Using a common literary reference

Talking points
1. How do cartoonists in Illinois and Washington, D.C., end up drawing similar images about the same news event on the same day?
2. Nate Beeler and Eric Allen both refer to the ancient Greek tale of Icarus. What is the story about?
3. Is learning classic literature necessary for understanding ideas presented in cartoons such as these? Why?

Between the lines
“Solyndra’s collapse has fueled attacks by (Michele) Bachmann and others accusing the Obama administration of “crony capitalism” in its generous financial assistance to the company.”

http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2011/09/16/MNED1L5MRI.DTL&tsp=1
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Additional resources
More by Eric Allie
http://blog.cagle.com/author/eric-allie/
More by Nate Beeler
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