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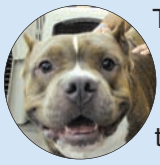
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**Tarah Alesich greets her friend Katie Greenway Saturday at Prater's Mill. Pfc. Alesich is home on leave from Iraq and will be going back Aug. 10.**

## Soldier on leave from Iraq gets surprise party

BY MARK MILLICAN  
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VARNELL — Tarah Alesich said she thought something was going on at Prater's Mill when her friend, Melissa Moorer, began slowing down as they neared the historic site.

She was right — it was her surprise party for being home on leave three-quarters of the way through her current tour of duty in Iraq as a Black Hawk helicopter mechanic in the U.S. Army.

"It was a total surprise," she said on Saturday afternoon as the picnic got under way. "When we pulled in, I started seeing everyone I knew. It's amazing to be home — it's long overdue. I told my mom, y'all did real good keeping it a secret."

Her mother, Karen Arnold, admitted being in on the ruse.

"Several of her friends were involved in trying to keep this (idea) away from her," she said. "She didn't know anything, but when they pulled in she had this big smile on her face. I think she was surprised. There are family, friends and people from everywhere who are here."

That included her husband, Sgt. Eddie Alesich, who drove up from his duty station at Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah. The couple were married last August — they met at a Black Hawk mechanic school — then Pfc. Tarah Alesich deployed to Iraq in October.

"It was tough on her having to go just after we got married," said Eddie Alesich,



**A surprised Tarah Alesich waves to friends and family members as she arrives at Prater's Mill Saturday.**

"but we do instant messaging (IM) on Yahoo and she's able to call when she has free time."

He has been in the Army 12 years and is originally from New Orleans, but she enlisted 18 months after graduating from Northwest High School in 2006.

"I worked at a gas station in Cohutta for about a year (after graduating)," she said. "In the back of my mind I knew what I wanted to do, but I was still a little scared."

Her father, David Arnold, helped her get over that hump.

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## Norville using Web to spread news on affliction

BY JAMIE JONES  
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Merle Norville was active in the family business, stayed busy raising four children and was engrossed in the local Girl Scout cookie drive.

That was before rheumatoid arthritis debilitated her health, forcing her to spend hours each day bedridden. She eventually died from complications brought on by the disease.

"Mom was the Girl Scout cookie chairman," daughter Deborah Norville recalled. "Ours was the garage that was filled with

cookies for all of the different troops in the Northwest Georgia Council. I saw her go from being that can-do kind of person to literally being unable to get out of the bed."

Those personal experiences led Norville, an Emmy-winning journalist and face of the television news program "Inside Edition," to become the host of an online talk show covering aspects of rheumatoid arthritis such as fitness health, nutrition, relationships and work/career management.

The 30-minute program "New Way RA"

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## Housing begins slow rebound

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It was — note the past tense — the worst housing recession anyone but survivors of the Great Depression can remember.

From the frenzied peak of the real estate boom in 2005-2006 to the recession's trough earlier this year, home resales fell 38 percent and sales of new homes tumbled 76 percent. Construction of homes and apartments skidded 79 percent. And for the first time in more than four decades of record keeping, home prices posted consecutive annual declines.

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Now take a deep breath and exhale. The worst is over.

By every measure, except foreclosures, the housing market has stabilized and many areas are recovering, according to a spate of data released in the

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## Minor quake rattles region

DUCKTOWN, Tenn. (AP) — A minor earthquake rattled the mountainous area of southeastern Tennessee, western North Carolina and northern Georgia on Saturday morning. No damage or injuries were immediately reported.

The U.S. Geological Survey said the 3.2-magnitude temblor happened about 11 a.m. Saturday. Its epicenter was located about 55 miles east of Chattanooga, near the town of Ducktown.

Local authorities said they received several calls about the shaking, but they had not received any reports of damage or injuries.

Becky Cearley, a dispatcher with the Polk County Sheriff's Department, described the incident as "pretty intense."

"It shook the whole entire building for what seemed like forever, but it was just a matter of seconds," she said.

A dispatcher with the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office in North Carolina, just east of the epicenter, said the office received a few calls from people wondering what had happened.

"One guy, he said it was so bad it shook his cell phone off the dresser," said Sgt. Michael Roper of the Gilmer County Sheriff's Office.

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**Ellie Krieger, left, a registered dietitian and host of "Healthy Appetite" on the Food Network, and Dalton native Deborah Norville, an Emmy-winning journalist, are pictured in the studio of the online talk show "New Way RA."**

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"If you aren't an African-American you don't even know what racial profiling is."

"If they would furlough Brochu for a few days they would save some real money."

"This is a ripoff alert. There is a group calling into this area and the group asks for people to send \$400 so they can get a million dollars in winnings. It's a ripoff."

"My heart goes out to the Morales family and all the families who have lost soldiers in this war. They gave their lives for this country."

"Jimmy, I'm glad you finally put that lady in her place about the Bible verse. She acted stupidly."

**Editor: I am sure she is a fine person.**

"Now the Brock family is on board with the school system. This school board is unbelievable."

"President Obama did not call the police officer stupid. He said he acted stupidly."

"If our government can spend trillions of dollars fighting two wars, surely it can afford to have everyone insured."

"The Career Academy gymnasium being proposed was in the second phase of the original plan for the academy. This is one of the primary reasons the new high school should have been built on this property instead of where it is being built."

"Gov. Perdue has been quick to cut teacher pay. I wonder if he is taking any pay out of his check."

"The gentleman who wanted the train watching platform has been in the hospital. He would like to thank everyone who visited and prayed for him."

"Our children don't have textbooks in school and our teachers are furloughed but our wonderful local government can spend \$1.27 million on undeveloped land?"

"Why spend \$1.5 million to build an industrial park when we have so many empty offices, plants and warehouses? It seems to me using them would be cheaper in the long run."

**Editor: Rarely are bureaucrats or businesses on the government teat concerned with "cheaper."**

"They want the taxpayers to pay for jobs for illegals to put more money in their pockets."

"Grow Greater Dalton is planning 3,200 jobs in Whitfield County. What kind of jobs are they and are lower and middle class people going to get a chance at some of these or will they go to the illegals?"

"The chamber of commerce keeps setting up these new subsidiaries so they can keep getting the taxpayers' money from the city and county for doing the same thing."

"I love living in Murray County. It has a lot of the charm that most small towns have lost."

"I was buying everything in the Grow Greater Dalton story until I got to the last paragraphs and saw Vance Bell of Shaw was quoted. Now, I'm not buying it any longer."

"The Cotillion is a wonderful event which allows our lovely debutantes to be properly presented into Dalton society."

"I am so glad to hear from a parent of a Cotillion honoree. Maybe that put some of these ignorant, jealous people in their place."

"If the educators have to take a furlough day then the board members and Katie Brochu should have to as well."

"Sorry police officers? I have been married to one for 22 years and he is a wonderful, God-fearing man who loves his family and God. He has given many years to this community. One bad apple doesn't spoil them all."

"It's a shame teachers are losing pay when Brochu isn't giving up any."

"Wilma Gibson wants people to give money to pay for health care for people who don't have it. That sounds like charity. Go to the United Way and ask them for it. Why should people who work hard to make their money have to pay for people who don't?"

"We have insurance through my husband's employer. It's not the best but I thank God for it. I don't want some faceless person sitting on some board deciding for me what should be between me and my doctor."

"Kroger also charges a 4-cent tax on the newspaper."

"I take three or four types of doctor-prescribed medication and keep them in a daily container in my purse at work. Is that considered 'medications not in a proper container?' Could I be charged for having it in that kind of container?"

**Editor: Good question. You could be, according to local police sources. Legally, prescription drugs**

**are supposed to be kept in their original container. An officer could give you a break depending on the type and quantity of the medication, but it would be up to the officer's judgment as to your intent.**

"I know you weren't sincere about ending all those activities you mentioned but I also know that your apology to the Indians wasn't sincere."

**Editor: I never did anything to an Indian.**

"God bless the gentleman who returned the beige purse intact at the new Walmart. I tried to find you but couldn't. Thank you."

"My heart and prayers go to the Morales family. I hope the strength of God can get them through this."

"I've also called Animal Control and the sheriff's department about dogs barking at night and running loose in Blue Mountain subdivision. They need to enforce the leash laws and the ordinance regarding animals disturbing the peace."

"I saw that on July 31 the first party downtown will have a beer garden and activities for children. Hmmm..."

"To be Christian means you believe in Jesus. If you have to be 'Christ-like,' as the other caller said, we are all in trouble."

"To the person who said they couldn't find a job after serving 10 years in the military: In 1970 I was fired from my first job when they found out I had served in Vietnam. It took me almost a year to find a job. Good luck and God bless."

"The gentlemen mowing the road in the Dawnville area are doing a really good job."

"If the government wants to save money they should look into Medicaid. I have worked all my life and paid for insurance, but can't get the treatment they get."

"If Obama gets his national health care plan passed it will ruin senior citizens. He'll cut money out of Medicare. You better tell your senator or congressman or you'll be sorry."

"Mr. Espy, that comment on the buzzards and the babies was hilarious."

"I know who can keep an eye on Russia. Our president. He's never in his office. He's always out politicking and running that flap."

"A good councilman, Dick Lowrey, is not running again. He probably got tired of being a yes man for Mayor Pennington."

**CLASS ACTS**

■ Hollie Nichole Shelton of Dalton graduated in June with a doctor of pharmacy degree from **South University College of Pharmacy** in Savannah. She was a member of Kappa Psi. She was a 2002 graduate of Northwest Whitfield High School, and she completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Georgia at Athens. She is now employed at Phoebe Putney Hospital in Albany. She is the daughter of Ed and Debbie Shelton and the granddaughter of Bob and Inez Frazier and the late Ernest and Frances Shelton.

■ The University of Georgia has awarded The Goizueta Foundation Scholarship to incoming first-year students and twin sisters Erica and Janet Figueroa of Dalton. They are graduates of Dalton High School and the daughters of Cris and Silvia Figueroa.



**E. Figueroa**

■ **Dalton State College** has named 42 students to the dean's list for summer semester 2009, including 17 from Whitfield County and five from Murray County. To be named to the dean's list, a student must maintain a full-time course load of 12 or more semester hours and achieve an overall grade point average of 3.5 out of a possible 4.0. Students named to the dean's list from Whitfield County are Tiffany Alderman, Angel Cabrera, Justin Edwards, Felicia Epperson, Chineche Ezeoke, Ashley Flood, Michael Harrison, Whitney Jones, Jessica Marks, Shawn McAllister, Ryan McPeak, Lacy Shook, Whitney Smith, Airica Staten, James Whitmire, Robert Wingfield and Zuan Xu. Students named to the dean's list from Murray County are Jerry Beavers, Brooke Curtis, Joshua Ellis, Chad Hales and Paula Solomon.

The award provides \$3,000 per year to undergraduates who are fluent in both written and spoken Spanish, have family who currently reside in the United States, and have demonstrated financial need as determined by UGA's Office of Student Financial Aid. The scholarship is part of a number of grants The Goizueta Foundation of Atlanta has awarded to UGA for enhancing educational opportunities for a more diverse student body, particularly undergraduates fluent in both written and spoken Spanish.



**J. Figueroa**

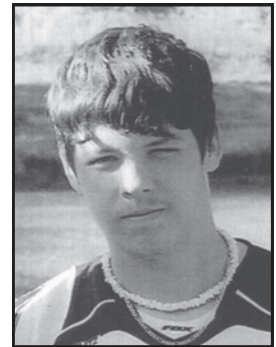
The scholarship is renewable for a maximum of three years of undergraduate study if the students maintain certain academic requirements and continue to have demonstrated financial need.

**TODAY'S CITIZEN**



**NAME:** Tiffany Graves  
**AGE:** 8  
**HOME:** Dalton  
**FAMILY:** Mother, Angie; father, Chris; sister, Whitney; dogs, Payton, Lexie and Sophie  
**SCHOOL:** Pleasant Grove  
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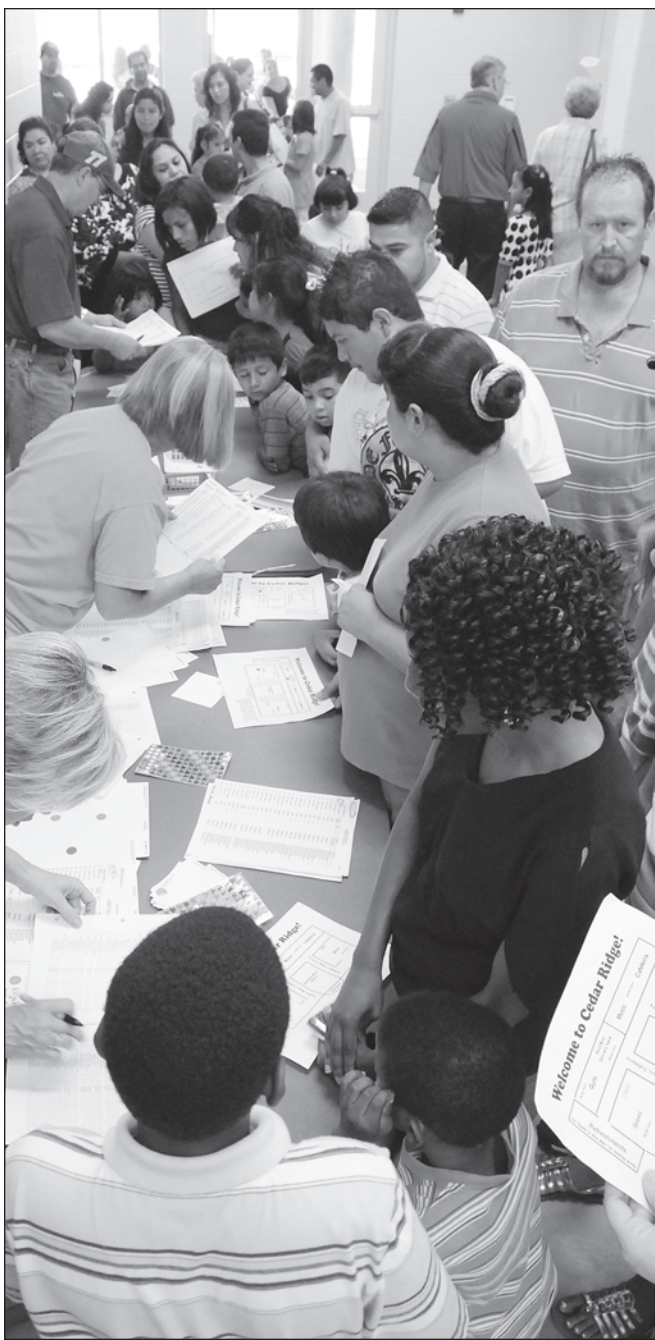
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## OPEN HOUSE AT NEW SCHOOL

Above, pre-kindergarten teacher Aubree Hayes greets one of her students, Chaston Atkins, 4, for the first time Saturday during open house at the new Cedar Ridge Elementary School. At left, parents and students sign in at the school. The new school year begins for Whitfield County and Dalton on Friday.



## 159 arrested in sweeps

ATLANTA (AP) — Atlanta police and officers from five other agencies arrested 159 people in a series of sweeps overnight Friday, a little more than 24 hours after the mayor and police chief promised to address seemingly out-of-control crime.

Atlanta Police Chief Richard Pennington promised to step up patrols in high-crime areas, triggered in part by high-profile crimes like the June 25 shooting death of former boxing champion

Vernon Forrest by three thugs after his car.

Six agencies were involved in Fridays and Saturdays sweeps, including the Georgia State Patrol and Sandy Springs, Georgia Tech, Henry County and Fulton County police departments.

APD spokesman officer James Polite says 123 of the 159 people arrested were found within Atlanta's city limits, satisfying 11 outstanding warrants and resolving 52 cases.

## AREA ARRESTS

- Ricardo Cardenas, 18, 1804 Shadow Lane, Apt. 9, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with possession of tools for the commission of a crime and manufacture of marijuana.

- Randy William Corn, 18, 403 Smyrna Church Road, Chatsworth, was charged Friday by the Chatsworth Police Department with possession of methamphetamine.

- Michael Lee Cripe, 41, 77 Holly Creek Cool Springs Road, Chatsworth, was charged Friday by the Chatsworth Police Department with possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.

- Bradley Dean Graydon, 23, 101 Thompson Lane, Jasper, was charged Friday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with first degree theft by shoplifting.

- Sabrina Evelyn Harris, 20, 959 Davenport Road, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with theft by taking and financial transaction card fraud.

- Todd Christopher McNair, 29, 1954 Collins Road, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with theft by taking and financial transaction card fraud.

- Janet Kay Parker, 51, 152 Dawnville Road, Dalton, was charged Friday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with failure to maintain lane, DUI (drugs) and driving in violation of limited permit.

- Ashley Rene Winters, 26, 500 Dawnville Road, Dalton, was charged Friday

by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with sale of meth.

- Bryan Ernesto Calderon, 23, 1844 Willow Drive, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with possession of tools for the commission of a crime and possession of marijuana.

- Eddy Shane Cochran, 36, 404 Hiller Drive, Biloxi, Miss., was charged Saturday by the Murray County Sheriff's Office with driving without a license on person, DUI and DUI-endangerment of a child under 14.

- Kevin Bruce Jackson, 31, 233 Rosewood Drive, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Eton Police Department with DUI (second offense).

- Amy Elizabeth Jackson, 41, 312 Kingdom Hall Drive, Chatsworth, was charged Saturday by the Georgia State Patrol with driving while unlicensed, too fast for conditions, open container in vehicle and DUI.

- Tonya Elaine Pugh, 37, 5226-A Arnold Ave., Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with possession of meth, possession of marijuana and possession of tools for the commission of a crime.

- Keri Rene Spurgeon, 23, 1436 Piedmont Drive, Dalton, was charged Saturday by the Whitfield County Sheriff's Office with possession of marijuana, possession of tools for the commission of a crime and intent to distribute marijuana.

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### VIEWPOINTS

## Dalton ready to build a new, strong foundation

BY DIXIE KINARD  
Special to The Daily Citizen

The Grow Greater Dalton Plan was officially introduced to our community in a press conference at Dalton State College on Monday. The photo on the front page of this newspaper did not clearly show the room full of citizens who believe that we have to make a more progressive step forward with a pro active plan that will grow and diversify the economic base in our community.

Present were city and county officials, our elected Georgia legislators, small business owners, non-profits, school board representative and industry leaders from the carpet industry. This is a united effort and a well planned approach to strengthen our community and help determine the future of its citizens.

Everyone is at the table. This effort is headed by our Chamber and its staff and board of directors along with the Dalton Whitfield Joint Development Authority, the Downtown Dalton Development Authority and the Dalton Convention and Visitors Bureau as well as small and large business representatives. The county board chairman and mayor of Dalton have helped lead the way.

The Grow Greater Dalton plan did not just happen. Like Target Tomorrow in 1996, months of planning and discussion have gone on for over a year. Community leaders and officials selected the best group available to lead and guide our community. We listened to what other communities have tried with success and with failure. We chose to follow those successful communities like Chattanooga, Gainesville and Rome and decided to do an even better job with Grow Greater Dalton.

A few said that is was not the best time to start such a plan, but when is the perfect time? We know that the true worth of character is shown in the hard times and this is true for individuals, companies and communities.

The people and companies supporting Grow Greater Dalton are sincerely passionate about this community and its citizens. We know that economic development is directly connected to the quality of life of the citizens of a community. This plan will help secure a better quality of life for our citizens and as the plan states, "The Future is NOW."

Sometimes we need to be reminded about how great our community really is. In a recent letter to the editor a

newcomer, Al McGovern, reminded us of all the reasons he chose Dalton as his retirement destination. The list was a long one — with amenities we can be proud — a list we should all be grateful for.

In the last year our community has had the privilege to host Leadership Georgia and the Georgia Economic Development board and staff. Both groups left with the same impression, "Wow, what an energetic and progressive community." We know that when we all pull together and join in partnership for a good cause, great things happen in this community.

Target Tomorrow gave us a guide for what our citizens wanted our community to look like in the future ... it was full of hopes and dreams and many of these have been realized as we look around our community. Now is the time to move forward and address today's community needs.

The Grow Greater Dalton plan is a vision of a better Dalton/Whitfield. How can we all be a part of making this plan work? We can start by being a responsible citizen and offering our talents to organizations that improve the lives of the citizens of our community. We can start by listening to each other ( Dr. Jim Hawkins of Dalton Public Schools introduced two great books to our community this summer in his reading blog, "Live First, Work Second" by Rebecca Ryan and "The Element" by Dr. Ken Robinson)

These books remind us to listen to the voices of our young people. We need to know what they are looking for in a community in the hope that they will want to move back home. We also need to acknowledge the passion within us to more fully realize the potential in each of us. We can also share with others the great reasons we call Dalton/Whitfield home. We can welcome newcomers as neighbors and encourage the visitors to our community to make this community their home. We can all make a difference, as many of you already do.

On Aug. 31 the University of Georgia Archway program will conduct a community wide forum at The Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center 6-8:30 p.m. I hope you will join us in the next step of the Grow Greater Plan because the future is now!

**Dixie H Kinard is a former chairman of the board of the Dalton-Whitfield Chamber of Commerce.**

### WORDS OF WISDOM

**Thought for Today:** "The trouble with this country is that there are too many people going about saying, 'The trouble with this country is...'"

**Sinclair Lewis**  
American author  
1885-1951

**Bible verse:** "You are my refuge and my shield; I have put my hope in your word."

**Psalms 119:114**

## Revisiting the park

The world dropped out from under me.

That's what happened about 30 seconds into a ride on the legendary Cannonball at Lake Winnepesaukee on Saturday.

It was my first visit to the park in 30-plus years.

Clan Espy gathered for this outing — wife, daughter, brothers, sisters, significant others, cousins, nieces and nephews.

My memories of Lake Winnie have been whittled down by time but almost all of them are good ... except for the less-than-sterling occasion I wolfed down a couple of chili dogs and a pile of ketchup-drenched fries before getting on a Tilt-a-Whirl and then having to pay the price demanded by the Gods of Wretched Excess. (I tossed my cookies).

At 47 I was a little smarter, at least until I allowed myself to be goaded into strapping into the Cannonball. (No one's going to call me "a big, fat sissy boy!")

Wife Alison was at my side as we ascended the first peak. I looked to her for reassurance. Her eyes were closed tightly and she was making the sign of the cross.

Not too reassuring. Well, what goes up ... Whoosh!

Down we hurtled, gravity giving way as my large carcass rose slightly from the seat.

The first drop on the Cannonball is the big one,



**Jimmy Espy**

but before you can catch your breath the smaller ones follow.

Up and down, up and down at break-neck speed. A turn to the right.

Then a series of smaller, but still soul-jarring dips later followed by a rapid stop.

We survived.

I looked at Alison. She looked at me. We looked like we shared a makeup man with Casper the Friendly Ghost.

Shakily I walked away from the Cannonball — no "big, fat sissy boy after all."

Speaking of fat, c'mon America, we've got to lose some weight, and when I say we I definitely include my 250-pound keister. There were a lot of really fat people at Lake Winnie and you can't convince me that all of them have "slow metabolisms" or "weight issues."

We're just fat, people! Don't eat so much. Get a little exercise. I will if you will.

It was hotter than heck on Saturday but that did not discourage The Little Ones — Rowan, Emma and Isabel — from riding everything in the park. I think they would have jumped on one of those huge Lake Winnie carp if we told them it was OK.

The giant carp was one of the things I remembered from my Lake Winnie visits all those years ago. Sure enough they, or their descendants, are still lazing around, living off goodies provided for free to them by others.

I suspect the carp are Obama voters.

My one big disappointment of the day was The Castle. When I was a kid I loved that ride. The cart moved slowly through two levels of haunted house jammed with things designed to raise the hair on the back of your neck.

I had been telling my daughter about that ride for weeks, promising her thrills galore.

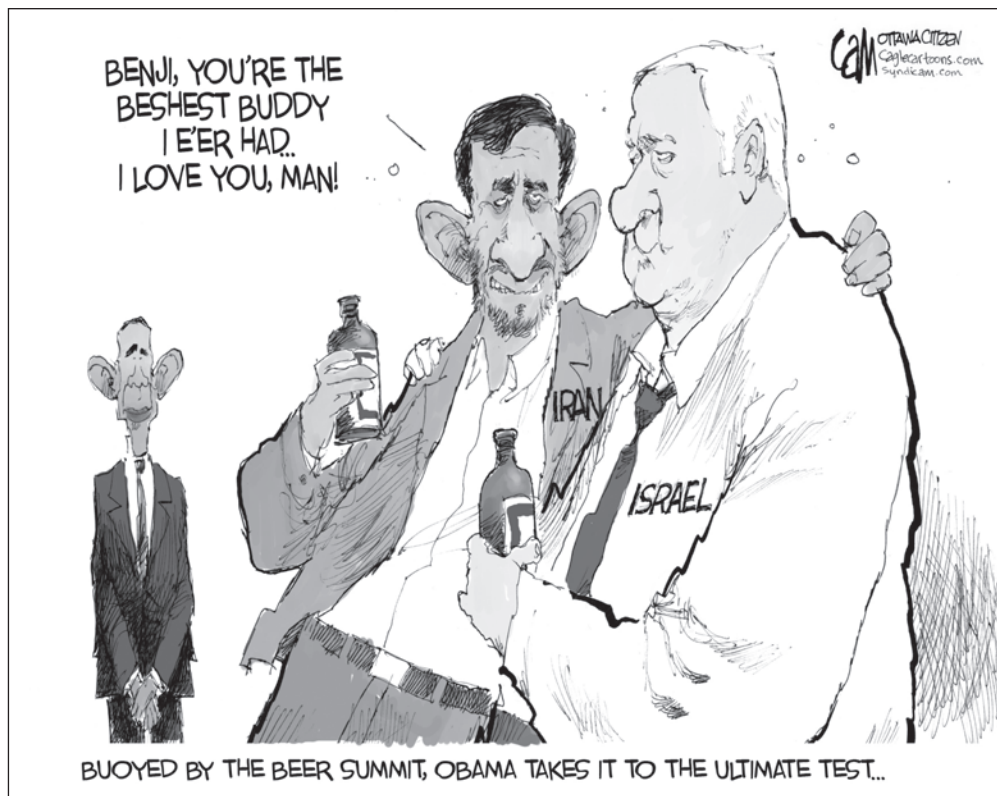
Didn't happen.

The old girl just ain't what she used to be. The ride has been shortened considerably and most of the spooky items I remembered (or thought I remembered) so fondly have been taken out.

Still, it was quite a day. Who would have thought six hours in the broiling sun could pass so quickly.

I hope Lake Winnie lives on for another 30-plus years so one day my daughter can go there with her kids and show them the Cannonball, the Matterhorn, the Boat Chute and the place were Grandpa Jimmy threw up.

**Jimmy Espy is executive editor of The Daily Citizen. He blogs at Espysoutpost.blogspot.com**



## Why so many conspiracy theories?

Why are there so many conspiracy theories?

"Hey, we're makin' history here, we're makin' real history here," said a legislator talking about Congress and inadvertently echoing Dustin Hoffman's "I'm walkin' here, I'm walkin' here" line in the movie "Midnight Cowboy."

Well, uh, sure. We're all making history, most of which, thankfully, will not be recorded or remembered. But maybe the operative word is "real" history.

Why, recently, are so many Americans being taken in by conspiracy theories? Why are so many denying real history?

As the nation recalled the splashdown of the rocket that landed on the moon in 1969, there was another wave of sentiment that the moon landing was just a government hoax. Honest-to-goodness scientists were dragged before cable TV cameras to insist, earnestly, that the moon landing had really happened.

Even among tourists flocking to the National Air and Space Museum to see the moon rocks, one non-believer was overheard saying the rocks were clearly fakes.

Good grief, folks! People who think the government spent millions of dollars and years of effort on a hoax that was kept secret for decades are just nuts. The government isn't capable of keeping secrets like that.

Then there was the wave of hysteria that President Obama wasn't born in Hawaii, is not a U.S. citizen and thus is not the legitimate president. There were even legislators on Capitol Hill trying to pass a bill that all presidential candidates must provide the public with copies of their birth certificates. Legislators who



**Ann McFeatters**

insisted the president is a citizen were ridiculed by their constituents.

Zounds, people! The president's birth certificate was held up on TV over and over again. The so-called "birthers," who insist they are still not convinced of the president's citizenship, are self-deluded nincompoops.

During the health care "reform" debate, which, friends, is only going to get more heated, complicated and murky, a rumor raced around the country that people on Medicare would be required to see a government representative to talk about how they want to die.

Somewhat bemused, Obama said there really aren't enough government employees to carry out such a mandate. It turns out that there is a proposal floating on Capitol Hill — a proposal — that Medicare pay for advisers for people interested in learning how to set up living wills.

What's going on here? Part of it is our fascination with suspense movies and TV thrillers such as "24." There have been so many shows depicting bureaucrats and political leaders as manipulative conspirators that people believe they're real. They should be forced to spend a day walking the halls of the Department of Agriculture or the Food and Drug Administration.

A more serious reason is the nasty politicization of government. Instead of having an adult conversation about the appalling state of health care in America and weighing options to fix it, we will spend August screaming at each other: Democrats defending schemes that have no chance of passage; Republicans organizing a month of scare tactics, such as telling the elderly they must sit down with government agents to plan their deaths.

Historian Margaret MacMillan in her book, "Dangerous Games," ponders the uses and abuses of history. She notes every culture misuses history for comfort and nationalism or to justify treating others badly and to bolster arguments for a current policy.

She recalled a story told by writer Susan Jacoby who on Sept. 11, 2001, overheard two men talking in New York. "This is just like Pearl Harbor," one said. "What is Pearl Harbor?" the other asked. "That was when the Vietnamese dropped bombs in a harbor, and it started the Vietnam War," the first man replied.

History often does not offer the right solution but it helps us ask the right questions. But it has to be "real" history. We have to be smart enough not to be led astray by crazy conspiracy theories.

MacMillan says her advice about history is "use it, enjoy it, but always handle history with care."

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# Spring Place Festival set for Aug. 15

**FROM STAFF REPORTS**

The 12th annual Spring Place Community Festival will be Saturday, Aug. 15, at the Old Spring Place Methodist Church just off Georgia Highway 225 S., beginning at 8 a.m.

The theme this year is "Somewhere in Time," and the festival will feature a display of historic/antique clocks and watches from the collections of area residents. Among them are an Elgin pocket watch from 1887, a 1903 Waltham watch, and a dresser clock purchased from W.S. Lents in Chatsworth in October 1916, according to a penciled inscription on its reverse. A raffle for a large reproduction wall regulator clock donated by Carlton McDaniels will conclude the day's activities.

Members of the Spring Place Ruritan Club will have a bake sale with homemade cakes of all kinds. Breakfast biscuits and lunchtime hot dogs are among the items being sold to raise funds.

Sponsored by the Ruritan Club and the Whitfield-Murray Historical Society, the festival commemorates Spring Place's heritage and raises funds for the continued preservation of the Old Spring Place Methodist Church. New and used books, historical society publications, collectible and flea market items including Christmas decorations, glassware, toys and household items, attract buyers as well.

The largest fundrais-

ing event is an auction conducted by "Red" Edwards set for 10:30 a.m. Things to be auctioned include a variety of artist prints, gift certificates to area businesses, antique butter dishes, children's items, savings bonds, sets of historical maps and books, silver dollars and presidential coin sets donated by Cohutta and First National banks, exercise equipment, framed paintings, dish sets and rugs donated by Peanuts and Value Carpets.

Another highlight of the day will be the release of a new memoir written by former Spring Place resident Genievie Hawkins Urban about growing up in Spring Place in the 1930s. Now a Maryland resident, Urban attended the Old Methodist Church as a child. The books will cost \$10.

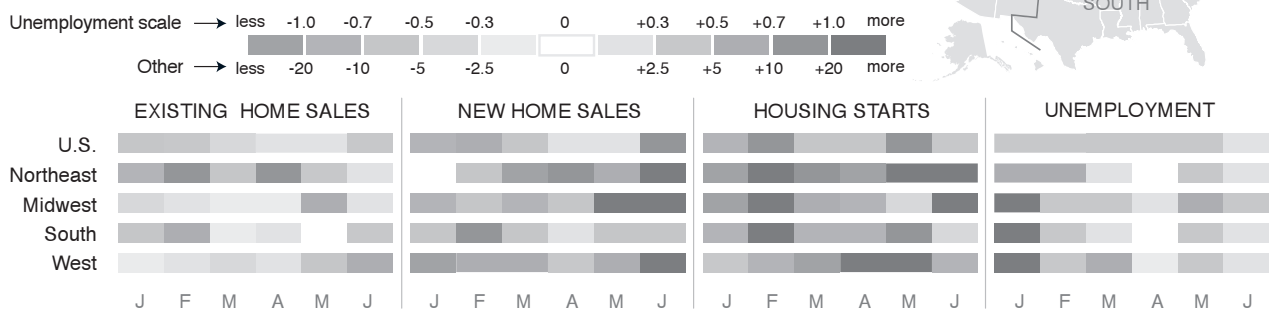
Quilts handmade by Ruth Young and other items handcrafted by Chatsworth resident Pamela Sparks Fraire will also be available. The Ruritan Club, Murray County Red Cross and the Keep Murray Beautiful Commission will have information tables and the Boy Scouts will be on hand to help with parking and other activities.

Parking will be available on Elm Street as well as across the street from the church. For more information call Carlton McDaniel at (706) 695-2110, Jyana and Chuck Smith at (706) 695-8297 or Tim Howard at (706) 695-2740.

## Housing market begins to rebuild

Sales of new and existing homes have climbed in the past three months for most of the country, and new home construction is slowly recovering.

**Percent change from previous month, seasonally adjusted, 2009**



SOURCES: National Association of Realtors; Commerce Department; Mortgage Bankers Association; Bureau of Labor Statistics; S&P Case-Shiller

## Housing: 'The freefall is over'

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past two weeks. Nationwide, home resales in June are up 9 percent from January, on a seasonally adjusted basis. Sales of new homes have climbed 17 percent during the same period. And construction, while still anemic, has risen almost 20 percent since the beginning of the year.

Even home prices, down one third from the top, edged up in May, the first monthly increase since June 2006.

"The freefall is over," says Dean Baker of the Center for Economic and Policy Research.

The problem is that, Baker, like many economists, expects the housing market will "be bouncing around the bottom" for the second half of the year.

There are also real threats that could poison this budding recovery. The unemployment rate, which is 9.5 percent, is expected to surpass 10 percent, leaving even more homeowners unable to pay their mortgages. Mortgage rates could rise, making homeownership less affordable. And the federal tax credit for first-time homebuyers, which has lured many into the market, is set to expire on Nov. 30.

"As long as jobs are being lost, regardless of all the federal programs out there to help the borrowers, you're still going to have problems in the housing market," says Steve Cumbie, executive director of the Center for Real Estate Development at the University of North Carolina's Kenan-Flagler Business School.

True, but when you've got bidding wars for foreclosures in places like Las Vegas, Phoenix and Los Angeles, it's time to call the bottom.

The real estate market in the South remains one of extremes.

On one end, are oil-rich cities in Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma that nearly skirted the housing recession altogether. Tipping the scale on the other side are foreclosure-ridden areas in Atlanta and swaths in Florida where prices are still falling annually by double digits.

Taken as a whole, home resales in the 17-state region rose 10 percent in the first half of this year on a seasonally adjusted basis, and are off just 4 percent from June of last year, according to the National Association of Realtors.

"Generally speaking, the rate of decrease, both in sales and prices, has started to bottom," says the University of North Carolina's Cumbie. "But that doesn't mean it's going to come roaring back."

Mass layoffs at Bank of America and Wachovia, for example, have taken their toll in their home state of North Carolina. Home price declines in Charlotte accelerated this year, and home resales in June were off nearly 30 percent from last year.

Home and apartment construction, a key economic engine, will also vary widely across the region. Parts of the South, notably Florida and Atlanta, were vastly overbuilt

during the housing boom. So construction in the region rose a meager 7 percent in the first half of the year, the lowest of the four regions, according to the Commerce Department.

There was little reason for builders to start laying new foundations. New home sales fell 2 percent from January to June, the only region in the country to post a decline.

"In the longer term, I'm confident that the real estate market is going to shift where buyers are coming out not only because of attractive interest rates and low prices, but because more people are getting jobs," says Les Simmonds, president of L.G. Simmonds Real Estate Corp. in Longwood, Fla. "But, as we speak, it's not right. It's going to take more time."



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**WHITFIELD EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

**Clydine Tyson**

**SUBMITTED BY WHITFIELD COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

Clydine Tyson, a senior fiscal tech with Whitfield County government, was named the May Employee of the Month.

**Time with the county:** Three years in September

**Education:** Dalton High School; Dalton College (one year)

**My role as a county employee:** Payroll clerk

**What keeps my job interesting:** Nothing is constant; things are always changing. Also, getting to meet the employees and putting a face with a name.

**What gives me a sense of accomplishment on the job:** To have an error-free payroll.

**Where I grew up:** My family moved to Dalton from Gainesville, Ga., when I was 6. I started school at Pleasant Grove Elementary.

**Family:** Husband of 44 years, Travis. Three children and in-laws: Stacey (Stan) Street, Lisa (Joey) Jones,

James (Meredith) Tyson. Five grandchildren ranging in age from 19 years to 11 months: Tyson Street, Anna Street, Emily Jones, Sara Grace Jones and Rhett Tyson.

**After work, I enjoy:** Watching the grandchildren participate in their activities. Tyson is a student and equipment manager for the football team at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville; Anna is a varsity cheerleader at Northwest High School; Emily and Sara Grace are involved in dance and gymnastics; and Rhett is learning to walk.

**Community activities:** Active member of Salem Baptist Church and involved in several ministries there. Member of Gideon's Auxiliary which distributes Bibles to doctors and dentists offices. Helped form and am active in Carpet Capital Women's Network, a Christian-based group that meets monthly for a luncheon with a Christian speaker.

**Favorite sport:** I enjoy playing golf and watching

football. **Favorite music:** Southern gospel and bluegrass

**If I've learned one thing in life, it's:** Jesus is the answer.

**Who has had the most impact on my life and why:** My parents and grandparents. They taught me values and right from wrong.

**Personal goals I have accomplished or would like to accomplish:** I have strived to "do unto others as I would have them do unto me." I want to be more sensitive to the needs of others.

**If I could have two wishes, they would be:** To remain mentally and physically healthy and to see the whole world receive salvation.

**You'd be surprised to learn that I:** (A long time ago) was an all-star softball player.

**Special comments:** I am very honored and humbled to be chosen Employee of the Month. There are so many Whitfield County employees that deserve this honor. I am privileged to have a wonderful supervisor (Melva Smith) and great coworkers.



**Tyson**

**Norville: The effects of RA**

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can be seen at www.newwayRA.com. A companion Web site features more information such as recipes, exercises and stories of real people living with rheumatoid arthritis, a chronic autoimmune disease that attacks joints causing functional disability, pain and stiffness. More than 1.3 million Americans have the disease.

The Web site isn't just for people living with rheumatoid arthritis. General information is available for friends and families who have questions about the disease. Norville was 10 years old when her mother was diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis. Merle Norville passed away 10 years later in 1978. Back then, Norville said information about the disease was difficult to find.

"We didn't really know what questions to ask," Norville said. "We didn't really know what rheumatoid arthritis necessarily meant. There weren't that many treatment options, and mom was getting the best treatments that were out there. Again, if we had access to the kind of infor-

mation that's in this program that I'm a part of I think we would have asked better questions. I think we would have known when to tell the doctors to take a hike and find a new doctor."

Because of the online format, Norville said viewers can watch the show at their leisure. If they begin watching at night, they can pause the program and return to that point later.

"The reason I think this being a Web-based thing is maybe even a smarter approach to delivering this message than a television show or an infomercial or whatever way, it's there when people are motivated and feel they have the time to access and process the information," Norville said. "And the information they get is soup to nuts helpful. This is non-branded. There is nothing being sold when you watch this show."

"New Way RA" features several experts. Dr. Hayes Wilson, chief of the Division of Rheumatology at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta, talks about the importance of "taking charge of your health and two-way communication with a doctor."

"My patients frequently share with me that living

with RA can be isolating," Wilson said in a press release. "They feel disconnected from their families, friends and the activities that they once enjoyed prior to the onset of their symptoms. A program like 'New Way RA' offers great expert advice and information for people living with rheumatoid arthritis to learn more about themselves and their disease, empowering them to re-engage with people, interests and activities."

Also featured is Ellie Krieger, a registered dietitian and host of "Healthy Appetite" on the Food Network, who provides tips and recipes for people living with rheumatoid arthritis. She was diagnosed with the disease at age 28. Dr. Laurie Ferguson, vice president of research and education at the advocacy organization CreakyJoints, discusses the effect of RA on relationships.

In addition to hosting "New Way RA" and her full-time job at "Inside Edition," Norville is working on another book. "The Power of Respect," a follow-up to "Thank You Power" released in 2007, is expected to be released this fall.

**Guild preparing for its 46th annual fall Festival**

**SUBMITTED BY THE CREATIVE ARTS GUILD**

The Creative Arts Guild will celebrate its 46th anniversary of a Festival of Fine Arts and Crafts this year at its August First Friday opening and Volunteer Party.

Festival's Indoor Exhibit of 135 includes jewelry, pottery, painting, drawing, pastels, watercolor, collage, photography, turned wood, sculpture and assemblages. First Friday is Aug. 7 at 5:30 p.m. in the Guild's main gallery.

Each year following Festival changes are made as determined by artists' surveys, volunteer focus groups and staff of the Guild. This year is no different. The Indoor Exhibit Chair, Robert Webb, with his committee, made some insightful and productive suggestions after reviewing prior year data and in response to the economy.

Artist entry fees were reduced, artists were allowed three entries, 2-D works were required to include much sought-after realism, and artists were asked to cap the price for their works at \$600 each.

"We have been pleasantly surprised by the reaction of the artist who is anticipating greater sales as well as patrons who have previewed the work and made positive comments about the affordability. I can't thank Robert enough for all the time and energy he has put into the indoor exhibit," Guild executive director Terry Tomasello said.

Webb is creating a catalog with Festival artist bios and images for the Patron's Party on Sept. 18. He also secured this year's Festival judge, Margaret Morrison, a professor at the University of



**This painting, "Bella," is by Dorit Riley, one of the artists who will participate in this year's Festival, slated for Sept. 19-20.**

Georgia. The exhibit officially opens Friday and runs through the two-day festival weekend Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 19 and 20.

First Friday Kick-off party is also a time when volunteers of all shapes and sizes gather to pick up their Festival T-shirts, sign up for volunteer duties for Festival weekend, enjoy previewing the show and gathering with fellow volunteers.

"This is one of the best First Fridays of the year. In many ways it's a homecoming for a lot of folks who make Festival an annual family event," Leanne Lawson, Guild events director, said.

The public is invited to attend First Friday even if they are not a Festival volun-

teer.

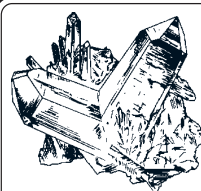
**First Friday Gallery Hop**  
Join the Creative Arts Guild and Michael's Fine Art and Framing by attending the First Friday openings each month in the effort to promote area and regional artists.

Michael's will be hosting artist Connie Peters, originally from Waukegan, Ill. She moved to Collegedale, Tenn., with her family in 1969 and now resides with her husband and daughter in Chattanooga.

Ms. Peters was introduced to decorative painting by a good friend in 1982 and has not stopped painting. She is a self-taught artist trained in various techniques ranging from fine art to decorative paint finishes. Ms. Peters is also a certified One Stroke Painter. She taught art classes in her home studio for about five years and has made the transition back to her decorative wall /faux painting business and is having fun creating her watercolor and acrylic artwork once again. Her painting style is described as classical realism with an impressionistic flair.

"I get a lot of inspiration from the places I visit. Nature is also a big influence for my paintings but no subject or surface is off limits," Peters said.

Michael's First Friday opening reception for Connie Peters is this Friday at 6 p.m. and is free and open to the public.



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**Taco Bell, 1509 W. Walnut Ave.**

Current score: 93  
Current grade: A  
Previous score: 95  
Previous grade: A  
Comments: Do not stack containers up wet; must air dry first. Invert single-service articles. Store single-service items 6 inches off floor. Seal gap at bottom of walk-in. Torn gaskets. Keep service window closed when not passing through.

**Sonic, 1369 W. Walnut Ave.**

Current score: 90  
Current grade: A  
Previous score: 92  
Previous grade: A  
Comments: All employee drinks must be in single-service cup with lid and straw. Food in floor of walk-in freezer and cooler. Store food 6 inches off floor. Food uncovered in prep freezer; cover foods when not in use. Wiping cloth solution should be 100 ppm. Some floor tiles need regrouting. Light out in walk-in freezer.

**Perfect Cup Deli, 112 W. Crawford St.**

Current score: 89  
Current grade: B  
Previous score: 90  
Previous grade: A  
Comments: Date mark all potentially hazardous ready-to-eat and drink food that is prepackaged and has been opened. Label all chemical bottles properly. Do not store chemicals over or next to food or food contact items. Inspection sheet must be posted so it's readable within 1 foot; do not post behind counter.

**Daisy's Snack Bar, 3451 Cleveland Highway**

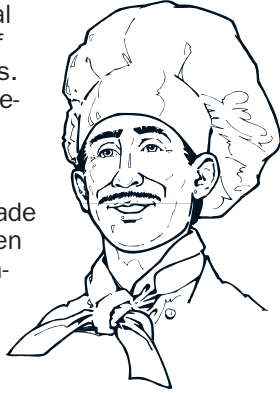
Current score: 88  
Current grade: B  
Previous score: 97  
Previous grade: A  
Comments: Cut tomatoes out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. Nacho cheese out of temperature; must hold hot at 135 degrees or above. Food stored in stand up cooler with ice not holding at correct temperature; need another refrigeration unit to provide sufficient space.

**Pizza Twins, 2208 Cleveland Highway**

Current score: 87  
Current grade: B  
Previous score: 87  
Previous grade: B  
Comments: Provolone and pepperoni out of temperature; must hold cold at 41

**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.



degrees or below. Date mark potentially hazardous ready-to-eat food.

**Papa John's, 100 W. Walnut Ave.**

Current score: 85  
Current grade: B  
Previous score: 82  
Previous grade: B  
Comments: Unapproved pesticides in employee area; only commercial approved substances allowed. Store all single-serve items 6 inches off floor. Soiled items in different compartments of three-compartment sink; put on drainboard. Clean plastic strips on walk-in freezer. Three-compartment sink needs air gap. Employee bathroom must have lid on trash can. Seal holes in wall. No hot water in employee bathroom. Back exterior door has large openings to outside at bottom and around the doorknob. Shield lights in walk-in freezer.

**Hardee's, 1301 Cleveland Highway**

Current score: 85  
Current grade: B  
Previous score: 90  
Previous grade: A  
Comments: Shredded cheese out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. Prep and discard dates and times on food unreadable. All food held with time as control must be labeled with prep date and time and have discard date and time within a four-hour timespan. All items must have discard date labeled within seven-day expiration period with prep day being Day One.

**Tijuana's, 2306 Chattanooga Road**

Current score: 82  
Current grade: B  
Previous score: 83  
Previous grade: B  
Comments: Pico de gallo, guacamole and diced tomatoes out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. All potentially haz-

ardous foods must be identified with discard and prep date. Do not store serving items up wet; must air dry first. All employees must wash hands and use a new pair of gloves every time when changing tasks. Three-compartment sink must have air gap plumbing. Dumpster needs plug. Clean and repair or replace refuge bin.

**CiCi's Pizza, 1345 W. Walnut Ave.**

Current score: 76  
Current grade: C  
Previous score: 77  
Previous grade: C  
Comments: Pepperoni and ham out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. Spinach pizza out of temperature; must hold hot at 135 degrees or above. For rapid cooling, do not stack food containers. Cover loosely and place in coldest part of unit. Do not stack glasses up wet; must air dry first. Use scoops with handles. Keep Dumpster covered. Storage area requires ceiling and proper lighting. Leak at base of faucet of three-compartment sink. Repair leak and do not wrap in tape. Person in charge should demonstrate knowledge of food safety. Certified food safety manager required.

**Treat Mart Shack, 3451 Cleveland Highway**

Current score: 65  
Current grade: U  
Previous score: 87  
Previous grade: B  
Comments: Raw eggs stored over condiments and ready-to-eat foods. Store wiping cloths in sanitizer; clean food contact surfaces as needed. Hamburger cooking temperature 145 degrees; hamburger requires cook time at 155 degrees for at least 15 seconds. Cheese out of temperature; must hold cold at 41 degrees or below. Chili out of temperature; must hold hot at 135 degrees or above.

**Alesich: Home on leave**

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"She always wanted to be a mechanic," he said. "She used to help me work on my cars, get them ready to (drag) race, helped me take motors out. I told her a regular mechanic doesn't make much money, that you need some special schooling. It took her a while to make up her mind after school, and she chose to be a UH-60 helicopter mechanic. The recruiter told her that wouldn't be too risky, and I'm glad she's not out on maneuvers and pulling guard duty, but I know anything can happen over there. She's handy with her hands and she's good at what she does. She's a tomboy, and always been a daddy's girl."

Tarah Alesich said working on Black Hawks in Iraq is a lot different from breaking them down at her home base in Fort Drum, N.Y. She did not want to reveal the location of her base in Iraq.

"It's 108 to 111 degrees in the shade where we are and it gets up to 118 to 120 degrees," she reported of the desert climate. "The hangar's not air conditioned, so we have to stay hydrated."

When asked about morale, she said her fellow soldiers were "pretty excited about leaving Iraq" regarding the timetable to get U.S. troops out of the country.

"But I know the Army will just be going to Afghanistan, although I won't be going," she said. Plans now are to try and get the same duty station with

her husband — that is, after he gets back from his own deployment to Afghanistan which begins in November.

Family members and friends were thrilled to see their female soldier, whose nine months in Iraq are the longest she's been away from home.

"We're proud of her," said great-aunt Reba Chastain. "She's serving our country, and we just think she's great."

Sheila Wilbanks, who described herself as Tarah's "godmother," said she attended to "welcome her home and support her."

Jennifer Moorer noted Tarah had "spent many a night at my home" with her daughter, Melissa, and that they also played clarinet together in the Blazing Blue Marching Band at Northwest.

"I think what she's doing is wonderful, even though it's unusual to be in a field like she's in," she said. "She's always been a wonderful young woman academically, and with doing this, too."

Chastain said Alesich's sister, Jennifer Doss, has

always been "prim and proper," but that Tarah was a tomboy.

Their destination Saturday night bore that out — the family was going to watch her race at the Brainerd Optimist Dragway in East Ridge, Tenn. It was there that Tarah Arnold won Rookie of the Year in 2005 when she was only 17.

But on Aug. 10 she's back on an airplane to Iraq.

"It's great to have her home," said David Arnold. "We've been missing her. I know she's hating it, going back to what she calls 'hell's hole Iraq.' But I'll tell her to hang in there. It was really hard on her at first, but she's gotten used to it."

Alesich concurs. "The last three months (in Iraq) I'll be a lot less stressed," she said, "because I've been home for three weeks now, plus I've gotten into the swing of things over there. I'm looking forward to racing tonight."

Perhaps great-uncle Tommy Stevens best summed up the mood of the gathering.

"I'm proud of her," he said. "I'm glad she's home,

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The Northwest Georgia Family Crisis Center's purpose is to end violence in the home by providing shelter, advocacy and support to vic-

tims while working in communities to change attitudes, beliefs and behaviors. The center provides emergency shelter for domestic violence victims and their children. In addition to a shelter, the center has client support offices in Dalton and Calhoun. The center provides services to residents of Gordon, Murray and Whitfield counties.

Board president Shipley Hill said, "We wanted to try a new fundraising event. Knowing that racing has a huge following in this area, the board thought this adventure would be a good option. We are grateful to the Dale Jarrett Racing Adventure for their generosity in donating the prize."

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# OBITUARIES

- **Becie Owen Cochran, Dalton**
- **Lucille Pettyjohn Cook, Dalton**
- **Doris Keys Robbins, Dalton**
- **Hubert Brown, Tunnel Hill**
- **Billy Ray Pugh, Dalton**

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

## Becie Owen Cochran

Mrs. Becie Owen Cochran, 99, of Dalton, passed away Saturday, Aug. 1, 2009, at her residence.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe B. Cochran Sr.; her son, William Randolph Cochran; sons-in-law, Mike Vinson, Joe Stuart, Jimmy Clay, Doug Martin, Walter Baker and Harold Mann; brothers, James Owen and Oliver Owen; sisters, Fannie Ellis and Bessie Lee Goswick.

Becie is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Jureda Mann of Rocky Face, Kathleen Clay, Gwen and Ernie Gregory, Jeanette Pitzer all of Nashville, Tenn., Rilla and David Burnett of Calhoun, Melba and Jack Dodson of Dalton and Wanda Vinson of Dalton; sons and daughters-in-law, J.B. and Janie Cochran, Wayne Cochran all of Dalton, Lamar and Bonnie Cochran of Calhoun, Jerry and Linda Cochran of Missouri; sister, Ruth Redwine of Dalton; sisters-in-law, Kate Hawkins, Mildred Pelfrey, Eddie Goswick, Willie McGuire and Ruby Owen; special friend, Bobby Faith; grand-

children, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren totaling 114; nieces and nephews.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the chapel of Love Funeral Home with the Rev. Jennings Neeld and Eddie Cochran officiating.

Burial will be in Cove Methodist Cemetery with Danny Cochran, Scoty Cochran, Mike Baker, Keith Martin, Kevin Gregory and Kinsley Cochran serving as pallbearers.

The family will receive friends at Love Funeral Home today from 6 to 9 p.m.

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

Love Funeral Home, 1402 N Thornton Ave., Dalton (across from Hamilton Medical Center) is in charge of arrangements. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

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## Lucille Pettyjohn Cook

Mrs. Lucille Pettyjohn Cook, 84, of Dalton, died Thursday, July 30, 2009.

She was born Nov. 29, 1924, and was the daughter of the late Roland and Mattie Pettyjohn and was



Cook

preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Norman L. Cook Sr.; sister, Essie Millican; brother, Ernest Pettyjohn and son-in-law, Douglas Berninger.

She was a member of Freedom Baptist Church in Dalton.

Lucille is survived by her daughter, Carolyn Berninger of Monaca, Pa.; son and daughter-in-law, Norman Cook Jr. and Debra of Rocky Face; sisters and brothers-in-law, Hazel and J.P. Scoggins of LaFayette, Betty and Bob Hix of Rome; sister-in-law, Ezma Pettyjohn of Rocky Face; brother-in-law, Kenneth Millican of Chattanooga; five grandchildren, Joshua (Angela) Berninger of Monaca, Pa., Brent (Claire) Berninger of Evergreen, Colo., Joscelyn (J) Sroczynski of Broomfield, Colo., Brittany Cook and Blake Cook both of Rocky Face; four great-grandchildren, Caleb and Riley Berninger of Monaca, Pa., Jackson and Ethan Berninger of Evergreen Colo.; nieces and nephews.

Services were today at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Love Funeral Home with the Rev. Doug Hasty officiating.

Burial will be in Whitfield Memorial Gardens.

The family received friends at Love Funeral Home Saturday.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Freedom Baptist Church, 1007 Civic Drive, Dalton, GA 30721.

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

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## Doris Keys Robbins

Mrs. Doris Keys Robbins, 86, of Dalton, passed away Saturday, Aug. 1, 2009, at Hamilton Medical Center.

She was the daughter of the late Lonnie and Jessie Bond Keys and was a member of the Dalton First United Methodist Church.

Doris is survived by her daughters and son-in-law, Crystal Agundis of Dalton, Rebekah and Lee Arnold of Vidalia; son and daughter-in-law, Alan and Debbie Rollins of Chatsworth; grandchildren, Adam Robbins, Zach Robbins, John Arnold, Stephen Arnold and Emily Arnold; great-grandchild, Jake Robbins.

Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Billy Beard and the Rev. George Ross officiating.

Burial will be in West Hill Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at Love Funeral Home today from 6 to 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society, 300 West Emery St., Suite 106, Dalton, GA 30720, First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 627, Dalton, GA 30722-0627 or to one's favorite charity.

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## Hubert Brown

Mr. Hubert Brown, 85, of Tunnel Hill, passed away Tuesday, July 28, 2009, at Chatsworth Health Care.

He was preceded in death by his father, Virgil Brown; mother, Alma Brown; brothers, Huston and Uyles Brown; sisters, Margie Edwards and Elsie Floyd.

He is survived by his loving wife, Ann Brown; son, Eugene Brown; stepson, James Norton; stepdaughters, Betty Davenport and Judy Waters; brothers, Authur and Clyde Brown; sister, Opal Gorham; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

A memorial service is Monday at 7 p.m. at the Jehovah's Witness Kingdom Hall on Dug Gap Road in Dalton.

Arrangements made with integrity by Shawn Chapman Funeral Home and Crematory, Chatsworth. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Billy Ray Pugh

Mr. Billy Ray Pugh, 72, of Dalton, passed away on Friday, July 31, 2009.

He was preceded in death

by his wife, Mary Katherine Pugh; daughter, Pam Pugh Burse; parents, Frank and Eliza Pugh; great-granddaughter, Emily Caldwell; sisters, Omagay Begley, Genie Morrison and Doris Williams.

Mr. Pugh is survived by his wife, Geneva Kirby Pugh; children and spouses, Kathy and Lamar Barnette of LaFayette, Donnie and Cathy Pugh of Chatsworth, Debbie and Lamar Chastain of Dalton, Paula and Scott Bearden of Chatsworth, William and Vickie Pugh of Crandall, Samantha Pugh Smith and David Williams of Chatsworth; step-children and spouses, Allan Kirby of Ringgold, Pam and Morris Booker of Nashville, Loyd and Merideth Kirby of Dalton; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews; sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary and Tommy Bartenfield, Marcella and Lee Smitherman of Dalton; brothers and sisters-in-law, Earnie and Wanda Pugh, Olaf Pugh of Dalton, Olen Pugh of Chatsworth.

Services will be Monday, at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Shawn Chapman Funeral Home with the Revs. Ronald Guffey and Danny Cochran officiating. Interment will be in United Memorial Gardens in Dalton.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home today after 11 a.m.. Arrangements made with integrity by Shawn Chapman Funeral Home and Crematory, Chatsworth. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Iran arrests 3 Americans

SULAIMANIYAH, Iraq — Iran state TV confirmed Saturday that it has detained three Americans who crossed the border from northern Iraq, saying they failed to heed warnings from Iranian guards. Kurdish officials from northern Iraq said the three — two men and a woman — were tourists who had mistakenly crossed into Iranian territory Friday while hiking in a mountainous area near the resort town of Ahmed Awaa. The report said the Americans were arrested after they did not heed warnings from Iranian border guards.

## Obama: 'Spirit of innovation' needed

WASHINGTON — Future economic prosperity depends on building a new, stronger foundation and recapturing the "spirit of innovation," President Barack Obama says. "Innovation has been essential to our prosperity in the

past, and it will be essential to our prosperity in the future," Obama said Saturday in his weekly radio and Internet address. The president cited Friday's Commerce Department report showing that in the past few months the economy overall has done "measurably better than expected." He credited his \$787 billion economic stimulus program for much of that progress. Obama reminded the nation that full recovery will not happen overnight, but rather will take many more months.

## Health care overhaul hailed

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama and congressional Democrats are looking ahead to a health care showdown on the House floor in September following a key committee's passage of sweeping overhaul legislation. "This historic step," Obama said, "moves us closer to health insurance reform than we have ever been before." In a sign of the fight ahead, Republicans on Saturday quickly blasted

the Democrats' proposals as a "dangerous and costly experiment" that will run up the federal deficit and overwhelm state budgets. The 31-28 vote in the House Energy and Commerce Committee late Friday was weeks later than either the White House or Democratic leaders had hoped. Nonetheless, it was a triumph for them.

## NRA falls short on Sotomayor

WASHINGTON — The National Rifle Association's threat to punish senators who vote for Supreme Court nominee Sonia Sotomayor has been met with a shrug by Democrats from conservative-leaning states and some Republicans who are breaking with their party to support her. The gun rights group is used to getting its way by spooking lawmakers about the political consequences of defying its wishes. But it never before has weighed in on a Supreme Court confirmation battle. It was cautious about breaking that pattern, and it looks like a losing fight

to defeat President Barack Obama's first pick for the court. Sotomayor is expected to easily win confirmation in a vote this coming week that could deflate the long-accepted truism in Washington that you don't cross the NRA.

## Few medals for recent valor

WASHINGTON — Eight years of war in Afghanistan and Iraq. About 4,000 members of the U.S. military killed in action. More than 34,000 wounded. Just six considered worthy of America's highest military award for battlefield valor. For some veterans and members of Congress, that last number doesn't add up. They question how so few Medals of Honor — all awarded posthumously — could be bestowed for wars of such magnitude and duration. Pentagon officials say the nature of war has changed. Laser-guided missiles destroy enemy positions without putting soldiers in harm's way. Insurgents deploy roadside bombs

rather than engage in fire-fights they're certain to lose. Those explanations don't tell the whole story, said Rep. Duncan Hunter, a first-term lawmaker who served combat tours as a Marine in Iraq

and Afghanistan. He has sponsored legislation that directs the defense secretary to review current trends in awarding the Medal of Honor to determine what's behind the low count.

## BRIEFS

# Community Center plans back-to-school event

The Dalton Community Center is organizing a back-to-school event on Aug. 8 from 3 to 8 p.m.

If your church or organization would like to donate supplies or participate, please call Tommy Pinson or Michelle Watson at (706) 278-8205. Needed supplies include three-ring binders, backpacks, colored pencils, dividers, folders, glue, glue sticks, markers, notebook paper, pencil bags/boxes,

scissors, spiral notebooks, writing tablets and No. 2 pencils.

All donations may be brought to the center. The event is sponsored by the Dalton Police Department, Concerned Citizens of Dalton, Concerned Clergy of Northwest Georgia and the HOPE Organization.

Activities will include a dunking booth, volleyball, basketball, moon walks, kickball, bicycle rodeo and

entertainment. The Dalton Community Center is at 218 N. Fredrick St.

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Above, Stephen Moore of Savannah pets his dog Brick Saturday at the trade center. Below, Donald Holmes of Brunswick pets his dog Polygrip.



MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen

Ann Collins and her granddaughter Mandela Collins, 15 months, of Newnan, pet Christopher Big Black Boykin Saturday during "Bosses of the Bullies," an American Bully Kennel Club (ABKC) sanctioned event featuring pit bulls at the Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center.



## Death in the barnyard

Forget Pamplona. The bulls are far deadlier in America's barns and stockyards.

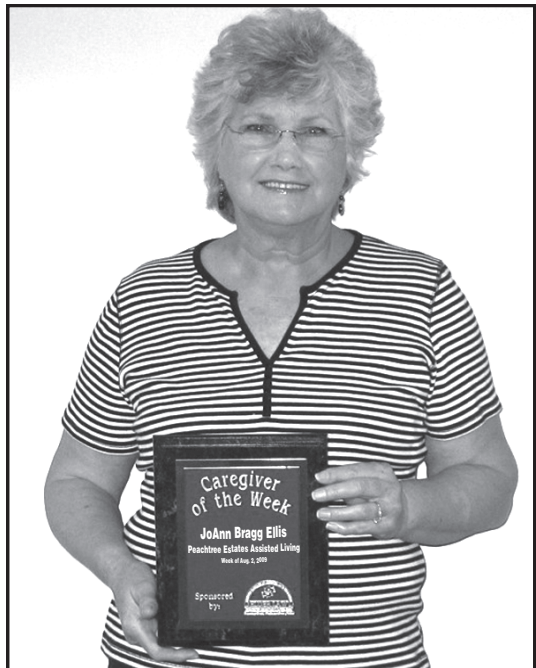
A new report published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says 108 deaths around the United States in 2003-2007 could be attributed to cattle as a primary or secondary cause.

An in-depth review of 21

deaths in the brisket-belt states of Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri found that victims of cattle attacks are usually male farmers over the age of 60 trampled or otherwise injured while working with animals in pens or barns or involved in loading or herding of dairy or beef cattle.

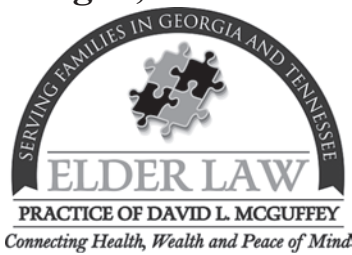
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College Park	83/68/t	90/72/t	92/73/pc	Savannah	88/73/t	92/74/t	94/74/pc
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Gainesville	82/68/t	90/69/t	91/70/s	Valdosta	90/71/t	91/73/t	92/73/t

**National Weather for August 2, 2009**

Key: W-weather, s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice.

City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.	City	Today	Mon.	Tue.
Albany	82/61/t	86/67/t	89/68/pc	Denver	96/59/pc	97/55/pc	81/58/pc	Oklahoma City	93/70/pc	100/73/s	100/70/s
Anchorage	69/54/s	70/55/s	70/56/c	Detroit	80/60/pc	86/67/pc	80/58/c	Orlando	92/74/t	94/75/t	92/75/t
Baltimore	85/70/t	88/70/t	92/70/pc	Indianapolis	82/63/pc	88/68/s	84/63/pc	Philadelphia	85/70/t	88/72/t	92/72/pc
Billings	92/62/pc	89/55/pc	87/59/s	Kansas City	89/69/s	94/74/pc	86/61/pc	Phoenix	110/87/s	110/88/pc	110/87/pc
Boise	101/68/pc	100/67/s	99/65/pc	Las Vegas	106/78/s	106/82/s	104/82/pc	Pittsburgh	80/60/t	84/64/s	85/65/pc
Buffalo	78/59/t	83/67/s	80/63/c	Los Angeles	84/64/pc	84/64/pc	86/64/pc	Portland, OR	92/63/pc	90/62/pc	88/60/pc
Charlotte	86/70/t	89/70/t	91/70/pc	Memphis	89/72/pc	95/75/pc	94/73/s	St. Louis	88/68/pc	92/73/s	88/66/c
Cheyenne	88/59/s	89/52/pc	78/53/pc	Miami	91/81/t	91/79/pc	91/79/pc	S.L. City	97/67/s	95/68/s	94/64/pc
Chicago	81/65/pc	87/68/t	77/56/c	Milwaukee	76/64/pc	87/68/t	75/57/c	San Fran.	71/58/pc	73/57/pc	70/56/pc
Cincinnati	84/61/t	88/67/s	87/64/pc	Minneapolis	84/63/t	82/61/pc	71/54/pc	San Diego	78/66/pc	76/66/pc	78/67/s
Cleveland	78/58/t	87/69/s	82/63/c	New Orleans	92/76/t	92/77/t	93/77/t	Seattle	87/60/pc	83/58/pc	83/59/s
Dallas	94/74/pc	100/78/s	100/78/s	New York	82/72/t	85/72/t	90/72/pc	Wash., DC	86/70/t	88/74/t	94/73/pc

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## PRO BASEBALL: BRAVES 4, DODGERS 3

### Lowe keeps win skein alive by beating L.A.

By CHARLES ODUM  
Associated Press Writer

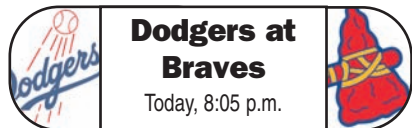
ATLANTA — Derek Lowe called it just another average performance. For Dodgers manager Joe Torre, it was a reminder of the right-hander's attacking style.

Lowe pitched six innings in his first game against Los Angeles since he signed with Atlanta in the offseason, leading the Braves to a 4-3 victory Saturday.

Lowe (11-7) allowed three runs and five hits to win his fourth straight decision. The right-hander went 54-48 over four seasons with the Dodgers before agreeing to a \$60 million, four-year contract with the Braves in January.

"That's the guy I know," Torre said. "That's the guy that helped us get to the playoffs last year."

"He goes after you. I'm not saying



■ **TV:** ESPN (Charter 24, Optilink 20)  
■ **PITCHERS:** Billingsley (10-6, 3.96) vs. Jurrjens (9-7, 2.69)  
■ **NOTEWORTHY:** To make room for just acquired Adam LaRoche on the roster, the Braves sent Barbaro Canizares to Triple-A Gwinnett on Saturday.

that in a negative way. He's going to continue to be aggressive."

Lowe wasn't impressed with the outing, upset with two walks that helped set up Casey Blake's sacrifice fly and James Loney's RBI single in the fourth.

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AP PHOTO  
Los Angeles shortstop Rafael Furcal leaps to avoid Atlanta's Chipper Jones at second base in Saturday's game. Furcal threw to first to compete the double play.

## COMMENTARY

### NW, CHS find homes on the dial

The 2009 high school football season signals a new day on the local radio air waves, and the two schools involved are happy with their deals.

Northwest Whitfield has left Dalton's WBLJ 1230-AM and shifted to 93.1 WOCE-FM, which is licensed out of Benton, Tenn., with its studio in Cleveland, Tenn. The station will broadcast home and away games, as did WBLJ. Stephen Gregg is scheduled to do the play-by-play on 93.1 — it's his 11th season to do the Bruins' games — and Chris Shiflett will provide the analysis for the fourth season.



Larry Fleming

WBLJ won't be without prep football this fall though.

Christian Heritage, continuing to make strides in validating its football program, has stepped in and bought the Friday night time slot at WBLJ and will sell its own advertisements.

"There has always been a good underlying demand for Northwest broadcasts in terms of sponsorship," said Gregg, whose broadcast career goes back 20-plus years to his days in Alabama. "This new FM signal gives us a broadcast range many times larger than WBLJ. It's a range that will cover all of Whitfield County."

Gregg said potential listeners found it almost impossible to pick up WBLJ when it switched to a weaker after-sundown frequency.

Gregg said the response from sponsors has "been overwhelming." There are "many more" sponsors on board at this time than past seasons, he said.

"I come back to this, but we're going to be reaching a lot more people and that's the most important thing about our switch," Gregg said.

Gregg said the ownership of Dalton radio stations also owns WOCE, which is known around the area as 93.1 Jack-FM.

Northwest opens the 2009 season at home against rival Southeast on Aug. 28.

As for Christian Heritage, which is coming off a Georgia Football League state championship, athletic director Chad Woodson said having the school's game on radio will provide even more exposure for the Lions, who

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## PREP FOOTBALL: DALTON

# Let the drills begin

### Cats work out, prep for camp

By ADAM KROHN

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Saturday was the first official day for pre-season practice for Georgia High School Association football teams, and area schools were quick to hit the field. Most worked out twice on the first day.

And when you think drills in August, you think of a blazing sun, relentless heat and humidity. At Dalton, however, 90-degree weather was not an issue.

While it was still humid, the sun slipped behind clouds during the Catamounts' afternoon workout, dropping the thermometer to a more comfortable high-70s reading.

"We were very blessed today to have good weather both this morning and in the afternoon," Cats coach Adam Winegarden said. "The kids had good attitudes today and were working hard."

Starting defensive back Trae Washington, who will be a senior this year, was just glad to be back on the field, regardless of weather conditions.

"Today was great," he said. "We had great intensity and it was just fun being out there."

While the clouds saved the players from heat, another senior, Shaqoun Moore saved the team from extra work. Typically, at the end of every practice, players have to participate in "pursuit drills" which include a repetition of various plays followed by 50-yard sprints. But the team would be allowed to forgo the rigorous drill if Moore could successfully land a flat-footed backflip.

"(Winegarden) saw me do one during a 7-on-7 drill," Moore said. "I was just playing around and did it, and he said, 'Wow, do that again.' It was pressure because my teammates would have been mad if I messed it up and we would have had to do the drill."

Moore landed the flip without a struggle, but it wasn't the only flip he executed at practice.

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MATT HAMILTON/The Daily Citizen  
Wide receiver Tevin Colins makes a catch on the run during Dalton's second pre-season practice on Saturday, which was the first day Georgia High School Association teams could hit the field. The Cats open the season Aug. 28 at Calhoun.

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# Bowden finally back on the sidelines

By JOHN ZENOR

Associated Press Writer

FLORENCE, Ala. — The failure was sudden and dramatic and it accomplished the seemingly impossible: sucking the energy and self-confidence from Terry Bowden.

His abrupt exit from Auburn's football team nearly 11 years ago left the unabashedly ambitious, ultraconfident coach full of self-doubt.

"I think I suppressed so much depression and just unhappiness," said Bowden, preparing for his first season coaching at Division II North Alabama. "You wake up for at least 30-45 minutes every day and say, 'Could I have done something different? How did that happen?'"

"It crushed me. I was probably unable to handle that degree of failure to the degree that it crushed me."

## INSIDE SPORTS

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- ▶ Kahne, Petty have eyes on NASCAR chase, **6B**

It kept the onetime coaching wunderkind — who won his first 20 games as a major college coach — sidelined for nearly a decade, relegated to the comparatively safe world of TV studios, broadcasting booths and keyboards.

Now he's back. Back in the state where he gained fame and eventually infamy, but far removed from both Auburn and the powerful Southeastern Conference. Mostly, he's just back coaching.

At 53, Bowden has taken over a Division II

power tucked away in the northwest corner of the state, a four-hour drive from Auburn. Unlike the down-and-out programs he took over during a rapid ascent through the coaching ranks, the Lions regularly win 10 games and made the national semifinals last year.

"Now, he's gotten to one that's on top," said Bowden's father, Florida State coach Bobby Bowden. "It's harder to maintain than to build."

That's why Bowden calls this "the most professionally challenging job I've ever had."

He has worked as a radio talk show host, ABC studio analyst, Westwood One broadcaster, Internet columnist and motivational speaker during his absence from the sidelines.

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## REC SOFTBALL

### Whitfield falls in Series debut

By ADAM KROHN

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The 12-and-under Whitfield County All-Stars lost to Tennessee, 7-0, on Saturday in the opening round of the Dixie Angels World Series at Patriot Park in Sumter, S.C.

The loss dropped Whitfield into the loser's bracket of the double-elimination tournament. Whitfield will play North Carolina today at 10:30 a.m. in an elimination game. If Whitfield wins, it will play again at 6 to advance to Monday's play. The championship game is Wednesday at 6. All tournament games are broadcast live on jock-jive.com.

Robbie Sharp, coach of Whitfield, said the difference in Saturday's game was the third inning when Tennessee scored seven runs — five coming with two outs.

"They came out and generated a few runs on bunts and sacrifices," Sharp said in a telephone interview. "And then got the rest on base hits."

Sharp said Tennessee's pitcher

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Dalton assistant coach Chad Jordan, far left, puts linemen, including defensive standout Jalen Fields, right, through a footwork drill Saturday afternoon in the Catamounts' second preseason practice of the day.

## Dalton: Washington has WCU offer

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For the first time since his freshman year, Moore, the Cats' starting fullback the past two seasons and leading rusher in 2008, was practicing at linebacker.

Moore, along with sophomore Tre Beck, the team's second-leading rusher last season, will play in several defensive packages this season in addition to their offensive duties.

Moore not only accepted the challenge, but had been asking for double-duty for more than a year.

"I like to hit," he said. "I'd rather make a hit than get hit, so playing linebacker is good for me."

Defensive coordinator Kit Carpenter said using Moore and Beck on certain down-and-distances will make the Cats' defense even more diversified.

"Both of those guys are tremendous athletes," Carpenter said. "So I have to take advantage of the skills they have

and work them into situations where they can make our team successful."

Dalton finished last season, Winegarden's first as head coach, with a 7-3 record (4-2 in Region 7-4A), missing the Class 4A state playoffs by one game. They open this season Aug. 28 at Calhoun (12-3, 5-0 in 7B-2A), which lost to Buford, 45-21, in last year's Class 2A state championship game.

Dalton beat Calhoun in last year's season opener 30-7 at Harmon Field.

■ Washington will have extra incentive to have the best season of his prep career in 2009, having already received a scholarship offer from Western Carolina's Catamounts.

The school, located in Cullowhee, N.C., competes in the Southern Conference.

Washington hasn't yet committed to Western Carolina, choosing instead to keep his options open in hopes of receiving more offers.

Washington has been told, he said,

that the Western Carolina coaches definitely want him to play college ball in Cullowhee.

"They said I was a great tackler," Washington said.

Winegarden said Western Carolina has been recruiting Washington since the spring and made its offer after its coaches attended a spring practice.

"It didn't surprise me at all that they offered him a scholarship," Winegarden said.

■ The Cats will leave today for Bell Buckle, Tenn., the site of their annual preseason camp. While a lot of schools around the state stay on campus for camps, Winegarden considers the trip a necessary getaway.

"Bell Buckle is like a resort to Dalton football," he said. "It's a place where we can go to get away from everything and focus just on football for one week. It's a time for the team to grow together as a family and concentrate without any distractions, so it's very important to our football team."

## Fleming: Optioned

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just recently completed a project to add lights to their stadium.

"It's going to be a good way for us to get more exposure for our football program," Woodson said. "And this is coming on the heels of us installing lights at the stadium. We've worked on getting the radio deal throughout the summer. They approached us with the opportunity and we wanted to see what we could make happen."

The Lions, who went 12-0 and defeated the Crown Knights, 33-7, for the 2008 GFL state championship, opens their season on the road against Dominion Christian on Sept. 4.

Christian Heritage has played its home games on Saturday the past few years, but with lights in place, they will play all their regular games on Friday night this season.

Chris Bateman, who teaches Bible, serves as the school's chaplain and was the interim athletic director prior to Woodson's arrival from South Carolina in November 2007, will handle the play-by-play duties this season.

"It's exciting for our kids to have the same opportunity as kids at other schools have," Woodson said. "We're taking the next step with our radio deal."

There's one more new twist to the Lions' season. The GFL has decided to change its name to the Glory for Christ (GFC) football league.

■ The St. Louis Cardinals optioned Daltonian Mitchell Boggs back to Triple-A Memphis on Saturday, just hours after he pitched against Houston on Friday night. Boggs threw 99 pitches, 44 of them balls, while walking five and striking out five in five innings and left trailing Houston, 2-1.

An Associated Press report on Friday's game noted that Boggs has allowed 20 hits and 12 walks in 13 2/3 innings yet has kept the Cardinals in the game by allowing only five runs.

The Cardinals made the move with Boggs so shortstop Khalil Greene could be added to the active roster.

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## Series: Nice gesture

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threw in the mid-50s, but Whitfield loaded the bases against her twice only to come up empty.

"We left 12 runners on base," Sharp said. "It was almost a mirror image of our first game at the state tournament in Perry."

While Whitfield responded after the Perry loss with five consecutive wins to claim the state championship, Sharp said it will be much harder to duplicate that feat in the World Series.

"The caliber of play here is a lot higher than at the state

level," said Sharp, who said he believes his team scored a moral victory in the game.

When the home plate umpire was hit by a hard foul ball, he dropped to the ground and was unable to breathe. While paramedics attended the umpire, Whitfield's players huddled for a prayer.

"The girls did that without being prompted by any coaches or parents," Sharp said. "That gesture sent a strong statement about (the Whitfield County) area. A lot of the other teams from other states were complementing them for their sportsmanship and for caring."

## Bowden: Second act at North Alabama

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Then he turned 50 and started wondering, "Is this what I want to do the rest of my life?"

"I wanted to coach again and then I really wanted to coach again and that created the fire," Bowden said. "And that got everything going. That's what made everything happen. It's just the very normal male thing of reaching 50 and looking in the mirror."

He interviewed at his alma mater West Virginia, but assistant Bill Stewart wound up getting the job replacing Rich Rodriguez.

Then he was broadcasting the Division II national championship game in Florence and somebody slipped him a note asking if he'd be interested in coaching at North Alabama.

Thus began the second act of a head coaching career that started at age 26 and took him to the SEC by 36.

He led probation-racked Auburn to 11 wins in 1993, one more than the Tigers had managed the previous two seasons combined. They wouldn't lose until 10 games into the following season.

That idyllic beginning didn't have a happy ending.

The 1998 season was a disaster, with injuries, academic problems and other off-field issues for Bowden's players. The Tigers started 1-5 and Bowden resigned, maintaining that he bolted only after influential trustee Bobby Lowder told him he would be fired.

He moved to Orlando and seldom returned to the state for speaking engagements. When Bowden began trying to get back into coaching, he figured Alabama was the last place he'd end up.

Florence, with a population of about 37,000, is closer to the Mississippi and Tennessee borders than to Auburn, though.

"It's not in the epicenter of controversy, (where) it's just 365 days of bitter rivalry," Bowden said.

He said Auburn fans have received



AP PHOTO  
Terry Bowden looked in the mirror when he turned 50 and decided he wanted to get back into college coaching.

him warmly, which is nice because "I never could quite say goodbye."

Bowden still has the energy for coaching. With his family back in Orlando, where they're trying to sell their house, he has spent many nights on the couch in his office.

Jeff Bowden, a UNA assistant and former Florida State offensive coordinator, said his older brother frequently sends text messages at 4 a.m. to staffers.

"What scares me about Terry, I never thought the batteries could get more charged than they are," Jeff

Bowden said. "I've never seen a coach like him that just went after everything, there was nothing he couldn't do.

"Now magnify that by five. He's so hungry. It's like 10 years off, those batteries are supercharged. He's just working at a pace that's tough to be around because it's tough to hang with."

He calls Terry "the best football coach in our family, with the exception of maybe Dad." Brother Tommy is a former head coach at Clemson and Tulane.

Bowden has his 1993 Bear Bryant national coach of the year award prominently on the desk in his outer office, with two UNA purple and gold ties wrapped around it.

He was the first Division I coach in more than five decades to reach 100 wins before his 40th birthday. And Bowden, perhaps the coaching family's biggest Type A personality, was already calculating how many wins he'd need to average to pass Bryant's record for major college wins since eclipsed by both his father and Penn State's Joe Paterno.

Quick turnarounds at Salem College, Samford and Auburn hardly prepared him to cope with major setbacks.

"I set myself up to be devastated when something came in that was too big for me to handle," Bowden said. "Of all us, I was the personality that would hurt the most. I was the 5-5 guy that was proving something every minute."

Bowden said he isn't necessarily looking at North Alabama as a launching pad back into a more high-profile gig or taking success for granted.

"I'm realistic enough to know they have fired coaches here for not winning," he said. "And if I win a lot, somebody might come along and offer me money that I'll really have a hard time turning down. But I'm not here to move on. I've been to Division I."

Plus he added: "I'm 53, and a man at 53 sees life and objectives and satisfactions a little different than a guy of 36."

## Braves: A bit tired

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"Against a lineup like that walks are going to hurt you," Lowe said.

Chipper Jones, Nate McLouth and Adam LaRoche each had two hits for Atlanta. McLouth scored twice and Jones had two RBIs.

LaRoche scored the tying run in the sixth in his return to Atlanta following Friday's trade with Boston. The first baseman's arrival was delayed by a crew change on his plane and a bomb scare at LaGuardia Airport in New York. He made it to Turner Field about an hour before the game.

"I was a little tired out there but coming back home gave me a spark of energy," said LaRoche, who played for Atlanta from 2004-06. "It felt good."

LaRoche was with the Pittsburgh Pirates when he was dealt to the Red Sox on July 22.

"This turned out great," he said. "I'm not going to lie and say Boston wasn't fun. I did not see this coming at all. But if I was going to go anywhere from Boston, this is where I would want to be. I couldn't have drawn it up any better."

Andre Ethier's 22nd homer gave the Dodgers a 3-2 lead in the sixth.

Ethier also homered and drove in four runs in Los Angeles' 5-0 win over the Braves on Friday night.

Ethier said facing Lowe was "a little different."

"I guess the advantage is that you've seen the way he

goes after different hitters," Ethier said.

The Braves went ahead to stay in the bottom half of the sixth. LaRoche singled, moved up on catcher Russell Martin's errant pickoff throw with two out and scored on Diory Hernandez's base hit. Pinch-hitter Greg Norton singled in Hernandez to give Atlanta the lead.

Norton is hitting .182 (8 for 45) as a pinch hitter and .151 overall.

"It has been frustrating. I'm not going to lie about it," Norton said. "You just want to pull your own weight. When you come into the clubhouse and you feel like you haven't done anything all year, it's frustrating."

Randy Wolf (5-6) gave up four runs, three earned, and nine hits in six innings for the Dodgers. He struck out seven and walked two.

"It just comes down to I have to do a better job," Wolf said. "It was as simple as that."

Braves second baseman Martin Prado had one hit in his return to the lineup after he was limited by a bruised left ankle to one at-bat as a pinch hitter on Friday night. Outfielder Ryan Church (sore elbow) and shortstop Yunel Escobar (bruised right wrist) did not play.

Ethier went 2 for 4 and nearly had a third hit. First base umpire Scott Barry said his liner down the right-field line in the first landed in foul territory. TV replays indicated the ball was fair.

Ethier said Barry acknowledged later in the game he missed the call.

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## YOUNG TRIATHLETES



On Saturday, 48 youngsters competed in the first youth triathlon hosted by the Carpet Capital Aquatics Club and the Dalton Recreation Department. In top photo, Katie Estes dumps a cup of water on her head between the biking and running portion of the triathlon. Ethan Young, middle photo, swims on the first leg of his event and Tanner Storey, right, finishes up with the biking portion of his competition. Storey won the Intermediate boys (9-12) in a time of 26 minutes, 53 seconds. Caroline Mathis won the girls division in 33:43. Wil Cushman won the boys senior division (13-17) in 49:32 and Sadie Lett had a 58:22 in the girls group. Carter Edge won the junior boys in 11:47 and Nadia Hopkins claimed the girls race in 25:19. To view more pictures from the event go online at [thedailycitizen.zenfolio.com](http://thedailycitizen.zenfolio.com).

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## PRO FOOTBALL: FALCONS

# White no-show as camp begins

By **GEORGE HENRY**

Associated Press Writer  
FLOWERY BRANCH — Atlanta Falcons coach Mike Smith hardly seemed irritated that Pro Bowl receiver Roddy White skipped the first two sessions of training camp Saturday in a contract holdout.

"No it's not a distraction, and I want to state that I'm not angry," Smith said Saturday. "How can you be angry when it's the first day of training camp and the first day of the 2009 season? This is my favorite day of the year."

With six weeks before they open the regular season against Miami, the two sides have plenty of time to reach an agreement. The Falcons' first preseason game is Aug. 15 at Detroit.

White, who did not answer phone calls The Associated Press made to his home, is coming off a career-best season after helping Atlanta earn a surprising wild-card playoff spot with an 11-5 record. He has been seeking a multiyear deal.

Drafted 27th overall out of UAB in 2005, White held out six days as a rookie before signing a deal that pays \$2.5 million this season. Without a new contract, White will become an unrestricted free agent in February.

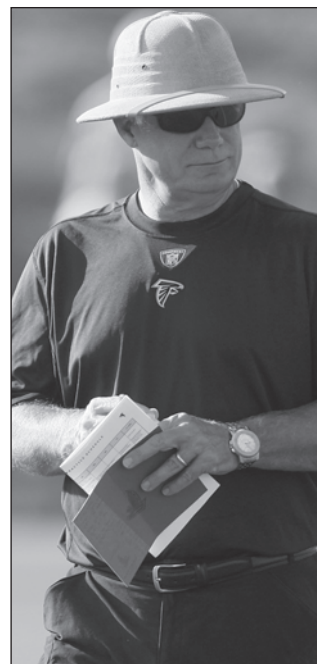
During minicamp in late May, White was optimistic the team would recognize the value he brought as the first receiver in franchise history with consecutive 1,200-yard seasons.

"Yeah, I hope they do what's right in my eyes," he said. "I feel like I've shown the Falcons a lot of what I can do. I also know I'm only going to keep getting better."

Quarterback Matt Ryan, last season's Offensive Rookie of the Year, developed an immediate rapport on the field with White, who earned his first Pro Bowl selection with 88 catches for 1,382 yards and seven touchdowns.

"You'd like everybody to be here, and I certainly would," Ryan said. "Roddy's a big part of this team, but we're hopeful that they'll get it done soon, and he'll be out here working with us."

General manager Thomas Dimitroff declined to comment about what measures



AP PHOTO  
Atlanta coach Mike Smith said Roddy White's absence from practice on Saturday is not a distraction to the team, and he's not angry at the All-Pro wide receiver.

the team will use to get White into camp. Along with Falcons president Rich McKay, however, Dimitroff was expected to have a conference call Saturday night with Jonathan Feinsod, White's agent.

Feinsod indicated he would discuss his client's situation after speaking with Dimitroff.

Without White in camp, Michael Jenkins worked mostly as the No. 1 wideout with the first-team offense, though he shared snaps with Brian Finneran and Harry Douglas.

Jenkins was in the final year of his contract last season when Atlanta offered a new four-year deal worth approximately \$20 million. Though he knows White likely will command more, Jenkins believes his teammate could help his cause by reporting to camp instead of holding out.

"I was just focused on playing football," said Jenkins, the 29th overall draft pick in 2004. "My agent and the guys upstairs handled that. I knew as long as I played football, things would get done. We all want Roddy here as soon as possible, but they're going to handle that. You just got to worry about playing football and getting better."

## Big Ben apologizes to Steeler teammates

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LATROBE, Pa. — Ben Roethlisberger quickly moved to make sure his problems don't become those of the Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh Steelers.

Roethlisberger apologized to his teammates for causing a possible distraction, then answered questions Saturday for the first time since being named as the defendant in a Nevada civil lawsuit that accuses him of sexual assault.

He declined to discuss his legal problems, or even acknowledge them, saying, "I'm playing football."

Then Roethlisberger said it again, as if to emphasize there will be no questions answered during training camp about any issue other than the Steelers.

"This is what I do, it's football," Roethlisberger said after being asked if he could stay focused. "I don't know what you're talking about. It's football."

The two-time Super Bowl-winning quarterback became testy when he sensed he would be asked again about the civil suit, saying, "Any other football questions? I can walk away if we want."

Roethlisberger's 10-minute question-and-answer session Saturday was his first since the suit was filed. He read a statement defending himself during a brief news conference on Aug. 23, several days after what he called "reckless and false" allegations were made by a resort hotel employee, but he declined then to answer questions.

While Roethlisberger faces no criminal charges, he is aware the lawsuit could potentially prove disruptive if it lasts well into the season. Three years ago, Roethlisberger's preseason motorcycle crash and appendectomy caused on- and off-field problems that lasted well into the season, and the Steelers never recovered from a 2-6 start and missed the playoffs.

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# LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

## Hunting club

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

## 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.

## Season tickets

• Dalton High season football will be on sale from 5-7 p.m. on Aug. 10-11 in the school lobby.

## Youth officials

• The Whitfield County Officials Association will hold its first meeting for youth officials at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 12. Anyone interested in officiating youth games is urged to attend the meeting at the WCPRD on Gillespie Dr. Call (706) 226-8341.

## Registrations, tryouts

• Dalton Parks and Recreation Department football registration is available online through Aug. 13. On-site registration will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Aug. 10-13 at the main recreation center. Age groups: 4-5 flag, 6 flag, 7-8 tackle, 9-10 tackle, 11-12 tackle. Free program. Visit [dprdsports.com](http://dprdsports.com) or call Steve Roberts at (706) 281-1223.

• Registration is open for DPRD fall baseball. It is a "bring your own team" league; \$300 per team for a 10-game season played on Saturdays and Sundays at Al Rollins Park. Individuals can sign up as free agents; the free agents list will be used to form teams or fill rosters for existing teams. Visit [dprdsports.com](http://dprdsports.com), or call Steve Roberts at (706) 281-1223.

• Registration is open for DPRD fall softball. It is a "bring your own team" league; \$300 per team for a 10-game season played on Saturdays and Sundays at Al Rollins Park. Individuals can sign up as free agents; the free agents list will be used to form teams or fill rosters for existing teams. Visit [dprdsports.com](http://dprdsports.com) or call Steve Roberts at (706) 281-1223.

• DRPD cheerleading registration for ages 4-12 is available online now through Aug. 13. On-site registration will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Aug. 10-13 at the main recreation center. Cost is \$30. Visit [dprdsports.com](http://dprdsports.com) or call Lisa Hughey at (706) 281-1216.

• 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 10-under Georgia Renegades baseball team will hold tryouts for two spots on Aug. 8. Players must not turn 11 before May 1, 2010. Serious inquiries only. Go online at [www.georgiarenegades@yahoo.com](http://www.georgiarenegades@yahoo.com).

• Holly Creek Baptist Church's annual Upward Basketball and Cheerleading League will begin with evaluations from 6 to 9 p.m. on Aug. 10. League is for boys and girls in kindergarten through sixth grade; participants must be 4 years old before Aug. 10. Registration fee is \$50 — scholarships are available. Games will be played on Saturdays from Aug. 29 through Oct. 24. To register, call (706) 695-8522 or visit the church's Web site at [hollycreekbaptist.org](http://hollycreekbaptist.org).

• The Whitfield County Parks and Recreation Department will hold registration for the upcoming youth football and cheerleader programs from 6-7:30 p.m. on Aug. 10, 11, 13 at each community elementary or middle school. Each community will have a registration fee. Leagues are Bantam 7-8, Mite 9-10 and Midget 11-12; age control date is Sept. 1. Call (706) 226-8341 for information.

• The North Murray High School dance team will have a required three-day camp on Aug. 17-19 and tryouts will be conducted on Aug. 21 from 10 a.m. to noon. Contact Tara Noe at (706) 280-7069 or [tara.noe@murray.k12.ga.us](mailto:tara.noe@murray.k12.ga.us).

## Clinics, camps, classes

• Registration is open for the Dalton Parks and Recreation Department's preseason football camp for ages 7-12 from 6-8 p.m. on Aug. 10, 11 and 13 on the open field at the main recreation center. To sign up, visit [dprdsports.com](http://dprdsports.com). Signing up to play in a league with the DPRD is not required to attend the camp.

• The Future Bruin Middle School Football Camp will be Aug. 3-5 from 6-8 p.m. each day at the Northwest Whitfield High School football practice field. Cost is \$40.00; checks should be payable to Northwest Quarterback

Club. Questions? Contact your middle school football coach or Bruins coach Mike Falleur at (706) 260-0014.

• The 2009 summer cheerleading clinic at Northwest Whitfield will be held on Saturday, Aug. 8, from 10 a.m. to noon in the main gymnasium. Fee is \$30 per participant and \$25 for each additional sibling. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. on clinic day. Each participant will be eligible to cheer at the Bruins' preseason scrimmage and have pre-game dinner with the varsity cheerleaders. For information, write to [scook@whitfield.k12.ga.us](mailto:scook@whitfield.k12.ga.us).

## 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 Ausmus at (706) 847-0373.

• The Northwest Whitfield Quarterback Club will hold a two-man select shot golf tournament at Nob North Golf Course on Aug. 2. Entry fee is \$75 per player or \$150 per team and lunch is included. The tournament will benefit the Bruins football team. Awards for closest to the pin and longest drive. Contact Jim McGrew at (706) 260-9179 or (706) 516-2354 or Rick Darnell at (706) 217-9338.

• 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.

• The Northwest Whitfield 7th Inning Club will host a two-person select shot golf tournament at Indian Trace on Aug. 8. Proceeds will benefit

the Lady Bruins softball team. Contact Blake Griffin at (706) 673-2355.

• Nob North Golf Course in Cohutta is accepting registration from area golf threesomes 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](http://pga.com/teamchampionship) or by calling (706) 694-8505.

• Dalton Golf and Country Club will host the 12th Fred Chen Memorial tennis tournament on Monday through Friday evenings on Aug. 24-Sept. 4. Proceeds from the event will benefit local charities. Categories include men's doubles, women's doubles and mixed doubles; players may enter two events; a consolation event in each category will guarantee two matches per team. Entries must be received by Aug. 16. Cost is \$50 per team. Awards presented to winners; all participants receive a T-shirt. Enroll online at [www.e-racquetshop.com](http://www.e-racquetshop.com) or in person at the club's racquet shop at 2000 Cleveland Hwy. For information, call (706) 259-9524.

## 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](mailto:larryfleming@daltoncitizen.com) or send a fax to (706) 275-6641.

## GOLF



AP PHOTO

Tiger Woods hits from the sand on the 14th hole during the third round of the Buick Open at Warwick Hills in Grand Blanc Township, Mich., on Saturday.

# Woods takes charge

### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GRAND BLANC TOWNSHIP, Mich. — Tiger Woods drove on adjacent fairways twice on the back nine, hit a cup of beer in a spectator's hand, got rattled by a bug and was relegated to shaping some shots around trees and under branches.

He still managed to shoot a 7-under 65 on Saturday in the third round of the Buick Open, giving him a 17-under 199 total and a one-stroke lead when Michael Letzig (68) double bogeyed the last hole.

"The whole idea of the game is put the ball in the hole, and I did that," Woods said. "But as far as controlling my ball, I didn't do that."

Woods opened his first tournament since missing the cut at the British Open with a 71 after what he said was probably his worst putting day.

When he was eight shots behind first-round leader Steve Lowery, Woods said he couldn't make up ground in one day at Warwick Hills.

It took him two. Woods roared back into contention with a 9-under 63 in the second round and took the lead with his 65 Saturday.

"Eight back, at a U.S. Open, you can make that up in one round," he said. "You can't make it up around here."

He moved into a tie for the lead with Letzig at 17 under with a 33-foot birdie putt at No. 17.

Woods pumped his fist, shouted "Yeah!" and the traditionally rowdy gallery roared so loud he couldn't communicate with caddie Steve Williams.

"It was pretty exciting," said Woods, making his ninth Buick Open appearance. "The people here have been absolutely incredible, so supportive of this event over the years. That's one of the reasons why we love coming here."

Letzig hit a poor shot out of a greenside bunker at No. 18, barely clearing it and leaving him with a tricky lie. He fell to 16 under while Woods was on the practice range.

"I don't care," Letzig said when asked if it would be tough to forget what happened on the last hole. "I'm one shot out of the lead."

Based on history, that's probably an insurmountable deficit behind Woods.

The superstar has a 35-1 record on the PGA Tour when he has the outright lead after 54 holes. The lone loss in this situation came when he was 20 in his third tournament as a pro to Ed Fiori in the 1996 Quad City Classic.

Woods and Letzig will be in the final group today just as they were at the Memorial in June, when Woods went on to win and Letzig's 75 plummeted him to a tie for 14th.

"I won't be so scared, I'll know what to expect," Letzig insisted. "I'm playing good, that's the bottom line."

If Woods wins today, it would be his third Buick Open title and 69th on the PGA Tour.

### Women's British Open

LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England — Catriona Matthew opened a three-stroke lead in the Women's British Open, shooting a 1-under 71 in the third round.

Playing 10 weeks after giving birth to her second child, the 39-year-old Scot had a 4-under 212 total at Royal Lytham and St. Annes.

Christina Kim (71) was second at 1 under, and defending champion Jiyai Shin (68) was another stroke back along with Ai Miyazato (70). Miyazato is coming off her first LPGA Tour victory last week in France in the Evian Masters. Michelle Wie, trying to earn a spot on the U.S. Solheim Cup team, was 7 under after a 74.

### U.S. Senior Open

CARMEL, Ind. — Fred Funk shot a 4-under 68 to take a one-stroke lead over Greg Norman and Joey Sindelar into the final round of the U.S. Senior Open.

Funk had a 13-under 203 total on the Crooked Stick course. Norman also had a 68, and Sindelar shot a 70. Tennessee amateur Tim Jackson, the overnight leader, was three shots back at 10-under after a 73.

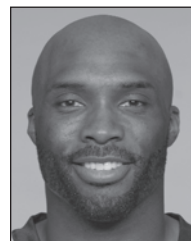
Mark O'Meara (68) was 9 under, and Russ Cochran had a course-record 64 to join Scott Simpson (68) and Dan Forsman (71) at 8 under.

## PRO FOOTBALL

# Ravens WR Mason unretires

### By DAVID GINSBERG

Associated Press  
WESTMINSTER, Md. — Baltimore Ravens wide receiver Derrick Mason



Mason

emerged from retirement Saturday, less than three weeks after abruptly announcing the end to his 12-year career.

Mason called team owner Steve Bisciotti on Saturday morning, expressing his desire to return. The 35-year-old Mason showed up at training camp after the morning practice session and met

with general manager Ozzie Newsome.

The Ravens then announced that Mason would be in uniform for Sunday's practice.

"It was a tough decision, but I think it was a good decision for me to come back," Mason said in a statement. "I needed to evaluate my life, football and my career."

"I still have an intense fire inside me, and I want to play. ... I felt like I had left something undone, and I wanted to finish it. I believe this is a good example for my son and my daughter on how to be thoughtful and also follow through."

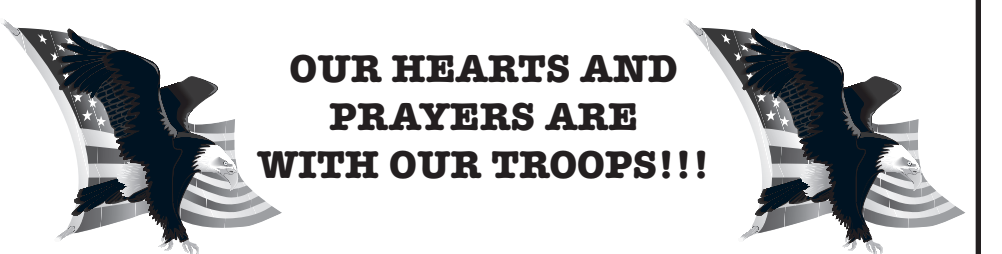
On July 13, Mason said, "After 12 years, I have seen it all and done it all. Right now, I am content with the decision I am making. All

good things come to an end, and I am ready to see what else life has to offer."

But Mason never submitted his retirement papers to the NFL, and soon it became clear that he was waffling over his decision to quit.

Mason played a key role in helping Baltimore reach the AFC championship game last season. He started all 16 games and led the Ravens in receptions (80) and yards receiving (1,037). He then added 12 catches for 190 yards and a touchdown in three playoff games.

After playing eight seasons with the Tennessee Oilers/Titans, Mason joined the Ravens as a free agent in March 2005. Last season the two-time Pro Bowler became the 31st player in NFL history to reach 10,000 career yards receiving.



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**Ex-Brave Bennett signs with Tampa**

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — The Tampa Bay Rays have signed free agent right-handed reliever Jeff Bennett to a major league contract.

Bennett joined the team on Saturday. He was granted his release by the Atlanta Braves Thursday. Bennett went 2-4 with 3.18 ERA in 33 games with Atlanta before breaking a bone on his left hand in late June.

Rays manager Joe Maddon said Bennett will pitch in middle relief.

Tampa Bay optioned right-hander Joe Nelson to Triple-A Durham. The Rays released left-hander James Houser, who had pitching for Durham.

**Browns say they don't want Vick**

BEREA, Ohio — Scratch the Cleveland Browns off the list of possible suitors for Michael Vick.

Browns coach Eric Mangini said he's happy with quarterbacks Brady Quinn and Derek Anderson, who will wage a quarterback competition this summer to be Cleveland's starter.

Vick was conditionally reinstated by NFL commissioner Roger Goodell earlier this week. Several teams have said they have no intention of signing the three-time Pro Bowler.

**Holdsclaw rallies Dream to victory**

ATLANTA — Chamique Holdsclaw scored 12 of her 18 points in the second half as the Atlanta Dream spoiled Anne Donovans debut as New York's interim coach with an 89-83 victory over the Liberty on Saturday night.

Angel McCoughtry and Iziene Castro Marques had 16 points each to help the Dream (10-10) win their third straight. McCoughtry also had seven steals.

Shameka Christon scored 23 points for the Liberty (6-12), who lost their season-high fourth straight one day after firing Pat Coyle as coach.

**Reds' Volquez set for elbow surgery**

CINCINNATI — Cincinnati Reds right-hander Edinson Volquez is scheduled to undergo elbow surgery Monday.

On the disabled list since June 2, Volquez, who made just nine starts this season, could throw only 20 pitches of a simulated game scheduled for 80 on Friday before complaining of tightness in a muscle.

Volquez is 4-2 in his second season with the Reds after being acquired from Texas for outfielder Josh Hamilton before the 2008 season. Volquez was Cincinnati's only All-Star last year, which he finished with a 17-6 record.

**Vikes QB suffers sprained MCL**

MANKATO, Minn. — Minnesota Vikings quarterback Tarvaris Jackson sprained the MCL in his left knee after getting tangled with a defensive lineman in practice on Saturday, according to a person with knowledge of the injury.

Jackson was hurt when defensive lineman LeTroy Guion fell at his feet and rolled over his leg during an 11-on-11 drill and is day-to-day, said the person, who requested anonymity because an official announcement had not been made.

Jackson folded to the field in pain as trainers rushed to check on him. After a few minutes, he was able to get up and walk off under his own power.

— Associated Press

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**On Today**

**AUTO RACING**  
2 p.m.  
ESPN — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, Pennsylvania 500, at Long Pond, Pa.  
**EXTREME SPORTS**  
3 p.m.  
ABC — X Games, at Carson, Calif.  
11 p.m.  
ESPN2 — X Games, at Carson, Calif. (same-day tape)

**GOLF**  
8:30 a.m.  
TGC — European PGA Tour, Moravia Silesia Open, final round, at Celadna, Czech Republic  
1 p.m.  
ABC — Women's British Open Championship, final round, at Lancashire, England (same-day tape)  
TGC — PGA Tour, Buick Open, final round, at Grand Blanc, Mich.

3 p.m.  
CBS — PGA Tour, Buick Open, final round, at Grand Blanc, Mich.  
NBC — USGA, U.S. Senior Open Championship, final round, at Carmel, Ind.  
7 p.m.  
TGC — Nationwide Tour, Children's Hospital Invitational, final round, at Columbus, Ohio (same-day tape)

**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**  
2 p.m.  
WGN — N.Y. Yankees at Chicago White Sox  
4 p.m.  
TBS — Philadelphia at San Francisco  
8 p.m.  
ESPN — L.A. Dodgers at Atlanta

**MOTORSPORTS**  
Midnight  
SPEED — AMA Pro Racing, at Topeka, Kan. (same-day tape)

**SWIMMING**  
Noon  
NBC — World Championships, at Rome

**TENNIS**  
3 p.m.  
ESPN2 — WTA-Tour, Bank of the West Classic, championship match, at Stanford, Calif.  
5 p.m.  
ESPN2 — ATP, LA Open, championship match, at Los Angeles

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NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	59	42	.584	—
Florida	54	49	.524	6
Atlanta	53	51	.510	7 1/2
New York	50	53	.485	10
Washington	32	72	.308	28 1/2

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	58	49	.542	—
Chicago	54	47	.535	1
Milwaukee	51	52	.495	5
Houston	51	53	.490	5 1/2
Cincinnati	45	58	.437	11
Pittsburgh	45	58	.437	11

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	64	40	.615	—
Colorado	57	47	.548	7
San Francisco	56	47	.544	7 1/2
Arizona	45	59	.433	19
San Diego	42	62	.404	22

**Saturday's Games**  
Atlanta 4, L.A. Dodgers 3  
Pittsburgh 11, Washington 6  
N.Y. Mets 9, Arizona 6  
Colorado 6, Cincinnati 2  
St. Louis 3, Houston 1  
Chicago Cubs at Florida, late  
Philadelphia at San Francisco, late  
Milwaukee at San Diego, late

**Today's Games**  
Arizona (Garland 5-10) at N.Y. Mets (Pelfrey 8-8), 1:10 p.m.

Colorado (Marquis 12-7) at Cincinnati (Arroyo 10-10), 1:10 p.m.  
Washington (Balester 1-1) at Pittsburgh (Mahom 6-5), 1:35 p.m.  
Houston (Norris 0-0) at St. Louis (Wainwright 12-6), 2:15 p.m.  
Milwaukee (Villanueva 2-8) at San Diego (Correa 7-8), 4:05 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Hamels 7-5) at San Francisco (Zito 6-10), 4:05 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs (Dempster 5-5) at Florida (Nolasco 7-7), 5:05 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Billingsley 10-6) at Atlanta (Jurjrens 9-7), 8:05 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	62	42	.596	—
Boston	61	42	.592	1/2
Tampa Bay	57	47	.548	5
Toronto	49	54	.476	12 1/2
Baltimore	44	59	.427	17 1/2

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	53	48	.525	—
Chicago	54	51	.514	1
Minnesota	52	52	.500	2 1/2
Cleveland	43	60	.417	11
Kansas City	40	63	.388	14

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	62	40	.608	—
Texas	58	43	.574	3 1/2
Seattle	53	50	.515	9 1/2
Oakland	44	58	.431	18

**Saturday's Games**  
Tampa Bay 7, Kansas City 1  
Chicago White Sox 14, N.Y. Yankees 4  
Boston 4, Baltimore 0  
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.  
L.A. Angels 11, Minnesota 6  
Seattle at Texas, late  
Toronto at Oakland, late

**Today's Games**  
Detroit (Galaraga 5-9) at Cleveland (Pavano 8-8), 1:05 p.m.  
Boston (Buchholz 1-1) at Baltimore (Berken 1-8), 1:35 p.m.  
Kansas City (Bannister 6-7) at Tampa Bay (J.Shields 6-7), 1:38 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 10-7) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 11-4), 2:05 p.m.  
L.A. Angels (Jer.Weaver 10-3) at Minnesota (Perkins 6-6), 2:10 p.m.  
Toronto (R.Romero 9-4) at Oakland (Mazzaro 2-7), 4:05 p.m.  
Seattle (Snell 2-8) at Texas (Feldman 9-4), 8:05 p.m.

James Nitties 65-70-71 — 208 -10  
Leif Olson 68-67-71 — 206 -10  
Mark Brooks 69-66-71 — 206 -10  
Kevin Stadler 67-67-72 — 206 -10  
David Duval 69-71-67 — 207 -9  
Brian Vranesh 65-75-67 — 207 -9  
Brian Gay 71-69-67 — 207 -9  
Chad Campbell 68-71-68 — 207 -9  
Jim Furyk 69-69-69 — 207 -9  
Tim Herron 67-70-70 — 207 -9  
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Fred Funk	68-67-68	—	203	-13
Greg Norman	66-70-68	—	204	-12
Joey Sindelar	66-68-70	—	204	-12
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Mark O'Meara	70-69-68	—	207	-9
Russ Cochran	72-72-64	—	208	-8
Scott Simpson	68-72-68	—	208	-8
Dan Forsman	66-71-71	—	208	-8
Bruce Vaughan	68-70-71	—	209	-7
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Eduardo Romero	73-70-70	—	213	-3
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Loren Roberts	68-71-74	—	213	-3
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Keith Fergus	73-72-69	—	214	-2
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Tim Simpson	70-72-72	—	214	-2
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Jim Thorpe	71-69-74	—	214	-2
Olin Browne	72-75-68	—	215	-1
a-Bryan Norton	73-73-69	—	215	-1
Hale Irwin	78-67-70	—	215	-1
David Eger	71-70-74	—	215	-1
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Mika Miyazato	76-72-69	217	+1	
Song-Hee Kim	70-73-74	217	+1	
Paula Creamer	74-74-70	218	+2	
Shinobu Morimotomiz	74-73-71	218	+2	
Jane Park	74-72-72	218	+2	
Kyeong Bae	73-71-74	218	+2	
Hee-Won Han	77-73-69	219	+3	
Hee Young Park	71-75-73	219	+3	
Giulia Sergas	74-67-78	219	+3	
Karrie Webb	77-71-72	220	+4	
Kristy McPherson	74-74-72	220	+4	
Se Ri Pak	76-71-73	220	+4	
Angela Stanford	70-76-74	220	+4	
In-Kyung Kim	81-70-70	221	+5	
Na Yeon Choi	80-71-70	221	+5	
Maria Hjorth	72-76-73	221	+5	
Marianne Skarpnord	76-69-76	221	+5	
Yuko Mitsuoka	71-71-79	221	+5	
Katie Futcher	75-77-70	222	+6	
Sarah Lee	75-77-70	222	+6	
Brittany Lang	81-70-71	222	+6	
Martina Eberl	75-75-72	222	+6	
Samantha Head	74-76-72	222	+6	
Cristie Kerr	76-71-75	222	+6	
Yani Tseng	74-70-78	222	+6	

**BOXING: ARTURO GATTI**

**Murder not ruled out**

MONTREAL — A second autopsy performed at the request of former boxer Arturo Gatti's family has not ruled out homicide in his death.

Michael Baden, the former chief pathologist for the New York State Police and host of the HBO cable TV show "Autopsy," said Saturday that an autopsy performed by Quebec coroners found that an investigation by Brazilian authorities was incomplete.

The second autopsy came two days after Brazilian police classified Gatti's death a suicide.

"There were definite

injuries that had not been seen by the Brazilian authorities, but one needs a lot of additional information, including a toxicology which isn't available yet, to come to a conclusion as to whether it's homicide or suicide," Baden said.

Until Thursday, police in the northeastern Brazilian city of Recife considered Gatti's death a homicide and held his wife Amanda Rodrigues as the prime suspect. Now, police say Gatti hanged himself with a handbag strap from a staircase column more than seven feet off the ground.

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## AUTO RACING: NASCAR

## Kahne, Petty have eyes on Chase

By DAN GELSTON

Associated Press Writer

LONG POND, Pa. — Richard Petty won 200 NASCAR races, seven championships, and has achieved just about all there is to accomplish in stock car racing.

The surefire NASCAR Hall of Famer has done it all — except qualifying for the Chase for the championship as an owner.

Kasey Kahne is on the brink of giving the King that spot in the 10-race sprint for the title.

"I think that we have a really good shot," at making the Chase, Kahne said. "We need a couple more things to go our way to figure out before the Chase if we want to win races and be really competitive. I think that we have a top-10 team right now."

Kahne has been propelled into the Chase with a string of strong finishes to make up for a sluggish start, while the other three Richard

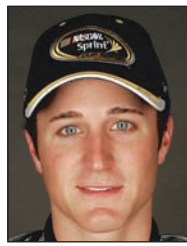
Petty Motorsports drivers have been mired in mediocrity. Elliot Sadler is 25th, Reed Sorenson is 26th and A.J. Allmendinger is 27th in the standings.

"They've got to start finishing better than what they've been doing," Petty said.

They've been so inconsistent that Petty had to shoot down rumors that Sorenson was in danger of being yanked from the No. 43 Dodge for Allmendinger for performance and financial reasons.

"We're going to run all drivers the rest of the year," Petty said. "We'll sort of see what happens after this season and we'll make our decisions on next year."

Kahne is in good position to earn a spot in the 12-driver field thanks to his strongest five-race stretch of the season. Kahne is in ninth place entering Sunday's race at Pocono Raceway, where he won from the pole in 2008. Even so,



Kahne



Petty

with six races left until the Chase kicks off, Kahne is far from a lock for making the field.

Watching it all behind his trademark sunglasses and feathered cowboy hat has been Petty, who as an owner hasn't come anywhere close to matching his success as a driver. This could be the season when Petty, who's been nominated for induction into the inaugural class of NASCAR's Hall of Fame, finally has a vested interest in the Chase for the first time since its inception in 2004.

"All we've got to do is have

decent luck the next few races here," Petty said on Saturday. "But once the deal starts, we've got to come up with some better ideas so we can be competitive when the Chase does start. If we stay the same as where we are, and run 10 races the same way, then we're not going to win the championship."

Petty wouldn't be in position to contend for a championship if not for an offseason merger with Gillett-Everham Motorsports that kept his team afloat. Sorenson and Allmendinger joined GEM holdovers Kahne and Sadler to give RPM a four-car program and a legitimate shot at competing for the title.

"They were struggling, we were struggling; we were struggling more than they were," Petty said. "But when they combined together, then we've got four ideas instead of two ideas."

All four drivers are signed through 2010, but Petty said there

are no assurances the team can keep all the drivers.

"The economy is going to dictate to us what we need to do," he said.

RPM laid off employees and sliced salaries earlier this year in the fallout from Chrysler's Chapter 11 filing. Petty's first choice is to run all four cars in a full Cup season, but economics may decide otherwise.

"We can't sacrifice three to try and run a fourth car," Petty said. "Right now, we're still breathing air and we're able to run four cars the rest of the season."

Kahne gave the program a needed lift when he cracked the winner's circle in June on the road course at Infineon Raceway. He's followed that with three more top-10s in the last four races — meaning he has half of his top-10 finishes for the season in the last five races.



AP PHOTO

Michael Phelps reacts after beating Milorad Cavic in a world record time of 49.82 seconds in the 100-meter butterfly at the World Championships in Rome.

## Phelps: My suit will do just fine

By PAUL NEWBERRY

Associated Press Writer

ROME — He defiantly spit out a mouthful of water, climbed atop the lane rope, pumped his fists furiously and tugged on that supposedly inferior swimsuit.

The message was clear: Don't mess with Michael Phelps.

Milorad Cavic tried to get in his head and wound up looking at his back, losing again to the guy who beat him at the Beijing Olympics.

This time, there was no doubt about it.

"There are always things that fire me up and motivate me," Phelps said Saturday, after becoming the first swimmer to break 50 seconds in the 100-meter butterfly. "That's just how I tick."

He stayed close over the outward lap and rallied on the return to beat Cavic with a stunning time of 49.82 at the world swimming championships. Cavic also broke 50 seconds, but 49.95 only got him a silver — and plenty of words to eat.

He wasn't nearly as close as last year's Beijing Olympics, when Phelps famously won by one-hundredth of a second on the way to eight gold medals, over Cavic's objections that he actually touched first.

"That satisfied me a little bit," Phelps quipped with that crooked grin of his. "I set it up perfectly."

His reaction was nearly as memorable. Phelps hopped on the rope that had separated him from Cavic — eyes searing, jaw jutting out. He pulled at both sides of his skintight LZR Racer swimsuit, letting his rival know that he heard about his offer to get Phelps one of those faster polyurethane suits so he wouldn't have any excuses if he lost in a Speedo.

No need, Milorad.

Phelps did just fine with his own attire.

"I've never seen him that emotional," Phelps' coach Bob Bowman said.

The two rivals finally

shook hands, but that was about it.

Nothing more needed to be said.

"He congratulated me and kind of smiled a bit, but I have a feeling that our battle is going to go back and forth for a while," Phelps said.

Cavic did say one thing to Phelps: "You're the man."

"He just looked at me and smiled," Cavic said. "He knows it."

In one of the most memorable events at Beijing, Phelps pulled out an improbable victory on his final half-stroke to beat Cavic by the narrowest possible margin. Without that win, Phelps would not have broken Mark Spitz's record for most gold medals in a single games.

Cavic has stewed over the loss ever since, believing he touched first but didn't put as much pressure on the touchpad as Phelps, who ad-libbed an extra lunge and crashed into the wall much harder. Even though all electronic and photographic evidence shows Phelps won, Cavic repeated his claims when he got to Rome.

He then tried to play some mind games with Phelps, saying it was the American's own fault for sticking with a Speedo suit that isn't as fast as the fully rubberized models such as the Arena X-Glide, which Cavic wears.

The Serbian offered to get Phelps an X-Glide "within the hour," or buy him a similar suit out of his own pocket. Cavic said he would really prefer to race Phelps wearing nothing but briefs, so everyone would know who the best man is without any help from the suits.

Phelps said he would do his talking in the pool.

"He loves the big races, loves the energy," Bowman said.

Phelps set his second world record of the fastest meet in history and got back the mark Cavic snatched away a night earlier with a time of 51.01 in the semifinals.

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## THE TOWN CRIER

## Melons for \$3

There is a new word in the dictionary this year. It's "locavore" and it means "somebody that eats locally grown foods."

Turns out that there's a new movement out there that says it's better to eat locally grown food than to search out organic good. Somebody figured out that it takes less fuel and makes less pollution to drive down the road in a 1974 Dodge pickup than it does to ship tomatoes here from Arizona or fly Argentine grapes in on cargo planes to the ATL (Atlanta airport). They say it also helps support the



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local economy and help reduce the trade deficit. I say it's genius!

With that in mind, I

headed south of town to a little fruit and vegetable stand on Highway 41 just this side of Connector 3 in the Five Springs area. The sign says A&B Produce and there's a neat little shed with an open air vegetable market on the front of it.

Across the gravel lot on the porch of a classic bungalow style house sits Mrs. A.J. Cole enjoying the shade of her trees as the summer sunset cools itself into evening. She's the A of A&B, while her late husband gave the B from his name. She's a somewhat quiet lady with a quick smile.

She and her husband moved to the house in 1961 and always had a garden. The small building by the road had been used to make and sell bedspreads along what was then known as Peacock Alley and in the '60s she said it was hard to pull onto the road since this was before the interstate highways.

They started selling vegetables from their garden in 1981. By then I-75 had taken away a lot of the through traffic and she said when the Dalton bypass opened traffic dropped off a little more. But that's OK because almost all of her customers are locals and regulars. She laughed when I asked her if a vegetable stand was a good idea for a get rich quick scheme.

Her husband passed away in 1994 but she kept the market open. She no longer grows her own vegetables but buys from local farmers. She said the busiest times are between 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. and then another rush between 4 and 5 p.m. But she said this year has been a little slow, the growing season is off a little. She told me the spring was cool and a lot of the farmers couldn't get stuff planted at the usual time.

Tomatoes are her No. 1 seller and she also has squash, cucumbers, watermelons, cantaloupe and peaches from south Georgia. Cole's personal favorite is okra. Fried, of course. She has a box of 'maters for \$3 and cucumbers for \$1 a bag. Avoid the rush hours and give yourself time to shop when you stop by.

Meanwhile, up on the north side of the county I pulled up to a metal shed like you might store your bass boat under and luckily got to meet the owner,

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## Making denistry ...

## Kid friendly

By **CONNIE SCOTT**  
For The Daily Citizen

Visiting the dentist can be a stressful experience. If the thought of sitting in a dentist's chair sends chills down your spine, imagine how much worse it can be for a child.

"I didn't want to get a shot in my mouth," confessed 9-year-old Jessie Franks. "When I was a kid, I was afraid of the dentist. I cried and threw a fit and we had to leave. I still remember that."

Kool Smiles, at 2107 E. Walnut Ave. in Dalton, is dedicated to not only alleviating dental fear but to making each child's experience fun and rewarding.

Dr. David Strange, chief dental officer and a second generation pediatric dentist, said he and the two full-time dentists at Kool Smiles work hard to establish a relationship of trust and friendship with children who visit.

"We want to provide the dental care children need, but we also want to be more than just a dental appointment," Strange said. "We're really trying to influence them over a period of time to continue to recognize the importance of oral health care, and to start good habits early in life that will stay with them."

Strange is a board certified pediatric dentist. All Kool Smiles dentists have earned a Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) or Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) from a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association.

Creating a kid friendly environment is a top priority. According to Strange, having the right staff is the first step.

"We attract professionals and dental personnel that all have a passion for children," he said. "That's number one. Each person who works at Kool Smiles has a passion for children. They are uniquely motivated to make life better for children. If children are coming to an environment where people are wanting to see kids — and that's why we come to work every day here at Kool Smiles — the process goes more smoothly for them."

"It's fair to say we are going to treat the patients and their families the way we want to be treated," Strange said. "I believe that rings true in all walks of life, whether you are in the medical profession, dental profession, service profession, or whatever else: you should always be thinking of putting others first. That's what we do at Kool Smiles."

The office is spacious and decorated with bright colors and eye-catching cartoon graphics. Strange said it is designed specifically with children and their families in mind, with open bays and a play gym in the reception room.

"The play gym is like a jungle," 8-year-old Adam Green said. "It's awesome and it gives you something to do while you wait. They have televi-



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**Dr. Alexander Pikus examines the teeth of Melanie Lopez, 7, at Kool Smiles Thursday. Kool Smiles is at 2107 E. Walnut Ave., in the same shopping center as Hobby Lobby.**

sions in there, too."

There are also small cars that are used for escorting patients to and from the reception room to the treatment area.

"Children like that," Strange said. "It seems to put them at ease."

Some dental offices don't allow parents in the treatment room, while others don't mind. Kool Smiles falls into the latter category.

"Parents play an important role in the child's dental visit," Strange said. "Some parents choose not to be present in the treatment area and some choose to be present. The decision is made with the dentist and the parent and it's always focused on what's in the best interest of the patient. It's highly individualized. The ones who choose not to go back may think they will be a distraction. Some parents have a dental fear themselves and don't want to project that fear onto the patient. While sometimes, if the child is very young, having a parent with them makes the visit easier to tolerate."

There's an open window into the hygiene room that parents who choose not to accompany their children can view the child through.

"We use specific patient guidance techniques," Strange explained. "One of those is 'tell, show, do.' You tell them what you're going to do.

You show them what you're going to do, and sometimes that's done on their finger, on mom, or maybe on an older sibling. Then, you do it."

Another method is TLC: tender loving care. "You go real slow," Strange said. "You're very methodical. You win their trust by demonstrating confidence while quietly addressing their concerns."

And then there's the laughing gas.

"That's nitrous oxide," Strange shared. "You might know it as happy air or laughing gas. It's completely safe, and it's particularly helpful because it's an anti-anxiety, mild sedative. We may refer to it as a clown nose, a princess nose, or a fighter pilot mask to the kids."

The practice uses child friendly terminology. The "Whistle" is a hand-held piece used to remove the cavity, or to "chase the cavity bugs out of the tooth." The "Squirt Gun" is an air-water syringe, and "Mr. Thirsty" is a high-speed vacuum.

"What I personally find really rewarding is when at the end of treatment a child smiles, lights up, and says 'That didn't hurt,'" Strange said. "Anytime they say that makes my day."

Medical and dental associations advocate a child seeing a dentist for the first time at the age of 1. Kool

Smiles treats patients from 1 to 21.

The surgeon general has concluded that oral care is the No. 1 unmet need for children across America today. Dental cavities, or tooth decay, is the single most chronic childhood disease — five times more common than asthma and seven times more common than hay fever. More than 50 percent of 5- to 9-year-old children have at least one cavity or filling, and that increases to 78 percent among 17-year-olds.

"The concern is that, left untreated, dental cavities can lead to pain, infection, swelling, loss of function, and even to poor general health," Strange said. "Children with bad dental pain are not inclined to eat, they don't do well in school, and the list goes on.

"Any message that I try to promote, champion, and get out is awareness of oral health and the fact that dental cavities are very, very common, and treating early, while any sort of oral health concern is small, is in the best interest of the child and does not allow it to progress into anything more severe. The old saying, 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure,' is certainly true in children's dentistry."

For more information call Kool Smiles at (706) 428-0235.

## Batting cleanup on appliance repairs

In my next life, I want to be an appliance repairperson.

Actually, what I'd prefer to do is not the repairs, which can be messy, but the diagnosis of the problem that needs fixing.

I think I'd be good at it. Lord knows there's no shortage of problems that need diagnosing and fixing. And I don't just mean with appliances.

After nearly three weeks of traveling for both business and pleasure, I was glad to be back in my own bed with my own husband. Not that I'd been with anyone else's husband. I was just, well, glad to be home.

The day after I returned, my husband learned he needed to go out of town for the weekend. I debated going with him until we saw the cost of last-minute airfares and agreed not to mortgage the house.

We like doing things together, but we're also good at doing things apart. And it's fun afterwards to swap stories.



Sharon Randall

I dropped him at the airport Friday night, came home and crashed. Next morning, I had what my kids used to call a "house-cleaning hissy fit," where suddenly, for some reason — possibly fearing a visit from the health department — I feel the need to clean every last inch of my house, or go down in a blaze of glory trying.

This does not happen often. When my kids were growing up, I enlisted their help by using the strongest language necessary to motivate them.

Which is to say, pretty strong. Hence the term "hissy fit."

Absent of any children or husband, I elected to skip the fit and got to work, started the dishwasher, emptied the trash, changed the sheets on the bed and launched major chemical warfare on the bathrooms.

Imagine my surprise on my way to the garage with a load of laundry to discover on the kitchen floor five gallons of water, more or less,

rolling toward me like a mini tsunami.

Faster than Clark Kent could strip buck naked in a phone booth, I threw down the laundry (mostly my husband's shorts) to dam the flow inches shy of the family room carpet.

Then I used every towel we own, including four fancy guest towels and eight ultra-thick beach towels, wringing them out in the sink to reuse over and over and ... have you ever tried to hand wring an ultra-thick beach towel?

How about eight ultra-thick beach towels five times each? My arms were trembling like my uncle Harry's after one of his Saturday night benders.

At some point, it occurred to me that it might be a good idea to shut off the dishwasher. By then, the water on the floor had wicked its way up from the cuffs of my pants to the tip of my ponytail. My hair dripped. My nose ran. Mascara bled black rivers down my cheeks.

Ounce by ounce, I sopped up the mess, lugged the towels and laundry out to the garage, washed and dried

load after load, showered and did my hair.

That's when my husband called. He reminded me that the dishwasher had leaked while I was away, and I might want to get it checked before using it.

Hissy fits come in different varieties and serve different ends, whether to involve ones family in household chores or to let off steam and avoid divorce. Or possibly prison.

Two days later, I stood in the kitchen with my new best friend, Gary, the repairman, telling him the problem was most likely a cracked hose.

He pulled out the dishwasher, poked around, and stood up. "It's a cracked hose," he said.

Then he left to get a new hose, a 12-inch piece of plastic, came back, installed it, and only charged \$60.

I can't wait to tell my husband that story.

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# Crier

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manager and chief executive in absentia of what's unofficially known as Charlie Brown's Produce. His name is Ulyss Scott and he was there with his wife Virginia and a neighbor boy about 11 or 12 that had stopped by. I call him the CEO in absentia because his management style for his fruit and vegetable stand is one that can only be practiced in rural areas and small towns. His stand is self-service on the honor system.

Looking around the shed, there's a table of boxed vegetables and some bags for you to load them up in to take home. There are watermelons and another table covered with cucumbers for shoppers to pick through. A big board with the price of everything written on it is nailed to a center post and in the front of the table is a big wooden "money" box with a slit in the top for you to drop your money in. Ulyss probably won't be there when you stop in. He'll more than likely be working in his garden where the vegetables come from or maybe even taking a nap while the vegetables sell themselves.

He's had the stand for 12 years now and has always had the self-service feature. He checks it several times a day and keeps it stocked and checks the money box. This year the box is bolted to the table because last year when it was only nailed down, somebody stole it. First time since he's had the stand. He estimates they got away with about \$34. Considering the amount he lost and what the robbers gave up in self-respect I wonder who really came out on the short end. They didn't even steal any vegetables. Idiots.

I asked him how he priced his produce and he told me he takes a look at what they're selling it for at the supermarkets and then makes sure his prices are lower. He said he's been selling okra for the same price for 12 years. Apart from my

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### BELIEVE IT!: Or not

by Shirley Soloway

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## ANSWERS ON 5C

paycheck I can't think of anything that hasn't gone up in that amount of time. He reports the okra has been slow to come out because of the cool nights, but overall the season has been pretty good. Sales are a little slower right now because a lot of people are eating out of their own gardens.

He has a few extras besides his fruit and veggies. He also offers a little philosophy and a prayer request service, all free of charge. On one side of the shed is a sign that says "This is your shed to use. Please do not abuse." And next to it is another sign that states "you can expect better tomorrows, if you live right today." On the other

side of the shed are cards to write prayer requests on and drop in a folder. They're taken to his church each week and prayed. No purchase necessary.

Last year on Aug. 1, he had a heart attack. As summer approached this year he went in for a checkup. He asked his doctor about gardening and operating the vegetable stand. The doctor told him he was doing pretty good, so whatever he had been doing, keep it up. And so he has.

And as for the "Charlie Brown" part of the business, it came about because whenever he does a good deed for his wife, which is apparently often, she says to him,

"You're a good man, Charlie Brown." He received a Good Conduct Medal in the Army, but a statement like that from your better half is an award even more to be honored.

The local food movement is starting to catch on and I even see it talked about on TV now. But with a countryside of vegetable stands stocked with fresh goodness from as close as the backyard I realize we've been eating locally here, well, factor in the Cherokee, and it's been almost forever. We've just always called it home-grown. Locavore indeed.

**■ Mark Hannah, a Dalton native, works in video and film production.**

## Wine banned in Bama

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Alabama's ban on a wine that features a nude nymph on the label became a business opportunity for a California vintner who is preparing a marketing campaign to capitalize on being "Banned in Bama."

The Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board recently told stores and restaurants to quit serving Cycles Gladiator wine because of the label. Board attorney Bob Martin said the stylized, art-nouveau rendition of a nude female with a flying bicycle violated Alabama rules against

displaying "a person posed in an immoral or sensuous manner."

Bill Leigon, president of Hahn Family Wines in Soledad, Calif., said that visits to the company's Web site have increased tenfold since news of the ban broke late last week, and callers from across the country have been asking where they can buy the wine.

Because of the interest, he's developing store displays that say "Banned in Bama" and "Taste What They Can't Have in Alabama."

### Ask the Fool

#### Same Store or New Store?

Q What are "same-store sales" numbers? — E.M., Telluride, Colo.

A They reflect sales at stores open a year or more. Imagine that Sisyphus Transport Corp. (ticker: UPDOWN) reports sales of \$200 million in 2008 and \$400 million in 2009. That looks great — 100 percent growth! But now assume that Sisyphus Transport had 10 stores open in 2008 and 20 open in 2009. If its same-store sales for 2009 came in at \$200 million, then sales at its stores open for at least a year have been flat. That's a big difference.

If you increase your number of stores, then of course your total sales will probably go up. Some retail chains might open many new units, but their average sales per store might be going down. Same-store numbers (also called "comps") can help you see things clearly, comparing apples to apples.

Expansion can be good, but companies should be increasing sales at their existing stores, too. Sales growth solely through adding stores is unsustainable.

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Q What's a derivative? — J.M., Paramus, N.J.

A A derivative is a financial contract whose value is "derived" from another security, such as a stock, bond, commodity, currency or a market index such as the S&P 500 or the Wilshire 5000. The most common types of derivatives are options, futures and mortgage-backed securities. They're sometimes used to "hedge" risk, such as when companies limit their exposure to losses from currency exchange-rate fluctuations or fuel-price volatility.

Derivatives can be very risky, such as when they're used to amplify gains (and losses). Warren Buffett has called derivatives "time bombs" and "financial weapons of mass destruction," and indeed, the recent market meltdown was partly fueled by them.

Got a question for the Fool? Send it in — see Write to Us



### Fool's School

#### Lessons From Bernie

It's 150 years in prison for Ponzi-scheme mastermind Bernard Madoff. What can we average investors learn from the Madoff story? Plenty.

First off, Madoff is a great reminder that things that seem too good to be true probably are. Madoff reportedly promised some investors returns of up to 46 percent per year. If anyone ever suggests that you might count on earning that much, don't believe them! The stock market doesn't work like bonds or CDs or savings accounts. There is no promised return. In the short run, returns tend to depend on factors such as the economy, investor psychology and the like. In the long run, they're tied to the performances of the companies in the market. Madoff is now famous for having delivered returns that were rather consistent — around 10 percent, take a percentage point or two, each year. That should have made his investors suspicious.



After all, when you look at the past 15 years of returns for the S&P 500, you see huge jumps and dives. The index lost money during four of those years, including a 37 percent drubbing last year. It also gained more than 20 percent over each of six years.

Another lesson is to not have most or all of your money tied up in any one thing. Diversify. You needn't own hundreds of stocks. Just eight to 15 or so can be enough, as long as they're distributed among different industries and maybe even a few different countries. It appears that many Madoff victims left the lion's share of their wealth in his hands. That's always risky, no matter how much you trust someone.

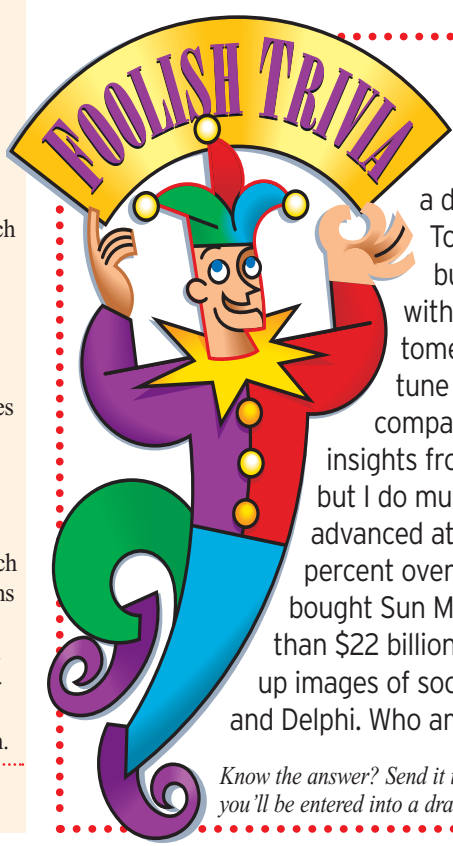
Add some bonds to your mix, too, especially as you near retirement. Money you need within the next few years shouldn't be in stocks, because years like 2008 can happen at any time, and they can make you poorer even without the help of Bernie Madoff.

A good defense against losing money is to educate yourself. Learn more at [www.fool.com/investing](http://www.fool.com/investing).

#### Name That Company

I was born in 1977, when three software engineers built a database program for the CIA. Today I'm the world's largest business software company, with more than 300,000 customers (including all of the Fortune 100). I'm known for helping companies store, process and extract insights from massive amounts of data — but I do much more. My stock has advanced at an average annual rate of 22 percent over the past 20 years. I recently bought Sun Microsystems. I rake in more than \$22 billion annually. My name conjures up images of soothsayers, prognostications and Delphi. Who am I?

Know the answer? Send it to us with Foolish Trivia on the top and you'll be entered into a drawing for a nifty prize!



### What Is This Thing Called The Motley Fool?

Remember Shakespeare? Remember "As You Like It"? In Elizabethan days, fools were the only people who could get away with telling the truth to the King or Queen. The Motley Fool tells the truth about investing, and hopes you'll laugh all the way to the bank.

### My Dumbest Investment

#### All the Wrong Reasons

I bought 150 shares of Apple in January 1996 for \$5,100 and sold six months later, for \$7,300, netting a profit of about \$2,200. Today those shares would be worth around \$38,800. Golly, that's a lot of money. When I bought Apple, it was simply because of people (analysts, co-workers, friends) speaking highly of it. No further analysis. I do not know why I sold, other than to take the profit. I did no analysis and was just happy to have made a profit. Oh well, live and learn. — A.G., Newhall, Calif.

**The Fool Responds:** You wrote that note to us in 2006, A.G. If you'd hung on, those shares would be worth about \$84,000 today, representing a 16-fold increase in the value of your original investment. It can be useful to take some time when buying a stock to jot down exactly why you're buying it, and why you would sell it. As long as it's healthy and growing and doesn't seem wildly overpriced, consider hanging on. If you lose faith or find a more compelling investment, sell.

Do you have an embarrassing lesson learned the hard way? Boil it down to 100 words (or less) and send it to The Motley Fool c/o My Dumbest Investment. Got one that worked? Submit to My Smartest Investment. If we print yours, you'll win a Fool's cap!

### The Motley Fool Take

#### When Alcatel Met HP

Is Hewlett-Packard trying to become the next Cisco Systems? That's what it looks like recently, as HP has signed a massive alliance with telecom equipment giant Alcatel-Lucent.

The agreement is binding for 10 years and will have more than 1,000 Alcatel-Lucent employees transferring over to HP. Through a series of partnerships, the two companies will offer joint telecommunications and information technology solutions to customers worldwide. The companies each hope to pull in "multibillion euros in net revenues" over the life of the contract.

This creates something much like what Cisco is today: a multifaceted titan with deep expertise in networking technologies that can design, build and manage large networks — using its own hardware products.

HP looks like the dominant partner in this marriage, yet the alliance seems more important for Alcatel-Lucent. The pan-Atlantic telecom specialist is in debt, losing money and fighting for survival.

The huge and profitable HP, on the other hand, is dipping a toe into the telecom waters to see whether the temperature's nice. If it's not, no big deal. HP is a market leader in other fields, such as PC systems and IT services.

Alcatel should send you a thank-you note for the lifeline, HP.

### LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

Born in 1979 in Arkansas, I'm one of the nation's top retailers and distributors of automotive replacement parts and accessories. I sport roughly 4,200 stores, some of which provide commercial credit, and deliver parts and other products to local, regional and national repair garages, dealers and service stations. I sell Duralast, Duralast Gold and Valucraft brands, and ALLDATA diagnostic and repair software. I recycle more than 15,700 tons of cardboard annually. My stock has soared in value fivefold over the past decade, and my workers are trained to "GOTTChA" — go out to the customer's automobile. Who am I? (Answer: AutoZone)

**Write to Us!** Send questions for Ask the Fool, Dumbest (or Smartest) Investments (up to 100 words), and your Trivia entries to Fool@fool.com or via regular mail c/o this newspaper, attn: The Motley Fool. Sorry, we can't provide individual financial advice.

# PET OF THE WEEK



Orie

## Orie needs a home

"Orie" is a bird dog mix male about 6 months old.

Can you imagine riding down the road and seeing this little dog and another dog (probably his sister) being thrown out of a moving car .... Orie's sister ran back onto the road chasing after her owner and was instantly hit by another car and killed. Luckily, Orie stayed by the side of the road and was picked up by another passing motorist.

The rescuer was not able to keep Orie and we were able to take him in. He appears to be getting over that bad experience and is accepting his new home at the shelter. Orie's making friends with the other dogs in his play group.

Orie has been neutered, is up to date on vaccinations and tested negative for heartworms and is ready for adoption.

If you are interested in this pet, go to the Humane Society of Northwest Georgia's Web site and fill out an on-line adoption application at the "Adoption Center" link. This will speed up the adoption approval process.

For more information about this pet, call the Humane Society at (706) 226-5002 and press "2" to leave a message. To see other adoptable cats, kittens, dogs and puppies, visit [www.hsnwga.org](http://www.hsnwga.org) or write: HSNWGA, P.O. Box 3946, Dalton, GA 30719.

The next Humane Society meeting will be Monday, Aug. 17, 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.

## Dalton Herb Society welcomes new members

SUBMITTED BY THE DALTON HERB SOCIETY

Herb gardens of the past were well-ordered collections of plants. They supplied households with all manner of tonics, medicines and cosmetics, as well as plants for decorative and culinary use.

The Dalton Herb Society is dedicated to fostering the understanding, use and love of herbs in our community. All gardeners are welcome — both women and men.

The group generally meets the fourth Tuesday of each month from September to May and has planned a

variety of informative and enjoyable programs for the upcoming year. Some examples are a tour of the First Baptist Church prayer garden, an herb study at the Trellis in Cartersville, a presentation by Deep Springs Nursery and a program devoted to the concept of "companion plantings." Programs include either potluck lunches or luncheons at area restaurants.

If you would like to increase your knowledge and appreciation of herbs, consider joining the Dalton Herb Society. For more information, call (706) 226-2154 or (706) 673-9369.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar runs in the Living section each Wednesday and Sunday on a space-available basis. To announce your meeting, e-mail the information to [larahayes@daltoncitizen.com](mailto:larahayes@daltoncitizen.com) or send by fax to (706) 275-6641. Please send your item at least two weeks in advance and include a telephone number to contact for more information.

**Today**  
 ■ The annual Duncan-Fincher reunion will be held today in the activity building at Pine Grove Baptist Church located on Airport Road in Dalton. A covered dish lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. All friends and relatives are invited.

**Aug. 9**  
 ■ Descendants of Perry and Lucindy Ogle will have a family reunion Aug. 9 at

noon at Varnell City Hall and Recreation Building on Highway 2 in Varnell. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m.; please bring a covered dish. For directions or more information, call (706) 259-5508. All friends and relatives are invited.

■ Descendants of Accie Griffin and Martha Pitts Haygood will have their annual family reunion Aug. 9 at Mount Zion Baptist Church. A covered dish lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. The church is located on Mount Zion Road near Resaca. All family and friends are welcome.

**Aug. 14**  
 ■ Walnut Square Mall will host an arts and crafts expo Sept. 18-19. All vendor fees are waived. Spaces are limited. Artisans may reserve a booth by contacting Megan McGrew at [erties.com or at \(706\) 226-5255. Assignments are made on a first-come, first-serve basis. All applications should be submitted no later than Aug. 14.](mailto:megan_mcgrew@cblprop-</a></p>
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**Aug. 15**  
 ■ The Spring Place Community Festival will be held Aug. 15 at 8 a.m. at the Old Methodist Church on Elm Street in Chatsworth. There will be a flea market, bake sale, new and used book sale, auction, arts and crafts vendors, food, raffle, display of historic clocks and watches and more. Proceeds benefit the Old Church Preservation Fund. The event is sponsored by the Whitfield-Murray Historical Society and Spring Place Ruritan Club.

■ The Valley Point Ruritan Club will have a pancake breakfast Aug. 15 from 7 to 10 a.m. at Applebee's on West Walnut

Avenue in Dalton. Plates are \$5 and include all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage and drink. Carryout is available. Proceeds go towards Valley Point youth athletics. The public is invited.

**Aug. 16**  
 ■ The annual Souther family reunion will be held Aug. 16 at Deep Springs Baptist Church in Dalton. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. The church is at 1449 Beaverdale Road in Dalton. All family and friends are invited.

■ The Poe family reunion will be held Aug. 16 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Evans Family Life Center at Trinity United Methodist Church. Please bring a covered dish. For more information, call Kathy at (706) 695-7030. The church is at 901 Veterans Drive in Dalton. All family and friends are invited.

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# WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS



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Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Whitman Paris

## Peeples, Paris

Sydni Peeples of Ringgold and Ryan Paris of Dalton were married May 16, 2009 at Dalton First United Methodist Church. Mr. Matt Evans officiated. The bride's father gave her away.

The bride's parents are Tom and Vickie Peeples of Ringgold.

The grooms parents are Shan and Cathy Paris from Santa Rosa Beach, Fla.

The musicians were Tempo Primo String Quartet, Bruce Wynn (piano), Lori Beth Edgeman (vocalist), Peter Infanger (organ), and George Barnett (trumpet).

The bride wore an ivory silk Mikado gown by couture designer Rita Vineris of Rivini. The fit and flare shape featured a criss-cross sweetheart neckline accented with French alencon lace that flowed into two sashes that streamed down the chapel length train. The look was completed with an ivory cathedral length mantilla veil.

Sydni's bouquet was a lush mix of white mini calla lilies, green viburnum, white tulips, antique green hydrangea, and white French lavender, hand tied with exposed stems and wrapped in pearls.

The maids of honor were Ellys Peeples of Ringgold, and Sara Gunn of Dalton.

The bridesmaids were Alison Forrester of

Chattanooga, Rebecca Gunn of Dalton, Lindsay Paris of Athens, Ga., Michelle Evans of Dalton, Jennifer Pitta of Nashville, Tenn., Carla Donisi of Nashville, Hayley Edmonds of Lebanon, Tenn., Meredith Hobbs of Chattanooga, Peyton Moss of Chattanooga, Lilly Peeples of Ringgold, and Ransley DeFoor of Chatsworth.

The attendants wore teal-length silk shantung gowns in Snapdragon, featuring a ruched sweetheart empire neckline and sash by Jim Hjelm. The junior attendants wore Snapdragon tea-length shantung gowns with spaghetti straps and tie at the empire by Jim Hjelm.

The best men were Shannon Paris of Santa Rosa Beach, Fla., and Brennan Paris of Santa Rosa Beach.

The groomsmen were Buck Daniel of Rocky Face, Chris Rickman of Toccoa, Ga., Justin Beecher of Atlanta, Kurt Robinson of Toccoa, Andrew Forrester of Chattanooga, Bryce Ledford of Chattanooga, Ryan Goetz of Chattanooga, Matt Meadows of Charleston, S.C., Brandon Tindell of Chattanooga, Garrett Peeples of Ringgold, and Chapman Peeples of Ringgold.

The flower girl was Ella Robinson of Knoxville, Tenn., and the ring bearer was Daniel Evans of Dalton.

The reception was held at Cross Creek Farm in Ringgold. The couple went to St. Lucia, West Indies, for their honeymoon.



Laura and Benjamin Madsen

## Pace, Madsen

Laura Sherer Pace and Benjamin John Madsen were united in marriage on Saturday, April 18, 2009, in a 6 p.m. ceremony at First United Methodist Church in Dalton. The ceremony was performed by Reverend James P. Hughes.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Palmer Sherer Pace of Dalton, and the late Mr. Pace. She is the granddaughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Johnson Sherer of Birmingham, Ala., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pace of Greensboro, N.C.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Charles Madsen of Ottertail, Minn. He is the grandson of Mrs. Robert Barton Parke, and the late Mr. Parke of Houston, Texas, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Knud Kenneth Madsen of Ottertail, Minn.

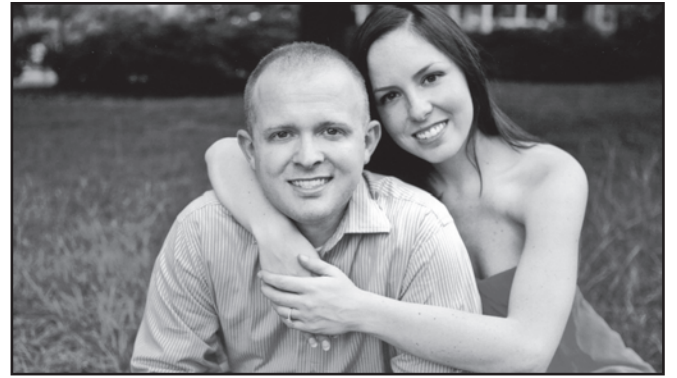
The bride was given in marriage by her brothers-in-law, Mr. Andrew Michael Daugherty of Oxford, Miss., and Mr. Bryan Mitchell Summerlin of Dalton. Her gown was an Ivory French Alencon lace sheath

designed by Monique Lhuillier. It featured a deep V neckline and a circle cut skirt, all customized with lace covered buttons down the back. Her veil was an antique lace chapel length mantilla with Brussels lace which had been worn by her mother and aunt. She carried a hand tied bouquet of peonies, roses, ranunculus and hydrangeas.

Catherine Pace Daugherty and Charlotte Pace Summerlin were the honor attendants. Bridesmaids were Erin Lynn Madsen, Nicole Madsen Mayer, Diane Michiko O'Meara and Anna Lind Petersen. Flower girls were Amelie Palmer Daugherty, Annie Margaret Mayer and Ella Jane Mayer.

Mr. Robert Charles Madsen, the groom's father served as Best Man. Groomsmen were Joshua Thomas Bartoe, Robert Barton Parke, Jr., Peter Charles Roth, Mark Montgomery Sullivan and Jason Tyler Young. The ring bearer was Miller Michael Daugherty.

A reception followed at The Farm. The couple left for a honeymoon trip to Kauai, Hawaii, and are at home in Salt Lake City, Utah.



Jeff Fletcher and Hollie Shelton

## Shelton, Fletcher

Ed and Debbie Shelton of Dalton announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Hollie Shelton of Albany, Ga., to Jeff Fletcher of Albany, son of Don and Sandy Fletcher of Seymour, Tenn.

The bride-elect's grandparents are Bob and Inez Frazier of Dalton. Jason Shelton of Dalton is Miss Shelton's brother.

Miss Shelton is a graduate of Northwest High School, the University of Georgia-Athens (undergraduate), and South University School of Pharmacy in Savannah (Doctor of Pharmacy). She is a pharmacist at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital in Albany.

The groom-elect's grandparents are Lewis and Juanita Fletcher of Clearwater, Fla., and the late Stuart and Geraldine Sutton. Mr. Fletcher is the brother of Keith Fletcher of Destin, Fla., John Fletcher of Memphis, Tenn., Amy Weeks of Pigeon Forge, Tenn., and Victoria LaRock of Maryville, Tenn.

Mr. Fletcher is a graduate of Seymour High School in Seymour, Tenn., the University of Tennessee-Knoxville (undergraduate), and South University School of Pharmacy in Savannah (Doctor of Pharmacy). He is a nuclear pharmacist at Triad Isotopes in Albany.

The wedding will take place on Oct. 24, 2009, at St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church in Savannah at 5:30 p.m.

## Piper, McGill

Emily Ann Piper of Powder Springs, Ga., and Jack Joseph McGill of Dalton were married on June 6, 2009, at the King Plow Art Center.

The bride's parents are Dan and Barbara Piper of Marietta, Ga.

The groom's parents are Jack and Jan McGill of Dalton.

The couple took their wedding trip to Liberia, Costa Rica.

The couple lives in Atlanta.



Emily and Joe McGill

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## AREA BIRTHS

Hamilton Medical Center has announced the following births for the area:

■ Stephanie McBroom and Shane Young, a son, Camden Troy, July 19.

■ Kimberly and Bradley Duncan, a daughter, Addalynne Mae, July 20.

■ Felicia Freeman and Javier Alfaro, a daughter, Lilyana Maritza, July 20.

■ Kayla Hawkins and Jeremy Sisson, a son, Braxton Levi, July 20.

■ Tara Walker and Derek Jackson, a son, Halen Tayche, July 20.

■ Victoria Wright and Joshua Blaylock, a son, Colby Blaine, July 20.

■ Cassie and Tyler Groves, a daughter, Parker Amos, July 21.

■ Elizabeth and Luis Herrera, a son, Dariel, July 21.

■ Martha Mendez and Senen Suarez, a daughter, Andrea Fernanda, July 21.

■ Sara and Jeremy Smith, a son, Eli Bailey, July 21.

■ Irma Valenzuela and Pablo Rascon, a daughter, Paula, July 21.

■ Amanda and Daniel Bartley, a daughter, Haylee Marie, July 22.

■ Shelly and Chase Bohannon, a daughter, Emma Addison, July 22.

■ Chandra Celis, a son, Shane Ethan, July 22.

■ Tumara and Matt Hawkins, a daughter, Avery Capri, July 22.

■ Dawn and Jason Park, a daughter, Isabel Rosemary, July 22.

■ Katie and Adam Sanford, a son, Simon Clayton, July 22.

■ Maria Quintero and Cesar Escobar, a daughter, Myee Roselynee, July 22.

■ Micaela Escobar and Miguel Lopez, a daughter, Maria, July 23.

■ Ashley and Richard Green, a daughter, Kaisley Addison, July 23.

■ Larissa Haire and James Carter, a daughter, Kylie Clarissa-Joy, July 23.

■ Candice and Jason Hawkins, a daughter, Bailey Beth, July 23.

■ Nadia and Ricky Jones, a daughter, Maya Elizabeth, July 23.

■ Hollie and Jason Kirk, a son, Braiden Lane, July 23.

■ Beth and Chris Morgan, a daughter,

Savannah Abigail, July 23.

■ Nicole and David Rittenhouse, a son, Carl Jon, July 23.

■ Beatriz Gloria and Daniel Tapia, a daughter, Yamile, July 24.

■ Cathy DeHaro, a daughter, Andres Fenando, July 24.

■ Elsira Lopez and Lucas Ramirez, a daughter, Angie Anely, July 24.

■ Luz Rodelo and Abelardo Morales, a daughter, Michelle, July 24.

■ Shana and Scott Wright, a daughter, Kaylee Olivia, July 25.

■ April and Martin Miller, a son, Cody Lee, July 26.

■ Raquel and Dagoberto Plaza, a daughter, Melissa Celeste, July 26.


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# New places of business

Cafes with Internet access becoming popular places to work

By **DONG-PHUONG NGUYEN**  
St. Petersburg Times



she realize the force she was contending with: About 75 percent of her regulars come in with laptop computers.

"I got way too many bad e-mails," Cunningham said. "In the long run, the people actually sitting here and doing business were eating breakfast, lunch and dinner."

The same is true on the other side of Tampa Bay. About 70 percent of the clientele lug laptops to Panera Bread in St. Petersburg's Feather Sound area where wireless service is free, said manager Elaine Hushek. The cafe even has a meeting room.

"It certainly is a trend that has boomed," said John Challenger, CEO of Challenger, Gray (and) Christmas, a global outplacement company with headquarters in Chicago. "Some people might want to save the cost of wireless service, others might want to just get out from underneath the wheel at your home."

Gartner Dataquest, a worldwide informational technology research and advisory company that tracks technology trends, reported that 25 percent of workers telecommuted in 2007, and estimated that number to hit 27.5 percent this year.

Michele Camara, an out-

side sales representative for LoJack, works most days at her home, donning sweat pants. But once a week, she goes to the New Tampa Panera to escape a dog and two kids. To feel more professional, she puts on makeup and styles her hair. She recently slipped on a black-and-white dress and high heels, although clients on the other end of her cell phone couldn't see.

The only down side, she said, is having to step outside for phone calls when it gets too noisy.

Some stay for a few hours, others all day. About 1 percent don't buy anything, Cunningham said. To please both her work corps and her diners, she asks workers to free up tables by moving printers, laptops or files.

Panera employees don't chat much with the regulars who always seem busy, Cunningham said.

Like the three women who come in almost every day, fan out papers in front of them, then secure their phone headsets to make calls.

For a week, one man plopped down at a small table near an entrance and stayed from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Job candidates met him with resumes in hand. He interviewed them one-by-one.

While professionals often keep to themselves, there's an unspoken code of trust in the "office." When someone goes to the bathroom or gets up to order food, many sets of eyes watch over the belongings.

"I don't feel too funny about leaving my laptop because I know everyone else is around," said Annette Baker, the life coach who comes three times a week.

# DEAR ABBY

## Access to daughters is denied as punishment for grandparents

**DEAR ABBY:** Our oldest son, "Jim," has a history of turning his back on people once he has used them, which has left us in financial ruin. Our most recent bailout went to our younger son, who went into business with Jim. To make a long story short, Jim was greedy and impatient and plundered the company funds, which left the business destroyed.



**Jeanne Phillips**

Jim and his wife have now disowned us and are holding our two granddaughters "hostage" as punishment because we told them what he did was wrong. My husband, who adopted both of my sons, is devastated because Jim has now contacted his biological father and no longer acknowledges the only father he has known.

I have been labeled the "horrible" woman who "hurt her son deeply" and whose granddaughters will be told "the truth" when they're old enough to decide if they want a relationship with me.

We are heartsick. How do we handle this, and what do we do regarding our granddaughters and our relationship with them? — **SAD DAY IN CALIFORNIA**

**DEAR SAD DAY:** Handle it by reminding yourselves that you did the best job you could in raising both your sons, and that despite a parent's best efforts, not all children turn out the way their parents hope they will. Keep the lines of communication open for your granddaughters by sending them cards and/or gifts on special

occasions to let them know you love and think about them.

You also go on with your lives and devote yourselves to each other and to the son who returns your affection, because to do anything else is a waste of time. What you DON'T do is continue dwelling on your heartache and disappointment and allow yourselves to be dragged down.

P.S. Do not write Jim and his wife off just yet, because bad pennies usually turn up.

**DEAR ABBY:** I work in the emergency department of a hospital. Based on our daily observations, my co-workers and I compiled a short list of commonsense guidelines to help the public understand how an emergency department really works.

1. An "emergency" is defined as a life-threatening injury or illness. The average wait in an ER waiting room is 4 1/2 hours. After checking in, you will be seen by a triage nurse to determine the seriousness of your illness or injury. Patients who are considered "critical" will be treated first.

2. Please do not come to the ER with your entire family unless they, too, are sick or injured. People with communicable diseases may be sitting in the lobby, so you could be putting your loved ones at risk.

3. Once inside the examination room, the patient's blood will be taken and tests may be done. Getting test results can take time, especially if

the ER is busy — and no, you cannot eat or drink until those test results are back.

4. The ER discharges patients 24 hours a day, so plan accordingly. The hospital is not responsible for paying for your ride home, and you cannot stay in the exam room waiting for a ride to come for you. We must use the room for the next patient.

5. Above all, remember that our staff is here to help you feel better, not to inconvenience you. You are the patient — so please be patient. — **ER NURSE IN FLORIDA**

**DEAR ER NURSE:** Your comments are certainly worth space in my column. With so many people out of work and uninsured, I am sure that hospital emergency departments have been swamped with more people seeking help than ever. They need to know what to expect, and your guidelines are helpful. Thank you for sharing them.

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## HOROSCOPE

**H a p p y Birthday:** You can make some substantial changes this year that ensure you are not losing ground financially. This is your time to put some cost-efficient ideas to work. By creating a service that helps others as well as lines your pockets with a little extra money, you can be proud. Develop a formula that can work for others and, in doing so, establish yourself as someone who cares. Your numbers are 3, 10, 14, 23, 30, 39, 46



**Eugenia Last**

Expect emotional issues to surface and complaints to be voiced. Don't retaliate without proper documentation. Get your facts straight. 2 stars

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Don't let someone confuse you or lead you in the wrong direction. Problems at home will require attention. Take a different approach and you will stand a much better chance of coming out on top. 4 stars

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Travel for business and pleasure if possible. The experience you gain and the knowledge you acquire

will put you ahead of the competition. The option to move may leave you in limbo, wondering which location will be more conducive to professional or financial gains. 3 stars

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Stabilize your financial position. Don't buy into someone else's financial freedom — create your own. Don't give money away even if it is to someone you love; pertinent information is being withheld. 3 stars

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Someone you care about needs your help and, if you do what's required, you will make a friend for life and have a willing partner when you need assistance. Love and romance look very promising so enjoy the moment. 3 stars

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** If you don't participate, you won't reach your goals. A strong connection will be made with someone who has the same values. A gift, offering or financial gain is apparent. Sudden changes in your personal life appear to be beneficial. 4 stars

## Crossword answers from 2C

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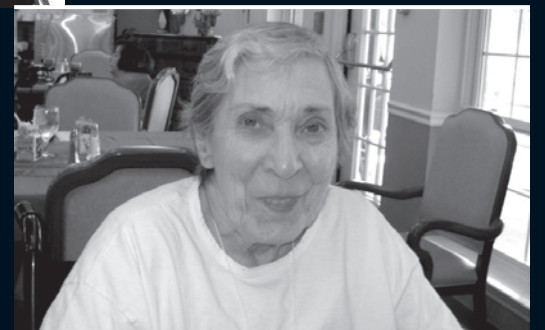
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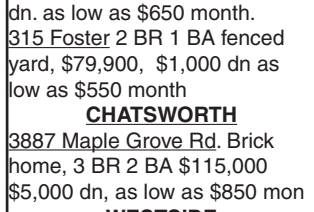
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Look for the solution to today's Sudoku Puzzle on page 6D of the classifieds.

### YARD SALES



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