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Boys and Girls Club solves dilemma

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

While most area students are looking hungrily toward the summer holiday, for many working parents the three-month vacation offers a tough — and most times expensive — dilemma of child care.

With conventional daycare and summer programs out of many parents' reach, the

Salvation Army will once again step in with its annual Boys and Girls Club of America summer camp program.

The camp — slated for June 4 through Aug. 24 with services offered between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday — is an excellent way for parents to not only get cost-friendly child care, but to provide a learning environment away from school, according to

Sheila Sparrow, program director.

"An entire year's membership in the program is just \$12," said Sparrow. "We don't turn anyone away. We understand the need parents have, especially during the summer months, and we're here to help."

Sparrow said activities and educational programs are slated throughout the summer and should leave a lasting impres-

sion on the children that attend.

"We have several programs that are aimed at the teens," said Sparrow. "We have a career launch program, which is pretty much self explanatory, as well as a money matters class to help teach them good financial skills. We have programs for all age kids concerning good eating habits and the importance of exercise, along

with many other teaching tools.

"We've also planned a number of special events, as well," she said. "We plan to take the children swimming and bowling during the summer, along with other interesting activities. This year, however, the children will have to earn them through good behavior, so that's a real incentive for them

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Routine items fill Tuesday's council agenda

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council is expected to hear several routine items Tuesday evening, including approval of the final reading of a resolution calling for the installation of a new recirculation pump at one of the city's most well-known landmarks — the spring at Comanche Trail Park.

The council unanimously approved first reading of a resolution authorizing and directing the mayor to execute a contract with Cornerstone Construction Inc. for the installation of a new recirculation pump at the spring two weeks ago.

Darden said sightseers visiting the spring once the work is completed — if the project receives final approval from the council in two weeks — will definitely see a difference in the amount of water pumped through the city's namesake.

"The pump that was at the spring previously was rated for 100 gallons per minute," said Darden. "The new pump that will be going in is rated at 500 gallons per minute, so we're definitely going to see a difference in the flow of water."

The project is being funded through the city's Conventions and Visitors Bureau, according to

Councilwoman Gloria McDonald.

Also among the agenda items expected to be examined are:

- Final reading of an ordinance granting a partial residence homestead exemption for tax year 2007 and granting a partial residence homestead exemption to any individual who is disabled or age 65 or older.

- Final reading of an ordinance providing for an additional 20 percent penalty to defray the cost of collecting delinquent taxes.

- Final reading of a resolution granting approval to auction Howard County trustee properties to the highest bidder for cash without reservation.

- Final reading of an ordinance authorizing the city manager to authorize the installation of "No Parking" signs to be erected on the east and west side of Simler Avenue from Warehouse to Armstrong.

- Final reading of a resolution approving the active bank accounts of the city and authorizing signatures for each account.

- Final reading of a resolution authorizing and directing the mayor to execute a contract with Cornerstone Construction

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Hundreds of motorcycles roar up toward the Vietnam Memorial Saturday morning. The cyclists stopped at the memorial as part of their annual cross-country Run for the Wall trip from California to Washington, D.C.



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Motorcycle riders participating in the annual Run for the Wall cross-country trek lay a wreath at the Vietnam Memorial during a brief stop in Big Spring Saturday morning.

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Paige, Weihert top Coahoma grads

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

COAHOMA — Coahoma High School has announced its top graduates for the Class of 2007.

Callie Paige, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Paige, is class valedictorian with a four-year grade point average of 101.229.

During her high school career, Paige was a member of the CHS band — serving as



PAIGE
 president her senior year — and was vice president of the student council. In addition, she sang in the high school



choir, participated in University Interscholastic League Academics and was a three-year regional qualifier as a member of the tennis team.

She was co-editor of the yearbook, as well as National Honor Society president and Spanish club treasurer, was a member of the Drama Club and belonged to Family, Community and Career Leaders of America.

Paige won numerous

awards while in high school, including four straight All-Region Choir designations. She received the Optimist Club Youth Award, Rotary Club Student of the Month Award, was selected band sweetheart and homecoming queen and was a Wendy's High School Heisman nominee.

Also, she has been active in the community, participating

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers sports banquet tonight

The Lady Steers Sports Banquet will take place tonight at 6:30 p.m. 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.

Country Club holding benefit golf tourney

The Big Spring Country Club will be holding a benefit golf tournament for cancer patient Pano Rodriguez Sunday. The first tee time will be at 9:30 a.m.

The tournament will be a 4-man scramble with a \$20 entry fee. Players will be allowed to pick their own team.

For more information contact Sammy Reyna at 267-5627.

Lady Steers summer softball camp set

The Lady Steers will be holding their All-Skills Softball Camp June 4-7 at the Big Spring ISD Softball Complex. Each day's activities will last from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The camp is for girls going into 1st grade thru going into 8th grade. It will be administered by the Lady Steers head softball coach Jennifer Reyes and assistant coach John Sparks.

Cost for the camp is \$45 and will include a camp T-shirt.

For more information contact John Sparks at 270-2711.

Junior tennis camp slated for end of May

Kathy Boland will be holding her Big Spring Junior Tennis Camp at Comanche Trail Park's Figure 7 tennis courts from May 29 thru June 1.

The camp will last from 8:30 a.m. until noon and is for boys and girls between ages 6-13.

The cost is \$60. Contact Kathy Boland by calling 940-886-6169

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Lady Buffs knocked out of playoffs



Forsan's Amanda Longorio, center, beats her teammates Kelsey Jones, left, Sandi Golleher (9), and Alyx Pappajohn to a bunt in the second inning of Saturday's regional semifinals playoff game against Seymour.

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Herald Sports Writer

ABILENE — Forsan's Lady Buffs saw their first softball playoff run draw to a close Saturday as they fell to Seymour's Lady Panthers, 14-6, in Game 2 of their best-of-three series. The loss knocks the Lady Buffs out of the Class 1A state softball playoffs.

Seymour jumped out to an 8-1 lead by the fourth inning that put the Lady Buffs on their heels. Forsan scored the same amount of runs as the Lady Panthers over the last three innings of the game, but Seymour's lead proved to be out of reach.

"Experience over inexperience," said Lady Buffs' head coach Shanna Roberts. "Seymour showed their experience today.

We stayed with them Thursday, but today we were just out-matched."

Freshman Amanda Longorio started the game for the Lady Buffs. She gave up six earned runs on five hits and three walks in three innings of work.

Seymour scored one run off of one hit in the first inning to take the early 1-0 lead.

The Lady Panthers then drew two walks that were followed by a single and a double to score three runs in the second inning, leaving Forsan down by four runs.

The Lady Buffs had their best defensive inning in the third. Seymour's lead off batter for the inning got on base after being hit

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Coahoma's Heather Newton launches a pitch in action from the Bulldogettes regional semifinals playoff game against Tahoka's Lady Bulldogs Saturday. Coahoma won 10-0 to advance to the regional finals of the Class 2A state softball playoffs.

Bulldogettes cruise past Tahoka, 10-0

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Herald Sports Writer

SNYDER — Coahoma's Bulldogettes got off to a fast start at the plate Saturday and never slowed down, as they defeated Tahoka's Lady Bulldogs 10-0 to claim the regional semifinals championship in the Class 2A state softball playoffs.

The Bulldogettes were up 6-0 by the end of the third inning. The game was called after the sixth inning due to the 10-run mercy rule.

Laci Sterling scored Coahoma's 10th and final run, ending the

game in the sixth inning.

"We hit the ball well," said Bulldogettes' head coach Tracy Tadford. "Tahoka played good defense. They made their plays in the field making it tough to score, but we hit the ball hard."

Tahoka's pitcher had given up just three runs in two games during the playoffs.

"This was probably our best game offensively in the playoffs," said Tadford. "We've been struggling some offensively since the playoffs started. This is our best game offensively, not just because we scored a lot of runs, but we hit a lot of balls hard.

That's good to see."

Pitchers Heather Newton and Ami Martinez combined for the shutout victory. Newton started the game and pitched four innings before Martinez relieved her for the final two.

Coahoma will face its District 5-2A rival, Hawley's Lady Bearcats, for the regional championship this week. The two teams played each other three times in district play this season with Coahoma taking two of the three games.

The two teams will meet in a best-of-three series this weekend in Abilene at either Abilene

Christian University or Hardin-Simmons University. No official time and dates have been set for the series.

"They're the best 2A team we've played all year," said Tadlock. "But if we play our game then we're the better team. You never know with a one-game playoff. In a series, the better team is going to come out on top more times than not. I just don't want to see a fluke, but they're not a bad team."

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Spurs rock Jazz, 108-100, in Game 1

By **JAIME ARON**

AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — Two quarters into the Western Conference finals, the Utah Jazz were down by 18, earning a blistering half-time speech from coach Jerry Sloan.

They answered with a strong third quarter, but again found themselves down by 18 a few minutes into the final period.

Time to quit? Hardly. While the Jazz failed to pull off the Game 1 upset, they certainly went down trying. Utah's performance over the final 10 minutes of a 108-100 loss to the San Antonio Spurs on Sunday was a strong indication this upstart team isn't taking the happy-to-be-here approach to its first conference finals appearance since 1998.

"We stayed right in it and didn't give up," forward Andrei Kirilenko said. "Now we just have to have that same intensity for the whole game Tuesday that we had in the second half."

Despite a quick turnaround from the end of its last round, the Spurs showed off their playoff pedigree.

Led as usual by Tim Duncan, Tony Parker and Manu Ginobili, San Antonio made 66 percent of its shots in the first half and found a way to protect its lead down the stretch when fatigue — or the Jazz's improved play — kicked in.

Whatever changed over the final 10 minutes, the lead didn't. Utah never got any closer than seven and lost in San Antonio for the 17th straight time.

"I think the first game is where you are supposed to send a message. And I don't think we did that, especially in the first half,"

said point guard Deron Williams, who scored 18 of his career-high 34 points in the fourth quarter. "I think we battled back in the second half and it showed a lot about us."

Duncan had 27 points, 10 rebounds and five assists, and Ginobili had 23 points and 10 assists. Parker added 21 points and six assists, including one through the legs of Utah's Mehmet Okur that started a fast break.

"They've been named the 'Big Three' for a reason," said teammate Michael Finley, who scored 14 points. "When they come out and offensively put up numbers like that, we're a pretty tough team to beat."

Utah led 7-0, but wouldn't be ahead again once Ginobili came in and led a 10-0 spurt. San Antonio really cracked things open with a 13-2 run midway

through the second quarter that featured an alley-oop pass from backup point guard Jacque Vaughn to backup center Francisco Elson, a textbook spin move by Duncan and a 3-pointer by Ginobili.

But the Spurs' best work was on defense, especially against Carlos Boozer.

Duncan, Horry and Fabricio Oberto took turns keeping Boozer from his favorite spots. Extra defenders helped smother him in the paint and others cut off Williams' passing lanes to the All-Star forward.

Boozer had only one basket at halftime and three after three quarters, all of them on slop: two putbacks of bad misses by Okur and a tip-in of a missed free throw. He finished 7-of-17 for 20 points with 12 rebounds.

Game 2 is scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday in San Antonio.

Obituaries

Stephanie Opal Smith

Stephanie Opal Smith, infant daughter of Tracey Smith of Big Spring, died Friday, May 18, 2007, in a Rankin hospital. Graveside funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 22, 2007, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel with Rev. Byron Brown, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, officiating.

She was born Feb. 22, 2007, in Big Spring. Survivors include her mother, Tracey Smith of Big Spring. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

Edith Pauline "Dollie" Murphree

Edith Pauline "Dollie" Murphree, 83, of Menard, died Saturday, May 19, 2007, in a Junction hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Weather

Today — Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some thunderstorms may be severe. Highs in the lower 80s. South winds 10 to 20 mph.

Tonight — Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some thunderstorms may be severe. Lows in the lower 60s. South winds 15 to 20 mph.

Tuesday — Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds 15 to 20 mph.

Tuesday night — Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the evening — Then mostly cloudy after midnight. Lows in the lower 60s. South winds 15 to 20 mph.

Wednesday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s. South winds around 15 mph.

Wednesday night — Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s.

Thursday — Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cooler. Highs in the lower 70s.

Thursday night — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 60.

Friday — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

Friday night — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s.

Saturday — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

Saturday night — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s.

Sunday — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

Lottery

The winning numbers drawn in the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night:
52-49-10-17-44-29
Estimated jackpot: \$12 million.

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery: 8-37-28-14-36

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday night, in order: 2-3-3

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday afternoon, in order: 3-1-0

Take Note

• **THE WORKFORCE NETWORK HAS FUNDING AVAILABLE** for training and employment with competitive wages for youth in Howard, Borden and Glasscock counties. Enrollment will be held at the Workforce Network, 310 Owens in Big Spring from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. May 21. You must bring copies of your birth certificate, Social Security card and picture ID if you have one. You must have a parent with you if you are under 18 years of age.

• **CROSS STITCHERS ARE NEEDED** to stitch a square for the annual Howard County Fair quilt. The quilt theme this year is "Animals of Texas." Stitchers may pick up a pattern kit, containing everything they will need to finish the square, from the Posey Cotton Office, 601 Scurry. Squares need to be completed within the next several weeks to allow time to piece the quilt together and get it quilted. Funds raised through tickets sold on the quilt go to pay the expenses associated with the Howard County Fair. The fair will be Sept. 26-29.

• **CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP IS COLLECTING INFANT CAR SEATS AND CARRIERS.** These are given to new mothers who cannot afford them. To donate your old or new car seats and carriers, call Karen Allen at 263-3517 or leave a message at Christ Community Fellowship, 263-love. All donations are appreciated.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 10 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- **JOSHUA THOMPSON**, 19, of 700 S. Lancaster was arrested Saturday on two local warrants.
- **MARCUS STURGILL**, 18, of 1216 E. 15th Street, was arrested Saturday on charges of evading arrest with a vehicle, failure to give notice on striking a highway fixture and driving under the influence by a minor.
- **EARNEST CLARK**, 66, of 4000 W. Highway 80, was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass.
- **NICKEA COOPER**, 22, of 610 S. Nolan, was arrested Saturday on charges of disorderly conduct-fighting and Class C assault/family violence.
- **JINNIFER BUSTAMANTE**, 26, of 605 S. Nolan, was arrested Saturday on charges of disorderly conduct-fighting.
- **JESUS BUSTAMANTE**, age not provided, of 605 S. Nolan, was arrested Saturday on charges of disorderly conduct-fighting and two local warrants.
- **CHRISTOPER RUIZ**, 19, address not provided, was arrested Saturday on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- **JUAN CORDOVA**, 30, of 3304 W. Hwy 80, was arrested Saturday on a Menard County warrant.
- **RHONDA HARDY BRACKEEN**, age and address not provided, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **MARCUS WILKINSON**, 53, 4907 Palm Road, was arrested Saturday on a local capias warrant.
- **KIMBERLIE PINEDA**, 25, of 601 Elgin, was arrested Saturday on a Mitchell County warrant.
- **JASON FLETZ**, 29, of 2611 Fairchild, was arrested Saturday on a local warrant and a charge of evading arrest.
- **MARINA FAIR**, 24, of 1002 N. Main Street, was arrested Sunday on two local warrants.
- **ELEUTORIO TORRES**, 58, of 2000 S. Douglas, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **EVADING ARREST OR DETENTION USING VEHICLE** was reported:
 - in the 1100 block of Lamesa.
 - in the 2900 block of Highway 80.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
 - in the 1500 block of Robin.
 - in the 2500 block of Gregg.
 - in the 2600 block of Langley.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported:
 - in the 600 block of Nolan.
 - in the 3300 block of Highway 80.
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - TWO OUNCES OR LESS** was reported in the 600 block of Third Street.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 900 block of Williams.
 - in the 200 block of Marcy.
- **ASSAULT BY CONTACT** was reported in the 1000 block of Birdwell.
- **RESISTING ARREST, SEARCH OR TRANSPORTATION** was reported in the 1100 block of S. Gregg.
- **UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MOTOR VEHICLE** was reported in the 1200 block of 15th Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported:
 - in the 1100 block of Birdwell.
 - in the 400 block of FM 700.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1200 block of Morrison.

Fire/EMS

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

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 100 block of Colorado. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2000 block of Virginia. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1700 block of Settles. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 400 block of Gregg. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 100 block of Jonesboro. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 500 block of Sixth Street. Service refused.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the 181 mile marker of Interstate Highway 20. Service refused.
- **AUTOMOBILE FIRE** was reported in the 700 block of E. 11th Place.
- **STRUCTURE FIRE** was reported in the 1800 block of FM 700. Fire was out upon arrival.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1800 block of Runnels. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2500 block of Chanute. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1300 block of Baylor. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1100 block of Mulberry. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to the VAMC.

Sheriff's report

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 50 inmates at the time of this report.
- **BRANDON LEE RUSHIN**, 37, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction.
- **DANNY LEE ARMSTRONG**, 45, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.
- **MAXIMO HERNANDEZ**, 44, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for community supervision.
- **ROY GUERRERO CERVANTES JR.**, 27, was arrested Friday on a judgment/sentence for assault with intent to cause bodily injury.
- **DAVID WINGATE ROGERS**, 39, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of fraudulent possession of a prescription.
- **KEITH RAY FONTANA**, 34, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **CEDRIC RAY JEFFERSON**, 45, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of violation of parole and possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- **DENISE DEANDA**, 35, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- **TIFFANY DAWN MENDOZA**, 20, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of disorderly conduct.
- **MANUEL RAMOS**, 18, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- **JUAN BERMEA**, 43, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated - second offense.
- **SHANNON DEWAYNE SMITHIE**, 32, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of public intoxication.
- **TONY LEON JETTON**, 31, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated - second offense.
- **RANDY JAY YBARRA**, 20, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- **DARIN SEAN TUCKER**, 48, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.
- **DAVID MATHEW RODRIQUEZ**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of resisting arrest, search or transportation.
- **MICHAEL LEE WHITE**, 21, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **DEAN EDWARD HENDERSON**, 41, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **BRADLEY JOE KEYSER**, 20, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **CORY LYNN BOONE**, 19, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **JUSTIN MCGARRAH**, 19, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, possession of drug paraphernalia, displaying an expired inspection certificate, burglary of a habitation, theft and burglary of a building.
- **GERALD RAY KING**, 27, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **BRETT AARON BENNETT**, 18, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of evading arrest or detention.
- **JAMIE NICOLE TRAXSON**, 37, was arrested Sunday by DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated - open container.

Bulletin Board

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

- MONDAY**
- The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association meets in the Cactus Room at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.
 - Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
 - Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets in the First Christian Church of Big Spring, 911 Goliad. A different program is offered every week. Enter through the south side door off 10th Street. Call 213-1342 for more information. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m.; meetings begin at 5:30 p.m.
 - DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams St.

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by a pitch. Shortstop Shelby Jones then made a leaping grab of a line drive to rob a Lady Panther batter of a hit to record the first out of the inning.

Longorio fielded a bunt that was hit back to her then threw out the runner at first base to get the second out. The third out was achieved when the next hitter popped out to second baseman Haylie Burleson. It was the only inning that Seymour didn't score a run.

The Lady Buffs would also add their first run of the game in the third. Sandi Golleher was able to reach base when Seymour's center fielder dropped a fly ball. Jones followed her with a double to center that allowed Golleher to reach third base.

Golleher scored when Alyx Pappajohn hit into a fielder's choice to second base.

Pappajohn would take over on the mound with no outs and the bases loaded in the fourth inning. The first four

Lady Panther batters would reach base in the inning. Seymour scored four runs on six hits to take a 8-1 lead heading into the fifth.

The Lady Buffs were unable to build off of their offensive success from the bottom of the third inning, as they went three up, three down to end the fourth inning.

Seymour added another run in the fifth inning after stringing together a triple and a single, extending their lead to 9-1.

The Lady Buffs scored their second run of the game in the bottom of the fifth. Golleher started a two-out rally when she hit a double to left field. Jones followed her again with a hard shot to Seymour's first baseman, who couldn't handle the ball, allowing Jones to reach first while Golleher scored.

Seymour answered with two more runs in the sixth inning courtesy of a walk and three hits.

Down 11-2 heading into the bottom of the sixth, the Lady Buffs' bats appeared to be ready to rally. Kelsey Jones hit a double to left field to lead

off the inning. She would move to third when Macy Briggs hit an infield single that landed just behind the pitcher. Burleson hit a fielder's choice to first base allowing Briggs to advance to second. Both Jones and Briggs would score courtesy of a fielding error by the Lady Panthers' first baseman, leaving the Lady Buffs down 11-4.

Seymour scored its last three runs of the game on three hits and a Lady Buffs fielding error in the top of the seventh.

In the bottom of the seventh, the first three Lady Buffs reached base on hits to score two runs. Golleher led off the inning with a single to right field. Shelby Jones hit a triple down the left field line to score Golleher. Pappajohn then singled to right to drive in Jones, making the score 14-6.

With one out, Longorio hit a shot to Seymour's shortstop, who looked to turn a double play by herself to end the game. She forced Pappajohn out at second, but was unable to get Longorio out at first. However, the Lady Panthers would get the

last out on the next batter to end the game and the Lady Buffs' season.

Pappajohn gave up eight runs, only three earned, on twelve hits and two walks. She also had an RBI on 1-for-4 hitting.

Golleher score half of Forsan's six runs. She finished 2-for-3 at the plate with a double.

Twin sisters Shelby and Kelsey Jones each went 2-for-4, each with a run scored. Shelby also had a RBI.

"These girls are fighters," said Roberts of her team. "We've had a lot of adversity this year and they have overcome, conquered and done remarkably well. They have done everything I've asked. I've asked them to change positions on short notice and they have done it without complaining."

This was the first year for the Lady Buffs' to be eligible for the playoffs in softball. There are no seniors on the roster, meaning that every player on the team will return next season.

Contact Sports Writer Jonathan Hull by calling him at 263-7331, ext. 237, or by e-mailing him at sports@bigspringherald.

BRIEFS

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or call Big Spring Junior High at 264-4135.

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 players 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.gotrosevolleyball-camps.com.

Texas Tech schedules summer sports camps

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WBU holding open baseball tryouts

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.

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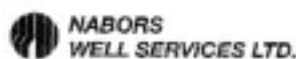
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
 The sun's entry into Gemini brings with it the giddy anticipation of our very first day of kindergarten. What are the other kids wearing? Will we do crafts or have recess first? Will there be snacks? The excitement continues to build throughout the day. House rules: Boredom's a hummer. Curiosity rules. There's plenty of interesting new stuff to explore.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Some days, multitasking isn't the most efficient way to work. Today isn't one of those days. Streamline your thoughts. Master the art of keeping your head on straight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're getting better at not arguing with reality. That's not to say you're backing down. You just figure it's far easier (and saner) to rework your own values than to get life to conform to yours.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's all about you. Is that hard to hear? For one Twin it's a refreshing relief, "Ahhh, all I need to worry about is me." The other Twin is tempted to condemn you for being selfish. Put a sock in that Twin's mouth.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're entering a period of creative flourishing. This requires you to disorient your habits. Shake them up. Try feeling a painting, seeing a song and tasting a touch sensation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your expectation designs what is. Sometimes you forget to have an expectation, at least consciously. But your subconscious fills in, and the result is surprising — "This isn't what I wanted!" Inspect your expectations.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your purpose isn't given to you — you have to create it. Tracking your momentum teaches you about timing your next move. The stillness between moves teaches you more about your mission.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are no guarantees that there will ever be a time when you'll feel safe, secure or inspired enough to do the thing your heart wants to do. So you just have to do it now. Take all your wobbly insecurity and dive in.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Everyone needs validation. If you take something too personally, you're human. If you react with more emotion than you're used to,

that's human, too. Control is a fair-weather friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your attention is coveted by at least two important people in your life. Remind them it's not a contest. Anyway, you'll find that there's enough of you to go around.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Expect interruptions. Anticipate them. They're the rule of thumb rather than the exception. It's your sensitive handling of the stressors that turns an unmanageable crisis into a coup of confidence for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You continue to see rainbows of possibility. Follow one of those bands of color to a solution for a longstanding relationship problem — more valuable to you than a pot of gold. Ô Well, maybe not, but it's better than suffering on.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Just like your body needs physical nourishment, your spirit does, too. Introspection. It powers your dreams. It's your secret propellant to the future. Do that silent, solitary walking that always centers you.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I have been in a six-month relationship with "Allen." He is the one I would like to spend the rest of my life with. Allen moved in a few months ago, and he gets along great with my teenage daughter.

The problem? I believe Allen is still in love with his ex-wife. They divorced a little over a year ago. They split up not because they couldn't get along, but because his ex broke the news that she is a lesbian.

Since the day we first met, all he did was talk about her — things they did, places they went. They were together 10 years, and I figured she had been such a huge part of his life that most of his stories would have her in it. But he couldn't stop. Finally, I explained how much it bothered me, and he cut back.

What really got me is when Allen first moved in, he told me his ex-wife was his soul mate, and he started choking up in my kitchen. He still gets emotional when he talks about her and keeps his wedding ring in a special place. He talks to his ex every other week (at least).

I want to be the main woman in Allen's life, but it seems that spot is already taken. He says he loves me, and I'm sure he does, but I obviously don't have his whole heart. Am I making a big deal out of nothing, or is this relationship doomed?

— Playing Second Fiddle
 Dear Fiddle: It's too soon to tell. You began seeing Allen after he'd been divorced about six months. For many people, that would be a transition relationship. Allen is absolutely not over his ex-wife, and he needs to wrap his head around the fact that his

marriage was not what he believed it to be. Allen could use some counseling, and you need to give him some time. Living together is not a good idea right now. Suggest that he find his own place, and you can continue seeing each other on a more casual basis until he is better equipped to move forward.

Dear Annie: My wife and I socialize with another married couple every month. During these gatherings, I have found the wife's behavior to be somewhat strange. When we are at dinner, she will always order the same menu item that I do. She constantly dismisses her husband's opinion and will ask what I think. She says to me, "We are so much alike." She also compliments me to the point where I feel embarrassed and usually try to redirect the conversation.

My wife says it's nothing. Am I being overly sensitive, or is this normal behavior? — Squirming in New York

Dear Squirming: This woman is flirting with you, and at some level, you recognize this and it makes you uncomfortable. As long as it doesn't bother your wife, we think you should pointedly ignore her efforts to forge a bond with you. (It sounds as if her husband has his hands full.)

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611.

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City officials slate large item pick-up Friday in District 2

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

The city will once again off its Large Item Pick Up program, designed to help area residents get rid of large items they can't get to the landfill themselves, as city crews work their way through District 2 Friday.

Todd Darden, director of public works for the city, said there's no charge to use the program, which began last month in District 1 and continues this month in District 2, represented by Councilman Manuel Ramirez. It will continue through the other four city districts once a month until completed.

Residents do, however, need to be aware of what can and cannot be picked up, said Darden.

"There's no charge to use the program," said Darden. "Some of the more typical items we pick up are tree branches, appliances that don't work anymore, couches and mattresses. Those are the kind of things that we can take to our landfill and we're allowed to pick up. We can't pick up any household hazardous waste. That means any kind of chemicals including lawn chemicals, car batteries and tires and things of that nature."

Darden said the program has become very popular over the last several years.

"It's a widely used program," said Darden. "We're trying to target people who are elderly, handicapped or otherwise don't have the means to

get these large items to our landfill. This is a service the city is going to provide as a courtesy to those people and give them the opportunity to get things off of their property they might not be able to otherwise."

Darden said customers need to be aware of gas, water and electricity meters and lines when they put their large items out to be picked up in an effort to protect their services and the city employees helping with the program.

"The reason we need people to be cognizant of where those meters are is because a lot of time we have to bring in equipment to pick those large items up," he said. "If you cover the meters up, it's hard for us to know where they are. Using the equipment makes the pick up go quicker and we want to make sure our employees are safe while they are picking these things up."

All items must be by the curb in the city's right-of-way no sooner than 24 hours before the scheduled pick up. Items need to be separated as much as possible for its trip to the municipal landfill.

For more information on the Large Item Pick Up program and maps of the six city districts, visit the city of Big Spring Website at www.ci.big-spring.tx.us, or contact the city at 264-2504.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

FIELD DAY AT WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY



Second grader Janasia Rushin leaps a hurdle while participating in the annual Washington Elementary Field Day at Blankenship Field Wednesday morning. Washington students competed in a variety of track and field events throughout the day.

HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

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to behave themselves."

Sparrow said the application for membership in the program is simple and straight forward.

"We're not asking for things like birth certificates or Social Security cards," said Sparrow. "However, there is vital information parents need to be sure

to bring when they register their child. A list of allergies or medications they are taking, along with their doctor's name and phone number are very important, along with names and phone numbers for emergency contacts we can reach if there's a problem."

Sparrow said the program is designed to meet the needs of the children, as well as the parents.

"I have a lot of people ask me

if they have to bring their child every day, or if they have to be here by a certain time of day," said Sparrow. "They can bring their children on the days they want, and they don't have to have them here by a certain time. All we ask is they be sure to pick them up on time."

And while the program is designed to help area parents and children, Sparrow said that doesn't mean the program doesn't need help from the commu-

nity. "One of the major costs of the program is feeding the children," said Sparrow. "About \$350 will feed 100 children for five days, so we're really hoping area businesses and members of the community will step up and help us cover some of those costs."

"Another major hurdle we face is volunteer staffing, which is vital to the program. May 29 through June 1 we'll be

doing staff training to prepare for the summer, and we really need volunteers. They can come in and get a volunteer packet, and we do require a background check."

For more information on the program, contact Sparrow at 264-0455.

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Inc. for the installation of a new recirculation pump within the spring located at Comanche Trail Park.

• Emergency ordinance canvassing the returns

and declaring the results of the May 12 recall election.

• Emergency ordinance canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the May 12 general election, as well as administer the oath of office to newly elected officials.

The council is also expected to elect a mayor pro tem.

• Final reading of a resolution authorizing the public works director to execute a change order for the recirculation pump within the spring located at Comanche

Trail Park.

The meeting is slated for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the City Council Chambers, located at 307 E. Fourth Street.

The council is also expected to meet in a special session Tuesday at 6 p.m. to discuss budgetary

planning for the coming fiscal years.

The presentation is expected to include a financial report for the quarter ending March 31, a presentation on current projects and goals and council input regarding the 2007-2008 budget pro-

jects and priorities.

The second meeting will also take place at the City Council Chambers.

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GRADS

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in the Howard-Glasscock Relay for Life the past four years and the Coahoma Community Trash Pickup two years running. In addition, Paige has donated books to Kid's Ranch.

After graduation, she plans to attend Southwestern University.

Chris Weihert, son of Richard Weihert and Carol Mann, is class salutatorian.

During his high school career, he was a member of the CHS band, serving as drum major and secretary his senior year, and

was student council president this school year. In addition, Weihert served as an officer in the national Future Farmers of America organization and was a three-year regional qualifier in UIL Academics and a three-year participant in One-Act Play.

He served on the year-book staff as business editor, was secretary of the National Honor Society and was a member of the Spanish Club and Drama Club.

He was named to the 2005-2006 All-District Band, received the Optimist Club Youth Award and was selected as band beau. Also, he received the Patrick S.

Gilmore Band Award.

He was active in the community, participating in the Relay For Life, Coahoma Community Trash Pickup, the 2006-2007 Agriculture in the Classroom and the Student Council Canned Food Drive.

After graduation, Weihert plans to attend

Howard College.

CHS will hold commencement for the Class of 2007 at 8 p.m. Thursday in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

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OUR VIEWS

Our community has made Relay another success

Well, we've got to say it again, Howard and Glasscock counties, you've proven that nothing is impossible. That's because the Howard-Glasscock chapter of the American Cancer Society and hundreds of walkers combined to make the 2007 Relay For Life one to always be remembered in Big Spring.

That's right, during Saturday morning's closing ceremonies, Relay officials announced that this year's event had grossed just more than \$181,000. That's just less than the \$185,000 goal with several underwriters' checks still to be added to the total.

In other words, Relay for Life again outdid itself. It will have made an extremely lofty goal, despite weather that might have created problems for organizers anywhere else.

It is important to remember that all the money raised by the Relay For Life goes directly to the American Cancer Society.

And that money comes back to Howard and Glasscock counties in the form of services, education and treatment for local residents.

As always, it will be some time before the total dollar amounts from this year's Relay for Life — gross and net — are known. Organizers will make that known in a wrap up meeting.

Where does Relay For Life go from here? How do you top such success?

We ask that question every year and the answer always remains the same.

Who knows.

One thing seems for certain, however. All of you in Howard and Glasscock counties who continue to help make Relay For Life a success need to go ahead and take a bow.

You've all earned it.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We are in our element, Lord, when we are with You.
Amen

Fighting one scandal after another

These cannot be the happiest of times for our President, George (The Decider) Bush. Hardly a day goes by without a new administration scandal popping up or an old one rising from its shallow grave.

Let's look at a few of them:

Alberto Gonzales — The attorney general is in hot water for the firing of eight U.S. attorneys for reasons that have not held up under ethical scrutiny. He denies wrongdoing but it's pretty obvious that he was carrying water for Republican politicians (Karl Rove, anyone?) who, for political reasons, wished these attorneys dead, in a figurative sense. Democrats keep calling for his dismissal — shouts of "Bring me the head of Alberto Gonzales!" ring through the Capitol — but President Bush has said he's doing a heckuva job and that he trusts him.

Paul Wolfowitz — The embattled World Bank president, who has made fighting corruption in the world a priority, is in hot water for, among other things, giving his girlfriend a cushy job at a fancy salary. He denies wrongdoing but the bank's board members, perhaps prejudiced by his arrogant ways, are trying to tie a can to his tail. President Bush, who gave him the bank presidency as a reward for doing such a bang-up job in planning the Iraq war, has said he's doing a bang-up job at the bank, too, and he trusts him.

George Tenet — The former CIA director has been relentlessly flogging his book, "At the Center of the Storm," the inside story of the run-up to the Iraq War. He says that the decision to invade was not primarily the result of faulty intelligence but preordained by the administration's unshackled lust to invade Iraq. The CIA made mistakes, he said, but the real dunces were the neo-cons — Dick Cheney, Paul Wolfowitz, I. "Scooter" Libby Jr. and the rest of the Bush gang. No word on whether the president still trusts Tenet.

Iraq — Despite repeated claims of "the surge is working" spinning out of the White House, Iraqis and Americans keep dying in record numbers. In addition, terrorist attacks on non-combatants in Afghanistan are up 53 percent over a year ago and the Taliban seems to be gaining ground there. Also, our reconstruction projects in Iraq, into which we poured billions of dollars, are falling apart. The former chairman of the International Reconstruction Fund Facility for Iraq has called the situation "dire" and said that the rebuilding effort is all but doomed. The White House response has been to launch an investigation of the special inspector general for Iraq who has uncovered much of the corruption that has confounded reconstruction.

But the scandal that most titillated official Washington had nothing to do with the president, Iraq or world politics.

It was the federal racketeering case involving Deborah Jeane Palfrey, who has been accused of operating a \$300-an-hour call girl

ring in Washington.

Ms. Palfrey has, unsurprisingly, denied everything. She says she merely provided an escort service to men who wanted company. What went on after the couple met was not her business.

She didn't even know the names of her clients, she said. She did, however, have a 46-pound stack of phone numbers of clients, many of whom are believed to be prominent politicians, government officials and lobbyists. This she turned over to ABC News so that they could seek out people who would confirm her innocence.

Before you could say Randall Tobias, they had found Randall Tobias, a deputy secretary of state whose job included the promotion of sexual abstinence around the world.

And sure enough, he confirmed Ms. Palfrey's innocence. He only got massages from her girls, he said, no sex. Then he resigned his job. I have no idea why.

"My hope [that] defense witnesses could be found by combing through the information indeed is being realized," Ms. Palfrey said.

With official Washington atremble and atwitter, the alleged call girl madam stood bravely before the microphones and said: "I abhor injustice."

You can't make up stuff like that.

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Boomsday — but days away

When Cassandra Cohane, 17, won admission to Yale University, she

believed that her years of power-studying had paid off. Wrong. Her father had sunk her college savings into a dot-com. With the money gone, Frank Cohane suggested that his daughter enlist in the military to pay her tuition. Twelve years and one name change later, Cassandra Devine is an angry blogger who, hopped up on Red Bull, NoDoze and Nicorette gum, incites riots at golf courses and gated communities as Gen Wers (members of Generation Whatever) protest the massive financial burden they carry in order to maintain the Un-Greatest Generation — my generation — in the style to which it has become accustomed.

That's the setup for Christopher Buckley's satirical novel "Boomsday."

Boomsday, the novel tells us, is a term economists use for the date when America's Baby Boomers begin to retire. Or, as Devine sees it: "Mountainous debt, a deflating economy, and 77 million people retiring. The perfect economic storm."

While the novel does not tell readers the exact year in which Devine's blogging causes an uproar, in real life, Boomsday is a mere months away.

According to Harry Zeeve of the bipartisan budget watchdog group The Concord Coalition, Boomsday falls some time next year, as the first Baby Boomers become eligible for early retirement at age 62

in 2008.

Things will only get worse. The Concord Coalition figures that by 2018, Social Security will spend more than it takes in. (Medicare already spends more than it takes in.) In 1960, there were 5.1 workers for every one retiree. Today the ratio is 3.3 to one. By 2040, it will shrink to 2.1 to one.

In "Boomsday," the Bank of Tokyo, for the first time ever, declines to buy new-issue U.S. Treasury bonds. A Concord Coalition chart shows how the percentage of public debt owned by foreigners has risen from 17 percent in 1987 to half in 2006. ("They don't have to stop buying our debt," Zeeve told me. "They only have to slow the rate at which they're buying our debt for us to start to feel it.") Economic collapse and generational warfare follow.

Washington responds by raising payroll taxes — to 30 percent of payroll on workers under age 35. With the super-sized deficit serving as Gen-W's Vietnam, young workers burn their Social Security cards in protest.

Devine proposes that America balance federal finances by promoting "Voluntary Transitioning" — that is, have the government offer tax incentives for seniors who kill themselves by age 75. Her idea of a successful government program is a Voluntary Transitioning Center with a "Welcome Seniors" banner out front.

The book is funny. Reality isn't.

President Bush has made matters worse — by pushing yet another entitlement, a prescription drug program that spends more than it takes in. With the 2008 presidential election looming, Washington won't touch entitlement reform until 2010 — if then.

It doesn't help that Washington politicians know that older people — the folks most likely to get more money from Social Security than they paid into the system — vote. Which means Washington may not try to implement reforms to avoid federal bankruptcy until it is so late that any fix will be exceedingly painful. And extremely necessary, as the Congressional Budget Office estimates that entitlement spending and interest payments will consume 100 percent of federal revenues in 2020.

I know this column will elicit e-mails from readers who believe that Washington can fix the budget by cutting fraud, waste and abuse. That's simply not true. Washington has over-promised so much that big program cuts — and while it pains me to admit it, perhaps big tax increases — will be necessary to avoid a federal fiscal meltdown.

The Concord Coalition argues that Washington needs "a fiscal wake-up call." But as long as the Un-Greatest Generation produces politicians who get elected to higher office by spending more than the government takes in, that call will never happen.

Buckley says he wrote the book as "a father of an 18-year-old and a 14-year-old who are going to spend a large chunk of their working lives paying off the debt incurred by my generation and the ones that went before."

And, "What happened to the concept of bequeathing our children a better world?"

The answer: That was for the last generation. Not us.

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Grilling season can still be time of healthy eating

American Institute for Cancer Research

For the etiquette conscious, Memorial Day represents the first day for fashion mongers to acceptably don their white shoes and slacks. For those of us who care more about food than fashion, Memorial Day means the official start to the barbecue season. The sun is warmer, the days are longer and, for much of the country, it's finally time to clean off the outdoor furniture for dinners on the deck.

Barbecuing doesn't have to mean burgers and steaks. All kinds of other meats and vegetables take well to being barbecued. Chicken, pork and fish all benefit from this time-honored cooking method, especially with the plethora of marinades and rubs available, both commercial and homemade. It's definitely worth the effort, and quite often the process is no more complicated or time-consuming than cooking indoors.

There are many different varieties of tuna, each with a distinctive, rich-flavored flesh that is moderate to high in fat and firmly textured. Fresh tuna is available seasonally, usually starting in late spring and continuing into early fall. All of these factors make it the perfect choice for kebabs: the meat is sturdy and thick enough to chop into cubes that are easily attached to skewers. Although this recipe calls for cherry tomatoes, onions and cucumber, you can substi-

tute almost any vegetables of your choice. Mushrooms work well, as do slightly precooked carrot chunks, wedges of bell pepper and thick slices of zucchini.

Arranging food on skewers is a natural way to involve guests in meal preparation. Dishes like this one are much healthier for you than the more commonly barbecued burger or steak. In addition to the added advantage of consuming fewer calories and less saturated fat, the tuna contains healthy omega-3 fatty acids.

Serve the kebobs with bulgur wheat or brown rice and a green salad, and you've got a delicious and healthy outdoor meal.

Tuna Kebobs

- 1/3 cup fresh lime juice (about 2 limes)
- 1 Tbsp. reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 2 Tbsp. chopped fresh basil leaves
- 1/4-1/2 tsp. red pepper flakes, or desired (optional)
- 1/4 tsp. freshly-ground black pepper
- 3 Tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
- 1 lb. fresh tuna, cut in 12 chunks
- 1 large cucumber, peeled, seeded and sliced
- 8 large cherry tomatoes
- 1 medium red onion, halved vertically and cut into crescents

Preheat grill or broiler. In a glass or other non-reactive bowl, combine the lime juice, soy sauce, garlic, basil, pepper flakes, pepper and oil.



Add the tuna to the marinade, turning to coat. Cover and marinate up to 1 hour, turning tuna chunks occasionally.

Using four 10-inch metal, or well-soaked wooden or bamboo skewers, assemble the kebobs, alternating the fish with pieces of cucumber, onion and tomato.

Broil the kebobs 5 minutes. Turn and cook until the fish is firm to the touch and the vegetables browned, about 5 minutes more.

Do not overcook or the tuna will be dry.

Serve either hot or at room temperature with rice.

Nutrition Wise:

By **KAREN COLLINS**
American Institute for Cancer Research

Q: Is it true that a recent study proved that garlic might not benefit health after all?

A: No. A study published in the Archives of Internal Medicine tested natural garlic and garlic supplements and found that it did not lower blood cholesterol in any meaningful way. However, including garlic in the diet still offers a variety of health benefits. Even if garlic doesn't reduce LDL (bad) cholesterol levels, other studies suggest that natural antioxidant compounds in garlic keep the LDL from converting to its oxidized form. (Oxidized LDLs damage blood vessels and promote development of atherosclerosis.) Garlic also seems to inhibit blood platelets from clumping, leading to the formation of clots, which puts us at risk of a heart attack or stroke. Garlic's antioxidant compounds may also offer protection from cancer development. As antioxidants, they protect DNA from damage that can start cancer formation, and they also trigger enzymes that deactivate carcinogens before cell damage occurs. Finally, don't minimize the significance of garlic's ability to make our food taste delicious without adding fat, salt or significant calories.

Q: What does the American Institute for Cancer Research (AICR) guideline encouraging "minimally processed foods" mean?

A: Minimally processed" vegetables, grains and beans are not prepared commercially or at home with large amounts of added fat, salt or sugar. Foods minimally processed are also subject to minimal refining, which removes nutrients

and fiber. To minimally process dishes at home means flavoring your brown rice or vegetables with herbs, lemon juice, garlic and spices instead of using sodium-laden mixes or high-fat sauces. AICR's advice aims to maximize your consumption of cancer-fighting nutrients and other substances while minimizing unhealthy additions to your diet. Also, by choosing whole grains in preference to refined grains, you gain far more than just extra fiber. Although AICR's minimally processed guideline refers to the plant foods that should make up at least two-thirds of your plate, limiting processed meats such as sausage and hot dogs is also good advice.

Q: Do enzyme supplements to prevent gassiness really work?

A: People who get an uncomfortable amount of gas from dried beans, peas and other vegetables may find help in supplements that contain the enzyme called alpha-galactosidase. When digestive enzymes do not break down certain carbohydrates in these foods, they ferment in the gut, forming gas. Dried beans, peas and lentils are excellent sources of fiber, protein and a variety of vitamins, minerals and phytochemicals, so if you've been avoiding them because of gas, such products may be worth a try. Follow directions carefully; you need to consume the enzyme supplement at the same time as the food in question and can't add it to the food while it cooks. You can also lessen gassiness of beans by rinsing canned beans well.

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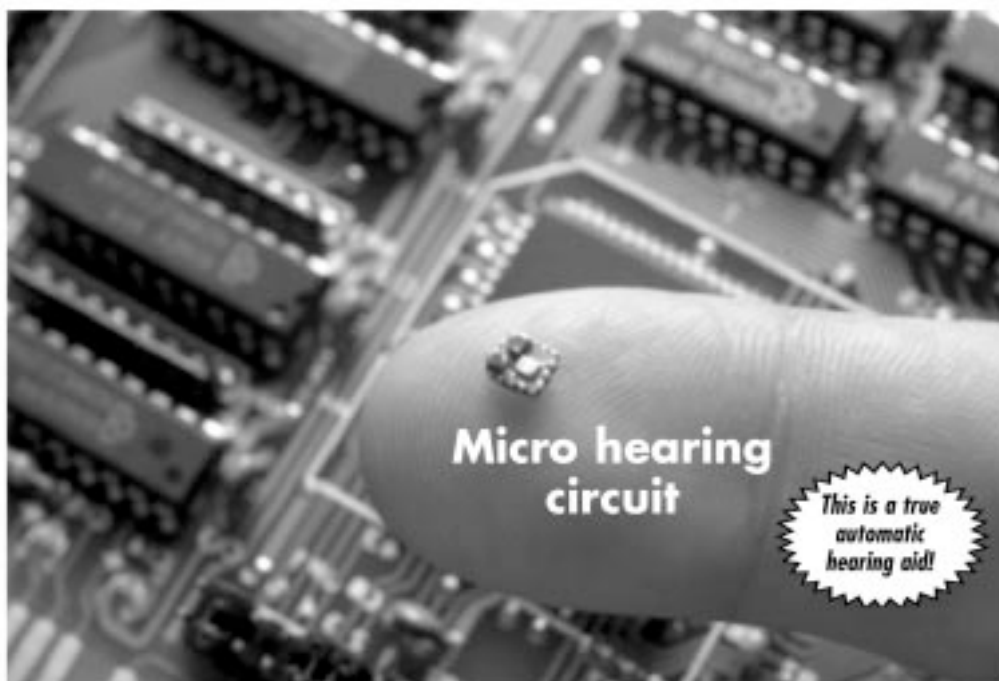
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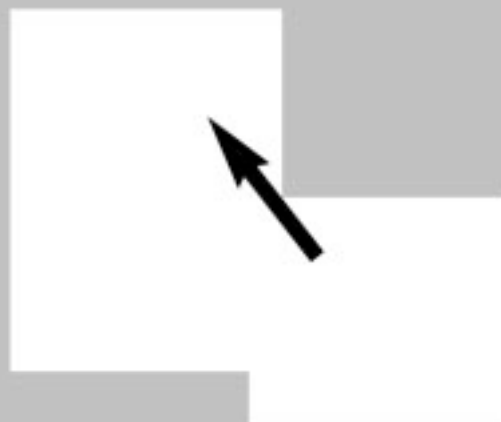
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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

Alltel agrees to \$27.5 billion buyout

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — A pair of investment firms have agreed to acquire Alltel Corp., the fifth-biggest U.S. wireless company and owner of the nation's largest geographic network, in a deal worth \$27.5 billion.

The telecommunications company announced Sunday that it had signed an agreement to be acquired by TPG Capital, formerly Texas Pacific Group, and GS Capital Partners, a subsidiary of Goldman Sachs.

"This transaction delivers substantial and certain value to our shareholders while providing the company with long-term partners who share our commitment to our customers, employees and the communities we serve," Scott Ford, Alltel's chief executive, said in a news release.

"This transaction also ensures our customers can continue to rely on Alltel to deliver high-quality service and leading edge products and services."

The deal, if approved by shareholders and regulators, is expected to close during the fourth quarter of this year or the first three months of 2008, Alltel said.

Alltel has about 12 million cell-phone customers, mainly in the South, West and Midwest. That ranks it fifth in number of customers, after Cingular, Verizon, Sprint and T-Mobile, but the company's service "footprint" is larger than any of those rivals, Ford said.

Ordinance would darken lights in Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas City Council members are set to consider an ordinance Wednesday that would darken thousands of city lights for four hours each night.

According to an ordinance draft, businesses citywide would have to switch off most of their exterior and signage lighting between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. Violators could face fines of up to \$2,000.

The proposed ordinance is part of an effort to conserve energy and reduce power plant emissions. Other measures to be considered by the council on Wednesday include strict regulations on idling trucks, pollutant-belching vehicles and where the city purchases its cement.

More than 1,000 U.S. cities have passed some sort of "dark skies" ordinance, according to an estimate by the Arizona-based International Dark-Sky Association.

Exemptions in Dallas would include security, hospital, traffic control, residential and transportation lighting. State and federal government facilities, as well as businesses open and operating between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., would also be exempt, according to the ordinance.

Father of fugitive murderer held in jail

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — The father of a fugitive convicted murderer was being held Sunday at a South Texas jail.

Dr. Muddamalle Livingston, a Chicago area anesthesiologist, arrived in Cameron County on Saturday and was taken to the Carrizalez-Rucker Detention Center in Olmito. He was arrested in late April at his home in Elk Grove, Ill., on charges of hindering apprehension of a felon and obstruction of justice. Bond was set

Sunday at \$125,000 on each charge.

Livingston's son, Amit Livingston, was sentenced in February for the September 2005 death of Hermila Hernandez. Amit Livingston had been having an affair with the 32-year-old mother of three, and said he killed her when she "insulted his manhood." She was trying to end the relationship.

Her nude body was found in the dunes north of the town of South Padre Island. She had a cracked skull and bullet wounds to her head. She had been missing for four days.

Amit Livingston confessed to the murder in a plea agreement and was given a 23-year sentence. However, State Judge Abel Limas allowed him 60 days to get his "affairs in order" before reporting to prison. The younger Livingston failed to report April 14 to begin serving his sentence and a remains at large.

Authorities also arrested Amit Livingston's uncle, Stephen Muddamalle. The 62-year-old, of Saginaw, faces charges of hindering apprehension of a felon and tampering with physical evidence.

UT-Austin reaches ethics pact with AG

AUSTIN (AP) — University of Texas at Austin administrators have reached an ethics agreement with the state attorney general that prohibits school employees from accepting gifts from student loan companies.

The agreement, announced Saturday by Attorney General Greg Abbott, comes a week after the university fired its financial aid director after determining his ownership of stock in a loan company violated university rules.

Under the agreement, university employees can neither solicit nor accept gifts from student loan companies. Employees must notify the university president if they receive gift offers.

Financial aid office employees will have to undergo annual training on fair lending practices. The agreement prohibits all university employees from receiving any compensation, including reimbursement for travel, for serving on a student lender advisory board or management council.

The agreement also prohibits employees in the financial aid office from owning stock in student loan companies, the issue at the heart of last week's dismissal of Associate Vice President Lawrence Burt.

"With this agreement, the University of Texas at Austin set new standards for ethics and fair dealing in the student loan industry," Abbott said.

Burt had been on paid leave since early April, when he was named as part of the New York attorney general's investigation into the \$85 billion student loan industry. He has denied wrongdoing.

A monthlong University of Texas System investigation found Burt placed a subsidiary of a loan company in which he owned stock at the top of several preferred lender lists without any apparent justification.

Child in middle of controversy dies

AUSTIN (AP) — A toddler whose terminal illness started a contentious legal and ethical debate over who decides when life-sustaining treatment should cease has died.

Nineteen-month-old Emilio Gonzales died in his mother's arms Saturday night at Children's Hospital of Austin, said family attorney Jerri Ward. He had been

on a respirator since December.

"God chose to take Emilio at this time," Ward said. The family has not requested an autopsy, said Michele Gonzalez, a spokeswoman for the Seton Family of Hospitals. Children's Hospital physicians will make a final determination on the cause of death by the middle of the week.

Emilio was believed to have Leigh's disease, which destroys brain functions. His mother had fought in court to continue his medical care while doctors, saying there was no hope of recovery, sought to remove him from the machines keeping him alive.

Doctors wanted to invoke a state law allowing it to stop life support after a 10-day notice for patients deemed medically futile.

Emilio's mother, Catarina Gonzales, of Lockhart, said she knew her son would die but wanted doctors to continue care, pointing out that he smiled and turned his head when he heard voices. In April, a judge agreed to temporarily block the hospital's move to end life support.

In legal filings, Gonzales' attorney contended the state law allowing doctors to overrule the treatment decisions of loved ones when conflicts arise is unconstitutional.

A hearing on Emilio's fate had been set for May 30. "We mourn the death of Emilio Gonzales," Michael Regier, senior vice president of legal services for the Seton Family of Hospitals, said in a brief statement. "We pray that in the days and weeks to come, Emilio's mother and family will be comforted by God's loving presence and by the knowledge that Emilio's earthly suffering is now ended."

The state Senate approved legislation this month to change the law and give patients' families more time before ending life-sustaining treatment.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Doing What Comes Naturally

North dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ J 5
♥ A 7 6 3
♦ 8 7 5 4
♣ Q 8 4

WEST
♠ 10 7 6 2
♥ 10 4
♦ 10 9 3 2
♣ 6 5 2

EAST
♠ K 9 8 4 3
♥ Q 9 8 2
♦ A K 6
♣ 3

SOUTH
♠ A Q
♥ K J 5
♦ Q J
♣ A K J 10 9 7

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

Opening lead — two of spades.

tournament, where extra tricks pay a heavy premium. West led a spade, and South could see 10 sure tricks. He could also feel confident of scoring an 11th trick by taking a heart finesse. This was virtually certain to win because only 12 high-card points were missing, marking East with the heart queen for his opening bid.

South took East's king of spades with the ace, crossed to the queen of clubs and led a low heart to his jack. He then cashed five more clubs, producing this position:

North
♥ A 7 6
♦ 8 7

West Immaterial

East
♥ Q 9 8
♦ A K

South
♠ Q
♥ K 5
♦ Q J

The squeeze is generally regarded as a play reserved exclusively for experts. It is a dramatic play, no doubt, but its difficulty has been greatly exaggerated.

The squeeze actually functions all by itself, though it does require a helmsman at the wheel. All declarer has to do is to cash his tricks in the right order and at the right time. If the setup is right, nature follows its course and the squeeze succeeds.

This deal occurred in a duplicate

When declarer next cashed the spade queen, discarding a diamond from dummy, East was squeezed. He couldn't spare a heart, so he discarded the diamond king. South thereupon led the queen of diamonds, and East scored his one and only trick of the deal.

Declarer did nothing sensational during the play. The heart finesse was almost certain to succeed, and after that South merely cashed his winners. Nature took care of the rest.

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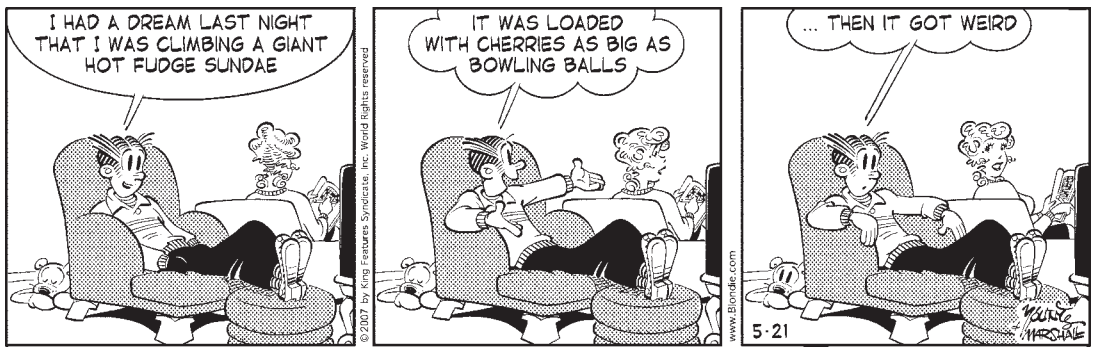
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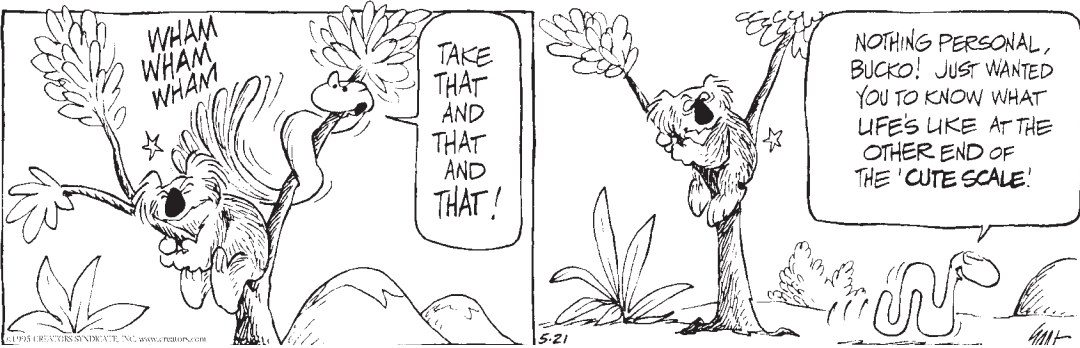
By The Associated Press Today is Monday, May 21, the 141st day of 2007. There are 224 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On May 21, 1927, Charles A. Lindbergh landed his Spirit of St. Louis near Paris, completing the first solo airplane flight across the Atlantic Ocean. On this date: In 1542, Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto died while searching for gold along the Mississippi River. In 1832, the first Democratic National Convention got under way in Baltimore. In 1840, New Zealand was declared a British colony.

In 1861, the Confederate Congress, meeting in Montgomery, Ala., voted to move the capital of the Confederacy from Montgomery to Richmond, Va. In 1881, Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross. In 1892, the opera "Pagliacci," by Ruggero Leoncavallo, was first performed, in Milan, Italy. In 1924, 14-year-old Bobby Franks was murdered in a "thrill killing" committed by Nathan Leopold Jr. and Richard Loeb, two students at the University of Chicago. In 1956, the U.S. exploded the first airborne hydrogen bomb over Bikini Atoll in the Pacific. In 1979, former San Francisco City Supervisor Dan White was convicted of voluntary manslaughter in

the slayings of Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk. In 1982, during the Falklands War, British amphibious forces landed on the beach at San Carlos Bay. Today's Birthdays: Actress Jeanne Bates ("Ben Casey") is 89. Actor David Groh is 66. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ron Isley (The Isley Brothers) is 66. Actor Richard Hatch ("Battlestar Galactica") is 62.

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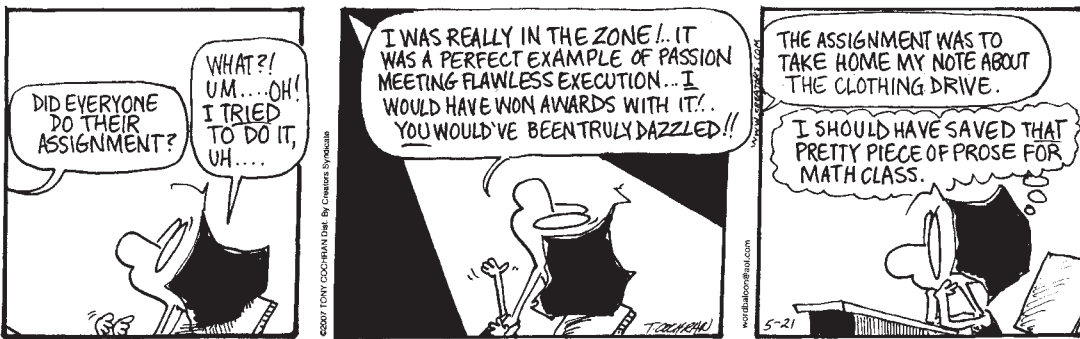
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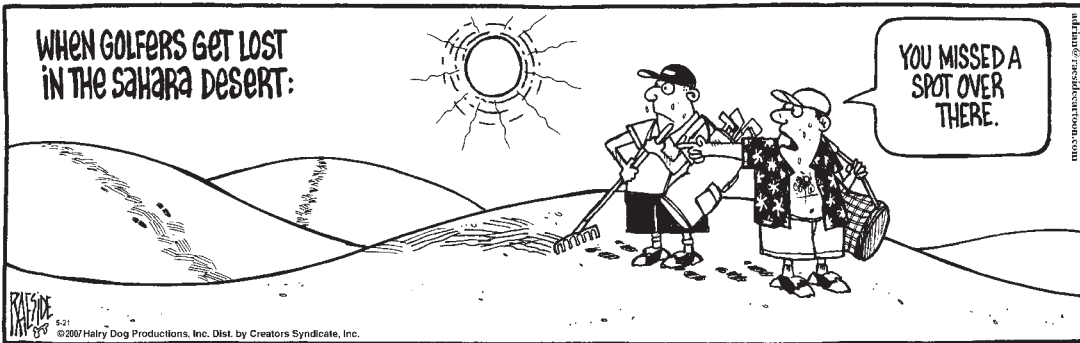
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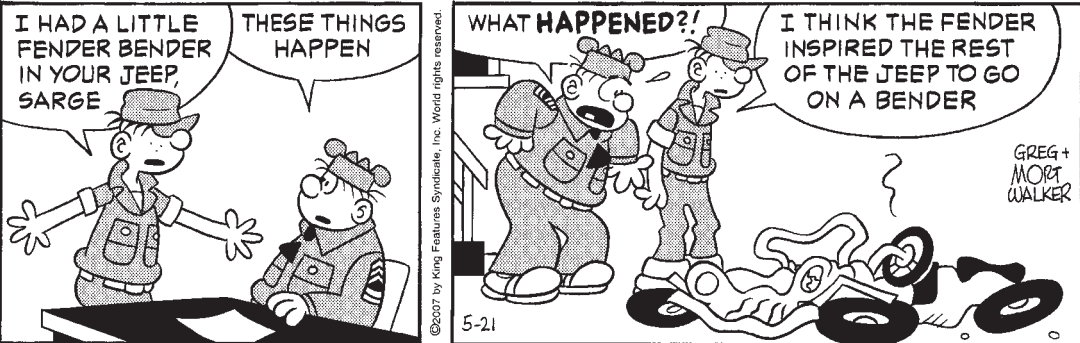
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- ACROSS: 1 Chinese-food staple, 5 Health resorts, 9 Tea variety, 14 Fan-mail recipient, 15 Payment method, 16 Fencing move, 17 Whine and complain, 19 On ___ (winning), 20 Unhappy, 21 Playful aquatic mammal, 22 Short messages, 23 Cashews and pecans, 24 Most minuscule, 26 Higher than, 28 Horn sound, 29 "Absolutely!", 32 Keen-witted, 33 Finished first, 34 Whitish gemstone, 35 ___ story (biography), 36 Coffee-to-go topper, 37 All-knowing, 38 Environmental science: Abbr., 39 Stovetop vessel, 40 Acquired a tan, 42 "___ the land of the free...", 43 Small taste, 44 Prepare to propose, 45 Fill with joy, 47 Ponytail material, 48 Shoe parts, 50 Actor George C., 52 Words from the sponsor, 55 States openly, 56 New bride and groom's trip, 58 Granter of wishes, 59 More than, 60 Prefix for social, 61 Uneasy feeling, 62 Ties the knot, 63 Annoying one, 6 Treaties, 7 Tennis great Arthur, 8 Robin Hood's forest, 9 Venus or Mars, 10 Italian coins, 11 Paneling wood, 12 Make eyes at, 13 Electrified swimmers, 18 "___ got to be kidding!", 23 Fictional work, 25 Very long time, 26 Wonderland girl, 27 Pretty soon, 28 Packing string, 30 Artist's stand, 31 Winter vehicle, 32 Nile queen, for short, 34 Deed holder, 36 TV program for night owls, 39 Center of a peach, 40 Ice Capades performers, 41 Togetherness, 43 Long-eared hound, 46 Clark's exploration partner, 47 Sharpened, 48 Lengthy story, 49 Baking appliance, 51 Sheltered inlet, 52 Top-notch, 53 Round specks, 54 Grumpy mood, 57 Traveler's guide

A crossword grid with numbers 1 through 63 indicating the starting positions for the words in the list.