's relationship with "Housewives" creator Marc Cherry has been described by some as contentious. Sheridan was recently quoted in "TV Guide" as saying she felt "Housewives" writers were unjustly ignoring Edie.

But cast mates Saturday said Sheridan's last days on the set were amiable and professional.

"Her attitude made them completely bearable," noted



AP PHOTO

The cast and creator of "Desperate Housewives" arrive at The Paley Center for Media's Paleyfest '09 in Los Angeles Saturday. From left are Teri Hatcher, Eva Longoria, Marc Cherry, Dana Delaney, and Brenda Strong

actor James Denton, whose plumber "Mike" was the longtime object of Edie's affections. "It could have been tough and sad, but she was so great.

Denton noted that Sheridan made a point to thank the show's writers and cast, who were gathered at the table-read of the script for the first episode that she will not be in.

"She said, 'While you're all together, I'm here to say thank you for everything. You guys are great. You guys are awesome,'" Denton related. "She walked out of the room and Felicity (Huffman) looked at me and said, 'classy,' and it sure was."

Veteran character actor Kathryn Joosten, a two-time

Emmy winner for her portrayal of nosey neighbor "Mrs. McCluskey," said she would miss Sheridan.

"She was my playmate. We got to throw barbs at each other," Joosten said. "I won't have anybody to fight with."

Brenda Strong (narrator "Mary Alice") said she would miss Sheridan for personal reasons.

"There's a huge space in my heart for Nicollette, because she absolutely adores my son, and is so generous with him. I'm honored to have her in my life," Strong said.

Actor Neal McDonough (villain "Dave Williams") said that he would miss Sheridan probably more than

anyone, although he's only been on the show for one season.

"Nic was like my sister," he said. "She was so close to my wife and my kids, and we had so many scenes together this year. That last scene we did was really tough, really emotional."

Hatcher said she thought that Sheridan seemed ready to leave to show.

"I think that character will be missed on the show, and I don't believe that character is replaceable," Hatcher said. "But I do believe there are some kind of arenas, like a neighborhood, where, as great as they are, people can come and go, and there can be something new and exciting that you didn't expect."

Efron's turns '17 Again' a No. 1 hit with \$24M

BY DAVID GERMAIN
AP Movie Writer

LOS ANGELES — Zac Efron has taken the box-office crown from his Disney teammate Miley Cyrus.

Efron's comedy "17 Again," in which he plays the youthful version of a middle-aged man magically transformed to high school age, debuted as the top weekend movie with \$24.1 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The No. 1 opening for the Warner Bros. movie solidifies the big-screen potential for Efron, who rose to fame with Disney's "High School Musical" series.

"There's no question that Zac's a star," said Dan Fellman, head of distribution for Warner Bros. "He's such a hardworking, talented individual. He certainly has given his all to promote this movie."

Universal had the No. 2 movie with Russell Crowe and Ben Affleck's Washington thriller "State of Play," which pulled in \$14.1 million. Crowe plays a reporter investigating a series of deaths linked to an old college friend (Affleck) who's now a rising star in Congress.

Cyrus' "Hannah Montana: The Movie" slipped from first place to fourth with \$12.7 million. That lifted the domestic total for Cyrus' movie spinoff of her Disney Channel show to

\$56.1 million after 10 days in theaters.

"Hannah Montana" finished just behind DreamWorks Animation's "Monsters vs. Aliens," which took in \$12.9 million to raise its domestic haul to \$162.7 million. Estimates for "Hannah Montana" and "Monsters vs. Aliens" were close enough that the movies could switch rankings when final numbers are reported Monday.

Jason Statham had a so-so opening for his action sequel "Crank: High Voltage," which came in at No. 6 with \$6.5 million, \$4 million less than the first weekend for the 2006 original.

The Lionsgate sequel features Statham in a race to recover his heart, which has been stolen by organ thieves and replaced with a mechanical one.

Hollywood maintained a record box-office pace with just one weekend to go before the busy summer season arrives May 1 with "X-Men Origins: Wolverine," Hugh Jackman's spinoff of the blockbuster "X-Men" franchise.

Overall revenues were at \$112 million, up nearly 20 percent from the same weekend last year, according to box-office tracker Media By Numbers.

The movie business is poised to top \$10 billion at the box office for the first time in 2009, said Paul Dergarabedian, president of Media By Numbers.

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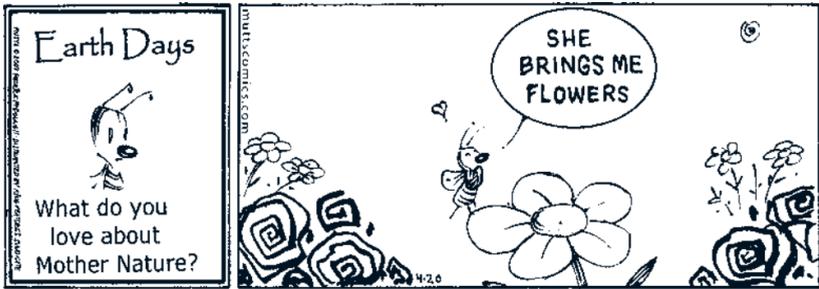
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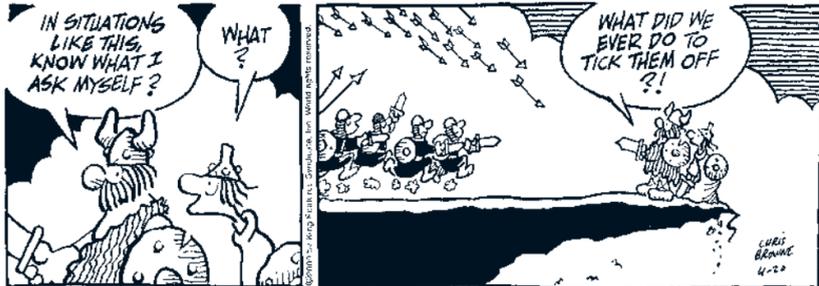
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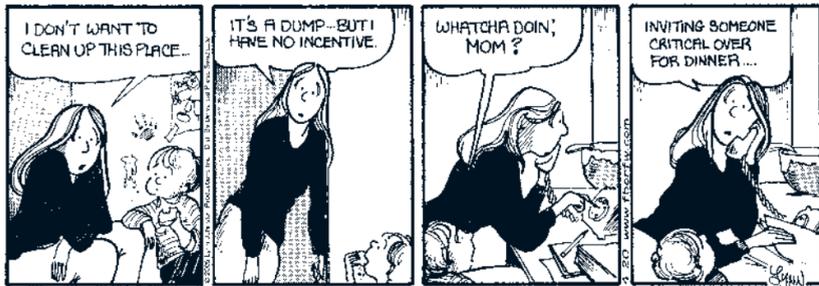
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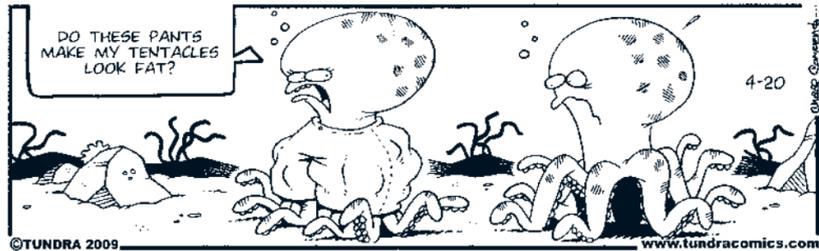
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DEAR ABBY

Security door safeguards woman working out alone

DEAR ABBY: I was the only person working out in the gym at my apartment complex the other evening when a man, presumably another resident, came to the front door. To enter, you must swipe your access card on the keypad.

He apparently did not have his access card with him and sat outside the door waiting for me to let him in. Because I was working on a cardio machine and trying to maintain my heart rate, I didn't want to interrupt my workout to open the door. He eventually tired of waiting and left.

Should I have stopped and let the person in the door? Or should he have gone back to get his access card? — CARDIO CARRIE IN GEORGIA



Jeanne Phillips

dating/engaged to a wonderful man for almost a year. He was recently deployed for a 14-month tour of duty in Iraq with the Marine Corps.

We planned to be married in August while he is home on R&R, but a few days ago he asked that we postpone the wedding until next February when he is stateside for good.

He was gung-ho about our nuptials until a few days ago, when he requested that we wait. I'm confused because all he talked about was getting married and now it's a sore subject. — MARINE'S GIRL

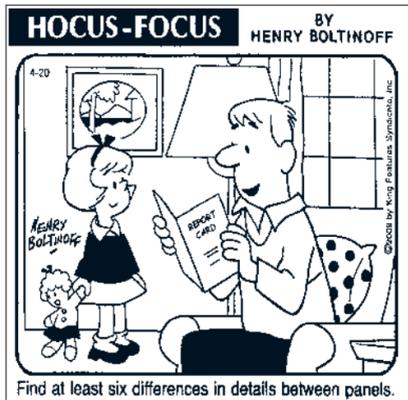
DEAR MARINE'S GIRL: Having never met or spoken to your fiancé, I can't explain what is going on in his head. However, active duty in a war zone is extremely stressful, and his change of attitude may be related to that.

It takes a strong woman to be married to a man in the military, so be patient, stay positive and let him know that you'll be there when he comes home. Do not pressure him for answers right now. Continue to be as supportive as you can. When he returns in August, you two can have a heart-to-heart talk about why he wanted to slow things down.

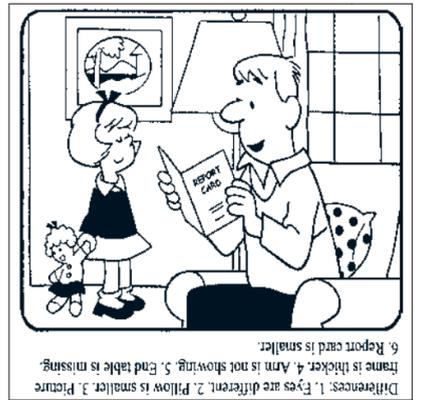
DEAR CARRIE: While it would have been nice of you to let the man in, it could also have been dangerous because you were alone and the person was a stranger. The security door was put there for a reason, and I find it interesting that the man did not go after his entry card and return. The fact that he didn't suggests that he may not have been a resident as you assumed, and you may have dodged a bullet.

DEAR ABBY: I have been

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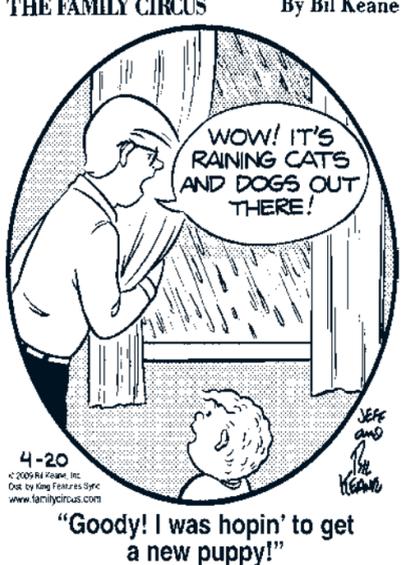
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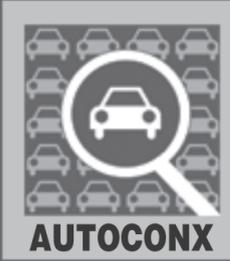
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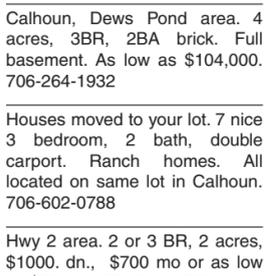
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