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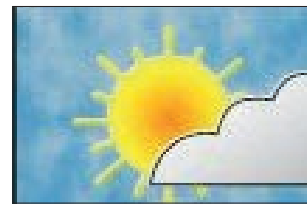
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Holiday events slated

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

Big Spring residents wanting to solemnly observe Memorial Day will have a couple of opportunities Monday with ceremonies scheduled at the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial and Trinity Memorial Park.

The Permian Basin POW/MIA Ride to Remember is scheduled for Monday morning, beginning with a ceremony at the Permian Basin Vietnam Memorial at Terminal. About an hour later, 500 or more motorcyclists are expected to begin the ride to Big Spring for a second ceremony set for about 11 a.m. at the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial.

Organizers noted that the Ride to Remember gives the area's veterans who are unable to take part in the Run for the Wall and Rolling Thunder activities in Washington, D.C., to make a symbolic ride.

Many Big Spring residents are planning to make the ride to Midland for the first ceremony and then return with the group to take part in the local observance.

Ride to Remember participants will enter Big Spring on U.S. Highway 87, parade south on Gregg Street and turn west on FM 700 en route to the memorial.

"We definitely encourage the public to come out and join us for the ceremony," said Jerry Groves, a spokesperson for the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial Committee. "But we definitely want people to remember what Memorial Day is for — to honor the men and women who've made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation."

Groves also stressed that because of the large number of motorcycles involved in the Run to Remember — last year more than 600 bikers took part in the ride — local residents will need to use caution in the areas along Gregg Street and FM 700 when the procession arrive.

"We had more than 600 motorcycles take part last year and we wouldn't be a bit surprised to see that many or more take part in the ride this year," Groves explained.

Bikers who make the ride from Midland to Big Spring will be feted to a hamburger and hot dog cookout lunch

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POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Big Spring High School teacher Jill Willbanks, left, congratulates senior Ashley Stiles before the start of BSHS commencement exercises in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Friday night.



HERALD photo/Dustin Wilson

Annaliese Dunnam holds out a white carnation for Jarrett Reyna at Forsan High School's 2007 commencement ceremony Friday in the school's auditorium.

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IN BRIEF

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.

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 first grade through ninth 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 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 Center starting Tuesday and lasting through Friday.

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 or call Big Spring Junior High at 264-4135.

Bowl-A-Rama holding benefit tournament

Bowl-A-Rama will be a holding a no-tap singles bowling tournament at 3 p.m. today to help Mary Grace Jackson raise money to pay the expenses of her pending kidney and pancreas transplant.

The entrance fee will be \$15 per person. There will be separate divisions for men and women. A cash prize will be paid to one place for every five entries.

For more information, contact Debbie Burrow at 263-8952 or Jimmie Wood at 267-8676.

City of Big Spring Tennis Camps set

Ted Olesen and Nelson Payne will be holding the first of three City of Big Spring Tennis Camps beginning Monday and concluding Thursday.

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Astros struggles continue, fall 13-3 to Diamondbacks

By The Associated Press

Matt Reynolds could have hit for the cycle. He just hit the ball too far.

The Diamondbacks' rookie came up in the eighth inning Friday night needing a double to complete the cycle. His shot to right field had a little too much behind it, however, clearing the wall for his second homer of the game and Arizona routed the struggling Houston Astros 13-3.

Reynolds, who 10 days ago was an obscure Double-A infielder, went 5-for-5 two home runs, a triple and four RBIs.

"I mean, I was trying to hit a

double," Reynolds said with a chuckle. "I'll take a fence-scraper any day. I'm just glad I didn't strike out."

Reynolds is batting .459 (17-for-37) with eight extra-base hits and 11 RBIs in his first 10 big league games.

"It's unbelievable," Reynolds said. "It's been a great ride so far."

Reynolds was promoted after Chad Tracy, the Diamondbacks' regular third baseman, went on the disabled list with a rib cage injury. Brian Barden, the third baseman at Triple-A Tucson, also was hurt, opening the door for Reynolds.

Manager Bob Melvin looked smart for batting Reynolds in the cleanup spot for the first time on Friday night.

"It wasn't much of a move," Melvin said. "It was easy to do. He's just going about his business. I don't think he knows where he's hitting in the lineup to tell you the truth."

For the record, Melvin said Reynolds will be back in the No. 4 hole for his 11th major league game.

Carlos Quentin had two doubles and three RBIs for host Arizona, which matched its season high with 17 hits and has outscored Houston 22-4 in the

first two games of the four-game series.

Edgar Gonzalez (2-2), who was demoted to the Diamondbacks' bullpen last month, allowed one run and four hits in five innings. He took Randy Johnson's turn in the rotation after the Big Unit was hampered by forearm tendinitis.

Woody Williams (1-7) allowed four runs and five hits in five innings as visiting Houston lost its sixth straight. He struck out three and walked two.

"It certainly was their night," Houston manager Phil Garner

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Bulldogettes shutout Hawley in Game 1



By JONATHAN HULL
Herald Sports Writer

ABILENE — One win. That's all that remained between Coahoma's Bulldogettes and a record ninth trip to the state softball tournament in Austin heading into Saturday.

Coahoma's ace pitcher Heather Newton flirted with a no-hitter as she led the Bulldogettes to a 6-0 victory over Hawley's Lady Bearcats in Game 1 of their best-of-three-series Friday. The win gave Coahoma a 1-0 series lead and put the Bulldogettes just one win away from a Region I-2A championship and the state tournament.

"The girls have their head right and the focus is there," said Coahoma head coach Tracy Tadlock. "They've had it right all year. They're hard workers and they're used to being in contention for state. They're more used to it than I am. I'm the one who's nervous."

Game 2 of the series took place at 2 p.m. Saturday at Abilene Christian University's Wells' Stadium. A third game, if necessary, was set for 30 minutes after the completion of Game 2.

Newton's dominance was a continuance of her postseason performance, having allowed only one earned run in four games. Friday's victory was probably her strongest playoff outing, according to

Tadlock.

In the sixth inning, Hawley's third baseman and ninth hitter in the lineup, Brittany Florence, hit a bloop single that died as soon as it hit the soggy ground in front of Coahoma second baseman Laci Sterling. Sterling scooped the ball, but Florence just beat out her throw to first, earning Hawley its lone hit and ending Newton's no-hit bid.

Newton said she wasn't thinking about the no-hitter.

"I was just out there throwing" said Newton. "I didn't think about that one hit."

Tadlock said he wasn't as concerned about the no-hitter as he was getting the win.

"Getting the win was the big thing and we got that," said Tadlock. "Heather's thrown no-hitters before."

The Bulldogettes scored their first run in the top of the second inning when Teryn Bibbs, courtesy running for Newton, scored courtesy of a Alex Moore single to right field. Every run scored after the first one turned out to be merely insurance runs.

"It was huge to score first," said Tadlock. "If we can just get a one run lead, then we're tough to beat with the pitching that we've got."

Defensively, the

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Coahoma's Laci Sterling fouls off a pitch in first inning action from the Bulldogettes 6-0 win over Hawley Friday. Game 2 of the Region I-2A championship was played at 2 p.m. Saturday at Abilene Christian University's Wells' Stadium.

Red Sox rally to beat Rangers, 10-6

By DAVID JIMENEZ

Associated Press Writer

ARLINGTON — Daisuke Matsuzaka had to battle more than the Texas Rangers lineup Friday night.

Matsuzaka left the game after five innings because of nausea. He earned his seventh win of the season anyway as the Boston Red Sox beat the Texas Rangers 10-6 Friday night.

Boston manager Terry Francona said Matsuzaka started feeling bad in the second inning and struggled through the five innings needed for him to win his fourth straight start.

"He showed a lot staying out there and pitching," Francona said. "He gave us five. He gave up five but they got to our bullpen later because he was able to stay out there."

Matsuzaka — who Francona says will have "the most covered case of intestinal turmoil ever" didn't come out for the sixth inning and was relieved by Kyle Snyder.

Matsuzaka (7-2) was not seen in the clubhouse after the game and he spoke only through a statement.

"I tried my best to take the team as deep into the game as possible to fulfill my responsibility as the starter," Matsuzaka said in the statement. "I regret that I ended up being a burden

on my teammates (Friday). I'll do my best to prepare for my next start."

Matsuzaka gave up home runs to Frank Catalanotto and Ramon Vazquez in a five-run fourth that put the Rangers ahead 5-4.

Boston regained the lead by scoring twice in the fifth before Matsuzaka ran into more trouble in the bottom half of the frame.

He escaped by getting Sammy Sosa to ground into a double play and striking out Frank Catalanotto to end the inning.

The Red Sox added four in the sixth to lift Matsuzaka to a win in his fourth straight start.

Matsuzaka gave up five runs and seven hits and matched his shortest outing of the season. He is tied for the league lead with seven wins along with teammate Josh Beckett, the Angels' John Lackey and the Braves' John Smoltz.

Sosa faced the Japanese sensation for the first time ever and went 1-for-4 with an RBI double and a strikeout in his pursuit to become the fifth player ever to hit 600 home runs. Sosa has 598.

Sosa did not answer questions from the media after the game.

After Texas' big inning, Boston seized the lead for good in the fifth against reliever Wes Littleton (0-1).

Kevin Youkilis singled with one out to extend his hitting streak to 17 games. David Ortiz

hit a run-scoring double to tie the game, and Manny Ramirez put the Red Sox on top 6-5 with an RBI single.

The Red Sox added four more runs in the sixth off of Texas reliever Frank Francisco.

Jason Varitek had an RBI triple, Coco Crisp hit an RBI double, and Julio Lugo and Youkilis each added RBI singles.

"One through nine our lineup was chipping away," Francona said. "It's a good formula for winning."

Texas starter Brandon McCarthy left the game after only two innings with a blister on his right middle finger. He walked four and gave up four runs on just one hit.

"It's pretty annoying," McCarthy said. "It's a tough one to swallow. But the job is to move on and get better."

McCarthy was undone by a 47-pitch second inning in which he walked the first three batters of the frame.

McCarthy opened the inning by walking Ramirez, J.D. Drew and Mike Lowell. Ramirez came home on Varitek's sacrifice fly.

After Crisp walked to reload the bases, David Pedroia lined a single to center to bring home two runs and give Boston a 3-0 lead. It was the only hit Boston had in the inning.

Crisp then scored on an unusual fielder's choice. Lugo hit a fly

ball that Sosa dropped in right field, but he recovered to throw Pedroia out at second.

Littleton relieved McCarthy to start the third.

After a one hour, 57-minute rain delay, Matsuzaka started sharp as he struck out four in the first three innings.

Sosa's double brought Texas within 4-1. Catalanotto followed with a two-run homer — his fourth of the season — to bring Texas within 4-3. Ramon Vazquez then hit his third home run of the season to cap the inning.

"We handled (Matsuzaka) well," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "He's a very good pitcher and we did a good job of making him throw strikes."

Lofton scored on a wild pitch in the seventh.

Notes: Matsuzaka walked three after not walking a batter in his previous 17 innings. ... Sosa and Texas 2B Ian Kinsler each misplayed foul pops in the first inning.

Indians 7, Tigers 4

Paul Byrd was far more impressed with his teammates than his control.

Byrd won his fourth straight decision, Casey Blake and Victor

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Tasty meals on the cheap

Food prices are up 3.1 percent over last year and could climb higher. If you're feeling the pinch at the supermarket, here are some tasty meals that will feed a family of four for a five-spot or less.

'Bacon and Eggs' Spaghetti and Green Salad

Cost: \$4.69

This pasta dish is known as spaghetti carbonara in Italy, where it's often made with the Italian bacon known as pancetta. We used sweeter, cheaper and easier-to-find American bacon.

- 12 oz. thin spaghetti
- 6 slices bacon, cut into 1/2-inch dice
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 cup parmesan cheese
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup frozen peas, thawed

1 tomato, diced (optional)

Salad:

- Head of lettuce
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 1/2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

Cook spaghetti according to package instructions.

Meantime, in a skillet, cook bacon until fat is rendered and desired crispiness is reached. Turn heat to low.

In a bowl, beat together the eggs, parmesan cheese and black pepper as desired. When spaghetti is cooked, drain, reserving a little of the cooking water.

Add to the skillet with the bacon and its fat. Stir in the egg-cheese mixture, tossing all together until eggs become glossy. Stir in peas and a little of the



cooking water if dish seems dry. Top with diced tomato, if using.

To make green salad with vinaigrette: Tear and wash head of lettuce. Submerge lettuce leaves in ice water bath for 30 seconds. Shake dry. (This

"shocks" them and makes them crisp).

In a small sealable plastic container, shake together 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil and 1 1/2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar. Season with salt and pepper, then toss with lettuce.



'Unwanted' sweet-spicy chicken and steamed broccoli

Cost: \$4.75

We got the frozen chicken leg quarters used in this recipe for 49 cents a pound. What makes them so inexpensive? Americans prefer the breasts and wings of chickens. Nothing wrong with that, but many chefs consider the chicken's dark thigh meat the tastiest part of all. The sweet chile sauce brushed over the chicken while grilling is available in many supermarkets. Look for a bottle that lists sugar as the first ingredient.

- 4 chicken leg quarters
- Salt and pepper (or Cajun seasoning)
- 1 cup sweet chile sauce

Broccoli:

- Fresh broccoli
- Extra-virgin olive oil

Thaw chicken if frozen. Separate at the joints if desired. Season to taste with salt and pepper or Cajun seasoning.

Grill chicken over medium heat until done, brushing with sweet chile sauce during last 5 or 10 minutes of cooking. Lower heat if chile sauce appears to be burning.

To steam broccoli: Cut broccoli florets and stalk into even-size pieces. Place in steamer over boiling water, cover and steam 4 1/2 to 5 minutes. Toss with extra-virgin olive oil while warm and season with salt and pepper.



'Sloppy' Stacked Enchiladas

Cost: \$4.72

This hearty one-dish meal isn't really messy — it gets its name from the sloppy joes that even adults crave now and then. The exact number of tortillas and layers you use in this recipe depends on the size and shape of the baking dish you use.

- 1 can (15 oz.) sloppy joe sauce
- About 12 corn tortillas
- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1 can (16 oz.) low-fat refried beans
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

Open can of sloppy joe sauce. Pour about 1/2 cup into a bowl. Soften two or three tortillas in the microwave. Dip both sides of the tortillas into the sloppy joe mix. Set these tortillas aside. These tortillas will be the top layer of the casserole.

Brown the ground beef in a large

skillet; drain off fat. Add sloppy joe mix, including any left in the bowl, to the meat and simmer a few minutes. Grease the bottom of a casserole dish. A square 8-by-8-inch or round 9-inch dish works best. Layer two or three tortillas in the bottom, tearing off pieces to fill any gaps. Don't worry if some overlap.

Spoon about one-third of the meat mixture over the tortillas. Top with another layer of tortillas.

Spread about half of the refried beans over the tortillas (the beans will be easier to spread if heated in the microwave first) and top with 1/3 cup cheese.

Repeat with remaining ingredients, ending with the tortillas that were dipped in the sloppy joe mix and the remaining 1/3 cup cheese.

Bake in a 350-degree oven about 30 minutes or until filling is bubbly.

Faster Fried Rice and Egg Drop Soup

Cost: \$3.27

When making fried rice, it's best to allow the cooked rice to cool completely before proceeding with the rest of the recipe. But if you're short on time, spread the rice out in a thin layer on a baking sheet to quicken cooling.

Also, don't worry about thawing the vegetables or dicing the tofu before adding to the wok or skillet. The vegetables will thaw as they cook, and it's easy to break up the tofu with the sharp edge of a spatula.

In stir frying, ingredients are cooked in quick succession. The classic way to do this is to push cooked ingredients to the edge of the wok as new ones are added to the center, but you can also simply remove them to a plate and return them to the wok later.

- Vegetable oil
- 1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen stir-fry vegetables such as snap peas, onion, broccoli, carrots, etc.
- 1/2 block firm tofu, removed from packing liquid
- 3 eggs

- 4 cups cooked rice, preferably cooled
- 4 tablespoons soy sauce
- 4 tablespoons oyster sauce (optional)

Egg Drop Soup:

- 4 cups chicken broth
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- Freshly ground black pepper

Heat a couple of tablespoons vegetable oil in a wok or large skillet set over medium-high heat.

Add frozen vegetables and stir-fry for a couple minutes, until heated through. Push to edge of wok (see note above) and add tofu.

Cook, pressing until oil and breaking up, until heated through and lightly browned. Push to edge of wok. Add eggs, stirring to scramble as they cook and separating the curds. Push to edge of wok.

Add rice and stir-fry until heated through. Stir together all ingredients and toss with soy sauce and oyster sauce, if using.

To make egg drop soup: Heat 4 cups chicken broth to boiling in a small saucepan. Drizzle beaten eggs while stirring broth to create egg noodles. Season to taste with freshly ground black pepper and serve.

'Parisian' Potato Pie and Cole Slaw

Cost: \$3.58

OK, we didn't really get this dish from France, but it was inspired by the deliciously rich potato pie we love from La Galette French Bakery and Restaurant in Delano, Kan. It makes a great dish for vegetarians, but you can also add leftover ham or cooked bacon to the filling.

While shopping for the ingredients for the pie and coleslaw that accompanied it, we noticed that French onion dip and mayo-based sandwich spread were cheaper than the sour cream and mayo they contained, so we used them instead and took advantage of their added flavor from chives, pickle relish, etc.

- 1 pouch (7.2 oz.) flavored mashed potato mix (such as garlic-cheddar or four-cheese), prepared according to instructions
- 1/2 cup French onion dip or sour cream

- 3 eggs
- 1 frozen piecrust, thawed

Cole Slaw:

- 4 cups cabbage
- 2/3 to 1 cup of mayo-based sandwich spread
- Pinch of each: salt and sugar

Make the mashed potatoes according to package directions. Cool briefly, then stir in sour cream and two of the eggs.

Separate the white from the yolk of the third egg. Add the yolk to the potato mixture. Lightly beat the egg white with 1 tablespoon cold water and set aside.

Pour the potato mixture into the piecrust and bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 50 minutes, or until filling is firm and top is golden brown. During last 20 minutes, brush top with egg white.

To make coleslaw: Shred 4 cups cabbage. Toss with 2/3 to 1 cup of mayo-based sandwich spread, plus a pinch of salt and sugar.

Obituaries

Police blotter

Take Note

Royce Johnson

Royce Johnson, 95, of Big Spring died Saturday, May 26, 2007, in Robert Lee. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

MONDAY

• Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers meets the first and third Monday of the month. For more information, call Nancy Hale at 398-5239.

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) TX, 21, weight loss support group meets at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third St. at 5 p.m. TOPS provides members with information, motivation and fellowship in attaining and maintaining their physician-prescribed weight goals. For more information, call Alex at 264-6921 or 1-800 392-8677.

TUESDAY

• The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) support group meets from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main. Anyone who has a mental illness or has a friend or family with mental illness is invited to participate. Call Felicia Talley at 268-3835 for more information.

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. and closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 264-1213 for more information.

• Dual Recovery Anonymous (DRA), 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Howard County Library Basement Community Room. DRA is a 12-step meeting for those who have a desire to stop drinking and/or using drugs and also have a mental or emotional illness.

All meetings are non-smoking and coffee is not available but members can bring their own coffee or non-alcoholic beverage. For more information, call Deidra F. at (432) 816-3033. Leave a message if you get voice mail.

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

FRIDAY

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 4-7-17-28-34.
Number matching five of five: none.

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-9-8.

Foster Families

• BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Friday and 8 a.m. Saturday:

- CLAYTON WIGINGTON, 21, 600 Highland, was arrested on two local warrants.
- ANDREW JUAREZ JR., 18, 411 Trades, was arrested on two local warrants.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1200 block of 11th Place.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 500 block of W. Third.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1400 block of Sixth.
- DISORDERLY CONDUCT was reported in the 500 block of Douglas.
- THEFT was reported in the 2000 block of Gregg and the 300 block of Third.

Bulletin Board

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

MONDAY

• Ride to Remember motorcyclists will arrive in Big Spring about 11 a.m. to pay their respects at the Vietnam Memorial, then have lunch at Hangar 25 Air Museum. The public is invited to attend the brief service and to have lunch at the museum. Those who are not participants of Ride to Remember may take part in lunch for \$5.

• Howard County Memorial Day Ceremony will take place at 2 p.m. at the main flagpole at Trinity Memorial Park, five miles south of Big Spring on U.S. Highway 87. Everyone is invited.

TUESDAY

• Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.

• Senior Circle meets at 10:30 a.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.

• Downtown Lions Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

THURSDAY

• Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

• Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479.

• 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.

Weather

Sunday...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s. Southeast winds around 10 mph.

Sunday night...Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s. South winds around 10 mph. Memorial day, Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Monday night...Mostly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

Tuesday...Mostly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

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Thursday...Mostly cloudy with isolated showers and Thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

Thursday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.


A special tour for a special event.

BirthPlace Tour:
Monday, June 4 at 7:00pm

For over fifty years, little Midlanders and their families have called Midland Memorial Hospital home. Meet us at the first floor lobby to take part in our special BirthPlace Tour. Visit our Postpartum, Labor, Delivery, Nursery, and our unique Breast Feeding Shoppe, Beautiful Beginnings. Meet our outstanding staff and find out what to expect when your special time arrives.

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Wheldon hopes to win second Indy race

By **NANCY ARMOUR**

AP National Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — As a kid growing up in England, you'd think Dan Wheldon would have day-dreamed about racing at Monte Carlo, Monza or, most likely, the British Grand Prix.

You'd be wrong. The race — the place — that captured his imagination early and never let go is an ocean away from Formula One. From the first time he heard fellow Brit Nigel Mansell rave about the Indianapolis 500, Wheldon wanted to race here. When he came to the Brickyard as a spectator in 1999, well, that sealed it.

"I've just been addicted ever since," he said. "For me, this race is fantastic. It's very, very enjoyable. Obviously, you get to perform in front of a lot of fans, and that's a big part of this race, along with the history and tradition. That's the two biggest things that draw everybody to the Indianapolis

500. "Without the fans, you wouldn't be able to display such a good show. And without the history and tradition, it wouldn't be such a great race."

Wheldon's place in Indy's rich tradition is already secure. He won the race in 2005 — the first British champion since Graham Hill in 1966 — and was a flat tire away from repeating last year. He also finished third in 2004.

But he doesn't want to be one of those drivers with one Indy title to his name. He wants to be like the Unsers and Rick Mears and A.J. Foyt, multiple winners at the Brickyard.

"The self-satisfaction I got out of winning this race was enough to tide me over for a long time," he said. "But by the same token, I think it makes me even more motivated to win."

He arrived in Indy at the beginning of the month as a heavy favorite with Target Chip Ganassi

teammate Scott Dixon. Wheldon had just won in Kansas, his second victory in an IndyCar season only four races old, and had led 485 of 700 laps this season.

He didn't have quite the same speed during qualifying and wound up on the outside of the second row for Sunday's race. But that means little.

"He does this transformation from practice to the race that once the race starts, he's total focus," team owner Chip Ganassi said. "He's got one thing on his mind, and that's to get to the front. And the second thing on his mind is to stay at the front."

That pretty much sums up his career, too. After coming up through the Formula Ford system in Great Britain, he moved to the United States in 1999 and switched to Indy cars.

He got a full-time ride with Andretti Green Racing, replacing an injured Dario Franchitti at the 2003 Indianapolis

500, and wound up as rookie of the year with nine top-10 finishes. He won three races the next year, vaulting him to a second-place finish in the points standings.

He pulled off a double in 2005, winning Indy and the series title, and is quick to give credit to car owner Michael Andretti and teammates Franchitti, Tony Kanaan and Bryan Herta.

"They did everything in their power to give me the fastest learning curve possible," Wheldon said. "Because of that, I was able to reach a good level very quickly."

At the end of 2005, though, Wheldon left the team and signed with Ganassi — a decision that baffled more than a few people. Andretti Green was one of the IRL's top teams while Ganassi was going through a bit of a struggle.

But it quickly turned around last year.

"We hadn't had a win in a while. I needed somebody we could rally

around and rebuild our team around," Ganassi said. "He was the spark that lit the fire. He was the impetus for that effort."

Wheldon won two races last year and finished in the top 10 in all but two of his 14 starts. He actually tied Sam Hornish in the points race but lost the title because Hornish had two more wins — including Indy, where Wheldon led for 148 laps only to be forced into an unscheduled pit stop with 16 laps to go after his tire was punctured.

He never regained the lead.

"It's not just this track I'm comfortable with. I think I'm comfortable at a

lot of other tracks we go, and with that comes confidence," he said. "There's been some (victories) that we've given away, and I think as time goes by, we'll eliminate that number."

If he does, Wheldon might generate some of that buzz the IRL so desperately needs.

With bright blue eyes, a winning smile and fashionably streaked blond hair, he might be the only driver as photogenic as Danica Patrick. He's friendly and engaging, with just enough brashness to make him interesting.

Being the center of

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BRIEFS

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The camp is for all ages and ability levels and will take place at the Figure 7 Tennis Center from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

The fee is \$100 and includes a daily lunch.

The camp is designed to teach the beginner player the basics of tennis and to help the advanced player reach their full potential.

For more information see www.bigspringtennis.com.

Parent-child golf tourney at country club

The Big Spring Country Club will hold a parent-child 2-person scramble tournament starting at 9 a.m. Saturday.

The tournament will continue at 1 p.m. Sunday. The entry fee is \$80 for the open division and \$40 for the trophy division.

A parent may play with more than one child. The entry fee for the second team is half-price.

Bar-be-que will be served on the golf course during the first day of play.

Call 267-5354 to sign up.

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.gotrosevolleyballcamps.com.

Texas Tech schedules summer sports camps

Texas Tech University has scheduled several sports camps for this summer.

The first Tim Siegel Tennis Camp starts Saturday and lasts through June 6. The second camp is set for June 17-21. The overnight camps are for players 8 to 17 of all abilities.

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By Steve Becker
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♣ 9 4

EAST
♦ J 6 5 4
♥ 9 3
♦ A 5 3
♣ 7 6 3 2

SOUTH
♦ K 9 3
♥ A J 7 2
♦ 8 4
♣ A Q J 10

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

Opening lead — six of hearts.

Here is an unusual hand that requires a remarkable play by declarer to make the contract.

West leads a heart against three notrump, and South plays low from dummy, winning East's nine with the jack. Declarer can count eight sure tricks — two spades, two hearts and four clubs — and needs another trick to get home safely.

After cashing four clubs, on which West discards a diamond and a spade, South leads a diamond. East takes the ace and returns a heart.

It does not matter whether declarer wins with the ace immediately or later. West's heart suit becomes established either way, and he eventually gains the lead with the king of diamonds to set the contract one trick.

But, as indicated earlier, it is possible to make the contract. What South should have done was to allow East's nine of hearts to win the first trick!

It is true that as a result of this play declarer makes only one heart trick instead of the two he can score by winning the nine with the jack. But the effect of ducking the nine is that South makes three notrump, which is a far more important consideration than winning one heart trick instead of two.

Let's see what happens if South ducks the nine. East returns a heart, declarer plays low again, and West wins with the queen.

The defenders now have two tricks, but they cannot do better than score the A-K of diamonds eventually. West has the K-8-4 of hearts left, and South still has the A-J. A heart lead from West does not prevent declarer from establishing the diamond suit to make the contract, nor does any other lead. The defense meets its Waterloo.

The recommended line of play has a sound foundation. Declarer assumes West does not have the A-K of diamonds — West passed originally and, judging from the play to the first trick, has the K-Q of hearts — so he plays for the honors to be split. Whenever this is the case, he severs the defenders' communications by refusing to win East's nine at trick one.

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Fite and Dockrey



Donna Sue Fite and Charles Brad Dockrey

Donna Sue Fite of Big Spring and Charles Brad Dockrey of Colorado City were united in holy matrimony at 6 p.m. April 28, 2007 at College Baptist Church with Alan Wallace, the brother-in-law of the bride, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Don and Ann Fite of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Flora Lee Dyer of Big Spring and Curtis Dyer of Manteca, Calif.

The groom is the son of

Bruce and Marsha Dockrey of Colorado City and the grandson of Charles and Betty Dockrey of Colorado City, Dorothy Armstrong of San Angelo and the late A.M. Beights Jr.

Given away by her father Don, the bride wore a dress from the Maggie Sottero Collection.

It was a diamond white, one-piece, strapless, slim A-line gown with a corset back.

The soft chiffon overlay

featured innovative starburst pleating on the bodice twinkling with crystal embellishments. The side of the skirt was gently pleated and fell in cascading fashion. The bride wore a tiara with rhinestones and pearl butterflies, complemented with a diamond-white, one-tier veil, fingertip length with a scalloped edge and fine crystal beading.

She carried a nosegay design bouquet made with white stephanotis, pink roses and pink lillies with brown and pink accent ribbon.

The pianist was Deloris Lillard. Vocalist was Tamara Wallace, niece of the bride, who performed "Bless the Broken Road" by Rascal Flatts.

Candle lighters were Tonda Wallace, sister of the bride, Jody Chaney, sister of the groom, and Jamie Hammond, sister of the groom.

Ushers were John Chaney and Kyle Hammond, both brother-in-laws of the groom.

The reception was held in the fellowship hall of College Baptist Church and was decorated by the groom's family.

The cake was a round, three-tiered, white cake with chocolate brown fondant drapes and swags with pink flowers and butterflies at the gathers of the swags.

The groom's cake was a chocolate with chocolate icing and it held the initials of the bride and groom's first names and the initials of their last name in the middle. It had chocolate-covered strawberries garnishing the edges and off the side.

The couple honeymooned in Puerto Rico.

Donna was home-schooled through high school and graduated from Midland College Aviation Department with an aircraft mechanics' license.

She has a private pilot's license. She graduated

from Southwest College of Real Estate and earned a Real Estate Salesperson license and is a member of the Permain Basin Board of Realtors.

She is an agent with Coldwell Ellen Phillips Realtors in Big Spring.

Charles graduated from Colorado City High School and Midland College Aviation Department with an aircraft mechanics' license. He has a commercial pilot's license. He is an agricultural pilot.

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at Hangar 25 Air Museum, and the public is invited to join the riders for the meal. Those not taking part in the ride will pay \$5 per plate for the meal.

Later in the day, the public is invited to attend a wreath-laying ceremony set for 2 p.m. at the main flagpole in Trinity Memorial Park.

More than 100 full size American flags will line the Avenue of Flags at the cemetery Monday for the Howard County Memorial

Day Ceremony.

Boy Scouts of the Buffalo Trail Council will be placing miniature American flags on veterans' graves Saturday and removing them Tuesday.

Trinity Memorial Park is located five miles south of Big Spring on U.S. Highway 87.

BSHS graduate never missed a day of school

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Years ago, when DeAnna Carlisle first starting school, her father made a deal with her — if she graduated high school without missing a day of school, he'd buy her a car.



Time to pay up, Dad. When Carlisle received her diploma from Big Spring High School Friday night, she could lay claim to a feat few other achieve — from kindergarten

through high school, she never missed a day of classes because of sickness.

The impetus for her feat came from a talk she had with her father David early in her academic career.

"He told me that if I didn't miss a day of school, I'd get a car," she said. "It was kind of joke back then ... I still haven't got my car yet, but ..."

A lot of factors go into maintaining perfect attendance for 13 years. Carlisle said one must have good health, supportive parents — and a

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Coahoma's shortstop Shelbi Paige looks to throw a Hawley baserunner out at first. Paige had four fielding asissts to lead the Bulldogettes defensively.

COAHOMA

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Bulldogettes gave Newton solid support despite playing on a soft surface. Shortstop Shelbi Paige had four assists to lead Coahoma in the field. Catcher Janice Gonzalez made a play on a softly hit ball in the fourth inning, continuing Newton's no-hit bid for another inning.

"We made a couple of mistakes defensively, but fortunately they weren't mistakes that hurt us," Tadlock said referring to Coahoma's two fielding errors. "When you've got a pitcher like Heather, then we can often overcome those mistakes. We came through when we needed to in the field though."

The Bulldogettes increased their lead to 3-0, scoring two unearned runs in the fourth inning. Newton hit a single to left field with one out. Bibbs replaced her at first base. Christie Rich hit a ground ball back to the Hawley's pitcher PeeWee Burton, but second baseman Amber McCoy couldn't handle the throw that allowed Bibbs to reach second

and Rich to take first.

Both runners moved up a base when Moore hit into a fielder's choice. Hawley's first baseman attempted to throw Bibbs out at third following the out, but the ball soared over the third baseman's head, allowing Bibbs to score.

Rich slid into third to beat the third baseman to the bag on the error. She would slide safely into home after a slowly hit ball to third base by Krista Kerby.

Coahoma added three more insurance runs in the seventh inning. Kerby led off the inning by reaching first on another error by McCoy. Kerby advanced to second when Paige beat out a throw by Lady Bearcats catcher Heather Cobb following a bunt.

Senior Ami Martinez smacked a double to left, scoring Kerby and moving Paige to third. Paige crossed the plate to give Coahoma the 5-0 lead, courtesy of an infield single by Sterling.

Martinez would score the Bulldogettes' final run after Gonzalez hit into a fielder's choice play to the pitcher.

Tadlock was excited to see production from the bottom of the batting order.

"The back of our lineup scored the first three runs. That's big," he raved. "The top of the lineup didn't hit as well, but I know they'll pick it up Saturday. The best thing for me is to see the back of our lineup hit the ball. I know the top of our lineup is good and will be there. You need the whole team to be contributing if you're going to win a state championship and that's the plan."

Tadlock hadn't made up his mind on whether Martinez or Newton would start Game 2.

"Heather didn't throw that many pitches today," explained Tadlock. "I'm undecided. I don't know who the starting pitcher is going to be."

Getting the Game 1 victory was also important because of the 40 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms Saturday in Abilene. If the second game wasn't able to be played due to inclement weather, then the Bulldogettes would advance to the state tournament.

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NL

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said. "Everything we threw, they hit."

Notes: Arizona 1B Conor Jackson walked in the first inning — he thought. But after Jackson trotted to first base, plate umpire Chris Guccione ordered him to return to the plate. The center-field scoreboard said the count was 3-2, but television replays confirmed that Guccione had called four balls during the at-bat.

Mets 6, Marlins 2

Pinch-runner Carlos Gomez scored the go-ahead run on an error in the ninth inning, and Carlos Beltran's two-run double broke the game open for visiting New York.

The Mets' Orlando

Hernandez, making his first start since April 24, allowed two hits and walked none in six shutout innings. Aaron Heilman (5-2) gave up one run in the eighth and got the win.

Florida starter Sergio Mitre gave up one unearned run in 7 2-3 innings.

Renyel Pinto (0-2) took the loss, allowing four runs in the ninth without retiring a batter.

Pirates 10, Reds 4, 10 innings

At Cincinnati, Ronny Paulino's double with the bases loaded highlighted Pittsburgh's biggest rally in nearly three years, an eight-run spurge in the 10th inning.

The Pirates snapped a five-game losing streak, overcoming Ken Griffey Jr.'s 574th career homer by sending 12 batters to

the plate in the 10th. Jonah Bayliss (4-2) retired the two batters he faced in the ninth to get the win.

Chris Duffy's sacrifice fly off closer David Weathers (1-3) snapped a 2-all tie.

Cincinnati has lost 18 of 22, leaving the Reds with the major leagues' worst record at 18-31.

Phillies 8, Braves 3

Greg Dobbs snapped a tie with a two-run single in the seventh inning and Ryan Howard padded the lead with a two-run double in the eighth as Jamie Moyer beat host Atlanta for the first time in 20 years.

Moyer (5-3) earned the win 20 years and two days after the only other time he beat the Braves. On May 23, 1987, Moyer earned the win in relief as the Cubs beat the Braves

in Chicago.

Atlanta's Tim Hudson (5-3) gave up 10 hits and five runs in 6 2-3 innings.

Nationals 5, Cardinals 4

Brian Schneider homered and Micah Bowie won as a starter for the first time in more than seven years as visiting Washington won its fourth straight.

Bowie (1-2) gave up two runs and four hits in five innings and the Nationals ended the Cardinals' three-game winning streak. St. Louis lost despite home runs from Albert Pujols and Jim Edmonds.

Anthony Reyes (0-8) has lost 10 straight regular-season decisions, last winning Sept. 3, 2006, against the Pirates.

Padres 8, Brewers 6

Rookie

Kevin Kouzmanoff's grand slam carried Greg Maddux and host San Diego to the wild win.

Kouzmanoff's slam, to left-center on the first pitch from Dave Bush (3-5), gave the Padres a 7-0 lead with two outs in the fifth.

Prince Fielder and J.J. Hardy both homered for Milwaukee, which has lost three straight and nine of 12. The two are tied for the NL lead with 15 homers apiece.

Maddux (4-3) has won four straight at home since losing the opener against Colorado on April 6.

Dodgers 9, Cubs 8

Juan Pierre hit a sacrifice fly to drive in the go-ahead run in a four-run eighth inning as Los Angeles rallied past visit-

ing Chicago.

Second baseman Jeff Kent homered and drove in four runs for the Dodgers, who blew a 5-0 lead before their late rally.

Rudy Seanez (1-0) struck out two in 1 1-3 scoreless innings to get the win and Takashi Saito pitched a perfect ninth for his 15th save.

Cubs reliever Will Ohman (0-2) failed to record an out, allowing one run and one hit to pick up the loss.

Rockies 5, Giants 3

At San Francisco, Kaz Matsui singled in the go-ahead run in the ninth inning and Colorado won its third straight.

Pinch-hitter Steve Finley's one-out infield single against Giants closer Armando Benitez (0-2) started the winning rally.

INDY

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attention has occasionally weighed on Patrick, and Wheldon said he'd have no problem lightening her load.

"It's a positive for everybody involved," he said. "It builds you up, it builds the league up and that can only be good."

If he stays in the IRL, that is.

Several Indy drivers have made the jump to NASCAR, including Juan Pablo Montoya, who is in his first year driving for Ganassi's stock car team after a detour through Formula One. Joining them intrigues him, Wheldon admits.

"I love driving race cars," he said. "(But) our offseason is about five months, and with the in-season testing ban, you're really not in the car very much. Being in NASCAR,

that would give me the ability to be in a race car throughout the year pretty much."

That's a decision for another time, though.

"If I achieve my dreams of winning the Indianapolis 500 this year and the championship with a different team ... you never know," Wheldon said. "We'll just have to see. I'm very focused, particularly on the Indianapolis 500, right now."



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Births



Addyson Jade Hughes

Addyson Jade Hughes, a girl, was born at 10 a.m. April 3, 2007, weighing 5 pounds, 6 ounces and was 17-1/4 inches in length.

She is the daughter of Cody and InaShay Hughes of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Olliedene and the late Robert Neighbors of Big Spring and James and Cindy Hughes of Big Spring and Kristi and James Kolb of Cheyenne, Okla.



Landyn Kole and BryLee Dawn Saverance

Landyn Kole Saverance, a boy, and BryLee Dawn Saverance, a girl, were born at 11:22 a.m. and 11:23 a.m. May 2, 2007. Landyn weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 19 inches in length while BryLee weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces and was 18-1/2 inches in length.

The twins are the son and daughter of Shanan and Lana Saverance of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Larry and Caryl Henderson, Glynn and Sharron Harrell and Dewayne and Lou Saverance.

They were welcomed home by siblings Logan and Kaidie Saverance.



Ashlynn Renee Grace

Ashlynn Renee Grace, a girl, was born at 2:17 a.m. May 10, 2007, weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

She is the daughter of George Forest Grace III and Amanda Marie Grace of Sweetwater and Kenner, La. Her maternal grandparents are Marie and Gary McKneely of Madisonville, La. Her paternal grandparents are JoAnn and George Grace.

Ashlynn was welcomed home by sibling Nathan Alexander Bailey.

Anniversary



Smith Anniversary

Curtis and Verna Smith will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary June 2, 2007.

They were married June 2, 1957, in Lubbock.

Curtis grew up in Bailey County. Verna grew up in the Lubbock area. After their wedding, they lived in various Texas communities, including Hale Center, Vernon, Rotan, Bushland and Pecos. They finally moved to Coahoma in 1969. They still call this community their home.

Curtis worked for various farm implement companies until finally opening Curtis Implement Co. After closing the business in late 1977, he worked as a salesman for Sears, the Carpet Center and Primrose Oil Co. He leased/operated KBYG until his retirement.

Verna was the owner of the Li'l Rascals Daycare in Coahoma for more than 20 years. She has

loved and taught many of the young people of Coahoma, preparing them for their school years. Curtis and Verna will always be remembered as Mrs. Smith and Papa.

Curtis and Verna have four children, Vanita Woolsey and husband Larry of Amarillo, Annette Henry and husband Jackie of Coahoma, David Smith of Odessa and Angela Smith of Coahoma. They have six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A come-and-go-reception will be held Saturday, June 2, 2007 in the fellowship hall of the Grace Fellowship Church of God, 603 Tulane in Big Spring. Their children would be honored by your presence at this reception. If you are unable to attend but would like to send your best wishes, a card may be sent to them at P.O. Box 810, Coahoma 79511.



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OUR VIEWS

Please help make Pops in the Park a reality this year

The letters have gone out and the checks have begun to come in, but members of the Big Spring Fourth of July Foundation need the community's support and money as they make plans for this year's Pops in the Park concert and fireworks display at Comanche Trail Park.

And it's not too early to be thinking about July the Fourth, because such programs aren't put together in a couple of weeks. Besides, there are only about five weeks left before the July 4 weekend.

When you consider the committee is putting together a show that carries a price tag in the neighborhood of \$40,000, it's time for organizers to call for donations and sponsorships — money that comes from local businesses and individuals. To date, just less than half the money needed for the show has been donated.

Now heading into its 10th year, Pops in the Park has become a tradition — one the entire community looks forward to, as do many living in other cities.

Donations make it possible for the organizing committee to open the gates for all comers free of charge.

To make donations, contact the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641 or mail them to the chamber office at P.O. Box 1391, Big Spring 79721-1391.

"It is the entire community's celebration," noted Jan Hansen, who is in her second year as the foundation's co-chairman for the event. "The community has always come through for us in the past and we're sure it will again. And we want everyone to know how much we appreciate the support they give us every year."

The *Big Spring Herald* will again among the presenters for the show, along with the Big Spring Symphony, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Visitors and Convention Bureau, the city of Big Spring, the Click Ranch, KBYG and KBST — each providing donations of \$5,000 or more in funding or in-kind services. Both radio stations are expected to broadcast the concert for those who are unable to get into the amphitheater.

For those unable to serve as "Presenters," Hansen noted that the committee is also seeking support at different levels — "Stars and Stripes" sponsors that donate \$3,000 or more, and "Rocket" sponsors, donating \$1,000 or more. Thus far, the only Stars and Stripes sponsor for the show is Fiberglass Systems, while Alon USA, Medicine Center Pharmacy, Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Worthy Company are Rocket sponsors.

The *Herald* is proud to be a part of such a spectacular event and we encourage others in the community to do the same. Help us make sure Big Spring can keep celebrating our nation's birthday in impressive fashion.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we establish Your boundaries, Lord, for our life.
Amen

A bit of this, a dash of that

Random thoughts while watching the grass grow: You know, I'm not usually one to sit around pinning for the good old days or to waste my time wishing I could "do it all over again," but I admit I waver a bit around graduation time.

When I make the rounds of commencements in this area, and look at those fresh-faced young people eyeing the future with certainty — and/or abject fear — I sometimes wonder what would happen if I could hit the reset button to my life.

What if I did this different? What if I changed that? What if ...?

It is almost always a time for great reflection.

And that's when I usually realize I should attend fewer graduation ceremonies.

Playing the "What if?" game is all fine and good, but it's ultimately pointless.

Maybe I didn't end up the second coming of the Rockefellers, but I haven't done too badly.

After all, I still have my good looks, great wit and killer charm. Was that lightning I just heard?

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Just to prove even criminals have a sense of humor, consider the following Associated Press item:

OSLO, Norway (AP) — A police campaign to crack down on pickpockets has come too late to help the capital's top crime fighter.



STEVE REAGAN

Police Chief Anstein Gjengedal's wallet was snatched by a pickpocket as the campaign was set to begin, the Oslo newspaper Dagbladet reported Friday.

The police chief was on the Oslo airport train Monday when a group of people jostled him. When he checked a few minutes later, his wallet was gone.

"I didn't have much money with me," he was quoted as saying. "But it still wasn't very nice."

Gjengedal said he had followed police advice by having the wallet in the inner pocket of his jacket, but the thieves got it anyway.

According to Dagbladet, Gjengedal's deputy — Bjoern Aage Hansen — wasn't aware of the theft when he announced the "Safe Summer" campaign later in the week, vowing that "we will have a special focus on pickpockets."

I am not a fan of crime and the practitioners thereof, but I have grudging appreciation of the sheer gall of the person or persons who lifted the police chief's wallet. That has to be worth bragging rights, if nothing else.

I enjoyed the part about the chief saying that officers would have a "special focus on pickpockets."

Yeah, he showed them, didn't he?

And the chief's reaction — "That wasn't very nice" — was a nice exercise in understatement. If it had been me, I would have said ... well, I might have made use of some naughty words.

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From the "Better Safe Than Sorry" Department comes the following:

BELLINGHAM, Wash. (AP) — The woman suspected foul play was afoot; she just had no idea what it was.

Police barricaded streets near a branch of St. Joseph Hospital after that woman called to report a man with an assault rifle walking into a medical office building. The assault rifle turned out to be a prosthetic leg, Bellingham Police Deputy Chief David Doll said.

Police searched the building floor by floor. When no suspect was found, police evacuated the building and the woman who reported the incident spotted the office worker who had carried the leg, The Bellingham Herald reported.

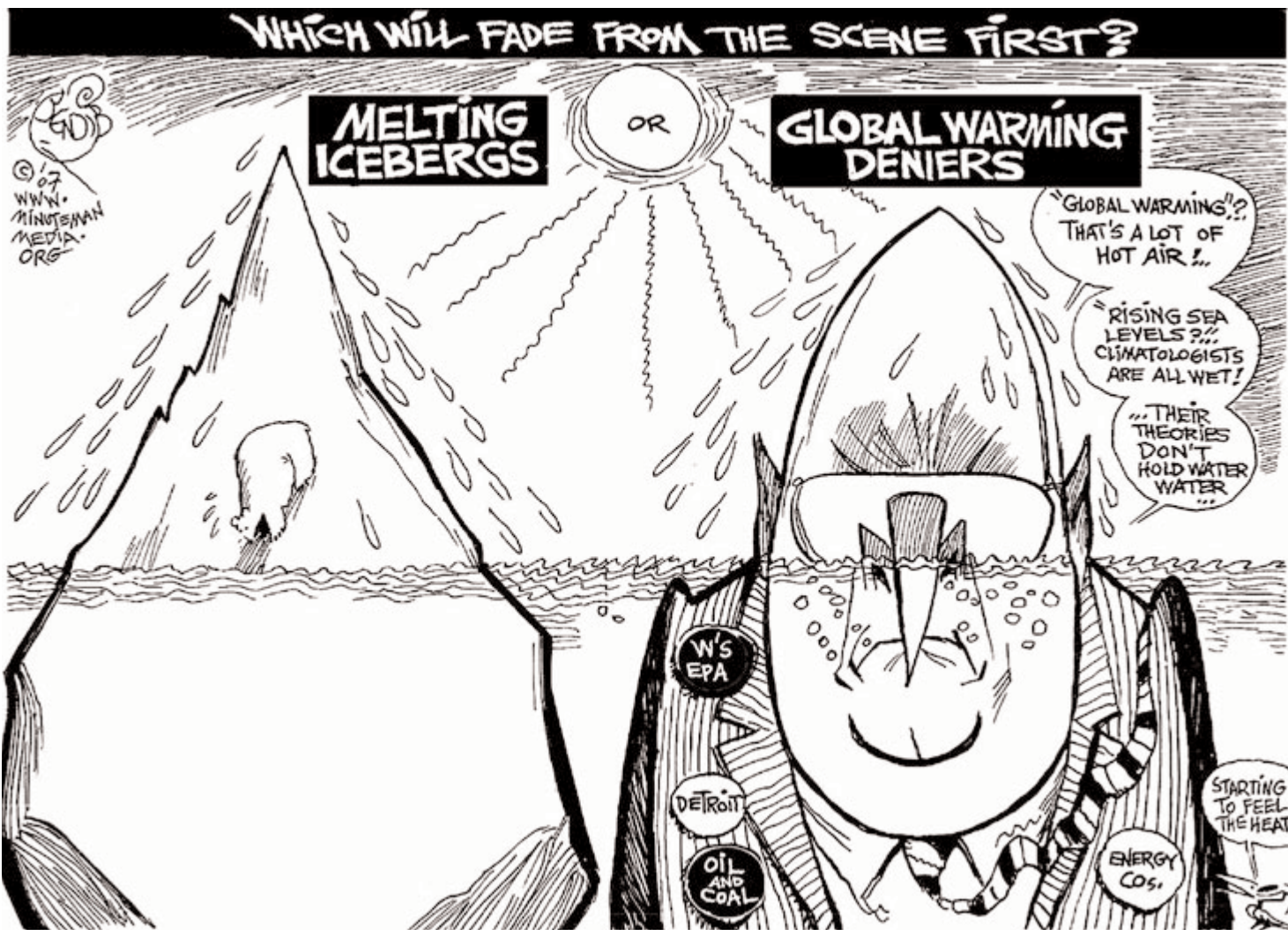
"Everyone did everything right," Doll said. "Like we hoped, it turned out to be a good situation today."

The scare brought a response from several agencies, including the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office, Western Washington University Police and Washington State Patrol. A U.S. Customs and Border Protection helicopter patrolled the area to check the building's roof.

Reading this, it suddenly struck me that the Associated Press must be chock-full of folks who have nothing better to do than scan the news wire, read off-beat stories, then do a quick re-write, including bad puns — "foul play was afoot" — and a few sarcastic comments.

Who do these people think they are? Me?

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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Kudos to the city crews who razed a couple of eyesores in the 1500 block of Main Street. Keep it up!

How about the old burned apartment building adjacent to the old Hall Bennett Hospital?

Way to go! Please don't stop now.

CLEM JONES
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Senior citizens are constantly being criticized for every conceivable deficiency of the modern world, real or imaginary.

Senior citizens take responsibility for all they have done and do not blame others. However, upon reflection, it should be pointed out that it was not the senior citizens who took: the melody out of music, the pride out of appearance, the courtesy out of driving, the romance out of love, the commitment out of marriage, the responsibility out of parenthood, the togetherness out of the family, the learning out of education, the service out of patriotism, the golden rule from rulers, the nativity scene out of cities, the civility out of behavior, the refinement out of language, the dedication out of employment, the prudence out of spending, the ambition out of achievement, the Ten Commandments out of courtrooms, or God out of government, school and now, the pledge of alle-

giance.

Senior citizens know and understand the meaning of patriotism. They remember those who have fought and died for our country. Just look at the senior citizens with tears in their eyes and pride in their hearts as they stand at stooped attention, hats off, hands displaying gnarled fingers from hard work over their hearts as they sing the Star Spangled Banner.

Does anyone under the age of 50 know the lyrics to the Star Spangled Banner?

Next time you see one of these gray haired senior citizens, pause a moment, be patient and offer respect, because by the grace of God they are there. And by the same grace you may one day be there also.

Yes, I'm a senior citizen!!

JEROLD P. SPIVEY
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

I don't usually write letters to the editor; in fact, this is my second in about 30 years.

This letter is also unusual because, rather than attacking someone or something, as do most of the public forum missives, this letter is purely laudatory — one great big bouquet.

That's not to say that I don't ever get riled up at people and events. I do get upset at things and often want to blow off steam, but I try to

resist the temptation and, more often than not, succeed.

However, in this case my thanks and gratitude are so overwhelming that expressing them cannot be denied.

During recent weeks we have all heard and read a lot about neglect of patients, mainly veterans at the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington.

I don't know anything about Walter Reed or any of the other veterans facilities across the country, but I certainly do know, from personal experience, something about the Veterans Hospital in Big Spring.

All of my life, until a couple of years ago, my health was so vigorous that I seldom came into contact with health-care providers, doctors or insurance companies.

Fortunately, for me, and for many other veterans, the hospital is still there. As we are all aware, two years ago there was some serious talk about moving that facility, or even doing away with it. Thank goodness and wise judgment, that didn't happen.

We all enjoy jokes and wisecracks about bureaucratic bungling, sometimes justified and sometimes not. Let me assure you that in the case of the Veterans Hospital, such flip-pant levity does not apply.

I have found everyone at the Big Spring VA Hospital unfailingly

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AL

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Martinez hit first-inning homers and the Cleveland Indians beat the Detroit Tigers 7-4 on Friday night.

"This game wasn't about my pitching," he said. "This game was about Jason Michaels making a catch like Superman against the left-field wall, about three guys hitting homers, and about our great bullpen."

Byrd (5-1) threw 60 strikes in 73 pitches, a ratio that he thought was too good. He allowed four runs and nine hits in 6 1-3 innings to improve to 4-0 in his last six starts. He struck out four, and didn't issue a walk for the fifth straight start.

"Normally, throwing strikes isn't a problem," Byrd said. "But I was throwing hittable pitches when I was already ahead in the count. Against a team like Detroit, that's like flicking matches at gasoline. I wouldn't have slept 15 minutes if we had lost this one, as well as everyone else played."

At Detroit, Josh Barfield also hit a two-run homer for Cleveland.

The game was the first of seven between the AL Central's top teams in the next 10 days. The Indians' victory gave them a half-game lead over Detroit.

"This was a nice game," Cleveland manager Eric Wedge said. "We had a lot of good things happen tonight."

Michaels reached well above the left-field fence in the third to deny Craig Monroe a three-run homer. Monroe hit a ball just a little higher in the seventh for his sixth of the season.

Nate Robertson (4-4) went 5 2-3 innings for the Tigers, giving up five runs, 10 hits and three walks.

Angels 10,
Yankees 6

Casey Kotchman and Chone Figgins homered and Vladimir Guerrero doubled twice as visiting Los Angeles had eight extra-base hits to support an unsteady Jered Weaver (4-3).

The Angels are the only AL team to hold an edge over New York since Joe Torre became its manager before the 1996 season. The Angels are 56-52 against the Yankees in the regular season — they've also beaten them twice in the playoffs.

Alex Rodriguez hit his major league-leading 19th home run for New York. Rookie Tyler Clippard (1-1) went four innings, allowing three runs and six hits.

Twins 4,
Blue Jays 3

At Minneapolis, Torii Hunter followed a two-out fielding error by Toronto reliever Scott Downs with an RBI single in the seventh inning, sending Minnesota to the victory.

Toronto's Frank Thomas went deep for the second straight day, tying the score 3-3 in the sixth with home run No. 494 to move past Lou Gehrig and Fred McGriff into sole possession of 21st place on baseball's career list.

Justin Morneau hit a weak dribbler in front of the mound that Downs (1-1) fumbled when he tried to pick it up with his bare hand. Luis Castillo moved to third on the error and scored on Hunter's single. Matt Guerrier (1-1)

pitched 1 2-3 scoreless innings to get the win and Joe Nathan worked the ninth for his 10th save.

Athletics 3,
Orioles 2

Dan Haren pitched seven innings for his fifth straight victory and Nick Swisher hit a two-run homer to help Oakland get its 14th win in its last 16 games at Camden Yards.

Haren (5-2) allowed two hits and one run to improve to 5-0 in his last eight starts and lowered his ERA to 1.70. Alan Embree struck out Jay Gibbons with runners on the corners and two outs to earn his second save.

Erik Bedard (3-3) yielded six hits and three runs — two earned — in seven innings. He struck out eight to take over the AL lead with 83.

Mariners 10,
Royals 2

Ichiro Suzuki and Jose Vidro homered and visiting Seattle hit seven doubles in a game that featured both starters leaving with stiff lower backs.

Felix Hernandez (3-2) pitched 5 1-3 innings for the Mariners, allowing two runs and seven hits. He gave up an RBI triple to Shane Costa and a run-scoring double to Alex Gordon in the sixth and left with tightness in his lower back, which was also what the Royals announced about Gil Meche when he left in the fifth.

Meche (3-3) gave up 11 hits and seven runs in 4 1-3 innings. His ERA climbed from 2.44, third-best in the league, to 3.18.

Suzuki, stretching his hitting streak to 18 games, homered on Meche's second pitch.

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Amber Nicole Bustamante and Eugene Garza IV

Bustamante and Garza IV

Amber Nicole Bustamante of Big Spring and Eugene Garza IV of Midland plan to exchange wedding vows at 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11, 2007, at the Cactus Hall in San Angelo.

Amber is the daughter of Pablo Bustamante Jr. and Mary Helen Bustamante of Big Spring.

She is the granddaughter of Margarita and the late Robert Dutchover and the late Pablo Bustamante Sr. and the

late Elvira Bustamante. Amber is a 2003 graduate of Big Spring High School.

Eugene is the son of Eugene Garza III of San Angelo and Enrique and Virginia Lopez of Midland.

He is the grandson of Seferino Lopez, Rudolfo and Idolina Sanchez and Jesus Consuelo Garza, all of San Angelo.

Eugene is a 1997 graduate of San Angelo Central High School.



Dr. Zachary Zane Leslie and Brittany Lee Northen

Northen and Leslie

Rick and Gail Northen of Hot Springs Village, Ark., announce the engagement of their daughter, Brittany Lee Northen to Dr. Zachary Zane Leslie.

Zac is the son of Donna King of Big Spring and Wayne Leslie of La Luz, N.M. Zac is a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School. He graduated from Abilene Christian University and Parker College of Chiropractic in Dallas. He now resides in Palestine and owns

Willow Creek Chiropractic and Wellness.

Brittany graduated from Harding University in Searcy, Ark., and now attends Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law. The wedding is Saturday, June 2, 2007, at Reflections on Spring Creek in Dallas.



James Cody Lilley and Kaylin Suanne Tindol

Tindol and Lilley

Kaylin Suanne Tindol and James Cody Lilley, both of Early, will exchange wedding vows at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 9, 2007, at the Depot in Brownwood.

Kaylin is the daughter of Robbie and Julie Tindol of Early and the granddaughter of Sue and the late Grady Tindol of Coahoma and the late Bill and Anna Higgins of

Coahoma.

Kaylin is a student at Texas Tech University. James is the son of Kerry Lilley of Early and the grandson of James and Linda Lewis, also of Early.

He is a student at Tarleton State University and is employed by Dr. Pepper in Brownwood.

All family and friends are invited to the wedding.

Who's Who

Jeremy Alan Knight of Big Spring was one of 1,334 students who received all "A" grades and were named to the President's Honor Roll at Oklahoma State University.

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Austin Barton and Caroline "Mindy" Partee were among the 285 Austin College students who received bachelor of arts degrees during commencement exercises in Sherman.

Barton, the son of Debra and Don Barton, graduated summa cum laude with a degree in political science.

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LETTERS

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competent, caring and conscientious.

I know anyone who has served in the military is familiar with the phrase "hurry-up-and-wait" and what it means.

At this facility, the lines are few and far between, and where they do exist, they are surprisingly short.

The hospital is large and it's easy to become confused in the many corridors and departments. If you are walking or standing in one of the many hallways and look the least bit puzzled or lost, you can be sure that someone will soon say, "Can I help you?" Then they will, not just give you directions, but actually show you the way to your destination.

The cost to the veteran for this excellent medical care is little or nothing, and it would be very easy for these medical professionals to be condescending and neglectful.

In my considerable number of visits to the hospital, I have never seen that happen. The level of care and the attention to detail at the hospital is truly remarkable.

If they could reschedule an appointment to save the patient a drive, they did it. If they could combine tests and procedures into one visit, they did it.

I could list a roll call with dozens of names of

those who have shown courtesy, cooperation and compassion, but the space here will not allow that.

This friendly and helpful attitude pervades not only the Veterans Hospital, but also the people of Big Spring.

On one trip to the hospital, my car refused to start in spite of my mechanic's recent 10 days of trying to find an elusive problem. We thought the difficulty was solved, but the click and growl when I turned on the key told me it was not corrected.

A special officer of the Big Spring Police Department was at the scene in five minutes. Although this officer was not a mechanic, he did what he could to try to find the problem. He was unsuccessful but then proceeded to try to find me a mechanic without results because it was a Sunday afternoon.

However, he and the hospital have a volunteer group with several vans to provide transportation to veterans who need it. Although I had to leave my car in Big Spring overnight, they gave me a ride right to my doorstep in Odessa.

I could cite such neighboring examples of good deeds and dedicated professionals ad infinitum, but by now I'm sure you get the idea.

How lucky we are to have the Big Spring Veterans Hospital nearby.

CLYDE BUTTER
ODESSA

TO THE EDITOR:

I was truly saddened recently to learn of the passing away of Joe Kastanek of Schuyler, Neb., whom I had the honor of working with in the U.S. Air Force Strategic Air Command in the early 1960s in our capacity as Titan-II missile propellant transfer system maintenance technicians, keeping our Titan-II IBMs combat ready for America's nuclear defense during the darkest days of the Cold War.

I feel that his story is, like many other unsung veterans and Americans, the story of the true heroes of our time and country — those who stayed at their posts serving God, country and family until relieved of their earthly duty.

I recall his competent, deliberate and quick action saving equipment and lives including my own in the dangerous work of handling hypergolic (self-igniting) missile propellants. Although reserved and unassuming himself, he left behind a true life legacy light years greater than the modern

ersatz heroes manufactured daily by our self-promoting media and politicians in today's world.

His legacy is his successful life of courage and dedication to his God, country and noble family he had to leave behind to carry on until he sees them again someday. He is proof of the old truism: "There is no failure except in giving up" And he never gave up.

We needed men like him back then and we need them now — they are the greatness of America. We should learn from his example of hard work, courage and dedication to his family and reverer his memory, and the real monument he left behind — his family.

As Americans we must do no less than carry on such a legacy and that of countless others who have faded in the mists of time falling on the obscure battlefields of war and life while building our great country. The soldiers, the fathers, the mothers, the families, who stayed true to their duty, even though they may have faltered, they are the true heroes of America and we must carry the torch of their sacrifices to the summit of their dreams of a safe and preserved America

for all the ages.

ED NEMECEK
LANDERS, CALIF.

TO THE EDITOR:

Well, the elections have come and gone and with that a different world is promised by the old and incredibly ever so proud Mayor Russ McEwen. He stands slightly bent, yet short, to say will continue to lead his sheep into the valley of improvement's.

Nevertheless, is this to take place only within the downtown area? I find that the subjected point was to improve the whole city to the standards of the ADA.

Well, I can only guess the mayor has forgotten again. What about those of us who cast a large portion to the ballots he received who are disabled and elderly? The needs of the disabled are safer sidewalks, not just downtown where you hang your pointed mayor hat, and public transportation throughout the whole city, so those of us less fortunate can take public transportation to and from this so called new look you are planning in the downtown area.

The man you re-elected has but one thought and it has nothing to do with the concerns of the citizens of Big Spring, only

what he wants and that is to make himself shine like a new penny.

Mr. Mayor, there is a lot more to the job than just sitting behind a desk or the City Council table. There are the needs of every citizen in Big Spring. Those who, for whatever reason believe in your dreams, are feeling the strain of surviving with the high cost of gasoline and food more and more every day. Admit that life in this town continues past your little office space and beyond your insurance company.

It is my first amendment right to point this out. Read the ADA compliance requirements front to back before you end up facing a heavy fine. Forget the smoking issue.

Before you find the next challenge, consider the people of Big Spring. Not the country club, but these few and proud citizens who served this country from the Korean War to Vietnam and Iraq.

Consider the elderly of this prairie town called Big Spring. You may not win a Nobel Peace Prize, but you might get more smiles than frowns.

WILL ROBINSON
BIG SPRING

Parents Corner:

Earning a seat in class

I heard a story that I don't know is true, but it certainly makes the point and I would like to use this story as a Memorial Day salute.

It seems that back in September of 2005, Martha Cothren, a social studies school teacher at Robinson High School in Little Rock, did something not to be forgotten.

On the first day of school, with permission of the school superintendent, the principal and the building supervisor, Cothren took all of the desks out of her classroom. As the kids came into first period they noticed that there were no desks. They looked around and said, "Ms. Cothren, where's our desks?"

She replied, "You can't have a desk until you tell me how you earn them."

They thought, "Well, maybe it's our grades." "No," she said.

"Maybe it's our behavior," they suggested. And she told them, "No, it's not even your behavior."

So the day progressed and still no desks. By early afternoon, television news crews had gathered in Cothren's classroom to find out about this crazy teacher who had taken all the desks out of the room.

The last period of the day, Martha Cothren gathered her class. As they sat on the floor around the sides of the room, she said,



DARRELL RYAN

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Here's to your health

State hospital holds health fair for employees

By Valerie Avery

Special to the Herald

Nearly 20 organizations offered free testing and product samples to Big Spring State Hospital's workforce during Wednesday afternoon's Employee Health Fair.

"Big Spring State Hospital is one of the county's largest employers and it's important to provide on-site incentives and services to keep them educated and healthy," Elizabeth Correa Workforce and Cultural Diversity chairman said. "We want our employees to be aware of what is available to them in our community and to encourage them to be in the best health for themselves and their families," Correa said. "A healthy work force is a happy work force."

Blood sugar and blood pressure tests were available as well as educational booths on eye screenings for children and breastfeeding advice for women.

"I like to provide people with more information that Big Spring State Hospital is an advocate of breastfeeding and that we created a mother-

friendly workplace," said Michelle Biddison, an RN for Big Spring State Hospital who worked toward the hospital's mother-friendly state certification. "We want our employees to know that our hospital supports breastfeeding and will provide a location for them to nurse or express milk." Breastfeeding is best for the baby, Biddison said because of its numerous health benefits, including lower incidence of disease, transferred immunities from mother to child and a higher IQ.

"I think it takes support from other women to breastfeed and I want them to know that they have the support of the hospital and the many women who work here who also breastfeed."

The Big Spring Evening Lions Club offered free eyeglasses to employees and their children and spread the word to families whose children are disabled and want to attend camp in Kerrville.

"We take photos of all children entering kindergarten and first grade in the area and an eye doctor determines who needs further examination," said Bill Birrell, a 50-year mem-



Courtesy photo
Zoe Herrod, Big Spring State Hospital nurse manager for the medical unit, administers a blood sugar test to social worker Ruby O'Neill during the hospital's health fair Wednesday for employees.

ber. "We've found about 30 percent need to be seen by a doctor," said Patsy Tercero, vice president of the Big Spring Evening Lions Club. Howard County's

County Extension Agent brought information on food allergens and answered questions from employees who did not know about the consequences of food allergies and

food intolerance. "I've had so many people come by and say, 'I didn't know that I could be allergic to that,'"

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Coca-Cola buys Glaceau

By HARRY R. WEBER

AP Business Writer

ATLANTA — The Coca-Cola Co., which has been looking to expand its water and energy drink portfolio and jump-start sales in its struggling North America unit, said Friday it has agreed to buy Vitaminwater maker Glaceau in a cash deal valued at \$4.1 billion.

The world's largest beverage maker said the agreement to acquire privately held Energy Brands, Inc., known as Glaceau, provides Atlanta-based Coca-Cola with a strong platform to grow its active lifestyle beverages. The acquisition, Coca-Cola's largest to date, will be financed with debt and is expected to add to Coca-Cola's earnings per share in the first full year following

completion of the deal, Coca-Cola said in a statement.

Coca-Cola's chief financial officer, Gary Fayard, said in a conference call with analysts that the deal for full ownership of Glaceau includes the 30 percent stake of Glaceau held by holdings of India's Tata Group, a conglomerate with interests spanning steel, software services, hotels, chemicals and insurance.

The Tata stake will be acquired later than the majority stake, Fayard said. Tata paid \$677 million for the stake last year based on an enterprise value of \$2.2 billion for the entire company, Coca-

Cola said.

"Let me be clear, we will operate this business to create value for Coca-Cola shareowners," Coca-Cola Chief Executive Neville Isdell said during the conference call with analysts. Fayard said the company expects cost savings from the deal to develop later, and he added that Coca-Cola will invest those savings in further growth of Glaceau's brands.

Formed in 1996 and based in Whitestone, N.Y., Glaceau is the maker of Vitaminwater, Fruitwater, Smartwater and Vitaminenergy. The deal to buy Glaceau, which will operate as a separate business unit

within Coca-Cola's North America segment, is expected to close in the summer. It is subject to regulatory review.

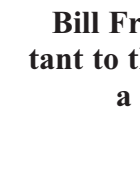
The boards of both companies have approved the transaction. Glaceau is an attractive acquisition for Coca-Cola because of its position in the enhanced water and energy drink categories, which Coca-Cola is betting will make up a large portion of the beverage industry's volume and gross profit growth in North America through 2010. Coca-Cola said Glaceau's top three executives — founder and CEO J. Darius Bikoff, president Mike Repole and Chief Financial Officer Mike Venuti — intend to lead the business for at least three years, and that other key managers will remain in the business.



Energy Watch



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Natural gas prices rose in New York last week after an Energy Department report showed stockpiles gained by only 95 billion cubic feet, for the week ending May 11th. The gain was 3 billion cubic feet less than analysts had anticipated.

In Chicago, attendees to the Gas Mart 2007 were told the natural gas industry is operating "on a treadmill to get supply going, and consumption is outpacing that". We feel the analogy is useful here, as natural gas drilling activity is at an all-time high. However, many of the newer wells are proving less productive and have steeper decline rates than traditional fields which are, or are becoming, depleted.

Meanwhile, Crude oil futures jumped to almost \$66 a barrel and gasoline futures rose 3.5 percent in New York on speculation that U.S. gasoline supplies might not be adequate to meet demand this summer because refiners are unexpectedly shutting units.

Nauman Barakat, senior vice president of global energy futures at Macquarie Futures USA in New York, told Bloomberg News "The U.S. refining industry is very old and antiquated. A lot of the funds expect the system to constantly break down this summer."

Quick news...

- We would like to take a moment to welcome our new readers in Andrews and Big Spring. Our objective is to make a difference in the lives of our fellow Texans. We hope you find this column interesting as well as educational.

- As President Obasanjo's term in Nigeria winds down, Chevron has pulled out all their non-essential staff from the Niger Delta region. Oil production shouldn't be impacted by the move.

- The International Herald Tribune reports a Japanese official has said North Korea is developing a new long-range ballistic missile with a range of about 3100 miles. Theoretically, this missile has the capability of reaching Guam; a U.S. territory. Last week, Defense Minister Kyuma said the U.S. and Japan should increase their missile defense technology cooperation.

- The Energy Information Administration's head, Guy Caruso testified in front of Congress last week. There, he spelled out the bottleneck that is the domestic refining industry. He noted gasoline prices will continue to be vulnerable to price

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Mosquito education, 101

In the dry climate of West Texas it's sometimes difficult to believe that mosquitoes can be a major nuisance, let alone a health threat. However, those who live here will not hesitate to say that mosquitoes can be a big problem. In fact, I suspect West Texans would wholeheartedly agree with the famous writer and humorist, Mark Twain, when he wrote: "Two could whip a dog and four could hold down a man."

The trans-pecos area of West Texas has more than 30 species of mosquitoes and with recent rainfall in many areas exceeding 3 or 4 inches, mosquitoes are sure to cause problems for people and their pets. To combat the nuisance and health threat problems that mosquitos present an integrated approach to



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pest management should be followed. This includes knowing the pest's biology and using that knowledge and the most appropriate control tactic to manage the pest.

Mosquito Biology

Mosquitoes are in the "true fly" Order Diptera, which in Latin and means "two-wings." All flies go through four developmental stages: egg, larva, pupa and adult. Each of these stages have specific environmental requirements; for mosquitoes, standing water is a must for eggs, larvae and pupae to survive. Both adult males and females need flower nectar to survive and mate, but only female mosquitoes require a blood meal to produce viable eggs. Female mosquitoes are attracted to potential blood sources by a combination of carbon dioxide, temperature, moisture, smell, color and movement. Once females mate and obtain a blood meal, they search for standing water in which to lay their eggs. Depending on species, eggs

are laid in groups, called "rafts," or singly on the water surface or in very wet mud at the waters edge. Larvae hatch from the eggs in 24 to 48 hours. The larval stage of development is referred to as the "wiggler." This is the feeding stage of development. Wigglers feed on decaying organic matter in addition to living organisms like algae, plankton, fungi and bacteria. Depending on water temperature this stage of development lasts from four to 14 days. Once larvae are mature they transform into the pupa stage. The pupa stage is called a "tumbler" because of the curious tumbling movements they make when disturbed. This is the stage of development in which the mosquito begins its transformation into an adult. Within one to four days, the adult mosquito will emerge from the pupa and after a short period of resting on the water's surface will fly out to start the life cycle over again.

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Who's Who

On a recent visit to Astin, Chelsea Schwartz, Miss West Texas of 2007, was introduced on the floor of the House of Representatives and was presented with an honorary resolution from Speaker of the House Tom Craddick for her many accomplishments.

She is a 2003 graduate of Garden City High School and recently received her bachelor of science degree in mass communications with an emphasis on broadcasting from West Texas A&M University.

Schwartz also attended the National Broadcasting Society's national convention in Chicago where WTAMU was named as Best Overall Community Service Campaign for a chapter for the sixth year, Model Chapter of the Year for the ninth consecutive year and received honorable mention in the voting for Chapter of the Year. She was inducted into the Alpha Epsilon Rho national honor society and she, along with fellow students Trey Roach and Leighann Rankin, won the national title in music video competition for "Some Gave All."

She is the daughter of Floyd and Martha Schwartz of St. Lawrence and the granddaughter of Joe and Rose Schwartz of Garden City and Emma Doe of Big Spring.

Schwartz will be competing for the title of Miss Texas in Fort Worth during July.



Miss West Texas Chelsea Schwartz and Texas Speaker of the House Tom Craddick pose on the House floor after she received an honorary resolution from the House recognizing her accomplishments.



Jeremy Knight, right, accepts an Oklahoma State University Animal Science Department scholarship from Dr. Robert Totusek.

Big Spring native Jeremy Knight has been awarded an Oklahoma State University Animal Science Department scholarship. Knight, the son of Alan and Mitzi Knight of Big Spring, was awarded the Ray and Delores Kimsey/Robert and Nell Totusek Equine Scholarship at the Animal Science Departmental Awards Banquet.

His university and community activities include Block & Bridle, CASNR Internal Affairs Committee and Cowboys for Christ.

More than \$115,000 in scholarships was awarded to students by the OSU Animal Science Department during the banquet.

Julie Alley of Big Spring was one of 210 Sul Ross State University students, including 133 on the Alpine campus and 77 at Rio Grande College, that were candidates for degrees during spring commencement exercises May 19.

U.S. Rep. Ciro Rodriguez of San Antonio, was commencement speaker during ceremonies held at the Pete P. Gallego Center in Alpine.

Alley received her master's of education degree in counseling during ceremony.

Angelo State University has released the names of students selected to the Dean's List. To eligible, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Honorees from the Big Spring area include Robin R. Anderson, Becky L. Cheyne, Patrick W. Croft, Kandice N. Fryar, Hillary Graves, Annika J. Jones, Melissa R. Kreher, Frank A. Morphis, Samantha L. Newton, Raegan M. Ritchey, Daley L. Seeker, Kayla B. Spence, Christopher R. Vela and Megan N. Ward.

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I think sometimes we forget the freedoms that we have are freedoms not because of celebrities or political leaders, but are ours because of ordinary people who did extraordinary things; who loved this country more than life itself; and who not only earned a school desk for a kid at the Robinson High School in Little Rock, but who earned a seat for you and me to enjoy this great land we call home — this wonderful nation that we better love enough to protect and preserve with the kind of conservative, solid values and principles that made us a great nation.

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Darrell Ryan is director of federal programs for the Big Spring Independent School District.

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spikes because of a multitude of variables including hurricanes and foreign supply disruptions. We agree with Caruso's assessment of the refining industry being very tight.

Coffee producers in Brazil may soon be producing biodiesel as well. Though not an efficient source of oil due to its hard shell and only a 12 percent oil-to-mass ratio, the coffee bean can be used to produce biodiesel. Researchers in Brazil have improved the extraction rate to between 92 and 94 percent and next year some coffee co-ops may begin producing biodiesel using their poor quality beans (broken or low grade beans).

Hebrew University demographer Sergio Della Pergola predicts that within 12 years 40 percent of Jerusalem could be Arab. Another survey reported in the Jerusalem Post suggests within 25 years the demographics could be half and half. Because of this worry, the Israeli government is working hard to enact measures that would both attract and retain Jews in the city.

Last week, President Bush signed a directive ordering federal agencies to work towards regulating vehicle emissions by the end of his term. He said the new rules should "cut gasoline consumption and greenhouse gas emissions for motor vehicles". Bush has already pushed Congress to pass new fuel-economy standards.

Last week, the average national price for a gallon of retail gas reached \$3.07. This is a new record, surpassing the previous one set following Hurricane Katrina at \$3.06/gallon.

World Tribune reports King Abdullah of Saudi Arabia is grooming Prince Salman Bin Abdul Aziz, his half brother, to become a successor to the throne. According to the Tribune's U.S. government sources, Salman "is very anti-American, sympathetic to al Qaeda, and would be ready to make deals to save the monarchy." Salman was actually a defendant in a suit filed by survivors of 9/11 and their families against the Saudis and others.

Along with their temperature forecasts, the NOAA spoke about the developing La Nina situation stating, it is "increasingly likely" a La Nina pattern will develop "during the next several months". The NOAA pointed out that the length and duration of the coming La Nina isn't readily apparent. We note that La Nina years tend to exhibit more hurricane activity than El Nino or normal years.

In China, the nation has plans to fill their Strategic Petroleum Reserve of over 102 million barrels by next year. Already, the first site is being filled. It's at Zhenhai and has a capacity of around 33 million barrels. The second site at Aoshan can hold roughly 31 million barrels. Its filling is scheduled to begin later this month.

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County Court Decisions: Probated Judgment: Heather Anne Atkinson, failure to identify as a fugitive from justice - giving false information, \$250 fine, \$324 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Probated Judgment: Rickey Earl Hokes, driving while intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$389 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Probated Judgment: Tony Gamble, theft - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$500 fine, \$324 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Judgment and Sentence: Ruben Cisneros, driving while license suspended, \$100 fine, \$274 court costs, 30 days in jail. Judgment and Sentence: Ruben

Cisneros, driving while license suspended, \$100 fine, \$274 court costs, 30 days in jail. Probated Judgment: Adriana Denise Creekmore, driving while intoxicated - open container second offense, \$1,000 fine, \$389 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Randy Allen McKinney, driving while intoxicated - open container, \$500 fine, \$389 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation). Probated Judgment: Timothy Curtis Franklin, driving while license suspended, \$500 fine, \$324 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Brittany Shanne Fritz, theft - more than \$500 less than \$1,500, \$500 fine, \$274 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Probated Judgment: Amanda Clement, theft - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$500 fine, \$274 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Judgment and Sentence: Roy C. Cervantes Jr., assault with intent to cause bodily injury - family violence, \$1,500 fine, \$274 court costs, 90 days in jail. Judgment and Sentence: David Charles Patterson, theft by check - more than \$20 less than \$500, \$324 court costs, 90 days in jail. Probated Judgment: Bentura Saldana, prohibited weapon - switchblade, \$250 fine, \$274 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: April McGee, unlawfully carrying a weapon, \$250 fine, \$274 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Probated Judgment: Christina Martinez,

driving while intoxicated, \$500 fine, \$389 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Judgment and Sentence: Shari Anne Mintz Bounds, theft - more than \$500 less than \$1,500, \$274 court costs, 70 days in jail.

District Court Filings: Michael Jackman vs. Devyn Jackman, divorce. Cheryl Dudley vs. Mitchell Covington, family court. Estate of Walter W. Beauchamp Jr., civil suit. Jamie Jo Langley Owen vs. Rita Kay Langley Duncan, accounts, notes and contracts. Department of Family and Protective Services vs. Amber Davis, family court. Palisades Collection vs. P. New, accounts, notes and contracts. Bank of America vs. John A. Stuteville, accounts, notes and contracts.

Marriage Licenses: George Washington Ivy, 87, and Juanita McNeese Osburn, 78, both of Big Spring. Vaden Hank Wennik, 31, and Cassidy Mae Kimball, 24, both of Big Spring. Eladio Lopez Zubiate, 30, and Blanco Christine Zubiate, 23, both of Big Spring. James Toland Foster Smith, 24, and Kirstin Jo Marshall, 24, both of Sweetwater. Joe Lee McCormick, 30, and Sylvia Quintana Flores, 30, both of Big Spring. Gary Lee Bayes, 45, of Big Spring, and Debbie Ann Harkins, 51, of Midland. Douglas Wayne Paul Jr., 24, and Yvonne Annette Ybarra, 27, both of Midland.

MOSQUITO

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Mosquito Management Prevention is the first and best tool for reducing the potential of mosquitoes becoming a problem. This involves reducing "source points" or locations where mosquito breed. This may be done by frequently changing the water in outdoor birdbaths, pet water bowls and other small containers holding water.

Also, check for water leaks around faucets and keep rain gutters clear of trash.

Larger water sources like water troughs and water gardens are difficult or impossible to change frequently enough to prevent mos-

quitoes from developing into adults. This can be prevented by the addition of "mosquito fish" or gambusia. These small guppy-like fish thrive on mosquito wigglers and tumbler. Additionally, many environmentally safe biological control products (bacteria and growth regulators) are available to control immature mosquitoes.

Products containing Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis (Bti) and Bacillus sphaericus are environmentally safe, specific for and very effective against mosquito larvae in permanent water areas.

These bacteria work by disrupting the digestive system of the mosquito larva. Oils and monomolecular films eliminate the ability of mosquito larvae and pupae to pene-

trate the waters surface. This causes the larvae and pupae to die from drowning.

Insect growth regulators interfere with the ability of mosquito larvae to molt, resulting in the larva's death.

All of these products are safe and effective when label directions are followed.

Products available for controlling adult mosquitoes generally contain pyrethroid insecticides.

These insecticides are nerve poisons and will kill off target organisms. Nevertheless, these products can be safe and effective if label directions are followed. A community-wide effort may be needed to eliminate large breeding areas such as low-lying areas or sluggishly moving streams or ditches.

These areas can also be effectively targeted with larva insecticides.

Adult mosquitoes generally rest in tall weeds or other shady areas, so homeowners can reduce mosquitoes by keeping weeds mowed or using outdoor fogging insecticides in and around those areas.

Although most evidence suggests that birds and bats provide effective mosquito control is anecdotal, it doesn't hurt to provide an attractive habitat for these animals as many do consume tremendous numbers of adult mosquitoes.

Numerous mechanical devices (black light electric bug zappers, ultrasonic repellents, etc.) exist that claim to control mosquitoes in one way or another (kill, repel, attract).

Buyer be wary. Other devices have emerged recently that use carbon dioxide and octanol (mosquito attractant) to capture and kill adult female mosquitoes. These devices will capture mosquitoes, but don't expect these products to keep you and your family mosquito free. Mosquitoes may travel up to two miles to find a host, and if mosquito populations are high, these devices will not be able to keep your area mosquito free.

If you or your family members must be outdoors when mosquitoes are biting, wear long-sleeve shirt and long pants and use an effective mosquito repellent containing the active ingredient DEET. Citronella candles will provide some relief when winds are calm.

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Counseling center receives grant to help military families

Special to the Herald

The TRIAD Fund of the Permian Basin Area Foundation has awarded Samaritan Counseling Center a two-year grant to provide free counseling services for military personnel, current and past, who have served in Iraq or Afghanistan. In addition, Samaritan will extend free counseling to immediate and

extended family members. Recent war veterans and their families may receive help with grief, anxiety and depression issues; post-traumatic stress; marriage and family counseling and other needs. Career counseling may be of special interest to those seeking a vocation or appropriate employment after discharge from military service. Children of veterans may benefit from specialized counseling and parents and

grandparents are burdened with challenging problems when a son or daughter is deployed. "Our country has asked a lot of our service personnel — active duty, National Guard and reserve units. This war, perhaps more than any other, is being fought by a few for us all," said Margaret Jones, executive director of Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas Inc. "I am so glad

Samaritan has been given this wonderful opportunity to give back to those who protect us." "Resources from the TRIAD Fund will hopefully reduce the burdens on those who have made so many sacrifices during the ongoing conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq," said Guy McCrary of Permian Basin Area Foundation. "Permian Basin Area Foundation is gratified to support the good work of Samaritan Counseling in this

endeavor." A not-for-profit agency, Samaritan Counseling Center offers a wide range of outpatient counseling services with satellite offices in Odessa, Midland, Big Spring and Lamesa in addition to the main office located near the Midland International Airport at Terminal. Appointments can be made by calling the counseling center at (432) 563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144.

Grand jury indicts Big Spring woman on robbery counts

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

A Big Spring woman could face five life sentences for her alleged part in a string of aggravated robberies, as a Howard County grand jury delivered a true bill in hers and 27 other cases Thursday.

Elvira Brito Nairn, 47, of 3211 E. Highway 350, was indicted on five counts of aggravated robbery, all first-degree felonies, for her alleged part in the March 23 and 24 string of robberies.

Also arrested was Jose Alfredo Jimenez, 46, of 3910 E. Highway 350, who was arrested and charged with five counts of aggravated robbery, evading arrest with a motor vehicle, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon on a peace officer and theft. Jimenez was indicted April 18 on the five counts of aggravated robbery.

According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the Big Spring Police Department, the rash of armed robberies began at

11:30 p.m. March 23. "At each location, the subject entered the business requesting the clerk make change for them," said Everett. "Once the register was open, the subject produced a knife and grabbed the money from the register."

Everett said five different locations were hit, including the Travelcenters of America Truck Stop at 704 W. Interstate Highway 20; the 7-Eleven Convenience Store at 2310 Wasson Road; the 7-Eleven Convenience Store at 401 S. Birdwell Lane; Star Stop Convenience Store located at 800 Interstate Highway 20; and the Dollar General located at 2602 S. Gregg Street.

Jimenez was later identified through a photo line-up, according to police reports, after which an arrest warrant was issued for the Big Spring man.

After being spotted by a police officer traveling in a blue pickup truck, Everett said a short pursuit began.

"The driver refused to stop, and a short pursuit

followed, said Everett. "The subject pulled the vehicle over in the 200 block of N. Scurry. He immediately exited the vehicle and brandished a knife with a seven-inch blade toward the officers. An officer utilized a Taser on the subject, who was subdued after a short struggle."

According to District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson, Nairn was a passenger in the vehicle when Jimenez was arrested, and was detained for questioning.

If convicted, Nairn faces a five to 99 year to life sentence on each count, as well as a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

The grand jury also true-billed an indictment against 19-year-old Randy Robledo Jr., of 405 Sunset, on a charge of aggravated sexual assault of a child.

According to Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr, Robledo is accused of having sexual relations with a female under the age of 14.

If convicted, Robledo also faces five to 99 years to life in prison, and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

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dollop of good luck. "There were times I'd get sick on a Friday or Saturday, or over the holidays ... but I'd always feel better when it was time to go to school," she said. "There were a lot of days I wanted to miss class ... but my parents wouldn't let me play sick. They were very good about making me go to

school." Carlisle said she really didn't focus too much on the goal — "I just went to school," she said.

Along the way, she excelled academically, finishing in the top 10 percent of her class and earning a spot in the National Honor Society. Other school activities included band, volleyball and a spot on the student council.

As she prepared to receive her diploma

Friday night, Carlisle admitted that she was just finally realizing the significance of her accomplishment.

"I really didn't think about it that much," she said. "But people come up to me and want to talk about it ... I think, 'Wow, I really did it.' It's something I'm proud of."

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- Dutch Weston Barr, 34, of 16808 E. State Highway 350 in Coahoma, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).

- Nathan Houston Cahoon, 47, of 105 Third Street, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).

- Jose Delossantos Jr., 28, of 2618 Beaty Avenue in Odessa, possession of controlled substance (third-degree felony).

- Shayne Hudgins, 38, of 703 Vikki Road, driving while intoxicated (third-

degree felony).

- Reynaldo Juarez, 39, of 209 Johnson, burglary of a habitation (first-degree felony, enhanced).

- Monica Renae Polk, 32, of 2524 Hunter, delivery of controlled substance (state jail felony).

- Orlando Sanchez Jr., 23, of 1503 Scurry Street, debit card abuse (state jail felony); burglary of a building (state jail felony); burglary of a habitation (second-degree felony).

- Elisa Sanchez Ortiz, 24, of 1609 Bluebird, debit card abuse (state jail felony).

- Jason Maurice Threats, 29, of 2611 Fairchild, aggravated robbery (first-degree felony); credit card abuse (state jail felony); evading arrest (state jail felony); burglary of a habitation with commission of assault (second-degree felony).

- Angela Ann McGee, 25, of 1403 Sycamore, bur-

glary of a habitation with commission of assault (second-degree felony)

- Amanda Almazan, 31, of 4116 Bilger, credit card abuse (two counts, state jail felony).

- Fortunato Alvarez III, 20, of 1503 Sycamore, theft over \$15,000 under \$20,000 (state jail felony).

- Robbin Lynn Barnes Jr., 18, of 1407 B Nolan, unauthorized use of motor vehicle (state jail felony); criminal mischief (state jail felony).

- Johnny Isaias Gonzales Jr., 17, of 810 E. 14th, criminal mischief (state jail felony).

- Joe David Fewell, 47, of 903.5 Rannels, indecency with a child (second-degree felony).

- Tina Marie Green, 27, of 4708 Parkway, fraudulent use/possession of ID (state jail felony).

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Craddick refuses to surrender post

AUSTIN (AP) — With his political career in jeopardy, Republican House Speaker Tom Craddick charged through a House rebellion that lasted into early Saturday, refusing to give up his leadership post and putting on display the bare-knuckle tenacity that boosted him to power.

Craddick survived a five-hour rebellion on the House floor that included a bold attempt to boot him from office, the physical restraint of insurgent lawmakers trying to overtake the speaker's podium and the House parliamentarian nearly pushed to tears before resigning.

Capping a week of simmering discord, Republican Rep. Fred Hill, who has filed his candidacy to replace Craddick, made a parliamentary request that would allow the 150-member chamber to vote to oust Craddick.

Craddick refused to recognize Hill to make the motion.

Hill next asked to allow the House to vote to appeal the speaker, which

would have required a two-thirds vote of the body.

"The speaker's discretion to recognize a member on a motion on any matter is unappealable," Craddick said.

By the time the House adjourned shortly before 1:30 a.m., Craddick had beaten back his opponents — but not before a series of raucous scenes unfolded in the chamber.

Earlier in the evening, the House melted down when Craddick announced a two-hour break to escape pointed questions about his leadership.

The 150-member chamber broke out in a cacophony of boos as lawmakers swept to the front of the chamber and Craddick, often called the most powerful man in state government, hustled back to his office suite.

Democrats trying to overtake the speaker's podium were physically restrained by House sergeants-at-arms.

"It is clearly an abuse of power and of office," Rep. Todd Smith of Bedford said later.



MCT file photo
Texas House Speaker Tom Craddick is shown in this file photo.

Storms batter Central Texas

By ANABELLE GARAY
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS — Two days of heavy storms and flooding in Central Texas killed five people, including two brothers who just graduated kindergarten, and at least one person remained missing Friday, officials said.

Dozens of others were plucked from rising waters, and Gov. Rick Perry activated state search and rescue teams as heavy storms were expected to pound the region over the long holiday weekend.

Police said three people died in Killeen, including a 5-year-old boy and his 6-year-old brother who were found early Friday in a submerged sport utility vehicle. The boys were riding with their mother and two siblings when their vehicle was wiped off the roadway and into a gully Thursday.

Rescuers saved the mother and two siblings, but the swift-moving water rose so quickly that rescuers couldn't help the boys trapped inside, said Bell County Justice of the Peace Garland Potvin. They were identified as Javiante Tarrance, 6, and brother Jarvis, 5.

Elsewhere in Killeen, police said 20-year-old Sean Cannon was walking with another person when he was caught in rushing water. His body was found lodged along a culvert and the other person was rescued, Potvin said.

Outside nearby Copperas Cove, a husband and wife driving home died late Thursday after attempting to cross flood waters, said Coryell County Justice of the Peace Bill Price. They were identified by Coryell County Sheriff Johnny Burks as Jesse Scott Hornsby, 75, and Gloria Evelyn Hornsby, 73.

Panel approves state budget; final OK expected soon

By APRIL CASTRO

Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — House and Senate negotiators agreed Friday on a \$153 billion two-year state budget that includes enough money for a modest teacher pay raise and millions to beef up state border security efforts.

The budget, which is the only legislation lawmakers are legally required to pass before the session ends Monday, can now be presented to the two full chambers for final approval.

Much of the 2008-09 budget is being used to reverse actions law-

makers took in 2003, when they were faced with a \$10 billion shortfall.

For example, the state's low cost health insurance plan for children, which was drastically restricted in 2003, would be funded to allow for as much as 100,000 additional children to be covered.

"I think it's a great budget for Texas," said Sen. Steve Ogden, who led the Senate's budget-writing efforts. "It's balanced, it funds a number of holes that we were trying to fill after the 2003 session, it provides significant additional funding in areas that needed it and

we're still able to set aside two and a half billion dollars."

The Legislature agreed earlier this week to leave an estimated \$2.5 billion unspent to help continue a one-third reduction in school property tax relief in 2010 and 2011.

That leftover money is part of a \$14 billion surplus lawmakers started the session with in January. An additional \$4 billion will be saved in the state's Rainy Day Fund.

Critics, including several House Democrats, argued that the unspent money should not be committed to property tax relief when so many other state needs exist.

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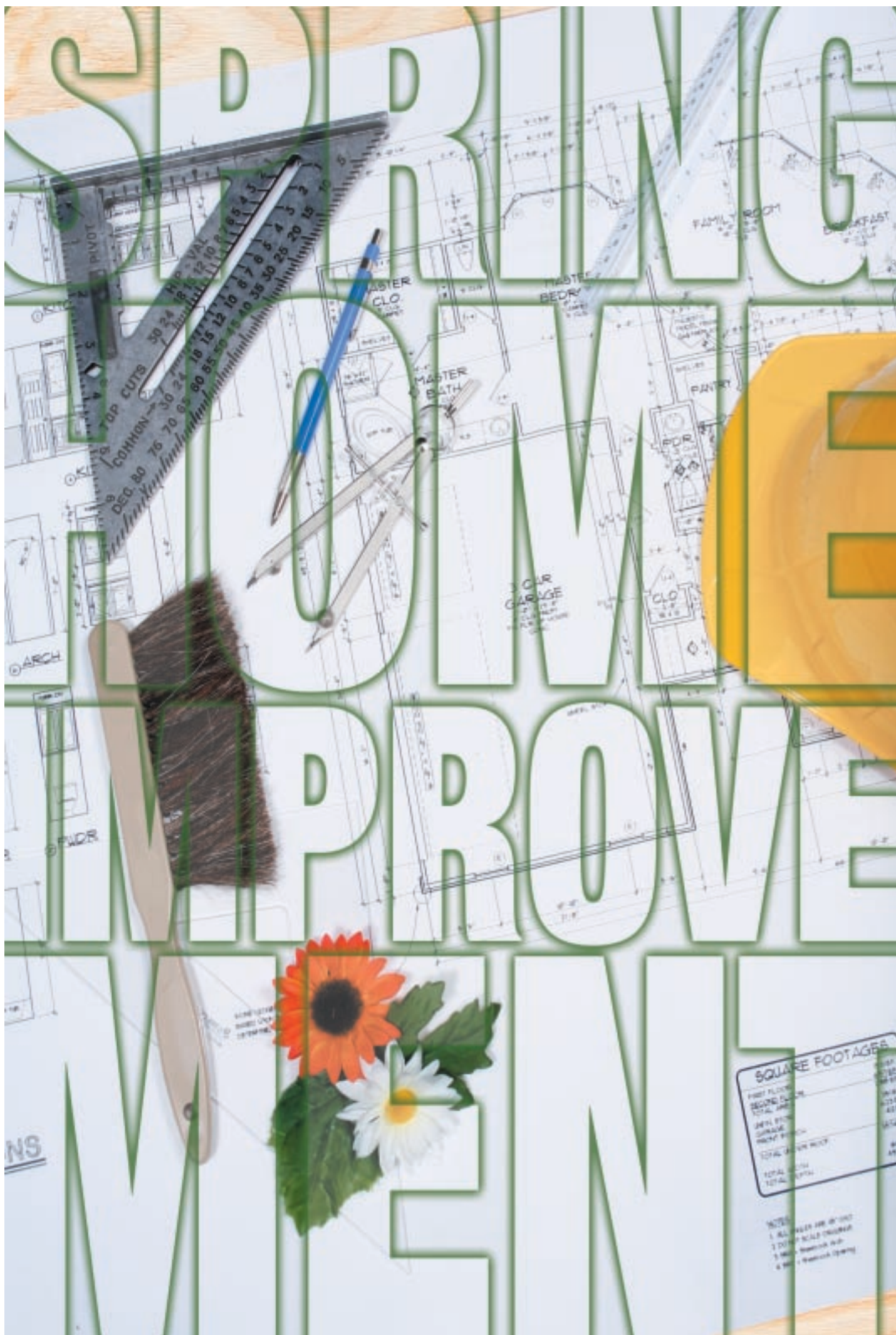
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CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot No. Twelve (12), Blk No. Twenty-One (21), Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (E. L. Kemp and Winton B. Baldwin) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot 1, Blk 13, Brown Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (Charles R. Atkinson and Mary Jo Atkinson) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot No. Ten (10), Blk. No. Six (6), Settles Heights Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (Charles R. Atkinson and Mary Jo Atkinson) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot No. Eight (8), Blk No. One (1), Bowser Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (Alicia Yvette Bihl, Elias Shawn Bihl and Letitia Inez Bihl) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot 1, Blk 1, Mesa Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (C. E. Cain and Carmen Cain) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lots 5 & 6, Blk 11, Settles Heights Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (David Chavarría & Sarah Chavarría) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION N/70' of Lot 1, Blk 20, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (R. H. Cline aka Richard H. Cline) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot 3, Blk 6, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (Retha Combs) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lots 13, 14 & 15, in Blk 7, Wright's Airport Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (Cecil Thomas Earp and Dorothy Earp) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot 16 & 17, Blk 3, Wright's First Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (Mrs. Robert Elton Lee) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot 5, Blk 20, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (N.E. Glendenning and Leslie Lloyd) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION All of Lots 7 & 8, Blk 5, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (Johnie Fay Hurlocker) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lots 6, 7 & 8, Blk 9, Wright's Airport Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

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CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (Jon Rodney Wright) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION N/20' of Lot 16 and the S/20' of Lot 17, Blk 8, Wright's Airport Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

CAUSE NO. T-5321 STYLE Howard County, et al vs. O. J. Allred, et al (L. B. White) PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lots 16 & 17, Blk 2, Wright's Airport Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
Do you feel like you're in the hot seat? Pluto is the intimidating interrogator asking the questions, and Mercury's sweating it out under the spotlight. Will willful Pluto squeeze a true confession out of Mercury? This can play out in our relationships, in the form of an unhelpful obsession or stubborn resistance to an idea.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're happy to involve someone else in

your plans, as long as you're the one in charge. Others will go along with your agenda, if only to put a smile on your face.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). If love makes the world go 'round, money affords the pleasure. You're noticing opinions about money you didn't even know you had. This allows you to spend more consciously.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Sometimes you wonder who is stranger, you or the people around you. Yes, today it's them. But tomorrow it may be you. Keep perspective by doing something that's guaranteed to lighten your heart.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A nagging worry in

the back of your mind is a distraction. Is it real or an illusion? Either way, it wouldn't hurt to give it up. No worry, no dilemma — it's so easy!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may feel as though you're preparing for something, but life has a way of fooling you — this is no dress rehearsal. You're being watched, and in fact, the "warm-up act" ends up being the main attraction.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You could spend hours deliberating a decision. But it's already been made in your heart. What you need now is the courage to follow through on what you know is the right choice.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's a good reason you built so much strength, endurance and

stamina over the last months. This week puts those qualities to the test, and you do very well! Get ready. Here it comes!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You stir the pot, but don't know exactly what you're making just yet. Keep stirring. Some creations can't be defined, but when they're done, they're delicious.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The classic film "Casablanca" suggested "it doesn't take much to see that the problems of three little people don't amount to a hill of beans in this crazy world." Not true! Your personal contribution matters!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A good way to get rid of a nasty habit is to go public with it. Confess. It really works. Make a vow to a friend

or partner that you're done with your tired old ways. Then find a better way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The Fates did not just rain on your parade. You forgot to invite them, so they got irritated. Things happen for a reason, right? Spend the afternoon exploring the alternative endings to your big plans.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It's time to re-parent

you. Your parents made the best choices they could at the time. You can either keep making choices from their limited selection, or come up with new ones based on what you need.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, the City of Big Spring will receive sealed bids on the following date/time for the purchase of the below listed items/equipment:
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Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Big Spring City Hall Conference Room, Upstairs at 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities. #5381 May 20 & 27, 2007

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No. P-13,542

ESTATE OF T. RICHARD CLIFTON, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of T. Richard Clifton, Deceased were issued on the 23rd day of May, 2007, under Docket No. P-13,542, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to Brenda Leonard.

Claims may be presented in care of Brenda Leonard to the Estate addressed as follows:

Estate of T. Richard Clifton
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Odessa, TX 79762

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 23rd day of May, 2007. BRENDA LEONARD, Independent Executrix of the Estate of T. Richard Clifton, Deceased
#5387 May 27, 2007

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, AAA Mini Storage which is located at 3301 E. FM 700 Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on June 2, 2007, at 3301 East FM 700, Big Spring, TX 79720. Auctioneer Scott Emerson TAL-15051 with Spring City Auction, (432)263-1831. Property will be sold to highest bidder for cash. Deposit for removal and cleanup may be temporarily required. Seller reserves right to not accept any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property in each space may be sold item-by-item, in batches, or by the space. Property being sold includes contents in spaces of following tenants, with brief description of contents in each space.
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Amanda Carrisalez, left, receives her award as RN of the Year from Stormy Ward, chief executive nurse.



Codie Miller, left, receives her award as LVN of the Year from Stormy Ward, chief executive nurse.

State hospital recognizes top nurses

Special to the Herald

Amanda Carrisalez was named RN of the Year and Codie Miller, LVN of the Year during Big Spring State Hospital's Nurses Appreciation Luncheon in the hospital's Allred building Auditorium.

The hospital's nurse managers publicly thanked the more than 110 RNs, LVNs and Nurse Practitioners with a catered lunch and door prizes donated by the nursing staff.

Each nurse was presented with a bag of gifts, including a T-shirt.

"Looking around this room, you make me want to be a nurse," Superintendent Ed Moughon said. "From my perspective, you will literally change lives. You have customers who leave here better people, and we never see them again."

Employees of the 200-bed hospital care for people with mental illness in 58 counties in West Texas and the Texas Panhandle. The state-run hospital employs more than 650 people — the largest portion of employees work in the nursing and direct patient care departments.

"This has been a good year for nursing," said Chief Executive Nurse Stormy Ward, MSN, RN.C.

"We have several LVN graduates, and some who are going directly into the RN program. And several nurse practitioners. I want to encourage many of you to attend nurse practitioner school."

Big Spring State Hospital offers a stipend program for employees who want to further their education. Carrisalez began her career as a secretary 12 years ago and attended LVN school and then RN school on the hospital's stipend program. She is now a charge nurse on the hospital's medical unit.

Carrisalez was nominated for bringing fresh enthusiasm to her job and her dedication to the hospital's mission of promoting recovery, Ward said. "She is self-motivated, works well under stress and takes on additional tasks without complaining."

Miller began her career at Big Spring State Hospital as an aide who later attended school to earn her LVN certification.

"She has been nominated for this honor the past four years," Ward said. "She is dedicated and works well with others. She has awesome customer skills and can communicate well with even the most ill patients. She

is just a great person." Big Spring State Hospital has continued to face nursing shortages similar to that experienced by many of the nation's hospitals.

"We have had many of our nurse managers working the floor and other employees working overtime," Ward said. "That is what makes this hospital great."

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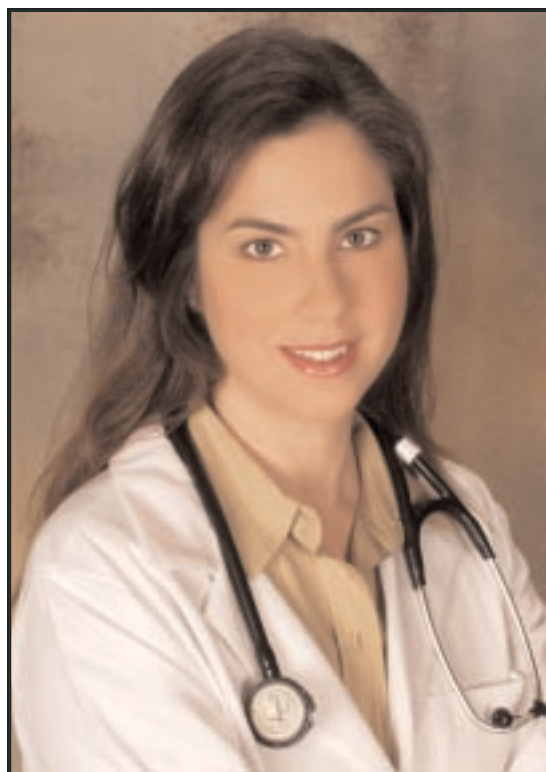
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said Kandy McWhorter, County Extension Agent, Family and Consumer Sciences. Food allergies can develop at any time in a person's life and can range in severity from anaphylactic shock to

hives and rashes. It could take a minute to start showing the symptoms and last for several hours, McWhorter said. The hospital's nursing staff tested numerous employees for high blood pressure and high blood sugar, a precursor to diabetes. "The ones who know they have high blood sugar will tell us," said Charge Nurse

Zoe Herrod, RN. "They usually are being treated."

"We haven't tested anyone with really high levels," said Cindy Sturdivant, MSN, RN, BC, director of quality management. Raleigh, the hospital's animal assisted therapy dog, joined the department's ferrets and guinea pig at the fair.



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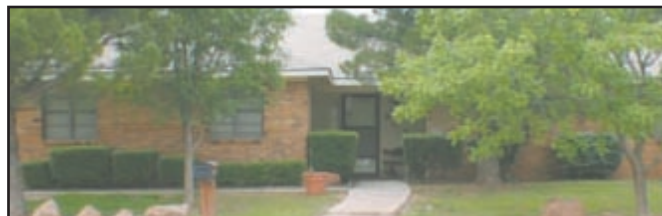


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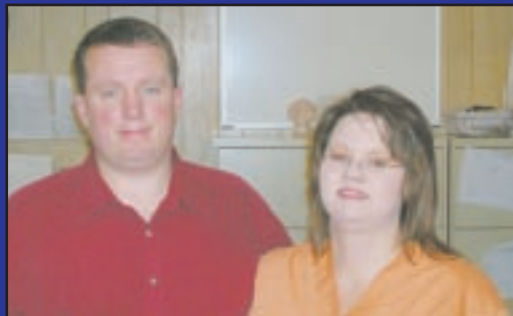
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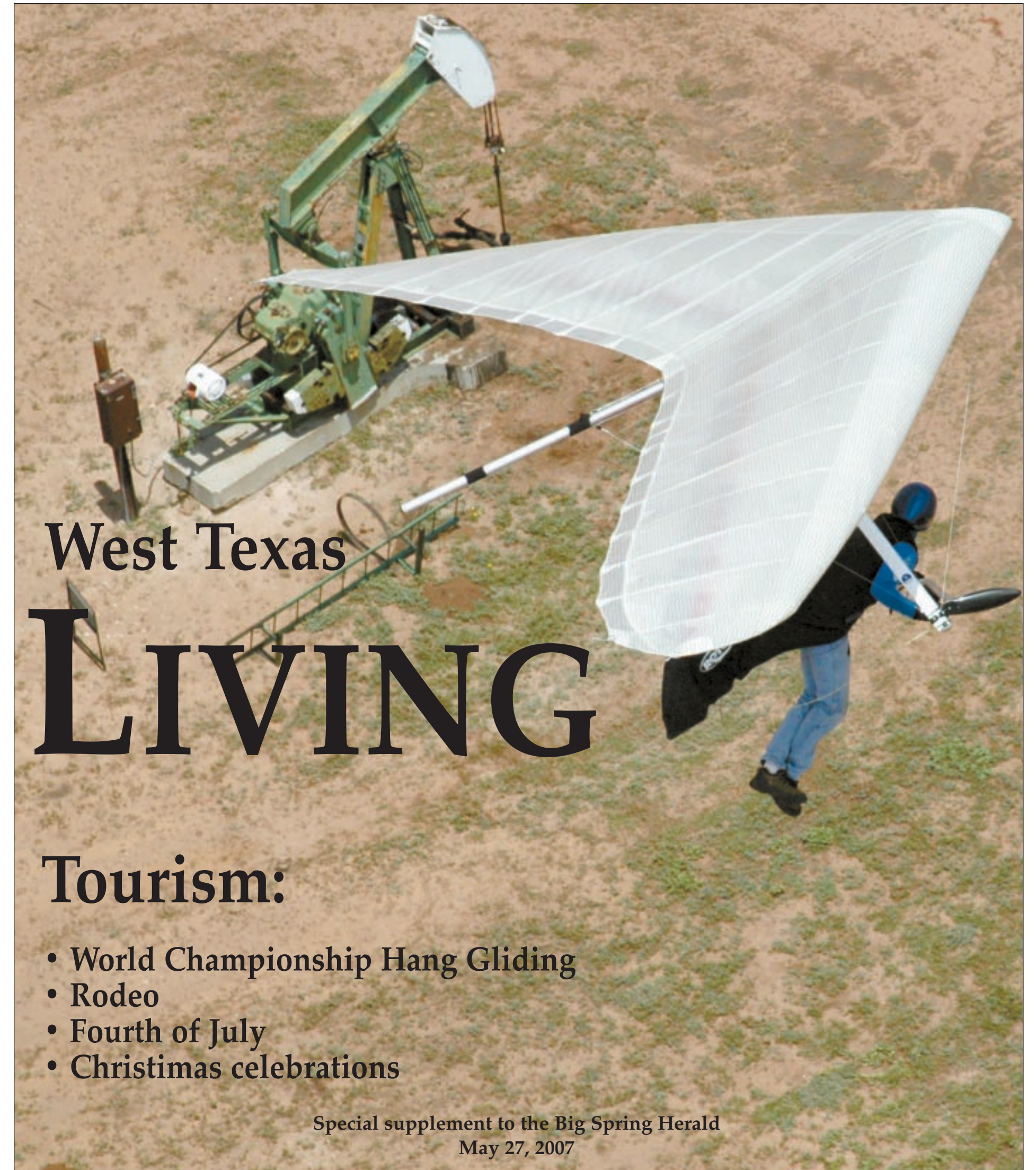
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What's to do in Big Spring? Lots of things.

Many attractions and events that are unique to Texas, as well as the United States, call Big Spring home.

Big Spring is the smallest community in the nation to have its own symphony. The Big Spring Symphony performs in the Municipal Auditorium four times each year, as well as at the annual July 3 celebration, Pops in the Park.

Big Spring has great parks and recreational facilities, including the Comanche Trail Park, a city-maintained facility that is home to the original big spring for which the city was founded, and named. The park also has a swimming pool, the Comanche Trail Amphitheater, a play scape, the Kids Zone which is a playground created entirely through volunteer efforts, a softball field and a designated area for model air plane fly-ins.

The Big Spring State Park atop



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Local Boy Scouts and military personnel are always asked to participate in the parade of flags during the Pops in the Park concert and fireworks show at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater each July 3.

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RODEO

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He has called some of the sport's most prestigious events. He was nominated for PRCA Announcer of the Year in 2002 and has announced the Texas Circuit Finals Rodeo a total of 16 times.

Carr Pro Rodeo will again be producing this year's rodeo. The company has stock already slated for

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offers visitors a chance to view a Huey helicopter, a tank, an AH-1 "Cobra" attack helicopter and a F-14 Phantom II jet, along with a special chapel.

In March the annual Gem and Mineral Show fills the Howard County Fairbarns, and the annual Ag Expo and Garden Show fills the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The Heritage Museum's annual fund-raiser in April, Flavors of West Texas in 80 Bites, provides patrons an opportunity to sample various cuisines from around the world before attending the Big

National Finals Rodeo.

As always, youngsters from the community get into the act with mutton bustin' while teams of older youth and adults try their expertise at calf dressing. There is a \$20 entry fee for mutton bustin' and contestants must not weigh more than 50 pounds to ride a sheep. Contact Diane Hofacket at 267-8041 to register contestants for that event.

As always, the rodeo's events will begin with a parade in downtown Big Spring at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 21.

There will be a dance just for teens on Thursday, June 21, and traditional rodeo dances on Friday and Saturday nights. All dances are held at the Dora Roberts Fair Building on the rodeo grounds.

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Fourth Festival in downtown Big Spring.

In August, the Howard County Fair is set in the Fairbarns, featuring a carnival, arts and crafts, food vendors and traditional fair events and entries such as cooking, sewing and art contests. August is also the time for what have become annual hang gliding championship competitions at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, and this year, the world's best will arrive in Big Spring for competition in the World Championships.

September in Big Spring opens with the oldest consecutive rod run, the Early Cars of Big Spring. Owners of vintage and antique automobiles from around the

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Fourth of July: Pops in Park, Funtastic Fourth make Big Spring place to be

Nobody, and we do mean nobody, does the Fourth of July like Big Spring! It's been said before, but bears repeating. That's because while Independence Day celebrations are held all over the country, spectacles like parades and fireworks displays awaken feelings of pride and patriotism all over Howard County.

This is evident each year when Coahoma stages its annual Fourth of July parade and when residents of the Highland South neighborhood show their Independence Day spirit when they hold a parade for their youngsters and others in the community.

However, the focal point of local Independence Day celebrations each year is the "Pops in the Park" extravaganza, always staged on July 3. It features the Big Spring Symphony and Chorus and a fireworks show at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater.

The celebration is actually the hard work and planning of a great many local residents who form the Fourth of July Foundation Committee.

And this year's celebration figures to be the grandest ever with organizers again increasing the fireworks show and their music budget, as well.

The members of the committee begin their work in earnest on each year's show in January. One of the committee's main focuses is raising the almost \$40,000 needed to stage the event.

Pops in the Park is presented by Big Spring Herald, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Big Spring Symphony Association, the city of Big Spring, KBST Radio, KBYG Radio, The Click Ranch and the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau. The show's major corporate sponsors last year included H-E-B, Fiberglass Systems, ALON USA, Duncan Drilling, Partee Drilling, Robinson Drilling, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Wal-Mart and the Worthy Company.

In 2006, the event not only included the symphony and chorus' performance, but also a well-received performance by the local



HERALD photo
Fireworks explode over Comanche Trail Park as the Big Spring Symphome and Chorale performs on the amphitheater stage during the 2006 Pops in the Park concert and fireworks show. The celebration is staged every July 3 and draws thousands to the park and surrounding areas.

band Los Greengos — one that will have the band again opening the show this year. As the evening progressed, the Big Spring Symphony and Chorale, under director Keith Graumann began their concert of patriotic music.

As many as 20,000 people will be enjoying the music and fireworks display. People not only fill the amphitheater, but also cluster in other areas of the park and countless others line up along both sides of U.S. Highway 87 to watch the

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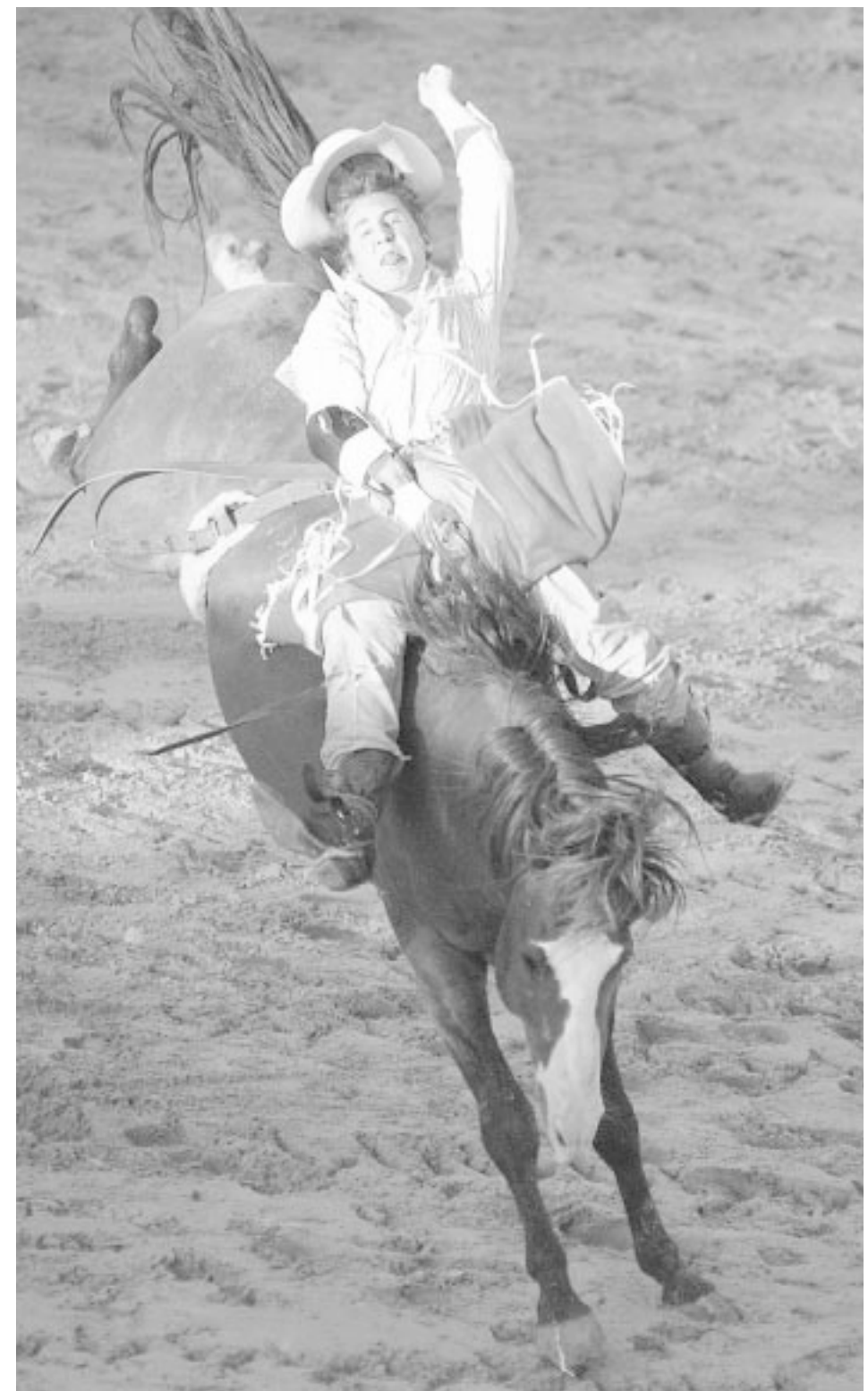


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Bryce Case tries to stay aboard for eight seconds during the bareback bronc riding competition at the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo in 2006.

Rodeo time!

Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo's 74th edition begins at Rodeo Bowl June 21

As is the case with most of Big Spring's annual attractions, tradition plays a huge role with the staging of the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo.

Of course, that's what one would expect with one of the oldest rodeos in the United States. In fact, the Big Spring Cowboys Reunion and Rodeo is the oldest continually running professional rodeo in Texas.

That says a great deal, because Texas is, after all, rodeo country.

The event's 74th edition gets under way at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 21, with the traditional grand entry.

"Seventy-four years is getting on up there," said Skipper Driver, a long-time member of the rodeo association board. "Not that many people put on professional rodeos in this part of the state. We're very proud of it."

The first rodeo was held in the Cold Strayhorn Addition, southeast of Big Spring, in 1934. It was moved to 11th Place, west of where the Howard College campus is located today, for a few years.

In 1950, the association purchased land and constructed what was at the time, and still is today, one of the most interesting rodeo complexes anywhere. Taking advantage of a natural canyon, the association built the concrete and steel Rodeo Bowl, where the event has been held ever since.

"It's almost like an amphitheater. It's a unique place," said Driver.

Fans and performers alike enter the top of the arena at ground level. The bowl shape assures good seating almost all of the way around.

As in the past, this year's rodeo is expected to draw nearly 500 cowboys and cowgirls. The rodeo is sanctioned by both the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) and the Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA). It is a Dodge Series Rodeo as well as a Coors Rodeo.

Performances are 8 nightly, and in addition to bucking events, roping and barrel racing, it will include the antics of Gizmo McCracken and the Dr. Giz Ambulance.

McCracken, the rodeo's specialty act and barrel man, has been ACRA Clown of the Year five times, a PRCA Comedy Act of the Year nominee and was the 2006 Dodge National Circuit Finals Rodeo (DNCFR) Specialty Act of the Year.

Veteran rodeo announcer Mike Mathis, who works atop his horse inside the arena, will again return to give his special flavor to the rodeo. He is a local favorite and participates in activities throughout Big Spring during rodeo week.

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night sky light up in a dazzling array of colors. As in years past, KBST radio broadcasts the production, allowing those outside the amphitheater to still enjoy the symphony and chorus' renditions while viewing the fireworks display. And KBYG will again broadcast the show in Spanish.

Fourth of July Foundation president Jan Hansen said there is always a continuing effort to make the event even better.

"This isn't something we put together in just a few days. It's an ongoing effort," she explained. "We'll begin work on the 2008 show the minute this year's concert is finished. We'll still be paying some of the bills from this year's show, but we'll already be planning on what we need to have for the next one."

Donations making the concert and fireworks show possible come from local businesses and individuals, as well as corporate sponsorships.

What's more, they make it possible for the organizing committee to open the gates to all comers free of charge.

"It is the entire community's celebration," noted Hansen. "It's an evening to gather with friends and family at the park and join your neighbors in celebrating the fact that we live in the best nation on earth."

The symphony and chorale's patriotic music program has not yet been finalized for this year, but can be expected to include many of the works performed during previous shows.

They have included "Fanfare to the Common Man," "Washington



HERALD photo
Sliding down the water slide is just one of the activities local youngsters take part in as they try to beat the heat during the Funtastic Fourth Festival in downtown Big Spring.

Post March," "To the Colors," "The Pledge of Allegiance," "The Star-Spangled Banner," "Armed Forces Salute," "The Liberty Bell March," "Light Cavalry Overture," "A Choral Portrait," "Promise of Living, from the Tender Land," "A Cohan Salute" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Selections for the fireworks display will be "Hoe-down from 'Rodeo,'" "An American Salute," "This Is My Country," "America," "America the Beautiful," "God Bless America," "The Star-

Spangled Banner," "You're a Grand Old Flag," "Stars and Stripes Forever" and "1812 Overture."

"We really feel like this celebration has always offered something for virtually everyone," Hansen noted. "With our nation now at war, we feel like it's just that much more important that we celebrate the freedoms we enjoy as Americans. We want to invite everyone in the community to again be a part of the event this year and help us celebrate our nation's birthday."

With a start like that, obviously Big Spring and Howard County are clearly the place when celebrating the Fourth of July.

Following the Tuesday night concert this year, Coahoma and the Highland South neighborhood will stage their parades on Wednesday.

On top of that, Big Spring's Downtown Revitalization Association (DRA) will be staging its fourth annual Funtastic Fourth celebration that will feature a battle of the bands, arts and crafts vendors, a variety of games and plenty of good food.

sand individuals were again invited to take part in decorating for the festival and came through with what were nothing short of magnificent efforts.

The Festival of Lights register annually lists visitors from towns and cities throughout the state, not to mention those from numerous other states and foreign nations.

What's more, Big Spring is working toward becoming known as the "Poinsettia City" at Christmas, as numerous businesses and homes are now displaying smaller versions of the lighted poinsettias

CHRISTMAS

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the show with the help of the Midland Ballet. Also of great interest was the Symphony Guild's annual Tour of Homes.

Big Spring Herald staffers are already making plans for the 21st annual Christmas Parade with their sights set on having the biggest and best ever.

That's saying a lot, because in previous years more than 100 entries — many of them lighted — have constituted the procession.

Parade entrants compete for awards in different categories — lighted entries, civic, church or school groups and commercial. And those entries seem to always cover the entire spectrum — from decorated automobiles and trucks to elaborate lighted floats, from the mounted sheriff's posse to motorcycle club members.

Add in high school bands playing Christmas carols and participants tossing candy to the thousands who annually line Gregg Street for the parade and the holiday season is off to a good start.

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200-foot-tall Scenic Mountain is one location that provides a glimpse of the entire area, and at night offers a breath-taking view of the city and a 60-mile radius of the area. A six-mile winding road, a 4,000 pound retaining wall and a top-of-the-mountain pavilion were constructed in the 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corps. An enclosed prairie dog town may be found just inside the park's entrance. Camp sites are available in the park and a nominal fee is charged to enter.

For museums, Big Spring offers the Potton House, a historic home built of sandstone in 1901 that is filled with period furniture, and the Heritage Museum, which boast the biggest longhorn exhibit in the world. Hangar 25 is another unique attraction in Big Spring, where United States Air Force and aircraft memorabilia are available for viewing.

The Big Spring Vietnam Memorial is an attraction that

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Prhaps not as well known as the one staged in Sweetwater, but the AMBUCAS Rattlesnake Roundup draws splenty of spectators.

Christmas:

Yuletide in the Crossroads provides plenty to do for an entire month

Chances are there won't be any snow-covered hills and winding lanes when the Christmas season arrives in Big Spring. But though it may not look like a Currier and Ives painting, Big Spring is definitely a wonderful place to be during the Christmas season and a great many people in West Texas and well beyond seem to be learning it's a great time to visit as well.

In Big Spring, Christmas is a month-long celebration.

The yuletide in Big Spring officially begins on the first Saturday in December with the Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade and continues through to the final night of the Festival of Lights.

In between, there is always

something going on to mark the holiday season. And just like in 2006, this year will be no different.

Last year were the Howard College Luminaria, the Living Christmas Tree at the First United Methodist Church, a Hangar 25 Air Museum reception, Forsan's Christmas in Boomtown Parade and the Living Drive Through Nativity held by the Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene. The Heritage Museum held special activities, as did the Potton House. And many churches throughout the city presented special music.

"The Nutcracker," a holiday musical treat just before Christmas, greeted fans of the Big Spring Symphony, as it presented

Lights.

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World's top hang gliders coming for championships in August



As the city of Big Spring prepares to host the 2007 World Hang Gliding Championship, many area businesses are getting ready for what they hope will be a boon of tourism dollars.

According to Debbie Wegman, director of the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau, competition coordinators are expecting up to 200 contestants and support personnel for the 11-day contest.

"The World Championships are going to be held Aug. 7-18," said Wegman, who also sits on the local hang gliding committee, which is helping prepare for the event, just as it has for national events which have been staged in Big Spring for the past five or six years.

"We're going to have more people in Big Spring for the event than ever before, and they will actually be staying longer," she continued. "So we're looking for a considerable increase in the tourism dollars generated."

Wegman said the 2006 competition generated an estimated \$200,000 for the city, a major shot in the arm for the local economy.

"We had approximately 150 people in Big Spring for the competition, which when you total up all of the hotel rooms and the length of time, it amounts more than 1,000 days," said Wegman. "So you can figure at least \$50,000 was spent on hotel rooms alone. Then, when you consider the money spent in restaurants and grocery stores, along with other local stores, you're looking at approximately \$150,000."

And while the hang gliders and their support personnel are a definite source of tourism dollars this year, Wegman said the local CVB will be trying to draw in spectators from the region as well.

"We're going to be doing some advertising and trying to get more spectators into the city for the world championships," said Wegman. "We really want a chance to present the contestants to the community this year. We're looking at doing a parade of flags in conjunction with the event. We want people to have a chance to get to know them."

Championships organizer and director David Glover said he hopes



to see the Big Spring community show its support for the competition's foreign pilots.

"Big Spring residents who have relatives from these and other countries are encouraged to get together and adopt the teams and help with their experience in Big Spring," said Glover. "This event will be almost double the size of any hang gliding event in Big Spring yet."

Glover said the pilots are looking forward to coming back to Big Spring, not just for the hospitality,

but for the premier flying conditions.

"It's an interesting crossroad between community and the flying conditions that keep bringing the pilots back to Big Spring," said Glover. "The community support has been so good in the past and the pilots felt so welcome that they really enjoyed the time they spent on the ground. Also, the conditions are so special here that people can fly really high up in the air and there are really strong thermals. So they really

enjoyed the time they spent in the air as well.

"The consistency of the conditions here means we can fly everyday," he added. "We're not winded or weathered out. The sun hits the ground and the ground heats up, so thermal layers of air go up. The base of the clouds are really high, which means we can fly up really high into the air and the thermals are strong, so you don't have to fly around too much before you hit a thermal that pushes you up."

"Our desire is to see how long we can stay up and then fly around a course as quickly as we can," Glover continued. "It just has the right combination of meteorology and geography to allow us to fly for a long time and fly fast."

"The men and women who come here just love the flying," he added. "It's excellent. The world championship has only been held in the U.S. once in the last 30 years, so it's a real honor to have it coming to Big Spring."