

**I poured Seal remover on my dog. Now he's gone.**  
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**Mental health care suffers drought season**  
Cuts cause 'unnecessary suffering, raises risk of crisis'  
BY NICHOLE COHEN  
As the nation grapples with a recession that has led to the loss of jobs and income, many people are struggling with mental health issues. The American Psychiatric Association reports that the number of people with mental health problems has increased significantly in the past few years. However, mental health care services are being cut across the board, leaving many people without the help they need. This is particularly true for low-income individuals and those in rural areas. The result is a "drought" of mental health care, which is causing unnecessary suffering and increasing the risk of crisis for many people.

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**Liberal to host WAC marching festival**  
Garden City college considering going tobacco-free

**2 juveniles charged in Fla. after bullied 12-year-old girl's suicide**  
By JAMES WATSON  
WELLS RICHES, Fla. — A 12-year-old girl's suicide in Florida has led to the arrest and charging of two juveniles. The girl, who was bullied, had been in the hospital for several days before she died. The police are investigating the case and believe that the two juveniles were responsible for the bullying. The case has raised concerns about the treatment of bullied children and the need for better support services.

**Happy Birthday, Ron Harty**