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Kate Walker looks through one of the coupon books with Veronica French at the Downtown Dalton Development Authority Wednesday.

## Supporting troop families

### DDDA sponsors coupon books for National Guard family members

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Members of Dalton's Georgia National Guard unit are on the way to Afghanistan this week, and downtown businesses are rallying around the Charlie Troop families who are left behind.

Under the auspices of the Downtown Dalton Development Authority, merchants have put together a coupon book that will offer more than \$200 worth of discounts and deals solely for the family members of the troops who are deployed — at no cost.

"It was an idea we came up with while we were coordinating the (local) sendoff (in March)," said DDDA marketing director Veronica French, referring to former DDDA director Sarah Harrison, veteran Rick Brown and herself. "We were trying to think of a way to support the families while the troops were gone."

The idea grew to include 28 downtown businesses including restaurants, beauty salons and barber shops, a fitness club, coffee shops, a shoe repair, jewelry store,

a comic book store, picture frame shop and vacuum cleaner store.

"A discount and a good deal are always nice, but what it really means is that we have the support of the community behind us," said Kate Walker, whose husband Darrell is Charlie Troop's first sergeant, or top enlisted man. She leads the local Family Readiness Group for military spouses, children and parents.

Asked how quickly she will use the coupon book — which she will distribute to 50 families — she said, "Probably this weekend."

Brown has helped organize

support for the unit in the last year. He hopes the coupon book will be the beginning of a sustained effort.

"We want this (effort) to escalate," he said. "We've got to let these guys know we've got their backs while they're away."

The coupon books have an ending date of April 30, 2010, the day Charlie Troop is scheduled to return home. The unit is a reconnaissance, surveillance and target acquisition outfit that is part of the U.S. Army's 108th Cavalry. Its civilian-oriented mission will include training Afghan police officers.

### Keeping up with Charlie Troop

Dalton and Whitfield County businesses and individuals are being encouraged to remember the local Georgia National Guard unit — Charlie Troop — during its deployment to Afghanistan.

"We'd like to ask everyone to display yellow ribbons and/or the (U.S.) flag on their storefronts or signs or at their homes," said Rick Brown, who is helping organize a support effort.

Brown said a Web site (www.taskforcecharlie.org) will help citizens get "plugged in" to troop support events, how to use prayer cards put together by local churches and access "news from the front" that can be shared.

The Family Readiness Group Web site (www.charlietroopfrg.com) is more military family specific, with information about monthly meetings and classes available to families on car maintenance, personal finance, home security and the emotional cycles that wives, children and mothers go through. The classes will be taught by local business owners and other professionals proficient in those fields.

## Officials look into merging city, county fire departments

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Committee members studying the possibility of merging the city of Dalton and Whitfield County fire departments will meet with the two chiefs on Monday to glean more information about the move.

The meeting with city fire chief Bruce Satterfield and county fire chief Carl Collins will be another step in the process of combining the departments, which began earlier this year.

"The two chiefs asked for some time to kind of get their numbers together and pull the information together," said Mike Babb, chairman of the county board of commissioners.

To cut costs, the city and county have already combined road departments, are currently putting their building departments together and plan to consolidate their recreation departments. Dalton Mayor David Pennington said the moves aim to "provide the highest quality service to as many people as you possibly can at an efficient price."

Babb said consolidating the fire departments is complicated because of the different pay rates and retirement programs. Another decision that must be made is whether one group takes over fire services or one department contracts with the other, he said.

"It's those kinds of questions that need to be worked out, thought about," Babb said.

The city's fire department budget for 2009 is \$6.97 million,

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## Perdue boosts pay for math, science teachers

BY SHANNON McCAFFREY  
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA — Georgia is sweetening the pot to lure badly needed math and science teachers to its classrooms.

Gov. Sonny Perdue on Wednesday signed a bill to boost salaries for secondary school teachers with proper math or science certification. The pay hike would begin next year.

The state faces a "critical shortage" of the specialized teachers, Perdue said. In the 2007-2008 academic year, Georgia colleges turned out 2,000 early childhood teachers but only one to teach physics, nine in chemistry and 140 in math.

The bill Perdue signed on Wednesday would allow new math and science teachers to start at the salary of a fifth year teacher. That's an increase of about \$4,561, to \$37,985 a year, according to the state salary schedule. The teacher's salary would then continue to rise a step every year for five years. After that, the increase would be tied to student performance.

The new law focuses on high schools but would also reward elementary school teachers who increase their competency in math and science by handing them a \$1,000 annual bonus if they earn an endorsement from the Professional Standards Commission.

The incentives will cost about \$9.9 million a year. None of that money is included in the current budget, which carries a huge deficit due to plunging state tax collections. It will need to be in the fiscal year 2011 budget that Perdue will unveil next January.

Perdue signed the bill at the state Capitol surrounded by students who competed in a robot creation competition last weekend. One small robot delivered the bill to the governor to sign.

In 2008, 14.3 percent of all Georgia math teachers were not fully certified, according to the Georgia Professional Standards Commission. Another 18.6 percent of physical science teachers and 16.2 percent of life sciences teachers lacked full certification, the commission said.

The shortfall in Georgia mirrors what education officials say is a national trend.

State education officials said school districts have been scrambling to staff math and science classrooms, especially advanced high school classes. Some districts have used teachers with provisional certification. Others have created partnerships with local colleges.

A rising number of students are taking advanced math and science classes through Georgia Virtual Schools, which offers classes online.

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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.**

"If Americans are willing to use torture on prisoners, how do we separate ourselves from our enemies? America should set the example for the world, not stoop to the level of terrorists."

"Let's stop reporting and writing on Columbine. It's just causing copycat children to think about it. Let's leave that alone for awhile."

"I confess. I am a white supremacist because I will continue to defend and uphold the Constitution of the U.S. against all enemies, foreign and domestic. I am also a possible terrorist because I am a military veteran. All this per the Department of Homeland Security."

"Commissioner Ridley is the fairest commissioner we have had since the last Ridley in office. I think we have forgotten about the crooks that we have had in the past."

"I remember the U.S. Cafe. My husband took me there when on leave from the Army in the 1940s."

"Someone needs to patrol the bridge at Cleveland Highway and the North Bypass between 5 and 6 in the afternoon. Cars are crossing double yellow lines and solid white lines to get in the turn lane. They're also doing U-turns on the bridge."

"The reason for burn laws is people cut the big branches and put them down to be burned but end up leaving them which causes more problems. Read the burn laws."

"I have never called a Murray County office yet that I didn't get someone I needed to speak too. I have been there on Friday and I haven't seen an office closed."

"Whoever arranged for that left winger Jeremy Rifkin to come in and speak about global warming at the college should have someone with an opposing view speak. That guy was crazy."

"I remember the U.S. Cafe. My mother and I went there every Saturday for lunch and then I stayed at the Wink Theater and the Crescent Theater all day."

"I am an Iraqi war veteran and highly offended that the Obama Administration labeled me a potential terrorist."

"Seventy-two years ago my first date with my husband was dinner at the U.S. Cafe — the best restaurant in town. Two years later he proposed at the U.S. Cafe. One year later we were married and I immediately became a co-owner."

"Rush Limbaugh is one of the greatest Americans alive and our Founding

Fathers would be extremely proud of him."

"Does Don Cope or the city of Dalton own Dalton Utilities? We need to get a out a big broom and sweep out that facility. Get some people in there who will protect the people of Dalton."

"Mr. Espy, why don't you admit you stuck your foot way up your nose with your comment about drugs or you are going to spend the rest of the year defending it. What you said was wrong."

**Editor: Nope. I'm right. You're wrong. Move on.**

"It's apparent Samantha Shaw has no understanding of Christianity or God's word. Christians do not hate homosexuals."

"President Obama isn't letting the Trojan Horse into our country. He is the Trojan Horse."

"I know the Roman Open is a charity event but the ad says "Great Prizes for Flight Winners." When we won in 2007 we got a pair of booster cables."

"The county is naming every dirt road they can find on those little blue signs. You can't even pronounce some of the names. If they say they own this private road, then they need to maintain it."

"Steve Roberts does a wonderful job as a youth director at the recreation department!"

"Thanks to the young man who rescued my Boston Terrier on Dug Gap Road on Monday."

"I remember when you could rent a house for \$50 a month. Poor people don't have a chance."

"What do you do when the phone rings at 8:30 in the morning and it's the Fraternal Order of Police and they won't take no for an answer."

**Editor: I suggest you hang up. Then call the FOP at 615-399-0900 and explain your problem.**

"Mr. Espy, I wish you would consider that parents are trying to keep their children from smoking pot. They do not think clearly when they are on it. If you smoke it, that's your business, but you shouldn't protect it and say it's OK to smoke it."

**Editor: I don't smoke pot. Children shouldn't smoke pot. Adults should have the right to smoke pot, just like they have the right to drink."**

"I smoked marijuana for 50 years and don't drink or do other drugs. Pot doesn't have to lead to other drugs."

"I think the editor of this paper is well informed and open to change for the better."

"I have smoked pot for 25 years, since I was 16. I am a successful businessman and my children make the honor roll. I don't use cocaine or heroin or smoke cigarettes. You are making a big deal out of nothing guys."

**LOTTERY WINNING NUMBERS — FOR APRIL 22**

**Georgia:** Midday Cash 3: 6-8-7, Cash 4: 0-1-7-5, Evening Cash 3: 8-2-3  
Win for Life: 42-13-29-31-10-16, Free Ball: 26  
**Tennessee:** Midday Cash 3: 7-5-8, Lucky Sum: 20; Cash 4: 7-7-9-4,  
Lucky Sum: 27, Evening Cash 3: 2-2-3, Lucky Sum: 7, Cash 4: 7-9-9-2,  
Lucky Sum: 27



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Dalton residents will have a chance to try out local food offerings next Thursday night during the Downtown Sampler.

**Downtown Sampler to showcase local restaurants**

**By CHARLES OLIVER**  
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If you've never had bison burgers before, you'll have a chance to try them next Thursday.

T.J. Kaikobad, manager of the Dalton Depot, says he'll be preparing bison miniburgers for people taking part in the latest downtown sampler.

"The bison is raised in Villanow. It's all natural, all organic and no growth hormones," he said. "We are going to let people sample bison miniburgers. We are going to have chicken parmesan off the Flammini's menu, and we are going to do seafood lasagna, also off the Flammini's menu," he said. "We'll also be serving two or three craft beers that complement those options."

The downtown sampler will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. It's the second year the Downtown Dalton

Development Authority has organized the samplers to showcase downtown restaurants.

"We are expecting right at 200 people," said DDDA marketing director Veronica French.

Twelve restaurants will be participating, up from nine last year: The Book Nook/Cubby Hole Cafe, the Blues Train Cafe, Chef's Pantry, the Dalton Depot, Edible Arrangements, Iron Gate Pizzeria, Let's Eat in, Loganberry's, Nathan's Bar & Grill, the Oakwood Cafe, Pentz Street Station and Planet of the Grapes.

"They always have some surprise, whether it is live music or introducing new items on their menus," French said. "There could be a big surprise at each location."

People taking part in the sampler can start at any of those restaurants and work their way through in any order they choose.

Each restaurant will offer

two or three dishes participants can sample. Some will also be offering alcoholic beverages. When patrons finish tasting the food and beverages, they move to another restaurant. Most of the restaurants on the tour are eateries open for dinner, French said.

Tickets are \$20 per person and available at all of the participating restaurants as well as the DDDA office until the evening of the event.

"A lot of our retailers will be open as well, so you can shop during the event. I think they'll be open until 7," she said.

Kaikobad took part in last year's two samplers and says they were a big success.

"It allowed people to sample some of our stuff, and it re-awoke the taste buds. They said 'Man, do you have this all the time? We need to come back and try it,'" he said. "There's definitely a residual value."

**Merge: Fire departments**

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while the county fire department's budget is \$4.68 million.

Pennington said combining the fire departments would improve service for some parts of the county since three city fire departments sit near the city limit line.

"That means half their radius is wasted," Pennington said. "If suddenly we had a combined service in some form or fashion, you could make half the radius of those three fire halls possibly protection class 2, which is Dalton's rating. Wouldn't that make all of those Dalton residents pretty happy without spending any more money? That's what happens when you start working together."

The fire department study committee members are Lane Ashworth, director of the local Red Cross chapter; county commissioner Harold Brooker; Dug Gap resident Mike Fowler;

Tunnel Hill Mayor Kenny Gowin; Dalton councilman George Sadosuk; and banker Alan Wells. The group is also looking at merging the recreation departments.

The county recreation steering committee held a meeting last month to get input from the public about the merger. About 40 people attended.

"As long as people dial 911 and the fire department shows up and their insurance rates are good, I don't think we'll hear as much about consolidating the fire departments as we will out of the recreation," Babb said. "With recreation, it's more direct contact and participation than it is with the fire department."

**TODAY'S CITIZEN**

**NAME:** Marcie Hambrick  
**AGE:** 43  
**HOME:** Dalton  
**FAMILY:** Husband and two daughters  
**WORK/SCHOOL:** Family Support Council in the Healthy Families Program/master's in social work at Florida State University  
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# Trade Center cuts operating loss

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The Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center cut its monthly operating loss by almost 40 percent in March.

Officials reported an operating loss of \$67,680 for the month, down from \$102,385 in February and \$97,240 in January.

Still, the budget had forecast a \$26,183 operating loss for March and a \$29,866 loss in February. That means the actual loss exceeded budget by \$41,497 in March, down from \$72,519 in February.

The trade center had \$87,916 in gross operating income in March, up from \$49,770 in February, and \$155,596 in operating expenses, up from \$152,155 in February.

"We were successful in bringing in some ticketed events, such as basketball and taekwondo. We also had some consumer shows that helped us out," said executive director Shashank Gairola on Wednesday. "We are trying to bring more of those sorts of things in here. We hope to continue the upward trend."

Some of the events the



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Pam Keeter, left, Lyn Douglas, middle, and Jan Hensley lift weights together at the Bradley Wellness booth in July of 2008 at the Trade Center.

trade center has scheduled for next month include a model railroad and garden show on May 1 and 2 and a mixed martial arts card on May 9.

Trade center authority chairman Harvey Neal said he wasn't surprised by the financial numbers.

"It will vary some from month to month, but I think we'll continue to see improvement as time goes on," he said.

Neal credited facilities management company Global Spectrum, which took over operations of the trade center on the first of the year, and the management company it brought in.

"Their sales and marketing people have been doing a great job. Also, they've been able to find a lot of operating efficiencies," he said.

The trade center authority voted to advertise for bids for a new chiller, or cooling

tower for the air conditioning, which has been having problems.

"This is a unit that is at the end of its life expectancy. The building is 19 years old, and we are talking about a unit that has a life expectancy of about 12 years. We've gotten everything we could out of it," Gairola said. "We've been able to get four estimates, and right now we are looking at close to \$120,000."

## LOCAL BRIEFS

### Contest winner

Dalton Middle School student Lupita Vidana won the Georgia Municipal Association's "If I Were Mayor" contest on Wednesday in Atlanta. She had previously won the district finals.

### Prevent child abuse

Pinwheels for Prevention will be held in Whitfield County today at noon at Dalton City Hall. Colorful pinwheels will fill the lawn to recognize child abuse prevention month. The theme is "Involving the Faith Community in Preventing Child Abuse."

Pinwheels for Prevention will be held in Murray County on Wednesday at noon at the courthouse in Chatsworth.

The Pinwheels events are used to recognize Heroes Against Child Abuse, the name of a yearly fundraiser for the Family Support Council.

### Evans benefit

A benefit for Don and Geraldine Evans will be on Saturday from 4 to 7 p.m. at Eleventh Avenue Baptist Church, 2550 South Bypass in Dalton. Donations will be accepted.

Organizers say Don Evans was diagnosed with leukemia in February and has been unable to work and Geraldine Evans has battled breast and brain cancer for the past three years and blindness for the last two years.

There will also be a four-hour "motorcycle run" for \$15 per person, which includes dinner. Registration begins at the church at 11 a.m. and the ride begins at noon.

Other events during the benefit will be a silent auction, children's inflatables, a penny drive and gospel music. Hot dog and hamburger plates will be available for a donation.

Modern Woodmen of America will match funds up to \$2,500.

# Makeup artist offers class at college for teens and adults

SUBMITTED BY DALTON STATE COLLEGE

Professional makeup artist Danielle Carpenter will offer a hands-on two-hour workshop Saturday morning through the Dalton State College Continuing Education program.

The workshop, Glamour Makeup Techniques for Fun and Special Occasions, is perfectly timed to coincide with prom, party, graduation, vacation and heading-off-to-college season.

Carpenter has been in the industry for eight years and currently works as a professional makeup artist with MAC Cosmetics. She's created cosmetic artistry for independent films, local commercials, tutorial videos and countless weddings. Now she's bringing her knowledge and experience to Dalton State.

"Why should women pay to have their makeup done every time they want to make a statement for a special occasion or just for fun?" said Kelly Snyder, continuing education program coordinator. "Danielle is going to share her expertise to teach us non-pros how to use makeup to highlight our assets and play up our favorite features."

"She plans to discuss and illustrate major makeup hot trends and topics including skin care, blending, contouring, brush types, and different types of eyeliner techniques," Snyder continued. "Danielle will guide students as they learn to create 'Now and Wow!' looks like the smoky eye and flirtatious cat eye."

"We are going to have a



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Danielle Carpenter works her cosmetic wizardry on a model preparing for a commercial shoot.

great time in this class and jam a lot into two hours," said Carpenter. "I'm going to spill lots of insider tricks that makeup artists use to work their magic and teach students to create many of the current popular looks. Working with, playing with, and experimenting with cosmetics is one of the most fun things about being a girl, so let's be creative!"

Students are required to bring the following: three favorite eyeshadows (one light, one medium, and one dark), all personal brushes, a hand-held mirror and a favorite lip gloss.

"Danielle will be bringing a ton of other awesome supplies and samples," Snyder said. "This workshop will be entertaining

and educational and students will walk away with an arsenal of new beauty know-how. This class will be great for a group of friends or for a mother and teenage daughter to attend together."

Glamour Makeup Techniques for Fun and Special Occasions will be from 10 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$20 and pre-registration is required. Students wanting more information or to pre-register may call (706) 272-4489 or log on to www.daltonstate.edu/cce and click on Personal Growth.

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# Open AG's seat in Ga. leads to frenzy

By GREG BLUESTEIN  
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA — The 2010 race for Georgia's attorney general is attracting almost as many candidates as the governor's contest — and for good reason. There hasn't been an open seat in the election for the state's top lawyer in more than 60 years.

Cobb County Commission Chairman Sam Olens, long thought to be running for governor, this week became the latest politician to run for the seat.

He could face a crowded GOP primary field. State Rep. Ed Lindsey, state Sen. Judson Hill and state Rep. David Ralston are all weighing a campaign, and other Republicans may also join the contest.

Democrats, meanwhile, see an opportunity to retain one of the few statewide posts they still hold.

State Rep. Rob Teilhet, a Smyrna Democrat, announced he would run soon after Baker said he would seek higher office. He said his campaign would focus on advocacy for crime victims, consumer protection and ethics in government.

He faces a rival in the Democratic primary from Ken Hodges, a former Albany district attorney who resigned from office in September after serving for almost a dozen years. He is now in private practice in Atlanta.

Many of the would-be candidates say they felt compelled to consider a run because the seat isn't filled by an incumbent for the first time since World War II.

State officials say the race hasn't been open since Ellis Arnall left the post to run for governor in 1942. Since then all five attorneys general — Grady Head, Eugene Cook, Arthur Bolton, Mike Bowers and Thurbert Baker — were all first appointed to their posts.

Baker, who was appointed by then-Gov. Zell Miller to be his replacement, was elected three times to the post. He announced this month he was running for governor, and spokesman Russ Willard said Wednesday that Baker was not planning to resign before his term ends.

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## AREA ARRESTS

■ Darrell Leroy Fowler, 30, 1055 Davenport Road, Chatsworth, was charged Tuesday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with driving while license withdrawn, failure to yield to emergency vehicle, driving on the wrong side of the road, theft by receiving stolen property (motor vehicle), failure to stop for stop sign, improper passing on hill, reckless driving, seat belt violation, obstruction of an officer, hit and run, no insurance and speeding.

■ Eric Lamar Gilbert, 33, 4031 Nottingham Drive, Dalton, was charged Tuesday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with first degree forgery and failure to appear.

■ John David Wimpey, 36, 4110 Cleveland Highway, Dalton, was charged Tuesday by the Varnell Police Department with probation violation and possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.

■ Brittney Daniel Corriher, 17, 1008 Ponderosa Lane, Dalton, was charged Wednesday by the Dalton Police Department with possession of less than an ounce of marijuana and possession of tools for the commission of a crime.

■ Santez Fernando Crowder, 24, 1320 Murray Ave., apartment 216, Dalton, was charged Wednesday by the Dalton Police Department with possession of less than an ounce of marijuana and possession of tools for the commission of a crime.

■ Adolfo Nieto, 18, no

address given, Dalton, was charged Wednesday by the Dalton Police Department with possession of less than an ounce of marijuana and possession of tools for the commission of a crime.

■ Tommy Troy Parsons, 61, 215 Hewitt Drive, Dalton, was charged Wednesday by the Dalton Police Department with DUI, failure to maintain lane and seat belt violation.

■ William Johnny Paul II, 31, 612 White Path Drive, Dalton, was charged Wednesday by the Dalton Police Department with failure to maintain lane, DUI, driving while license withdrawn and one-way street violation.

■ Justin Matthew Raulston, 19, 701 Morningside Drive, Dalton, was charged Wednesday by the Dalton Police Department with possession of less than an ounce of marijuana and possession of tools for the commission of a crime.



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### IEWS

## U.S. shows how to handle pirates

Americans remain astonished that much of the world community seems content to allow the continuation of piracy off the coast of Somalia.

Fortunately, when a U.S.-flagged ship was attacked recently, the pirates received a different message — three steel-jacketed ones. The self-proclaimed leaders of the pirate enclave in Somalia promptly vowed retaliation.

So be it.

The United States government has a responsibility to protect American citizens and property. If international law denies our government that recourse or the international community seems unwilling or unable to do so, then the U.S. is left with little recourse than to act unilaterally.

Preferably, the United Nations or whatever body which claims legal oversight, will act quickly and definitively in this matter.

That a band of modern day pirates can flout the law with such apparent impunity speaks to a frightening decay of world order.

If European nations want to pay tribute to these miserable miscreants, that is their business. The U.S. should not.

Better to loose the dogs of war.

The Daily Citizen

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### Councilman wants to talk with critic

To the editor:

In response to Daily Citizen Forum comment from April 19: "Josh Young and the other Murray County school board members who abstain should get some guts. They are not elected to abstain. We could send our elementary students up there to abstain. Be a man."

Normally I do not let things like this catch my attention. But in the case of these comments which label me as something I am not, I will respond. I am not sure how much this anonymous person knows about boards of education or school systems in general for that matter. I am an elected official who is selected by the people of the community to represent them in a proper way. The "proper" way I am referring to is keeping the best interests of the students of the system in mind. Other people may disagree, but I feel in my heart that I have represented my community and the children of it properly in my 2+ years as a BOE member.

In the case of my "guts" being questioned on this particular vote, allow me to say this. When I abstained from this vote, I didn't hide under the table and do it. I sat there with all eyes on me and did what I felt was right. My phone number is listed on the Murray County Schools website and in the phone book. I will explain any and every vote I cast to anyone who asks me, whether it be on the phone or in person at any location you might see me. If this anonymous person would like to show "some guts" and contact to me, I will gladly respond to their questioning of my voting on this or any other subject.

I find it humorous that someone can (on the surface at least) care so much about a particular issue and yet not be adult enough (in other words, have "some guts") to discuss it in a mature manner. Our elementary kids (and all the other kids in the system) are why I am there. I am looking out for their best interests. If it means abstaining from a vote or going contrary to "the flow," I will do it. My track record proves this.

It would be extremely easy for me to be adolescent about this and say something like, "You can't call me names. I am taking my ball and going home!!" But, I have been instilled with something that is called "character." You had the "guts" to call the paper with your "manly" comments. So, please, Mr. or Ms. Anonymous person, call me. Just in case you do not have Internet access or cannot locate my number in the phone book, it is: 706.517.4221.

I look forward to hearing from you.

**Joshua Young**  
Chatsworth

### WORDS OF WISDOM

**Bible verse:** "David also said to Solomon his son, "Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the LORD is finished. "

1 Chronicles 28:20

**Thought for today:** "A photograph is usually looked at - seldom looked into."

**Ansel Adams**  
American photographer (1902-1984)

## Parting company

Texas Gov. Rick Perry rattled cages when he suggested that Texans might at some point become so disgusted with Washington's gross violation of the U.S. Constitution that they would want to secede from the union. Political hustlers, their media allies and others, who have little understanding, are calling his remarks treasonous. Let's look at it.

When New York delegates met on July 26, 1788, their ratification document read, "That the Powers of Government may be resumed by the People, whensoever it shall become necessary to their Happiness; that every Power, Jurisdiction and right which is not by the said Constitution clearly delegated to the Congress of the United States, or the departments of the government thereof, remains to the People of the several States, or to their respective State Governments to whom they may have granted the same."

On May 29, 1790, the Rhode Island delegates made a similar claim in their ratification document. "That the powers of government may be resumed by the people, whensoever it shall become necessary to their happiness: That the rights of the States respectively to nominate and appoint all State Officers, and every other power, jurisdiction and right, which is not by the said constitution clearly delegated to the Congress of the United States or to the departments of government thereof, remain to the people of the several states, or their respective State Governments to whom they may have granted the same."



**Walter Williams**

On June 26, 1788, Virginia's elected delegates met to ratify the Constitution. In their ratification document, they said, "The People of Virginia declare and make known that the powers granted under the Constitution being derived from the People of the United States may be resumed by them whensoever the same shall be perverted to their injury or oppression and that every power not granted thereby remains with them and at their will."

As demonstrated by the ratification documents of New York, Rhode Island and Virginia, they made it explicit that if the federal government perverted the delegated rights, they had the right to resume those rights. In fact, when the Union was being formed, where the states created the federal government, every state thought they had a right to secede otherwise there would not have been a Union.

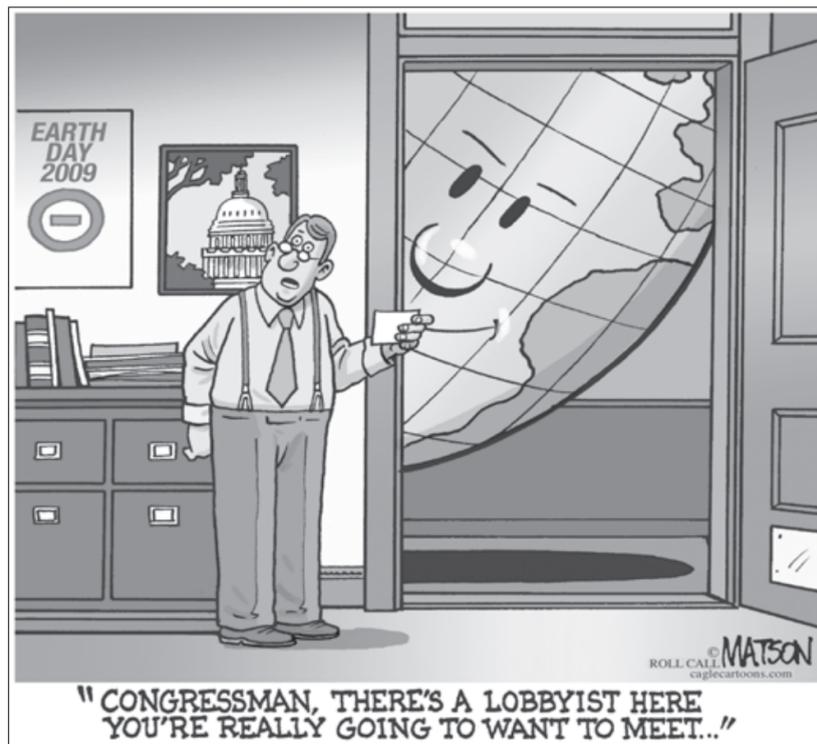
Perry is right when he says that there is no reason for Texas to secede. There are indeed intermediate actions short of secession that states can take. Thomas Jefferson said, "Whensoever the General Government assumes undelegated powers, its acts are unauthorized, void, and of no force." That suggests that one response to federal encroachment is for

state governments to declare federal laws that have no constitutional authority null and void and refuse to enforce them. While the U.S. Constitution does not provide a specific provision for nullification, the case for nullification is found in the nature of compacts and agreements.

Our Constitution represents a compact between the states and the federal government. As with any compact, one party does not have a monopoly over its interpretation, nor can one party change it without the consent of the other. Additionally, no one has a moral obligation to obey unconstitutional laws. That's not to say there is not a compelling case for obedience of unconstitutional laws. That compelling case is the brute force of the federal government to coerce obedience, possibly going as far as using its military might to lay waste to a disobedient state and its peoples.

Finally, here's my secession question for you. Some Americans accept and have respect for the Tenth Amendment, which reads, "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people." Other Americans, the majority I fear, say to hell with the Tenth Amendment limits on the federal government. Which is a more peaceful solution: one group of Americans seeking to impose their vision on others or simply parting company?

**Walter Williams is a professor of economics at George Mason University.**



## The kids have gone wild

These are dark days for traditional Americans, folks who believe that the Judeo-Christian principles of right and wrong should be considered when making public policy. The other day, former "Focus on the Family" founder James Dobson actually told his crew that the culture war was being lost in America. And it is hard to argue with Dobson's opinion.

All over the USA, secular progressives are on the move promoting gay marriage, legalized drugs and unfettered abortion, and attacking almost all judgments on personal behavior. And nowhere is the movement more intense than in the nation's most liberal state: Vermont.

The legislature in the Green Mountain State recently voted to legalize gay marriage, overriding the veto of Gov. Jim Douglas. Vermont is the first state to actually legislate in favor of homosexual nuptials, as Massachusetts, Connecticut and Iowa all had gay marriage imposed on the citizenry by judges.

It is worth noting that Vermont is one of the few states that voted down "Jessica's Law," the tough mandatory-prison-sentence legislation against child sexual predators. An investigation into Vermont's criminal justice apparatus reveals the state embraces



**Bill O'Reilly**

"restorative justice," whereby criminals often receive "holistic" treatment as part of their sentence for even heinous crimes like child rape. The goal is not so much to punish the offender, but to "restore" him or her to their rightful place in society. That is a secular-progressive hallmark.

While Vermont is coddling child predators, it is also sending a message to kids: Hey, you can do pretty much whatever you want. Somewhat incredibly, the Vermont senate has passed a bill decriminalizing consensual "sexting." That is the process where children send sexual pictures of themselves to other children using cell phones or computers.

The proposed Vermont law says that children ages 13 to 18 will be allowed to do that, but not to distribute the photos to more than one person or to an adult. Supporters of the sexting law say it's necessary so that teenagers will not be prosecuted as sexual offenders and have their lives ruined.

There is some validity to that as dopey kids do dopey things.

However, the sane solution would be to categorize sexting as a misdemeanor breach of the peace, thus sending a message that it is unacceptable for kids to send other kids sexual images. But secular progressives are loath to make that judgment. Remember, these are the same people who believe a girl has the right to an abortion without telling her parents. So if a kid can undergo a major life-altering operation (especially for the fetus), why should it be a big deal to do a little sexting?

With a liberal federal government and media, there is little opposition being voiced to what is happening in Vermont and other secular-progressive enclaves. Culture war issues have been forced to the back room by the awful economy, and the S-Pros are taking full advantage. If American children are legally allowed to send explicit pictures of themselves to other kids, then say goodbye to traditional boundaries of behavior.

The slippery slope is here.

**Bill O'Reilly is a nationally syndicated columnist and the host of the top-rated O'Reilly Report on Fox.**

### TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is **Thursday, April 23**, the 113th day of 2009. There are 252 days left in the year.

**On this date:**

In 1791, the 15th president of the United States, James Buchanan, was born in Franklin County, Pa.

In 1896, the Vitascope system for projecting movies onto a screen was publicly demonstrated in New York City.

In 1940, about 200 people died in the Rhythm Night Club Fire in Natchez, Miss.

In 1954, Hank Aaron of the Milwaukee Braves hit the first of his then-record 755 home runs, in a game against the St. Louis Cardinals. (The Braves won, 7-5.)

In 1969, Sirhan Sirhan was sentenced to death for assassinating New York Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

In 1985, the Coca-Cola Co. announced it was changing the secret flavor formula for Coke. (Negative public reaction forced the company to resume selling the original version).

In 1998, James Earl Ray, who'd confessed to assassinating the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and then insisted he'd been framed, died at a Nashville, Tenn., hospital at age 70.

**Ten years ago:** On the first day of a 50th anniversary NATO summit in Washington, Western leaders pledged to intensify military strikes against Yugoslavia and vowed "no compromise" on demands that Slobodan Milosevic withdraw his troops from Kosovo.

**Five years ago:** President George W. Bush eased Reagan-era sanctions against Libya in return for Moammar Gadhafi's giving up weapons of mass destruction.

**One year ago:** Bush, pushing for a Mideast peace agreement, met at the White House with Jordan's King Abdullah II.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress-turned-diplomat Shirley Temple Black is 81. Actor Lee Majors is 70. Actress Joyce DeWitt is 60. Actor James Russo is 56. Filmmaker-author Michael Moore is 55. Actress Judy Davis is 54. Actress Jan Hooks is 52. Actress Valerie Bertinelli is 49. Actor George Lopez is 48. Actress Melina Kanakaredes is 42. Actor Scott Bairstow is 39. Actor Kal Penn is 32. Actress Jaime King is 30. Actor Aaron Hill is 26. Tennis player Nicole Vaidisova is 20.

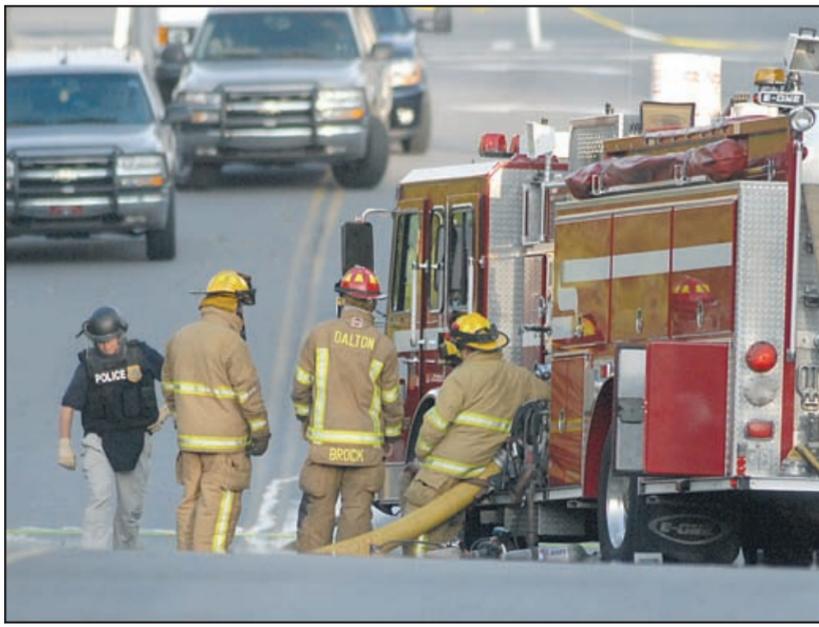
# Rate the city

## Residents asked to fill out survey

Dalton residents will get a little something extra in their May water bills. The City Council is sending out a flier asking people to take part in a survey on the city, city government and city services.

The survey will be available May 1 at City Hall or online at [www.cityofdaltonga.gov](http://www.cityofdaltonga.gov). The survey will ask residents how satisfied they are with various city services such as fire, police, parks and recreation, and streets, as well as questions about how well the city deals with and communicates with the public and about quality of life issues.

"We want to see what's on the citizens' minds," said Mayor David Pennington. "Do they like the services we are providing and how we provide them? What would they like to see in some of the amenities in the city itself? It's similar to what businesses send out from time to time, and we haven't done anything like this in a while."



MATT HAMILTON/THE DAILY CITIZEN

Dalton residents will get a chance to rate city services and government in a survey they'll receive in their water bills in May.

## Some cities make gains in curbing dropouts

BY LIBBY QUAID  
AP Education Writer

WASHINGTON — The high school dropout problem is getting better in some big cities where it's most severe, a national study found.

The situation remains dismal: More than one in four kids drops out of high school in the United States.

Still, Philadelphia, Tucson, Ariz., and Kansas City, Mo., made huge gains over the past decade, boosting graduation rates by 20 percentage points or more, the study found.

In all, 13 cities saw double-digit improvement in their graduation rates, including Atlanta, which improved its rate by nearly 11 percent, according to the study released Wednesday by America's Promise Alliance.

"I was surprised at the size of the gains in some of these cities," said Christopher Swanson, director of the Editorial Projects in Education Research Center, which prepared the report.

"The majority of these large cities are making improvements, and that's something you wouldn't necessarily get if you've been listening to this debate recently," Swanson said.

Urban schools still have a long way to go. On average, only half the kids graduate in the 50 biggest cities, the report said. Those cities are home to half the country's population and are driving a national graduation rate that is estimated at 70 percent.

And while most big cities are making gains, 19 have lost ground. Las Vegas saw its graduation rates plummet 23 percentage points to 44.5 percent. The graduation rate in Wichita, Kan., dropped 18 percentage points to 54.5 percent, and in Omaha, Neb., it dropped 15 percentage points to 50 percent.

The report measures progress from 1995 to 2005, the most recent year for which comprehensive data was available from the Education Department.

For kids who don't finish high school, the future is bleak. High school dropouts are the only segment of the work force for whom income levels shrank over the past 30 years, the report said.

Only in recent years have people begun to realize how widespread and severe the dropout crisis is, said Bob Balfanz, a researcher at Johns Hopkins University. Balfanz has worked with America's Promise, a children's advocacy group started by former Secretary of State Colin Powell, but did not work on this report.

"Paying attention matters," Balfanz said. "If there's a problem, and we react to it, at least in some cases, we'll make it better."

## Dems push for torture hearings, ignoring Obama

LARRY MARGASAK  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Brushing aside the president's suggestions, congressional Democrats pushed ahead firmly on Wednesday toward investigations into the Bush administration's harsh interrogation of terror suspects including hundreds of instances of waterboarding and other abusive practices.

President Barack Obama said a day earlier that if there was to be an investigation, the independent commission that looked into the Sept. 11 attacks would be a better model than a congressional probe that might break down along party lines. But Democrats were moving in their own directions, and Republicans were united in their opposition to a commission that they see as an effort to vilify George W. Bush now that he is out of office.

Democrats moved toward separate hearings in the House and Senate and seemed to be jostling each other for leadership roles on the issue, all but ignoring Obama's effort to head off an uncontrolled, partisan sprint toward a rash of probes that could impair the foreign policy he now steers.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California pointedly noted that her Intelligence Committee already is investi-

gating the Bush administration's legal underpinnings for the interrogation program and the value of information gained from it. And several Democratic leaders appeared to favor using that panel for any hearings.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada said the Intelligence Committee inquiry "will answer a lot of the questions the American people have. ... One way or another there needs to be a public accounting of these troublesome policies."

There was no shortage of other ideas for how that might be achieved.

The chairmen of both the Senate and House Judiciary committees, Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont and Rep. John Conyers of Michigan, are proposing an independent "Truth Commission," and Conyers also is planning committee hearings of his own. His panel is populated with liberal Democrats and conservative Republicans, a prescription for a bitter fight.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said she supports a Truth Commission. Her spokesman, Brendan Daly, said she also supports Conyers' plan to hold separate hearings.

Republicans were decidedly unenthusiastic.

Sen. Kit Bond of Missouri, vice chairman of the Intelligence Committee,

said he supports that panel's bipartisan review but opposes Leahy's idea of a Truth Commission.

Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, senior Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee, also dismissed the idea of a separate commission probe, saying, "All of the facts are readily available to the Department of Justice."

Meanwhile, the idea of strict partisanship was undercut by a memo from the Obama administration's top intelligence official.

National Intelligence Director Dennis Blair privately told employees last week that "high value information" was obtained in interrogations that included harsh techniques. "A deeper understanding of the al-Qaida network" resulted, Blair wrote in a memo later obtained by The Associated Press. He added, "I like to think I would not have approved those methods in the past."

Critics of the harsh methods — waterboarding, face slapping, sleep deprivation and other techniques — have called them torture. Obama said Tuesday they showed the United States "losing our moral bearings" and said they would not be used while he is in office. But he did not say whether he believed they worked.

## Prosecutors beef up charges against scrawny teen

BY LARRY NEUMEISTER  
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — When U.S. prosecutors brought piracy charges against a teenager from Somalia, they dusted off a law that has been on the books since George Washington was president and used only sparingly since then.

The law's obscurity, the lack of recent precedent and murky definitions of what constitutes piracy could present challenges to law enforcement. But prosecutors also boosted their case with more common nonpiracy charges that could lead to a long prison sentence, even if the piracy count doesn't stick.

In a criminal complaint, prosecutors depicted Abdiwali Abdiqadir Muse as the brazen ringleader of a band of four pirates who bullied 20 crew members of an American-flagged cargo ship, fired a shot at the captain and boasted of hijacking other ships. They said he executed the maneuver like a veteran pirate, stealing \$30,000 from a safe and demanding that the crew give him the phone number of the ship's owner.

Muse's family says he is an impressionable minor



AP PHOTO

FBI agents escort Somali pirate U.S. officials identify as Abdiwali Abdiqadir Muse into FBI headquarters at 26 Federal Plaza, Monday, in New York.

who fell under the sway of older pirates and is being unfairly targeted by the U.S. government. Muse appeared bewildered, if not scared, in his first court appearance on Tuesday, breaking down in tears as lawyers told the judge that they had spoken to his father.

The top count against Muse accuses him of piracy under the law of nations, a charge not used regularly since the 1800s. It carries a mandatory life sentence.

The other charges against

him — discharging a firearm, conspiring to commit hostage taking and brandishing a firearm — could be found in drug, kidnapping and conspiracy cases throughout federal courthouses in the United States. They also offer potential penalties up to life in prison.

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**BRIDGE**

**A light in the tunnel**

Everyone occasionally runs into the vexing problem of which way to take a two-way finesse for a missing queen. Consider South's problem in this deal, where all he has to do to make the slam is to guess the location of the queen of diamonds.

West leads the ten of hearts, won with dummy's king. Declarer begins by playing three rounds of trumps and three more rounds of hearts.

This brings him to the moment of truth when he must decide which opponent is more likely to have the queen of diamonds. If South finesses in the right direction, he is sure of making six, and may even make seven. But if he finesses in the wrong direction, he is sure to go down, losing a diamond and a club.

There are no absolute guarantees, but on the basis of what has transpired thus far, South should play West for the queen of diamonds. In the course of winning the first seven tricks, South has learned that West started with two spades and two hearts, while East has shown up with three spades and four hearts.

This leaves West with nine unknown cards that might include the queen of diamonds, and East with only six cards that might include the queen.

It follows that West is more likely to have been dealt the queen than East, so declarer should take the diamond finesse through West.

Accordingly, South should cash the ace of diamonds at trick eight, unblocking the ten from dummy, then continue with the nine and let it ride. When the nine wins, he repeats the finesse and winds up scoring all the tricks.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.

**CRYPTOQUIP**

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: M equals N

**HOROSCOPE**

**Happy Birthday:** You will learn plenty from the experiences you encounter this year. A move professionally will also entail geographical relocation or more travel time in order to fulfill your obligations. Your charm and adaptability will result in prosperity. Your numbers are 3, 12, 15, 23, 26, 30, 48

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Refrain from letting your emotions take over, causing you to do something you may live to regret. Patience isn't one of your strong features but it will be a must if you don't want to end up apologizing. 3 stars

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** You have to push if you want things to happen. Stubbornness will only hold you back. Make your plans known and strive for perfection so that no one can criticize your choices or the outcome. Work at what finishing what will benefit you. 3 stars

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Broaden your outlook by trying new things and taking part in activities that will introduce you to interesting people. You can live your life waiting for others to catch up to you. A favor will be granted if you ask. 4 stars

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Don't put up with coercion. Emotions will be hard to control, especially where work-related problems come into play. If someone hands out false information, be the first to correct the mistake especially if it affects your reputation. 2 stars

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You've got a lot on your mind that has to be dealt with promptly. Take a positive outlook. It's your attitude that will help you win out in the end. Your ability to get things done coupled with a positive approach will win out in the end. 5 stars

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Take the edge off things by speaking up about how you feel and what you would like to see happen. You can make a difference. Changes

at home will be to your benefit and the work required will be easily accomplished. 3 stars

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** A relationship can be brought to new heights if you are open and honest with one another. You should plan to spend quality time together. Self-improvement projects will raise your self-esteem and confidence. 3 stars

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You may upset your home or personal life if you make drastic changes to the way you do things. A relationship will take a passionate turn if you nurture it properly. Someone you are

doing business with will not tell you everything you need to know in order to get the job done. 3 stars

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Give-and-take will be necessary, especially when doing things with friends, family or children. Give thought to what you want to learn or where you want to live in order to increase your income. Someone you have known a long time will surprise you. 5 stars

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Give credit to someone trying to impress you. He or she is asking for your approval, nothing more. A chance to bring everyone you love closer will happen if you plan a gathering at your place. 2 stars

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Remember your past and you will be motivated to move on. It's time to bring on new experiences that will make you feel good about future prospects. Apply yourself and trust in your beliefs. 4 stars

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Don't plan too far ahead. You will end up having to make difficult, last-minute changes. Someone with authority may lead you on a wild goose chase. Make your moves according to what you know will work. This is no time to play guessing games. 3 stars



**Eugenia Last**



AP PHOTO

Actor Dan Aykroyd walks on a damaged house slab on one of 21 storm-battered properties awarded to developers in New Orleans, on Wednesday. Aykroyd has lent his time and money to the Blue Line Foundation, one of the project's developers to rebuild the city after Hurricane Katrina. The developers plan to build homes for police officers, firefighters and other first responders.

**Aykroyd visits New Orleans rebuilding project site**

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Add Dan Aykroyd's name to the list of celebrities helping New Orleans rebuild neighborhoods devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

The actor on Wednesday toured an area where developers plan to build homes for

police officers, firefighters and other "first responders" on 21 storm-battered properties in the Gently neighborhood. Aykroyd has lent his time and money to the Blue Line Foundation, one of the project's developers.

The "Saturday Night

Live" alumnus and star of "The Blues Brothers" said building affordable homes for public safety workers is key to New Orleans' recovery.

Katrina hit the Gulf Coast in August 2005, breaching the New Orleans levees and devastating much of the city.

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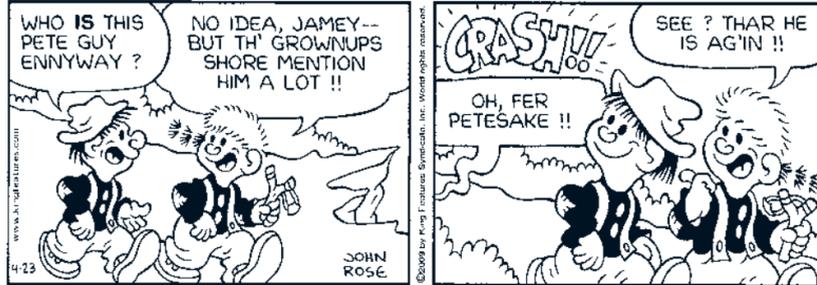
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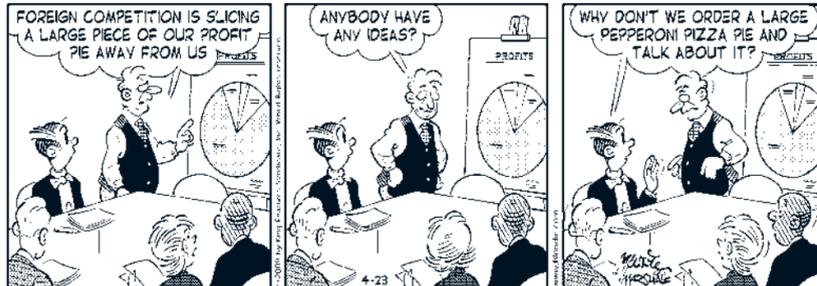
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DEAR ABBY

Duped brides discover they were taken to the cleaners

DEAR ABBY: Believe me, I sympathize with "Duped in California" (Feb. 2). After my wedding in 1979 I sent my gown to a recommended dry cleaner and got the precious box back after waiting more than a month. It was sealed, with instructions to keep it sealed to preserve it.



Jeanne Phillips

A couple of months later I had a nagging feeling that something might be wrong and decided to look inside. Although I did get my dress back, it was far more soiled than when I took it to the cleaners. There were stains down the front and dirt along the hemline. I don't think the dress was ever cleaned, and even worse, I suspect it was worn by someone else.

My advice to brides: Send your gown to be cleaned, but check it before leaving the dry cleaners. — DUPED IN CHIPPEWA FALLS, WIS.

DEAR DUPED: Thank you for your input, which was echoed by many other former brides. Wedding season is coming, and that's why I am urging brides-to-be to take your suggestion to heart. What happened to you appears to be a dirty little secret in the dry-cleaning industry.

To avoid being victimized, ask someone in the salon where your wedding gown is purchased to recommend a preservation specialist

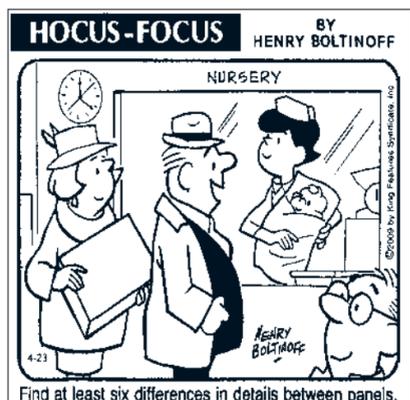
in your area. Then contact the Better Business Bureau to ensure that no complaints have been filed. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: After my wedding, my mother had the good sense to suggest we inspect my dress after it was cleaned, but before it was boxed. To our horror, the dress appeared to have been run through a washing machine. Also, there were spots all over the dress. We were informed that the spots were alcohol stains, which wouldn't show up until after the dress was cleaned. But, Abby, no alcohol had been served at my reception. — BRIDE IN CHAPEL HILL, N.C.

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Duped in California" wasn't the first time I have heard of a dress going missing after it was supposedly returned from the cleaners. A TV personality was doing her talk show on weddings and presented her dress on the air to her audience only to discover — to her shock and horror — that her veil was the only thing in the box.

Because the dress is returned in a sealed box, most people don't think to check it, and this scam is commonplace and very lucrative for the thieves. Reputable cleaners should request that their customers inspect their gowns before the box is sealed so the disreputable ones can be weeded out from the ones who are honest. — WENDY H., ANTIOCH, TENN.

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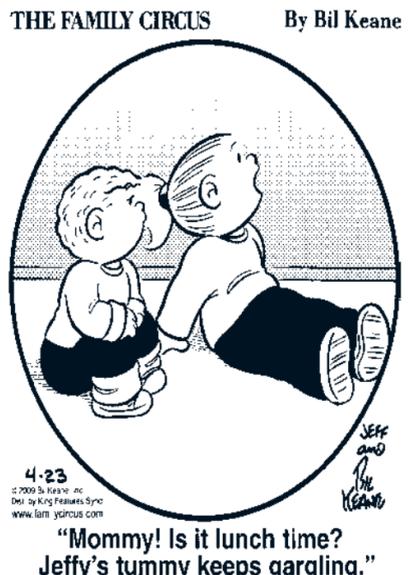
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**BRIEFS**

**Ga. House Rep. Shipp to resign**

ATLANTA — State Rep. Robbin Shipp is resigning over concerns her new job as a Fulton County prosecutor is a conflict of interest.

House Democrats said Wednesday Shipp will resign after state attorneys ruled she cannot work for the Fulton County District Attorney's Office and serve in the Legislature at the same time.

Shipp, an Atlanta Democrat, began working in the office's women and children's division six months ago. She has served one term in office.

A special election for her seat will be held later this year.

**Ala. killer left note explaining spree**

DOTHAN, Ala. — A letter released by investigators shows the man blamed for last month's killing spree in south Alabama wanted people to pay for making him and his mother suffer.

In the letter obtained by the Dothan Eagle, 28-year-old Michael McLendon wrote that he fatally shot his mother while she slept because she was sick, perhaps with lung cancer. He wrote that he killed her dogs, too, because she wanted to die with the animals.

Authorities say McLendon fatally shot 10 people before killing himself March 10. The letter to a family member was found in a mailbox near his home.

**Pro-pot student group on probation**

ATHENS, Ga. — A University of Georgia committee has put a student group that pushes for the legalization of marijuana on two years' probation for using copyrighted images.

Members of the UGA chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws sold T-shirts with a picture of a bulldog — the university's mascot — sitting underneath the UGA Arch, which is a protected image. The dog was smoking marijuana and reading a book on human rights.

The image was also posted on the group's Web site. UGA officials say the students didn't respond quickly enough when the university ordered them to stop using the image.

NORML plans to appeal the decision.

**Freddie Mac official found dead at home**

WASHINGTON — The chief financial officer of money-losing mortgage giant Freddie Mac was found dead in his basement early Wednesday morning in what police said was an apparent suicide.

David Kellermann, 41, apparently hanged himself, said a law enforcement official familiar with the investigation. He asked not to be identified because the investigation was ongoing.

Kellermann's death is the latest in a string of blows to Freddie Mac since it was seized by the government last September. The company, which owns or guarantees about 13 million mortgages, has been criticized for financing risky loans that fueled the real estate bubble and are now defaulting at a record pace.

**Inmates may pay for medical costs**

ATLANTA — Prisons now have more power to charge inmates for their medical costs while behind bars.

Gov. Sonny Perdue signed a measure into law Tuesday that allows state and county corrections officials to draw up regulations to deduct the money for some medical costs from inmates accounts.

It excludes costs related to pregnancies and chronic illnesses, which include diabetes, cancer and renal disease.

Prisons are constitutionally required to provide medical care to inmates. But the measure's sponsors say it is designed to help offset soaring prison medical costs for those inmates able to pay.

—Associated Press

**GETTING PSYCHED UP FOR ANNUAL TESTS**



The Valley Point Elementary Dance and Tumbling Club, along with sponsor Kelley Johnston and staff member Peggy Muse, lead cheers at the school's CRCT Pep Rally held Monday in the gym. Students rallied to get psyched up for the annual state competency tests that are being completed the last two weeks of April.

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# OBITUARIES

- Cora Belle Banks, Chatsworth
- Patricia Ann (Barnes) Bolden, Dalton
- Hurshel Lance, Chatsworth

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## Cora Belle Banks

Mrs. Cora Belle Banks, 88, of Chatsworth, departed this life Tuesday, April 21, 2009, at her residence.

Mrs. Banks was born Oct. 20, 1920, in Murray County, a daughter of the late Reno and Emily Ash Carroll. She was preceded in death by her husband, Marcus William Banks; brothers, Henry Carroll, Harley Carroll and Floyd Carroll; and sisters, Edna Pless and Ina Silvers.

She is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Rethel and Clay Hawkins of Resaca and Faye and Kenneth Shelton of Dalton; sons and daughters-in-law, Reece and Carolyn Banks of Dalton and Reed and Renita Banks of Charlottesville, Va.; grandchildren, David and Heather Hawkins, Seth Banks, Maia Banks, Renee and Kevin Barnette, Jennifer and Tim Wright, Billy and Tiffany Shelton, Mary Alexander, Phillip and Lisa Alexander and Dareth and Garry Broome; great-grandchildren, Kyle Hawkins, Alex Shelton, Marcus Barnette, Jarrod, Abby and Kaylee Wright, Dylan and Madison Shelton, Blake and Bethany Alexander, Haley, Olivia, Amany and Sidney Broome; special friends, Richard and Stephanie McAtee, Richard Jr. and Grayson Cora McAtee; nieces and nephews.

Services are today at 1 p.m. in the Melrose Chapel of Ponders Funeral Home with Pastor Dwight Wilson officiating.

Burial will be in West Hill Cemetery.

The family received friends at the funeral home Wednesday.

Thoughts and memories may be shared with the Banks family at [www.pondersfuneralhome.com](http://www.pondersfuneralhome.com).

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## Patricia Ann (Barnes) Bolden

Mrs. Patricia Ann (Barnes) Bolden, 72, of Dalton passed away on Monday, April 20, 2009, following a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Bolden was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Charles Edwin Bolden Sr. A native of Ellaville in Schley County, Patsy graduated from the University of Georgia where she was a member and officer of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority.

Mrs. Bolden was a member of Dalton First Methodist Church, a longtime member of the Dalton Four Seasons Garden Club, United Methodist Women Circle and served the community as a Salvation Army bell ringer, Better Infant Birth volunteer, and PTA president.

Patsy began her career as an educator at Druid Hills High School in Decatur and later at the old Eastbrook High School in Dalton. She also served as school librarian at Tunnel Hill Elementary School. Patsy was also a real estate broker and owner of Jones Real Estate in Dalton.

Mrs. Bolden is survived by her five children, Charles Edwin Bolden Jr. of Valdosta and daughter-in-law, Teresa Bolden, Thomas David Bolden of Jacksonville, Fla., and daughter-in-law, Donna Bolden, Robert Edward Bolden of Marietta and identical twin daughters, Linda Susan Puryear and son-in-law, Dan Puryear of Asheville, N.C., and Julia Elizabeth Helton (Betsy) and son-in-law, Scott Helton of Rocky Face; brother, Thomas Edward Barnes of Ellaville; 10 grandchildren, Thomas David Bolden Jr. and Jennifer Brooke Bolden of St. Simon's Island, Jacob Cress Bolden of Fernindina, Fla., Benjamin Charles Bolden of Valdosta, Ashley Clarissa Bolden of Statesboro, Zachary Thomas Puryear of Asheville, N.C., John William Helton of Rocky Face, Thomas Henry Helton of Rocky Face, Alexander Charles Puryear of Asheville, N.C., and Ella Mae Helton of Rocky Face; nephews, Charner Britton Barnes and William Height "Bo" Barnes both of Orlando, Fla.

Services for Mrs. Bolden will be in the chapel of Dalton First United Methodist Church on Friday at 3 p.m. with the Dr. Joe Peabody and the Rev. Billy Beard officiating.

The family will receive visitors in the atrium of the church

from 1 to 3 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the Dalton First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 627, Dalton, GA 30722.

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

Love Funeral Home, 1402 N. Thornton Ave., Dalton (across from Hamilton Medical Center) is in charge of arrangements.

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## Hurshel Lance

Mr. Hurshel Lance, 80, of Chatsworth, departed this life Tuesday, April 21, 2009, at the Hamilton Medical Center. Mr. Lance was born Sept. 5, 1928, in Whitfield County, Georgia, a son of the late Thomas J. and Mary Jane Fowler Lance. He was preceded in death by his wife Mildred Beatrice Powers Lance, granddaughter Amy Jo Lance, brothers Cecil Lance, France Lance, sister Frances Lance.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Terry and Teresa Lance; daughters and son-in-law Diane and Billy Moore, Janice Lea Barnes; brothers and sister-in-law Bobby Ray and Eloise Lance, Hoyt Lance; sister and brother-in-law Oslee and Glenn Kendrick, all of Chatsworth; grandchildren Vonda Moore, Christie Lance, Sinda Palmer, Hayden and Wesley Lance; five great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held Friday, April 24, 2009, at 3 p.m. from the Melrose Chapel of Ponders Funeral Home with Pastor Bobby Southers officiating. Interment will follow in the Holly Creek Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5 until 9 p.m. today.

Thoughts and memories may be shared with the Lance family at [www.pondersfuneralhome.com](http://www.pondersfuneralhome.com).

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Scientists are constantly on the lookout for explanations of why our omnivorous species eats so differently from person to person.

# Fat studies look at why we eat as we do

By LEE BOWMAN  
Scripps Howard News

What makes us get fat? We all know, deep down, that obesity comes when we consume more calories than we burn on a regular basis.

But this simplistic formula misses some of the dietary and metabolic nuances.

Some of us overeat and never seem to gain a pound; others count every calorie and still battle the bulge. Some folks are done in by a sweet tooth, some favor carbs and some happily subsist on the salad bar.

So, scientists are constantly on the lookout for explanations of why our omnivorous species eats so differently from person to person.

Here's a buffet sampling of some recent findings on why we eat as we do:

— Blame what Mom ate. Researchers at Rockefeller University in New York City reported on a rat study last fall that found when a mother eats a high-fat diet during pregnancy, it produces brain changes in her offspring that stimulate the appetite — and lead to overeating and obesity early in life.

— Tonsils keep us thin. Dutch researchers reported last month that children who have their tonsils surgically removed, with or without their adenoids, are at increased risk for becoming overweight or obese by the time they're 8. The doctors suspect that kids with frequent tonsil infections have somewhat stunted growth and that once the tonsils are removed, they experience "catch-up" growth that can get out of control.

— Ear infections make us fat. Scientists at the University of Florida found that middle-aged adults with a history of middle ear infections tend to be overweight more than similar adults with no history of infections. They suspect that damage to a nerve that passes through the middle ear — the chorda tympani — intensifies the desire for fatty, high-energy foods.

— Obesity numbs the tongue. Penn State researchers reported last fall that obesity in lab rats gradually numbs their sensitivity to sweet foods and prompts them to consume larger and ever-sweeter meals to get the same feeling of reward. As in obese humans, the researchers say extra weight decreases the amount of dopamine in the brain, a key signal in the brain's pleasure system.

— Gut hormones make food look better. Canadian researchers last fall reported brain imaging studies on humans that showed reward centers in their brains responded more strongly to pictures of food when the subjects have received an infusion of the appetite hormone ghrelin. Other studies had shown that it activated eating through the brain's command center. But the new research found the hormone affects many brain regions related to reward, motivation, even visual processing and memory of what foods were displayed.

— Junk food makes kids happy. Taiwanese and U.S. scientists reported earlier this month on a study of more than 2,300 kids in Taiwan between 2 and 12 years of age. While those who ate more burg-

ers, pizza and fries and soft drives were more likely to be overweight, they were less likely to feel unhappy, sad or depressed. So, scientists argue, programs aimed at reducing childhood obesity have to find not only alternative foods, but also alternative ways to promote positive feelings in the kids.

— Fast food may not be worse than sit-down-restaurant food. Purdue University scientists analyzed data from an Agriculture Department survey and found that any meal eaten out is likely to be bigger and have more calories than a home-cooked meal, but that fast food meals tend to be smaller, and thus have fewer calories, than the average meal from a table-service restaurant. Trouble is, people eating sit-down tend to cut back on food consumption the rest of the day, while those dining from the counter or drive-through do not. Total intake may be the same either way.

— See the good, pick the bad. Researchers from the City University of New York and several other institutions presented several studies that show when people are given choices that include a healthy option, like a salad, they're actually more likely to go for a less healthy alternative, like fries. The selection patterns were actually more pronounced in people who have relatively high levels of self-control.

— Just because we consumers want to see healthier items available does not mean that we are going to choose them," the authors wrote.

So blame it on your mom, or your ghrelin.

# WINNING SPEECHES



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Eastbrook Middle School recently held its annual Modern Woodmen of America Civic Oration Contest. Students presented speeches on the topic "A Person Who Has Touched Many Lives." From left are Kyana Rogers, first place; Lindsey Grant, second place; and Whitney Grant, third place.

## THE MARKET

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AAir	5.58	6.93	Ericsson	9.17	9.14	Synovous	4.86	4.06
Apple	121.7	121.5	Exxon	66.23	64.75	SunTrust	16.06	15.40
AT&T	25.28	25.74	Ford	3.80	4.28	Torchmark	31.82	30.41
BAC	8.76	8.26	FSG	3.91	3.76	Total Sys	14.52	14.47
BB&T	22.12	21.37	GE	11.70	11.80	UPS	55.35	54.75
BP	39.77	39.11	GM	1.70	1.69	Vulcan	49.11	49.23
BristolMyers	20	19.81	Goodyear	9.48	9.92	Verizon	31.04	30.91
HP-Compaq	35.43	34.68	HomeDepot	25.87	26.17	Walmart	49.83	48.96
Chevron	64.88	63.75	Intel	15.36	15.67	Wells Fargo	18.81	18.18
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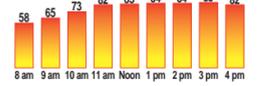


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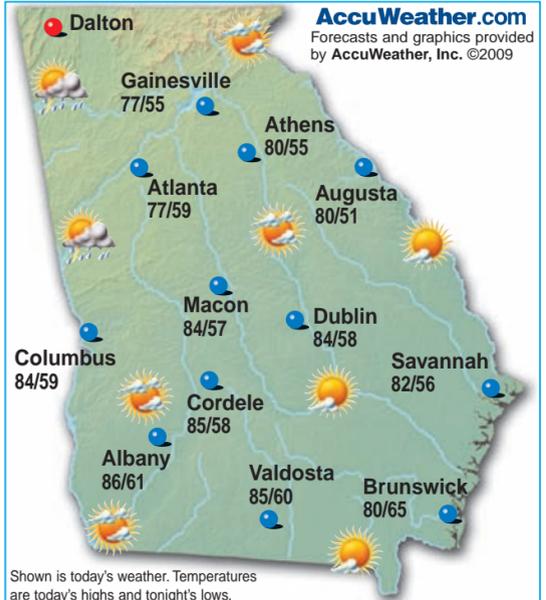
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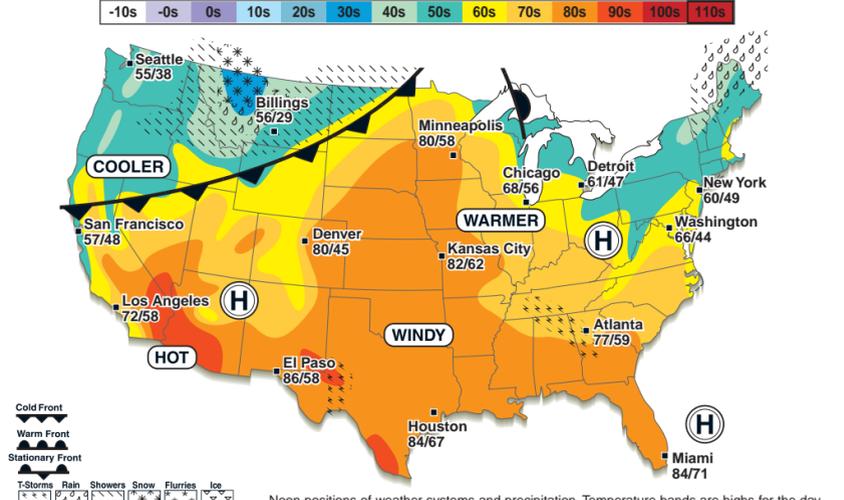
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Augusta	80/51/s	86/52/pc	86/52/s	Newton	86/59/pc	88/61/s	86/58/s
Brunswick	80/65/s	80/65/pc	77/63/s	Rome	78/56/pc	87/56/s	86/54/s
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Billings	56/29/sh	41/27/sn	45/31/c	Kansas City	82/62/s	90/63/s	78/56/pc
Boise	61/37/t	55/34/sh	59/38/pc	Las Vegas	90/63/s	84/59/pc	73/54/s
Buffalo	51/38/pc	69/54/s	77/56/s	Los Angeles	72/58/pc	68/54/pc	70/54/pc
Charlotte	76/47/s	81/54/s	83/56/s	Memphis	82/65/pc	79/66/pc	84/66/s
Cheyenne	76/41/s	69/34/c	44/28/r	Miami	84/71/s	84/70/s	81/70/s
Chicago	68/56/pc	85/57/s	80/57/pc	Milwaukee	58/55/pc	86/54/s	73/53/pc
Cincinnati	71/54/s	79/59/s	83/56/s	Minneapolis	80/58/pc	71/45/c	58/38/r
Cleveland	56/44/pc	75/61/s	80/58/s	New Orleans	84/67/s	81/66/s	82/66/s
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				Orlando	86/62/s	86/64/s	84/63/s
				Philadelphia	61/42/pc	75/52/s	85/58/s
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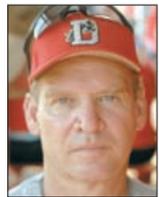
**PREP BASEBALL: DALTON 16, NORTHWEST WHITFIELD 0**

# Whitewash

## Cats' Roberts fires no-hitter at Bruins with 10 strikeouts

By **ADAM KROHN**  
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Dalton High is mowing through its baseball schedule this season like a machine — a Big Red Machine. On the mound and at the plate, the Catamounts were as relentless as ever against Northwest Whitfield on Wednesday in Tunnel Hill.



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Alex Roberts threw a five-inning no-hitter — he came within a leadoff walk of a perfect game — and the offense had another big night to lead the Cats to a 16-0 win over the Bruins at Richard S. Chumley Field in a Region 7-4A contest. The game ended after the fifth

inning due to the Georgia High School Association's mercy rule.

With the big win, the Cats (17-4, 11-0) completed a 2-0 series sweep of Northwest, beating them by a combined score of 33-2. On April 8, they needed only four innings to clobber the Bruins 17-2.

The Catamounts are now on the verge of sledgehammering their way through the sub-region schedule unscathed. They can achieve that objective in the regular-season finale against Rome on Friday at Dalton High.

Dalton jumped ahead early with an eight-

run first inning, collecting five hits and two walks, with the Bruins committing two errors. Toombs Norman stroked a two-run triple and Blake Raber had a two-run single to highlight the first.

The big lead made pitching an easy task for Roberts, who walked Jordan Darnell leading off the first, and then retired the next 15 he faced, striking out 10 by effectively mixing an 86-mph fastball and a sharp-breaking curve.

"With that lead, I could just go out there knowing that if I mess up here or there it's not a big deal because we're just going to keep putting runs on the board," said Roberts, who threw an amazing 48 strikes among his 67 pitches. "And that's what we did."

The Cats added five runs in the third inning on three hits and two walks, with Garren Palmer and Carter Crutchfield each smashing two-out, two-run doubles.

In the fifth, Bruins pitcher Zane Gordon hit Palmer and Beau Blackwood to load the bases and a fielding error allowed them both to score in a three-run inning.

Stryker Brown, Palmer and Blackwood each scored three runs. Brown went 3-for-3 and Raber was 2-for-4 with two RBIs. Norman scored twice.

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Dalton sophomore right-hander Alex Roberts kicks and fires against rival Northwest Whitfield during their Region 7-4A baseball game Wednesday in Tunnel Hill. Roberts turned in a dominant performance, coming within a walk of a perfect game. He wound up with a no-hitter and 10 strikeouts, retiring the final 15 Bruins he faced after Jordan Darnell's walk to lead off the first inning. The high-octane Catamounts romped, 16-0, and have beaten the Bruins twice this season by a combined score of 33-2.

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**PREP BOYS SOCCER: CLASS 4A STATE SOCCER TOURNAMENT**



MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen  
Loganville's Taylor Klepal (15) collides with Dalton's Angel Arellano during their Class 4A state tournament game at Harmon Field on Wednesday. The Catamounts lost, 1-0.

# Loganville gets defensive; Catamounts can't answer

By **MARTY KIRKLAND**

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Dalton's trouble finishing shots reared its head again — and this time, it finished the Catamounts' season.

Dalton controlled the ball and dominated the scoring chances against Loganville on Wednesday at Harmon Field, but a failure to convert those shots into anything meaningful dismantled the Cats in a 1-0 loss to the Red Devils in the first round of the Class 4A tournament.

"That's been our Achilles' heel all season," Dalton coach Matt Cheaves said. "To create a lot of chances and not score and finish as much as we should have."

The Cats (12-5-2) were especially plagued by the problem during an early-season stretch when they lost three of four games, but they improved over the course of the schedule and seemed to have the lack of scoring licked.

Yet the more time that passed after Red Devils (11-6) freshman Holland Carmichael's goal in the 45th minute, the more desperate Dalton's shots became.

"As soon as they saw an opportunity, they were going to try to take it," said Cheaves, who credited the Cats with 29 shots compared to three for the Red Devils. "We had talked about taking our shots when we first had them and not trying to tee up the perfect shot, because we killed some opportunities early trying to move around and set up the perfect shot."

The upset — Loganville was the No. 4 seed from Region 8, while Dalton earned the No. 1 seed for Region 7 after winning its 10th league title in 12 years — came in the first state tournament appearance in Red Devils history, fourth-year coach Nick Chonko said.

Chonko's scouting report consisted of nothing more than a few scattered details gathered from e-mails, but he knew the test would be whether his defense, a strength throughout the season, could hold up to a barrage of Dalton shots — and whether the Red Devils could get the goal that would make the difference.

"That's what we were talking about at halftime," Chonko said. "I said, 'We've got a couple chances. You know, we'll get two or three more the second half, I can't guarantee you more than that, but we've got to capitalize.' We got our shot and we did it."

Set up by teammate Dennis Mullins, from inside 10 yards Carmichael sent the ball skipping low and toward the net, where Cats keeper Ivan Salas wasn't able to make a play.

Carmichael's shot came early in a second half in which Dalton defenders and Salas spent several minutes using their hands to shield their eyes from the setting sun. That was a factor Chonko considered after winning the

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**PRO BASEBALL**

# Braves stroll to win over Nats

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WASHINGTON — Kelly Johnson drew a bases-loaded walk from Mike Hinckley in the ninth inning, lifting the Atlanta Braves to a 1-0 victory over the Washington Nationals on Wednesday night.

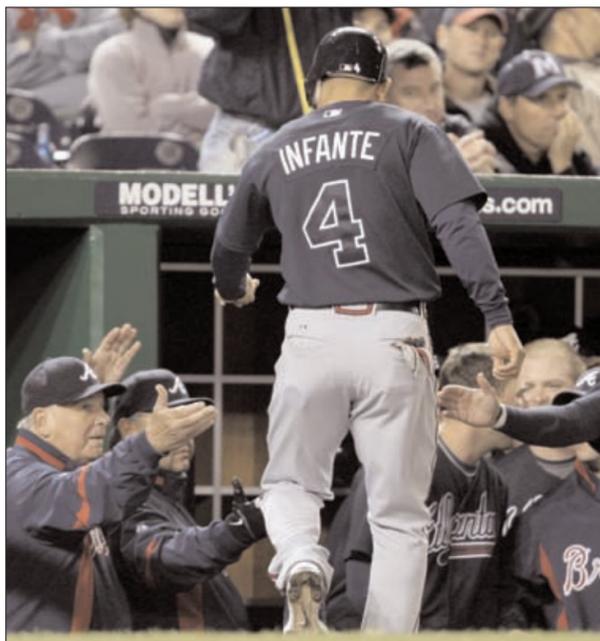
The Braves won for the second time in seven games. The Nationals, who took the first two games of the three-game series, dropped to 3-11 — the worst record in the majors.

The game was scoreless through eight, with Jair Jurrjens pitching 7 2/3 innings for Atlanta and John Lannan seven for Washington.

Matt Diaz singled with one out in the ninth against Garrett Mock (0-1) and was forced at second on Casey Kotchman's grounder. Mock walked Jordan Schafer before Hinckley issued free passes to pinch-hitter Martin Prado and Johnson.

Mike Gonzalez (1-0) struck out the only batter he faced in relief of Jurrjens. Rafael Soriano earned his second save, pitching a perfect ninth.

Jurrjens allowed six hits, walked two and struck out four.



AP PHOTO  
Atlanta's Omar Infante is glad-handed by manager Bobby Cox and teammates after scoring the game-winning run on a walk against Washington on Wednesday night.

# Dalton teams lose in state tourneys

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Dalton's girls soccer team and boys tennis squad suffered losses Wednesday in the first round of their Class 4A state tournaments. Both setbacks were dealt by Heritage-Rockdale in matches played in Conyers.

The Lady Cats were shut out, 3-0, and the Cats took a 4-1 loss.

Heritage jumped out to a 2-0 first-half lead on goals in the 20th and 30th minutes on coach Rebecca Snellman's Lady Cats. The Lady Patriots added a second-half goal with about 21 minutes left.

"I think we could have beat them," Snellman said, "but we made some silly errors, unfortunately, and they cost us a couple of goals. They're no better than a few other teams we played. We had opportunities to score and win, but it just didn't happen. We had a couple of breakaways and couldn't finish."

Snellman said Heritage took 13 shots on goal and the Lady Cats, who finish the season 13-5-1, took 10 shots — four in the first half and six after halftime.

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**Inside:** Hawks fall to Miami as series evens, 1-1  
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**AREA ROUNDUP**

## SPORTS BRIEFS

## Long hits gapper for 1st hole-in-one

Brian Long of Dalton made his first hole-in-one in 26 years of playing golf Tuesday at Nob North Golf Course.

Long used a gap wedge to make the shot on the par-3, 134-yard fifth hole at the course in Cohutta.

Witnessing the shot were Woody Bramblett, Denny Lowe and Spencer Singleton.

## Hoops star leaves Dawgs for Jackets

ATLANTA — One day after being released from his Georgia scholarship, high school star Daniel Miller has landed with rival Georgia Tech.

Miller, a 6-foot-11 center at Loganville Christian Academy in suburban Atlanta, has signed with Georgia Tech.

Miller adds to an already stellar recruiting class for the Yellow Jackets led by Naismith national player of the year Derrick Favors, a 6-9 center.

## Labonte gets new crew chief for TS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Ben Leslie is taking over as the new crew chief of Bobby Labonte's No. 96 team from Todd Parrott. Yates Racing made the change to strengthen the organization, which is adjusting to Labonte's addition this season. The change will be in effect this week at Talladega Superspeedway.

Labonte came to the team in mid-January when Yates aligned with Hall of Fame Racing.

Labonte is 28th in points. He has a season-best finish of fifth at Las Vegas in March.

## Polo horses likely got tainted Biodyl

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — A member of a Venezuelan-owned polo team says a supplement likely killed 21 horses before a match last weekend in Florida.

Juan Martin Nero, of Lechuza Polo, tells a Argentine newspaper the horses were given a commonly used supplement known as Biodyl that contains vitamins and minerals.

It is made in France by Duluth, Ga.-based animal pharmaceutical firm Merial Ltd., and is not approved for use in the U.S.

## Bulls' Rose named NBA's top rookie

NORTHBROOK, Ill. — Derrick Rose, who led his hometown Bulls to the playoffs and restored hope to a franchise in disarray, is the NBA's rookie of the year.

The announcement was made Wednesday.

Rose is the third Bulls player to win the award, joining Michael Jordan and Elton Brand. His selection was hardly a surprise, after the No. 1 overall draft pick led all rookies with 6.3 assists per game and was second in scoring average at 16.8, and established himself as the franchise's first true cornerstone since Jordan.

## TBS told to pay McDavid \$281 mil

ATLANTA — A Fulton County Superior Court judge has ruled Turner Broadcasting System must pay businessman David McDavid \$281 million, just as a jury said last year.

Judge Tom Campbell denied Turner Broadcasting's request to overturn the verdict in favor of McDavid, who accused the company of cheating him out of buying the Atlanta Hawks, Atlanta Thrashers and Philips Arena operating rights in 2003.

TBS has 30 days to appeal Campbell's ruling.

— Staff, AP Reports



MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen Dalton's Ricky Rodriguez (12) attacks the goal Wednesday in the Class 4A state boys soccer tournament match against Loganville at Harmon Field. Loganville goalie Steven Daniel (00) and Jeremy Caldwell (10) apply defense on the play.

## Cats: A quick end

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pregame coin toss and choosing which side to defend in the first half, but it didn't make a big difference on the goal, Salas said.

"It was kind of quick from what I remember," said Salas, a senior who recorded his only save for the game when he stopped a point-blank header in the first half. "Just a lack of communication and I didn't get a good touch on the ball ... I was in good position, I just didn't react to it."

Dalton seemed to have a gift opportunity just three minutes after Carmichael's goal when too much contact in the corner set up a penalty kick for the Cats, but Ricky Rodriguez's attempt was stopped by Loganville keeper Steven Daniel, though not

cleanly enough to secure the ball. However, it went down instead of back, hitting the crossbar but never crossing the line before being secured.

Dalton had other opportunities, too, right down to the final 10 seconds, when Heriberto Hernandez had a shot stopped by Daniel. But a year after advancing to the Class 4A quarterfinals, the Cats found their season over much sooner than they'd expected.

"We felt like we were going to go all the way to the championship," junior midfielder/forward Jacobo Estrada said. "But I think it's a good season."

Daniel recorded four saves on his way to earning the shutout for the Red Devils, who advance to play the winner of Lakeside-DeKalb and Starr's Mill in the second round.

## Area: Indians win on Headrick's HR

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"It was a pretty equal match on both sides of the field," Snellman said. "Overall, I'm happy with our season and how the girls played all year."

Coach David Hilley's tennis team's lone win came from Hunter Carson at No. 3 singles. He beat Heritage's Joey Roppo 6-3, 4-6, 10-8. Dalton ends the season with an 11-5 record.

The Cats' Sam Awad lost 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1 singles and No. 2 Blake Garrett lost to Zachary Landy 6-2, 6-2.

At No. 1 doubles, Pryce Puryear and Andy Partain lost to Frankie Merkel and Erik Lauritsen 6-2, 6-1 and at No. 2 Jeffery Hair and Sam Batts were beaten by Cody Province and Trey Calcino 7-5, 4-6, 2-6.

"Heritage was a No. 1 seed from Region 8 and they were an excellent team," Hilley said. "We were a No. 4 seed but competed well.

We needed some wins where they were really strong. The match probably should have been 3-2. They had really good players at 1 and 2 singles.

"I'm real proud of the guys. Last year we were 6-11 and we flip-flopped things from one season to the next and they have nothing to be ashamed about."

## Varsity baseball

■ **Murray County 4, Rome 2:** Houston Headrick's three-run home run in the eighth inning was the game-winner for the Indians (10-8, 3-7). Headrick's dramatic homer

was the first runs off Rome pitcher Taylor Toadvine in 25 innings, Indians coach Jason Lanham said.

Justin Shaw led off the Indians' eighth with a single and Taylor Patterson singled with one out to put runners at first and third. Ryan Greeson fouled off five two-strike pitches from Toadvine before lacing a run-scoring single to right, pulling the Indians within 2-1. Then Headrick drilled his homer to dead center field. Greeson went 3-for-4, all singles.

The victory keeps Murray County's postseason hopes alive. The Indians have won three of their past four games and finish the regular season with a home game against Sequoyah and a road game at Cass.

"We're pretty much sky high and seem to be clicking on all cylinders," Lanham said. "We started last week with Woodland and got that big win and (Tuesday) night against Northwest."

## MS baseball

■ **Dalton 9, Bagley 1:** Will Erwin went 4-for-4 with three RBIs and threw a four-hitter for the Cougars (8-1). Erwin pitched six innings and struck out six while walking one.

Grant Sane was 3-for-4 with a double and four RBIs while Omar Lara was 2-for-3 with a double and scored twice and Brandon Potts was 2-for-3 and scored three runs.

Dalton had 14 total hits. Saul Lara pitched the final inning and retired the Braves in order with two strikeouts.

## Dalton: After tough loss, Bruins set sights on Chiefs

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The lopsided win was another indication to Cats coach Bobby Brotherton that his team is locked in on all phases of the game.

"Our kids are playing well," he said. "What can you say? They're swinging the bat, they're seeing the ball, they're fielding it and they're doing what they're supposed to do.

"And the pitching has been tremendous. It's not just Alex, we're getting it from John (Erwin), Colton (Kinnamon) and Nick (Ray)."

The Cats next host Rome, a team they beat earlier, 8-3, on Friday at 5:55 p.m.

A Cats win over the Wolves would help the Bruins (12-10, 5-6) cling to their third-place position in the 7-4A north sub-region standings.

That would keep Northwest's state play-off hopes alive.

The Bruins play their final region game on Friday against Sequoyah at 5:55 p.m. Northwest beat the Chiefs 7-2 earlier in the season. A win would clinch third place for Northwest, but a loss could make things a

bit dicey.

If Northwest loses and Rome wins, the Wolves take third, winning the tiebreaker based on their head-to-head season sweep of Northwest.

And if Northwest and Rome both lose and Murray County wins its last two games against Sequoyah and Cass, the Indians and Bruins would flip a coin for third place, Bruins coach Todd Middleton said. The coin flip is the third tiebreaker behind region record and margin of victory in head-to-head matchups. The Bruins beat the Indians by three on April 4 and lost to them by three on Tuesday.

Middleton said the team can't take away much from Wednesday's game except the knowledge that a spot in the postseason remains a possibility.

"We didn't even talk about this game very much," Middleton said of his postgame meeting with the team. "We just went straight to talking about Sequoyah. It's going to be senior night and it's in our hands. If we win we're secure in that third spot, so they need to come out and make sure they bring their 'A' game for the sen-



MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen Dalton third baseman Carter Crutchfield, after fielding a ground ball, throws to first base for the putout during the Catamounts' game against Northwest on Wednesday. Crutchfield also doubled and scored a run in a 16-0 win.

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# GOING NATIONAL



**CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**  
The Georgia Sting 14-under fastpitch softball team won the ASA Double Play Classic in Woodstock and earned a berth in the ASA/USA national tournament in July. Team members are front row, left to right, Tavi Parris, Karlie Henson, Chelsey Rivers, Emily Boyd and Mykeah Johnson; back row, coach Mark Parris, Bree Walraven, Maci Mills, Morgan Hill, Morgan Stewart, coach Greg Boyd, Carly Curtis, Macy Weeks and coach Bobby Rivers.

# SPRINGTIME WINNERS



**CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**  
The Georgia Blitz, with players from Northwest Whitfield, Murray County and Sonorville high schools, recently won the NSA Springtime tournament in Rome tournament. Team members are front row, left to right, Savannah Pierce and Karli Timms; second row, Amy Shampo, Allison Manis, Keri Clayton, Andrea Camp, Talya Smith, Brooke Silvers, Berkley Potts, Tiffany White and Marissa Miller; back row, coaches Bruce Clayton, John Smith and Gerome Crump.

## PRO BASKETBALL: NBA PLAYOFFS

# Wade puts on show, Heat even series at 1

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Remember how bad Dwyane Wade and his Miami teammates looked in Game 1 of the playoffs? They were that good in Game 2.

Wade scored 33 points, 13 straight to close the first half before he banked in a 3-pointer with 2 1/2 minutes left to finish off the Atlanta Hawks in a 108-93 victory Wednesday night that evened the series before it headed to south Florida.

After scoring only 19 points to open the best-of-seven series Sunday in a 90-64 blowout, Wade eclipsed his point total by halftime.

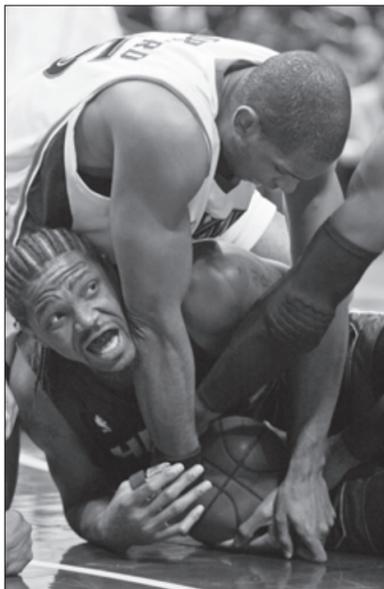
The Hawks should have known this wouldn't be their night when "Spirit," an actual hawk that flies down from the rafters during the pre-game introductions, decided to hang around for the start of the game. The game had to be halted for a couple of minutes when the fierce-looking bird landed on the top of the backboard; he finally flew to his handler and was led out of the building.

Turns out, the real hawk showed more aggressiveness than any of the players wearing Hawks across the front of their jerseys until the fourth quarter, when Atlanta finally came to life.

After trailing by as many as 18, the home team twice closed within five points — but never got over the hump. Wade delivered the decisive blow when, with the shot clock running down, he threw up a long 3. The shot was errant, but it banked in off the backboard and was just as good as a swish.

Wade's shot pushed the Heat to a 101-91 lead, and the Hawks were done.

The crowd started heading for the exits, except for a handful of Miami fans who hung around to serenade Wade with chants of "M-V-3!" When the horn sounded, Wade went over and shook hands with Atlanta rap star T.I., sitting at courtside as he waits to begin his yearlong sentence for weapons



**AP PHOTO**  
Miami's Udonis Haslem, bottom, and Atlanta's Al Horford scramble for a loose ball during basketball playoff action on Wednesday in Atlanta.

charges.

Unlike the loss in Game 1, when only one other Miami player scored in double figures, Wade had plenty of help this time. Daequan Cook scored 20 points, going 6-of-9 from 3-point range to make up for an 0-for-5 showing beyond the arc on Sunday night. Jermaine O'Neal scored 19 points on the inside. Michael Beasley added 12 and Udonis Haslem 10.

Mike Bibby led the Hawks with 18 points, but the home team shot only 44 percent from the field and struggled at the foul line, making 19-of-30.

Game 3 is Saturday in Miami.

# SCOREBOARD

## LOCAL

**Prep Schedule**  
**Today**  
**Varsity golf**  
Christian Heritage boys at Kings Ridge, Alpharetta, 4  
**Varsity softball**  
Covenant Christian at Christian Heritage (DH), 4:30  
**Varsity tennis**  
GHS Class 4A girls state tournament  
Habersham Central at Dalton, 4  
**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 County at Cass, 5:55  
**Varsity soccer**  
The Heritage School at Christian Heritage, 4  
**GHS 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

Boston 4, Montreal 1, Boston wins series 4-0  
N.Y. Rangers 2, Washington 1, N.Y. Rangers lead series 3-1  
Chicago at Calgary, late  
**Today**  
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.  
Detroit at Columbus, 7 p.m.  
Carolina at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.  
San Jose at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.  
**Friday**  
N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 7 p.m.

Atlanta	7	8	.467	4
New York	6	7	.462	4
Philadelphia	6	7	.462	4
Washington	3	11	.214	7 1/2

**Central Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	8	4	.667	—
St. Louis	9	5	.643	—
Pittsburgh	9	6	.600	1/2
Cincinnati	7	6	.538	1 1/2
Houston	5	9	.357	4
Milwaukee	5	9	.357	4

**West Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	10	4	.714	—
San Diego	9	6	.600	1 1/2
San Francisco	6	8	.429	4
Arizona	6	9	.400	4 1/2
Colorado	5	9	.357	5

## PRO BASKETBALL

### NBA Glance

**First Round (Best of 7)**  
**Tuesday**  
Cleveland 94, Detroit 82, Cleveland leads series 2-0  
Portland 107, Houston 103, series tied 1-1  
L.A. Lakers 119, Utah 109, L.A. Lakers lead series 2-0  
**Wednesday**  
Orlando 96, Philadelphia 87, series tied 1-1  
Miami 108, Atlanta 93, series tied 1-1  
New Orleans at Denver, late  
**Today**  
Boston at Chicago, 8 p.m.  
San Antonio at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
L.A. Lakers at Utah, 10:30 p.m.

## PRO BASEBALL

### AL Glance

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	10	5	.667	—
New York	9	6	.600	1
Boston	8	6	.571	1 1/2
Baltimore	7	8	.467	3
Tampa Bay	5	9	.357	4 1/2

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	8	6	.571	—
Kansas City	8	6	.571	—
Detroit	7	6	.538	1/2
Minnesota	7	8	.467	1 1/2
Cleveland	5	10	.333	3 1/2

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	9	5	.643	—
Texas	6	7	.462	2 1/2
Los Angeles	5	8	.385	3 1/2
Oakland	5	9	.357	4

### Today's Games

Boston 10, Minnesota 1, 7 innings, 1st game  
N.Y. Yankees 9, Oakland 7, 14 innings  
Kansas City 2, Cleveland 0  
Chicago White Sox 8, Baltimore 2  
Texas at Toronto, late  
Minnesota at Boston, late  
Detroit at L.A. Angels, late  
Tampa Bay at Seattle, late  
**Today's Games**  
Kansas City (Meche 1-0) at Cleveland (A.Reyes 1-0), 12:05 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (J.Shields 2-1) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 2-0), 6:40 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox (Colon 1-0) at Baltimore (Eaton 0-2), 7:05 p.m.  
Texas (Millwood 1-1) at Toronto (Richmond 1-0), 7:07 p.m.  
Detroit (E.Jackson 1-0) at L.A. Angels (Oliver 0-0), 10:05 p.m.  
**Friday's Games**  
Texas at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.  
Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 7:10 p.m.  
Detroit at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.  
Toronto at Chicago White Sox, 8:11 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.  
Seattle at L.A. Angels, 10:05 p.m.

### NL Glance

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Florida	11	4	.733	—

**Tuesday's Games**  
Philadelphia 11, Milwaukee 4  
Pittsburgh 3, Florida 2  
Washington 4, Atlanta 3  
Houston 8, L.A. Dodgers 5  
Chicago Cubs 7, Cincinnati 2  
St. Louis 6, N.Y. Mets 4  
Colorado 9, Arizona 6  
San Francisco 8, San Diego 3  
**Wednesday's Games**  
Pittsburgh 7, Florida 4  
Arizona 2, Colorado 0  
San Francisco 1, San Diego 0, 10 innings  
Milwaukee 3, Philadelphia 1  
Atlanta 1, Washington 0  
Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, late  
L.A. Dodgers at Houston, late  
N.Y. Mets at St. Louis, late  
**Today's Games**  
Milwaukee (Bush 0-0) at Philadelphia (Hamels 0-1), 1:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets (L.Hernandez 1-0) at St. Louis (Lohse 2-0), 1:40 p.m.  
Cincinnati (Harang 1-2) at Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 1-0), 2:20 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Billingsley 3-0) at Houston (W.Rodriguez 1-1), 8:05 p.m.

## TRANSACTIONS

### Wednesday's Moves

**BASEBALL**  
**American League**  
BOSTON RED SOX—Purchased the contract of 1B OF Jeff Bailey from Pawtucket (IL). Placed RHP Devern Hansack on unconditional release waivers.  
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Recalled LHP Tony Sipp from Columbus (IL). Optioned LHP Zach Jackson to Columbus.  
TEXAS RANGERS—Placed RHP Kris Benson on the 15-day DL, retroactive to April 16. Claimed RHP Darren O'Day off waivers from the N.Y. Mets. Transferred RHP Dustin Nippert to the 60-day DL.  
**National League**  
COLORADO ROCKIES—Placed LHP Franklin Morales on the 15-day DL. Purchased the contract of RHP Matt Daley from Colorado Springs (PCL). Transferred RHP Taylor Buchholz to the 60-day DL.  
American Association  
EL PASO DIABLOS—Signed C Eddy Rodriguez.  
FORT WORTH CATS—Signed INF Mike Bell and C Kent Wright.  
**BASKETBALL**  
**National Basketball Association**  
WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Named Flip Saunders coach and signed him to a four-year contract.  
**FOOTBALL**  
**National Football League**  
BUFFALO BILLS—Named Bruce Popko senior vice president of business development.  
NEW YORK GIANTS—Acquired OT Andrew Carnahan off waivers from Kansas City.  
Canadian Football League  
SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDERS—Signed WR Byron Ross and WR Brandon Myles.  
**HOCKEY**  
**National Hockey League**  
ST. LOUIS BLUES—Assigned F Yan Stastny and D Tyson Strachan to Peoria (AHL).  
**COLLEGE**  
ARKANSAS—Announced freshman F Brandon Moore is leaving the men's basketball team and will transfer.  
TENNESSEE—Announced junior F Tyler Smith will enter the NBA draft, but has not hired an agent.

## REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>

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**Format:** 4-person select shot tournament flighted by handicap (soft spikes are mandatory). Ladies are encouraged to participate.  
**Tee time:** Registration/breakfast for a.m. flights begins at 7:00 a.m. Shotgun start at 8:00 a.m. Registration/lunch for p.m. flights begins at 11:45 a.m. Shotgun start at 1:30 p.m.  
**Lunch:** Lunch will be served as players finish their round and before the afternoon flights begin. Afternoon flights are encouraged to come at 11:45 a.m. for lunch.  
**Cost:** \$175.00 per player, \$700 per team. Entry fee includes green fees, cart, ditty bags, mulligans, red tees, prizes, meals, beverages and an opportunity to win door, closest-to-the-pin, long drive, team and hole-in-one prizes. Outstanding prizes and door prizes in both a.m. and p.m. flights, plus a quality, individual ditty bag will be presented to each player.

Two options are available for participation.

**Option A:** You may pick your own 4-man team. Please provide all 4 names and addresses below plus each player's handicap or average score. Please circle your preference for tee time:

a.m. or p.m.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ HCP \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ HCP \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Option B:** You may enter individually and you will be assigned your teammates based upon your handicap or average score:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ HCP \_\_\_\_\_

Your entry fee goes a long way to help area non-profit organizations with budget shortfalls and non-budgeted emergency expenditures.

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Above is a group of sophomores, juniors and seniors from Murray County High School who recently went on a trip to Italy.

## More than spaghetti

BY CASEY LOVAIN

During Spring Break, from April 3 to 11, a group of students and chaperones took an unforgettable tour. For a little over a week this lucky group of students went to Italy and the French Riviera.

The group of sophomores, juniors and seniors included Haley Bagley, Jannett Bermudez, Chassie Gragg, Montana Gray, Micah Kilgore, Breann Ledford, Alejandra Manzaneres, Jennifer Snow, Carley Smith and Amber Waldroup. They were accompanied by two chaperones, Charles Longmire and Phenna Pety.

On April 3 and 4, the group stayed on the airplane for over 12 hours with one layover. They arrived in Europe and started sightseeing on April 5. The first stop was the Ostia Antica, and that evening they went on a night tour of the Spanish Steps. The next day, they visited Vatican City. While there they visited the Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. That afternoon they toured The Roman Forum, The Coliseum and The Pantheon.

"It was incredible to see so much history in one area. Structures that were thousands of years old could be found next to structures only

a few hundred years old," said Charles Longmire.

On April 7, they went to Sienna and had some much needed free time to relax and take in the scenery. The next day, they visited Florence for a walking tour, followed by a leather making demonstration. On April 9, the group went to Pisa, where they got to see the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Pisa Cathedral and Cannes Beach. The next day, their final big day of sight seeing, they crossed over into France where they visited Monaco, Nice and Eze. While in Monaco, they went to the Monaco Cathedral and Palace. In Nice, they visited a market and had some free time on the beach. The last

place they visited was Eze, where they went to a perfume factory, and walked to the peak of the town.

They boarded the returning flight back home from Italy on April 11.

Everyone who went on the trip came back with more than just souvenirs; they came back with a better understanding of world history and different cultures.

When asked about the trip, MCHS junior Chassie Gragg, said, "It was an amazing experience, everywhere we went was breathtaking."

Though the week went by fast, it is very safe to assume that this was an experience that they will always cherish.



## Bands will battle

Murray County High School will host its second annual Battle of the Bands competition on Saturday, May 16. It will be held in the MCHS gym and will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5.

People who enter the competition get to perform in front of a young audience and get their name known, the opportunity to bring their crowd and increase their chances of winning.

Every attendee will get a ballot at the door and may purchase additional ballots to vote as many times as they desire. The band with the most votes will win the People Choice Award. The prizes for first, second and third are \$100, \$75 and \$50 respectively.

This is a school-sponsored event. All performances must meet the following criteria:

- The lyrics of the songs must not contain offensive, obscene or profane language.
- No part of the performance may exhibit any inappropriate behavior.
- Band attire may not endorse or depict alcohol, tobacco or profanity.



• School officials reserve the right to stop and disqualify any performance which is deemed inappropriate.

• The application fee is \$25. Make check payable to the Murray County Band Booster Club.

To participate, return completed application to Mike Weaver c/o Murray County High School, 1001 Green Road, Chatsworth, GA 30705. To download the application, visit [www.murraycountyband.org](http://www.murraycountyband.org). Call (706) 422-1239 for more information.

## Hannah Wildes selected for Governor's Honors Program

BY STEPHANIE MCCARSKY

Hannah Wildes is an all-around star student. This junior has a grade point average of 99.95. She's a flute section leader in the Murray County High School Band. She's part of the two-time All State Champion Skills USA team, and she's a key asset in the Quiz Bowl team. Hannah has made All-State Chorus her sophomore year, and now recently, she's the first MCHS student in 12 years to be selected as a participant in the Governor Honor's Program.

The Governor's Honors Program is a six-week program held in the summer for the exceptionally intelligent and artistically gifted high school scholars. This program was created in order to give these students advanced instructional education not usually taught in the normal high school curriculum. After five weeks of intensive practice for her audition, Hannah will be a participant for the Drama major this June. The minor she has chosen is Dance.

When asked about her



Hannah Wildes

audition process, Hannah said, "The audition itself was very intense. I had to do a prepared monologue, which was acting out a character in the play, 'Always'. I also had to be part of a 15-minute group monologue, and I was put through an extensive interview."

The audition process also takes note of the student's

GPA and PSAT scores. "The hardest part about the audition was the 're-direct,' said Hannah. "With my memorized monologue, the judges made me act out my character to however they described."

When asked about the GHP this summer, Hannah seemed very enthused about the training she'll be receiving.

ing.

"I'm looking forward to the amount of intensive training," she said. "Governor's Honors Program is not about making you learn lines for a play...it's training you how to act. I'm also looking forward to meeting with more intelligent and more talented people than I am."

Hannah said she really appreciates the amount of time everyone has given her for her audition. She wants to especially thank Mrs. Adam's, high school literature and drama teacher.

"Thank you Mrs. Adams for 'dragging the character out of me,'" she said. She also wanted to thank fellow students, Sarah Steele, Jonathan Langham and Brian Garcia for "being there and for their help preparing me for my audition."

GHP 2009 will begin on June 14 and will last through July 25 at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, Ga. Congratulations to Hannah Wildes! We know that Murray County High School will be well represented at Governor's Honors Program 2009!

## Murray has talent

BY NOAH CRUM AND TYLER ELLIS

Murray County High School's Art Club and Yearbook staff held its annual Talent Show on March 27. The show, hosted by Jacob Wildes, Zach Gibson and Casey Lovain, consisted of a wide variety of acts and showcased some of Murray County High School's most talented students. Judges included Misty Watson, Camilla Kenemer and John Kenemer.

Annie Tankersley, who sang "At Last," was the Talent Show winner. First runner up went to Flatline, a band consisting of MCHS

students Chris Deal, Houston Headrick, Tyler Jones, Eric Beavers, Cody Bunch and Zach Mantooth, who sang their original song "The Man in Me." Ciera Christian, who danced to "I Love You, I Do," took second runner-up. Third runner-up was awarded to Corey Shields, Casey Lovain and Brandon Singleton — also known as The Gullibles — who performed their original song "Long Way to Go." Honorable Mentions went to Juan Ibarra and Savannah Jones.

All proceeds went to the Murray County High School Art Club and Yearbook Staff.

## Dodgeball tournament will benefit PE Department

BY JON KISER

The annual MCHS dodgeball tournament will be held on Friday, April 24 during fourth period in the gymnasium.

Those interested in playing arrived at school extra early on April 16 to make sure they would have a spot on their class team.

For those interested in

watching the tournament, tickets will be on sale through April 24 during lunches and in the office before and after school. Ticket cost is \$2 and tickets are required to be released from fourth period classes.

The following teams will compete: Sophomores, juniors, seniors and faculty.

Come out and support your favorite group!

## MCHS artwork recognized

BY MANDY WHITE

Murray County High School had 27 art students recognized at the 2009 Student Arts Expo this year — more than all the other local high schools combined!

There were 16 out of 29 underclass winners and 11 out of 21 senior class win-

ners. Student artwork was displayed at the Creative Arts Guild in Dalton throughout March. Awards were presented on March 26 for underclass winners and on April 3 for seniors.

Underclass award winners included: First-place winners Brandon Herman and Hezron Yoxon; second-place winner Chassie Gragg;

and third-place winners Taylor Smith, Kayla McFalls and Laura Paniagua.

There were also 17 honorable mentions awarded for artwork submitted by Murray County High School.

Senior Laura Paniagua received a \$200 scholarship for winning second place in the Bernice Speigel Prize in Visual Arts.



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Found in Southeast area. Small, light brown, male dog. Call 706-279-3094.

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Lost 4/15/09. Guard off of ring with tiny diamonds on each side. In Green Spot parking lot. Heartbreaking sentimental value. Nice reward. 706-259-0031 or 706-259-9262

Lost in Airport Rd. area. Adult black, long haired male cat. Loved and missed by family. Reward offered. 706-270-5983 or 706-278-0035 leave messg.

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Moving Sale. Fri., Sat. & Sun. 7am-3pm. 111 Fairway Dr. Dalton.

**Dalton**

Mtn Oak Estates. 1226 Arabian Dr. Sat. 8a-12pm. Name brand clothg, (w-xs, s, m-33", 34", 35" & infants), housewares, toys, golf, camping, Ficus tree, more!

Multi Family Yard Sale. Canoe, furniture, Suzuki 650 motorcycle, toys, home decor, men, kids and women's clothing. Sat. 7am-2pm. 528 Luke Powell Rd.

Yard Sale. Friday and Saturday 8am-3pm. 669 Beaverdale Road. Household items, furniture, women's plus size and infant boy's clothing, etc.

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**ESTATE SALES**

**ESTATE/MOVING SALE:** Norman and Bobbie Burkett at 2209 Rocky Face Circle, Dalton are down sizing and their partial estate will be sold Fri. April 24 and Sat. April 25 from 8am-4pm and Sunday April 26 from 1pm to 4pm. Listing: King size bedroom suite with a Sealy Posturepedic mattress, Henredon dining room suite with eight chairs, full size mattress and box springs, beautiful bamboo glass top table and chairs, end tables, bakers rack, sofas and occasional tables Hand tufted 9x12 wool rug, Mohair 15x18 Karastan rug, lamps, pictures, kitchen items including many small appliances, beautiful custom made floral and Christmas arrangements, ladies name brand clothing, linens, cookbooks, CDs, videos and an IBM electric typewriter. Lots of beautiful glassware including Heisey conaragh pattern waterford. Wedgewood and Castleton china and steuben ornaments, Reed and Barton Sterling in Francis 1st pattern. Don't be misled by "Partial Estate". This is a large estate and one you don't want to miss. Sale conducted by Glenn Masters.

**Dalton**

Dalton (Brookwood). Estate Sale. April 25 & 26 Sat & Sun 8am-3pm. 911 Lakemont Dr. Sofa, Bed, Furniture, TV, VCR, Medical Equip., etc!!

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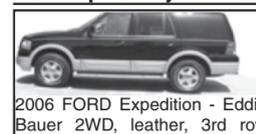
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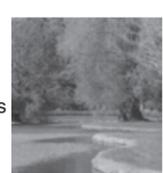
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