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Marine remembered

Community turns out for services of Seth Sharp

By MARK MILLICAN

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ADAIRSVILLE — The Rev. Steve Morrow recalled the time when Ric Sharp — the father of fallen U.S. Marine Charles Seth Sharp — told him he had received a letter from his son in Iraq requesting crayons and coloring books.

"I said to myself, 'That's a weird request coming from a Marine.' But then Ric told me he wanted them for the children there," he shared with several hundred mourners while eulogizing Sharp on Saturday at Northpointe Church. "Seth didn't just die for his country, he died for those children in Iraq also."

Lance Cpl. Sharp, 20, who was born in Dalton and attended Pleasant Grove Elementary before moving to Adairsville in 2000, was killed in action on July 2 in Afghanistan while his unit was fighting in Operation Strike of the Sword, a surge intended to rid the Helmand Valley in southern Afghanistan of the Taliban. At his funeral, a lone Marine lance corporal stood guard motionlessly in a dress blue uniform beside the flag-draped coffin. After the church filled almost as quietly, he was joined by a



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Lance Cpl. Seth Sharp's fiancée, Katie McMahon of Dalton, hugs friends and family following a grave side service for Sharp at the East View Cemetery in Adairsville on Saturday.

woman Marine. They both saluted slowly before leaving Sharp in the hands of the officiants.

"He told his mother (Angela), 'It's different in Iraq,'" said the Rev. Randy

Gulledge. "'We sleep on the ground and in the woods.' His mother asked him if there was anything she could send him and he replied, 'Don't send much because I can't carry it. All I

have is on my back.'"

Morrow said after his tour of duty in Iraq Sharp began "putting foolish things aside — he started a serious relationship with his sweetheart, Katie (McMahan). After Seth was killed, she received a letter from him telling her that he loved her and he felt blessed to have her in his family."

Sharp left Adairsville High School — which bid him goodbye on its message board along the funeral route — at age 17 so he could join the Marines. The Rev. Doug Hasty said becoming a Marine was a dream of his since he turned 15. Sharp served with Company E of the 2nd Battalion/8th Marine Regiment of the Second Marine Division stationed in Camp Lejeune, N.C. He had only been on the ground in Afghanistan six weeks.

Outside on a bright summer day, approximately 200 motorcycles with Patriot Guard Riders — who go and stand at the funerals of soldiers and Marines who have fallen in battle — accompanied Sharp along Old Highway 41 to East View Cemetery. Thousands of community residents lined the road all the way into town, standing respectfully while holding



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Residents of Bartow and Gordon counties line U.S. Highway 41 in Adairsville on Saturday as the funeral procession for Lance Cpl. Seth Sharp passes by on its way to East View Cemetery.

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Dalton carries on without administrator

By CHARLES OLIVER

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Almost a year has passed since Dalton city administrator Butch Sanders resigned, but City Council members say they aren't close to choosing a replacement. In fact, some members say they may have to re-advertise the position.

Sanders stepped down on July 17, 2008. The city received more than 50 applications for the position last fall, and council members say they have interviewed several of those appli-

cants. But they still haven't reached a decision.

The city did not advertise a salary for the post. Sanders was making \$103,209 annually.

"We are trying to be very deliberate in defining what we want someone to do. We've conducted a search and held some interviews, and some of those people may still be under consideration," said council member

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Workers construct the sidewalk near the old train depot off Morris Street. Dalton Council members say the absence of a city administrator hasn't affected city services.

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Democrats but idiots and morons."

"The best place to buy watermelons is at the Wright Hotel in Chatsworth. The man is from Adairsville."

"When your congressmen and senators don't do the will of the people their records should be looked at and then voted out."

"I haven't seen a police car on Red Clay Avenue since the incident on the Fourth of July."

"It's hard to for those of us who helped put Obama in office to admit that we made a huge mistake but we did. Please read Mr. Hiller's letter in Friday's paper with an open mind. He is correct and I applaud him for speaking out."

"I was walking around downtown last night and the nicest police officer on a bicycle stopped and talked to me. I think the Dalton Police Department is doing a wonderful job. He was the supervisor of the bike patrol."

"You poor dummy. If you knew the facts and quit listening to the left-wing airheads on TV you would know the polar bear population is increasing."

"If this Mr. Hiller in Beaverdale is so smart why doesn't he get involved in politics and run for president. He might make a good one, who knows?"

"May God bless each and every one of the Sharp family."

"You can buy fresh garden produce at the farmer's market behind Wendy's on Cleveland Highway. There are there early in the morning on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and these are our farmers who come in."

"I want to learn how to talk to polar bears."

"How is it we can send a man to the moon and a rocket to Mars to take pictures but we can't make a rearview mirror for a vehicle on the right side that works like the one on the left side."

"Kroger on Cleveland Highway has the best seedless watermelons in town. They are just delicious."

"Thank you Pam Woodall for being a great friend and boss."

"Speaking of pedophiles, why don't you Caucasians tell your children about Jerry Lee Lewis marrying his cousin when she was 10 years old. Tell them about that since you want to talk about Michael Jackson."

"I'm not tired about hearing about Michael Jackson, he is listed in the Guinness Book of Records for giving the most money to the most charities, what is everyone else doing with their money."

"What's all the fuss about Sarah Palin stepping down? She should be able to make career choices without it being criticized and flashed all over the news."

"I think we should thank Hillary Clinton and the administration for getting North Korea to participate in our Fourth of July fireworks. They did a great job over there."

"Dance Theatre of Dalton is awesome."

"I want to thank Dr. Moore and Dalton Animal Clinic for taking such good care of our pet when she almost died."

"Has anybody noticed that Newt Gingrich has shut up lately since all the Republicans got caught cheating."

"Leave Michael Jackson alone and stop saying all those bad things about him and just let him rest in peace."

"About 30 years ago my wife and I saw Hank Williams Jr. at Music Land at Calhoun, he was drunk, he forgot words to the songs and stopped singing in the middle of them and fell off the stage one time. It was a terrible concert."

"I just read Michelle Malkin's editorial and it should have been printed in bold and on the front page."

"It's not Republicans and

Dalton: No administrator

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Charlie Bethel. "But we want to make sure we know what we are going to ask the city administrator to do before we try to fill the role."

Mayor David Pennington says Dalton's city government isn't structured the way many other municipal governments are. "We aren't looking for the typical city administrator," he said. "Our department heads are really independent department heads for the most part. The police and fire departments report to the Public Safety Commission. The recreation department reports to the rec commission. And the public works department reports to a public works committee."

That means, he says, Dalton's city administrator tends to be less involved in the day-to-day operations of the government than the administrators of some

other cities. That will be even more true, he says, given the city's push to combine more services with the county.

Council member Dick Lowrey agrees.

"We haven't given up yet. But we've got some other issues we want to finish first. We are trying to combine building inspectors. We are looking to see how things work out with the county," Lowrey said.

Council members say that since the job doesn't have the typical city administrator's duties, they aren't necessarily looking for someone with a traditional city administrator's background and skills.

"What we are looking for is not a traditional city administrator but one that is more community development oriented and also someone who can help us with state contacts and things like that," Pennington said.

Council members say

they just haven't found that yet, though Pennington says one candidate might be a possibility. Pennington and Lowrey said they may have to re-advertise the post.

Council members say they'd like to have a new administrator on board as soon as possible, but they add that going without one for a year hasn't had a negative impact on city services, largely because department heads have stepped up.

"They've really done an outstanding job," Lowrey said.

Council members say there is nothing in the city charter that requires them to choose an administrator by any set date.

"We've talked to (city attorney) Jim Bisson about that. We could name an acting city administrator if we had to. But the charter just says we have to have one or be looking for one, and we are," Pennington said.

Carlos now a hurricane

MIAMI (AP) — The National Hurricane Center says Carlos has become a hurricane swirling far off Mexico's Pacific coast.

The storm's maximum sustained winds have increased to near 80 mph and the center in Miami says the storm could further strengthen in the next 24 hours.

As of 5 p.m. Saturday, Carlos was centered about 1,000 miles south-southwest of the southern tip of Mexico's Baja California peninsula. The storm is moving toward the west nearly 12 mph on a path taking it farther out to sea.

TODAY'S CITIZEN



NAME: Jamey Fuller
AGE: 11
HOME: Ringgold
FAMILY: Mother, Sandra Lehn; sister, Fiona Fuller
SCHOOL: Baylor
PLAY: Swim, dive, play soccer, collect 1960s music (The Beatles)
HE SAID: "I don't know, I just dive."

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Red Cross services to continue

AREA ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Despite personnel changes at the American Red Cross' Dalton-Whitfield chapter, it's business as usual, according to interim executive director Jac Whatley.

Safe Kids coordinator Retta Gavin has moved to a new agency, the North Georgia Safety Training and Disaster Services, a nonprofit organization founded by Gavin and Lane Ashworth, former chapter executive director.

Whatley, who is the shared Red Cross executive for the neighboring Coosa Valley (Rome) and Murray County (Chatsworth) Red Cross chapters, is working closely

with Dalton staff and volunteers to ensure a smooth transition and the continued delivery of Red Cross services in Whitfield County, the Red Cross said in a press release.

"I want to assure Whitfield County residents that your Red Cross chapter isn't going anywhere," said Whatley. "We will keep the same office location and hours, and will continue to provide the same core mission services the Red Cross has always provided here with the support of this community."

"My role as interim chapter executive is to ensure the uninterrupted delivery of vital services," Whatley continued. "As I work

with local staff and volunteers to assess personnel needs and future programs, the Red Cross will remain active and engaged with the city and the county for the benefit of the neighbors we all serve."

Last year, the Red Cross responded to 39 disasters in Whitfield County — mostly home fires — and provided food, clothing, shelter, emotional support and referrals for 37 families, according to the press release. Certified Red Cross health and safety training and disaster preparation was offered, and military families used the Red Cross for help in sending emergency messages, getting emergency help and learning about

Red Cross resources available to them.

"The strengths of the American Red Cross include the depth to provide professional staff and volunteer support as needed nationwide," Whatley said. "The Red Cross provides equipment and supplies in major disasters, mutual aid to other regional chapters, and national standards and evaluation for what we do."

"Whitfield County needs and deserves a strong and thriving Red Cross," said Whatley. "We are grateful for the continued support of our volunteers and donors who enable us to serve friends and neighbors in need."

• Norman Harlan Bartlett, 43, 419 Florence Ave., Dalton, was charged Friday by the Dalton Police Department with burglary and criminal trespass.

• Alton Clyde Cothron, 41, General Delivery, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Dalton Police Department with obstruction of an officer, possession of cocaine, possession of tools for the commission of a crime, battery (family violence) and first degree cruelty to children.

• Johnny Ford Henderson, 46, 630 Fourth Ave., Dalton, was charged Friday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with possession of methamphetamine (two counts), possession of a weapon while trying to commit a crime, reckless driving, fleeing a police officer, failure to stop for stop sign, laying drags, improper turn and driving while license withdrawn.

• Christopher Eldridge Jones, 27, 113 S. Spring Road, Chatsworth, was charged Friday by the Eton Police Department with DUI and speeding.

• Regina Lynn Blackwell, 35, 603 Parson Road, Apt. 4, Chatsworth, was charged Saturday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with possession of arms by a convicted felon.

• William Matthew Delp, 26, 916 N. Fifth Ave., Chatsworth, was charged Saturday by the Chatsworth Police Department with obstruction of an officer, too fast for conditions, DUI, fleeing a police officer, driving on wrong side of road, failure to maintain lane, failure to stop for stop sign, headlight violation and dangerous driving.

• George Jerry Henry Jr., 47, 696 Bowman Road, Ringgold, was charged Saturday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with theft by taking (motor vehicle) and criminal trespass.

• Derk James Miglia, 28, 204 Edgewood Ave., Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Dalton Police Department with too fast for conditions, DUI and failure to stop for stop sign.

Group keeps searching for Big Foot

By ISAAC ARNSDORF
St. Petersburg Times

Midnight, March 5. A young man drives toward U.S. 19 on Gulf Trace Boulevard in Holiday, Fla. He turns on his high beams where the road curves along some woods, just past the recreation center.

His lights catch a pair of yellowish eyes, then a broad-shouldered figure, 8 or 9 feet tall, covered in brown hair. The creature freezes before running to the tree line. It stops to look back at the car.

The young man pulls over 20 feet away. There are no other vehicles on the road. He can now see the creature from the shoulders up. The man doesn't know why, but he thinks to yell, "Hi!" No answer. The creature disappears into the woods.

Believe it? The young man sure seemed convincing when he reported the sighting to the Bigfoot Field Researchers Organization. It dispatched investigator Cathy Betz, whose job is to separate hoaxes from actual Bigfoot sightings in Florida's Pinellas, Pasco and Hernando counties.

She's never seen a Bigfoot herself, but she is convinced they exist. Someday, she says, we'll get proof.

Meanwhile, she'll keep her day job: saving lives as a registered nurse in the intensive care unit at the James A. Haley Veterans Hospital in Tampa.



Cathy Betz, left, 46, is an active member of the Big Foot Researchers Organization, or BFRO, a virtual community that investigates supposed Big Foot sightings. Betz's nephew, Justin Gant, 13, stands next to a replica of the Big Foot footprint depicted in a 1967 film that claimed to capture a recording of Big Foot. Justin's shoe size is a men's 8. "It's like our holy grail," said Betz of the footprint.

Betz, 45, has believed in the cryptid ever since she was a little girl growing up in Florida and her father took her to see the 1972 docudrama "The Legend of Boggy Creek."

She read up on the subject, exploring evidence, and she became convinced that something was really out there. In 2003 she joined the Bigfoot Field Researchers Organization.

"I never imagined myself doing this kind of thing 10 years ago," Betz says. "But I love it."

She has been on four expeditions in Florida and one in North Carolina, and she is now on another in Utah. It was on the North Carolina expedition in 2008 that she had her closest encounter with Sasquatch.

At least she believes it was Sasquatch. It could have been a bear. Something walked around the tent, touching the fabric and grunting.

"I can't say with certainty what it was," Betz said, "but it was in a place with a lot of sightings."

Two days after the Holiday man said he saw a swamp monster, Betz met him at the scene. She compared his story to the version he submitted to the Bigfoot Field Researchers Organization online. It was consistent.

They searched for tracks but didn't find any. He told her he was sure he had not seen a bear or a human.

Betz's notes are secret, she says, in order to protect the witnesses. She says the young man did not want to



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be publicly identified. She considers her role to be much like what a police investigator does.

"We don't want to be considered like a fluff organization," she says. "In order to be taken seriously, we feel like we should separate out the stories that don't pan out."

As part of her investigations, she often cross-check facts, such as if the witness says it was a full moon. And she examines the area, looking for tracks, hair and other clues. She knows all about inspecting footprints for dermal ridges and mid-tarsal breaks.

"We're really a research- and science-based organization trying to get as much evidence as we can," she says. "We don't want people to think

that we're just throwing everything out there that we get."

Henry Cabbage, a spokesman for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, said Bigfoot's existence has not been confirmed. But the agency does keep a file on the subject, which includes news clippings and letters from people requesting permits to go out and catch one.

Eton sets election qualifying dates

Qualifying for Eton's November municipal elections will be Aug. 24 through Aug. 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The mayor's seat, currently held by Billy Cantrell, and Posts 1 and 2, currently

held by Jeff Manis and Steve Shaw respectively, are up for election this year.

Qualifying fees are \$156 for the mayor's post and \$117 for the other council seats.

Social Security office moving to Point North Place Monday

The Social Security Administration office in Dalton will move to its new location at 301 Point North Place on Monday. Business hours will remain Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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VIEW

Needed food safety advances

The Obama administration took a long-overdue step toward modernizing this nation's disjointed and woefully under-funded system for protecting the food supply.

By now, Americans realize that the threat to public health is not hypothetical. Some of our most popular foods have been subject to recall and halts in production.

Peanut butter. Cookie dough. Beef. Spinach. Peppers. Pistachios.

At a news conference announcing the findings of the Obama-appointed food safety-working group, Vice President Joe Biden said the change would not be merely a matter of restructuring the bureaucracy and pouring more money into food safety — it was a welcome change in focus.

"In the past we've focused on better reactions to food safety problems when they occur," Biden said.

Standards, inspections and penalties will be increased.

One of the most significant changes will be to reduce salmonella with new rules focused on egg producers. Those with more than 3,000 hens will be required to buy their chicks from suppliers that monitor for the bacteria. Poultry houses also will be required to test regularly for pests and rodents, and they will be forced to refrigerate their eggs at 45 degrees Fahrenheit within 36 hours after they are laid.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration also was assigned to recommend ways for vegetable growers to reduce disease strains — with a goal of elevating standards within two years.

The study group also called for better coordination among the 15 government agencies that are part of the food-safety system.

Meanwhile, Congress has been working on even more substantial changes, including the creation of a Food Safety Administration within the Department of Health and Human Services. Congress also is considering a measure that would give the U.S. Food and Drug Administration more money and authority to inspect food facilities and to pull products off the shelves.

Even in lean times, the oversight of the nation's food supply is an essential government responsibility. It's a matter of public health and national security.

The San Francisco Chronicle

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ambulance service was a life saver

To the editor:

We tend to voice complaints but remain silent when all goes well.

This morning I saw in the paper a complaint comparing charges from the ambulance company with airfare. This reminded me of my failure to thank the ambulance company for helping save my life.

On Feb. 20 I was taken by ambulance to the local hospital from MedNow, not aware until later how close I came to dying. The guys who took me handled the urgency of the situation calmly and professionally and kept me from being afraid. As they took me, they were preparing me to be hooked to the equipment at the hospital to start taking fluid off my lungs. They were in contact with emergency personnel at the hospital advising our arrival, and the people there were ready for my immediate care.

In the past I have been skeptical of the hospital, but I believe they have become a first-rate care facility also.

My own situation had a serious time requirement involved. Also, my trust in the people getting me help mattered. The ambulance company here is wonderful to me. They also took me to Chattanooga on Feb. 23, and again were people who were reassuring and courteous to me. I ended up having five bypasses and valve repair to my heart. This morning I got to talk to my grandson and see morning.

I thank God for access to well-trained and caring people. A close call with death changes your whole perspective. We are blessed to have them and need to tell the good they do.

And about the charges — I'm sure if the ambulance had more than 200 people as an airplane does, that trip to Chattanooga would be \$4.

Carolyn Smith
Dalton

WORDS OF WISDOM

Thought for Today: "Man is not made for society, but society is made for man. No institution can be good which does not tend to improve the individual."

Margaret Fuller
American social reformer 1810-1850

Bible verse: "Ah, sovereign Lord, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you."
Jeremiah 32:17

Working for the man

Back before I was hauled kicking and screaming into the adult world, my summers were about one thing — fun. Except for the one summer when I was in junior high and my mom decided summer was going to be about something entirely different — work.

Through some conniving on her part I got a job with the local CETA program. CETA stood for Comprehensive Employment and Training Act. It was a mid-1970s federal jobs program designed to boost employment during the recession and get some politicians re-elected.

CETA was supposed to target the chronically unemployed — young, black males for instance. To some extent this was how it worked. But in the case of my hometown, the young black males in the CETA program were coincidentally almost all high school football players and mostly starters.

I was not a young, black male who played football. I was a young, white male with connections. My parents were friendly with the powers-that-be who decided who got the CETA jobs so I was moved to the top of the list with several other young, white males with similar connections (or who played football).

This, by the way, is how government programs REALLY work.

The CETA job I worked that summer was a real job. I wish we had just sat around drinking chocolate milk and reading dirty magazines, but we did actually work.

Each day we met at the county work camp, which was known far and wide in Chattooga County as "the chain gang" because for



Jimmy Espy

years that's where the county prisoners who worked on road crews were housed. On the first day all the CETA workers gathered and were read the riot act by our bosses, one of whom was former Phoenix High principal and then Chattooga County assistant football coach (surprise!) Fred Toney.

We were then told to pick out our work tools. Most of my fellow workers bolted to the tool shed and snatched up the big, red, macho-looking axes. Being lazier than I was macho, I selected a much less fearsome looking blue sling blade.

Immediately I was ridiculed for not using an axe. The joshing went on until my fellow workers realized how much effort it took to swing an axe in the hot summer sun. On the second day of work, the "pick up your tools" stampede was directed at the sling blades.

As I said earlier, the CETA program may have been a scam in many ways, but we did work. The bosses took us all over the county. We cleaned roadsides, trimmed limbs, cut brush, hauled off junk and debris and did just about any hard work needed to spruce up Ol' Chattooga.

As hard as the work was, there were some good things about it.

Best of all was we got paid. Money from that job supported my comic book addiction, put gas in my

motorcycle and eventually allowed me to purchase my very own eight-track tape player. I even saved a few bucks.

Riding around in the back of the big work truck was also very cool. There would be a dozen or so of us on the back of the truck whooping and hollering at girls in blue jean shorts as we sped down the backwoods byways.

I learned a very important lesson that summer.

Our work crew was about half white and half black. Everyone got along fine, but every day the crew split up along racial lines.

One day the bosses took us to a particularly nasty looking field next to a creek. They told us to split into two groups and clear off the land on both sides of the creek. When a group finished its field, it could go swimming.

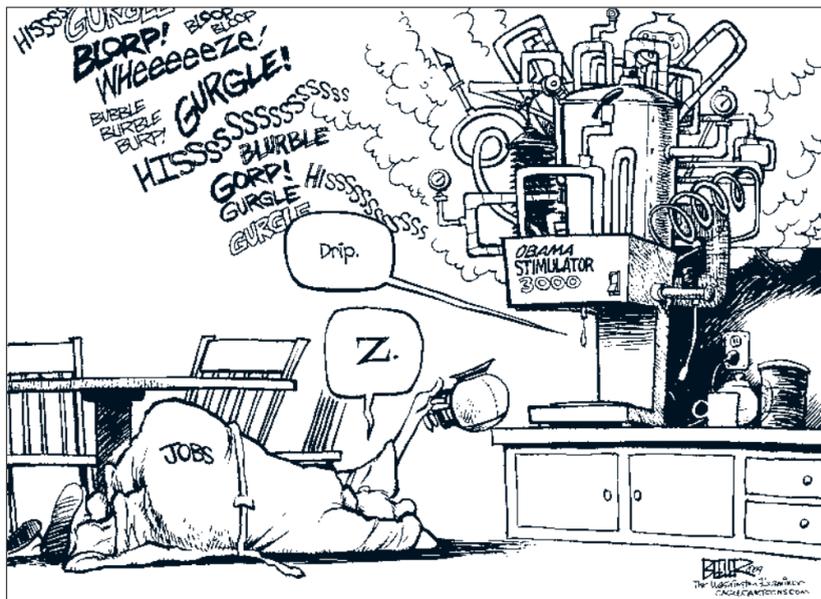
Well the black guys started walking across to the other field while the white guys stayed together on the near side — the usual defacto segregation.

Having seen the work habits of both groups for several weeks I made my choice. I picked up my sissy blue sling blade and walked over to the field with the black kids.

One of them looked at me quizzically and said "Why are you over here?" I pointed at the big, lazy, slow moving creek and said, "That's why."

Ninety minutes later my dark-hued co-workers and I were lounging in that chilly water while those hapless honkies were still hacking away at briar bushes and cussing mosquitoes.

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What's up with North Korea?

How ironic it is that of the 195 countries in the world, North Korea is still thoroughly vexing us more than half a century after we fought a war there.

Over our July Fourth celebrations, it was another missile launch aimed at unsettling us. Now the ploy seems to be hacking into our computers. Will this annoying, irresponsible behavior ever stop?

Probably not for a long time.

Arguably one of the poorest nations on earth, and one of the most isolated, North Korea is dominated by leaders who stay in power largely because of their hatred for us and South Korea.

North Korea keeps its people starving and ignorant of the rest of the world. It is creepy to stand at Panmunjom where the 1953 armistice was signed and watch the wary faces of the North Korean soldiers and see the Potemkin villages in the distance.

The official news service of North Korea is a joke. The top story is usually about the comings and goings of Kim Jong Il. For example, he just visited the Kumsusan Memorial Palace to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the death of Kim Il Sung. The Korean Central News Agency also reports faithfully on ever-more "successful" underground nuclear tests and missile launches.

When the long-suffering people of North Korea are mentioned at all, it is because they are honoring their leaders or rising up in spontaneous, "mammoth" rallies to protest the latest round of United Nations' Security Council resolution on sanctions against North Korea. That strains credulity since millions of North Koreans do not have electricity,

TVs, radios or outside newspapers.

The official government position on its reprocessing of spent nuclear rods from power plants is that "this will contribute to bolstering the nuclear deterrence for self-defense in every way to cope with the increasing military threats from the hostile forces."

Remember the movie "Wag the Dog" in which the U.S. president concocts a war in faraway Albania to boost his job approval rating?

The recent trial of two journalists was another recent effort to anger the United States and rouse nationalistic sentiment. In March North Korea jailed "Chinese-American" Laura Ling, 32, a Current TV correspondent, and "south (no capitalization) Korean-American" Seung-Un Lee, 36, a TV editor, for entering the country illegally to film human rights abuses.

The government "news" agency said its "investigation proved that the intruders crossed the border and committed the crime for the purpose of making animation files to be used for an anti-DPRK (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) smear campaign over its human rights issue."

The agency said the two had a "confab" with U.S. editors in January. The women were respectively sentenced in June to 10 and 12 years of hard labor. The agency said, "We are following with a high degree of vigilance the attitude of the U.S. which spawned the criminal act

against the DPRK."

Most recently, U.S. government Web sites were attacked, involving the Defense Department, the National Security Agency, the Treasury Department, the Secret Service and the State Department, among others, and so were official South Korean Web sites and U.S. commercial sites, including The Washington Post and the New York Stock Exchange.

U.S. officials insist no lasting damage was done other than delays in accessing sites, but they strongly suspect the attacks were orchestrated by North Korea.

Here's betting that President Obama soon makes good on his promise to name a White House cyber-security czar. Despite public assurances that the threat can be contained, the White House is extremely worried about vulnerabilities in U.S. computers.

Even though North Korea has staved off joining the modern world by ousting international aid workers and repudiating diplomats and private entrepreneurs from other countries, its isolation won't last forever. Someday, after Kim Jong Il dies, the Koreans will be united, democratic and prosperous.

But not soon. Meanwhile, more U.S. presidents will have to spend valuable time and energy tightening international economic screws on a misguided country that is still in the Dark Ages.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, July 12, the 193rd day of 2009. There are 172 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1543, England's King Henry VIII married his sixth and last wife, Catherine Parr.

In 1690, forces led by William of Orange defeated the army of James II at the Battle of the Boyne in Ireland.

In 1812, United States forces led by Gen. William Hull entered Canada during the War of 1812 against Britain. (However, Hull retreated shortly thereafter to Detroit.)

In 1908, comedian Milton Berle was born Mendel Berlinger in New York City.

In 1977, President Jimmy Carter defended Supreme Court limits on government payments for poor women's abortions, saying, "There are many things in life that are not fair."

In 1988, Democratic presidential candidate Michael S. Dukakis tapped Sen. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas as his running-mate.

In 1993, some 200 people were killed when a magnitude 7.8 earthquake struck northern Japan and triggered a tsunami.

Ten years ago: President Bill Clinton and Republican congressional leaders held their first face-to-face budget meeting of the year; the talk was described afterward as positive.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush defended the Iraq war during a visit to the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee, saying the invasion had made America safer.

One year ago: Former White House press secretary Tony Snow died in Washington at age 53.

Today's Birthdays:

Pianist Van Cliburn is 75. Comedian Bill Cosby is 72. Singer-musician Christine McVie is 66. Singer-songwriter Butch Hancock is 64. Fitness guru Richard Simmons is 61. Writer-producer Brian Grazer is 58. Actress Cheryl Ladd is 58. Actor Jamey Sheridan is 58. Gospel singer Sandi Patty is 53. Actress Mel Harris is 53. Actor Buddy Foster is 52. Rock singer Robin Wilson (Gin Blossoms) is 44. Actress Lisa Nicole Carson is 40. Olympic gold medal figure skater Kristi Yamaguchi is 38. Country singer Shannon Lawson is 36. San Jose Sharks defenseman Dan Boyle is 33.



People try to move closer to the grave site of Lance Cpl. Seth Sharp in the East View Cemetery in Adairsville on Saturday.



Above, law enforcement officers lead the funeral procession for Lance Cpl. Seth Sharp on U.S. 41 in Adairsville on Saturday. At right, Kristopher Sutton, 6, of Calhoun, holds up a sign that says "Your [sic] my hero" as the procession passes by. Below right, Rome police officers ride beside the hearse carrying the body of Sharp as it makes its way to East View Cemetery in Adairsville.

Service: For Sharp

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American flags and placing their hands over their hearts. Law enforcement, firefighters and emergency personnel also stood guard for the cavalcade.

Sharp was buried with full military honors. After a 21-gun salute, flyovers by troop transport helicopters preceded the haunting rendition of "Taps." The Marine Honor Guard folded the flag off Sharp's casket crisply and precisely before presenting it to his mother in front of hundreds of teary-eyed onlookers.

"I came to show my support," said Janice Mahan, who had driven up from Norcross and whose son is a Marine training in California for desert warfare. "I did it to show how much I appreciate

(Sharp) making the ultimate sacrifice for his family and for his country."

Cindy Thurman, whose husband is a Marine sergeant serving in Afghanistan, drove over from Winder.

"I came here today to join with all these people to tell the family, 'We love you, we love you,' and if you have any kind of need, we'll do that for you," she said. "It looks like this community is going to be taking care of that, but we'll be keeping the family in our prayers."

Sharp and McMahan (of Dalton) had not set a date to be married. His father said he planned to enroll in college after his release from the Marines in June of 2010.

"He had his goals all set and knew what he wanted to do," said Ric Sharp a few days after his son was killed.



Jade Arnwine, 3, of Adairsville, places her hand over her heart as she watches members of the Patriot Guard Riders lead the funeral procession for Lance Cpl. Seth Sharp.



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INSIDE INSURANCE

Save money on auto insurance

My last column was a look at how to save money on home-owners insurance. Now, let's review how to save money on your auto insurance since there has never been a better time to save rather than to spend money.



David Colmans

The business of providing insurance is based essentially on the premise of sharing the risk to insure you, your vehicle and your passengers in the event of a traffic crash. There are direct and indirect ways to save money related to how that risk is calculated.

It's really all about your vehicle and you from the beginning. Insurers must know what type of vehicle you drive, your age, your address and your driving record for starters.

■ **Vehicle:** The more expensive it is to repair a vehicle or to total it after a crash, the more the policy costs. How you use your vehicle is a factor, as in to and from work, to school and home or for your business. Of course, a more expensive vehicle may also have more safety features, which could be a mitigating factor for assessing risk and its cost.

■ **Age:** Statistics show that different age groups present different levels of risk and claims experience. Drivers under 21 and over 75 as a group generally have more accidents, compared to other age groups.

■ **Address:** What about the statistics for accidents in your geographic area? Do you live (and is your vehicle "garaged") in the city with bumper-to-bumper traffic or in the country where hazards may include farm equipment and deer?

■ **Driving record:** Beginning drivers, of course, have no driving record, so that is why the risk they present is calculated to be more costly. But from the time one gets behind the wheel, the driving record begins to build. Teens often miss the importance of not obeying traffic laws because they cannot see the long-term effects of a bad driving record, but the insurers most certainly can.

Teens cannot escape their age and experience behind the wheel but insurer discounts can help. Most insurers provide a "good student" discount. In lieu of a driving history, a school record can help with a significant discount on a teen's auto policy.

Another potential discount some insurers offer is for taking a defensive driving course. You could save up to 10 percent, but the course must be taken every three years to maintain the discount.

Having more than one

policy with an insurer usually qualifies the customer for a multi-policy or multi-line discount. Auto and renters or home-owners and/or life or an umbrella liability policy can provide savings of up to 20 percent.

Do not overlook the safety feature discounts that may be available for anti-lock brakes, airbags and even certain anti-theft devices. Ask your insurer about what discounts are available.

And here's a money saver to remember. Loyalty discounts. The longer you stay with your insurer you may qualify for a discount simply for remaining a good customer. You can save a few percentage points. Ask your agent or company.

Retirees can qualify for a discount simply for their ability to drive less and drive more safely. Younger retirees benefit more in some cases since older drivers tend to lose this discount the older they are due to age rating.

Here's where it gets interesting. At the start of this column, we looked at the risk your insurer takes to cover you based on various criteria. If you can share more of the risk with your insurer — that is, if you can raise your deductible so you pay more to repair your vehicle — you can substantially reduce the cost of your insurance.

Given the age and mileage of your vehicle, there's another type of risk you can assume by dropping certain coverages. You could drop collision and comprehensive coverages that can account for about 40 percent of your insurance cost, but there are trade-offs. However, if you smash up your vehicle to avoid hitting a deer or something else in the road, you would have no coverage to repair your damaged or totaled vehicle.

If a hailstorm leaves your car looking like the surface of the moon, without comprehensive coverage (some insurers call it "other than collision") it's up to you to have the body work done or to get a new car.

Overall, it is worth the time and effort to look closely at available discounts from your insurer and review your coverages when money is tight. Just remember, make sure and factor in the trade-offs in coverage and make informed decisions that will ensure you have adequate coverage for your individual needs.

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Children perform in last year's multi-discipline storybook camp about Peter Pan at the Creative Arts Guild. This year's Swim, Sing and Fly camps is Aug. 3-6

Arts Guild offers last week of summer camp Swim, Sing and Fly

SUBMITTED BY THE CREATIVE ARTS GUILD

The Creative Arts Guild is offering an end of summer camp for students age 5 to 10 who want to squeeze out a last minute bit of fun before hitting the books this fall.

Swim, Sing and Fly is a four-day multi-discipline camp scheduled for Aug. 3 through Aug. 6 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. daily. Students will experience the magic of art, dance, theater, music and gymnastics by visiting the magic of Walt Disney's "Jungle Book," "The Little Mermaid" and "Aladdin." As students explore these magical places they may become the wild Aladdin flying through the night on his magic carpet or Ariel swimming through the sea looking for "people things" or perhaps Mowgli as he explores the jungle.

This camp is designed by the directors of the Guild's programs and is intended to educate and explore the arts through popular media.

"During the planning phase for these camps we discovered that children have a keen knowledge of popular films and enjoy being able to act out certain roles," Guild theater director Jackie Daniels said.

"It has been incredibly gratifying to watch these children blossom as they act out the challenges of their characters," she said.

The camp includes sessions with each discipline director. Instructors include guild dance director Jessie Bonnano, gymnastics director Minnette Lusk, theater director Jackie Daniels,

music instructor Jessie Knowles and art instruction provided by executive director Terry Tomasello.

Students use dance and gymnastics as they perform the physical requirements as set by the script. Each camp uses music from the movies and campers sing while using a variety of instruments. The theater and art components bring it all together as campers write their scripts, design and create sets and props, and rehearse until they know their parts by heart.

"The multi-discipline camps provide a unique opportunity for children to experience all the arts. Our hope is that one of the disciplines resonates with a child and they make a choice to continue their arts educa-

tion in some fashion," Tomasello said.

"Additionally, we created this camp in response to requests from educators as they must start back for pre-planning a week prior to school beginning. This is truly a win-win situation for them."

Sing, Swim and Fly camp has a fee of \$150 per

camper. Campers should bring their lunch and a snack and wear comfortable T-shirts and comfortable shorts. There are also scholarships available provided by the Kiwanis Club of Dalton.

Contact Tomasello or call the Guild at (706) 278-0168 for scholarship or additional information.



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DOT to drop reversible lane

SNELLVILLE, (AP) — The state Department of Transportation plans to remove the last section of reversible lanes on U.S. 78 from Stone Mountain to Snellville in Gwinnett County this weekend.

DOT district engineer Russell McMurry says the work will be finished by Monday morning rush hour.

The final section is to be taken out tonight from

Highpoint Road to Ga. 124 in Snellville. The road will be restriped with a center turning lane, three west-bound lanes and two east-bound lanes until three lanes are opened in each direction.

The 6.6-mile, \$31.5 million project began in September 2007. Three lanes in each direction will be separated by a raised concrete median. More than 50,000 vehicles a day use the road.

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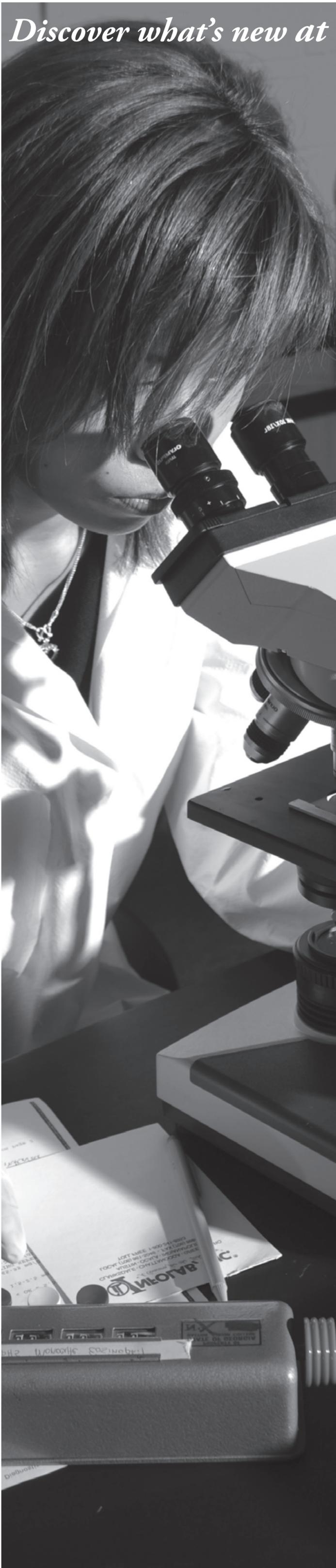
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Planet of the Grapes (Wine Shop), 126 W. King St.

Current score: 100
Current grade: A
Previous score: 100
Previous grade: A
Comments: None.

Dalton State College James Brown Center, 550 College Drive

Current score: 97
Current grade: A
Previous score: 97
Previous grade: A
Comments: Three-compartment sink requires air gap. Looks very good.

Panda House, 3901 Cleveland Highway

Current score: 95
Current grade: A
Previous score: 94
Previous grade: A
Comments: Segregate bent cans from good. Paint bare wood shelves. Ansel system and fire extinguishers out of date; service.

Checkers, 883 Shugart Road

Current score: 94
Current grade: A
Previous score: 89
Previous grade: B
Comments: Onions are required to be washed. Do not put soiled equipment in vegetable prep sink. Flies.

Burger King, 1512 W. Walnut Ave.

Current score: 92
Current grade: A
Previous score: 92
Previous grade: A
Comments: Employee drinks must be in single-serve cup with lid and straw. Do not block hand sink. Keep food contact surface of single-service articles protected. Torn gasket in walk-in freezer. Dumpster leaks. Keep Dumpster door closed.

Garcia's, 1205 W. Walnut Ave.

Current score: 91
Current grade: A
Previous score: 90
Previous grade: A
Comments: Cooked pork held over seven-day limit for prepared potentially hazardous food; must be discarded after seven days.

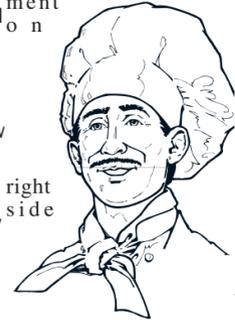
McDonald's, 1210 Cleveland Highway

Current score: 90
Current grade: A
Previous score: 94
Previous grade: A
Comments: Need soap at hand wash sink. Store wiping cloths in sanitizer. Do not store ice scoop in ice machine; ice scoop must have handle. Second page of inspection report must be available for public viewing.

Burger King, 310

Restaurant report card

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



right side

Northgate Drive

Current score: 90
Current grade: A
Previous score: 92
Previous grade: A
Comments: Employee drinks must be in cup with lid and straw; segregate from food and food contact. Employees may only wear plain wedding bands. Do not put sanitizer buckets on floor. Submerge wiping cloths in sanitizer. Wet stacking. Replace broken floor tiles.

Zacateca's Taqueria, 1312 Riverbend Road

Current score: 88
Current grade: B
Previous score: 86
Previous grade: B
Comments: Employee drinks must be in single-serve cup with lid and straw. Date mark all potentially hazardous food that's ready to eat. Repair floors and walls where needed. Hood must be on when cooking. Service Ansel system. Shield light in front cooler. Keep trash can by hand sink for paper towel waste. Front door is hanging up; must be completely self-closing. Flies.

Let's Eat In, 101 S. Hamilton St.

Current score: 84
Current grade: B
Previous score: 92
Previous grade: A
Comments: Open raw chicken sitting on top of uncovered cabbage; bag of cheese sitting on top of opened raw pork. Chicken thawing in vegetable sink; vegetable sink must be used only for washing vegetables. All prepared potentially hazardous food must be date marked if held more than 24 hours.

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

Current score: 82
Current grade: B
Previous score: 92
Previous grade: A
Comments: Bare hand contact with ready-to-eat food not allowed. All prepared potentially hazardous food must be date marked if held more than 24 hours. Clean floors under equip-

kitchen to remove food debris. Clean inside of prep cooler and outside of bulk storage containers.

Emperor of China, 1225 Cleveland Highway

Current score: 81
Current grade: B
Previous score: 89
Previous grade: B
Comments: Cut tomato, shrimp and cantaloupe out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. Sweet and sour chicken, chicken nuggets and egg rolls out of temperature; must hold hot at 135 degrees or above. Date mark all potentially hazardous food that's ready to eat with prep date, opened date or use by date. Keep tea and water pitchers covered; cover food in coolers. Store wiping cloths in sanitizer. Do not store in-use utensils in water at room temperature; do not store knives between cracks in wood. Stainless steel vegetable prep sink required; must have air gap. Service Ansel system.

Antonio's Mexican Restaurant, 3595 S. Dixie Highway

Current score: 77
Current grade: C
Previous score: 88
Previous grade: B
Comments: Shredded cheese and cut tomatoes out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. Rice and ground beef out of temperature; must hold hot at 135 degrees or above. Beans in cooler at 55 degrees after 18 hours; must cool to 41 degrees in six hours. Date mark all potentially hazardous food properly. Keep ice machine lid closed when not in use. Store wiping cloths in sanitizer. Do not wash hands in vegetable prep sink. Do not store soiled equipment in vegetable prep sink. Do not store ice scoop in ice machine. Do not towel dry utensils. Store utensils with handle up; cover food contact end. Three-compartment sink and vegetable sink must have air gap. Repair leak in three-compartment sink. Service Ansel system.

CLASS ACTS

■ Christopher Thomas Cornelison graduated recently from the University of Georgia with a bachelor of science in microbiology. He is the son of Tommy and Pat Cornelison of Roswell, formerly of Dalton. He is a 2004 graduate of Lassister High School. He is the grandson of Elvin and Catherine Cornelison of Dalton and James and Donella Lowery of Tunnel Hill. He is the brother of Lilli Cornelison of Roswell and Cody Cornelison of Athens.

■ Meghan Maria Cline recently graduated from the University of Georgia with a bachelor of science degree in agricultural communication. She was a member of Sigma Alpha



Cline

Professional Agricultural Sorority. She is a 2004 graduate of Dalton High School and is employed with the U.S. Grains Council in Washington, D.C., as a communications intern. She is the daughter of Sherry Cline of Dalton and J.W. Cline of Dalton.

■ Clinton Mitchell Meadows, son of Jim and Kathleen Meadows of Dalton, was named to the merit list at Gainesville State College for the spring 2009 semester. Students must attain a 3.5 grade point average or higher with between nine and 15 semester credit hours of academic work to be named to the list. Meadows is studying pre-medicine.

■ Whitney Deal Hauser of Dalton earned a Doctor of Pharmacy cum laude from Mercer University's College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences during the college's commencement on May 9 on the university's Atlanta campus. Crystal Leigh Cooper of Chatsworth earned a Doctor

of Pharmacy summa cum laude from the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences during the commencement.

■ Joshua Land of Dalton graduated from Tarleton State University in Texas in May with bachelor's and master's degrees in agricultural economics from the university's Stephenville campus.

■ Several students from Dalton graduated from Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville at the end of the spring semester. They are Sasha T. Forde, who graduated with a bachelor of arts degree with a major in criminal justice; Zachary S. Vinsant, who graduated with a bachelor of science degree with a major in health education; and Brittany M. Taylor, who graduated with a bachelor of arts degree with a major in history.

■ Several area students were named to the spring 2009 dean's list at Valdosta State University. To make the dean's list, students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 and must have a semester grade point average of at least 3.5 with at least nine hours of course work. Grade point averages are based on a 4.0 scale. The students are Kimberly Anne Baker of C o h u t t a , Nakita Dziegielewski of Dalton and Rebecca Elizabeth Hardinger of Tunnel Hill.

Several area residents were spring 2009 graduates of Valdosta State University. They are Jennifer Ashley Carroll of Tunnel Hill, with a bachelor of science in education (middle grades education, grades 4-8); Allison Ann

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Crawford of Tunnel Hill, education specialist (instructional technology); and Rebecca Elizabeth Hardinger of Tunnel Hill, bachelor of fine arts in interior design.

■ Christopher Robert Kortum of Dalton, a senior majoring in political science, was named to the dean's list/honor roll for the spring semester at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. A student on the list in the college of arts and science must have a minimum 3.7 grade point average on a 4.0 scale based on a minimum of 12 or more graded semester hours.

■ Justin Craig Knowles of Dalton received a bachelor of science in animal science at the end of the 2009 spring session from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater.

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* Please note the exhibit will be closed during the 11:00 Sunday Worship Service

Schedule of Special Events

Tuesday, July 14

- 9:00 a.m. **Ministers Breakfast** (a chance for area ministers to meet and greet Steve Haas, World Vision Vice President and former minister at Willow Creek) RSVP for this free event at (706) 278-2911.
- 12:00 p.m. **Rotary and Kiwanis lunch** with Steve Haas
- 6:00 p.m. **24/7 Event** (a chance for everyone in our community to hear from Steve Haas) Tickets are available for \$7.00 at First Baptist, First Methodist, First Presbyterian, and St. Mark's Episcopal churches. Heavy hors d' oeuvres will be served.

Wednesday, July 15

- 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. **Blood Drive With Blood Assurance** (sign up for appointment times at First Baptist)
- 5:00 p.m. **Family Night** (reservations must be made for dinner by Monday, July 13)
5:00 p.m. Dinner Served
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Program with World Vision Staff (Grades 1 - 6, childcare available for younger children)
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Program (discussion of *Hole in the Gospel*, authored by World Vision President Richard Sterns)

Thursday, July 16

- 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. **Family Promise Volunteer Reception** (a time for all Family Promise volunteers in our community to meet and celebrate the work of this important partnership)

Friday, July 17

- 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Health Fair/ Health Screening** (Sponsored by Hamilton Medical Center and North Georgia Health District - FREE screenings, blood pressure checks and HIV/AIDS testing)

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The Whitfield County Farm Bureau hosted an agriculture professional learning unit in the classroom workshop for teachers from several North Georgia school systems. Pictured are participating teachers; Donna Rocker, Georgia Farm Bureau class instructor; and Mary Redwine, the Whitfield County Farm Bureau educational program coordinator.



Lots of ducks

Life may be a little bleak these days for many of us, but it's a darn good time to be a duck.

According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, there are now 42 million ducks amongst us — a 13 percent leap from the estimated number last year. Adding to duck delight: A 45 percent increase in the number of ponds, to 6.4 million.

These estimates come from the annual Waterfowl Breeding Population and Habitat Survey, which covers most of the northern reaches of the United States, including Alaska, and a swath of prairie in Canada.

Most prevalent: mallards, with a whopping 8.5 million — 10 percent more than last year.

— Scripps Howard News

Kids recant abuse claims after dad jailed 20 years

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — Former Vancouver police officer Clyde Ray Spencer spent nearly 20 years in prison after he was convicted of sexually molesting his son and daughter. Now, the children say it never happened.

Matthew Spencer and Kathryn Tetz, who live in Sacramento, Calif., each took the stand Friday in Clark County Superior Court to clear their father's name, The Columbian newspaper reported.

Matthew, now 33, was 9 years old at the time. He told a judge he made the allegation after months of insistent questioning by now-retired Clark County sheriff's detective Sharon Krause just so she would leave him alone.

Tetz, 30, said she doesn't remember what she told Krause

back in 1985, but she remembers Krause buying her ice cream. She said that when she finally read the police reports she was "absolutely sure" the abuse never happened.

"I would have remembered something that graphic, that violent," Tetz said.

Spencer's sentence was commuted by then-Gov. Gary Locke in 2004 after questions arose about his conviction. Among other problems, prosecutors withheld medical exams that showed no evidence of abuse, even though Krause claimed the abuse was repeated and violent.

Despite the commutation, Spencer remains a convicted sex offender. He is hoping to have the convictions overturned.

Krause declined an interview request from The

Columbian in 2005 and could not be reached Friday, the newspaper reported.

Both children said that while growing up in California they were told by their mother, who divorced Spencer before he was charged, that they were blocking out the memory of the abuse.

They said they realized as adults the abuse never happened, and they came forward because it was the right thing to do.

Prosecutors aren't yet conceding that Spencer was wrongly convicted. Senior deputy prosecutor Kim Farr grilled the children about why they are so certain they weren't abused, and chief criminal deputy prosecutor Dennis Hunter said that if the convictions are tossed, his office might appeal to the state Supreme Court.

Man seeks ride from detective after heist

SAGINAW, Mich. (AP) — Authorities say a parolee who robbed a Michigan bank was caught when he tried to hitch a ride from an undercover police detective.

Mark E. White was arraigned Friday on charges that include bank robbery

and making a false bomb threat. He is being held at the Saginaw County Jail on \$755,000 bond. It was not clear whether White had an attorney.

Authorities tell The Saginaw News that White flagged down Saginaw

Township Detective Scott Jackson on Wednesday after the bank robbery a few blocks away.

White was paroled June 16 after serving time for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and violating an earlier parole.

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Obama embraces ancestors' continent

ACCRA, Ghana — America's president and Africa's son, Barack Obama dashed with pride onto the continent of his ancestors Saturday, challenging its people to shed corruption and conflict in favor of peace. Campaigning to all of Africa, he said "Yes you can." "I say this knowing full well the tragic past that has sometimes haunted this part of the world," Obama told a riveted Ghanaian Parliament. "I have the blood of Africa within me." In the faces of those who lined the streets and in many of Obama's own words, this trip was personal. Beyond his message, the story was his presence — the first black U.S. president coming to poor, proud, predominantly black sub-Saharan Africa for his first time in office.

Bombings kill 8 with scores injured

BAGHDAD — A car bomb exploded in an alley Saturday in a village in northern Iraq, killing at least four people, wounding others and destroying eight homes, police said. Another six people died in bombings in Baghdad. Thirty-eight people were wounded and several shops and cars were also damaged in the 3 p.m. explosion in the northern village of Kujeli. Most of the victims were inside their homes when the bomb exploded near the main street of the predominantly Shiite village. In the Baghdad attack, a bomb was placed at the gate of a billiards hall in the central district of Karrada. Four civilians died and 15 were injured, all of them youths in the hall.

Links to Sotomayor fodder for GOP

NEW YORK — The Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund has stirred up a tempest because of the dozen years that Supreme Court nominee Sonia Sotomayor served as one of its board members. Conservatives have called the group's stances on capital punishment and abortion rights, as well as its advocacy of affirmative action in worker discrimination cases, "extreme" and "shocking." Some have suggested Sotomayor's longtime association with the group is an indication that she is biased and would be unable to render impartial decisions as a Supreme Court justice. The critiques are leading up to this week's Senate hearings on Sotomayor's confirmation.

Exhumation finds nothing abnormal

ALSIP, Ill. — Thousands of relatives hoping to find their loved ones showed up Saturday as officials exhumed one grave in a cemetery where four former employees are accused of digging up and dumping hundreds of bodies in a scheme to resell plots. One body was found in the exhumed grave at the historic black cemetery despite an earlier report that two bodies were there. The former workers also have been accused of burying some bodies in shared graves.

British debate Afghan mission

LONDON — The deaths of eight British soldiers in Afghanistan within 24 hours triggered a debate in Britain on Saturday that could undercut public support for the war just as the U.S. is ramping up its own participation in the conflict. With pictures of hearses and anguished relatives splashed across Britain's influential media, the government is under pressure to explain the reason for the soldiers' sacrifice and to defend the quality of its support for combat troops. The deaths, on Thursday and Friday, pushed Britain's overall toll in Afghanistan to 184 — five more than the total British deaths in the Iraq war. The number is less than a third of the 657 U.S. forces' deaths since the 2001 invasion.

- Shirley E. Carter, Cohutta
- Jerry Carver, Dalton
- Beverly D. Clark, Chatsworth
- Pearl Watts Derosier, Chatsworth

Obituary notices are posted online at www.daltondailycitizen.com

Shirley E. Carter

Shirley E. Carter, 67, of Cohutta, departed this life Friday morning, July 10, 2009, at at home surrounded by her loving family.

Shirley was born June 15, 1942, in Whitfield County, the daughter of the late Homer and Marie King Miolen.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Denise and Roger Greene, Cohutta; son-in-law, Roger Pierce, Cohutta; sister and brother-in-law, Jean and David Causby, Chatsworth; grandchildren, Eric, Chad and Seth Pierce, Valerie Kelley; great-grandchildren, Jackson Kelley and Olivia Dodd; special cousin, Brenda Houston; niece and nephew, Laura Causby Underwood, Kendall Causby.

A memorial service to

celebrate the life of Shirley E. Carter is today at 6 p.m. at Ponders Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. David Causby officiating.

The family will receive friends and family at the funeral home from 3 to 6 p.m.

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

Arrangements are by locally owned and operated Ponders Funeral Homes, 138 Melrose Drive, Drive, Dalton, 706-226-4002. Your Selected Independent Funeral Home. www.legacy.com

Jerry Carver

Mr. Jerry Carver, 63, of Dalton, departed this life Friday, July 10, 2009.

Jerry was born Nov. 30, 1945, in Cleveland, Tenn., to the late Fred and Catherine Emma Bishop Carver.

He is survived by his wife, Audrey Jones Carver; daughter, Angela Howard, Atlanta; son and daughter-in-law, George and Brandy Howard, Dalton; grandson, Marcus Martin, Atlanta.

Services to celebrate the life of Mr. Jerry Carver are Monday at 2 p.m. from the Melrose Chapel of Ponders Funeral Home with the Rev.

OBITUARIES

Darey Kittle officiating.

Mr Carver will be laid to rest at United Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers will be Mark Smith, Rodney Smith, Dan Akins, Danny Jones and Steven Bechard.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6 until 9 p.m. today.

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

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Beverly D. Clark

Mrs. Beverly D. Clark, 61, of Chatsworth, passed away Friday, July 10, 2009, at Erlanger Health System in Chattanooga.

Beverly was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Ted Morris; a brother, David Morris; and a granddaughter, Natasha Land.

Survivors include her husband, James Clark of Knoxville, Tenn.; daughters and son-in-law, Kimberly Deanda of Dalton, Melissa Locke, all of Chatsworth; sons and daughter-in-law, Bobby Joe Fugate, Rodney

and Jada Fugate, and Allen Fugate, all of Chatsworth; 15 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; brothers, Ronnie Hennager of Crossville, Tenn., and Billy Morris of Chatsworth; sisters, Sheila Lowery of LaFayette, Kathy Caruthers and Janet Hodge of Crossville; nieces and nephew.

Services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Peoples Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Daysville Cemetery in Cumberland County, Tennessee.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Monday after 5 p.m. until the funeral hour on Tuesday.

Peoples Funeral Home and Crematory of Chatsworth is in charge of the funeral arrangements. www.legacy.com

Pearl Watts Derosier

Mrs. Pearl Watts Derosier, 91, of Chatsworth, passed away, Saturday July 11, 2009, at Hamilton Medical Center.

She was the daughter of the late Fred and Minnie Bunch Robinson and was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Watts; sons, Fred Watts, Robert Watts, George Watts and Ben McGaha; brothers and sis-

ters.

Pearl was of the Baptist faith.

She is survived by her children and their spouses, Gene and Alene Melton of Calhoun, Tenn., Paul and Judy Watts of Ringgold, and Bertha and Ray Flood of Chatsworth; sister, Bonnie Mullins of Decatur, Tenn.; grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the chapel of Love Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Lake Wood Memory Gardens South in Catoosa County.

The family will receive friends at Love Funeral Home today from 2 til 5 p.m.

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

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Bryant L. Nations of Dalton submitted this photo of the 1949 Dalton High School baseball team. Members are, from left, first row, Lawrence Haynes, Bill Evans, Hubert Cagle, Pete Nations and Cotton

Caldwell; second row, coach Rex Shephard, Howard Holt, Wendall Springfield, Carles Bramblett, Lynn Turner, Haymon Southers, Bobby Pinson and Roy "Deuce" Wilkins.

Benefit pool tournament today to help with costs

A benefit pool tournament will be today at 2 p.m. at Playland on Cleveland Highway to help pay for the funeral expenses of Ty Woods and April Lynthlin. They were

killed in a motorcycle accident in Murray County on July 5.

The entry fee is \$10 per person. For information, call (706) 581-3590 or (706) 313-9763.

Athens preacher sentenced to life for molesting boys

ATHENS (AP) — A storefront preacher has been sentenced to life in prison for molesting young boys in Athens.

Authorities say 36-year-old Antonio Andrette Sands, who called himself a prophet, pastor and apostle to ingratiate himself with single mothers, molested and sodomized their sons. The boys, 7 to 13, all had learn-

ing disabilities.

Superior Court Chief Judge Lawton Stephens on Friday ordered Sands to serve life plus 60 years in prison after a jury found him guilty of aggravated sexual battery and child molestation.

As he was led from the courtroom, Sands said: "The only thing I have to say to the families is I forgive them."

"Flowers Say What Words Can't"



Consulting business opens Dalton office

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Lewis Yasenchak, owner of P&Y Management Resources, has relocated his consulting business to Dalton. He offers cost reduction projects, including compliance to domestic and international standards and regulations such as the ISO 14001 environmental management system standard.

He said many smaller and mid-sized companies aren't able to employ a corporate quality control officer to meet these standards, whether they are voluntary or required. That's where a consultant can help, he said.

"Research shows that most owners/managers of small to medium sized busi-

nesses are concerned that they may lack the skills, experience or time to be effective in various key aspects of management, as well as the contacts and resources required to maintain and grow their businesses," Yasenchak said.

Yasenchak has written columns and articles for several magazines including Business Development Outlook, Modern Plastics and Moldmaking Technology. His consulting business was previously based in Kalispell, Mont., and Ocala, Fla.

He provides free consultations. For information, contact him at (706) 694-2977 or lewis.yasenchak@windstream.net.



Billy Wayne Moss

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to July 12, 2008

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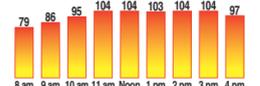
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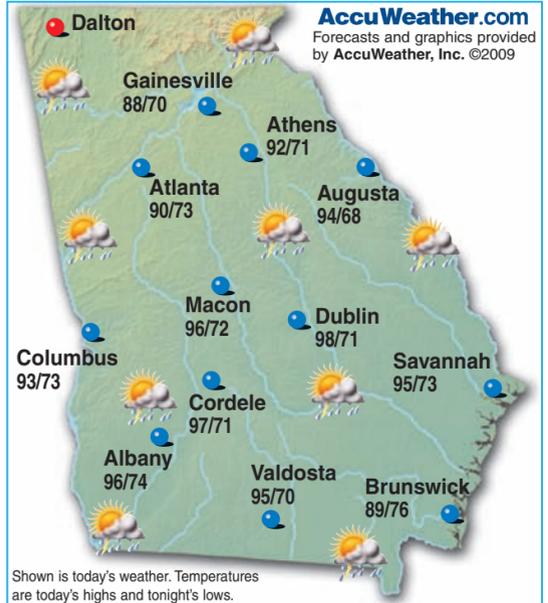
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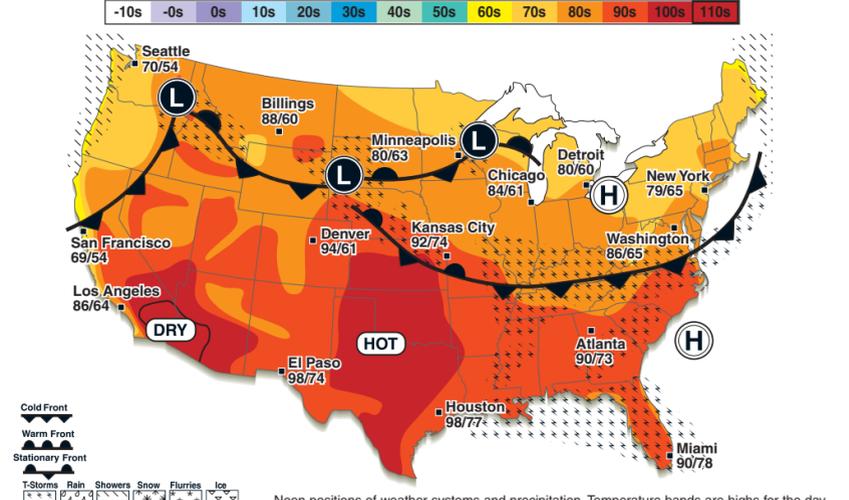
Georgia Weather



Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
	Hi/Lo	Hi/Lo	Hi/Lo		Hi/Lo	Hi/Lo	Hi/Lo
Albany	96/74t	96/74t	96/76t	La Grange	90/70t	91/70t	91/73t
Atlanta	90/73t	88/73t	93/76s	Macon	96/72t	94/71t	95/73t
Athens	92/71t	88/71t	95/72s	Marietta	90/70t	90/69t	93/70s
Augusta	94/68t	91/72t	97/72t	Newton	96/71t	96/74t	96/76t
Brunswick	89/76pc	92/76t	92/77t	Rome	88/72t	93/71t	97/72s
College Park	90/73t	88/73t	93/76s	Savannah	95/73t	94/75t	95/76t
Columbus	93/73t	94/73t	95/75t	Sparta	95/70t	93/71t	95/73t
Gainesville	88/70t	87/70t	92/72s	Valdosta	95/70t	93/73t	95/75t

National Weather for July 12, 2009



City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
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Anchorage	79/58/s	76/56/s	74/57/pc	Detroit	80/60/pc	80/59/s	78/59/pc	Orlando	92/73t	93/75t	93/74t
Baltimore	86/58/pc	86/62/pc	86/63/s	Indianapolis	84/65/pc	83/64/pc	85/68/pc	Philadelphia	84/61/pc	84/66/pc	84/64/s
Billings	88/60/pc	82/59t	82/58/c	Kansas City	92/74t	92/75t	94/74/pc	Phoenix	111/88/s	111/88/s	111/86/s
Boise	92/64/pc	79/56/pc	86/58/s	Las Vegas	107/81/s	107/84/s	106/82/s	Pittsburgh	77/56/pc	80/56/pc	80/57/pc
Buffalo	72/56/pc	73/56/s	71/55/pc	Los Angeles	86/64/s	83/64/s	83/64/pc	Portland, OR	74/56t	76/56/pc	79/57/s
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Cincinnati	84/62t	83/62/pc	87/66/pc	Minneapolis	80/63t	79/61/pc	77/62t	San Diego	76/66/pc	76/65/pc	75/66/pc
Cleveland	78/58/pc	78/58/s	75/60/pc	New Orleans	93/77t	94/77t	94/78/s	Seattle	70/54/c	71/54/pc	76/56/pc
Dallas	102/79/s	102/79/s	100/78/s	New York	79/65/pc	82/66/pc	82/67/s	Wash., DC	86/65/pc	86/69/pc	88/69/s

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COMMENTARY

Dalton team makes most of road trip

The privilege of golf cart rides, searching for Babe Ruth and dealing with smelly socks — oh, and a whole lot of time on the baseball diamond — were all part of the routine this past week for the Georgia Legends. And so was a trip to the championship game at a national-level tournament in which the Dalton-based 12-and-under team did its parents and coaches proud.

The Legends, whose roster includes players from both Murray and Whitfield counties among others from Northwest Georgia and the Chattanooga area, went 5-1 in pool play and won four games in bracketed play — three of them on the same day — to secure a spot in Thursday night's championship game at the American Youth Baseball Hall of Fame Invitational Tournament. They lost there, 5-1 to the Houston Sox, but it hardly put a damper on the big week of baseball at Cooperstown (N.Y.) Dreams Park.



Marty Kirkland

"No team had played them six full innings the whole tournament," said Dalton's John Cross, an assistant coach for the team headed up by Mark Roberts and also coached by Sean Souther.

The Legends formed last fall, which was the same time their coaches began the application process to make the 104-team field in one of several week-long tournaments held each summer at the 22-field facility in the town where the National Baseball Hall of Fame is located.

They did well this year, winning more than 50 games and losing only about a dozen, Cross said, but this week offered the Legends their best bonding experience yet as players and coaches shared close quarters in the park's barracks. It was there the coaches' laundry duties included dealing with the Legends' "smelly socks."

With an emphasis on playing well but also having fun, the Legends made time to visit the hall.

Although the quest to see Babe Ruth's plaque was something everyone had on the list, Cross noticed where visitors wanted to linger longest depended on their age. So while kids rushed to contemporary exhibits, Cross checked out

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SUNDAY SPOTLIGHT: BODYBUILDING



MISTY WATSON/The Daily Citizen

Zac Cooper was a standout student throughout his time at Murray County High School, but after his sophomore year he decided he wanted more brawn to go with his brains. Three years later, Cooper — shown above during a recent training session at Peak Fitness in Dalton — is a budding bodybuilder who placed second among first-time competitors at last month's Battle of the River contest in Chattanooga, below.



Hard science

Cooper uses intellect, drive in pursuit of physical goals

BY MARTY KIRKLAND

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Zac Cooper probably wouldn't be too offended if you call him a nerd.

But you probably wouldn't think to — that's because a glance at him pumping iron in the gym would hardly suggest he is just as happy with his nose in a textbook or his hand on a mouse as he clicks his way through a game of World of Warcraft online with friends.

Once a self-described "chubby kid" who was "more of a nerd than a jock," about three years ago Cooper became fed up with himself at 200-plus pounds, began exercising seriously and changed his diet.

"I'm from a family of perfectionists," said

Cooper, a 19-year-old Dalton resident who grew up in Murray County. "I've always had the mindset to strive for perfection both mentally and physically."

The mental side seems never to have been a problem for Cooper, who excelled in math and science on his way to graduating as the valedictorian of Murray County High School's Class of 2008.

Nor did he shy completely away from athletics, playing basketball and football in middle school, though he never quite caught the bug for team sports, preferring to succeed or fail on his own merit.

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PRO BASEBALL: ATLANTA BRAVES

Mad Dog gets his day

BY CHARLES ODUM
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA — For the second time in three months, a major league team is retiring Greg Maddux's number, leaving the Hall of Fame-caliber pitcher feeling humbled and a little confused.

How can his number be retired when he still feels like an active player?

"It's all still pretty new to me. I don't feel 100 percent retired yet, to be honest with you," Maddux said this week. "I just still feel like it's the offseason and still feel like I could go back and play again, but I know it's not going to happen. I guess I haven't really accepted it fully yet."

Maddux and Ferguson Jenkins, who each wore No. 31 for the Cubs, shared the stage in May when the number was retired in Chicago.

The Atlanta Braves are next up, and will retire Maddux's No. 31 on Friday night before playing the New York Mets as they celebrate his 11 seasons in Atlanta, the most productive of his career. He will also be inducted into the Braves Hall of Fame.

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Maddux said the time for such honors "came pretty quick."

"Last year at this time I was starting for the Padres," he said. "I ended up in the bullpen for the Dodgers and two months later I was throwing batting practice to a bunch of 12-year-olds."

He said the family time has helped fill the void left by the end of his playing career.

"I am enjoying the time off and the time away," he said. "I do miss the game but I am enjoying my time off."

The 43-year-old said he may wear a uniform again, perhaps as a pitching coach.

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AP PHOTO

Greg Maddux said he's comfortable in his retirement from baseball, but the four-time Cy Young winner sometimes feels like he could still play.

YOUTH SPORTS

Whitfield squad in title game

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Whitfield County advanced to the championship game of the Dixie state softball tournament's 12-U Ponytails division with a 6-5 win over host Perry on Saturday.

Whitfield will play today for the state championship at 9 a.m. today.

In the 8-U Darlings division, the Dalton All-Stars won 9-8 against Monroe County for their second win of the day — they beat Marion County 14-5 earlier — which placed them in a three-way tie with Jasper County and Whitfield National East, which also won twice Saturday, beating Taylor County 10-9 and Jasper 12-1.

A coin toss determined who would get a bye for the championship game. Dalton and Jasper County will play a one-game playoff at 9 a.m. today and the winner will play Whitfield at 1 p.m. for the title.

Whitfield National East and Whitfield American played in the 10-U Angels division, but neither coach returned messages left by *The Daily Citizen* on Saturday.

In Dixie baseball tournaments, three area teams suffered losses. In the 13-U Junior division, Whitfield County lost 11-1 to Troup County in Covington and will play at 2 today. In the 12-U O-zone division, Whitfield lost 10-2 to Perry and 10-0 to Columbia County West in Augusta. They play North Gwinnett at 3. Whitfield County lost to Columbia County 26-2 in the 14-U division in LaGrange and will play Crawford at 1.

GOLF: GEORGIA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Noll loses lead after struggles in third

FROM STAFF REPORTS

David Noll Jr.'s above-par round on Saturday was his first at this year's Georgia Amateur Championship, but the Dalton resident's one-day stumble cost him the tourney lead he'd shared after two rounds.

Noll's 1-over 72 on the 6,515-yard layout at Country Club of Columbus put him at 7-under 206 in the Georgia State Golf Association event and dropped him from a share of first to a tie for fourth.

Macon's Russell Henley, with whom Noll had shared the lead, shot a 67 in the third round and is at 12-under 201 for the tourney, three strokes ahead of Thomasville's Harris English.

Henley, the tourney's defending champion, had six birdies during Saturday's round.

Augusta's Jeff Knox is in third place and four strokes off the lead with 18 holes to play.

Noll, the tourney's 2003 winner, is tied with Augusta's Michael Green.

The only other area golfers to make the cut at the 72-hole tourney are further back in the pack entering the final day.

Dalton's Seth Brandon shot a 73 on Saturday and is at 6-over 219 for the tourney, tied with four other players for 28th in the 71-player field.

Hudson Keener, also of Dalton, shares 52nd place with five others. He shot a 76 in the third round and is at 12-over 225 for the tourney.

GOLF: ROUNDUP

Kerr comfy in lead

2007 winner has two-shot lead at Open

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BETHLEHEM, Pa. — Cristie Kerr is feeling a sense of calm only a former U.S. Women's Open champion could understand.

Armed with the knowledge of what it takes to win the championship, the 2007 winner is set to make a push for another title.

Kerr scrambled for a 1-over 72 Saturday and pulled away from struggling playing partner Paula Creamer and built a two-shot lead over Eun Hee Ji of South Korea after three rounds of the Women's Open.

Kerr was the only player with a sub-par score — 2-under 211 — after three rounds on the narrow fairways and speedy, undulating greens of Saucon Valley Country Club.

Now, Kerr, who won at Pine Needles in '07, is in a position to claim her second title in three years. She's looking forward to the fourth-round challenge and playing in the lead.

"There really isn't a better place for me," the 12-time PGA Tour winner said after two birdies and three bogeys. "I love this golf course."

Futures Tour player Jean Reynolds is an unlikely challenger for the title despite two wins in the developmental tour this year.

The 24-year-old from Georgia started two strokes back and was one off the lead before stumbling down the stretch.

PGA Tour

In Silvis, Ill., Steve Stricker has vaulted into second place at the John Deere Classic, tying a course record and matching the lowest score of his



AP PHOTO

Andy Bean hits out of the bunker on the 18th hole during the second round of the 3M Championship on Saturday in Blaine, Minn.

career with a 10-under 61 that left him three strokes behind Darron Stiles through two rounds.

Stiles (65), the first-round co-leader with Lee Janzen, remained on top at 13-under 129. Stricker, however, stole the show on a sunny day at TPC Deere Run.

Tim Petrovic (67) and Jerry Kelly (64) were right behind Stricker at 9-under, and two-time U.S. Open champion Janzen (70) was in a crowd at 8-under. Kenny Perry (68) was 6 under, with Zach Johnson (68) 5 under.

Champions Tour

In Blaine, Minn., Nick Price birdied the final hole as part of a 4-under 68, and has a one-shot lead after the second round of the 3M Championship.

Price, who won the Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am in April, barely missed his 45-foot eagle try before tapping in and moving to 11-under 133.

Gene Jones (68) and Andy Bean (69), a co-leader with Price after

round one, both parred the final hole and are tied for second.

Scottish Open

In Luss, Scotland, Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano took the 54-hole lead in the Scottish Open with a 7-under 64 at Loch Lomond, taking advantage of mistakes by Retief Goosen and Adam Scott on the back nine.

The Spaniard was hitting the ball all over the place on the range, but quickly found his swing with three straight birdies and finished atop the leaderboard at 14-under 199. He was one shot ahead of Martin Kaymer (66) and Goosen (69).

Irish Open

In Brittas Bay, Ireland, Padraig Harrington has won the Irish PGA Championship for the third straight time, ending a month of poor results in time for his title defense this week in the British Open.

Harrington closed with a 1-over 72 at The European Club for a seven-shot win.

LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

Hunting club

• A hunting club in the Beaverdale area of Whitfield County needs members. Call (706) 264-5810.

North Murray boosters

• North Murray High School's athletic booster club will meet at 6:30 p.m. on July 13 in the North Murray (formerly Ninth Grade Academy) media center. Everyone in the community is invited to attend. For information, call Josh Lowe at (706) 537-0133.

Youth fishing day

• The Conasauga Bass Club's annual youth fishing event is scheduled for July 25 in Whitfield County. Children should bring their fishing pole and tackle. Club members will help the children with fishing tips, bait, tackle and pole preparation, taking off catches and taking pictures of catches. Food and drinks will be provided and all children will receive a goodie bag and a participation certificate. Poles, bait and tackle will be provided to those that need them. The event is free, but registration is required. Call (706) 847-6973 or write cbcfishingevent@windstream.net. Directions to the event: From I-75 North, take Exit 341. Go right, then turn left onto Lake Kathy Rd. Take the first left onto Oscar Nance Rd., then turn left at the next drive and look for the balloons.

Hiking trip

• Bradley Wellness Center's hiking club has a hike to Blood Mountain and Neel's Gap scheduled on Aug. 15. Participants must register by Aug. 8. Call (706) 278-9355 for information.

Barrel race

• Whitfield County Saddle Club is hosting a 4D barrel race with \$2,000 added on Aug. 15 at Freeman's covered arena, located on Highway 411 a mile south of Chatsworth. Warmup begins at 8:30 a.m., race starts at 12:30 p.m. Call (706) 260-6165 for information.

Football officials

• The Northwest Georgia Football Officials Association is recruiting prospective officials for the 2009 high school season. The NWFOPA is associated with the Georgia High School Association and officiates the varsity, junior varsity and freshman games of 26 high schools in the area. The group will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday nights from July through September at the Calhoun Recreation Department. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend a meeting. For information or to sign up for a meeting, call Todd Britton at (423) 316-7411. Greg Norton at (706) 633-8096 or write to BTBritton@aol.com.

Youth triathlons

• The Carpet Capital Aquatics Club is hosting a youth triathlon Aug. 1 at the Dalton Recreation Center at 904 Civic Dr. Three age divisions offer a range of distances for those wanting to try for the first time or test their skills at longer distances. Junior division (8-under) is a 50-meter swim, 1-mile bike ride and .5 mile run. The intermediate division (9-12) is a 150-meter swim, 4-mile bike ride and 1-mile run. The senior division (13-17) is a 300-meter swim, 8-mile bike ride and 2-mile run. Swim is in the pool at the rec center, where transitions will also be staged. Registration begins at 7 a.m. the day of the race. Details and registration forms available at ccacswimming.org; online pre-registration is at active.com — search for "Dalton Youth Tri" for the event. Those downloading forms must mail signed waiver form and checks to CCAC, PO Box 6369, Dalton GA 30722-6369.

• The USA Swimming/USA Tri Club, Carpet Capital Aquatics Club, will host a two-week clinic on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the weeks of July 20 and 27 for those interested in learning more about triathlon competition. Veteran triathlete and coach George News will cover the basics for beginners as well as the finer points of strategy for more experienced athletes. Clinics will be held each day from 3-4:30 p.m. at the Dalton High School pool. Participants can choose one week for \$40 or both weeks for \$65. See ccacswimming.org for information or to download a registration form.

Swimming lessons

• SwimAmerica swimming lessons run every two weeks throughout the summer. Times for lessons are 4 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.; classes are limited to five swimmers per instructor. Contact Charles Todd at (706) 275-0077 or visit ccacswimming.org.

• Red Cross group swimming lessons are scheduled for two-week sessions from July 13-23 at the Dalton Community Center on N. Fredrick St. Instructors are Sofia Mendoza, Perla Trejo and Ricardo Chavez. Session schedule is 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. for Level 1 (beginner), 10:15 to 11 a.m. for Level 2 and 11 a.m. to noon for Levels 3-5 (advanced). Cost is \$50 and checks should be made payable to Dalton Parks and Recreation Department. To sign up, call (706) 217-6287 or (706) 263-0914.

Registrations, tryouts

• Carpet Capital Soccer Club and First Baptist Church have extended registration for their fall soccer league. Cost is \$55 for ages 6 and younger and \$75 for other groups up to U-19. All ages must bring a copy of a birth certificate; ages 12 and older need to bring a wallet-size photo when registering at the First Baptist Family Life Center.

• Tryouts for a 9-year-old travel baseball team that will play in the 2010 season can be scheduled by calling Ricky Chumley at (706) 694-4499.

• The Chattanooga Cherokee Baseball Club is expanding to include 14-18-year-old teams for competition this fall and next summer and tryouts are scheduled for July 25. Teams will travel in the area and throughout the Southeast to play in showcase tournaments and major tournaments for better competition and exposure. The club has a 16U squad nationally recognized as a top team by Perfect Game Baseball and will work to have each age group obtain the same level of achievements. Contact Nic Baker at nlbsportsfreak11@aol.com.

• Tiger Baseball is holding tryouts for its 2010 12U travel team at 6 p.m. on Aug. 1 at Al Rollins Park in Dalton. Private tryouts may be scheduled for those who can't make the main tryout. The team has a solid foundation and is looking for serious players with great attitudes; players who can pitch and play more than one position are also needed. The Tigers will practice in Dalton and have players from Calhoun, Cartersville, Dalton and Ringgold. To schedule a tryout or for information, contact Scott Norton at (423) 593-0522 or scott@metroservices.com; Timmy Cooper at (706) 313-8190; or Kelly Williams at (706) 264-0695 or kelly@carpetcutorder.com.

Clinics and camps

• Registration is open for the "Learn to Play" summer tennis program at Dalton Golf and Country Club. Clinics are offered for all school-age girls and boys every week throughout the summer. Also offered are "Intensive Training" and "Just Drills" sessions for young tournament competitors and "For Adults" classes as well. Club membership is not a requirement. Information is available by calling the racquet shop at (706) 259-9524, going online to www.E-RacquetShop.com or stopping by the club's tennis facility on Cleveland Highway. The program is in its 31st year and directed by Gary Valleriano, the club's USPTA tennis professional, with assistance from Jacob Eastwood, Jennifer Enck, Julie Kinsey and Jade Ringhoffer.

• Southeast's Lady Raider youth softball camp for first through eighth graders is scheduled for 9 a.m. to noon each day on July 14-16. Athletes will learn individual and team defensive and offensive skills. Each camper will receive a T-shirt and concessions will be available. Cost is \$45 and registration forms can be picked up at any Southeast feeder school or the high school's main office. Registration will also be available the first day of camp. Call Elizabeth Crane at (706) 876-7134.

• Northwest Whitfield will hold a volleyball camp for upcoming seventh-ninth grade girls from 9 a.m. to noon each day on July 15-17. Cost is \$50. Each camper will receive instruction from Lady Bruins coaches and players and all participants will receive a T-shirt. For information, contact coach Rich Taylor at rtaylor@whitfield.k12.ga.us.

• Camp Bradley Wellness Center for ages 5-11 is scheduled for 8 a.m. to noon on July 27-30, with a basketball and tennis focus. Activities including kickboxing, swimming and dancing will help campers learn how to keep their bodies healthy for life. Cost is \$75 per session for members, \$100 per session for non-members. Deadline to register is one week prior to camp and camps fill quickly. Call (706) 278-9355 for information or come by the center for a brochure.

• Dalton Middle School's Cougar football camp for boys entering grades 6-8 is scheduled for 5:30-7:30 p.m. on July 27-30 at the school's practice field. Cost is \$50 and includes a T-shirt. Contact John Patrick at (706) 226-1942.

Tournaments

• One-pitch men's softball tournaments will be held every Friday night in July at Petty Park in Murray County. Good prizes. Entry fee is \$150, prizes depend on number of teams. Call Rhett at (706) 847-0373.

• Indian Trace Golf Course is hosting the Nite Light Glow Ball tournament at 6 p.m. on July 24. Format is three-person select shot. Tourney will start with the back nine, with the front nine played at approximately 9 p.m. using glow balls provided by the course after a free hamburger and hot dog supper in between rounds. Cost is \$60, with mulligans (limit two) \$5 each. There will be three closeups at \$50 each. Fifty percent of the entry fees will go back into the pot paying first and second prize in two flights. Deadline for registration is July 17. For information, call Tracy at (706) 695-7353.

• The Antioch Ruritan Club will host its 21st adult softball tournament for men and women on Aug. 8 at Eastbrook Park. Money raised will be used for community projects and youth sports. Entry fee is \$200 per team, with a \$50 deposit required; registration deadline is Aug. 3. Call Thomas Barton at (706) 463-2595.

• Nob North Golf Course in Cohutta is accepting registration from area golf threeosomes to compete in a PGA of America Local Qualifying Event on Aug. 22, which is the first leg in trying to earn a spot in the 2009 McGladrey Team Championship. A field of 18 three-member amateur teams will compete for up to two berths in the Georgia Section Championship on Sept. 28 at The Legends at Chateau Elan. Entry deadline is Aug. 8. The National Championship is scheduled for Oct. 26-28 at the Pinehurst Resort in North Carolina. Registration is available at pga.com/teamchampionship or by calling (706) 694-8505.

Add your news

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

Maddux: Amazing numbers

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"I have a lot of interest in that, but I just don't think I'm ready to do that right now," he said. "I'm enjoying watching my kids growing up. I'm enjoying catching up on what I missed the last 25 years playing."

The Braves were coming off two straight World Series appearances when they signed Maddux before the 1993 season, turning a strong pitching staff into a dominant one. Maddux, Tom Glavine and John Smoltz combined to win seven NL Cy Young awards in an eight-year span as the Braves won 14 straight division titles and the 1995 World Series.

"I think all of us knew we were getting a good pitcher because he was coming off a Cy Young year," Glavine said, "but I don't think any of us had any idea he was going to be as good as he was and he was going to have the kind of years he had while he was with us in Atlanta."

"He made what was already a good pitching staff a great pitching staff."

Maddux, who retired after pitching for San Diego and the Los Angeles Dodgers last season, ranks eighth in career wins with 355. He won four straight NL Cy Young awards and won 15 or more games a record 17 consecutive seasons.

Glavine says Maddux fit in so easily with the Braves in 1993 because "he doesn't take himself very seriously."

With his smallish, slightly soft-looking build, Maddux hardly looked the part of a 300-game winner. No one could question the athleticism of a pitcher who won 18 Gold Gloves, but he didn't look like a star athlete when he left the clubhouse in khakis and a golf shirt.



AP PHOTO

Ted Wilcox, left, and Matt White work to complete a No. 31 that will be displayed at Turner Field after the Braves retire Greg Maddux's number on Friday in a pregame ceremony.

Behind the scenes, Maddux assumed the role of a master pitching tactician.

"He was really, really good at looking at a hitter, watching how he took a pitch, watching how he swung at a pitch and using that information to kind of dictate what he was going to do next with pitch selection and pitch location," Glavine said.

Smoltz watched Maddux tease batters.

"He had the ability to spot and initiate the contact he wanted to initiate for the most part, so it was just fun to watch," Smoltz said. "I learned a lot of things from him, not in the way of being able to throw like him but the way he set up hitters, the way he looked for things."

Glavine and Smoltz combined to win three Cy Young awards in the 1990s. Maddux was the NL's most dominant pitcher while winning the award from 1992-95. He was 75-29 with a 1.98 ERA in that stretch.

He had a 1.56 ERA in the 1994 strike-shortened season, and in 1995, when the Braves won the World Series, his gaudy numbers

included a 19-2 record, a 1.63 ERA and a .197 batting average allowed. He was the first pitcher since Walter Johnson in 1918-19 to post an ERA under 1.80 in two straight seasons.

"It's about as dominant a stretch as I've ever seen a pitcher go through," Smoltz said. "I got to see it every day and ... for a four-year period he was unmatched. It was pretty incredible."

In 1997, when he was 19-4 with a 2.20 ERA, Maddux walked only 20 batters in 232 2/3 innings. Six of the 20 walks were intentional.

Maddux retired with a 3.16 ERA for his 23-year career from 1986-2008, including 11 years in Atlanta.

Maddux will become the sixth Braves player to have his number retired, joining Hank Aaron (44), Eddie Mathews (41), Dale Murphy (3), Phil Niekro (35) and Warren Spahn (21).

"It's a tremendous honor," he said. "I stared at those numbers for 11 years."

Associated Press writer Howard Ulman in Boston contributed to this report.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Martin's late run nets another win

JOLIET, Ill. — Mark Martin has won at Chicagoland Speedway, getting the strong jump off the double-file restart with two laps left to win his series-high fourth race of the season.

The 50-year-old Martin led 195 laps on Saturday night, the most at the 400-mile race. He dominated most of the early part of the race until he dropped the lead to Jimmie Johnson with just over 40 laps left.

But a frantic finish that saw Johnson and Kurt Busch tangle on the track allowed Martin his chance to regain the lead. Jeff Gordon's hard-charging finish got him second place. Martin and Gordon are Hendrick Motorsports teammates and earned a \$1 million bonus.

Sanchez's dad at park for no-hitter

SAN FRANCISCO — Jonathan Sanchez pretty much pulled an all-nighter. A subdued and pleasant one to say the least.

Sanchez and his father, Sigfredo, were up until the wee hours watching highlights and reflecting on the San Francisco left-hander's improbable no-hitter in an 8-0 win against the San Diego Padres on Friday.

"I went to bed like at 4 in the morning," Sanchez said with a smile. "I got a lot of calls, a lot of messages, text messages. They're still going on."

Sanchez's no-hitter, the first by the Giants in nearly 33 years, was nearly a perfect game. Third baseman Juan Uribe boot-ed Chase Headley's grounder with one out in the eighth inning for San Diego's lone baserunner.

Gatti found dead in hotel in Brazil

SAO PAULO — Former boxing champion Arturo Gatti, whose epic trilogy with Micky Ward branded him one of the most exciting fighters of his generation, was found dead in a hotel room in the posh seaside resort of Porto de Galihnas early Saturday.

Police investigator Edison Alves told The Associated Press that the body of the former junior welterweight champ was discovered in his room at the tourist resort, where Gatti had arrived on Friday with his Brazilian wife Amanda and 1-year-old son.

Alves said police were investigating and it was unclear how the 37-year-old Canadian died. A spokeswoman for the state public safety department said Gatti's wife and son were unhurt.

No change for Lance in France

SAINT-GIRONS, France — Seven-time champion Lance Armstrong remains in third place in the Tour de France, after Spain's Luis Leon Sanchez won the eighth stage Saturday in a sprint ahead of three other breakaway riders.

Rinaldo Nocentini of Italy earned the yellow jersey for the second straight day by finishing in a pack with Armstrong and his Astana teammate Alberto Contador. The 2007 Tour winner is six seconds back, with Armstrong eight seconds back.

Nocentini almost lost his yellow jersey when the main race favorites — including Armstrong and Contador — left him behind in the last of the climbs.

— The Associated Press

PRO BASEBALL: ATLANTA BRAVES

Jurrjens helps self at plate, earns seventh win

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — Jair Jurrjens pitched six strong innings and singled twice to drive in a run and score a run, leading the Atlanta Braves past the Colorado Rockies 4-3 on Saturday night.

Jurrjens (7-7) won for just the second time in his last eight starts with the help of his bat and arm. He had taken five losses in that span, includ-

ing four in which he received two or fewer runs in offensive support.

Rafael Soriano, the last of five Braves pitchers, allowed a bloop single to Seth Smith to start the ninth inning but then struck out the side for his 12th save in 13 opportunities.

Trailing 4-0, the Rockies rallied to within one with a three-run seventh. Troy Tulowitzki connected off Jurrjens for his 15th homer.

Ian Stewart followed with a double off the center-field wall, finishing Jurrjens, who went six innings and gave up two runs on five hits with three strikeouts and three walks.

Peter Moylan relieved and struck out Chris Iannetta, but Smith delivered an RBI single and pinch-hitter Garrett Atkins singled, moving Smith to third, where he scored on a passed ball.

Colorado starter Jason Marquis

(11-6) went six innings, allowing three runs on seven hits but was denied in his bid for a major league-leading 12th win.

Ryan Church started in right field for the Braves a day after he was acquired from the New York Mets in exchange for outfielder Jeff Francoeur. Church went 0-for-4, but made a nice running catch near the wall of a fifth-inning drive by Seth Smith.

SCOREBOARD

TELEVISION

On Today

AUTO RACING
1 p.m.
ABC — IRL, Honda Indy Toronto
3 p.m.
FOX — Formula One, Grand Prix of Germany, at Nuerburg, Germany (same-day tape)
5:30 p.m.
SPEED — GP2 Championship Series, at Nuerburg, Germany (same-day tape)
7 p.m.
ESPN2 — NHRA, Mile-High Nationals, final eliminations, at Morrison, Colo. (same-day tape)

CYCLING

VERSUS — Tour de France, stage 9, Saint-Gaudens to Tarbes, France
Noon
VERSUS — Tour de France, stage 9, Saint-Gaudens to Tarbes, France (same-day tape)
8 p.m.
VERSUS — Tour de France, stage 9, Saint-Gaudens to Tarbes, France (same-day tape)

GOLF

TGC — European PGA Tour, Scottish Open, final round, at Glasgow, Scotland
1 p.m.
TGC — Nationwide Tour, Wayne Gretzky Charity Classic, final round, at Clarksburg, Ontario
3 p.m.
CBS — PGA Tour, John Deere Classic, final round, at Silvis, Ill.
NBC — USGA, U.S. Women's Open Championship, final round, at Bethlehem, Pa.
7 p.m.
TGC — Champions Tour, 3M Championship, final round, at Blaine, Minn. (same-day tape)

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

WGN — St. Louis at Chicago Cubs
2 p.m.
TBS — L.A. Dodgers at Milwaukee
3:10 p.m.
FSN — Atlanta at Colorado
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ESPN — St. Louis at Chicago Cubs
MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
2 p.m.
ESPN2 — All-Star Futures Game, at St. Louis

TRANSACTIONS

Saturday's Moves

BASEBALL
American League
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Traded INF Jack Hannah to Seattle for RHP Justin Souza and assigned Souza to Midland (Texas).
National League
CHICAGO CUBS—Placed C Geovany Soto on the 15-day DL. Recalled OF Sam Fuld from Iowa (PCL).
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Agreed to terms with C Dylan Child and RHP Dovydas Neverauskas.
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Recalled RHP P.J. Walters from Memphis (PCL). Optioned INF Brian Barber to Memphis.

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
NEW YORK KNICKS—Signed F Jordan Hill.

HOCKEY

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
MONTREAL CANADIENS—Signed F Kyle Chipchura to a one-year contract.

PRO BASEBALL

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NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division
Philadelphia 47 38 .553 —
Florida 45 43 .511 3 1/2
Atlanta 43 44 .494 5
New York 41 45 .477 6 1/2
Washington 26 60 .302 21 1/2
Central Division
St. Louis 48 41 .539 —
Milwaukee 45 42 .517 2
Chicago 42 42 .500 3 1/2
Houston 43 44 .494 4
Cincinnati 42 44 .488 4 1/2
Pittsburgh 38 49 .437 9

West Division
Los Angeles 55 32 .632 —
San Francisco 48 38 .558 6 1/2
Colorado 46 41 .529 9
Arizona 37 50 .425 18
San Diego 35 51 .407 19 1/2

Friday's Scores

St. Louis 8, Chicago Cubs 3
Philadelphia 3, Pittsburgh 2
Cincinnati 3, N.Y. Mets 0
L.A. Dodgers 12, Milwaukee 8, 10 innings
Houston 6, Washington 5
Atlanta 4, Colorado 1
Arizona 8, Florida 0
San Francisco 8, San Diego 0

Saturday's Scores

Chicago Cubs 5, St. Louis 2
Milwaukee 6, L.A. Dodgers 3
Philadelphia 8, Pittsburgh 7
Washington 13, Houston 7
N.Y. Mets 4, Cincinnati 0
Atlanta 4, Colorado 3
Florida at Arizona, late
San Diego at San Francisco, late

Today's Games

St. Louis (Wainwright 9-5) at Chicago Cubs (R.Wells 4-3), 1:05 p.m., 1st game
Cincinnati (Harang 5-8) at N.Y. Mets (Pelfrey 6-4), 1:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Vasquez 1-2) at Philadelphia (Happ 5-0), 1:35 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 6-5) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 8-6), 2:05 p.m.
Washington (Zimmermann 3-3) at Houston (Moehler 5-5), 2:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Medlen 2-3) at Colorado (Hammel 5-4), 3:10 p.m.
San Diego (Correa 5-7) at San Francisco (Zito 5-8), 4:05 p.m.
Florida (Jo.Johnson 7-2) at Arizona (D.Davis 4-8), 4:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Lohse 4-4) at Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 4-4), 8:05 p.m., 2nd game

Tuesday's Game

All-Star Game at St. Louis, 8:05 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division
Boston 53 34 .609 —
New York 51 36 .586 2
Tampa Bay 48 40 .545 5 1/2
Toronto 44 45 .494 10
Baltimore 39 48 .448 14

Central Division

Detroit 47 39 .547 —
Chicago 45 42 .517 2 1/2
Minnesota 44 44 .500 4
Kansas City 37 50 .425 10 1/2
Cleveland 35 53 .398 13

West Division

Los Angeles 48 37 .565 —
Texas 48 37 .565 —
Seattle 44 42 .512 4 1/2
Oakland 36 49 .424 12

Friday's Scores

Detroit 5, Cleveland 1
Toronto 2, Baltimore 0
Boston 1, Kansas City 0
Tampa Bay 6, Oakland 0
Minnesota 6, Chicago White Sox 4
L.A. Angels 10, N.Y. Yankees 6
Texas 6, Seattle 4

Saturday's Scores

L.A. Angels 14, N.Y. Yankees 8
Oakland 7, Tampa Bay 2
Cleveland 5, Detroit 4
Baltimore 4, Toronto 3, 12 innings
Chicago White Sox 8, Minnesota 7
Boston 15, Kansas City 9
Texas at Seattle, late

Today's Games

Cleveland (Ohka 0-2) at Detroit (Verlander 9-4), 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Chen 0-3) at Boston (Beckett 10-3), 1:35 p.m.
Toronto (Rzepczynski 0-0) at Baltimore (Guthrie 6-8), 1:35 p.m.
Oakland (Bre.Anderson 5-7) at Tampa Bay (J.Shields 6-6), 1:38 p.m.
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COMMENTARY: RUNNING

Star-spangled runner

Eton man dresses for occasion

Even in a colorful Independence Day outfit, what sets this runner apart is his shoes. In my many years of running, I never have seen such a patriotic pair of footwear. They embody the true American stars and stripes in red, white and blue.

"I got them at a bargain sale for \$10," Eton's Terry Strawser said with a chuckle.



Doug Hawley

"My daughter (Tiffany) alerted me to them. There was only one pair, and they just happened to fit me. I only wear them one time a year."

That "one time" is the celebrated annual Peachtree Race in Atlanta which recently celebrated its 40th birthday (including some 30 for me).

With his patriotic outfit from head to toe, one friend suggested to him, "Perhaps we should salute you!"

Strawser not only displays a fashionable outfit for July 4th, the man also displays quality running prowess. That was evident this time as he topped a surprisingly large number of 63 confirmed finishers from the Dalton area over the 6.2-mile race down Peachtree Street.

His jaunt in 42 minutes and 22 seconds gave him a top-1,000 medal finish at 806th place among the 55,000 starters. Randall Godwin of Dalton was the area runner-up at 43:02. Coincidentally, close friends Strawser and Godwin both are 56 years old. Holly Kimsey of Dalton paced the area females at 50:55.

Strawser, a one-time sub 3-hour marathoner, said, "Peachtree always has special meaning to me. It chokes me up. If not for the men and women in the military, we would not be able to do this on this Independence Day. I've lost some good friends."

As a retired Army man (10 years active duty, 12 years National Guard) employed in the carpet industry, Strawser can speak firsthand about the military. Since his first Peachtree in 1986, he has missed only twice — once while serving at Desert Storm in Kuwait.

Dalton's Carolyn Roan provided the perspective as



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Eton's Terry Strawser is red, white and blue all the way at each year's Peachtree Road Race.

a first-time Peachtree participant in the world's largest 10-kilometer foot race.

"I'm still on a high," Roan said several days after the event. "I've never had so much fun. I was passing people on Cardiac Hill (at Piedmont Hospital halfway through the race) who had passed me earlier. I had been running hills in Dalton that are tougher. I was amazed at how well they did the logistics for so many people. I'm hooked on the race."

Organizers for the first time implemented a ChronoTrack D-Tag that all participants wore on their shoelaces. Times started as each person crossed the mat at the starting line and tracked progress to the finish line in Piedmont Park, giving everyone official times.

Like the past, all runners wore numbers to enter some dozen roped-off areas. The fastest ones line up at Lenox Square for the 7:30 a.m. start; the slower ones follow in descending order.

Seeding comes from confirmation evidence of 10K times through other races. Otherwise, participants start at the back.

Sammy Kitwara of Kenya ran Peachtree's second fastest time ever in a blazing 27:21, averaging 4:26 per mile. By the time the last group started at 9 a.m., Kitwara had been finished for an hour.

Another Kenyan, Lineth Chepkurui, finished in 31 minutes to pace the females. Winners received \$15,000.

Peachtree belongs among the nation's tough tickets. With organizers limiting the number to 55,000 (a full house at Georgia Tech's Bobby Dodd Stadium), 15,000 to 20,000 people are customarily rejected.

An official first day of entering in March can be hectic. It does help in some cases to know somebody.

To so many people, the Peachtree Race is a way of life.

■ Carpet Capital Running Club of Dalton recently hosted two quality all comers track meets at Dalton High on 90-something degree evenings. Action centered on the youngsters, though a few older people had their moments.

My personal prize for Most Enthusiastic goes to Jessie Martinez, age 9. His little legs carried him around the track in the 400-meter dash. Then the second heat followed moments later. Lo and behold, Jessie lined up again to run the same event. Somebody had to tell him, "Hey, you've already done enough!"

Happiest Participant: Mary Lima, age 3. That sweet smile never seemed to leave her. She was in the 100-meter dash and 400 relay. Mary probably never knew that it was hot.

Willing to Travel: Brad Lance of Nashville, Tenn. While working in Chattanooga, Lance heard about the meet. He ran a solid 58 seconds for the 400 — not bad for a 37-year-old man.

Manuel Farrier, also 37 and of Dalton — a frequent contender in road races — posted an excellent 4:47 for the 1,600.

■ CCRC is sponsoring its second annual 1-mile Scorchers on Saturday morning at Walnut Square Mall. It has an 8 a.m. start.

■ Some local people will be involved this morning as participants and volunteers in the annual Chattanooga Waterfront Triathlon. A maximum field of 1,200 performers has entered.

This event includes a 1.5K swim (about one mile) in the Tennessee River from the rowing center to Ross' Landing Center, a 42K bicycle ride (26 miles) on U.S. Highway 27 and a 10K run along the Riverwalk.

■ We often hear about the importance of sleep the night before a race. Runner's World magazine provides a bizarre setting for such a happening.

Justin Weber, a college freshman from Charlotte, N.C., could not afford a hotel stay before the Folly Beach 10-Miler near Charleston, S.C. A rainstorm kept him from camping outside. Consequently, Weber spent the night in a Porta-Potty.

"I sat on the seat lid and leaned back against the wall," he said. "I actually got a good night's sleep. The stall was clean, and I was right by the beach, so it was soothing listening to the waves."

The result: Weber won the race in one hour, two minutes.

Doug Hawley has been a competitive distance runner for more than 50 years. Write to him at Dhawley@optilink.us.

Kirkland: Fields gets noticed

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the 1970s and his father hung back with the '50s.

On the field and around the park, the Legends — who also won a competition testing their defensive prowess and saw their own Blake Hamilton win the home run derby before the tourney — were saluted for their manners, said Cross, while their success also drew accolades. One player who went deep in a loss to the team had a T-shirt printed: "I hit a home run against the Georgia Legends."

And making the championship game meant championship treatment. From the time they won their semifinal game on Thursday afternoon, the Legends were ferried on golf carts by tourney workers the rest of the way, including to and from closing ceremonies and a private dinner.

Because the Cooperstown tourneys are limited to teams with players 12 and younger, this was a once in a lifetime experience for the Legends. But they made the most of it.

"Winning makes things a little easier," Cross said via cell phone while crossing through southern Virginia on the long ride back Saturday afternoon. "But we all got along really good and we never had any problems with the kids. They did what they were told."

■ The buzz continues to build for Jalen Fields as the Dalton defensive end prepares for his senior season.

Fields, who became this year's first early commitment to the University of Georgia, was mentioned for at least the second time this

summer by the e-mail newsletter Georgia High School Football Daily.

GHSFD — which last month named Fields, Dalton offensive lineman Watts Dantzler and Northwest Whitfield end Nermin Delic to its preseason Class 4A all-state squad — noted the 6-foot-5-inch, 250-pounder was on the *Mobile Press-Register's* Super Southeast 120. Fields was No. 31 on the list, which also included Calhoun wideout Da'Rick Rogers, at No. 5 the highest rated among 22 high school players from Georgia on the list.

Dalton will get this season's first look at Rogers, whom, GHSFD also mentioned, is the top selection in recruiting Web site rivals.com's Top 5 college prospects in Georgia this year. The Catamounts open their season with a non-region matchup at Calhoun on Aug. 28.

To subscribe to GHSFD, write to ghsfdaily@bell-south.net.

■ Not that you're counting — though we know you are — but high school football season is less than six weeks away for the area.

For the second consecutive year, Murray County will kick things off a bit earlier than most of its neighbors, traveling to play East Hall on Aug. 22 with a 7:30 p.m. start for the Saturday night game.

In other Georgia High School Association openers, Northwest hosts Southeast on Aug. 28, while North Murray will travel to Dade County on Sept. 5. That's a Thursday night game and a junior varsity contest — as

most of the Mountaineers' games will be this year, although they'll play River Ridge and Locust Grove, two other programs in their infancy, in home-and-home matchups.

Christian Heritage, which competes in the recently renamed Glory for Christ football league, hits the road for its season opener on Sept. 4 against Dominion Christian.

■ The GFC league — which includes a large number of home school students among its participants, including some on Christian Heritage's team — was the subject of a recent *New York Times* feature on the league and its uniqueness in Georgia's prep football scene.

The Lions' Owen Hargraves and coach Mike Vaden are both quoted in the story, which you can check out online at nytimes.com.

While the league may be different than the GHSA and the Georgia Independent Schools Association, in which most of Christian Heritage's other varsity sports teams compete, the Lions are no longer confined to Saturday afternoons or dependent on daylight for home games.

With lights placed on their field this past week, the Lions will be able to flip the switch on Friday nights this year. And the sight of those high-hanging beams of brightness say high school football like few other things.

Marty Kirkland is a sports writer for *The Daily Citizen*. You can write to him at martykirkland@daltoncitizen.com.

Seles, career interrupted by stabbing, now in HOF

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) — Monica Seles was enshrined in the International Tennis Hall of Fame during a ceremony on Newport's grass courts Saturday afternoon.

Now 35, she was the world's No. 1 women's player for 178 weeks overall and a winner of nine Grand Slam singles titles.

While seated during a

match in April 1993 in Hamburg, Germany, a fan stabbed Seles between the shoulder blades. It wasn't until 2 1/2 years later that she returned to the sport.

Science: Boss was a supporter

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It was the summer between his sophomore and junior years of high school when Cooper lost 40 pounds to take his first step on the road toward bodybuilding. He took his biggest leap yet last month by entering the Battle of the River competition in Chattanooga, where he finished fourth among 14 contestants in the teenage classification and second among five first-timers in the novice class.

"I don't want a career out of bodybuilding," said Cooper, who will be a sophomore at Dalton State College this year and hopes to eventually study pharmacy. "People ask me that, but all I really want is to be in a magazine. It's fun, it's a good lifestyle, but I want to pursue other things."

Still, Cooper's first showing at a competition gave him reason to be even more hooked on the sport, particularly because he was hesitant to enter in the first place.

Encouraged to sign up by Preston Bivens, the co-owner of Peak Fitness — the gym where he spent nearly three hours a day, six days a week once he started training for the contest — Cooper gained

confidence when others in the know about bodybuilding told him he had a good shot at bringing home some honors.

The physical transformation Cooper underwent in high school caused him to learn more about nutrition, putting to good use his interest in science, and that was helpful as he prepared for the contest, too.

Although discipline is a major part of bodybuilding — in addition to his time in the gym, Cooper pays special attention to when he eats and rests — it has to be backed by a core of knowledge, Cooper said.

"I've always kind of figured out everything myself through research and reading on the Internet," he said. "The first thing I had to learn pretty much was how to diet ... and it gets even more detailed when you do workouts because if you're not working out the right way with your diet, you won't get the results you want."

Also helpful to Cooper is what he's learned about supplements — which helped him refine his physique for the contest — over the past year while working at the GNC at Walnut Square Mall.

A bonus: Cooper's boss, Jeff Baker, became his go-to phone call when he felt like slacking off or cheating on his ultra-strict diet.

"Just hearing the sound of a Coke can opening up," Cooper said. "You don't realize how bad you can crave things like that."

But Cooper made it, hitting the 149-pound mark for the contest, where he picked up pointers backstage he'll use next year when he competes again, better educated on the tricks of the sport, nutrition — like peanut butter grits, a tasty and tactical treat, Cooper assures you — and what it takes to be ready.

With water weight back on his frame and his diet and training in a growth phase, he already weighs close to 180 pounds and is looking to add as much healthy mass as possible over the next 10 months or so before cutting back again.

With a lot of physical effort, discipline and even more knowledge, he'll be ready to compete.

"I feel like I've stepped up to the next level," Cooper said. "I see I have the potential to go further in the sport than I thought."

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Stepmom's
victory is
in the cards

Age is a relative term. Not that anybody cares. Ten years ago, when I met Stubby and Stretch (those were the names they told me to call them should I ever deem to mention them in writing), they were only 10 and 12 — not little boys, exactly, but they seemed pretty little to me.

I'd been a widow for



Sharon Randall

t w o years when I started dating their dad. My three children were in their 20s. I had almost forgotten what

it's like to hang out with people who take such obvious delight in beating me at cards.

Not that I could blame them.

We all have our gifts. You may find this hard to believe, but I am exceptionally good at losing. That's not to say that I'm a good sport about it. I never go down without a fight. But as losers go, I am not what you would call hard to beat.

Over the past 10 years, Stubby and Stretch — with full cooperation from their father, who was probably just happy to let somebody else be the goat for a change — have beaten me at Hearts countless times, in at least five states ranging from California to the Carolinas, Hawaii and Nevada.

Not that I've kept track.

Usually, nobody else comes close to sharing the cellar. They battle it out for first place, the three of them, taking turns topping each other, ever confident and cocky in the knowledge that they can count on me to bring up the rear.

Not that I really care.

I'm a mother and a stepmother. You know how we are. It's just not in our natures to be competitive. We don't take pleasure in beating our loved ones. We only want to make everybody happy.

Not that anybody would ever bother to notice.

The thing about little boys (and girls, too) is that they don't stay little forever. The first time I posed for a photo with Stubby and Stretch, I wrapped my arms about their bony shoulders; the last time we smiled for their dad and his camera, my shoulders were buried in their armpits.

Assuming that I didn't shrink, when did they get so tall?

The bigger that boys get, the harder it becomes to find the time to let them beat you at anything, no matter how much they might enjoy it.

It's grown even harder for us in recent years, as the boys finished high school and started college in California, and their dad and I moved to Nevada.

They visit when they can and we try our best to go see them, but there isn't nearly as much time for trouncing me at Hearts.

Last weekend, when their flight into Vegas arrived nearly two hours late, it was midnight by the time we got something to eat and drove home.

I wanted to turn in, but no, they said I had to stay

Remembering historic

Thornton Avenue

Remnants of refined homes all that remain of Dalton's 'Silk Stocking Avenue'

As only Mother Nature can do it, cushioned somewhere in the cradle of time are memories of the old Thornton Avenue-U.S. Highway 41 route through Dalton. From the Walnut Avenue intersection as far north as about the Baldrige Lumber & Supply Co. and the Benton Street exit, that avenue once heart-throbbled with the beauty of fashionable homes, floral plants and shrubbery.

Shadows of more than six decades ago remain today along the landscapes of Dalton's busy, famous and decorative thoroughfare. Shadows of some homesteads that yet remain are a reality. Many shadows, however, are recalled among today's surviving family members and hometown citizens who can remember the way it was in days long past. Once it was the city's proud link of a highway's "Welcome to Dalton" north-south boulevard traffic on U.S. 41.

A flavor of pride was dominate in those old Southern-style homes, many constructed by descendants of early settlers, some dating back to pre-Civil War days. It was a portion of territory that sprawled its vast dimensions between two mountain ranges, Dug Gap to the west and Fort Mountain to the east. It had a geographic role in this community's first settlement, Cross Plains, in 1837, and renamed Dalton in 1847.

The big red 600-plus page book, "An Official History of Whitfield County Georgia, 1852-1999", in which each contributor crossed every T and placed a dot above every I, says that Colonel Mark Thornton, an early settler in 1847, deeded the land for the highway with explicit instructions for the intersection of Thornton Avenue and Waugh Street to forever be used as a site for an educational facility.

The "Official History" records



Above is Gertrude McFarland of Dalton who was born in Hamilton Memorial Hospital and raised in the Manly house. She has fond memories of how the rows of fashionable residential houses looked on Thornton Avenue before commercial enterprises were constructed.



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The picturesque Frank Manly home purchased by Dr. William Judson Manly from Theodore Swift on North Thornton Ave. The house earlier was occupied by Ben Prater of Prater's Mill fame. Mrs. Frank Manly, the former Maggie Pitner, a niece of the Praters of the Cohutta area, had lived in the house as a girl. The house was on the land where the First Baptist Church now sits.

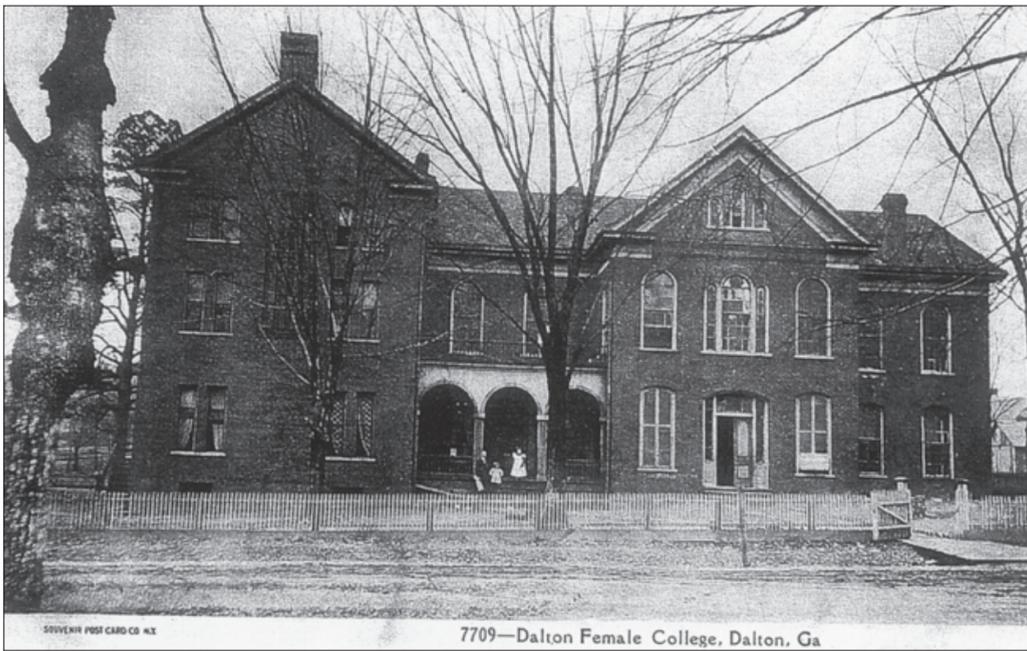


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Dalton Female College, facing west, was built in 1872 on the southeast corner of Thornton Avenue and Waugh Street where the former City Park Elementary School later was located.

that the 1837 village of Cross Plains had its territorial beginning with the measurement of a "400-yard circle,

measured from the center of the crossing of now Thornton Avenue and Morris Street." That would put the driveway into The Daily Citizen office at about the heart of the old Cross Plains circle. Within a short period of time the community had fast growth, especially to the northeast, and in 1847, when the name was changed from Cross Plains to Dalton, the center of town was measured in a mile circle from the old train depot into today's eatery there, the Depot, where the center is clearly marked on the interior floor. On the street at the Depot's front entry is a large circle of brick, proclaiming its honor in the city's historical beginning.

In 1851, the first school, Dalton Academy, was built, later to be used temporarily as a hospital during the Civil War. In 1868, after the war, a student party was held at the site. The building caught fire and was destroyed.

In 1873, the Dalton Female College was built there at the southeast corner of Waugh and Thornton, later to be replaced by a new structure for City Park Elementary School. Thornton, a businessman and a farmer, resided on the southern end of the street known at that time as Resaca Road. He earlier had shown his interest in the community's growth when he sold the depot lot to the Western & Atlantic Railroad.

The "Official History" book records that after Edward White, representing a northern syndicate, came to Dalton and subsequently mapped out the streets. He gave the name of each street after the name of an occupant, thus Thornton Avenue in honor of Mark Thornton.

The terrain of the immediate area was flat, often referred to as Little Egypt — and its popularity gained momentum after the Cherokees departed. Newcomers came by wagon loads from over the mountains and across the valleys to their new world.

The street has had its significance in the history of Dalton and Whitfield County. Because of its elite appearance, it once was called "Silk Stocking Avenue." Situated along the Dalton stretch of that famous thoroughfare are a few of the old homesteads.

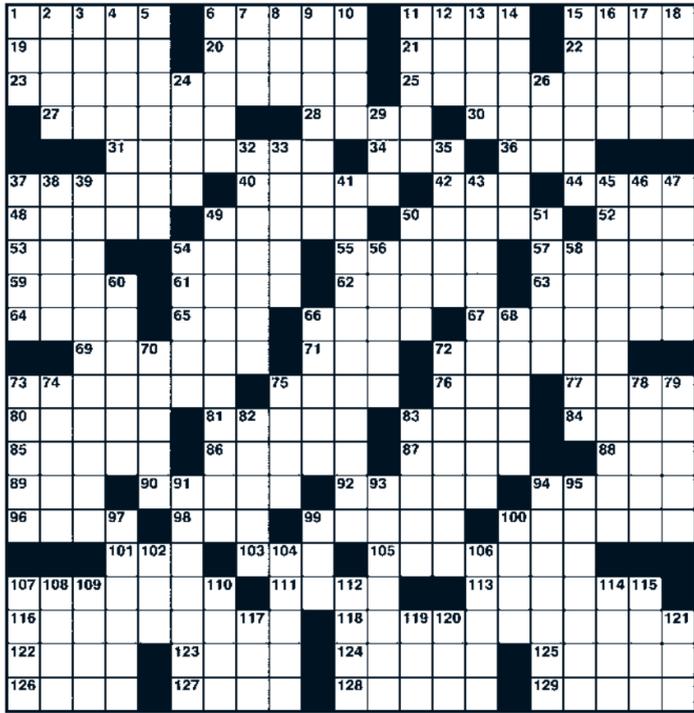
Preceding later improvements here, however, was the destruction by the Union army during the Civil War as its forces entered in strength from the northwest, some along the valley and along Dug Gap Mountain. The historical conflicts in this area are noted as among the greatest in Sherman's march to Atlanta, and played a vital role as part of the Union's staging grounds. Some strategic maneuvers and heavy manpower resulted in Dalton's downfall in 1864, leading to the later capture of Atlanta and subsequent Union victories to and along Georgia's Atlantic Ocean coastlines.

Gertrude Manly McFarland, a native Daltonian, a descendent of the Frank Manly and Jim McFarland lineages, researched and recorded much of the activities, particularly among the Manly and McFarland families in this area, and has accumulated a wealth of material that deals with local history. She released for publication the accompanying old photo of the attractive two-story brick

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Randall

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awake so they could beat me at Hearts.

Three hours later, I was losing, dead last, as usual, when Stubby cracked an ill-advised remark about how easy it is to beat people of a certain age.

Not that I let it bother me. "Old people?" I said. "I beg your pardon. Age has got nothing to do with it. I've always been easy to beat."

They (and especially their dad, who was enjoying a commanding lead) laughed just a tad bit too hard at that.

Much to their surprise, and especially to mine, on the very next hand, I "shot the moon" and won the whole game.

Not that I wanted revenge.

The next morning, I dug the crumpled score sheet from the trash, made copies and signed one personally for each of them.

Memories are so important.

They immediately began screaming for a rematch.

Not that it will ever happen.

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ANSWERS ON 8C

PET OF THE WEEK

Misty's Baby Boy needs a home



Misty's Baby Boy is ready for adoption

"Misty's Baby Boy" is an orange and white male about 4 months old.

This male with his two sisters with medium-length black shiny hair are ready to find new homes. They are healthy, playful and full of kitten spirit and live at their foster home. But what they really need is a home of their own where a new family can give them all the attention and loving care that they need. Their mother, Misty,

tested negative for feline leukemia and FIV. They are up to date on vaccinations, deworming and their adoption fee come with a free spay or neuter certificate.

If you are interested in any of these cute babies, fill out an on-line application at the Web site Adoption Center link. This will speed up the adoption approval process.

For more information about this pet, call the

Humane Society of Northwest Georgia at (706) 226-5002 and press "2" to leave a message.

To see other adoptable cats, kittens, dogs and puppies, visit www.hsnwga.org or write: HSNWGA, P.O. Box 3946, Dalton, GA 30719.

The next Humane Society meeting will be Monday, July 20, at 6 p.m. The meetings are in the Dr. Charles and Evelyn Wade Adoption

Center, 1703 Cleveland Highway in Dalton. The public is invited. Adoption days at the facility are on Saturday from noon to 4 p.m.

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Doing Right

How can I find out which companies are doing right by their employees, their communities, the environment, shareholders and so on? — B.H., Utica, N.Y.

You'll find lists galore online. CRO (corporate responsibility officer) magazine's list of 2009's "Best Corporate Citizens" includes these top 10: Bristol Myers-Squibb, General Mills, IBM, Merck, Hewlett-Packard, Cisco Systems, Mattel, Abbott Laboratories, Kimberly-Clark and Entergy. (You'll find the entire list at thecro.com.) The folks at ethisphere.com have named the "World's Most Ethical Companies," featuring Nike, Honeywell, Xerox and more.

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What are "vested" and "unvested" options? — S.F., Minneapolis

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Brace Yourself

The market has gained some ground in the past few months, but don't assume the rally will continue. The long-term picture remains encouraging, because our economy will surely recover — eventually. But for now:

- The U.S. unemployment rate is up to 9.5 percent, the highest level in 26 years. And while the rate of increase may be slowing, it's still going up.
- All sorts of manufacturing-sector indicators, such as rail freight volumes and demand for fuels, are still declining.
- Housing sales are still sluggish, and consumer lending is way down — folks just aren't spending money.

We're no longer in an economic meltdown, but moving into a nasty recession doesn't constitute a recovery. Sooner or later, the markets may figure this out and this rally could fizzle. If you think there's a good chance of that, you may want to take a more defensive investment posture. That wouldn't

involve selling all your stocks, but you might want to pare back aggressive investments and add some solid dividend payers to your portfolio.

Buying a company with a decent dividend yield — and the ability to keep paying that dividend through a downturn — gives you some level of return you can count on, regardless of market gyrations. For companies, think mundane, everyday and sustainable. Think of businesses that make ordinary stuff that even laid-off folks are likely to keep buying. And then take a look at firms like Colgate-Palmolive, McDonald's or Cadbury. Some of the most boring names around you turn out to have rock-solid balance sheets and great dividends.

Likewise, think about who keeps the lights on and the house warm — companies not expected to soar, but whose dividends, when reinvested in more stock, can build your wealth over time. Oil companies might see some appreciation if prices keep rising, and with a stock such as BP, you get good management and a nice dividend.

So if you see more tough times ahead, brace yourself and your portfolio.

My Dumbest Investment

Bad Timing

I waited 15 years to have enough money to start investing. I followed the advice of my brother-in-law, who at age 47 had already amassed over \$1 million using Vanguard funds. I invested the required minimum of \$10,000 in a fund he recommended in September 2007, when the Dow was rather high. I lost \$4,000 very quickly, and it's been downhill ever since. Lesson learned too late: I should have gone into a fund with a lower entry point and dollar-cost averaged. I'm purchasing more every time the Dow tanks now. — Dave Cruikshank, Reading, Pa.

The Fool Responds: You were a victim of bad timing, but it's not like anyone ever really knows what the market will do in the short term. Vanguard is a respected company, with many solid mutual funds. Our Motley Fool Champion Funds newsletter has recommended several, such as Vanguard PRIMECAP Core (VPCCX), Vanguard Global Equity (VHGEX), and Vanguard Explorer (VEXPX). Many mutual funds sport lower minimum investments, such as \$3,000 or less, and buying into them over time can be a good approach.

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The Motley Fool Take

Defensive Bargains

General Dynamics (NYSE: GD) is gobbling up high-tech optics firm Axsys Systems for more than \$600 million. That's nearly twice Axsys' market value three months ago, before it announced it was exploring "strategic buyers."

But there are more informative numbers to consider here. For example, General Dynamics is paying 2.5 times sales for the company, which is more than three times the valuation the General's own shares fetch. Expensive? Sure, but consider that based on trailing results, Axsys is 34 percent more profitable per revenue dollar than its acquirer and, more important still, is growing more than twice as quickly as General D.

A key takeaway here is the valuation that this deal implies for other potential acquisitions in the defense space. General D has effectively set the benchmark by which potential defense contracting targets can value their shares for acquisition, and it's time for the bidding to begin. But where?

Optics rival FLIR Systems, for example, might be a target, growing nearly as fast as Axsys, nearly twice as profitable in terms of net profit, and commanding a sales multiple valuation only about 34 percent higher than the firm General Dynamics decided to absorb. FLIR could be the next chip to fall, and considering how cheap it is today, it's worthy of consideration by opportunistic defense investors.

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RELIGION

Are your prayers pleasing to God?

For the past few years I have been studying the Bible from the New Living Translation. I know that some people think that it is sacrilegious to read anything but the King James Version. But I really enjoy looking at scripture from several different translations as it helps me understand the verses better. I try to stick with legitimate translations, not paraphrases in order to stay close to the true meaning of the verses that I am studying.



Gary Mimbs

This today is not about what translation of the Bible you prefer. Satan uses that argument to cause division among Christians and nonbelievers alike. I had a man recently tell me that the "original" version was the only correct version. I told him that I didn't know that he read Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek — because that was the only true original version.

I read a verse of scripture recently that really opened my eyes as to why we should consider different translations. Proverbs 28:9 in the King James says "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, Even his prayer shall be an abomination." The New International version says, "If anyone turns a deaf ear to the law, even his prayers are detestable." Here is where it gets interesting. The New Living Translation says, "God detests the prayers of a person who ignores the law."

No matter what translation you prefer, the underlying truth is that God hates the prayers of people who are living contrary to his law. Please note that I did not say that He hates the people but

He hates the empty prayers of people who are refusing to turn away from their sin. I talk to people who are living a sinful lifestyle and they usually tell me how they pray to God. Some even claim to pray on a regular basis even daily.

Make no mistake that this verse of scripture says that if your first prayer is not one with genuine confession and repentance, then God not only does not hear the other prayers, but in fact he hates them. He hates them because they are not truly surrendering to him and seeking his will. They are selfish and repulsive to a Him as a Holy God who cannot even look upon sin.

God knows the intentions of our heart and he knows if we are sincere in our prayer or if we are just saying words with no intent to turn away from our sin. Jesus said in John 14:15 "If you love me, you will obey what I command." To continuously live contrary to God's law is to selfishly show a lack of love and respect for him. So how can we expect him to hear and honor our prayers unless we first confess and repent from our sin?

God loves us and will not stop loving us. But he hates our sin because it breaks our fellowship with him. He wants us to turn away from our sin so that we can be restored to fellowship with him and not only can he hear our prayers, but we can hear from him.

■ Gary Mimbs is senior pastor of the Dalton First Church of the Nazarenes.



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Returning from a performance tour in Europe are from left, Hunter Ford, Jay Fletcher, Sydnee Langley and Mickey Fisher.

Musicians perform at Normandy

Four musicians from the Dalton area recently completed a performance tour in Europe traveling with the Georgia International Honor Band.

Selected to membership were Jay Fletcher, Northwest High tuba player; Sydnee Langley, Dalton High saxophonist; Hunter Ford, Dalton High trombonist; and oboist Mickey Fisher, one of three conductors of the band.

The group performed concerts in London and in Paris before completing the tour with a special musical presentation at the American Cemetery at Normandy on the Fourth of July.

The band was comprised of 30 musicians from schools throughout Georgia. Students were selected for membership based on recommenda-

tions of their band directors and special achievements they have made in their respective band programs.

Ford is trombone section leader in the DHS band where Langley serves as drum major. Fletcher is an All-District tuba player and Fisher is a retired band director from Dalton Public Schools who now teaches at Berry College in Rome.

Q: I always have a problem with lemon-meringue pie. I make sure that I am using a clean steel bowl and clean utensils. But whenever I bake it, it still comes out undercooked in the center and not crispy. Please show me how to fix this problem.



A: Meringue is tricky. The basic recipe is to beat three egg whites with a

pinch of salt until foamy. Then slowly add six tablespoons of sugar until the mixture forms stiff peaks. You should bake the lemon curd in the piecrust before topping with the meringue, and then bake it for an additional 15 minutes, until the peaks are golden in color. If you want to add more color to the peaks, try a kitchen torch.

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Eat your squash and blossoms

BY MAUREEN GILMER
Scripps Howard News

Pride at the first giant zucchini is a rite of passage for all new gardeners. But there's often a letdown when they discover that the monsters don't taste the same as their tender young siblings. These overripe squash become fibrous-fleshed, and the center is filled with large seeds that must be removed before cooking.

Truth is, the smaller the zucchini, the better it is in the kitchen. The flesh is soft and sweet, the seeds still so immature they are barely noticeable. For the gourmet, baby zucchini the size of your finger are considered a delicacy that costs far more per ounce than the larger fruits.

In cultures where life is a bit more challenging, every form of food is utilized to its greatest extent. There, another crop is derived from the zucchini plant. It's relatively unknown to beginning gardeners and most Americans, yet its origins tell a fascinating botanical tale.

Zucchini is a squash, a group of plants closely related to pumpkins and gourds. Zucchini is the fastest-growing of all, and is grouped with the summer squashes, which flower and fruit in a matter of days. Winter squashes, which include pumpkins, mature slowly and develop a hard shell that makes them ideal for long-term winter storage. Gourds are similar but inedible. All of them reproduce by the



pollination of large orange flowers that mature into fruit.

Zucchini, as with all summer squashes, bear two kinds of flowers on the same plant. The female flowers contain the ovary that will develop into the zucchini fruit itself. For every female flower, there are at least three male flowers produced on the same plant, these bearing only the pollen-making organs. Bees do the job of carrying pollen from the male to female flowers.

Once the female flower has faded and begins to form fruit, the role of the male flowers is over. As a result, a large zucchini plant may end up with lots of excess male flowers. Every culture that grows squash has discovered that the large male flowers are edible. These blooms are prepared in a variety of delicious dishes.

In the case of winter squashes that don't mature until very late, blossoms

offer a food crop early in the season. This is valuable for farmers, who may have little to feed their families until the main crops mature.

In Asia, for example, the flowers are fried in batter for a crunchy tempura-like snack. In Italy, they are stuffed and baked for savory packets. Native Americans even made squash-blossom soup.

A very simple dish for fresh male squash blossoms is a quesadilla made on the comal, a large flat grill set over charcoal. Quesadillas can be made on virtually any kind of flat surface, from a frying pan to a pancake grill.

In Oaxaca, Mexico, cooks use large burrito-style flour tortillas for this fresh-from-the-garden dish.

First, cut the stems from your harvested blossoms. Then spread six or eight of them out in a single layer over half the tortilla's surface. On top of this lay thin strings of mozzarella or Mexican Oaxaca cheese. Fold the tortilla over and let it heat gradually, then flip over. When the cheese is fully melted and the blossoms have collapsed, the quesadilla is ready. Serve with black mole sauce for a truly exceptional summer taste treat.

Nothing compares with zucchini for giving the new gardener a hassle-free early harvest. But resist the temptation to grow giants. Tender baby squash and male flowers mean you can start eating out of the garden earlier than you ever imagined.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Local ophthalmologist Dr. Brian Kim of Professional Eye Associates will speak at the regular monthly **Parkinson's support group** meeting July 14 at 6 p.m. at the Dalton-Whitfield Senior Center.

The support group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the center.

The center is at 302 Cappes St. in Dalton. Those with Parkinson's and their caregivers are welcome. For more information, call (706) 278-7917.

The Alzheimer's Association Georgia Chapter is offering **Next Step**, a social support group for persons in the early stages of memory loss and their caregivers.

The group meets for a Dutch treat dinner on the second Monday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Oakwood Café in Dalton. Meetings provide the opportunity for couples to socialize with others who are living with early-stage dementia.

For more information or to register, call Laurie Parker at the chapter office at (706) 275-0819.

A **breast cancer support group** is held the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Rock Bridge Community Church in volunteer headquarters (downstairs in The Gathering).

For more information, call (706) 226-5858.

The Alzheimer's Association, Georgia Chapter is asking area residents to help restock the **Caring Closet** shelves.

Currently Pull-Ups (all

sizes), briefs (all sizes) and bed pads are needed. Items may be dropped off at either the Dalton Caring Closet at the chapter office or the Chatsworth Caring Closet at the Murray County Developmental Center.

For more information, call Laurie or Sandy at (706) 275-0819.

The Murray County Senior Center hosts a monthly **Alzheimer's support group** the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Anyone who is a caregiver for someone with Alzheimer's is welcome. Meetings usually last one hour and will be led by Melissa Boyd R.N. Boyd is experienced personally and professionally with persons with Alzheimer's and other dementias.

Amedisys North Georgia Home Health Care will provide refreshments.

The Murray County Senior Center is at 820 G.I. Maddox Parkway in Chatsworth.

The **National Association for Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders** (ANAD) has a support group for men and women with anorexia, bulimia or binge-eating disorder and their families every first and third Sunday at 6 p.m. at the MCR Foundation.

The foundation is at 1400 McCallie Ave., in Chattanooga. For more information, call Jan Robinson at (423) 991-9730.

Helping the Hurting Inc. is now offering a new support group, **Life After Divorce** (LAD), each

Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at 207 W. King St., Suite A in Dalton.

Life After Divorce is a group meeting that has discussion, review, teaching and videos. Topics include Early Emotions, Moving Toward Acceptance, Moving Through Grief and Loss, The Stages of Grief, Forgiveness, Five Keys to Starting Over, Children of Divorce and Supporting Your Children Through the Divorce.

Each meeting is independent so participants can start anytime. The group meets on an ongoing basis.

The group is led by John Stuman. For more information or directions, call (706) 277-4357.

Family Frameworks is now offering **"Dating My Spouse in Dalton."**

Participants commit to date their spouses at least one evening each month. Interested couples may purchase a button for \$15 per couple and use it once a month this year for discounts.

Discounts at local restaurants — primarily buy one entrée and get one free — will be available the second week of each month. Participants are also entered for a chance to win a monthly prize from local merchants.

To purchase a button or for more information, call (706) 313-0023 or visit www.marriageisforever.org.

Al Anon Family Groups for families and friends of problem drinkers meet each Monday and Thursday at 8 p.m. in the lower level of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Dalton.

The church is at 901 W. Emery St. For more information, call (706) 217-5953.

In Remembrance is a group of young adults (high school and college age) joined together to honor the lives of friends, family members or classmates who have died.

The group meets twice monthly at St. Mark's Episcopal Church for lunch and spend time sharing memories about those they loved.

For more information, contact Margie Bruner at (706) 259-6076 or Susan Ewing at (423) 266-7479 or susanferriewing@hotmail.com.

Ridgewood Manor is currently looking for people to adopt a **grandparent for the year**.

For more information, call Lucretia Lopez or Joyce Shook at (706) 226-1021. Ridgewood Manor is at 1110 Burleyson Road in Dalton.

Adventa Hospice is looking for activity volunteers who can **visit hospice patients** in homes or nursing homes.

Activity volunteers support hospice patients through running errands, reading to the patient, sharing a devotional, playing board or card games or just friendly visits. Volunteer by yourself or as a group and as often or as little as your schedule allows.

Individuals or group training is available at your convenience.

For more information, call Robin or Angela at (706) 259-2518. Adventa Hospice is at 1510 N. Thornton Ave. in Dalton.

DEAR ABBY

Woman suspects boyfriend is hiding inability to read

DEAR ABBY: I began dating "John," a few months ago. We are in our 60s and went to the same high school.

John is a good and decent man. He says he is in love with me and wants to marry me. There's just one problem: John can't read. He has never admitted it, but several things have happened that indicate it.

I don't want to hurt him, but this has turned into a big problem for me. I just cannot believe that this could have continued for such a long time. I have a master's degree. I'm not hung up on degrees, but I at least expected to be with someone who was literate. Can you advise me? — J.J. IN SOUTH CAROLINA

DEAR J.J.: Considering how well John has been able to manage all these years without having learned to read, it shouldn't come as any surprise to you that many illiterate people develop clever coping skills to hide their problem. There is help for your friend — if he is willing to admit he needs it. John may be dyslexic or have another learning disability. But there are special classes for adults in his situation. Many libraries offer literacy classes for adults.

Granted, there are disadvantages to not knowing how to read, chief among them that it prevents someone from enjoying my column. But what you must decide is whether you can love a man who is obviously street smart rather than formally educated. It doesn't have to be a cause for rejection unless you choose to make it one.

DEAR ABBY: After 32 mostly wonderful years of marriage, I lost my husband. "Arthur" had been having serious health problems for the last three years. He couldn't work and was unhappy and needy.

My first reaction after his death was, "I'm free! I can do what I want." (I had never realized I felt this

way.) Clearing out my husband's stuff and the junk he kept was exhilarating. I feel good because my house is orderly. I know of no one who has ever had this reaction. Why do I feel guilty? How can I heal? Losing a mate should be devastating. A clean house should be unimportant. — ALONE BUT HAPPY IN CANADA

DEAR ALONE BUT HAPPY: You'll start healing as soon as you quit flogging yourself for not feeling awful. Caring for an unhappy, needy and ailing spouse for three years is physically exhausting and emotionally draining. And while many widows and widowers would not broadcast these sentiments, your feelings are not unusual. You did everything you could for your husband during his illness, and his death freed you of those demands. So enjoy your house, enjoy your life and stop blaming yourself for having a sense of relief. In time you may experience a sense of loss, but not necessarily.

DEAR ABBY: I have caller I.D. on my telephone. A friend jumped on me the other day because he knows that I knew who was calling, and I still answered, "Hello?" rather than saying, "Hi, Steve." Did I do something rude? And what is the proper greeting? — CRITICIZED IN CONCORD, CALIF.

DEAR CRITICIZED: Hello? Your friend Steve must have been having a bad day and took it out on you because either greeting is acceptable — and the way you answered your phone is the way it is traditionally done. You were most definitely not rude.

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

Michael Moore's new documentary gets name

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Michael Moore's latest documentary now has a title — and a theme that resonates with recession-weary audiences.

Moore's look at the consequences of big business will be called "Capitalism: A Love Story." The documentary is due in theaters Oct. 2.

Distributor Overture Films said "Capitalism" examines the disastrous effects of corporate profiteering.

"It will be the perfect date movie," Moore said. "It's got it all — lust, passion, romance and 14,000 jobs being eliminated every day. It's a forbidden love, one that dare not speak its name. Heck, let's just say it: It's capitalism."

Moore got his start with

the 1989 big-business documentary "Roger & Me," his portrait of the economic strife caused by General Motors job losses in his home town of Flint, Mich., and a chronicle of his quest for an audience with GM boss Roger Smith.

The filmmaker scored a \$100 million hit with 2004's "Fahrenheit 9/11," which centered on the Bush White House's actions after the Sept. 11 attacks. Moore won an Academy Award for his 2002 gun-control documentary "Bowling for Columbine."

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Look at the big picture before you make a decision that could have lasting effects. Be sure you aren't jeopardizing an important relationship. A resolution can be made but only if everyone is willing to compromise. 3 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): There is a good chance you will get your way if you put a little pressure on someone in a position to make a difference. Don't let your emotions get involved in a decision you have to make. Do what's best for everyone involved. 4 stars



Eugenia Last

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll be energetic, enticing and willing to take a chance. Your exciting way of doing things will arouse interest in someone who wants to market what you have to offer. Show your talents and put your best foot forward. 2 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You can gain the ground you lost and position yourself nicely for future projects. A healthy attitude will bring with it good fortune and responsibilities that will equate to a higher income. 5 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't get bogged down with trivialities when you should be focusing on simple and workable contracts. You have to be smart and willing to give a little more in order to get ahead. The competition is tough. 3 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will be in trouble if you start second-guessing personal matters that arise. Don't assume anything

about anyone or have unreasonable expectations. Address each situation as it develops and you will avoid confusion and the possibility of a mistake. 2 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You deserve a break as much as anyone else and, if you don't take it, no one will offer it to you. An interesting connection can be made under very relaxing conditions. Enjoy the day. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will do far better in situations that allow you to converse with people having similar interests or projects. Once you establish your place or position, you can develop a working relationship with someone exceptionally talented. 5 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't overreact to a sudden change or give the impression you are committing to something when you have no intention of doing so. A partnership is in the stars but, if you don't feel comfortable with the confinement it entails, you may be dealing with the wrong person. 2 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-

Jan. 19): Past people and projects will come back to mind, encouraging you to find out what you may have left behind. A new lease on life will develop along with a renewal of old goals. Talks will leave you enchanted by a new prospect. 4 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may know what you want and offer it but, the people you deal with today may not agree and could mislead you emotionally. Don't be too quick to incorporate change into your life, especially if it means reinstating a relationship that has given you trouble in the past. 3 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll be emotionally stressed regarding your current situation with friends, relatives or neighbors. Look beyond the problems you face. You will realize that giving in a little now will entitle you to get something bigger and better at a later date. 3 stars

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Eat naturally energizing foods

BY FOOD NETWORK KITCHENS

Forget the energy drinks, supplements or packaged sports bars — get your zip from naturally energizing foods. Try these five to get extra oomph every day.

1. Whole-Wheat Bread

The body's primary source of energy is carbs. Whole grains burn off slower, giving you longer-lasting vigor. They also contain loads of B-vitamins, which work together to boost energy and your metabolism.

Other whole-grain sources: Whole-grain cereal (like raisin bran or shredded wheat), brown rice and oatmeal. Kashi makes great whole-grain hot and cold cereals that we love.

2. Strawberries

Need an immediate burst of energy? Have a handful of strawberries. Strawberries also contain fiber, which helps your body more slowly absorb the carbohydrates you eat. Fresh fruits make a great mid-afternoon snack, especially for that 3 p.m. slump.

Other energy-boosting fruit: cherries, apricots just about any fresh fruit will give you a lift.

3. Broccoli

One cooked cup of broccoli actually contains as much vitamin C as an orange. Why is that vitamin important? Well, an Arizona State University study found that 1 in 3 women were not getting enough in their diets. After upping their intake to 500 milligrams a day, they reported feeling better and more energized. Forgo vitamin C supplements and just up your broccoli snacking or sides. (This applies to men, too).

Other vitamin C-packed veggies: cabbage, radishes

and spinach.

4. Pork

To keep energy levels constant, you need to get enough iron. Unfortunately, iron is the most common nutrient deficiency. This mineral helps transport oxygen to wherever your body needs it by hooking onto red blood cells. Common iron-deficiency symptoms? Low energy and fatigue.

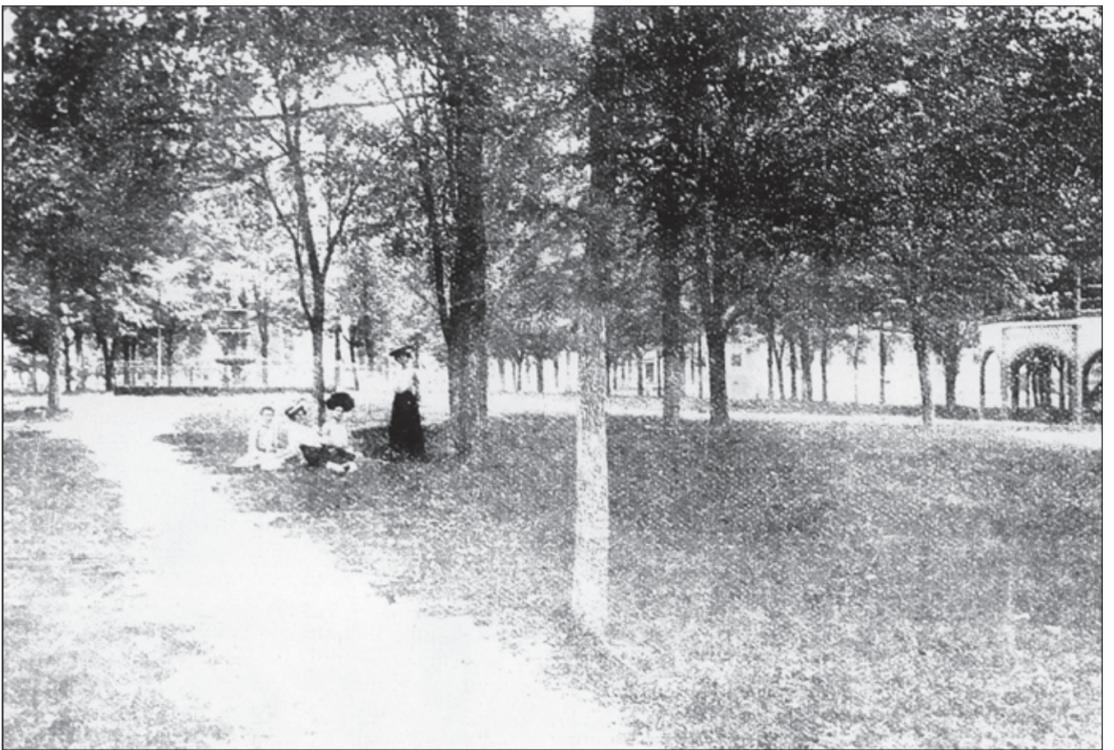
Not only does pork contain iron, it's also a good source of the B-vitamins like thiamine and niacin, which are both involved with your metabolism. Choose lean cuts of pork, like tenderloin and pork chops — higher-fat foods can weigh you down and make you sluggish.

Other lean proteins: beef tenderloin, chicken breast and shrimp.

5. Water

Our bodies are two-thirds water. Water helps control body temperature and digestion and, of course, we need it to produce energy. Even slight dehydration can make you tired. Classic recommendations say eight cups a day, but this can vary per person. Keep a glass by your side and sip away all day. And don't count out food — eating foods with high water content (fruits and veggies, especially) count toward your daily water needs.

Courtesy of Toby Amidor on foodnetwork.com



CROWN GARDEN ARCHIVES PHOTO.

Students from Dalton Female College linger on the old shady City Park lawn just south of the college.

Thornton: McFarland remembers

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house formerly occupied by the Manly and McFarland families. The house, previously occupied by Theodore Swift during the Civil War, formerly was on the premises where Dalton First Baptist Church now stands. It was reported that when Swift settled there, the yard was covered with Indian burial mounds, and for many years later, the mounds were clearly seen.

The house at one time was owned by Tennessean Ben Prater, of Prater's Mill

fame. Gertrude recalls that "Prater purchased it so that his children would have better educational opportunities." It was in the proximity of Dalton Female College on the Thornton-Waugh corner across the street, and the Crawford School for Boys in the Fort Hill area.

Dr. William Judson Manly, a native of Vermont, moved his family here in 1865, following the Civil War. They located in the old Dr. Waugh house which Dr. Manly had earlier purchased. He made many changes and improve-

ments on the house. It was in that house that Frank Manly, who later established Manly Jail Works, was born.

Gertrude was among the early group of children to be born in Hamilton Memorial Hospital on Waugh Street between North Pentz and Selvidge streets. She was raised in the Manly home with her parents, the Jim McFarlands.

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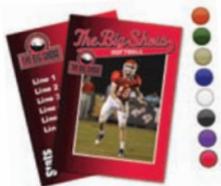
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Use incentives to attract favorite songbirds

By DEAN FOSDICK
For The Associated Press

Backyard bird watching is a fairly simple exercise. Provide enough food, water and cover, and birds will come flocking. Playing favorites, though, calls for using the right kinds of incentives.

Hummingbirds, for example, will linger longer if you offer nesting material to help cushion their pea-size eggs.

"Goldfinches and titmice go for it, too. Lots of birds," said Mel Toellner, whose company, Songbird Essentials in Mexico, Mo., makes a fluff-stuffed enclosure called the "Hummer Helper." Instead of hunting for filler — primarily spider webs or moss — hummingbirds can pick up what they need from this fiber-filled device.

"It's the nesting equivalent of stopping at a McDonald's," Toellner said. "Hummingbirds will return to the same place year after year when they find a situation they like. These units



AP PHOTO

Hummingbirds survive on a liquid diet, primarily nectar from flowers or feeders, and are attracted to the color red. You can attract hummingbirds to your yard during the spring migration by tying bright red ribbons around trees or poles and then keep them there by providing nesting material.

help build high-density populations."

Hummingbirds fledge as many as three broods per season, so Toellner suggests placing nest-building kits near feeders. The containers are priced at around \$12; refills of the natural, oil-rich cotton cost about \$6.

Another way to attract hummingbirds is to signal that food is available.

"Hummingbirds react favorably to the color red, so wrap some bright red ribbons around trees or poles where scouts can see them" during the spring migration, Toellner said. "The birds will

come down to investigate."

Hummingbirds survive chiefly on a liquid diet, preferably high-energy syrup from flowers or feeders. Nectars can be color free, but the foraging is made easier if feeders are red.

Mourning doves, cardinals, blue jays, towhees and juncos are among the many bird species that prefer feeding from the ground or from platform feeders.

"Spread a little cracked corn or millet on the ground," said Elaine Cole, president of Cole's Wild Bird Products Co. in Kennesaw, Ga. "I emphasize just a little, however, because it could get wet and become a source of mold or contamination. Platform feeders with screens on them are a better alternative than simply throwing feed on the ground. It often spoils before the birds can eat it."

Some other wild bird magnets:

■ Moving water. This can range from the sound of a small waterfall, refreshing spray from a mister or the

sight of ripples across a pond. Electric- or solar-powered pumps can also keep water fixtures free of scum and mosquitos. The water should be changed regularly or at least every other day during hot weather. Immersion heaters keep birdbaths clear of ice in winter.

■ Fruit, jams and jellies. "My No. 1 selling feeder is a jelly feeder," Toellner said. "Jelly will bring up orioles, mockingbirds and catbirds to feed." The plastic apparatus fits on top of 10- or 12-ounce jelly jars and provides a place to perch.

■ Protein-rich worms. Look to bait shops for a steady supply of live meal worms or wax worms.

■ A few fruit-filled pie pans tossed onto the ground will collect insects. "Use fleshy fruits like peaches, guavas and bananas for this," Toellner said. "The fruit flies will come for the fruit and the birds will come for the small insects."

■ Super-size it. Elongated suet feeders pro-

vide support for woodpeckers, which tend to use their strong tails for balance as they eat. These feeders generally hold two suet cakes, one basket on each side of a board.

Where and how you feed wild birds can be just as important as what you feed them, especially if you're trying to attract just a few favored species.

Encourage small birds, for instance, by putting up specialty feeders that restrict access.

"Wood feeders with vertical bars and feeders covered with wire mesh frustrate the larger birds," a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service fact sheet says. "Tube feeders without trays also restrict access to small birds. Remove the perches and you've further selected only those birds capable of clinging — finches, chickadees, titmice and woodpeckers. Add vertical perches to tube thistle (nyjer) feeders and you'll limit accessibility primarily to the goldfinches."

Match the kind of seed to the kind of bird

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Birds can be as finicky as people about what they eat. So the varieties of birds you attract to your yard will be determined primarily by the kind of seed you offer.

"Watch a feeder filled with a seed mix and you'll see the birds methodically drop or kick out most of the seeds to get to their favorite — sunflower," the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service says in a bird feeding fact sheet. "Birds will also kick out artificial 'berry' pellets, processed seed flavored and colored to look like 'real' fruit."

The most effective way to attract a large variety of birds is to put out separate feeders for each food, the agency says. Here is a Fish and Wildlife Service guide matching birds with their favorite foods:

Cracked corn: ducks, geese, quail, mourning doves

Nyjer: finches, pine siskins, chickadees, dark-eyed juncos, redpolls, doves and sparrows

Nectar: hummingbirds, cardinals, thrushes, ori-

oles, tanagers, finches

Fruit: orioles, mockingbirds, cedar waxwings, tanagers, bluebirds, jays, cardinals, thrushes

Peanuts: woodpeckers, chickadees and titmice

Millet: doves, blackbirds, sparrows, juncos, towhees

If you want to feed only doves, cardinals and white-throated sparrows, then switch from black oil sunflower to safflower seed, the agency says.

When is the best time to feed? Many people say all year if you enjoy the sights and sounds of birds.

"Birds can benefit from an additional food source in winter, but the really good time to feed is spring going into summer," said Elaine Cole, president of Cole's Wild Bird Products Co. in Kennesaw, Ga. "They've got a lot of chicks just coming out (of the nest) and the adults will bring them to the feeders. There's still a lot of migration going on, too."

"Many natural foods haven't matured yet and a lot of insects aren't out in force," Cole said. "So feeding birds at that time works well for them."

Crossword answers from 2C

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4 BR 3 BA brick/vinyl home on large lot. Roof, heat pump & water heater all less than one year old. Move-in condition. Hardwood floors. Large workshop/ additional garage with electricity, swimming pool. \$259,900
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306 WESTWOOD CIRCLE PLEASANT GROVE MLS 91688
3 BR 2 BA home in great family neighborhood. Living room with gas log fireplace. Hardwood floors, large concrete patio. Playhouse wit electricity. Fenced-in dog lot. Low maintenance vinyl siding. Reduced to \$134,000
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4707 LOFTWOOD DR. HIGHLAND FOREST MLS 89497
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160 Graceland Avenue • Chatsworth, GA



MLS # 92838
This great 3 bedroom, 2 bath features laminate flooring throughout, spacious kitchen with ceramic tile island, split bedroom floor plan, oversized 2-car garage, front porch, deck, & 1.06 acre lot. Located at the end of a cul-de-sac neighborhood, very private setting with wonderful trees & a great view of the mountains. A must see property. We look forward to seeing you there. Priced to sell at \$109,900.
Directions: Hwy 225 north, across over Hwy 286, Turn Right on Graceland Avenue, House at the end of Cul-de-sac.
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OPEN HOUSE SUN. 2-4PM

3217 Leona Drive • Rocky Face



Beautiful, 2-story, 3 bed, 2.5 bath home in a wonderful subdivision off Mill Creek Rd. Great floor plan, formal living room and dining room with hardwood flooring. Beautiful kitchen with large breakfast area, tile, new counter tops & tile backsplash. Large den with beautiful fireplace & built-in shelves. Large master bedroom & bath with jetted garden tub, separate shower, double vanities. \$189,999 (92707)
Directions: Left on Old Lafayette Hwy, Left on Mill Creek, Right into Mill Creek Estates, Straight on Leona, Home on the left.
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OPEN HOUSE SUN. 2-5PM

411 Amanda's Way



Custom-built home in Rocky Face. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, beautifully decorated. Fireplace, bonus room & study. \$289,900 (92613)
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68 Coker Drive • Chatsworth



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802 Atkinson Drive \$349,900 PRIME CITY WEST LOCATION 4 BR'S, 3.5 BA'S w/finished basement. Large lot in Judd Estates. Large deck. Den w/fireplace. Newly remodeled basement w/rec room & wet bar. Amy Kinard Cole (706) 313-2263. W Walnut Ave, R Morton Dr, L Atkinson Dr, hse on L at end of cul-de-sac. Additional photos at www.kinardrealty.com. MLS #92668

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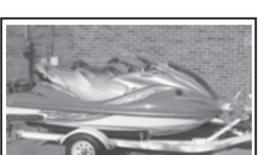
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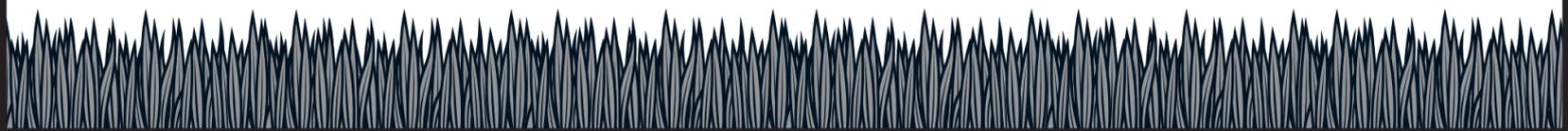
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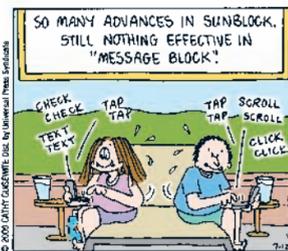
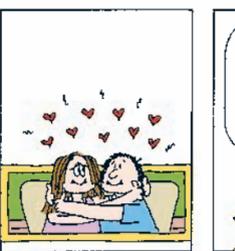
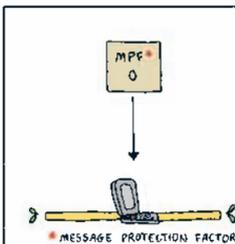
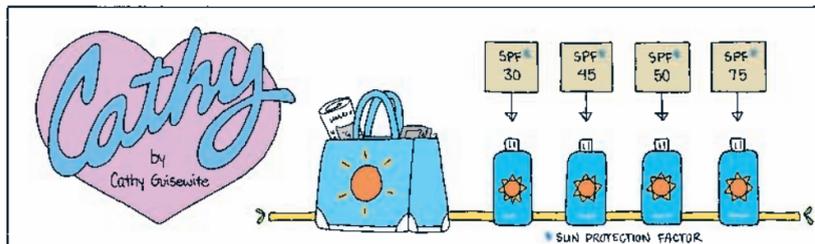
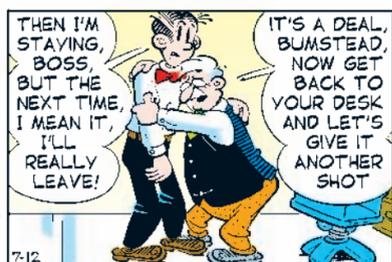
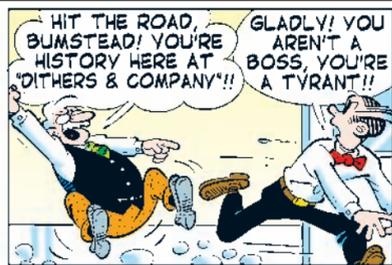
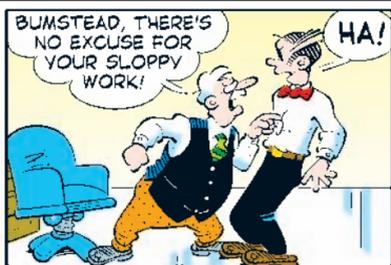
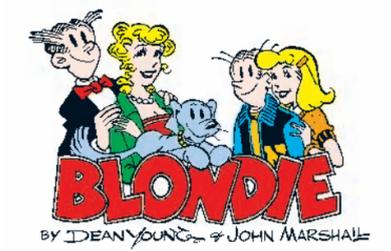
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SO WE KNOW WHAT WE HAVE.

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BY BRAD ANDERSON

HERE'S YOUR LUNCH, AND YOUR LUNCH.

OKAY.

KISSES!

YEA! KISSES!

AN' HUGS!

SEE YA!

WHO WILL USE THE INFORMATION?

IT'S JUST IMPORTANT TO HAVE.

IT WILL BE OUT OF DATE BEFORE I'M EVEN DONE.

HUGS 'N' KISSES!

DON'T BE LATE.

I HEAR MY RIDE COMING!

DO YOUR BEST.

THE BEST WAY TO COMPILE INACCURATE INFORMATION THAT NO ONE WANTS IS TO MAKE IT UP.

I HOPE NO ONE EVER COMES HERE TO LEARN OUR BEST PRACTICES.

OH, SORRY.

YOU WANT HUGS 'N' KISSES TOO!

DOG COME RUNNY CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI
 I'M ORLIKOWSKI HAS AN ENGLISH COCKER SPANIEL NAMED DASHY. WHEN THEY GET READY FOR A WALK SHE TWIRLS LIKE A CIRCUS BEAR.
 AT BEDTIME SHE CHECKS HER DASHES AND POLITELY BARKS FOR REFILLS... NOT TO EAT RIGHT THEN, BUT IN CASE SHE WANTS A LATE-NIGHT SNACK!
 WOOFIE WOOFIE

NANCY

BY GUY & BRAD GILCHRIST

THIS SHOW IS STUPID

I'D GET UP AND CHANGE THE CHANNEL, BUT I'M JUST TOO STUPID LAZY

I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S STUPIDER-- THIS STUPID SHOW... OR ME WATCHING THIS STUPID SHOW....

... BECAUSE I'M TOO STUPID LAZY TO GET UP AND WALK 5 FEET TO CHANGE IT

THIS SHOW IS STUPID

THIS SHOW IS STUPID

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE

BY LYNN JOHNSTON

I'M TRYING TO VISIT WITH ELLY, CHRISTOPHER GO AND PLAY!

SO, YOU WERE SAYING?...
 BAM BAPPA BAPPA CLANK

JUST A SEC. NO, YOU MAY NOT HAVE A COOKIE. WELL, O.K. - JUST ONE.

NOW, WHERE WERE WE?

OK, COME SIT ON MOMMY'S LAP... BUT NO NOISE!

WELL - I GUESS IT'S TIME WE WENT ON OUR WAY!

BYE, EL! --BYE!

NICE TALKING TO YOU.

DOONESBURY

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

- 1 MARK BEGINS AN ON-AIR APPEAL. I NEED A DATE.
- 2 SAM DISCOVERS BOYS. OW! WHAT WAS THAT FOR? GUESS.
- 3 ZIPPER AUDITS THE REAL WORLD. SORRY, NO JOBS. WHEW!
- 4 REVEREND SLOAN'S IPHONE EPIPHANY. OH, MY GOD... INTELLIGENT DESIGN!
- 5 ELMONT MENTORS THE NEW HOMELESS. AND THIS GRATE IS MINE, CAPICHE?
- 6 ZONKER MENTORS A DAHLIA. NOW WHAT? BLOOM!
- 7 INSIDE WALDEN ADMISSIONS. HE'S AN IDIOT. HE'S BUT I NEED A KICKER.
- 8 THE GOP FINDS ITS VOICE, AGAIN. NO!
- 9 LEO'S BAND TAKES OFF. TWO DOWNLOADS OFF FACEBOOK! YES!
- 10 ALEX TURNS FANGIRL. OHMIGOD, STIG! BEST LUCK, EVER.
- 11 THE OL' MAIL SILO. "DEAR MIKE, WILL PAPERS CUT COLOR?"
- 12 OBAMA AUDITIONS ICONS. NO, NO, NO!
- 13 RAY, ROTATION FIVE. THE MISSION? IT IS WHAT IT IS.
- 14 JEFF'S VERY BAD DAY. WHAT EXPLOSION?
- 15 ZEKE RETIRES. FROM WHAT? ODD JOBS. IT'S TIME.
- 16 ANALOG RAGE CONTINUES. BLAM! BLAM! BLAM!
- 17 ZONKER MENTORS A DAHLIA. (RERUNS) NOW WHAT? BLOOM!
- 18 ROLAND TWEET WEEK. "ABOUT TO SNEEZE, THOUGHTS?"
- 19 RICK COMES TO TERMS WITH BLOGGING. "I GOT NOTHING." TAP! TAP! TAP!
- 20 JOANIE COMES TO TERMS WITH RICK. I'M MARRIED TO A BLOGGER.
- 21 THE WIDOW D CRIES OUT FOR ATTENTION. I'M FIXIN' TO DIE, SON. I DON'T THINK SO, MOM!
- LOVE IT! CIRCLE YOUR FAVORITES NOW SO YOU DON'T FORGET TO READ 'EM!

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ERNEST! WELCOME BACK. HOW WAS YOUR ACAPULCO VACATION? GREAT!

THE BEACHES WERE BEAUTIFUL, BUT I ALSO CHECKED OUT SOME OF THE CLOTHES MAKERS.

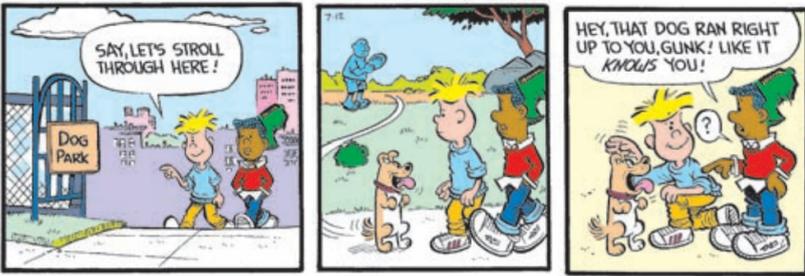
ONE COMPANY IS MAKING TERRIFIC PADDED TROUSERS TO PROTECT YOUR BODY IN CROWDS!

UH-OH... DON'T SAY IT!

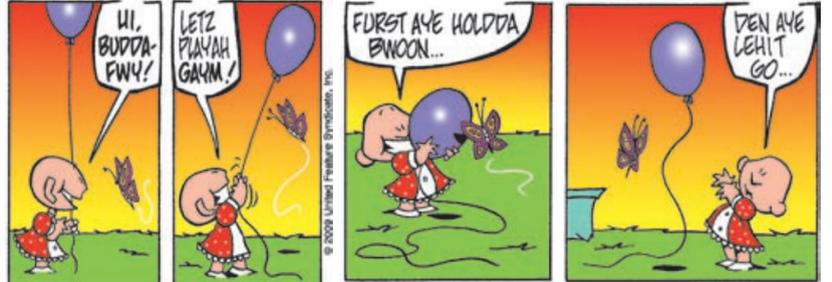
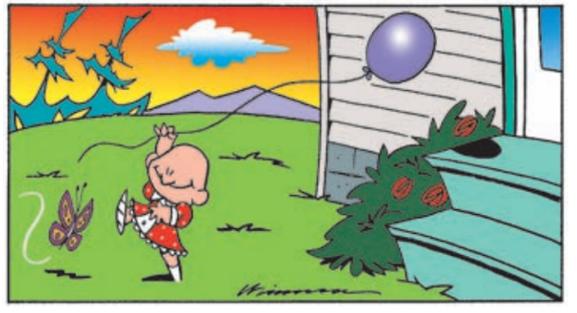
MEXICAN BUMPING JEANS!

CURTIS

BY RAY BILLINGSLEY



ROSE IS ROSE



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane

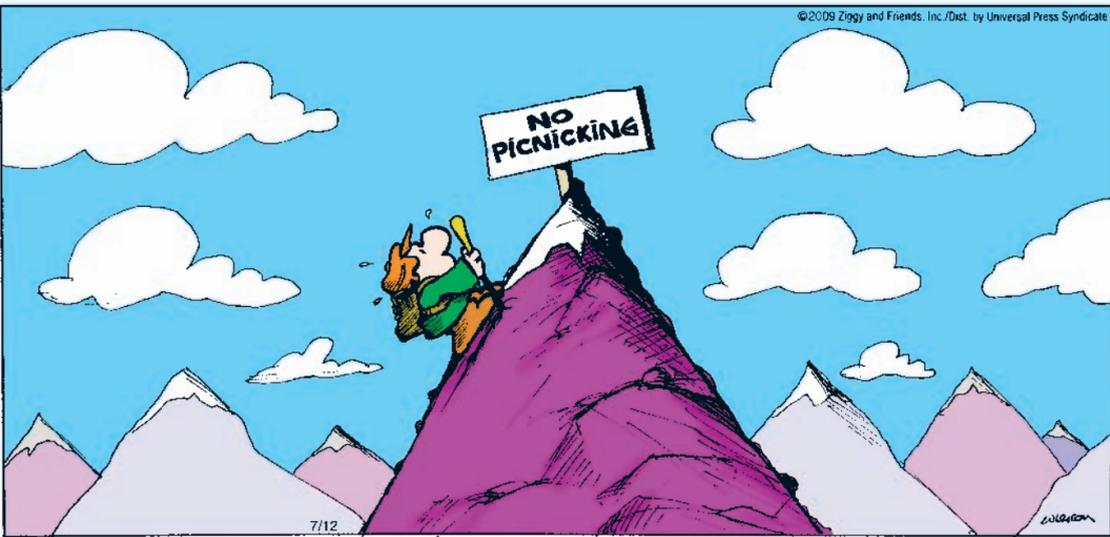


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LIZ IS COMING OVER AGAIN TONIGHT, ODIE

SHE COMES OVER EVERY WEEKEND NOW

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

I'M GOING TO FIX THAT OLD DECK RAIL!

THE TWO OF THEM REALLY SEEM TO GET ALONG

I WONDER HOW SERIOUS THEY REALLY ARE...

YOU ARE NOT! IT'S 100 DEGREES OUTSIDE! YOU'LL DIE!!

BUT YOU'VE BEEN ASKING ME TO DO IT FOR MONTHS!

...AND I ALREADY ORDERED THE PIZZA. NO ANCHOVIES, JUST THE WAY YOU LIKE IT!

LIFE AS WE KNOW IT HAS JUST COME TO AN ABRUPT AND CRUEL END

WELL, IT CAN WAIT A LITTLE LONGER! YOU STAY INDOORS IN THE COOL!

WERE YOU JUST RACKING UP BROWNIE POINTS?

"PUBLIC RELATIONS" IS A MUCH NICER PHRASE!

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM

BY MIKE PETERS

UH-OH... SUITS

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B.C.

BY HART

PLEASE DON'T EAT ME, MR. ANTEATER... I HAVE A WIFE AND CHILDREN!

COME ON, NOW. THAT'S THE OLDEST PLEA IN THE BOOK.

I SINCERELY HOPE YOU CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT...

PLEASE DON'T EAT ME. I HAVE A BLOG.

... YOU'RE JOKING.

HOW BOUT, I'M STANDING ON A LAND MINE AND IF YOU ZOT ME IT'LL KILL US BOTH...?

NOPE.

FINE! MY NAME IS ZIRGLOIN. I'M ACTUALLY AN ALIEN FROM THE PLANET ZIGNAPP, AND IF YOU EAT ME IT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY TRIGGER AN INTERGALACTIC WAR -- THAT WILL DESTROY THE UNIVERSE!

WOW! NOT BAD...

BUT WORTH THE RISK.

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BORN LOSER

BY ART & CHIP SANSON

HAVE YOU HIRED A NEW FOREMAN, YET?

NO...AND IT CONCERNS ME!

I HAVE TWO CANDIDATES-- ONE HAS A GREAT WORK ETHIC, BUT A LOW I.Q....

AND THE OTHER IS QUITE INTELLIGENT BUT COMPLETELY UNMOTIVATED!

TOO BAD YOU CAN'T FIND SOMEONE WHO IS A COMBINATION OF THE TWO!

OH, BUT I ALREADY HAVE A PERSON LIKE THAT--YOU!

GEE, YOU REALLY THINK SO?

YES--YOU'RE LAZY AND INTELLECTUALLY CHALLENGED!

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A Man Named Jefferson

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Diggin' Deep

The Virtual Museum of Canada invites you to journey into the lives of aboriginal people who lived on Ontario's Bonnechere River at Land of the Spirits, www.virtualmuseum.ca/Exhibitions/Spirits/English. Browse the Timeline to discover how these native people lived, hunted and prospered along the rich and sustaining waters of the Bonnechere. Then, with just a click of your mouse, join in on an archaeological dig, where technology is the key to uncovering the truth behind civilizations that existed here long before the arrival of European explorers in the 17th century.

Where is the original copy of The Declaration of Independence?

According to the forest timeline, how often does fire scorch the land?

Dear Amy: How do airplanes fly? — Anna, Minnetonka, Minn.

Dear Anna: Whether it's a train or an airplane, transportation is all about physics. There are different forces that act upon an airplane. When a plane is flying, the propellers give the airplane forward force called thrust. As the plane moves through the air, the air pushes back on the plane creating a backward force known as drag. Like everything else on Earth, the plane is also acted upon by gravity in a downward direction. In order for the plane to fly, it needs an upward force that is stronger than gravity. Airplanes create upward force using their wings, because they are shaped so that when they move through the air, the air pressure below the wing is higher than the air pressure above the wing. This creates lift. For more details, visit www.cs.dartmouth.edu/farid/sciencekids/fly.html.

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