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## State official: Pass bond or jail will be shut down

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Adan Munoz, executive director of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, delivered an ultimatum to Howard County commissioners this week: Pass a bond election for a new jail, or the existing facility will be shut

down. According to Commissioner Bill Crooker, Munoz delivered the message during a meeting in Austin. "Mr. Munoz made it very clear. If the bond election fails this fall, the commission is going to shut down the existing jail," Crooker

said gravely. "That's a lot of pressure. We talked about the jail for more than an hour." While Crooker said Munoz's edict was clear, County Judge Mark Barr said he didn't feel the director of the jail commission

**"The county simply can't survive another jail closure. The county would be bankrupt within a year."**



Barr

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## 4 dead in bridge collapse

*Divers search as scores are still missing*

By **JON KRAWCZYNSKI**  
Associated Press Writers

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Divers searched the Mississippi River for bodies Thursday among the submerged cars and twisted steel left by a deadly interstate bridge collapse, their hopes of finding survivors having dimmed.

"This is not a rescue operation any longer," said Chief Jim Clack of the Minneapolis Fire Department. "It's a recovery operation, which means we move slower and more deliberately."

Authorities early Thursday lowered the death toll to four, but warned the final number could change as divers comb the wreckage for as many as 30 people still missing.

Police Lt. Amelia Huffman said: "This morning, the medical examiner's office only has four sets of remains." Initial reports of seven people killed were based on the best estimates authorities had Wednesday night, she said.

The eight-lane Interstate 35W bridge, a major Minneapolis artery, was in the midst of being repaired when the bridge buckled during evening rush hour Wednesday, sending dozens of cars plummeting more than 60 feet into the Mississippi River.

More than 60 people were injured and as many as 50 vehicles were in the river, many of their occupants having scrambled to shore. The collapse did not appear to be terrorism-related.

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

**Raymond Kemper, a welder for Phillips Fabrication, works on a sign at the new home of Dakota's Flowers and Gifts. The store will soon move to the intersection of 15th and Scurry streets.**

## Back to class

*Registration nears for new school year*

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

Preparations for a new school year in Big Spring will begin in earnest within the next week, as local campuses start registering students.

Registration of students new to the Big Spring Independent School District will begin at the respective campuses beginning Monday, Assistant Superintendent Carie Dunnam said.



Dunnam

New Big Spring High School students may register at the campus between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. starting Monday and running through Aug. 17 (Monday through Thursday). No appointment is necessary to meet with the counselor, officials said.

New student registration for grades K-8 will be held Aug. 8-10 at the respective campuses. Dunnam said students must register at the campus of his or her attendance zone unless a transfer has already been approved by school administrators.

An influx of students in the early grades makes the transfer process much more iffy this year, she added.

"Because of the large number of students expected for grades K through 2, some of those transfer requests will be pending and will only be approved as space opens for them," Dunnam said.

If a student moved to a different attendance area during the summer, they need to pick up their registration packet at their former campus and carry it to their new school,

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### TOWN HALL MEETING SET

The public is invited to at Town Hall Meeting from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, featuring U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

The meeting will be held at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive in Big Spring.

### SILENT AUCTION PLANNED

Scenic Mountain Medical Center volunteers will have a silent auction from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 7-9 in rooms 214 and 215.

Everyone is invited to participate. Proceeds will go to provide funds for the hospital to purchase new equipment.

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## IN BRIEF

### Physicals required for some athletes

Big Spring High School is informing all student athletes that a physical is required for all incoming seventh, ninth and 11th graders, as well as any students who are new to the district.

Physicals must be taken care of and on file at the Athletic Training Center before athletes will be allowed to practice, participate or get equipment issued to them.

Call the ATC at 264-3662 with any questions.

### Lady Steers v-ball team meeting

Big Spring's Lady Steers volleyball team will hold a parent/athlete meeting at 6 p.m. today at Alan and Della Partee's house at 1600 Kiowa.

The meeting will discuss rules and expectations for the upcoming season since two-a-days begin Monday.

A swim party will be held following the meeting. Parents are asked to bring snacks and drinks.

Call Della Partee at 367-4038 or Coach Amanda Whitaker at (325) 864-1467 with any questions.

### LULAC golf tourney for scholarship set

The League of United Latin American Citizens will host their First Annual LULAC Scholarship Golf Tournament at Big Spring Country Club Aug. 11.

The event will benefit a scholarship fundraiser for local high school or junior college graduates seeking an undergraduate or graduate degree at a major university within the state.

The format is an 18-hole 4-man scramble beginning at 9:30 a.m. Entry fee is \$75 per player and includes green fees, cart, range balls, lunch and refreshments throughout the day.

Registration is due by Aug. 10 with enrollment limited to the first 72 paid entrants.

For entry and sponsor information, contact Anthony Mendoza at 264-0026 or e-mail him at anthonymendoza03@yahoo.com.

### Country club to host over 80 golf tourney

The Big Spring Country Club is hosting an over 80 scramble tournament starting at 1 p.m. Aug. 18. The format is a 2-person team with combined ages of the teammates required to equal 80 or higher.

The tournament is to benefit the Big Spring Shrine Club and will conclude Aug. 19.

Entry fee is \$60 and includes barbecue on the course Saturday and Sunday. An additional golf cart fee is optional. Private carts are welcome.

The Field will be flighted by first round score with the number of flights to be determined by the number of entries.

Call the pro shop at 267-5354 for more information.

## Rangers top sloppy Indians in extra innings

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Once again, the Cleveland Indians failed to take advantage of slumping Detroit in the AL Central.

Rookie reliever Jensen Lewis failed to get an out on consecutive bunts by Texas and the Rangers took advantage with three runs in the 10th inning to defeat the Indians 9-6 Wednesday night.

"This is probably the lowest this team has been this year," third baseman Casey Blake said after the Indians' fourth straight loss and seventh in nine games. Cleveland had a chance to gain a share of first-place with Detroit

in the AL Central for the first time since July 7. The slumping Tigers have lost eight of 10.

"Detroit's going through a tough skid, too," Blake said. "We've got two months to play and we're still in good position."

Ramon Vazquez lined a single to center to open the 10th against Lewis (0-1), who then fielded a bunt by Frank Catalanotto and threw low and too late to second to get the lead runner.

"We had a good chance there," Lewis said. "I just didn't execute."

After pitching coach Carl Willis visited the mound, Lewis grabbed another bunt by Ian Kinsler. The right-hander, in his

eighth outing since being called up from Triple-A Buffalo on July 13, stumbled as he went to throw to third, then fired the ball into the dirt at first for an error, letting Vazquez score the go-ahead run.

"I slipped and it's unfortunate what happened," Lewis said. "That was the difference in the ballgame."

Michael Young was intentionally walked and Jason Botts, recalled from Triple-A Oklahoma before the game, scored Catalanotto with a sacrifice fly. Marlon Byrd followed with an RBI single.

Jarrod Saltalamacchia, in his first game since being acquired

from Atlanta on Tuesday for Mark Teixeira, started at first base for Texas and had a two-run single while going 1-for-5.

"It feels good to get the first one out of the way," Saltalamacchia said. "That was big for me."

Joaquin Benoit (5-3) pitched 2-3 innings and C.J. Wilson ended the game by striking out Kenny Lofton with two runners on for his second save. Five Rangers relievers held Cleveland to three hits over the final 5 2-3 innings.

"They did a great job," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "Each guy we brought in did the job and kept us in there."

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## Magers-Powell honored as all-time great

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Got Rose?

The phrase represents two things.

First, it's the slogan featured on the front of the new T-shirts for the Rose Magers-Powell volleyball camp held at the Big Spring Junior High this week.

Second, it's a question that the city of Big Spring can proudly answer, "Yes."

Magers-Powell was a standout volleyball player at Big Spring High School that led the Lady Steers to the 1977 state tournament. They took a third-place finish, which is still the best a Lady Steers volleyball team has done in school history.

Magers-Powell also played as a member of the 1984 Olympic women's volleyball team that won the silver medal — the highest finish ever for the American women. Her legacy as a part of that team was remembered in May, when USA Volleyball recognized her as one of the All-time Greatest Women Players in the history of the sport.

"I was surprised to receive the award," said Magers-Powell. "Out of sight means out of mind and I left to play in Japan immediately following the Olympics. Most of my professional career was spent in Japan. Sometimes people forget about you whenever you're not around anymore. It was a very nice award to get."

Powell was considered one of the world's most dominant middle blockers of the 1980's. The 1978 Big Spring graduate played at the University of Houston in 1979-80 and earned school honors for most improved, best spiker and most valuable player of the conference.

She led the Cougars to a fifth-place finish at the 1979 National Tournament, followed by a 12th-

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HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull  
Former Big Spring Lady Steer Rose Magers-Powell talks with campers at her annual volleyball camp at Big Spring Junior High. Magers-Powell was recently named the All-time Greatest Female Volleyball Player by USA Volleyball.

## Irvin goes from flamboyant receiver to humble Hall of Famer

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Days before officially becoming a member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Michael Irvin has a confession to make.

"I'm afraid," Irvin said.

The hesitation has nothing to do with the speech he'll give during Saturday's induction ceremony. Anyone who has followed football the last 20 years knows Irvin is anything but shy.

What worries the former Dallas Cowboys star receiver is the burden that comes with being part of this fraternity. The thought of seeing "Hall of Famer Michael Irvin got in trouble again" crawl across the bottom of a TV screen intimidates him more than any defense ever did.

"Absolutely!" Irvin said. "Being a Hall of Famer deserves the best that I have. I respect it, and I believe it deserves that. I think that fear will keep me tied down. It's a reality, something I think about. That's just being honest."

Playing alongside Troy Aikman and Emmitt Smith, Irvin set nearly every meaning-

ful receiving record in Cowboys history and was widely acknowledged as the heart and soul of teams that won three Super Bowls in four years.

Yet he, and his teams, might've been better if not for Irvin's problems with drugs and life in the fast lane.

The downfall began in March 1996, a few weeks after the third Super Bowl win, when police crashed Irvin's 30th birthday party and found him, marijuana, cocaine and strippers in a hotel room. He pleaded no contest to felony cocaine possession and was put on probation for four years.

He's turned up on the police blotter many times since, as recently as November 2005.

His career was never the same following the birthday bust. The Cowboys haven't been either.

Dallas made the playoffs in 1996 even though Irvin was suspended the first five games. The Cowboys won a wild-card game but have yet to win another post-season game.

"Most of the guys who come

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MCT photo/Ron Jenkins/Fort Worth Star-Telegram  
Seattle Seahawks' Hillary Butler, (55), grabs the jersey of Dallas Cowboys Michael Irvin, (88), during action Nov. 22, 1998. Irvin will be among six-players inducted into the NFL Hall of Fame Sunday at Canton, Ohio.

# Obituaries

## Emzie 'Woody' Woodard



Emzie "Woody" Woodard, 86, of Big Spring, died Friday, July 27, 2007, in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3, 2007, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Pastor William Vaughn of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

He was born Nov. 18, 1920, in Shreveport, La., and married Florida Bell Giddens on Oct. 6, 1955, in Clovis, N.M.

Woody served in the United States Air Force during World War II and the Korean Conflict, receiving two Bronze Stars and Korea Service Medals, a United Service Medal and a Good Conduct Medal. He was a member of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Florida Woodard of Big Spring; four daughters, Emily Mitchell of Lubbock, Tammy Penny, Latricia Thomas and Joyce Carr, all of Conyers, Ga.; five sons, Emzie Woodard, Emmett Woodard, Michael Vanderbilt-Woodard and Donald Vanderbilt-Woodard, all of Big Spring, and James Woodard of Atlanta, Ga.; one sister-in-law, Alberta Woodard of California; 16 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Sara Woodard; one son, Curtis Woodard; three brothers; and two sisters.

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

# Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 18-19-34-40-43-44. Number matching six of six: 0. Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$10 million.

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Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 10-25-26-32-36. Number matching five of five: 0. Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-0-2

# Take Note

• **SNO CONES FOR SALE**, a fund-raiser for Cornerstone Church, is set from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday at the west doors of Wal-Mart. For more information, call the church at 263-3072.

• **ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN** from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday and again Friday and Saturday, Aug. 10-11 at the North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church, 2702 North Birdwell Lane. For more information, call 267-2203.

• **A BENEFIT DINNER FOR RAUL ROBLES** will be held from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at St. Thomas Parish Hall, 605 N. Main. The Menu will consist of munedo, carne guisada, asado, rice, beans and desserts.

• **A FUND HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AT COSDEN CREDIT UNION** to help pay medical expenses for Raul Robles. Any assistance would be appreciated. The account is No. 761882.

• **A FUND HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE FAMILY OF ALBERT "BERT" CARRILLO**, who was killed in a traffic accident near Ft. Stockton Saturday, at the Big Spring Education Employees Credit Union to help offset burial expenses. The Credit Union is located at 1110 Benton. Call 263-8393 for more information.

• **HOWARD COLLEGE AND SOUTHWEST COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF** will be honoring Ron Brasel, provost at SWCID for the past 21 years, with a retirement party from noon to 1 p.m., Monday in the SWCID Auditorium. Refreshments will be served and a "retirement rocking chair" will be available for all in attendance to sign messages to Ron. Everyone is invited.

# Police blotter

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

- **BILLY JOE BURLESON**, 54, of 1504 Sycamore, was arrested Wednesday on a Taylor County warrant.
- **QUINCY HENRY**, 18, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a Taylor County warrant and a charge of failure to identify as a fugitive from justice.
- **RICKY WINTERS JR.**, 21, of 700 Pine, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of urinating in public.
- **JENNIFER DELEON**, 19, of 105 NE 10th Street, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of hindering an apprehension.
- **ERNEST CLARK**, 67, of 4000 W. Highway 80, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **LISA GAIL PAGE**, 45, of 4402 Beechnut, was arrested Wednesday on a capias warrant.
- **CARLOS LOPEZ**, 20, of 1509 E. Sixth Street, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **JOSE ANGEL ESPINO**, 25, of Andrews, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **MARCUS YANEZ**, 41, of 1406 Lexington, was arrested Wednesday on a local warrant.
- **STEVEN CRUZ**, 29, of 1707 S. Donley, was arrested Wednesday on a capias warrant.
- **SAMUEL CASTRO II**, 20, of 1310 Tucson, was arrested Wednesday on a local warrant.
- **FERNANDO ARRIAGA JR.**, 30, of 1308 Princeton, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **ESPERANZA SOLIS**, 36, of 1513 Sycamore, was arrested Wednesday on a capias warrant.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 600 block of Johnson.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported in the 2600 block of Dow.
- **DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID** was reported:
  - in the 1000 block of FM 700.
  - in the 2600 block of Langley.
- **FAILURE TO IDENTIFY A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE/GIVING FALSE INFORMATION** was reported in the 700 block of Pine.
- **HINDERING APPREHENSION/PROSECUTION TO A KNOWN FELON** was reported in the 700 block of Pine.
- **THEFT** was reported:
  - in the 600 block of Lamesa.
  - in the 500 block of Goliad.

# Fire/EMS

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

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 700 W. Inerstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 3000 Allison. One person was transported to SMMC.

# Support Groups

**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.

**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.

# Bulletin Board

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

- TODAY**
- League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information, contact John Ybarra at 264-1628. The public is invited.
  - Genealogy Society of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
  - Big Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

- FRIDAY**
- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until about 3 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.
  - AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
  - Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Big Spring Country Club.
  - Spring City Senior Citizens country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

- SATURDAY**
- Big Spring Cruisers cruise Gregg Street and at the Sonic Drive-In beginning at 6:30 p.m.
  - Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

# Sheriff's report

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 45 inmates at the time of this report.

- **HERMAN TORRES HERNANDEZ**, 21, was arrested by the HCSO Wednesday on a motion to revoke probation for driving while license invalid with a previous conviction.
- **FERNANDO K. ARRIAGA**, 30, was transferred to the county jail by the BSPD Wednesday on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **SAMUEL CHRISTOPHER CASTRO**, 20, was transferred to the county jail by the BSPD Wednesday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury.
- **NICHOLAS JOSEPH JIMINEZ**, 38, was arrested by the HCSO Wednesday on a judgement/sentence for driving while license suspended with a previous conviction.
- **JOSE ANGEL ESPINO**, 25, was transferred to the county jail by the BSPD on charges of speeding, no valid drivers license, driving while license invalid and rider not secured by safety belt.
- **OSCAR VELASQUEZ JR.**, 32, was arrested by the HCSO Wednesday on a motion to revoke probation for evading arrest/detention with a vehicle.
- **ERNESTO M. MUNIZ**, 21, was transferred to the county jail by the BSPD Wednesday on a charge driving while license invalid.
- **EDWIN JAMES DEAN**, 42, was transferred to the county jail by the BSPD Wednesday on a charge of violation of a protective order.
- **LANA MUNOZ**, 43, was arrested by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for resisting arrest, search or transportation.
- **JAMES MARSHALL LONG**, 41, was transferred to the county jail by the BSPD Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated - second offense.

# Weather

Tonight...Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. East winds around 10 mph. Chance of precipitation 40 percent.

Friday...Mostly cloudy. Isolated showers and thunderstorms in the morning...Then scattered showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 80s. East winds 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation 30 percent.

Friday night...Decreasing clouds. Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

Saturday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows around 70.  
Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.  
Sunday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.  
Monday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.  
Monday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 70s.  
Tuesday...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.  
Tuesday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 70s.  
Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

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place finish in 1980. She was named to the All-American Team in 1980.

After the 1984 Olympic Games, Magers-Powell played nine years — from 1985 to 1993 — in Japan. During that time, she was tabbed the Japan League's most valuable player three times, best spiker six times, best blocker once and led the league in points six times.

As a member of the NEC Volleyball Club, she helped the team to one Japan League championship in 1988, a second-place finish and three third-place finishes.

For the past 11 years, Magers-Powell has served as head women's volleyball coach of the Martin Methodist University's (Tennessee) RedHawks. She has led the RedHawks to consecutive TranSouth Conference regular season and conference tournament championships in 2005 and 2006.

She was named TranSouth Conference Coach of the Year in 1996 — her first season with

the program — and 2006. Magers-Powell has never forgotten where she came from. She was born and raised in Big Spring and looks forward to returning each year to conduct the volleyball camp.

"I love coming back to Big Spring," she said. "I always will come back as long as they'll have me. Actually, I'm coming back even if they don't want me. I love seeing the kids grow."

Coming back to Big Spring has benefited Magers-Powell from a recruiting standpoint. The most valuable player of her RedHawks squad and assistant coach for the volleyball camps is former Lady Steer Lakenya Wrightsil.

"I wouldn't have signed Lakenya if I hadn't been coming back to Big Spring for these camps," she explained. "I would've never known she was available and what type of player she is. So I come back and do some recruiting as well. Hopefully, I'll have more Lady Steers playing for me in the future."

Lady Steers volleyball remains a passion for

Magers-Powell. She always keeps up with the team and is sure to attend games whenever Big Spring can make a deep playoff run.

"I definitely keep up with the progress the volleyball program makes here," said Magers-Powell. "The team was making a push toward the state tournament a few years and I was watching and waiting for the chance to come cheer them on. As soon as they make it back to state, I'll be in the front row leading the cheers."

The camp in Big Spring is a priority to Magers-Powell.

"I always keep in contact with the coaching staff to see what dates I can come in and conduct this camp," she said. "Big Spring will always be home. I love coming back and seeing people I remember. It's a pleasure to always come home and do the camps."

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IRVIN

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from where I come from and have the issues I have off the field, you have this sense that, 'I can do it, I can fix it, I can get better,'" said Irvin, the third-youngest of 17 siblings from Fort Lauderdale, Fla. "It was a great attitude to have on the football field, but the reality is that in life I needed help. My greatest asset was my greatest liability. ...

"There were times after (the '96 arrest) that I said, 'We'll win a few more Super Bowls, I'll fix it.' I couldn't. I didn't. I've always felt I was in debt to Cowboys fans for robbing them of that offseason of bragging and enjoying and celebrating after we won Super Bowl 30."

Irvin was forced into retirement by a spine injury suffered in the fourth game of the 1999 season.

As he was taken away in an ambulance, Philadelphia fans cheered.

It was testament to the emotions Irvin riled up — for pushing off, for mak-

ing his exaggerated first-down gesture and just plain being Michael Irvin.

The Playmaker was a love-him-or-hate-him kind of guy, except in the Dallas locker room. His charm and wit helped him connect with everyone, while his work ethic and will to win enabled him to hold others accountable, regardless of his personal problems.

"Michael was unbelievable," former teammate Jay Novacek said. "We lockered next to each other, two people from opposite sides of the country, opposite ways of thinking, opposite color — the whole thing. And he ended up probably being the guy I looked up to as much as anybody with his work ethic in practice. I don't think there was anybody as

good at doing that as he was."

Irvin arrived in Dallas in '88, the final first-round pick by Tom Landry and Tex Schramm.

His second season was marked by the arrival of his college coach, Jimmy Johnson.

Two years later, Irvin led the league in yards receiving, posting the first of seven 1,000-yard seasons and starting a run of five straight Pro Bowls.

The Cowboys won Super Bowls following the '92, '93 and '95 seasons, reaching the NFC title game in '94.

His best year was 1995, when he caught 111 passes for 1,603 yards and 10 touchdowns, all career highs, and set an NFL record with 11 100-yard games.

RANGERS

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Catalanotto's two-run double off Rafael Betancourt tied it at 6 for Texas in the seventh.

Cleveland broke a 4-all tie in the fifth on an RBI single by Blake and run-scoring double by Travis Hafner off Rangers starter John Rheinecker.

With runners on second and third, however, right-hander Willie Eyre struck out Franklin Gutierrez and Jason Michaels to end the threat.

After the Rangers loaded the bases against starter Paul Byrd with one out in the sixth, lefty Rafael Perez struck out Botts and Marlon Byrd on six pitches.

"Perez really picked us up there," Indians manager Eric Wedge said.

"We need to do better early and in the middle to make it not so hard on ourselves late." Wedge said after the Indians lost for the fourth time in eight days because of shaky defense.

Catalanotto opened the game with a double to start Texas on a three-run first inning. Young had an RBI single and Saltalamacchia followed with his first hit for his new team.

Michaels hit a solo homer and Blake a two-run shot in a four-run second inning that put Cleveland ahead 4-3.

An error by first baseman Ryan Garko, who misplayed a grounder hit by Vazquez, enabled Marlon Byrd to score from second in the third to tie it at 4.

Rheinecker allowed six runs and eight hits over 4 1-3 innings in his third appearance and second start since being recalled from Triple-A Oklahoma on July 23.

Notes: Botts, a 6-foot-5, 250-pounder, hit .320 with 13 homers and 78 RBIs to earn his recall. ... Indians 2B Josh Barfield got a pregame visit from his father Jesse, the former All-Star outfielder. ... Catalanotto is 2-for-5 with a double, homer and five RBIs in his career against Betancourt. ... Indians C Kelly Shoppach went 0-for-4 to extend his slump to 1-for-26 (.038). ... Vazquez is 5-for-9 in the first two games of the series. He went 9-for-34 (.265) all last season at Jacobs Field as a utility infielder for the Indians.

**Mariners 8, Angels 7**  
The American League's

most surprising team is showing no signs of slipping.

The Seattle Mariners overcame a blown save by their All-Star closer to beat the first-place Angels 8-7 in 12 innings Wednesday night at Safeco Field.

Yuniesky Betancourt grounded a single through the left side of a five-man infield to score the winning run for second-place Seattle, which beat Los Angeles two of three and moved to three games out of first.

The Mariners (59-47) haven't had a winning season since 2003 and weren't expected to hang with the favored Angels this season. But Seattle appears set to stay in the playoff race for the long haul.

"To come back and win, that's huge," Putz said. "I know there is two months left in the season and the difference between five games and three games doesn't seem like much. But it is."

Adrian Beltre led off the 12th with an infield single off Justin Speier (0-2). One out later, Jamie Burke was grazed on the elbow by a 1-1 fastball. Jose Lopez then chopped an infield single high off the plate to load the bases. Angels manager Mike Scioscia brought Gary Matthews Jr. in from center field to create a five-man infield for the second time in extra innings.

Betancourt then singled sharply between third base and shortstop. Former Angel Jose Guillen led his teammates in chasing the jubilant Betancourt around the infield after one of Seattle's most important wins of a surprising season.

"That's as good a game as I've been involved in," said manager John McLaren, who is in his 28th year as a professional coach or player.

Los Angeles lost for the second time in seven games.

The Angels had won seven of the first nine games between the teams this season.

"Our focus is still in-house," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said about the charging Mariners.

Eric O'Flaherty (7-0) got the final out of the top of the 12th as Seattle won for the fifth time in six games.

The Mariners won two of three against the Angels to pull within three games of the AL

West leaders.

The Angels scored three times in the top of the ninth off J.J. Putz, the All-Star closer who had allowed one run in 25 innings entering Wednesday.

After Vladimir Guerrero's single scored Orlando Cabrera, Matthews sent Putz's chest-high, 1-1 pitch into the Angels' bullpen beyond the left-field fence to tie the game at 7.

**Yankees 8, White Sox 1**

Alex Rodriguez remained stuck at 499 career homers and matched the longest hitless streak of his big league career at 21 at-bats.

Jorge Posada homered twice, and Derek Jeter, Robinson Cano and Shelley Duncan also connected to give the Yankees 13 home runs in two games. That tied the team record for a two-game span set in 1939.

Andy Pettitte (7-7) allowed one run and six hits in seven innings as New York won its third straight.

John Danks (7-7) gave up six runs and six hits in four innings for the visiting White Sox.

**Royals 5, Twins 3, 10 innings**

After a moment of silence to honor victims of a bridge collapse near the Metrodome, Kansas City beat Minnesota.

Thursday's game between the teams was called off, but the Twins decided to go ahead with this one instead of sending about 25,000 fans back out onto the congested highways.

Alex Gordon hit a two-run homer in the 10th inning off Juan Rincon (3-2) as the Royals won hours after manager Buddy Bell announced he would resign after the season.

Zach Greinke (5-5) worked two scoreless innings for the win. Joakim Soria got his 11th save.

**Red Sox 5, Orioles 4**

David Ortiz scored the go-ahead run in a four-run seventh inning and Boston the won in front of Kevin Garnett, who threw out the ceremonial first pitch at Fenway Park on his first full day with the Celtics.

Kevin Youkilis gave the Red Sox a 4-3 lead with a two-run double.

2007 Property Tax Rates in City of Coahoma

This notice concerns 2007 property tax rates for City of Coahoma. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$93,031.00
Last year's debt taxes	\$0.00
Last year's total taxes	\$93,031.00
Last year's tax base	\$15,275,659.00
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.60902 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$92,828.00
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$18,545,559.00
= This year's effective tax rate	\$0.500540 /\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

In the first year a hospital district or city collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year.

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$0	/ \$100
= Effective tax rate	\$0	/ \$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$92,828.00
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$18,545,559.00
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.500540 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.540583 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0.00000 /\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$0.540583 /\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If City of Coahoma adopts a 2007 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.500540 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2006 taxes by \$582.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
FUND BALANCE	\$307,482.00

Schedule B - 2006 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Total required for 2007 debt service				\$ 0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$
- Excess collections last year				\$
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2007				\$
Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only _____ of its taxes in 2007				\$
= Total Debt Levy				\$ 0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 315 MAIN STREET (COUNTY ANNEX) BIG SPRING, TX 79720

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**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

**BY HOLIDAY MATHIS**

If everyone had the good humor of the Leo sun and Sagittarius Jupiter, the world would be a bigger, better place. Well, it's what they're selling today, a supersized world of good. So go ahead, let the sunshine in, grab on to the kite tail of benevolence and let it lift you higher. One act of goodwill or a step taken in faith brings a shower of blessings.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). You're not exactly thrilled with the choices you're offered now. Take it as a signal that it's time to rewrite your old, disempowering story. Be sure to write yourself a happy ending.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Who needs conversation when you can speak with another equally powerful communicator: your actions. If you hesitate, your rewards are delayed. So get a move on!

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Approach your job as

a study in human nature. The one who seeks your opinion really wants your approval. And the one who asks for your approval may actually want your financial contribution.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You'd be bored if it were all very easy for you. Luckily, your stars include delicious contradictions and enthralling complications. A Virgo person can help you find your way through.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Your solar power is strong. You feel like you couldn't lose, even if you tried. What would you do if you knew that winning was the only option? Go on, give it a shot!

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The best ways to cleanse your thoughts are the easiest ones. You can turn a negative into a positive by simply breathing. Breathe in love, breathe out fear — 10 times and it's a brand new day.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Venus-ruled, you're blessed with superb taste. It's precisely that highly refined aesthetic sense that can be turned into the kind of heat that attracts love, friends,

money and power.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Physical self-improvement is on your mind. With the right attitude, anything is possible, from cellular regeneration in your sleep to weight loss that is practically instantaneous.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You might regret putting your trust in someone you know isn't right for you, but you'll never regret putting your trust in yourself. Your self-reliance will inspire others to behave more responsibly toward you.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Rise to your own communication potential. When you sweetly say what you want, you get it. Cancer, Leo and Aries people have fabulous contributions to make to you.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). What keeps you from being close to others? Ancient and hidden pain? A false belief of inadequacy? Whatever it is, you can now bring it into your consciousness and disable it for good.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Your eyes are bigger than your needs. Having

too much of anything is a total drag — baggage to carry, store and maintain. Pause before purchasing anything new.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I know I'm a Gemini, born May 29, 1978, but why am I ill at ease in conversations? I'm also wondering why I'm still single. I can't seem to find that person with the right spark."

Ah, not all Gemini's are chatterboxes. Your Mercury is in soft Taurus — a you ponder thoughtfully, considering your personal point of view before jumping in.

Life is diverse. There's room for you to speak up, Gemini. Be aware that when you contribute to a conversation, you tend to be your own worst critic, maybe second-guessing your intelligence, especially when you're pushed to consider an idea beyond your comfort zone. Your challenge is to keep an open mind and not clam up. You may not think you have a lot to say, but when you do speak, your words make a quality impact. Take that same attitude, quality over quantity, in love. You're still single because it takes time to

find the person who was born to make you happy! You'll have a plethora of dating opportunities in January 2008. You have a sweet and loving soul; someone special will surely see it.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Leo is a masculine fire sign, but this doesn't mean all Leos have disproportionately high testosterone levels. Billy Bob Thornton just happens to be one of them. With his reputation as the alpha male of Hollywood, Thornton has six out of nine planets in Leo, an astrological phenomenon. With this much creative passion and stamina in his stars, someone get this guy a superhero birthday cake.

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

Dear Annie: I had the misfortune to be born to the two most selfish people known to mankind. I am their only child.

When Dad divorced Mom, he divorced me. He's spent the rest of his life being a wonderful husband to his new wife (who doesn't like me) and a father to her son. My mother has spent her life looking for love in all the wrong places. My father and I pretend to have a relationship, and my mother and I run hot and cold. Right now, we're very, very cold.

I have been married to the same man for 40 years, and we have two great kids. My parents are now elderly and not in good health. They seem to think I should take care of them, even though when I was young, neither had time to take care of me.

I can't turn back the clock and create feelings for them that should have been formed many years ago. Where do I go from here? — Old Enough to Know Better

Dear Old Enough: Obviously, you still harbor a great deal of resentment toward your parents. You don't have to be fond of them, but you do have an obligation to see that they are not out on the street. Please check that their finances are in order, that they have insurance and, if necessary, that they are placed in an assisted-living residence or given nursing care. You do not have to do this personally if you (or they) can afford to hire a geriatric care manager (caremanager.org). Otherwise, check with your Area Agency on Aging.

Dear Annie: Just how long is my husband's middle age crisis supposed to last? At the age of 47, he is in his rock-star phase. For the last two years, everything in our lives has revolved around his music. Our friends avoid us because they are bored to death by this — not to mention their own teenagers are going through the same stage.

I don't mind him having a hobby, but it involves getting together with his unemployed musician friends three or



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four evenings a week to practice, and that is having a very negative effect on our family. Our children miss him, and I find that we are growing apart. I've resisted the urge to get too close to any of the men I meet, but I am very much a single person these days.

I want our marriage to work, but it seems I am the only person in it. Please don't suggest counseling. — Sick of It

Dear Sick of It: Your husband has catapulted himself into his adolescence in order to escape the responsibility of being a husband and father. Talk to him about how much the children need both their parents and see if you can wake him up. Otherwise, if you truly want to save your marriage, you will use all the options available — and that includes counseling, like it or not.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been married for nearly four years, and this intimacy topic in your column has really gotten us talking.

I'm a nurse and work three 12-hour shifts in a row. I sure don't feel up to sex when I get home. But I don't want my marriage to turn out like many of your readers'. My husband and I openly discuss what we need from each other. I want more hugs and kisses that go nowhere, and he would like more that go somewhere.

Talking has deepened our bond and helped us understand each other's needs. This will help our marriage in the long run. Thank you for this topic. I think it may have ensured the success of my marriage. — Pensacola, Fla.

Dear Pensacola: One of the things we try to do is bring up topics that will

help our readers communicate. You are smart to recognize this and deal with these sensitive issues before they become problems. Thanks for writing.

Dear Annie: Recently, my mother told my wife that she and her husband will be unable to attend my 4-year-old daughter's birthday. The reason given is that my wife's mother showered my daughter with so many gifts last year that it made my mother's husband incredibly uncomfortable and they don't feel they have the money to "compete" with the other grandparents. Mom has asked us to make arrangements for them to celebrate our daughter's birthday on a different day, rather than be here at the same time as everyone else.

I feel this is an injustice to my daughter, and that no matter how the adults feel, everyone should be here on her day. I want to tell my mom, "It's not about you, it's about your granddaughter." Please help. — Parent with a Present Problem

Dear Parent: This does not have to be as critical an issue as you are making it. It's too bad your stepfather feels he is competing with your in-laws when, in reality, young children are fairly happy with all kinds of gifts and too much extravagance is overwhelming. It's also a shame your mother can't assuage his sense of inadequacy.

A separate party would be overkill, but there's no reason they cannot celebrate with their granddaughter on another day by taking her for ice cream or a day at the park. You are not shortchanging your daughter by giving her individual birthday time with each set of grandparents, instead of including all of them in a bigger celebration. If you don't turn it into a big deal, neither will she.

Dear Annie: I've had the same cleaning lady for over 20 years, with no problems until the last two. Lately, I have been missing jewelry and blouses. My husband couldn't believe "Corinne" was taking anything until one of his expensive gadgets went

missing.

We are both in declining health and must have help in the home, as we cannot do it ourselves. I know Corinne is taking advantage of this. She is an excellent worker, but she always carries a large purse and it's easy to walk out with things.

What should I do? I'm afraid if I confront her about these missing items, she will quit. I've hidden my expensive jewelry, but even so, things continue to disappear. Any suggestions? — No Name, No State

Dear No Name: It's possible you are mistaken about the stealing, so first approach Corinne and say, "I can't seem to locate my pearl earrings. Can you find them for me?" This gives her notice that you are aware things are missing, and it provides an opportunity for her to "discover" them without making accusations. If she doesn't do so and things continue to disappear, it's time to find a new cleaning person or hire a cleaning service. We know you are accustomed to Corinne, but apparently, she costs more than you intended to pay.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Disappointed in Louisville, Ky.," whose husband didn't want to get a vasectomy. When I found out at age 40 that we were pregnant with an "oops" baby, I had a tubal after he was born. I am now 44 and about to have my fourth child — another "oops."

It upsets me to know this could have been easily prevented if my husband had had a vasectomy. My doctor informed me that the chances of my tubes growing back together were 1 in 1,000. Not good enough odds if you don't want any more children.

I told my husband I will remain celibate until he gets his tubes fixed since it obviously didn't work for me. Hope this helps. — Been There, Done That, Won't Do It Again

Dear Been There: While both tubal ligations and vasectomies tend to be quite reliable, there have been instances where they didn't "take." This is

not your husband's fault, but obviously, you've done what you can and it's his turn now.

Dear Annie: I'm a single mom in my early 40s, very fit, with no children currently living at home. I recently joined a running club in my community. In this club, I met a terrific guy. "Dane" is in his late 40s, in excellent physical condition, funny, charming, a true gentleman and very handsome. He's financially sound and in a good profession. Basically, he's the guy I wish I had met 20 years ago.

Dane and I meet once a week to run on nearby running trails with our group. From the first glance, I haven't stopped thinking of him. I have fallen in love with this guy. Once, I invited him to lunch, since our jobs are close to each other. During the meal, I asked why his wife isn't at any of our runs. He confided that his wife is extremely obese and not into fitness. He also admitted that he would love to have her companionship when running, biking and going on motorcycle rides.

A couple of weeks ago, I ran into Dane and his wife in a department store, and he was right. She is huge. I'm guessing she weighs close to 300 pounds. He didn't say it, but I suspect he's not in a happy marriage.

Dane doesn't have a clue how I feel about him. I've flirted with him, but he doesn't seem to notice, although he always chooses to run with me. If he knew how I felt, things could be different between us. Should I tell him? — Floundering in Florida

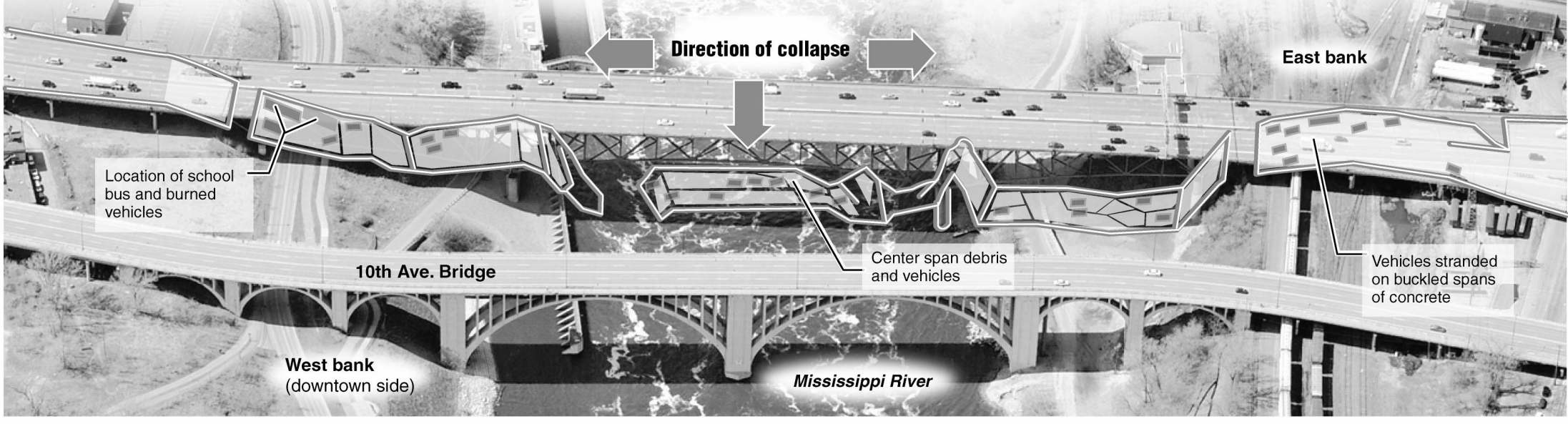
Dear Floundering: You do not have the right to break up a marriage because someone's wife is obese. If you want a man in your life, find one who is available. If Dane wants to cheat on his wife, he will let you know, but we strongly urge you not to encourage him, or more than your running shoes will be covered in dirt.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column.

**Snapshot of a disaster**

Shortly after 7 p.m. ET Wednesday, the I-35W bridge over the Mississippi River in Minneapolis collapsed. The steel-arched bridge, built in 1967, was known for its 458-ft. (140-m) central span. A look at the disaster and the rescue efforts:

- 1 Construction vehicles line the bridge, which is part of a Hwy. 280 to downtown Minneapolis resurfacing project
- 2 Lane closures in each direction slow bumper-to-bumper traffic to about 10 mph (16 kph)
- 3 About 7:05 p.m., the bridge's center span directly over the river collapses
- 4 No longer connected to the center span, both ends tip away from the river, causing secondary sections to collapse in sequence
- 5 Vehicles fall into the river or are crushed between bridge sections; later, a semitrailer truck and a pickup truck ignite; about 50 children are evacuated from a stranded school bus
- 6 Triage staging areas are set up; blood banks call for donations as regional hospitals go on alert; water rescue boats, paramedics and emergency doctors arrive on the scene



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**BRIDGE**

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Even so, Hennepin County Sheriff Richard Stanek said law enforcement agents would treat the area as a crime scene until a cause for the collapse was determined. "We're not ruling anything in, we're not ruling anything out," he said.

Authorities were checking license numbers of the cars in the water. Getting the vehicles out will involve moving around very large, heavy pieces of bridge.

"The bridge is still shifting," said Minneapolis Police Chief Tim Dolan. "We're dealing with the Mississippi River. We're dealing with currents. We're going to have to do it slowly and safely."

Relatives of some of the missing gathered in a hotel ballroom early Thursday, waiting for word on loved ones who couldn't be located.

"I've never wanted to see my brother so much in my life," said Kristi Foster, who went to an information center set up at a Holiday Inn looking for her brother Kirk. She hadn't had

contact with her brother or his girlfriend, Krystle Webb, since the previous night.

Mayor R.T. Rybak said he expects the death toll to fluctuate throughout the day. "I think you can expect that to be a dynamic situation for a while," he said.

Gov. Tim Pawlenty said the bridge was inspected by the Minnesota Department of Transportation in 2005 and 2006 and that no immediate structural problems were noted. "There were some minor things that needed attention," he said.

"They notified us from an engineering standpoint the deck might need to be rehabilitated or replaced in 2020 or beyond," Pawlenty said Wednesday.

The 40-year-old bridge was rated as "structurally deficient" two years ago and possibly in need of replacement, the Star Tribune reported. The newspaper said that rating was contained in the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Bridge Inventory database.

"We've seen it, and we are very familiar with it," Jeanne Aamodt, a spokeswoman for the Minnesota Department of

Transportation, said of the 2005 assessment of the bridge.

Aamodt noted that many other bridges around the country carry the same designation that the I-35W bridge received. She declined to say what the agency was going to do to address the deficiencies found in 2005.

Road crews were working on the bridge's joints, guardrails and lights this week, with lane closures overnight on Tuesday and Wednesday. The bridge was fitted in 2001 with a computerized anti-icing system that sprayed chemicals on the surface during winter weather, according to documents posted on the Minnesota Department of Transportation's Web site.

There were 18 construction workers on the bridge at the time of the collapse, said Tom Sloan, head of the bridge division for Progressive Contractors Inc., in St. Michael. One of the workers was unaccounted for.

Sloan said his crew was placing concrete finish on the bridge for what he called a routine resurfacing project. "It was the final item on this phase of the project. Suddenly the bridge

gave way," he said.

Sloan said his workers described a horrific scene. "They said they basically rode the bridge down to the water. They were sliding into cars and cars were sliding into them," he said.

The entire span of Interstate 35W crumpled into the river below. Some injured people were carried up the riverbank, while emergency workers tended to others on the ground.

A school bus had crossed the bridge before it collapsed. The bus did not go into the water, and broadcast reports indicated the children on the bus exited out the back door.

Christine Swift's 10-year-old daughter, Kaleigh, was on the bus, returning from a field trip to Bunker Hills in Blaine. She said her daughter called her about 6:10 p.m.

"She was screaming, 'The bridge collapsed,'" Swift said. All the kids got off the bus safely, but about 10 of the children were injured, officials said.

Sen. Norm Coleman, R-Minn., said he spoke with Transportation Secretary Mary Peters, and that both of them along with Sen. Amy

Klobuchar, D-Minn., will be flying to the Twin Cities early Thursday.

The collapsed bridge stood just blocks from the heart of Minneapolis, near tourist attractions like the new Guthrie Theater and the Stone Arch Bridge. As the steamy night progressed massive crowds of onlookers circled in the area on foot or bicycle, some of them wearing Twins T-shirts and caps after departing Wednesday night's game at the nearby Metrodome early.

Thursday's game between the Twins and Kansas City Royals was called off, but the Twins decided to go ahead with Wednesday's rather than sending about 25,000 fans back out onto the congested highways. Inside the stadium, there was a moment of silence to honor victims.

The steel-arched bridge, which was built in 1967, rose about 64 feet above the river and stretched about 1,900 feet across the water. The bridge was built with a single 458-foot-long steel arch to avoid putting any piers in the water that might interfere with river navigation.

**JAIL**

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was "definitive."

"I'm not sure he was as definitive as that," said Barr. "He's going to send a letter that will state the consequences and everything we're talking about now. However, sooner or later, Howard County is going to have to face the fact we're going to have to have a new jail. That was very, very clear."

Barr said the idea that inmates can be farmed out to other county facilities for less than it costs Howard County to run its own jail has been officially laid to rest.

"It's a cold, hard fact that we can't afford to farm these inmates out to other counties," Barr said sternly. "Now, after having to close the facility for approximately six months, we have the

numbers in front of us, in black and white. And anyone that believes otherwise can come down to the courthouse and I'll take them to Jackie's (Olson, county auditor) office and show them.

"In a little more than six months, we spent more than \$800,000 to house our inmates out of county," Barr said. "By the time you add in all of the other little aggravations and headaches, I firmly believe you're looking at a total cost of \$1 million. The county simply can't do that. It's the equivalent of running a hotel, taking people in and then sending them to another hotel. Not only do you have to pay for the other hotel, you have to pay for everything in between, including the cost of running your own hotel. It's just crazy."

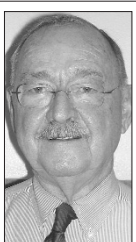
Barr said Munoz asked the commissioners what the county's "Plan B"

was, just in case the bond election failed.

"Essentially, we had to tell him we don't have one," said Barr. "It's something the court is going to have to talk about."

Crooker said the only Plan B he can see is some-

**"Mr. Munoz made it very clear. If the bond election fails this fall, the commission is going to shut down the existing jail."**



Crooker

thing that has drawn fire several times during the course of the project — certificates of obligation.

"If the bond fails, COs

are the only options I'm aware of," said Crooker.

That course of action, however, is one Barr said he's not ready to pursue.

"I made a commitment not to use COs when I was elected," said Barr. "And I'm going to stand by that. However, if there's some other way to finance a jail, I don't know what it is."

The bond election the county is planning for November won't be its first stab at funding for a new jail. A similar bond for slightly more than \$10 million failed as 60.13 percent of the voters going to the ballot box said "no" to the measure in November 2006. According to vote tallies, 2,618 votes were cast in favor of the bond, while 3,949 ballots were cast against it.

Barr said the closure of the existing jail — which was closed by the jail commission in November 2006 for failing to meet

several life-safety requirements — following the election would be disastrous for the county.

"In short, it would bankrupt the county," said Barr sternly. "We're already making drastic cuts to the budget because of the last closing, and we would be forced to either make more drastic, large cuts or look to raise the tax rate above the rollback rate. The county simply can't survive another jail closure. The county would be bankrupt within a year."

County officials began making drastic cuts to the 2007-2008 budget last week, cutting departmental budgets, and in turn, positions from the pay-

roll. Positions have already been eliminated at the county library, road and bridge administration and the county's maintenance department.

If commissioners agree to set the tax rate above the county's rollback rate, Barr said it could trigger a rollback election where voters would have a chance to repeal the rate to the government body's effective rate.

The commissioner's court has been struggling with the design and construction of a new county jail for almost four years.

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**BSISD**

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Dunnam said.

Parents unsure about their children's attendance area are urged to contact Wayland Pierce, director of auxiliary services, at 264-4108.

Dunnam added that elementary students who attended BSISD schools in 2006-2007 are registered for the new school year, but may need to update information such as addresses or telephone numbers.

Elementary campuses and their respective phone numbers are:

- Bauer — 264-4121.
- Kentwood — 264-4130.
- Marcy — 264-4144.
- Moss — 264-4148.
- Washington — 264-4126.

Goliad Intermediate School plans orientation for its students Aug. 23. Fifth graders will assemble at 5 p.m., followed by sixth graders at 6 p.m. Those with questions should call 264-4111.

Big Spring Junior High School orientation will be held Aug. 24., starting with seventh graders at 4 p.m. and followed by eighth graders at 6 p.m. Contact the school at 264-4135 for more information.

Schedule pickup for BSHS students will be as follows:

- Freshmen — 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Aug. 16.
- Sophomores — 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 14.
- Juniors — 9 a.m. until noon Aug. 14.
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## OUR VIEWS

### Have a message to get out? Well, rent a fair booth

It's time to be thinking about the Howard County Fair. And as we have noted in the past, there's not much better a time or place to show off your product, sell crafts or get the word out about your candidacy, bond issue or other political cause.

Whatever you have to present to the public, one of the best ways to reach a lot of people in a short amount of time is through a booth at each year's fair.

The fair is scheduled Wednesday, Sept. 26, through Saturday, Sept. 29, and will again feature lots of activities that organizers believe are certain to attract a large number of visitors.

Among the offerings are musical entertainment, a tractor pull, Kountry Kids contest, Battle of the Cheerleaders, livestock shows and a nightly carnival. There are, of course, all of the traditional contests for baked goods, vegetables, artwork, photographs, arts and crafts and more.

Fair booth spaces are \$150 for an 8-foot by 10-foot area. Booth assignments are made on a first-come, first-served basis, so those planning on having a booth should turn in a signed contract with a partial or whole payment as quickly as possible. You can bring your own tables and chairs or rent them. One table and two chairs rent for \$10.

Booths can be set up between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, or 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26. The fair officially opens at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Each exhibiting booth will be given four weekly passes. Additional passes, if needed, can be purchased at the fair office. They are \$4 per day pass or \$16 for the run of the fair.

One other important note — extension cords are not provided by the fair association and some outlets are located overhead, so we suggest you plan accordingly.

For more information, call Nancy Howard, the Howard County Fair Association's director of exhibits, at 432-353-4448.

And remember, if you are a local businessman or a someone promoting a cause, that large crowd of visitors expected at this year's fair are potential customers and voters.

Seems to us like making sure you have a fair booth if a real "no-brainer."

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

*You, Lord, can use our problems to our benefit when we trust in You.*

Amen

# Saying what 'progressives' want to hear

Liberals like to think of themselves as "progressives," which is not only a euphemism to avoid the stigma attached to "liberal," but is intended to convey that they are a step ahead of conservatives — socially, culturally, morally and, not least, intellectually. But have you ever noticed at a presidential debate, like the one last Monday, the types of questions these "progressives" in the audience ask of Democratic candidates, or the types of predictable, vacuous answers they applaud?

Some self-styled progressive elites like to think of red-staters as reality-challenged, but when you observe the progressives in action at these forums, it's hard not to conclude they are driven mainly by emotions and largely ignore reality. If it sounds good, regardless of whether it makes sense in the real world, it will score well. The key ingredient to impressing a progressive is to demonstrate that you *care*.

If you want to ingratiate yourself to these audiences, just say something brilliant like, "I abhor war," or "Dick Cheney is evil."

If you want to risk a little higher level of sophistication, you can say, "We need to get our troops out of Iraq, where our soldiers are dying in a civil war" — which, of course, implies we have no stake in the war, which, in turn, implies that our soldiers' deaths have been in vain.

When asked whether our soldiers have died in vain, you can say, like Barack Obama did, "I never think that our troops — who do their mission for their country — are dying in vain." Or, offer John Edwards' nearly identical response: "I don't think any of our

troops die in vain when they go and do the duty that's been given to them by the commander in chief."

These candidates know better than to say our troops died in vain, so they deny they believe it, even though the logical conclusion of their position is that they have. The question isn't whether they followed orders and did their duty but whether the cause they died for was worthwhile. And yet the enlightened progressives in the audience appear completely oblivious to the law of non-contradiction, which holds that it is impossible for something to be both true and untrue at the same time and in the same context.

Or, consider the subject of Darfur, about which a YouTube questioner asked, "Imagine yourself the parent of one of these children (at a refugee camp near Darfur). What action do you commit to that will get these children back home to a safe Darfur?"

Gov. Bill Richardson dutifully included in his answer this gem: "The answer here is caring about Africa. Doing something about poverty, about AIDS, about refugees, about those that have been left behind. That's how we restore leadership in this country." (APPLAUSE).

Applause? Give me a break. How would doing "something" about poverty, AIDS and the rest restore leadership in this country?

Richardson elaborated that we need to get a U.N. peacekeeping force there and that we need to respond with diplomacy. To quote the caveman on the Geico commercial, "Wwwwwhat?"

How about meeting force with force, governor? At least Sen. Joe Biden recognized the folly of Richardson's answer and said, "Those kids will be dead by the time the diplomacy is over."

But no one in the Democratic field addressed why a military

intervention in Darfur is more justified on humanitarian grounds than our continued presence in Iraq. Why do "progressives" seem to get exercised about death and tragedy where our national interests are not at stake, but not otherwise? Even if all the slander Democrats have disseminated about Bush were true, does that make the plight of the Iraqi people any less urgent?

Finally, when the candidates expressed their various proposals to establish arbitrary withdrawal dates, did the progressives wonder, much less ask, why we don't begin withdrawal immediately? If our presence is causing the problem, and if our troops are, in effect, dying in vain, why let them stay another minute beyond the time it physically takes to remove them?

It won't do to answer that we can't just pull them out without regard to the stability of the region because these candidates say we are causing the instability. But if they insist on taking the contradictory position — that circumstances exist that militate against an immediate withdrawal — how can they possibly know precisely when those circumstances will change enough to allow our withdrawal? If they can't — and they can't — then why do they propose such arbitrary dates, other than to appease their enlightened constituencies?

But making sense or being consistent aren't necessary for success at a Democratic debate or on a liberal talk show, like HBO's "Real Time with Bill Maher." What matters is that you say what the progressives want to hear. That's the ticket.

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# Growing up in a puff of smoke?

Disney did something right last week. They decided to ban cigarette smoking from all Disney movies. They've yet to extend the ban, however, to include more adult-oriented (meaning, of course, teen-oriented) films coming from their Buena Vista and Miramax divisions.

Why not? And why aren't other movie studios following suit?

The good news is that fewer teens are smoking today than were when many of their parents graduated from high school. In 1976, two of five high-school seniors were endangering their lives on a regular basis in more ways than anyone can count. Today, it's only one in five.

Only. The bad news today is that all you have to do is go online — if not to your local convenience store — to buy cigarettes if you're underage. Internet sales of cigarettes are climbing, now counting for at least 15 percent of overall sales. And most studies have found that there is virtually no effort to make sure that those sales are to adults.

Of course, companies could insist that someone over 18 sign for the package, or else require that it be returned to them. But why would they? They're looking to make money, and cigarette com-

panies have to replace all the people who die from tobacco-related illnesses every day if they're to stay in business. As for law enforcement, when was the last time you heard of a convenience store or gas station being closed down because they sold cigarettes to minors? Just close a few and the message will get out. But no one does.

Most states have made it easier for tobacco companies to find, hook and kill new smokers. Rather than spend the money they collect from cigarette taxes, much less the money they received from the record-breaking settlements in the tobacco class actions, on smoking prevention or research to cure the diseases smoking causes, they use most of it to balance their general budgets.

When my best friend was dying of lung cancer, I ranted and raved about the money going to fill potholes and build bridges instead of to save lives. Lung cancer research was and is under-funded, given the number of people who die of it, due to the incorrect impression that only smokers get it. In fact, my friend never smoked a cigarette in her life. But what if she had? What logic is there in expressing our disapproval of smoking by making it more likely that smokers will die, along with those nonsmokers unfortunate enough to get the same diseases? Why not, rather, try to both prevent and cure the ravages of smoking?

If there were one thing about my

teenage years I could change, it would be lighting up that second cigarette. The first one doesn't hook you — put smoke into clean lungs and you'll feel the way you do when you take your first sip of scotch. Revolted. The first cigarette makes you choke and cough. No, smoking is an acquired taste. You have to be determined. And once you are, stopping is much harder than starting.

I went through eight false starts at stopping before I quit for the last time, 20 years ago. Even so, I lie in terror every five years when they turn on the CT machine to screen my lungs, because I'll always be at increased risk for lung cancer, and I know its ravages too well.

So why do one in five teenagers still do it? Why do thousands of kids start every day? For the same reasons I did. Because they want to lose weight, fit in, look grownup, be cool.

At the recent Harry Potter opening at my local bookstore, a gaggle of teenage girls stood in front of the store smoking. Clearly, they thought they were cool. Finally, one mother spoke up and told them to clear out. They put their cigarettes out. We all need to do that.

Teenagers think they're immortal.

Movie studios are run by people who know better. They should act that way.

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# A new Sebring

*Chrysler convertible buyers have lots of options with 2008 model*

The all-new Chrysler Sebring Convertible models have arrived and there is a lot for top down drivers be excited about.

With a base price starting around \$26,000 and very respectable fuel economy ratings, the 2008 Sebring Convertible is one of the most affordable four-seat convertibles on the road.

Buyers also have a multitude of options to choose from, such as three trim lines, three engine choices and even three types of convertible tops — vinyl, cloth or for an extra \$1,995 a retractable hardtop.

The base Sebring Convertible (\$26,145 base price) is equipped with a 2.4-liter I-4 engine (173 horsepower, 166 lb.-ft. torque) and mated to a four speed automatic transmission. Using regular unleaded gasoline, it has an EPA fuel economy rating of 20 mpg city, 29 mpg highway using 2008 EPA standards.

Features include standard side seat-mounted airbags for head and thorax protection, ABS, tire-pressure monitoring system, automatic latching convertible top with hard tonneau cover, remote keyless entry, AM/FM system with 6-disc CD player and MP3 connectivity, six-way power driver and passenger seats, rear window defogger, cruise control, locking glove box, sliding front center armrest, electroluminescent cluster with outside temperature display, 16-inch wheels and heated power mirrors.

Touring models (base price \$28,745) are powered by a 2.7-liter Flex Fuel V-6 engine (189 horsepower, 191 lb.-ft. torque) and mated to a four-speed automatic transmission. Using regular unleaded gasoline and/or E85 ethanol, it has a 2008 EPA fuel economy rating of 18 mpg city, 26 mpg highway.

Additional features include YES Essentials stain-resistant seat fabric, electronic vehicle information center, tire pressure monitoring display, travel computer, satin silver accents, 17-inch wheels, automatic headlamps and chrome interior door handles.

Limited models (\$32,345 base price) are powered by a 3.5-liter V-6 engine (235 horsepower, 232 lb.-ft. torque) and mated to a six-speed automatic transmission with Auto Stick. Mid-grade (89 octane) gasoline is recommended, but regular unleaded gas is acceptable. It has a 2008 EPA fuel economy rating of 16 mpg city, 26 mpg highway.

Additional features to the limited include cloth convertible top, leather-trimmed seats, leather shifter knob, leather-

wrapped steering wheel with audio controls, chrome door handles, premium Boston Acoustics audio system, cabin air filtration system, automatic-dimming rearview mirror, fog lamps and theft alarm.

Buyers can also opt for the Luxury Group package, which includes 18-inch tires and chrome wheels, heated front seats and wind-screen.

For this review, a 2008 Sebring Touring Convertible was driven for a one-week test period. The new Sebring Convertible is impressive in terms of affordability, fuel economy and its wide array of options for the con-



**The 2008 Chrysler Convertible with hardtop option.**

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## ON THE ROAD



BY NEAL WHITE

sumer. For convertible buyers, I highly recommend it for a test drive.

But while it does seat four, don't count on a lot of leg room — what's there isn't very much. In fact, the only way my 14-year-old could get a foot on the floor was if the front seat was moved all the way forward. On the up side, you can get two golf bags in the trunk with the top down, which makes it ideal for a weekend get-away.

Neal White has been covering the automotive industry for more than 15 years and is affiliated

## THE NUTS AND BOLTS



**MODEL:** 2008 Chrysler Sebring Convertible  
**4-seat convertible**  
Front-wheel drive  
**Trim packages:** Sebring, Touring, Limited  
**PRICE RANGE:** \$27,000-\$39,000  
**ENGINE:**  
2.4-L I-4 (173 hp/166 torque)  
2.7-L V-6 (189 hp/191 torque)  
3.5-L V-6 (235 hp/232 torque)  
**TRANSMISSION:**  
4-speed automatic  
6-speed auto/with Auto Stick  
**EPA:** 20/18/16 mpg city, 29/26/26 mpg highway (2.4/2.7/3.5)  
**FUEL:** Regular unleaded (E85

capable on 2.7 engine)

**SUSPENSION:** Independent MacPherson strut, coil spring over gas-charged shocks, stabilizer bar with isolated suspension cradle (front); multi-link independent with coil springs, link-type stabi-

lizer bar, gas-charged shocks and isolated rear suspension cradle (rear).

**BRAKES:** ABS  
**LENGTH:** 193.8 inches  
**WHEELBASE:** 108.9 inches  
**WIDTH:** 71.5 inches  
**HEIGHT:** 58.5 inches  
**WEIGHT:** 3,742-3,959 lbs. (front/rear)  
**TRACK:** 61.8/61.8 (front/rear)  
**FUEL TANK:** 16.9 gallons  
**TIRES:** 16-, 17-, or 18-inch  
**SAFETY:** Front-seat-mounted side airbags for head and thorax protection, driver and passenger multi-stage front airbags, seat-integrated safety belts, ABS, tire pressure monitoring, et. al.



By Steve Becker  
**Brilliant Defense**

South dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.  
**NORTH**  
♠ 7 6 5  
♥ 7 6 5 4  
♦ A J 2  
♣ 9 4 3  
**WEST**  
♠ Q 2  
♥ Q 8  
♦ Q 10 6 3  
♣ 10 8 7 6 5  
**EAST**  
♠ 9 8 3  
♥ A K J 9 3  
♦ 9 8 7  
♣ J 2  
**SOUTH**  
♠ A K J 10 4  
♥ 10 2  
♦ K 5 4  
♣ A K Q

The bidding:  
South 1♠  
West Pass  
North 1♦  
East 1♥  
4♠  
Opening lead — queen of hearts.  
This deal features a magnificent defensive play by Pierre Jais, well-known French expert. The hand was played in Paris in a rubber-bridge game. Jais was West, partnered with Jean Besse. Declarer was Jacques Blaizot.  
Playing canapé style (bidding the shorter suit first), Blaizot opened one club. North responded one diamond, a weakness bid in the system, but South nevertheless leaped to four spades after the one-heart overcall by Besse.  
Jais led the queen of hearts. East

overtook with the king, cashed the ace and continued with the jack. Declarer trumped with the spade jack, but Jais, spurning the opportunity to overruff, discarded a club.  
South naturally assumed West did not have the queen of spades. So, after first cashing the ace of spades, he led a diamond to the ace, returned a spade and finessed the ten. This lost to the lone queen, and Jais later won a diamond trick with the queen to defeat the contract.  
It is hard to fault declarer's line of play. Of course, he could have made the contract by taking a diamond finesse at trick five, but from his viewpoint, assuming that East had the queen of spades, a diamond finesse could be fatal. If the jack lost to the queen, another heart lead by East was bound to defeat the contract, regardless of how the trumps were divided.  
South would have to trump the fourth heart lead with the ten or four, and in either case the defense would be sure to score a trump trick sooner or later. The missing Q-9-8-3-2 of spades would be more than declarer could cope with, no matter how they were laid out.  
Had Jais overruffed the jack of spades at trick three, declarer would have had no real choice but to try a diamond finesse eventually and would have made the contract.

## 2007 Property Tax Rates in Howard College

This notice concerns 2007 property tax rates for Howard College. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

### Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$3,631,547
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$3,631,547
Last year's tax base	\$1,505,616,637
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.2412 /\$100

### This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$3,626,564
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$1,867,332,657
= This year's effective tax rate	\$0.194210 /\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

In the first year a hospital district or city collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year.

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$0	/ \$100
= Effective tax rate	\$0	/ \$100

### This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal, justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$3,626,564
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$1,867,332,657
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.194210 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.209746 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.079483 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$0.289229 /\$100

A hospital district or city that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collect the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	/ \$100
= Rollback tax rate	/ \$100

For a taxing unit with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	/ \$100
= Rollback tax rate	/ \$100

## Statement of Increase/Decrease

If HOWARD COLLEGE adopts a 2007 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.194210 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2006 taxes by \$2,985

## Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Unencumbered Funds	\$0

## Schedule B - 2007 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payments
General Obligation Bond Series 2007	\$555,000	\$873,271	\$	\$1,428,271
Total required for 2007 debt service				\$1,428,271
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2007				\$1,428,271
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 96.00% of its taxes in 2007				\$59,511
= Total Debt Levy				\$1,487,782

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 315 MAIN ST. (COUNTY ANNEX BLDG.) BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720

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Date prepared July 30, 2007

# Mr. Monk and the naked man

For those of you who enjoy great comedy and an all around fun family comedy series you have to enjoy the talent of Tony Shalhoub and the surrounding actors, writers and producers of the USA network series of "Monk."



RON MIDKIFF

Tony Shalhoub's ("Men in Black," "The Man that Wasn't There") outstanding acting — proven by his fifth Emmy nomination for Outstanding Lead Actor in a comedy series — keeps watchers at the edge of their seat in anticipation of the next episode.

I enjoy great comedy and occasionally get a chance to watch a few of my favorite series. The recent series and season premier of Monk has to be my favorite episode of all time.

Monk is called in to investigate a murder on a nude beach. Monk has to confront his prejudice against nudists, which results in a hilarious display of acting and camera work to keep the episode with a solid G-rating.

While interviewing suspects — some who are completely nude — Monk has to overcome a memory of what he once thought was being abused as a child while naked. After a session with his psychologist and conversations with his assistant, Natalie —



Tony Shalhoub is star of the popular comedy "Monk" which airs at 8 p.m. Central time on the USA network.

played by Traylor Howard ("Son of the Mask," "Dirty Work") — Monk realized that the horrific memory that was resurfacing was simply the memory of his birth.

With the help of Natalie, who decided she was also a nudist, Monk gained a better understanding of the lifestyle resulting in a show-clinching naked hug with the episode's supporting actor, Deidrich Bader ("Euotrip," "Napoleon Dynamite"), who's portrayal of a local nudist showcases his talent and skill as a seasoned actor.

Producer Tom Scharpling (writer for "Tom Goes to the Mayor") along with talented comedy writers Tom Gammill (writer for

"Seinfeld," "Saturday Night Live") and Max Pross (producer of "The Simpsons," "Futurama") created a wonderful episode which I am sure will be the talk of nudists across the country as well as critics and sensors.

If you get a chance you should take the opportunity to watch the re-run of this episode or check out the USA network and check out the commentaries and video clips.

You will be glad you did.

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## State briefs

### Overnight rain brings flooding to Midland

(AP) — Heavy rains fell on parts of West Texas early Thursday, causing flash floods that submerged roads and resulted in the rescue of several motorists in Midland, officials said.

Joe Reyes, a city of Midland dispatcher, said the fire department helped several motorists get out of their cars after they became stranded in high water.

"One of our roads turned into a major river and people tried to cross over, and that's where they got stuck," Reyes said.

He said there were no reports of injuries.

Cody Lindsey, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Midland, said the city recorded more than 3.5 inches of rain overnight.

"We had some pretty significant flash flooding in both the cities of Midland and Odessa, and there were multiple high water rescues taking place at low intersections in those cities," he said.

Lindsey said the probability of more rain prompted the Weather Service to issue a flash flood watch for West and Southwest Texas through Thursday night.

### Sibling critical

LUBBOCK (AP) — One of two West Texas siblings confirmed to have botulism poisoning from canned food involved in a nationwide recall remained hospitalized in critical condition Wednesday, a hospital official said.

Castleberry's Food Co. has recalled more than 90 potentially contaminated products nationwide — including canned chili,

hash and stew — over fears of botulism contamination. The recall includes two years' production — tens of millions of cans — from the company's plant at Augusta, Ga.

The second sibling was released from a Covenant Health System hospital July 26.

The siblings, who haven't been identified, are from Abernathy, about 17 miles north of Lubbock, and are under 18, Stephens said.

### Parents sue Amarillo church over offender

AMARILLO (AP) — The parents of two children sexually abused at Paramount Baptist

Church have filed a lawsuit claiming the church was aware of earlier complaints about the perpetrator's behavior.

Patrick K. Farmer, 40, pleaded guilty in 2006 to four felony counts of indecency with a child after being accused of inappropriately touching at least three girls under the age of 10 from 2000 to 2003.

Farmer, who worked as a Sunday school teacher and child care worker at the church, is now a registered sex offender.

"This lawsuit is filed because the church could have done things to prevent this, and the family wants to make sure offenses like this don't happen again," said Stanley Broome, attorney.

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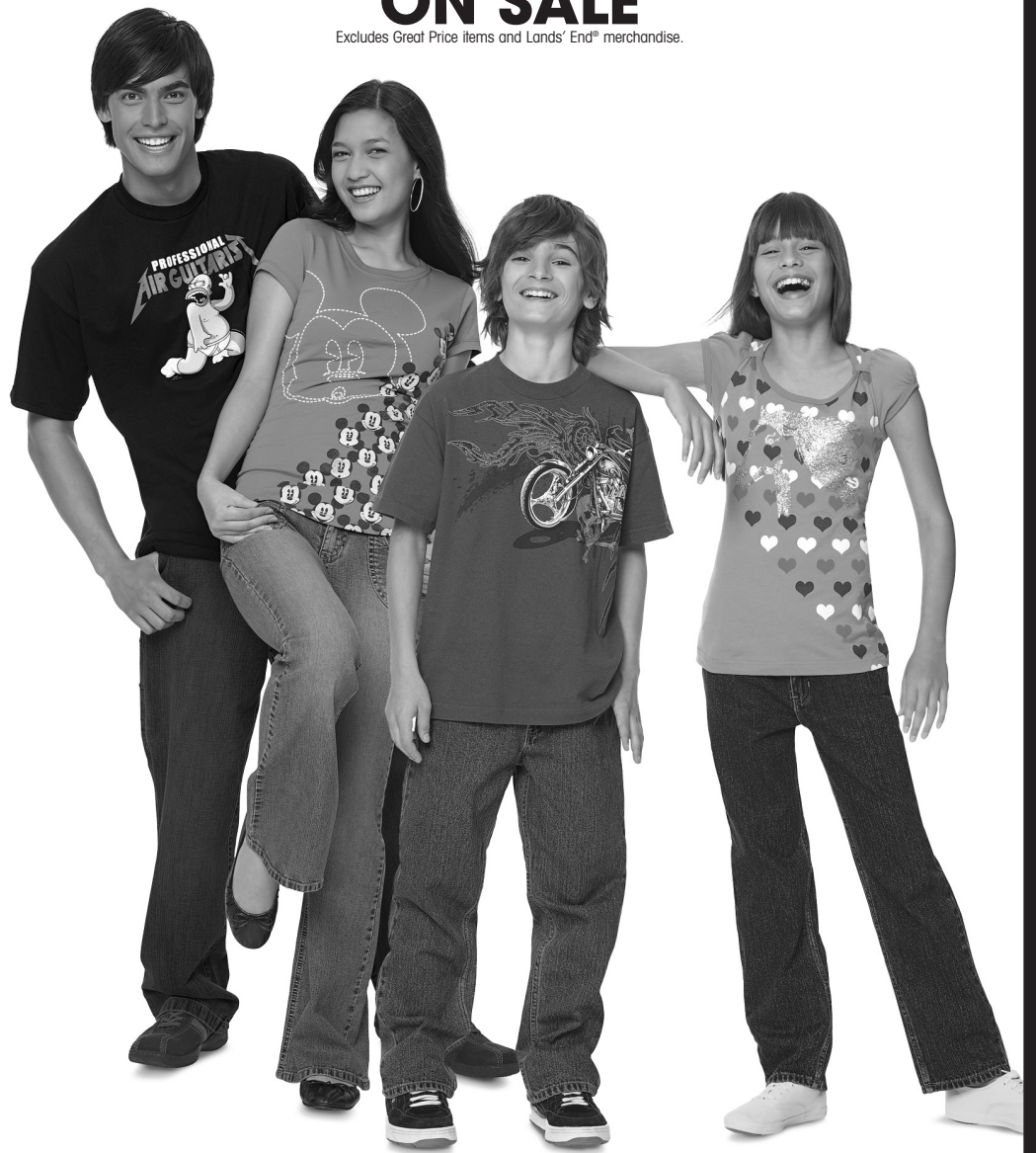
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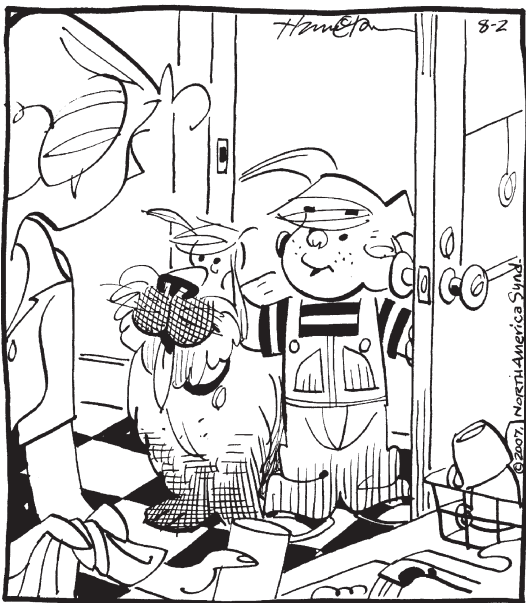
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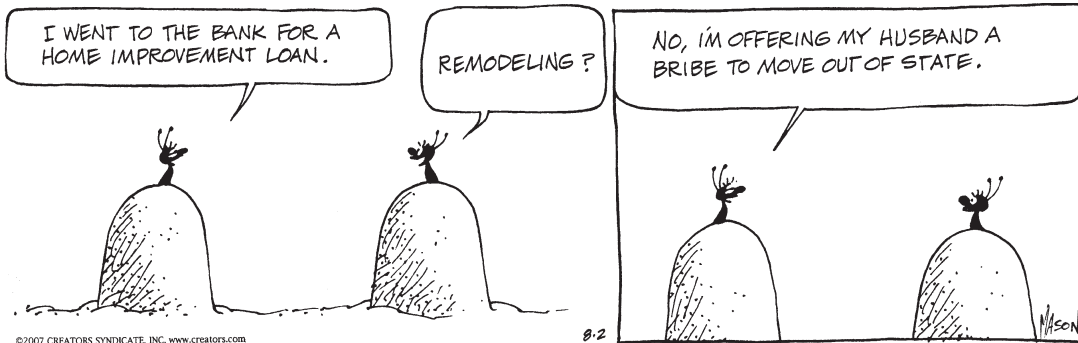
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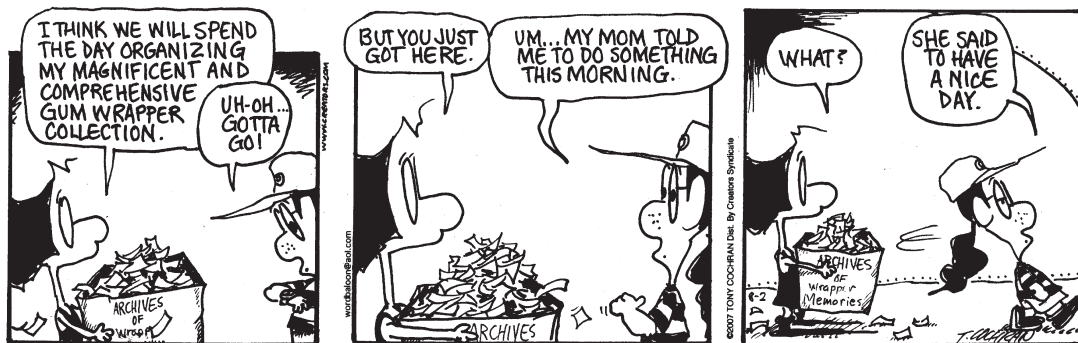
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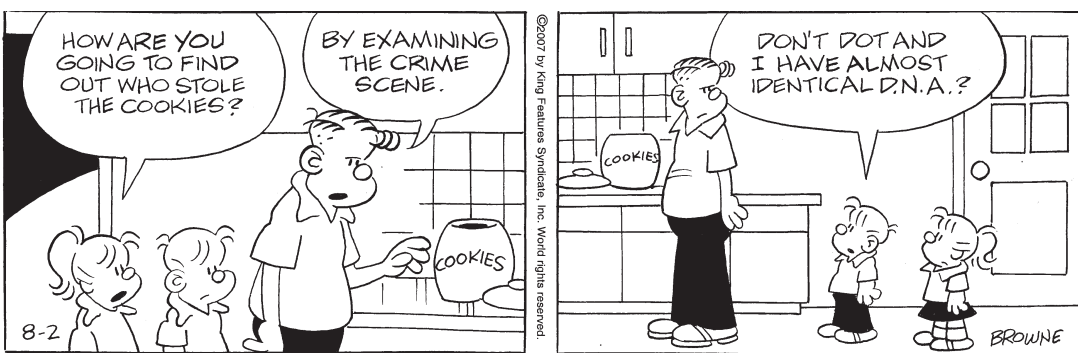
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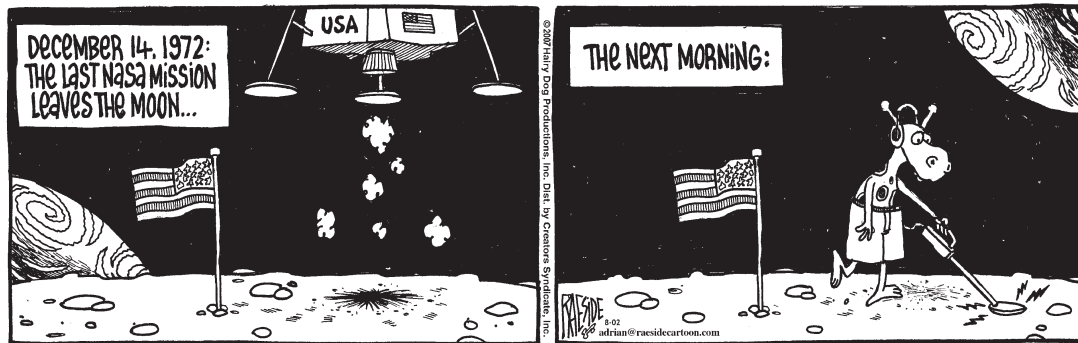
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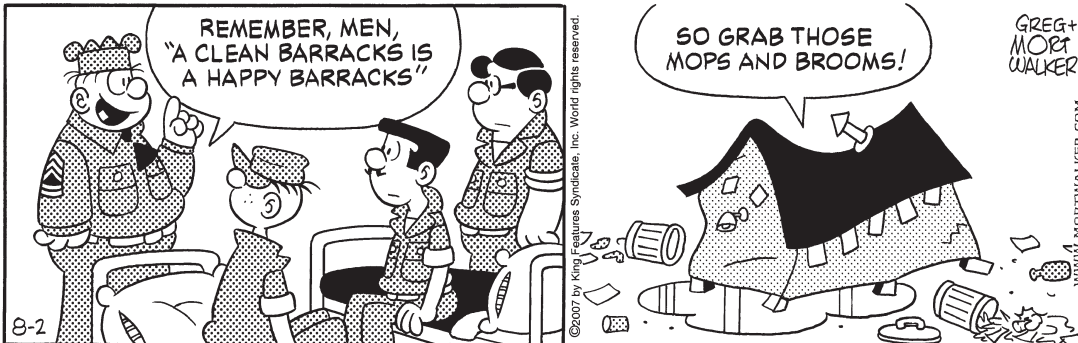
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Aug. 2, the 214th day of 2007. There are 151 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 2, 1776, members of the Continental Congress began attaching their signatures to the Declaration of Independence.

On this date:

In 1790, the enumeration for the first United States census began; the final total was 3,929,214.

In 1873, inventor Andrew S. Hallidie successfully tested a cable car he had designed for the city of San Francisco.

In 1876, frontiersman "Wild Bill" Hickok was shot and killed while playing the poker at a saloon in Deadwood, Dakota Territory.

In 1923, the 29th president of the United States, Warren G. Harding, died in San

Francisco.

In 1927, four years after becoming president, Calvin Coolidge issued a statement to reporters: "I do not choose to run for president in nineteen twenty-eight."

In 1934, German President Paul von Hindenburg died, paving the way for Adolf Hitler's complete takeover.

In 1939, Albert Einstein signed a letter to President Roosevelt urging creation of an atomic weapons research program.

In 1943, during World War II, Navy boat PT-109, commanded by Lt. John F. Kennedy, sank after being rammed by the Japanese destroyer Amagiri off the Solomon Islands.

In 1967, the crime and race drama "In the Heat of the Night," starring Sidney Poitier and Rod Steiger, opened in New York.

In 1990, Iraq invaded Kuwait, seizing control of the oil-rich emirate. (The Iraqis were later driven out in Operation Desert Storm.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Peter O'Toole is 75. Country singer Hank Cochran is 72. Rock musician Garth

Hudson (The Band) is 70. Movie director Wes Craven is 68. Singer Kathy Lennon (The Lennon Sisters) is 64. Actor Max Wright is 64. Actress Joanna Cassidy is 62. Actress Kathryn Harrold is 57. Singer Andrew Gold is 56. Actor Butch Patrick ("The Munsters") is 54. Singer Mojo Nixon is 50. Actress Victoria Jackson is 48. Actress Apollonia is 48. Actress Cynthia Stevenson is 45. Actress Mary-Louise Parker is 43. Rock musician John Stanier is 39. Writer-actor-director Kevin Smith is 37. Actor Edward Furlong is 30. Rock musician Devon Glenn (Buckcherry) is 27. Actress Hallie Eisenberg is 15.

Answer to previous puzzle

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| 16 Robust                    | 67 Thrill to pieces    | 13 Just painted                 |
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| 18 Prefix for national       |                        | 22 Small bill                   |
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| 20 Valuable card in pinochle |                        | 28 Up to the task               |
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| 24 Mock apple ___            |                        | 31 Quirky trait                 |
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