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## Howard College, SWCID set for graduation

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

It's cap and gown time in Howard County again.

The first round of graduations from area schools "commences" Friday when SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf and Howard College hold their respective graduation exercises.

But first, SWCID will honor its finest students when it holds its annual Awards Convocation at 7 p.m. today in the Activity Center on campus.

Outstanding students will be recognized during the convocation, including those named to Who's Who and various scholarship winners.

Among the scholarship winners are Maria Hernandez, recipient of the Sherrie Baird Scholarship, Jenny Votaw, who will receive the Alice Haynes Rotary DLT Scholarship, Bethany Ahrens, winner of the Dr. P.W. Malone Scholarship, David Camarena, who will receive the SWCID Fest Scholarship, and Kunal Patel,

winner of the International Student Scholarship.

Desiree Hayes will receive the Chamber of Commerce Award, while Hayes and James Mock will receive the American Legion Award, given to the top female and male students at SWCID.

Also to be named is the winner of the Presidential Award,

given to the school's outstanding student for the school year. The name of that student is being kept under wraps until tonight's assembly.

Also tonight, graduates of the Howard College Vocational Nursing Program will receive their pins in a 6 p.m. ceremony

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## 1,400 cast votes early

Polls open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday across county

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

The Howard County Elections Office will be going into Saturday's contest on a definite upswing, as early voting ballots totaled more than 1,400 this week.

Sandra Bloom, county elections administrator, said the sheer number of races has elevated early voting numbers, with 1,496 ballots cast already — 1,330 at the county courthouse, 127 in Coahoma and 39 by mail.

Bloom said her office expects to top the 2,000 ballots collected in the last mayoral election.

"With the contests in Forsan and Coahoma, I'm



Bloom

expecting to top the final tally posted in the last mayoral election," said Bloom. "We're getting everything in line for Saturday when the polls will open. We have a lot to get done, but we'll get there."

Polls will be open Saturday from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m., according to Bloom, at the following locations:

- Precincts 101, 102 and 106-115 — Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Precinct 1
- Precincts 103-105 — Prairie View Baptist

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## TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK



Courtesy photo

From left, Kentwood Elementary teachers Tonya Grave, Jennifer Chesworth, Janice Derington and LeJean Anderson admire the redecorated teacher's lounge at the school Wednesday. Members of the school's Parent/Teacher Organization have decorated the lounge and provided breakfast to teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week.

## Underwriting Committee: Relay For Life sells itself

By **NANCY KOGER**  
Special to the Herald

To underwrite a product or project is to back or sponsor it financially, but the underwriters of the Howard-Glasscock Relay For Life have made a larger contribution: they have funded a fight for life.

The members of the

committee to find and solicit underwriters locally — which includes JoAnne Forrest, Diane Wood, Wanda Driver, Jeanie Knocke, Paula Farquhar, Joyce and Carroll Choate and Howard and Vicki Stewart — are bold and dedicated workers.

They agree that asking businesses and individu-

*"If you don't think cancer is going to visit you or someone you know someday, you're mistaken, but we hope someday to find a complete cure."*

—Carroll Choate

als to support Relay is a task that sells itself. As Knocke put it, "All you have to say is 'Relay' and

they give you a check." Carroll Choate added, "I don't ask (for donations); I get asked."

"I go to people I know and that I know love and care about Howard and Glasscock counties," said Forrest.

Forrest admitted that getting underwriters has not always been so easy.

"When we — there were about eight of us — went out on a limb that first year, we didn't know whether or not we might

have to pay for all the T-shirts," she recalled.

She related that they had advertised for cancer survivors to come and walk and everyone else to join them in support.

"When the gates opened that evening and people just poured in, we knew it was a go."

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## Salvation Army fan drive blows across city

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

The Salvation Army is beginning its annual fan drive early this year in hopes of beating the anticipated heat wave.

"We're expecting an extremely hot summer this year, so we're trying to get a jump on things," said Capt. Russ Keeney. "Last year we were able to give out more than 100 fans, and we expect



Keeney

Paula Lafler, a social worker with the local Salvation Army, said she hopes to see the program reach those in

the need to increase, as it does every year."

The drive collects donated fans and money to purchase new fans, which are then distributed to area residents.

Donations can be made in several different ways. Donors can bring in their

used fans that are in good, serviceable condition, or they can make a monetary donation. The box fans that we normally purchase usually run about \$12 or more each, but with the rising cost of everything, it could end up being higher."

Keeney said the summer vacation for school-age children and rising costs will

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# Sports

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## IN BRIEF

### Lady Buffs playoff game rescheduled

Forsan's Lady Buffaloes Regional Quarterfinals match up against Trent's Lady Gorillas was rescheduled for 5 p.m. today in Snyder due to the rains that drenched West Texas over the last two days.

No other area playoff games have been changed due to the rains.

### Lady Steers sports banquet rescheduled

Due to the Lady Steers Softball team advancing in the playoffs, the Lady Steers Sports banquet has been rescheduled for 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 21st at the Big Spring High School cafeteria. There will be a time allotted for picture taking starting at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased at the ATC or by contacting Mique Yarbar at 213-5259 or Brenda Claxton at 816-9803.

### Lady Hawk basketball camps scheduled

Howard College women's basketball Head Coach Earl Diddle will host three girls' basketball camps this summer.

The Little Hawk Camp begins on June 4. The four day camp will run from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day. This camp is for girls entering kindergarten through third grades in 2007 and costs \$50.

The Individual Day Camp also runs from June 4-7, with an afternoon session from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. each day. This camp is for girls entering grades 4-8 and costs \$60.

The Shooting and Position camp is for girls entering grades 7-12 and costs \$60. It begins June 18 and runs from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. until June 21.

For more information or to register please contact Earl Diddle at 264-5043 or Eric Rodewald at 816-4327.

### Guys and Dolls tournament results

The team of Justin Myers and Debra Lusk took first place in the championship flight of the Guys and Dolls Tournament. The tournament took place May 5 and 6 at the Big Spring Country Club. The team took home \$300 each in prize money. Myers and Lusk combined for a second round score of 63 to clinch the victory. The team of Pat Underwood and Mike Scarbrough took second in the championship flight while Delvin and Cassie Guinn took third place.

Jack and Jennifer Birdwell claimed first place in the first flight draw of the tournament. Second place in this flight went to Howard and Vicky Stewart. Jimmy and Susie Welch finished in third place.

Jerry Dudley and Joan Daniel grabbed first place in the second flight of this tournament.

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## Pitching ignites Bulldogettes' playoff run



HERALD photo/Dana Reid  
Coahoma's Heather Newton takes a cut in action earlier this season. Newton will take the mound in Game 1 of the Bulldogettes best-of-three series with Alpine this weekend.

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Herald Sports Writer

Coahoma — Coahoma's Bulldogettes were hardly challenged by Blanco's Lady Panthers in their Area playoff match up thanks to the pitching of freshman Heather Newton and senior Ami Martinez. The Lady Panthers were able to collect only one run on seven hits in the 2-game series.

Alpine's Lady Bucks are the next roadblock in Coahoma's path to Austin and another shot at a Class 2A state softball championship. The Lady Bucks defeated Colorado City 8-7 last week to claim an Area Championship. They posted a 23-9 season record and are the District 7-2A champions.

The Lady Bucks bring a stronger offensive attack to match up with Coahoma's pitchers.

"They're a very strong hitting team," said Bulldogettes Head Coach Tracy Tadlock. "They have very solid hitters scattered throughout the lineup."

Tadlock feels that his pitching tandem of Newton and Martinez

are more than capable of putting up solid performances against Alpine's batters.

"They compliment each other very well," comments Tadlock. "Heather is a power pitcher with great movement on the ball. Ami's a left-hander that pitches a little slower. She delivers more offspeed stuff."

The combination has appeared to baffle opposing batters so far. Their success as a tandem isn't limited to last week's performance against Blanco.

Newton has been the team's ace since the start of the season. Tadlock has put her up against the top pitcher from every Bulldogettes' opponent. Newton's 18-6 season record indicates that she generally comes out on top.

It doesn't get any easier for Coahoma opponents in Game 2 when Martinez steps on the mound. It's a completely different look for batters after they face the right-handed, high velocity pitches from Newton.

The left-handed Martinez doesn't put the same velocity on her

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## Bulldogs ready for Blanco

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Herald Sports Writer

Coahoma — Coahoma's Bulldogs found their gloves to be hot, but their bats to be cold in last week's bi-district victory over Early's Longhorns.

"We couldn't hit the ball," said Bulldogs Head Coach Brad Harman after their best-of-three series win over Early. "The hits came when we needed them, but we were too inconsistent at the plate. We wouldn't have won had it not been for our defense."

Coahoma showed itself to be very solid in the field. In Game 1 Friday, P.J. Daylong and Donnie Garcia made fantastic plays in the field to keep the Longhorns off the base paths, Harman said. In Game 2, the Bulldogs were able to turn three double plays.

The team even did the little things right defensively, as the outfielders routinely hit the cut-off men to prevent extra bases for Early's baserunners, Harman said.

"The defensive side of the game is mental right now," Harman said before last week's meeting with the Longhorns. "We know how to make the plays and had done it so much that it should be routine. It's a matter of just making the throws."

This week Coahoma hopes their bats liven up as they match up with Blanco's Panthers for the area crown. Blanco was co-

champions of District 8-2A, finishing the season with a 19-7 record.

Harman expects to see more consistency at the plate from the Panthers than he did from the Longhorns.

"They're a very strong hitting team with three or four guys who are great hitters," explained Harman. "Our defense has to keep playing at the level it did last week."

The Bulldogs hope to overcome the hitting woes that tainted them last week against Early. There were definite high moments at the plate for Coahoma, though. Garcia and Daylong made just as much impact with their bats in Game 1 last week as they did with their gloves, Harman said.

Garcia belted a home run to right field to help charge the Bulldogs' offensive attack.

Harman's slight concerns about his team's hitting stem from the 14 strikeouts they amassed in Game 1 against Early. The Bulldogs collected only four hits against the Longhorns in Game 2.

"I believe my team is a good hitting team," said Harman. "We've just got to get back to showing that we are."

Game 1 of Coahoma's best-of-three series with Blanco will

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HERALD photo/Dana Reid  
Coahoma's Chance Hart prepares for an at-bat in earlier action this season. Hart laid down a game-winning bunt in Game 2 of the Bulldogs best-of-three series with Early last weekend.

## Fisher gives Jazz inspirational lift over Warriors

By **DOUG ALDEN**

AP Sports Writer

SALT LAKE CITY — Nobody would have faulted Derek Fisher if he had missed Game 2 of the Western Conference semifinals against the Golden State Warriors.

Fisher's 10-month old daughter had just undergone a three-hour combination of surgery and chemotherapy for a potentially fatal form of eye cancer in New York.

He spent the whole day at the hospital and had to fly back to Utah in time for Wednesday's game, which was scheduled to tip off at 7 p.m. MDT. So it would have been understandable if Fisher — the veteran guard that Utah picked up in a trade last summer to add a leader to a young, inexperienced roster — said he just couldn't make it.

Not Fisher. "There's not enough that can be said about him and what he did tonight," Utah's Deron Williams said.

Fisher scored all five of his points in overtime of Utah's 127-117 win over the Warriors after missing almost the first three quarters. He didn't arrive until

the third quarter and didn't even take time to stretch before coach Jerry Sloan put him in the game.

Sloan, who lost his first wife to pancreatic cancer nearly three years ago, had left one of the 12 active roster spots open when Fisher called earlier in the day to say he would make it if he could. There were no guarantees.

"They kept me on the active list. They didn't have to do that," Fisher said.

Fisher's dramatic entrance in the third quarter — going straight from the locker room into the game — his 3-pointer in overtime on his only shot of the night and his disclosure after the game about the family illness that kept him from the series opener overshadowed everything else that happened Wednesday.

The Jazz blew a 12-point lead, then rallied to force the overtime after Golden State missed three crucial free throws down the stretch and Williams was able to tie it with a jumper just before the end of regulation.

Baron Davis had 36 points and seven assists, and Jason Richardson scored 27 for the Warriors.

Carlos Boozer had 30 points and 13 rebounds and Andrei

Kirilenko finished with 20 points, six blocks, nine rebounds and five assists after being called on for emergency point-guard duty when Williams was out with foul trouble and rookie Dee Brown injured his neck when teammate Mehmet Okur landed on him.

And all anybody, at least from the Jazz, could talk about was Fisher.

"What D-Fish is going through is unbearable for a lot of people," Boozer said. "He didn't have to be here. For him to be here, the fans appreciate it. We appreciate it. His presence is definitely felt."

It wasn't until after the game that Fisher went public with how serious 10-month-old Tatum's condition was. She has retinoblastoma, a cancerous tumor in her left eye that Fisher said could have been fatal if they hadn't gotten it treated quickly.

"We are still not out of the woods here for another two or three months, but for now everything is OK," Fisher said. "My girl is doing good."

Fisher said he expects to be available for the rest of the series. On Thursday, he was scheduled to complete his cross-

country trip by flying with the Jazz to Oakland, where Game 3 will be played Friday.

Brown's playing status will depend on how he's feeling. Okur landed on Brown, who's nearly a foot shorter, and sprained his neck. Brown was taken to a hospital as a precaution and listed as day-to-day.

The 6-foot rookie who attempted to take a charge from Matt Barnes and had the 6-foot-11 Okur land on him in the lane. Brown was helped from the court and with Fisher still en route, Utah had just 10 players.

Fisher missed most of the first three quarters, then ran straight from the tunnel onto the court late in the third period to a standing ovation and a few high-fives and hugs from teammates, as well as Golden State's Davis.

Utah had to rally to force the overtime after Golden State went on a 12-1 run late in the fourth quarter. The Warriors missed six free throws in the fourth quarter, three in the final 16 seconds.

"Oh yeah. That one we gave away," Davis said. "We gave that away and it hurt. It hurt a lot."

The Warriors got the Jazz to

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Obituaries

Police blotter

Chloie Lee Newton



Services will be held for Chloie Lee Newton on Friday, May 11, 2007, at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Big Spring with Rev. Pat Ray, pastor of Prairie View Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Chloie passed away at a local hospital Wednesday, May 9, 2007. Pallbearers will be her grandsons, Jimmie and Rickie Long, Gregg, Brian, John and James Newton.

Chloie was born Nov. 24, 1914, to the pioneer family of Mary and Luther Stuteville at The Grove, near Mother Neff Park. She and her family moved to Howard County when she was six years old.

She worked for Mrs. Brenner in the dry goods store and kept books for Earl Deats prior to marrying E. M. "Pug" Newton on March 1, 1941. He preceded her in death July 25, 1989. Pug and Chloie farmed north of Big Spring in the Fairview community. Together they raised four children and their nephew, Danny Carrigan of Bacliff.

Chloie later worked in the Howard County Clerk's office and retired after 20-plus years of service. She was a member of the American Business Women's Association, Home Demonstration Club and Women's Missionary Union.

Chloie became a Christian and was a member of the Prairie View Baptist Church from the age of 13 years old. She loved her family, church, cooking, and playing cards and dominos. She loved to have visitors and made everyone she met feel special and loved.

She is survived by her daughter, Shirley Ann Long and husband Donald; her sons, Marion Newton and wife Sherry, Lonnie Newton and wife, Diana, all of Big Spring, and Harrell Newton and wife Darlene of Arlington; 18 grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren; her brothers, Ross, Pete, Dean and Floyd Stuteville; her sisters, Jeary Tubb, Linda Rau, Faye Mouser, Jean Hunter and Joyce Thompson; her card playing friends Theda, Jeary, Betty, Merle and Dorothy; her faithful housekeeper and caregiver, Nita Rios; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; her infant son, Jimmie Don; her sister, Sallie Hightower; and brothers, Doug, A.J. and Calvin Stuteville.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to your favorite charity or to her church, which she loved so much: Prairie View Baptist Church, 1004 W. FM 2230, Big Spring 79720.

Friends are welcome to stop by Chloie's home to visit the family.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

*Paid obituary*

Hazel R. Holder



Hazel R. Holder, 82, passed away Tuesday, May 8, 2007. Funeral services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday in Winscott Road Funeral Chapel, 1001 Winscott Road in Benbrook. Burial is set for Scranton Cemetery in Scranton. Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. today, Thursday, May 10, 2007, at Winscott Road Funeral Home.

Hazel Holder was born Oct. 27, 1924, in San Antonio. She was preceded in death

by her husband, John B. Holder, and only granddaughter, Valerie Jean Falling.

Survivors include daughters, Carolyn Barnes and husband, Bob, of Benbrook and Linda Drake and husband, Don, of Kingwood; grandsons, Dean Black of Seattle, Wash., David Barnes of Austin and Tim Falling of Butler, Pa.; great-grandsons, Robert Barnes of Benbrook, Joshua Falling and Jordan Falling of Butler, Pa.; a brother, Donald Rierson and wife, Ivy, of Ohio; a sister, Margaret Muschalek and husband, Ernie, of Bandera; and numerous nieces and nephews.

View and sign the family's guestbook at [www.star-telegram.com/obituaries](http://www.star-telegram.com/obituaries).

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Phyllis Hildreth



Phyllis Hildreth, 68, of Big Spring, died Sunday, May 6, 2007, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Baptist Temple with Chaplain Dean Thomas officiating.

She was born Jan. 1, 1939, at Drumwright, Okla., to Virginia and Ray Ashley. She grew up in Snyder and married Lawrance Hildreth May 23, 1963, in Snyder. He preceded her in death in

2003. They moved to Big Spring in 1985. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She is survived by a daughter, Phyllis Sutter of Big Spring; four sons, Alton Sutter and wife, Crystal, of Georgetown, Johnny Sutter and wife, Rhonda, and Paul Hildreth and wife, Kim, all of Snyder, and Edward Hildreth of Amarillo; 20 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; a step-daughter, Carol Cothran of Midland; a brother, Ray Ashley of Austin; and a sister, Nancy Richards of San Diego, Calif.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one step-son, Larry Hildreth.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

Rendie Mae Jackson

Rendie Mae Jackson, 94, of Dallas, formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, May 3, 2007, in Dallas. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 12, 2007, at the West Highway 80 Church of Christ with Willie Cox Jr., minister of Church of Christ Northside in Midland, officiating. Interment will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Oct. 22, 1912, in Crockett and married Lodie Jackson in May of 1930 in Crockett. He preceded her in death on Feb. 7, 1968.

Rendie Mae attended Crockett Public School and worked for the Big Spring State Hospital until her retirement in 1993. In 1995, she relocated to Dallas to live with her son, Jimmie.

She is survived by a son, Jimmie Lee Jolley of Dallas; a daughter, Vernell Hunt of Midland; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and special friends.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Richard Tate and Anna Downie Tate; and eight brothers and sisters, Alice Brock, Linnie Tate, Daisy Wright, Dorothy Hardy, Malinda Kennard, John Henry Tate, Willie Ed Tate and Darnell Tate.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

W. A. Allen



W. A. Allen, 81, of Big Spring died Tuesday, May 8, 2007, at his residence. Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at East Fourth Baptist Church with Chaplain Dean Thomas officiating.

He was born Sept. 20, 1925, at Marshall to Georgia and Walter Allen. He grew up at Marshall. He served in the Navy in World War II in the Pacific, including the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa. He had been a resident of Big Spring for 60 years and had spent a lifetime in auto sales.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Allen of Big Spring; three sons, Jerry Allen and wife, Beth, of Big Spring, Ron Allen of Coahoma, and Kelly Allen of Fort Stockton; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and four sisters, Fannie Bell Adkins, Wilma Marlow and Oleta Weaver, all of Big Spring, and Mary Owens of Alice.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers and a sister.

The family suggests memorials to Home Hospice, 111 East 7th Street, Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

Tommy Edward Freeland

Tommy Edward Freeland, 51, of Baytown died May 5, 2007. He was born Sept. 26, 1955, in Big Spring.

He is survived by three sons, Cody T., Casey J. and Derek Jordan Freeland; his mother, Peggy Freeland; sisters, Tonia Roberts and husband, Ernie, and Sonia Freeland and husband, Wayne; as well as nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Thomas Freeland.

Andrew Joshua Dickens

Andrew Joshua Dickens, infant son of Daniel and Whitney Dickens, died Wednesday, May 9, 2007, in an Odessa hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Weather

Thursday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 50s. Northeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Friday...Sunny. Highs in the lower 80s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Friday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 50s. Northeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Saturday...Sunny. Highs in the mid 80s.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows around 60.

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s.

Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Lows around 60.

Monday...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

Monday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 3-12-13-16-25-47.  
Number matching six of six: 0.  
Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$9 million.

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AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 11-17-20-34-37.  
Number matching five of five: 1.  
Prize per winner: \$28,330.

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-6-4.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Wednesday and 7 a.m. today:

Note — An activity log was not available at press time.

- **SUSIE LEDESMA**, 21, of 1603 Cardinal, was arrested Wednesday on two local warrants.

- **JAMEY SCOTT JOHNSON**, 44, of 2517 Chanute, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.

- **MARIO YANEZ**, 26, of 1408 Oriole, was arrested Wednesday on three local *capias* warrants and two local warrants.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 52 inmates at the time of this report.

- **GABRIEL MATTHEW RODRIGUEZ**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

- **RICKY FLORES MIER**, 20, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- **JENNY JUAREZ**, 22, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on charges of bail jumping and failure to appear (two counts).

- **ROBERTO DUTCHOVER PEREZ**, 21, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of ride not secured by a safety belt, violation of a promise to appear and possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

- **JULIANA RENEE JUAREZ**, 19, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on a charge of no insurance.

- **MELANIE RENEE GUZMAN**, 20, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on a charge of no driver's license.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 6500 block of E. Midway Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 500 block of W. 17th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 400 block of Pennsylvania. Service refused.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2500 block of Gregg. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1400 block of Princeton. Service refused.

Bulletin Board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email [editor@bigspringherald.com](mailto:editor@bigspringherald.com)

TODAY

- American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.

- Howard College Vocational Nursing Program graduates will receive pins at 6 p.m. in the Hall Center auditorium.

- SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf annual Awards Convocation will be held at 7 p.m. in the Activity Center on campus.

- The Prospector's Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at 606 E. Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. For more information contact Lola Lamb at 263-3340 or Doyle and Virginia McClain at 263-8407.

- Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-2005 for more information.

- Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 221 Main. Meal served. Meeting at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281.

- SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf will hold commencement at 10 a.m. in the Activity Center on campus.

- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

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# Rangers prove to be the tonic New York needs

By MIKE FITZPATRICK

AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — The New York Yankees began to turn their season around as soon as they started playing Texas.

Derek Jeter drove in three runs, Mike Mussina pitched three-hit ball for six innings and New York extended its domination of the Rangers with a 6-2 victory Wednesday night.

Bobby Abreu and Hideki Matsui each hit an RBI double in a four-run first off Robinson

Tejeda, helping the Yankees improve to 18-2 against Texas since July 20, 2005 — including 5-0 the past two weeks. New York (16-16) also reached .500 for the first time since dropping to 8-8 with a loss at Boston on April 21.

“Now we start thinking about five games over,” manager Joe Torre said.

Boosted by a string of solid starts at last, the Yankees are 8-3 overall following a seven-game losing streak.

“Once we start winning ballgames, it gets kind of contagious,” Mussina said. “We’re playing like we should have been playing from the beginning.”

Even backup catcher Wil Nieves got in on the fun. With starter Jorge Posada getting a rest before a day game Thursday, Nieves singled in the sixth for his first major league hit in 35 at-bats since Sept. 29, 2002, with San Diego against the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Nieves tried to stretch it into a double but was thrown out easily by Brad Wilkerson. Nieves got a warm hand from the crowd of 47,930 as he trotted off the field — and plenty of good-natured ribbing in the dugout.

“I got the ball,” Nieves said. “I got a little bit too excited, tried to go to second, got thrown out. Jeter and (Robinson) Cano were killing me. They said, ‘Did you see the outfielder catching the ball before you reached first

base?’ I said, ‘No.’”

All-Star shortstop Michael Young of the Rangers left in the fifth with tightness in his right hamstring and it sounds as though he won’t start Thursday.

“This infield is really wet. Coming out of the box on a groundball yesterday, I felt a little snag,” Young said. “It’s sore, but I’ll be fine. I’ll be ready to pinch-hit.”

Young hasn’t missed a game since 2005.

## Junior may leave DEI racing team

By JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. will drive a Chevrolet next season, that much he’s made clear. Just who he’ll be driving for may finally be answered.

Earnhardt called a Thursday morning news conference amid speculation he would announce he’s leaving Dale Earnhardt Inc., the company founded by his late father and now run by his stepmother, Teresa.

He released no details, and when approached at a Wednesday evening sponsor event at Atlanta Motor Speedway,

Earnhardt told the Atlanta Journal-Constitution he planned to “talk about some ideas I’ve got for the future” but would not elaborate.

Most everyone in NASCAR has followed the twists and turns of Earnhardt’s contract talks, which have been somewhat contentious as he and his sister have fought for control of DEI. His deal is up at the end of the season, and he’s asked for 51 percent ownership be included in the extension.

As NASCAR’s most popular driver, Earnhardt holds all the cards and can dictate what he wants to do.

## BULLDOGS

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start at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Foster Field in San Angelo. This will mark the second consecutive week that the Bulldogs have played a playoff series at Foster Field.

Harman says the rains that have fallen over West Texas should not effect the time and date of their game in San Angelo. Foster Field is home of the San Angelo Colts and employs a full grounds crew. A tarp is laid over the infield when it’s raining. That’s a luxury not found at high school stadiums.

Game 2 is scheduled to take place at 10:00 a.m. Saturday. Harman hasn’t decided who will be the starting pitcher for the

second game yet, but is leaning towards Blane Kerby.

A third game, if necessary, will be played approximately 30 minutes after the completion of Game 2.

The Bulldogs hope to claim the Area championship and move on to the Regional Quarterfinals of the Class 2A state baseball tournament where they would face either Junction or Grape Creek.

“Blanco is a very good baseball team just like any team we face now should be,” said Harman. “I believe that we can beat anyone if we play up to our capabilities.”

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pitches, but she hits her spots. Batters start swinging too early in anticipation of a faster pitch.

“We wouldn’t have won this series without our pitchers,” Tadlock said after the Bulldogettes Game 2 victory Saturday. “We needed them to step up because of our hitting struggles.”

Coahoma had a tough time hitting the ball against Blanco’s pitchers. However, Tadlock still has great confidence in his team’s ability to hit the ball.

“We had a tough time with the offspeed stuff that Blanco threw at us,” explained Tadlock. “Our bats are fine though. I expect us to hit better against Alpine.”

Two Coahoma batters that did not were Martinez and second baseman Laci Sterling.

Sterling has been the Bulldogettes strongest hitter for most of the season. She was the only consistent presence at the plate in Coahoma’s 4-1 Game 1 victory over Blanco. She

hit a 2-run homer in the first inning and scored another run later in the game.

“Laci comes up with the hits when we need them most,” said Tadlock. “She fast too. She’s 8-for-8 stealing bases this season.”

Her speed is further exemplified by the team-leading eight triples that she’s sped her way to.

Martinez dominated at the plate as well as on the mound in Coahoma’s 3-0 Game 2 victory over the Lady Panthers last week. She went 3-for-3 at the plate with an RBI and a run scored.

Newton will get her usual start in Game 1 of Coahoma’s best-of-three series with Alpine that starts at 6 p.m. Friday in Odessa at OHF Field in the Ratliff Complex. Game 2 is scheduled for 12 p.m. Saturday. Martinez will get the starting nod for it. A third game, if necessary, will take place approximately 30 minutes after the completion of Game 2.

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## BRIEFS

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### Magers-Powell camp scheduled

Rose Magers-Powell, the Big Spring High School Hall of Fame volleyball star and 1984 Olympian, will again be conducting a volleyball camp at BSHS this summer.

The camp is scheduled for July 30-Aug. 1 with sessions for middle school playres from 9 a.m. to noon and the high school players’ session from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

The fee will be \$125 per player.

Players can register online and get additional information on the camp by going to Magers-Powell’s website, www.gotrosevolleyballcamps.com.

### Relay for Life ragball tournament slated

The Relay for Life Ragball Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at Big Spring High School’s Lady Steers Softball Field.

## JAZZ

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play an uptempo game again two days after Utah outlasted Golden State 116-112 in the series opener.

The Warriors forced 23 turnovers, but were again badly outrebounded, 60-32, and was just 26-for-37 from the foul line.

“The free throw betrayed us. It was right there,” Warriors coach Don Nelson said.

Notes: Kirilenko had 13 blocks in the first two games. ... The Warriors last rallied from an 0-2 deficit to win a series in 1987, when they lost two games to the Jazz and won the next three in the best-of-5 opening round. ... The Warriors were 15-for-40 from 3-point range and 26-of-37 from the foul line. ... Rookie Paul Millsap had 10 points for Utah. ... Stephen Jackson had 18 points, and Al Harrington score 17 for the Warriors.

Teams will consist of five male and five female players. Entry fees are \$10 per player.

Registration is set for 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 12, with the first game of the tournament set to start at 11 a.m. that day.

### Forsan reschedules its all-sports banquet

Forsan High School’s All-Sports Banquet has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, May 21, at the high school.

For more information, contact Debbie Burton at 457-2223.

### Texas Tech schedules summer sports camps

Texas Tech University has scheduled several sports camps for this

summer.

The Tim Siegel Tennis Camps are set for June 2-6 and June 17-21. The overnight camps are for players 8 to 17 of all abilities.

### WBU schedules tryout baseball camp

The Wayland Baptist University baseball staff is holding a tryout camp for graduating high school seniors and college players with remaining eligibility interested in becoming a part of the Pioneer baseball program. The camp is scheduled for Saturday, May 26 at David and Myrt Wilder field, located on the WBU campus in Plainview.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. with the tryouts to follow at 9:00. There is

no cost. For more information or to make reservations, contact Coach Josh Milner at 806-292-1690 or 806-291-1158 or email him at milnerj@wbu.edu.

### Caprock AAU Qualifier scheduled

Caprock West Texas Basketball is hosting the AAU Boys District Qualifier for ages 10 thru Varsity. The qualifier will be held May 18 thru 20 in Lubbock. The entry deadline is May 15.

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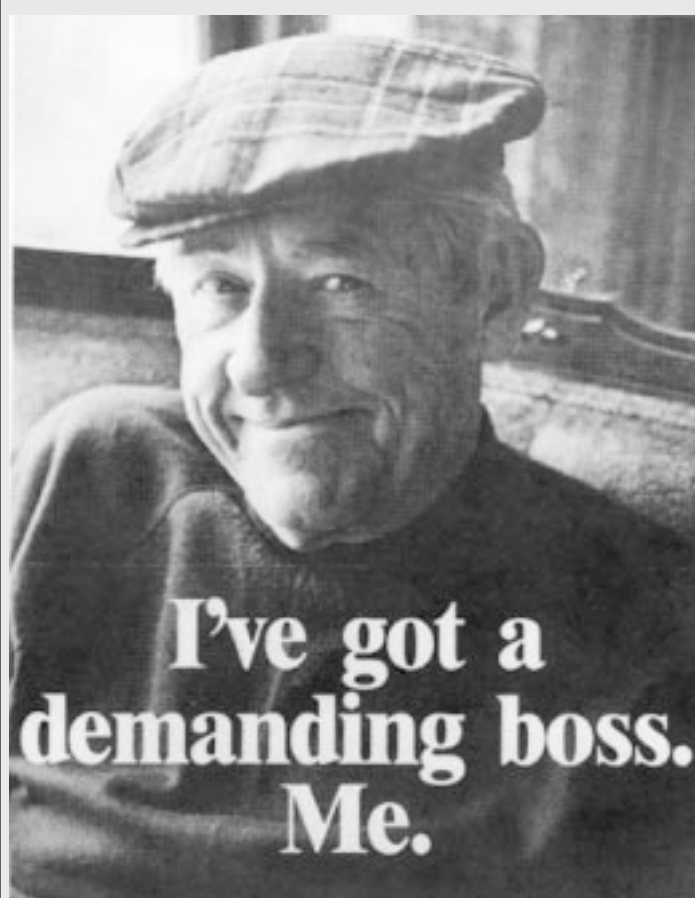
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**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

**BY HOLIDAY MATHIS**

If yesterday was about your bets, today



**HOLIDAY MATHIS**

Jupiter and Uranus show up at the blackjack table, all or nothing. When these slick glamazons enter the casino with megawatt smiles, you sense you're in the presence of magic, and you're right. Sure, it's risky, but the payoff is sweet. This duo loves to turn fortunes around. Maybe it'll be yours.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Just when you winnowed your material needs more or less down to bare essentials, something glittery this way comes. By getting rid of unwanted stuff, you created a vacuum that pulls what you want closer to you.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Your homing device kicks in. Like a carrier pigeon, you intuitively know exactly where you're going. So what if you can't fathom how to get there? Trust it. Start flying.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Complaining never helped anyone, except maybe a handful of standup comedians. So why limit your world to a list of litanies? What you focus on expands; it's a spiritual law.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Life gives you something new to look at

— your pupils dilate to take it all in. Initially, you won't be sure how you feel about this strange eye candy, but for now it's all very interesting.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Thank your genie in the bottle for the wishes she's about to grant. What? No genie? Don't have a bottle? Of course you do! Know who your lucky friends are, and start polishing those relationships.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Everyone knows an odd couple, whether it's a pair of pets that make you smile, or mismatched socks. The quirkiness of odd pairings has special luck. Dare to be one half of an odd couple.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If something sits too long in one place it creates stale energy, or what the Chinese call stale chi. Don't wait for a hurricane to shake things up. Your own quiet storm will be much more organized and manageable.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Maybe you found the money you were looking for in a forgotten wallet. Or maybe you've found an investor to finance your creative enterprise. Whatever it is, it's a windfall.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your career puzzle is piecing together. You serendipitously show up at the right place at the right time, though you may not realize this until you look back days from now.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-

Jan. 19). When it's working, why ask why? When it's not working, asking why is also a bad idea. Today, ban the question entirely and focus on showing up where you said you'd be when you said you'd be there.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Someone near and dear is behaving selfishly. This is an opportunity for you to go do your own thing. You can't control this person's attitude, but you can control your reaction to it.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Your career has more twists and turns than a roller-coaster ride, encouraging you to lift your hands from the bar and just let go. An older figure or boss believes in you.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I am a 41-year-old male Gemini, born May 25, 1965, who just recently married the woman I've longed for, born Jan. 5, 1970. In typical Gemini fashion, I have a few thousand questions to ask, so I'll force myself to keep it short. We're both poker players. I know it is gambling, but cards and poker have a connection to life. Why is it that when I play my cards correctly — in life and poker — I so often lose? We were married with the theme "Lucky in Love," and if that's all I'll be lucky in, that's a beautiful thing. But why?"

In astrology, Jupiter is the planet of luck, which

everyone has somewhere in their chart. Jupiter is on your sun, how grand! Everyone sees you as overwhelmingly good-natured and jolly, which attracts a good amount of lucky coincidences into your life. Poker is a great game for you because your chart has tons of mutable, "driven to distraction" energy. The game challenges you to corral your focus and get your timing down. You can focus on creating a winning strategy, but the game of life isn't about winning or losing, but becoming your personal best.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Not all Taurus-born folks are nature lovers, or singers. But many are. Bono is both. He was one of the first musicians to link environmental and political causes directly to his concerts. The real burning question: What's with the sunglasses? He says flashbulb lights hurt his eyes and he likes his privacy. With his moon and Neptune in secretive Scorpio, elusive glamour is his signature look.

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**Annie's Mailbox®: Advice for those in need**

Dear Annie: I'm a 60-year-old woman, married 22 years. My husband, "John," quit his job in order to work at home and monitor our 17-year-old son, who has refused to go to school and has been in court and on probation several times. John is depressed over that, as well as the loss of sight in one eye. Numerous treatments with a specialist have not helped.

Compounding our problems is my lack of desire for him. Besides his obvious depression, John bathes about twice a week and shaves only before church or a doctor's appointment. He wears the most scruffy, dilapidated clothes around the house, does not cut his nails (especially his toenails), and his breath is incredibly offensive. It's partly due to his medications, but he won't even consider brushing his tongue or gargling with mouthwash.

I'm post-menopausal and must use hormone creams or intercourse is extremely painful. Intimacy is more trouble than it's worth. I know John would like to have sex, but it all seems so mechanical and awkward.

I work a demanding full-time job and pay all the bills. I am often tired, but still find time to do a little volunteering in my church. I'd really like to go to counseling, but John believes no one can help us with our problems, especially with his failing eyesight and our wayward son. We don't talk about sex anymore. We're planning to kick out our deadbeat son when he turns 18, but then what? — A Daily Reader

Dear Reader: John is more than depressed. He feels helpless and overwhelmed by his vision problems and his son's behavior, and he probably thinks pushing



**KATHY MITCHELL  
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you away is what he deserves. Counseling would be enormously helpful, but if he won't go, go without him. You can learn coping skills and ideas for working with John to make the best of your situation. Please don't give up on him.

Dear Annie: I am getting married soon. My mother and I have a long history of not getting along, so I was hesitant about inviting her, but I did. She seemed so excited, even going so far as having me invite her friends. But she found out there will be an open bar at the reception and invited all of her drinking buddies.

I have always been embarrassed by my mother, even during my school years. Mom recently got mad at me and said awful things about my wedding. A week later, she talks as if she never made those ugly remarks.

Mom is my only living relative and I would like her to give me away, but she's so unpredictable that I don't want my new in-laws meeting her. What should I do? — In Doubt in Texas

Dear Texas: You can't keep your in-laws from meeting your mother forever, so you may as well bite the bullet now. However, there's no reason you have to accommodate her drinking buddies. If they are not invited, they

should not be there. If they were issued invitations, alert the bartenders to keep an eye on them. You might also assign a friend (or hire someone) to watch your mother and keep her from getting soused and causing problems. (This, too, shall pass.)

Dear Annie: I was infuriated with your advice to "Below 450," whose mother had used her Social Security number six years ago to pay off bills and buy a computer.

I work in a bank and have to deal with people who have had fraud perpetrated on their accounts. The fact that "Below 450's" mom is unrepentant and won't pay her back only leaves one option: prosecute. That teaches her to take charge of her life by not letting anyone walk over her, and second, that Mom is a thief and thieves need to be punished. — South Dakota Banker

Dear South Dakota: We understand your point of view, but we don't agree. It requires quite a bit of sangfroid to put one's mother in prison. Mom has been clean for six years. We think she deserves one more chance.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been married for four years and together for six. Each of us has a young child from a previous relationship, and we have a toddler daughter together.

At first, his 9-year-old son, "Dean," stayed with us almost every weekend and at least one or two nights during the week. Then it was every other weekend and one night a week, then down to every other weekend, all Dean's choice. Now it's reached the point where he doesn't want to come over at all.

Dean claims the rules are too strict and I treat him "different." Annie, I

don't think our rules are strict, but at his mother's house, he has no rules at all. I've gone out of my way to be nice to him and include him in everything. We have always done a lot of activities together as a family. I've even backed off on the parenting and let my husband be in charge of Dean's rules. I don't know what else to do.

It's normal for Dean to be up until midnight on school nights and 5 a.m. on weekends. He has no boundaries on the kind of TV programs he's allowed to watch, and you would cringe to hear the adult programming he speaks of. He also doesn't understand why he can't have unlimited access to snacks at our house. It doesn't help that Dean's mom takes his side and trashes us in front of him.

My husband is close to giving in out of desperation to see his son. I don't think he's doing the boy any favors by eliminating all structure and discipline. Not only is it bad for Dean, it's unfair to the other children. This is starting to tear our family apart. What should we do? — Wicked Stepmother

Dear Stepmother: Dean is testing you both, but children truly do not want to see their parents give up their authority. It makes them feel insecure. Can your husband speak to his ex-wife, calmly, and explain that a lack of discipline is harmful to their son? Would she consider family counseling? In any event, Dean and his mother should abide by the court-ordered visitation arrangement (if there isn't one, talk to a lawyer). Dean should know his father loves him enough to fight for him.

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# House approves measure to suspend gas tax through summer

By APRIL CASTRO

Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — Heading off for a summer vacation?

Some Texas lawmakers are trying to take the bite out of ever-rising gas prices, but the state Senate and Gov. Rick Perry now hold the keys to delivering a 20-cent-per-gallon reduction.

The Texas House approved the proposal Wednesday as part

of a sweeping tax collection bill, sending it to the state Senate for consideration.

If the Senate agrees with changes the House made, the legislation can go to the governor's desk to be signed into law.

But, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate, has cast doubt on the measure's chances in that chamber.

"We're going to take a look at that very, very carefully. But there are many ways to cut

taxes," Dewhurst said.

The measure would cost an estimated \$500 million to \$700 million. The state is sitting on a record budget surplus, but state leaders plan to save about \$8 billion for future use. Some of that would be to ensure promised school property tax relief in future years.

"The Legislature made a promise to reduce local school property taxes by one-third, not just for 2008 and 2009 but to do

their very best to provide that same tax relief in 2010 and 2011," Dewhurst said. "And today, things may change tomorrow, but today, I'm frankly a little worried about our budget."

Perry has suggested using about \$2.5 billion in additional property tax relief, more than the one-third cut that has already been promised.

"While he applauds lawmakers for looking at ways to

reduce Texans tax burden, (Perry) believes taxpayers deserve more than \$500 million in relief when the state has a record budget surplus, Perry spokesman Ted Royer said.

If the Senate rejects the House version, members of each chamber would be appointed to a conference committee to negotiate a compromise.

The gas-tax relief would be effective immediately upon becoming law.

# House approves plan for \$3 billion investment in cancer research

By JIM VERTUNO

Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — With a far-reaching goal of curing cancer, the House approved a constitutional amendment on Wednesday that would allow Texas to set up a special \$3 billion fund for high-level research.

Gov. Rick Perry and a bipartisan group of lawmakers have been push-

ing the plan to put Texas on the cutting edge of cancer research with collaboration between private and public research groups.

"This is about legacy," said Rep. Jim Keffer, the Eastland Republican who sponsored the amendment. "It may be one of the most positive actions we can take, to cure cancer in our lifetime and do it in Texas."

The House voted 109-26 to send the measure to the Senate. If approved there, the amendment goes before Texas voters on the November statewide ballot.

But Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst wasn't enthusiastic about the measure's future.

"We'll look at this very seriously and do what we can," said Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate.

The vote came a day after Perry decided not to veto a bill that blocked his order to vaccinate Texas middle school girls against the virus that causes cervical cancer.

One lawmaker chastised the House for its conflicting votes on the vaccine and the cancer research fund.

"If that research comes back with another vaccine, will you come back

with the same reluctance?" said Rep. Jessica Farrar, D-Houston.

An estimated 35,000 Texans die of cancer every year, and 85,000 new cases are diagnosed.

The plan would allow the state to issue up to \$300 million a year in bonds, which the newly created Cancer

Prevention and Research Institute of Texas would use to make grants to

public or private institutions, state universities and medical schools.

"I'm a survivor," said Rep. Senfronia

Thompson, a Houston Democrat who was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2004. "I would like to sit back and talk to my grandchildren and great grandchildren and tell them I had something to do with the right to the cure."



Courtesy photo

Underwriters Committee members include, left to right, bottom row, Howard Stewart and Vicki Stewart, and second row, JoAnne Forrest and Joyce Choate, and back row, Diane Wood, Paula Farquhar, Wanda Driver and Carroll Choate.

## RELAY

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Forrest has seen how Big Spring has embraced Relay's overnight concept of spending time working and playing, going from light into darkness and greeting the new day together.

"This event is so family, so personal, so for everybody. It has a spirit about it and it's a fit for Big Spring," she affirmed.

Paula Farquhar, who is also the chair of the Cancer Prevention Survey 3 event taking place during Relay this year, is a first-time underwriter committee member.

"We had a meeting, divided up the list of names, took a letter of explanation to people we knew, and we had our backers.

It was that easy," she said. Farquhar hopes that getting people to sign up for the CPS3 program will be equally as easy.

The common denominator for all the committee members is cancer. Some of them are cancer survivors, others have experienced the disease in their families. Farquhar had breast cancer seven years ago; Forrest's daughter had a melanoma; Wood's husband has survived the disease. Some have lost family members; for Driver and Knocke, it was their father. Choate's sister succumbed to cancer.

"If you don't think cancer is going to visit you or someone you know someday, you're mistaken," Choate staid, "but we hope someday to find a complete cure."

What do the underwriters receive for the donations they

make? There are various levels of giving with different levels of reward. For donations of \$5,000 or more, the sponsor gets recognition in all event promotions. Levels of giving between \$3,000 and \$1,000 get lower levels of recognition. A \$700 donation gets their company logo on back of the T-shirts and \$250 up gets the company name in type on back of the shirts.

Underwriters need not be large companies or give great donations.

"We have probably missed asking some people who would like to be involved," mused Forrest. "We hope they will come forward and work with us."

The Howard Glasscock Relay For Life will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, May 18, at Blankenship Field, with the Survivors' Walk at 8 p.m. and a Luminaria Ceremony at 10 p.m.

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• Precincts 401-403, 404 within Big Spring ISD, 405, 406 and 410 — Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Precinct 4

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Bloom said it's important for voters to remember to bring

their voter registration card with them to the polls Saturday.

"Having your voter registration card will help us ensure that you receive the correct ballot," said Bloom. "With all of the different races this year, it can certainly be tough. It makes it all a lot easier if you

have your card with you."

For more information on Saturday's election, contact the County Elections Office at 264-2273.

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## CEREMONIES

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in the Hall Center auditorium.

A full slate of graduation ceremonies begins Friday with SWCID's

commencement at 10 a.m. in the Activity Center. Thirty-one students will receive diplomas and certificates during the ceremony.

Howard College Dental Hygiene graduates will be the next to take the stage

when they hold their pinning ceremony at 1 p.m. in the Hall Center auditorium.

At 4 p.m. in the auditorium, the Associate Degree Nursing graduates will receive their pins, college officials

announced.

At 7 p.m., 237 Howard College students will don caps and gowns to participate in the school's graduation exercises at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Contact Staff Writer

## FANS

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only compound the danger presented by stifling summer heat.

"The kids will be out of school and temperatures are rising with each passing day," said Keeney. "Summer can be fun for most of us, but our seniors and toddlers are affected the most by heat exhaustion and dehydra-

tion. And with our current economy, gas alone is costing most working families \$40 or more a week. The less fortunate families and those on fixed incomes cannot afford simple luxuries like fans.

"That's where we step in. Every year the people of Big Spring come together to help provide these families with a fan to help ease some of the heat. This program has always been a great suc-

cess and we're aiming for yet another successful year with everyone's help."

The Salvation Army office is located at 811 W. Fifth Street and open from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. with an hour break for lunch at noon.

For more information

on the program, or to make a donation, contact Lafler at 267-8239.

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**AN ENCOURAGING WORD**

By Eddy Pitchford

A contestant selects a case because he believes it holds one million dollars. His belief is tested as he opens other cases with varying dollar amounts. As each case is opened, his belief is tested and adjusted.

Family and friends offer encouragement and advice. They express agreement or frustration each time a case is opened. Their reaction strengthens or weakens the belief of the contestant.

Life is a constant testing and adjusting of belief. Money, family and friends influence us as we decide if we should exchange what we have for what seems so tempting. Be careful and deal wisely! "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matthew 16:26)

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## OTHER VIEWS

# Deprived of presidential opportunity

Naturalized U.S. citizens can vote, serve on juries, be drafted into the military and even conduct foreign affairs as secretary of state. But they cannot be president, and during the recent Republican presidential debate, all but three candidates said they'd like to keep it that way.

The constitutional provision barring foreign-born citizens from the presidency is obsolete. It was intended to prevent subversive foreign powers from forcing the fledgling republic back under monarchical rule; the Framers feared America would suffer the same fate as Poland, which in 1772 had been partitioned after several other countries bribed its nobles to elect a disloyal king. Now only inertia and xenophobia keep the provision alive. Its persistence is particularly bizarre in today's world, where choosing to become a U.S. citizen requires so much more civic preparation and commitment to the United States than just being born here (have you seen the citizenship exam?).

Some of the 13 million people excluded from running for president by this provision — most famously California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, R, and Michigan Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm, D — have been U.S. citizens for decades. Many of those excluded have grown up pledging allegiance to the flag, including the 13 percent of all adopted children in the United States who were born abroad. One of the particularly ironic cases from this group is Sen. John McCain's daughter Bridget, who was adopted from Bangladesh. It should be up to voters to decide whether she and other naturalized citizens are "loyal" enough to be president.

But during the debate, every candidate except Rudy Giuliani, Mike Huckabee, and Mr. McCain (who said he would "seriously consider" an amendment) said the constitutional provision should remain. Asked to explain their positions, those against amending the Constitution either did not return calls or offered no substantive explanation. Mitt Romney's press secretary Kevin Madden, for example, would say only that Mr. Romney's position "speaks for itself."

No one is asking the candidates to use all their political capital on this issue. But it's disappointing that they summarily dismiss the idea of updating the Constitution on behalf of their fellow citizens. The issue is not whether Mr. Schwarzenegger or Ms. Granholm would make a good president. The issue is that those two, and 13 million other loyal citizens, are being deprived of an opportunity they should have, while the nation deprives itself of potential leadership talent.

—THE WASHINGTON POST

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We can be all smile and happiness when we trust in You.  
Amen

# Thank you, Mom, for being you

Growing up, I looked at Mother's Day each year kind of like most people, grabbing a quick card and some flowers and rushing through the holiday as quickly as possible. I didn't give much thought to the meaning of the day, or how much of an impact my mother has had in my life.

That changed rather drastically a couple of years ago when I discovered, quite accidentally, that I was adopted.

While certainly a shock to the system for a man in his 30s already raising his own daughter, I have to admit it didn't mess with my head nearly as much as I would have expected. For the most part, I suppose it was a lot like finding out you almost died when you were an infant, with the severity and gravity of the situation having been washed nearly completely away over the years.

And, most importantly, the discovery didn't alter the way I felt about my mom and dad, not to mention my loving sister — who told me years ago she found me under a rock, which may have been closer to the truth than I wanted to know — and the rest of my family.

At least, at the time, I didn't think it altered anything.

However, with plenty of time as a single father to watch my 7-year-old daughter grow and learn, I realize it has altered — maybe influenced is a better word — the way I look at my mom and dad.

In short, it made me respect and

love them even more.

Let's face facts, people. When most parents find out they are going to have a baby, that's just Mother Nature stepping in and repropagating the species. Like it or not, Mommy and Daddy now have a whole new slew of responsibilities to fill, and they had best get crackin' at it.

I know it's not a pretty picture of parenthood, accompanied by Norman Rockwell paintings and pretty little bunny ears, but it's life on this tensile scale of our little rock, which continues hurtling through space toward some sort of grand design.

So, for the most part, when people find out they are going to be parents, they don't really have much choice in the matter. Late nights, dirty diapers and baby formula accidentally finding its way into someone's coffee are just the way of things.

Not so for my parents. They chose to take me on as their responsibility when no one else wanted me. They chose to take lil' baby me, even though they were finished raising my sister and would soon be free of many of their parental duties, and start the whole process over again.

That's some pretty heavy stuff, if you ask me.

Not only did they sign on knowing the pains of parenthood — thanks to my mischievous sister — they also took me knowing I was very, very ill, basically on death's door. According to the doctors who saw me only days after my adoption, I was only weeks away from a tiny little coffin. How's that for a chilling thought?

My mother, knowing the terrible trials that lay before her and my father, took me in and saved my life.



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# Anti-immigrant rhetoric leads to violence

When Los Angeles police launched an attack on thousands of peaceful immigrant-rights protesters and many members of the news media last week, the violent nature of the U.S. anti-immigrant movement was finally exposed.

The immigrant-bashing rhetoric of the last couple of years materialized into baton swinging and rubber bullet-shooting cops — an appalling scene that some of the bashers later tried to justify.

Ironically, while conservative extremists are constantly trying to portray all illegal immigrants as violent criminals, it's the cops who are under federal investigation for violating the law and behaving violently. The FBI is looking into whether police targeted immigrants and if the civil rights of the protesters were violated.

And of those violations, they have ample evidence. Videos of the cops attacking demonstrators and journalists from behind, as these people actually tried to follow orders and hurriedly tried to walk away from the scene, provide disturbing evidence of how far xenophobic hatred can take us in this country.

Some pro-immigrant activists believe the violence may actually help their cause because it will make Congress and the general public see the urgency of passing a comprehensive immigration reform bill that creates a path to citizenship for the nation's estimated 12 million illegal immi-

grants.

But other pro-immigrant activists fear that it will hurt, because immigrant haters will find a way to blame the LAPD violence on the demonstrators and because many illegal immigrants may be discouraged from participating in future protests.

The cops say they were provoked. And they probably were. Protest organizers have to do a much better job of distancing themselves from radical fringe groups that are mostly comprised of professional agitators — anarchists who have nothing to do with immigration but cling to any excuse to confront authorities.

Yet, instead of limiting their response to the small group of anarchists who were allegedly throwing rocks and plastic bottles at them, the cops went after thousands of peaceful demonstrators at a rally in Los Angeles' MacArthur Park.

Even Los Angeles Police Chief William Bratton has suggested, before several investigations are concluded, that the cops may have overreacted. He said the videos show that there had been "inappropriate" behavior by officers. Inappropriate? Wouldn't that be more like when cops fail to be courteous public servants?

Attacking and striking innocent bystanders — shooting hundreds of rubber bullets into crowds that included even children — is not just inappropriate. It is downright criminal behavior.

These were not cops who felt cornered by an angry and threatening mob and might have reacted in self-defense. These were officers who were in fact the aggressors, marching in a well-coordinated

attack — and in a gravely disproportionate reaction to the situation.

The television reports showed how the cops mistreated even the people who were trying to follow their orders. They showed a police officer knocking down a cameraman, then grabbing the camera and tossing it to the ground. They showed the bleeding welts on the bodies of victims struck by rubber bullets.

The police tactics have been condemned by not only immigrant-rights activists, but by media organizations. "There is evidence that officers knocked reporters to the ground, used batons on photographers and damaged cameras, possibly motivated by anger over journalists photographing efforts by officers to control the movements of marchers," charged the Radio and Television News Association in a statement.

The Los Angeles rally was one of dozens held throughout the country on May 1, and one of hundreds that have taken place in the last year. Until now, all of them had been peaceful, wonderful demonstrations of the fact that most illegal immigrants are decent and humble people.

Amazingly, when things finally got violent, the people who are constantly accused of being the criminals ended up being the victims.

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# House Democrats grill Gonzales on firings

By LAURIE KELLMAN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Democrats pressed for more answers on the firings of U.S. attorneys Thursday even as Attorney General Alberto Gonzales insisted he hasn't remembered any new details. Republicans demanded that the investigation be closed.

"My feelings and recollections about this matter have not changed," Gonzales told the House Judiciary Committee, three weeks after telling a Senate panel he couldn't recall specific conversations or details in response to more than 70 questions.

Gonzales won more support from House Republicans than he got from their counterparts on the Senate Judiciary

Committee last month, when only one GOP senator defended the embattled attorney general. This time, Republicans echoed Gonzales' call to move on, indicating that the embattled attorney general may have weathered the political storm.

"The list of accusations has mushroomed, but the evidence of wrongdoing has not," said Rep. Lamar Smith of Texas, the committee's senior GOP member. "If there are no fish in this lake, we should reel in our lines of questions, dock our empty boat and turn to more pressing issues."

Democrats showed no willingness to quit asking questions about whether White House officials ordered the firings of prosecutors not sufficiently loyal to the Bush administra-

tion. Democrats probed whether the Justice Department scuttled more prosecutors than the eight jettisoned over the winter, asking about prosecutor resignations in Los Angeles and Missouri.

"The department's most precious asset — its reputation for integrity and independence — has been called into question," said committee chairman John Conyers, D-Mich. "Until we get to the bottom of how this list was created, and why, those doubts will persist."

"Cooperate with us," Conyers appealed to Gonzales.

"I'm trying, Mr. Chairman," the attorney general replied.

Having survived months of calls for his resignation, Gonzales appeared less nervous. He acknowledged a sink-

ing morale at the Justice Department in the wake of the prosecutor firings but made it clear he plans to remain as attorney general — despite what he described as his mistakes in overseeing the dismissals.

Republican members of the House panel moved on to other subjects — though much of this questioning was no more friendly.

Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., asked why there had been no new developments in the federal bribery probe of Rep. William Jefferson, D-La.

"I cannot talk about that," Gonzales replied.

"Well, everyone is talking about it except you," Sensenbrenner shot back. "This is kind of embarrassing."

The questioning quickly turned back to the fired prosecutors.

Under persistent questioning Thursday about who originated the list of prosecutors to be fired, Gonzales maintained his former chief of staff, Kyle Sampson, put it together after gathering information from other senior officials in the Justice Department.

"I understood it to be the consensus of the senior leadership of the department," Gonzales said.

He acknowledged, however, that presidential adviser Karl Rove raised concerns with Gonzales about voter fraud prosecutions in three jurisdictions, including New Mexico. David Iglesias, the U.S. attorney there, was later fired.

# War funding expected only through July

By ANNE FLAHERTY

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The White House acknowledged public frustration with the Iraq war but tried to play down Republican anxieties Thursday as the House prepared to pass legislation that could cut off funding for U.S. troops as early as July.

The bill is hotly contested by the White House, opposed by nearly all Republicans and unlikely to survive in the Senate. But House Democratic leaders say the measure shows they refuse to back down in challenging President Bush on a deeply unpopular and costly war.

"The president refuses to listen to the American people who want this war to end," said House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.

The White House confirmed that Bush held an unannounced meeting this week with House Republican moderates who expressed deepening concerns about the war. Several participants described a remarkably blunt discussion in which lawmakers told the president the war was unsustainable without public support, and was having a corrosive effect on GOP political fortunes.

Presidential spokesman Tony Snow refused to discuss details of the meeting but said, "Of course there are frustrations."

"It is striking to me ... that people are shocked that the president is hearing candid advice from people who have concerns."

"And I'm telling you that where the rubber meets the road, right now here in Washington, Republicans are united, Democrats are divided. Period," Snow said, "If you want disunity, there's far more disunity on the Democratic side."

Thursday's vote in the House comes as Iraqi lawmakers endorsed a timetable for the withdrawal of foreign troops and demanded a freeze on the number already in the country. Drafted by the parliamentary bloc loyal to anti-American Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, the proposal was signed by 144 members of the 275-member house, said Nassar al-Rubaie, the leader of the Sadrist bloc.

The House bill would provide the military with \$42.8 billion to keep operations going through July, buy equipment and train Iraqi and Afghan security forces. Congress would decide shortly before its August recess whether to release an additional \$52.8 billion for war spending through September.

A dozen or so members

in Congress are attempting to strike a bipartisan compromise on the war. Few have come forward with concrete plans — perhaps out of reluctance to champion a proposal until they know it can succeed. None of the proposals put in plain view have picked up steam.

"We'll see what happens," said Rep. Bud Cramer, D-Ala. "A lot of us are coming together across the aisle. We're under the radar now, but we're meeting."

Many Republicans have grown nervous on the war.

Three Republicans — Reps. Frank Wolf of Virginia, Michael McCaul of Texas and Mark Udall of Colorado — circulated a letter Wednesday urging their colleagues to co-sponsor legislation that would put in place recommendations from the independent Iraq Study Group.

One of the 79 suggestions from the bipartisan group in December was reducing U.S. "political, military or economic support" for Iraq if the Baghdad government could not make substan-

tial progress toward providing for the country's security. The report suggested an urgent diplomatic attempt to stabilize Iraq and allow the withdrawal of most U.S. combat troops by early 2008.

"When the country is together, we are strong and can respond to our problems effectively," the three House Republicans wrote. "The more we are divided, the harder this becomes."

Rep. Tom Davis of Virginia was one of 11 GOP lawmakers who met with Bush and his top aides Tuesday afternoon.

"We asked them what's Plan B," Davis said. "We let them know that the status quo is not acceptable." Davis said the president responded that if he began discussing a new strategy, his current one never would have a chance to succeed.

Several GOP senators sought to find their own solution.

Last week, Sen. John Warner, R-Va., raised hopes when he said he had an idea that had enough support to override a veto. Warner said his proposal would pres-

sure the Iraqi government to take more initiative on political and security reforms. He declined to offer more specifics.

On Wednesday, Warner said he was reassessing in light of the new House proposal.

Sens. Susan Collins, R-Maine, and John Sununu, R-N.H., said they are open to considering conditions on foreign aid to Iraq if the Baghdad government fails to meet certain benchmarks.

Sen. Ben Nelson, D-Neb., said he agrees that withholding reconstruction money is a good idea. But he thinks the president should be the one to do it based on a White House review of progress reports.

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## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### Diagnostic Defense

North dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
 ♠ A 7 4  
 ♥ K 6 2  
 ♦ 5  
 ♣ A J 10 8 5 3

**WEST**  
 ♠ 10 8 2  
 ♥ J 7 4 3  
 ♦ K 10 8 7 3  
 ♣ 6

**EAST**  
 ♠ Q J 5 3  
 ♥ Q 9 5  
 ♦ A 9 6  
 ♣ K 7 4

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ K 9 6  
 ♥ A 10 8  
 ♦ Q J 4 2  
 ♣ Q 9 2

The bidding:  
 North East South West  
 1 ♣ Pass 2 NT Pass  
 3 ♠ Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — seven of diamonds.  
 Defending well is partly a matter of diagnosing how the unseen cards are divided and then partly a matter of determining how to take advantage of your diagnosis.

Assume you're West and lead a diamond. East wins with the ace and returns the nine, South playing the queen on the second diamond. If you win with the king and start to think of what to do next, it is already too late because declarer is now sure to make 10 tricks, whatever you do.

But if you take the time to analyze the probable diamond distribution after declarer plays the queen on East's nine at trick two, you should reach the conclusion that East started with the A-9-x and South with the Q-J-x-x. You therefore play the three on the queen and eventually score a one-trick set.

How can you know how the diamonds are divided in the unseen hands? To begin with, the bidding tells you that South is unlikely to have five diamonds — and if he does, the chances are that the contract cannot be defeated. Nor can South have three diamonds, because that would mean East had four, in which case he would have returned his original fourth-best diamond at trick two rather than the nine.

It follows that South started with exactly four diamonds headed by the Q-J, and that ducking the queen is necessary in order to maintain communications with East.

Of course, South could have fixed your wagon beyond repair had he ducked the second diamond instead of putting up the queen, but that is a play he will have plenty of time to regret if you fulfill your obligations by ducking the queen after South plays it. Worrying about the opponents' errors is their problem, not yours.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.

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# ► SWCID, Howard College graduates

Following is a list of SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf Students who will be honored at tonight's Awards Convocation, scheduled for 7 p.m. at the school's activity center:

- Who's Who — Betgabt Ahrens, Krysha Bearden, Tracy Dimalanta, Saraanne Dickerson, Desiree Hayes, Candace Joyce, Elena Lehrmann, James Mock, LaDonna Porter, Heather Reed, Eful Sam and Ryan Sims.
- Sherrie Baird Scholarship — Maria Hernandez.
- Alice Haynes Rotary DLT Scholarship — Jenny Votaw.
- Chamber of Commerce Award — Desiree Hayes.
- American Legion Award — Desiree Hayes and James Mock.
- Dr. P. W. Malone Scholarship — Bethany Ahrens.
- SWCID Fest Scholarship — David Camarena.
- International Student Scholarship — Kunal Patel.
- Presidential Award — To be announced at convocation.

**INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:**

- Kaitlinh Alligood, Outstanding ENGL 0310 Student; Ernest Alvarez, Outstanding ENGL 0310; Michael Anglin, Outstanding ENGL 0311 Student; Krysha Bearden, Outstanding Second Year ITP Student; Micca Burns, Outstanding Speech 1321 Student; Steven Davis, Outstanding Office Technology Student; Saraanne Dickerson, ITP Volunteer For Advisory Board Committee, Magna Cum Laude Fall 2006, Dean's List Fall 2006.
- Krista Dickson, Outstanding Speech 1321 Student, SGA Treasurer 2006-2007; Tracy Dimalanta, SGA Secretary 2006-2007; Alma Estrada, Outstanding Office Technology Student 2006-2007; Ashley French, Outstanding Fundamental Mathematics 0301 Student Spring 2007, Outstanding Engl 0310 Student, Outstanding Developmental Writing Student Spring 2007; Amanda Glasgow,

SGA Vice-President 2006-2007; Dimierie Gonzales, Outstanding Speech 1315 Online Student.

Amber Griffith, Ampla Cum Laude Fall 2006, Dean's List Fall 2006; Thomas Hansen, Outstanding Fundamental Mathematics 0301 Student Fall 2006, SWCID Diplomat Spring 2007; Raymond Harlan, SGA President 2006-2007; Desiree Hayes, Outstanding College Algebra Math 1314 Student Fall 2006, Outstanding First Year ITP Student 2006-2007, President's List Fall 2006; Maria Hernandez, Outstanding Speech 1315 On-Line Student 2006-2007.

Arianne Irvin, Outstanding ENGL 0310 Student 2006-2007, Outstanding Developmental Writing Student Spring 2007; Candace Joyce, Most Improved ITP Student 2006-2007; Jason Kendrix, Outstanding Elementary Algebra 0311 Student Spring 2007, Outstanding Data Entry Student 2006-2007; Elena Lehrmann, Outstanding ENGL 1302 Student 2006-2007; Kunal Patel, SWCID Diplomat 2006-2007; Heather Reed, SWCID Diplomat 2006-2007.

Charles Reyes, Outstanding Office Technology Student 2006-2007; Michelle Richardson, Outstanding Developmental Writing Student Fall 2006, Outstanding Office Technology Student 2006-2007.

Alissa Rodriguez, Outstanding Student in Office Technology 2006-2007; John Paul Samaniego, Outstanding Developmental Writing Student Fall 2006; Caleb San Miguel, Outstanding Biology Student 2006-2007; Ryan Sims, Outstanding Speech 1321 Student 2006-2007, Diplomat Spring 2007, SGA Senator At-Large 2006-2007; Jennifer Skelton, Outstanding Office Technology Student 2006-2007; Earl Smith, Outstanding ENGL 1302 Student; Royal Thomas, Outstanding ENGL 0311 Student.

Jennifer Towne, Ampla Cum Laude Fall 2006; and John Zebreski, Outstanding CIS Student.

Following is a list of SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf Students who will participate in graduation ceremonies at 10 a.m. Friday in the SWCID Activity Center:

• Associate of Applied Sciences — Luc Le, General Studies; Ross Bohner, Interpreter Training; Saraanne Dickerson, Interpreter Training; Amber Griffith, Interpreter Training; and Jennifer Towne, Interpreter Training

• Associate of Science — Chrissie Camenisch, Business; Judy Garza, Business; Tamie Gilreath, General Studies; and Rebecca Raschke, Interpreter Training.

• Certificate (Level 1) — Tavian Atkins, Automotive Maintenance Technician; Timothy Bland, Automotive Maintenance Technician; Josh Kelbaugh, Automotive Maintenance Technician; Luong Le, Building Construction Technology; Tyler Hatheway, Building Construction Technology; Marcus Hilt, Dental Lab Technology; James Mock, Dental Lab Technology; and Norma Ordenez, Dental Lab Technology.

Angela Penick, Dental Lab Technology; Emily Schultz, Dental Lab Technology; Yassaman Shahbakhshi, Dental Lab Technology; Ryan Sims, Dental Lab Technology; John Zebreski, Data Entry Technology; Jason Kendrix, Data Entry Technology; Lee Handler, Paraprofessional in Deaf Education; Alma Estrada, Office Technology; Melissa Burchfield Ofori-Attah, Office Technology; Vanessa Zebreski, Office Technology; Marshall Marcee, Welding; Oscar Oliva, Welding; and James Overman, Welding.

Following is a list of Howard College students who will participate in graduation ceremonies at 7 p.m. Friday in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum:

• Associate of Arts — Pamela A. Billick-Gonzalez, Kandis Carson, April M. Collins, Rosie Namoi Fay, Ashley B. Monroe, Erica Morales, Jessica E. Rodriguez and Mary

Katherine Strain.

• Associate of Science — Deanna Denise Acuff, Yvonne Lynn Acuff, Adam Aguirre, Crystal Brae Aguirre, Benson Anietie Akpan, Juan Antonio Alcazar Jr., Lyndsey Allen, Laura D. Anderson, Robin Rene Anderson, Karla Yvonne Arellano, Audra Lynn Bailey, Nathaniel C. Bagley, Lindsey M. Barton, Daniel Herve Banogle, Carole Perpetue Bapoo and Stacy Ratisseau Barr.

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• Associate of Applied Science — Rosa Lynn Canales, Johnny R. DeLeon, Shawna Michelle Diaz, Swan G. Gibbs, Steven Tyrone Fizer Jr., Sandra Hodnett, Brenda Juarez, Bryon Edwin McBurnie, Naman T. McRae, Anna M. Medina, Vanessa Medina, Marissa Oviedo, Rebecca L. Parks, Jerri Annette Paige, Hector C. Quintana, Tyler J. Spray and Dianna Lynn Walker.

• Associate of Applied Science/Dental Hygiene — Kristi C. Avila-Lewis, Misti Kay Batla, Enedelia R. Cavazos, Susan Marie Chapple, Mindy Rose Cox, Elsa M.

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• Associate of Applied Science/Nursing — Brandon Blake Burleson, Amanda Rene Calley, Crystal Lannette Childers, Oscar Garza Jr., Diana Herrera, Kendra D. Kothe, Joshua A. Long, Windy Moore, Rachel Solis, Teresa Vela and Twila Jo Whetsel.

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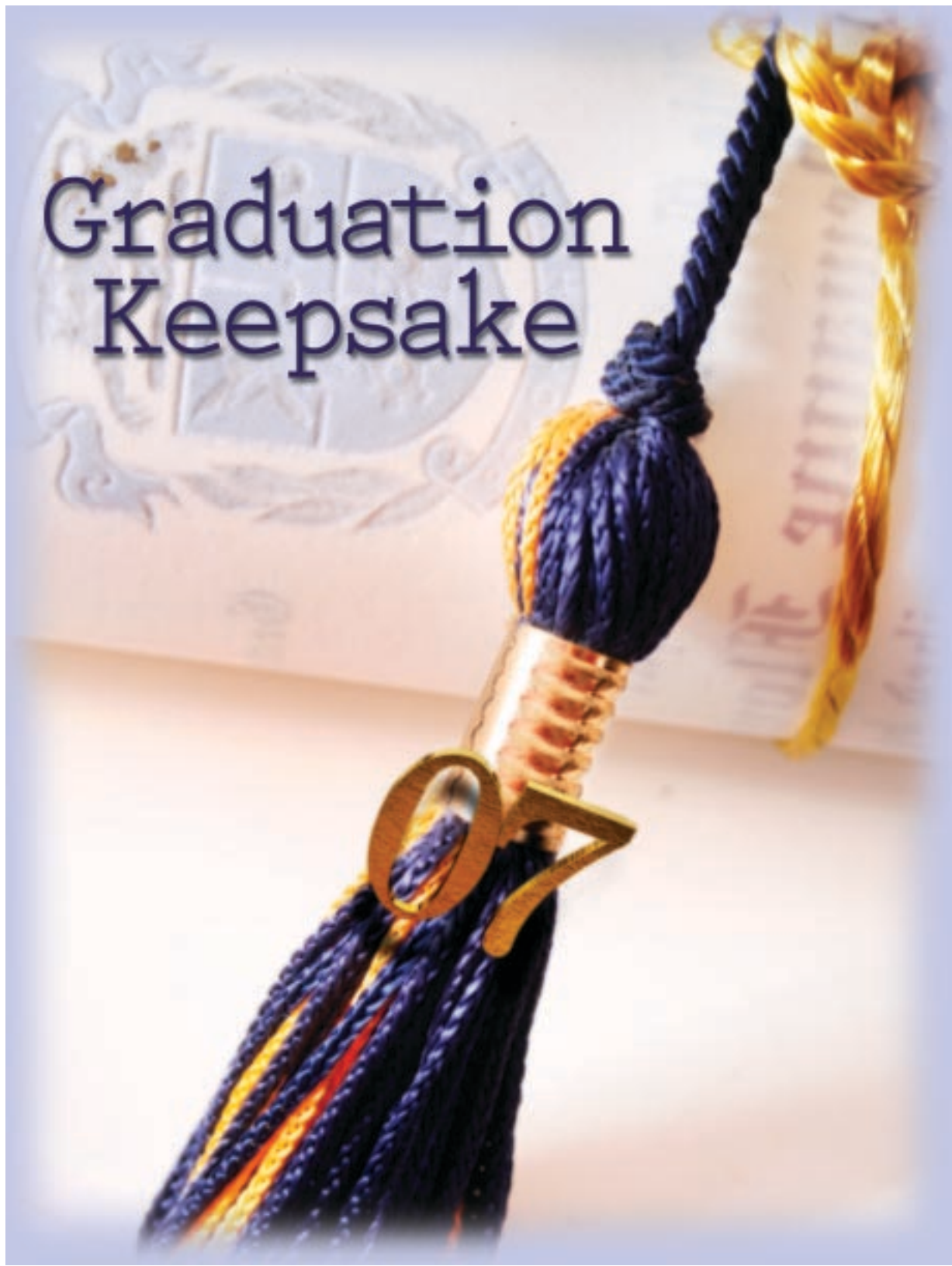
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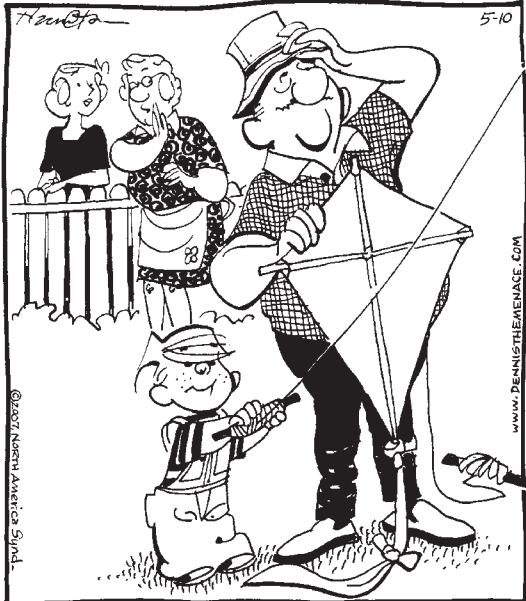
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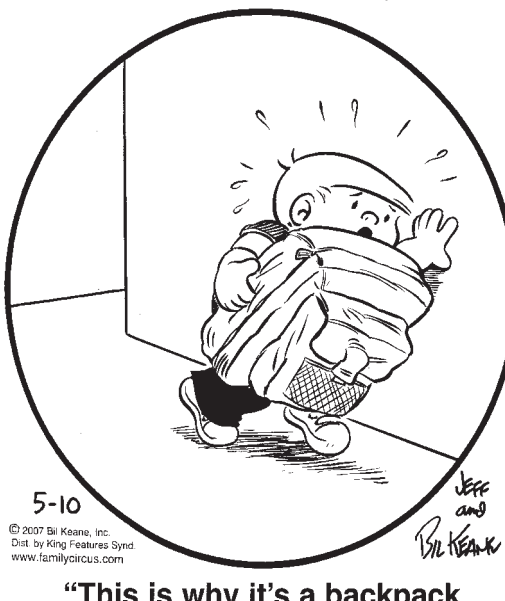
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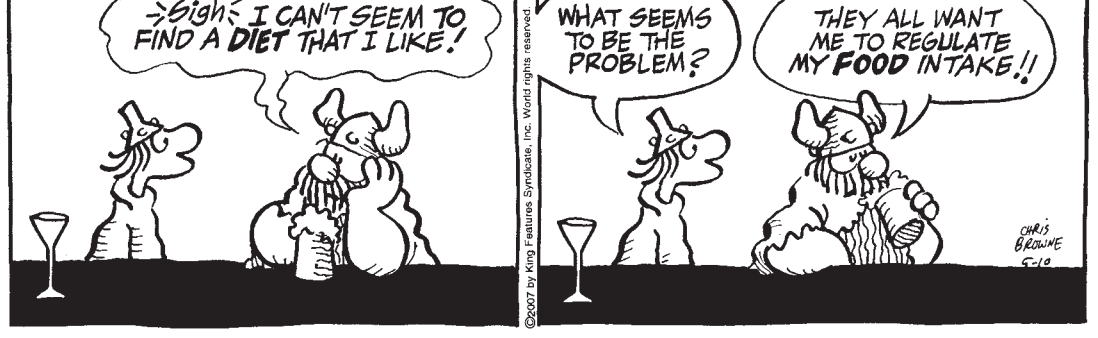
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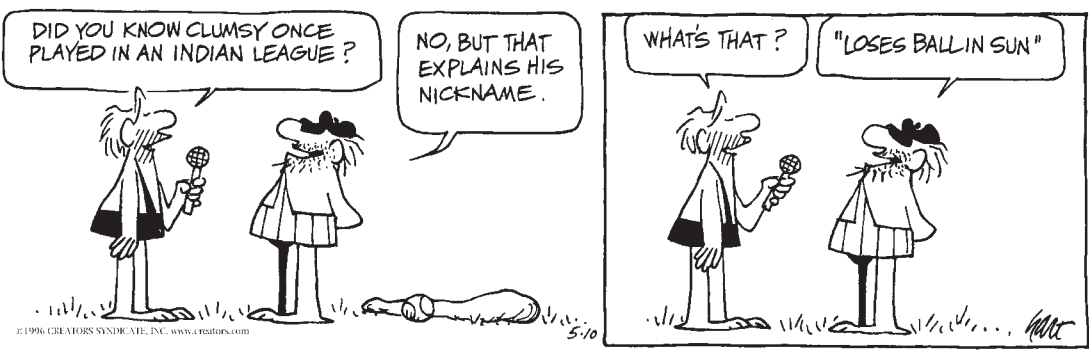
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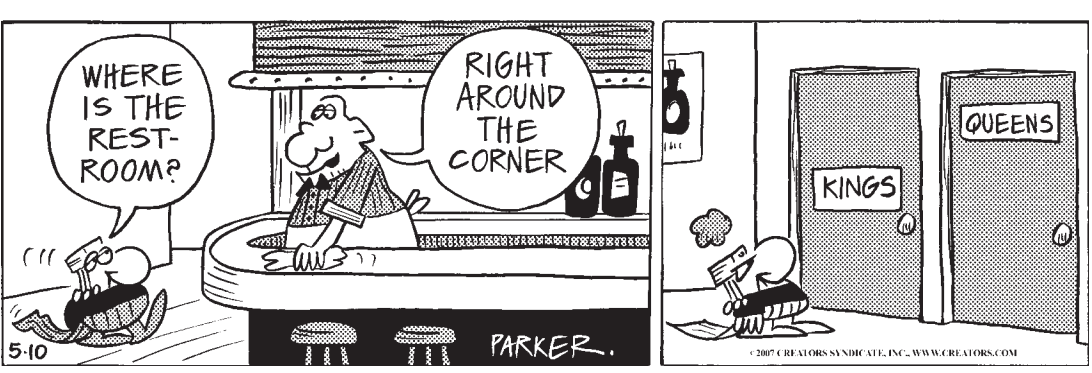
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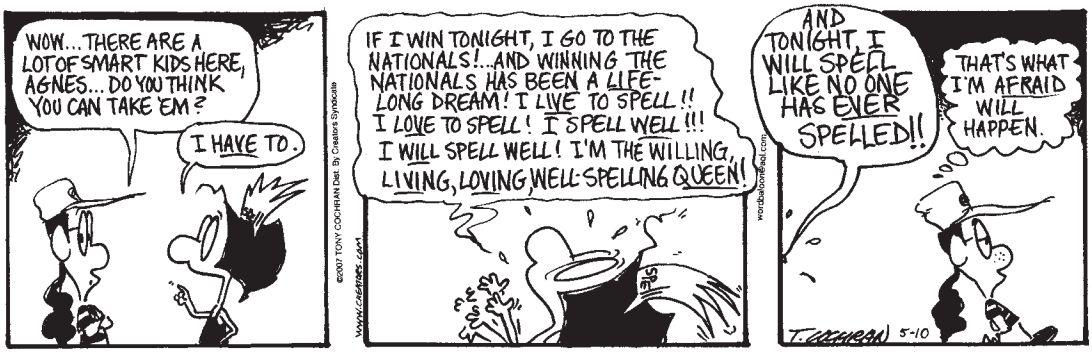
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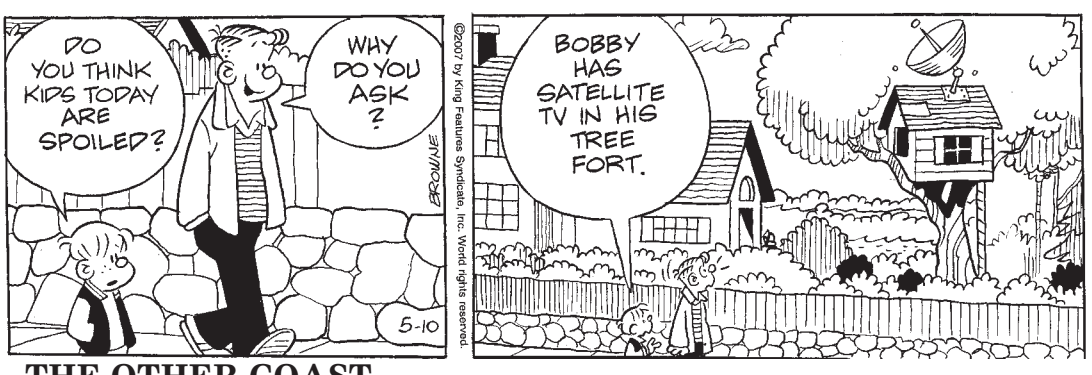
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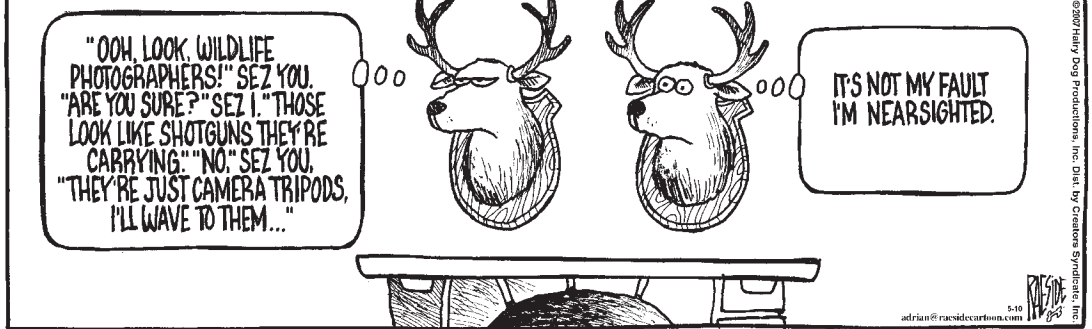
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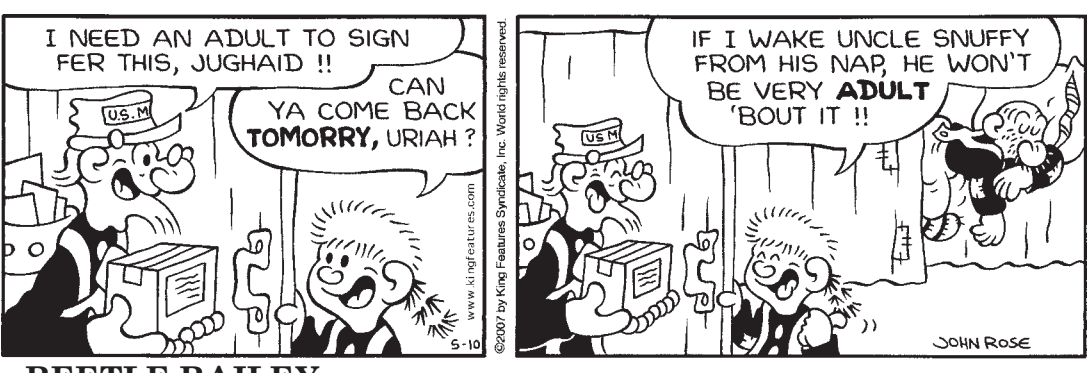
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Today's Highlight in History:

On May 10, 1869, a golden spike was driven at Promontory, Utah, marking the completion of the first transcontinental railroad in the United States.

On this date:

In 1774, Louis XVI ascended the throne of France.

In 1775, Ethan Allen and his Green Mountain Boys captured the British-held fortress at Ticonderoga, N.Y.

In 1865, Union forces captured Confederate President Jefferson Davis in Irwinville, Ga.

In 1924, J. Edgar Hoover was given the job of FBI director.

In 1933, the Nazis staged massive public book burnings in Germany.

In 1940, British Prime Minister Chamberlain resigned, and Winston Churchill formed a new government.

In 1968, preliminary Vietnam peace talks began in Paris.

In 1977, actress Joan Crawford died in New York.

In 1994, Nelson Mandela took the oath of office to become South Africa's first black president.

In 1994, the state of Illinois executed serial killer John Wayne Gacy for the murders of 33 young men and boys.

Birthdays:

Sportscaster Pat Summerall is 77. Author Barbara Taylor Bradford is 74. Rhythm-and-blues singer Henry Fambrough (The Spinners) is 69. TV radio personality Gary Owens is 68. Actor David Clennon is 64. Writer-producer-director Jim Abrahams is 63. Singer Donovan is 61. Singer Dave Mason is 61. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ron Banks (The Dramatics) is 56. Actress Victoria Rowell is 48. Rock singer Bono (U2) is 47. Playwright Suzan-Lori Parks is 44. Model Linda Evangelista is 42. Rock musician Krist Novoselic (Nirvana, Eyes Adrift) is 42. Rapper Young MC is 40. Actor Erik Palladino is 39. Rock musician Jesse Vest is 30. Actor Kenan Thompson is 29. Rhythm-and-blues singer Jason Dalyrimple (Soul For Real) is 27. Rock musician Joey Zehr (The Click Five) is 24. Singer Ashley Poole (Dream) is 22.

Thought for Today: "A man who works with his hands is a laborer; a man who works with his hands and his brain is a craftsman; but a man who works with his hands and his brain and his heart is an artist." — Louis Nizer, American lawyer (1902-1994).

Answer to previous puzzle

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                   | 66 Louisiana waterway       | 10 Some sporting dogs  | 36 Pig's place               |
| 1 Fat avoider of rhyme          | 67 Slip by                  | 11 Dip holder          | 37 Ready for business        |
| 6 Two-faced god                 | 68 Séance sound             | 12 Peace goddess       | 40 Blue line on a map: Abbr. |
| 11 ATM access code              | 69 Took three of three, say | 13 Cav or Mav          | 41 ___ Lanka                 |
| 14 Our land, informally         | 70 ___ salts                | 18 NRC forerunner      | 43 Rubs elbows               |
| 15 Split to wed                 | <b>DOWN</b>                 | 22 Something to tip    | 45 Cloying stuff             |
| 16 Planet, to a poet            | 1 Cylindrical lunches       | 24 Utah's former name  | 47 Compete                   |
| 17 Fountain treat               | 2 Exam for jrs.             | 25 Borscht base        | 48 Inferior liquor           |
| 19 Mad Hatter's beverage        | 3 Gossipy Barrett           | 26 Cereal serving      | 50 Sensible                  |
| 20 Would-be diva                | 4 Way out there             | 27 Director Kazan      | 51 Bow of silents            |
| 21 Macbeth's title              | 5 Sunbathing evidence       | 28 Crisp cookie        | 53 Definite article          |
| 23 Cooled down                  | 6 King's amuser             | 29 "___ had it!"       | 56 Links hazard              |
| 25 Rug cleaner                  | 7 Matterhorn, e.g.          | 31 Games partner       | 57 Has a late meal           |
| 26 Get going                    | 8 Cambodian leader Lon ___  | 33 Like week-old bread | 58 "That ___ yesterday!"     |
| 30 Make mention of              | 9 AP rival                  |                        | 59 The other guys            |
| 32 Antipasto ingredient         |                             |                        | 62 Like sashimi              |
| 34 Drags to court               |                             |                        | 63 Salt's assent             |
| 35 Nav. rank                    |                             |                        | 64 Alphabetic trio           |
| 38 Sommelier's offering         |                             |                        |                              |
| 39 Senator Lott                 |                             |                        |                              |
| 41 Visit an e-tailer            |                             |                        |                              |
| 42 Hang back                    |                             |                        |                              |
| 43 Narrow margin                |                             |                        |                              |
| 44 Attack                       |                             |                        |                              |
| 46 Slow developer               |                             |                        |                              |
| 49 Get mellow                   |                             |                        |                              |
| 50 Manuscript copyist           |                             |                        |                              |
| 52 Mail bag                     |                             |                        |                              |
| 54 Cohort of Kent and Lane      |                             |                        |                              |
| 55 "You're right!"              |                             |                        |                              |
| 60 Make illegal                 |                             |                        |                              |
| 61 Century-old soft-drink brand |                             |                        |                              |
| 65 Timeline division            |                             |                        |                              |

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