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Man indicted on sexual assault charges

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Staff Writer

A Howard County grand jury handed down six indictments Thursday, including charges of aggravated sexual assault of a child against a Big Spring man. Joshua Abraham Edwards, 34,



the Howard Sheriff's County Office after allegaof abuse. Edwards was indicted on two counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child, a

counts of indecency with a child, a second-degree felony.

"The girl made a cry for help to a teacher or counselor at her school, at which time Child Protective Services was notified," said David Wood, an investigator with the HCSO, fol-

was arrested in May first-degree felony, and two lowing Edwards' arrest. "They began their civil investigation and notified me because the offense occurred within the sheriff's office jurisdiction.

> "The child was taken to the Child Advocacy Center in Midland. They are specially trained to handle these kinds of

children. They interviewed her and confirmed that the abuse, which was pretty severe, had occurred."

Wood said Edwards, who is currently being held at the

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HAIR

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Coming soon to BSHS

By STEVE REAGAN

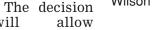
Staff Writer

Things will get hairier at Big Spring High School this coming school year.

Facial hair, which hasn't been allowed at the high school in

make a return this year, thanks to a aecision Big Spring ISD trustees Thursday night.

will



BSHS boys to grow "wellgroomed" mustaches and coming beards this school year, BSHS Principal Bruce Wilson said.

Wilson said teachers and administrators alike believed it was time to change the old policy, which called for offenders to immediately go and shave.

A subsequent meeting of the BSHS Leadership

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HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins Texas' senior Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison is helped off her bus by Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen prior to a town hall meeting Thursday afternoon at Dora Roberts

Hutchison: U.S. must not waver in Iraq

U.S. Senator speaks on war, tax cuts and other topics during tour stop

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The ongoing war in Iraq was one of several focus points Republican Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison zeroed in on Thursday afternoon during a town hall meeting in Big Spring, just one stop on the senator's three-day, 1,000-mile 12-stop bus tour meet with West Texans.

Hutchison, along with her staff, pulled into the parking lot at the Dora Roberts Community Center just after 2:30 p.m. for the meeting.

"A lot of people are saying that the war we're in is not a war that really effects America," said Hutchison. "I hear some people say it's a civil war in Iraq, or it's something

"We can't let them down, the future generations of America. That's what's at stake in this war, and that's why I'm going to keep the commitment for America to do what is right."

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

we can just leave and we shouldn't just stay there. The cost of leaving Iraq without making sure it's strong enough to repel the terrorist enclave that is going to take it over are every bit as important as

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BSISD tax rate to drop 33 cents

Officials keeping watchful eye on appraisal challenges

By STEVE REAGAN

Community Center.

Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District trustees moved a step closer to adopting a new budget during their regular monthly meeting Thursday evening.

At the start of the meeting, trustees held a public hearing on the proposed \$28 million budget and the \$1.10 per \$100 valuation tax rate that will fuel the package.

The new tax rate represents a 33-cent drop from the current budget and was mandated by the Texas Legislature. Six cents of

"We're going to lose state funding next year. And it could be significant. We'll be OK, but it will be a significant amount."

Sandra Waggoner,



BSISD business manager

the new rate will finance debt service, with the remainder going to maintenance and operating expenses.

Under the new tax rate, the owner of a home valued at \$38,000 will pay \$15 less in taxes than the owner of a similarly

valued home did the previous year, said BSISD Business Manager Sandra Waggoner.

State aid is increasing to offset the loss in local revenue, Waggoner said.

Another factor is a significant increase in local property valua-

tions, which shot up about \$300 million to just over \$1 billion for the district.

But that is not necessarily good news, she told trustees. Several property owners are contesting the new appraisals, including the district's largest taxpayer, the Alon USA refinery.

The refinery, which filed a lawsuit over increased appraisals in 2006, will likely do so again this year to contest an appraisal of \$320 million on its

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Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Jonathan Hull at 263-7331, Ext. 237. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com

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IN BRIEF

Big Spring Tennis Boosters meeting

The Big Spring Tennis Boosters will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the Athletic Training Cen-

All parents of junior high and high school tennis players are invited to attend.

Contact Jeri Farmer at 267-6093 for more information.

Crossroads Youth Football sign-ups

The Crossroads Youth Football Association have begun their signups for the 2007 season.

Registration will take place from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the old Athletic Supply building in the Big Spring Mall on every Saturday during August.

Cost is \$40 for flag football and \$100 for tackle. Any cheerleaders who will not need a uniform can sign-up for \$35. The cost is \$100 is a new uniform is needed.

All children going into kindergarten through sixth grade can register.

For more information, contact Daphne Coates at 714-4688.

Youth soccer signups have started

The Big Spring Youth Soccer Association signups are taking place at the former Athletic Supply site in the Big Spring Mall.

Boys and girls ages 4-13 can register for the upcoming season until Saturday. Sign-ups will be held from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through

Cost is \$50 and furnishes players with a jersey, shorts and socks.

Coaches are still needed and anyone interested can also sign up during registration times.

For more information, contact Jamie Scott at 264-0001.

QB Club meeting set for Monday

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will hold its weekly meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the Athletic Training Cen-

They will be looking to put the finishing touches on this season's football program, which celebrates the 100th anniversary of Big Spring football.

Contact Denise Carillo at 816-1685 or Frank Stiles at 270-3041 for more details.

YMCA hosting skateboard contest

The fourth annual Summer Skateboard Contest will be held Aug. 23 at the YMCA Skate Park.

The contest begins at 6:30 p.m. with participants able to register until 6 p.m.

The registration fee is \$8. Divisions of competition will be set up based on the number entries.

Prizes will be awarded to first and second place winners in each divi-

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

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Stanton starts season with optimism

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

It isn't often that a team that finished .500 a season ago comes into the following year with a lot of optimism.

But that is the case with Stanton's Buffaloes.

Stanton finished just short of the Class 2A state football playoffs a year ago, finishing its season with a 5-5 overall and 3-4 district record.

Although not making it into postseason play was frustrating, the Buffs gained a world of valuable experience. They return 5 from last season's team.

"We're very optimistic about this year's team. We've got a wealth of experience and return some key players," said Buffs head football coach Lee McCown. "There's work to do, but this

team has the heart and determination to be successful." Starting quarterback Garrett

Fulton returns and figures to once again make a difference on defense at the safety position. He led the Buffs in tackles last sea-

Tailback Robbie Noland also

starters on each side of the ball returns to fuel an offense that concentrates heavily on running the ball. With the Buffs working most of their offense from the Iformation, Noland figures to carry the ball several times a

> "We're a running team, but we try to pass the ball effectively, too," said McCown. "Our passing game will come from our running game though."

Defensively, Adam Evans leads the team at the end position. Evans is a three-year starter who will also see time along the offensive line.

of hitting another team Saturday, when it visits the Sonora Broncos.

"We like what we've seen in practice so far, but now we can see who can step up against someone wearing another jersey," said McCown. "It's hard to get up for practice when you're hitting the same person day after day. A different opponent brings out a little better in the players."

McCown expects his team to contend for the district title,

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Big Spring's Darius McAllister (5) attempts to break the tackle of a junior varsity defender in the Steers' football practice Tuesday at Blankeship Field. The Steers take on Wichita Falls Hirschi's Huskies in a scrimmage at 6 p.m. Saturday at **Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.**

Steers prepare for a season of change

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Big Spring Steers football is in the midst of a season of change.

This year will usher in a change at head coach along with a change at quarterback and offensive scheme.

The Steers finally get the chance to prove that the changes are for the better when they match up with the Wichita Falls Hirschi Huskies at 6 p.m. Saturday at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

In his first year as athletic director and head football coach, Mike ing for our timing to be Ritchey and his coaching staff are just hoping to see improvement in their players' performance.

"Progression from where we started at with two-a-days to where we are now," said Ritchey.
"We just try to be better each and every day."

While the play book has been opened for the Steers, they've only made it to the first few pages. Ritchey says that things will be kept simple for the scrimmage with the concentration being upon execution.

"Offensively we're look-

down and to make sure we have the correct blocking assignments," he said. "We want to make sure that everyone understands their responsibilities on a given play. From blocking to the backs hitting the right hole, everything fundamental will be

"We're not really concerned with how many different types of plays we can come up with," Ritchey continued. "We're just barely getting into our offense now, but we've got enough in the play book to attack See STEERS, Page 3B

under examination."

defenses inside and out, short and long.

Ritchey feels that keeping the plays simple at this juncture of the season will allow the players to possess more confidence on the field. He feels this is especially important because of the spread offense new scheme that the Steers are implementing.

"We want to see kids who are confident and comfortable with their assignments so they'll play hard," he explained. "Players start

Sands young and untested

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Experience is a quality that ever coach values, but few always get the luxury of having.

That luxury has completely escaped the Sands Mustangs football team this season.

The Mustangs are likely to be one of the younger six-man teams in the state this season, returning only one varsity player from last year's team. The influx of youth means that experience becomes the most important quality to be learned as Sands visits the Hermleigh Cardinals for a scrimmage at 10 a.m. Saturday.

"We're going to be so young that we're looking at a majority of our starters being sophomores," said head footcoach Wayne ball Henderson. "We just want to make sure they step correctly and get to the right spot to make plays. We're not expecting to go out and just run over other teams.

"Experience is the most important thing at this point. We just need to get some playing time at the varsity level," he continued. "All of our players played on at least the junior varsity last year, but there's a big difference in the speed of the game at the varsity level. We also run a more complex scheme. It's going to be important that these guys get used to that kind of execution."

youth comes With potential and Henderson believes that his team is stocked full of it.

"The prospect of future success is nice because of our youth. Right now, these players are being

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Forsan finds itself in unfamiliar territory

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Not many football teams can rise from being a 2-win team to the favorite to win district over just a two-year span.

However, that's exactly the type of meteoric rise that Forsan's Buffaloes have made.

Two years ago, Forsan won just two games, but lost by an average margin of five points.

Last season, the Buffs made incredible strides, finishing 6-5 overall with a 5-2 district record. The Buffs return eight starters from that playoff team and are favored by some outsiders to win district.

"Texas Football magazine picked us as the district favorites. It's nice to have someone from the outside feel strongly about your team," said Buffs head football coach Tommy Thompson. "I don't know if we are going to win the district, but it's definitely our goal."

attempt to keep improving upon their season with a scrimmage at against McCamey's Badgers at 10 a.m. Saturday. Thompson goes into the warm-up game expecting to see his team execute its game plan.

"We want to see what we're trying to do offensively and defensively executed well Saturday. It's important for us to see how far along we are in putting together our schemes together,' he said. "We also need to make sure that the players understand the concepts and are picking up their positions."

Thompson says the scrimmage will be the coaching staff's first opportunity to make sure they have players in the right positions and to see what type of adjustments need to be made.

"We need to see if the players understand their job and role on the team. Having them in the right position will help us run,

ly," he said. "We'd like to say that we won at the end of the day, but our execution is much more important."

Thompson has made it clear to his players that winning a district title is the team's primary goal this season. This season marks the first in several years that Forsan feels that they have a legitimate shot at being district champs.

"We've had some down years in the past. It's taken some time to get the ship turned around in the right direction," said Thompson. "But now we feel confident about what we're doing. We're not talking about just contending for the district title. We're talking about winning it."

Beating some of District 16-1A's top teams is crucial in Forsan's ability to take that next step of improvement, according Thompson.

"Christoval and Sterling City

The Buffs will make their first pass and defend more effective- have been the team's to beat in this district the last two years. They've beaten us both seasons,' he said. "We want to be able to beat the strongest teams in the district in order to really be a threat in it. Executing against top opponents is key to our continued success.'

> Thompson has been certain to make sure his team doesn't look past the competitiveness of their district though.

> "Every game in this district is crucial. This district has a very level playing field," he said. "That leaves us with very little room for error. Every Friday night is very important to us."

> Thompson credits the team's improvement to the work ethic shown by the players.

> "This is a good group of young men. Their working hard and doing some of the little things we're asking them to do," he

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Velta Hiltbrunner



Velta Hiltbrunner, 87, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2007. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Wes Massey, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Coahoma, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Velta was born March 13, 1920, in McLean to Ada and Dan Cates. She married L.A. "Red" Hiltbrunner on Sept. 20, 1938, in Twitty. He preceded her in death Dec. 15, 1992.

Velta had been a resident of Big Spring since 1950, coming from Colorado City. She worked 20 years at Cowper's Hospital and then she and "Red" operated Alert Ambulance for 15 years. She was a member of East Fourth Baptist Church. Velta loved cooking, flowers and gardening.

She is survived by one son, Ray Hiltbrunner and his wife Glenna of Big Spring; four grandchildren, Lana Pentony, Randell Hiltbrunner and his wife Julie, all of Fort Worth, Dana Bradford and her husband Jay of Midland, and Travis Hiltbrunner of Wylie; and four great grandchildren, Kyle Pentony of Fort Worth, Jacob Bradford and Callie Bradford, both of Midland, and Jack Hiltbrunner of Fort Worth.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son, Alvin Hiltbrunner; three sisters; and one brother.

Pallbearers will be Randell Hiltbrunner, Travis Hiltbrunner, Kyle Pentony, Jacob Bradford, Jay Bradford and Harvey Harris. Honorary pallbearers will be Jack Hiltbrunner, Harvey Hocker, Jerome Phifer, Don Nash, Ricky James, Bill Schaffner, Rodney Huitt and Daryl Wood.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com Paid obituary

Geraldine Fuqua

Geraldine Fuqua, 84, of Big Spring died Friday, Aug, 17, 2007, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take Note

- AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 WILL HOLD A FISH FRY Saturday. delivery will be from 11 a.m., to 1 p.m. with serving set from noon until 3 p.m. Plates are \$8 each. The post is located at 3203 W. Highway 80. Call 263-2084 for delivery or more information.
- A FUND HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE FAMILY OF ALBERT "BERT" CARRILLO, who was killed in a traffic accident near Fort Stockton. The fund has been set up 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.
- A FUND HAS BEEN CREATED to help Garland and Malynda Helmstetler raise the \$25,000 needed for medical treatment that the family's insurance will not cover. Malynda, director of Mobile Meals, has been diagnosed with breast cancer that cannot be treated by radiation and chemotherapy. Doctors have told the family she should begin treatment on Aug. 1 so that the cancer does not spread to other organs. Donations may be made payable to Malynda's Cancer Fund at the Federal Employees Credit Union located on FM 700.
- ST. MARY'S AND FRIENDS OF ST. MARY'S ARE HOLDING A LAP BLANKET DRIVE to place approximately 400 lap blankets in the hands of every nursing home patient in Big Spring. Blankets can be taken to the church office, 1001 Goliad, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday or call Connie Fowler at 267-2713.

A beginning crochet class is being held at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the church's Parish Hall.

• NEW LIFE MINISTRIES Church of God In Christ is holding a soup kitchen every second and fourth Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 204 N.W. 10th. The meal is free. Call 264-0771 for more information.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Thursday and 7 a.m.

- RENEA A. GORDON, 20, of 1105 Wood, was arrested Thursday on a Tarrant County warrant.
- CODY DEJUAN HAWKINS, 25, of 1501 Lincoln, was arrested Friday on a charge of assault Class C/family violence.
- THEFT was reported in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- INTERFERING WITH AN EMERGENCY PHONE CALL was reported in the 600 block of Linda.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
- in the 1400 block of Highway 87.
- in the 1600 block of Avion.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported:
- in the 600 block of Linda.
- in the 1200 block of Michael.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 1200 block of 19th Street.

Sheriff's report

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 52 inmates at the time of this report. • DAVID RIOS, 68, was transferred to the county jail

- Thursday by the BSPD on a Tom Green County warrant for indecency with a child. • JUAN JOSE ULATE, 36, was transferred to the
- county jail Thursday by the BSPD on an Ector County warrant for driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.
- MARGARET CLANTON DAGESTAD, 32, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence of nine months.
- JACOB SEPULUEDA MARTINEZ, 19, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- MICHAEL CRUZ SOTO, 20, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of interfering with an emergency phone call and assault Class C/family violence.
- ALICE MARIE GONZALES, 34, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief.

Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2600 block of E. 24th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3900 block of Havillon. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1100 block of E. Fourth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- GRASS FIRE was reported in the 4100 block of Dixon.

Tonight...Cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely. Locally heavy rainfall possible. Lows in the upper 60s. East winds 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation 70 percent.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely. Highs in the lower 80s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation 60 percent. Saturday night...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent

chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70. Southeast winds around 10 mph. Sunday...Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of

showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. Sunday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Monday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Monday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Tuesday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper

Wednesday...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s.

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T0DAY

• Spring City Senior Citizens Center 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 Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Goliad and First streets for a meal with a meeting to follow.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third. • Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for
- more information.

MONDAY

- The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association meets in the Cactus Room at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets in the First Christian Church of Big Spring, 911 Goliad. A different program is offered every week. Enter through the south side door off 10th Street. Call 213-1342 for more information. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m.: meetings begin at 5:30 p.m.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:45 p.m. at Dragon China Buffett.
- DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams St.
- Christian Singles Fellowship meets from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Youth Hall. All singles in the community are invited for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.
- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Big Spring Band Boosters meets at 5:30 p.m. in the high school band hall. All band parents are invited
- Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library. All working artists and those interested in art are invited to attend.
- Order of the Eastern Star No. 67 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Senior Circle meets at 10:30 a.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.

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Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night: Winning numbers drawn:

7-10-26-30. Bonus Ball: Number matching four

of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: \$700,000 Winning ticket sold in:

Houston.

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

Winning numbers drawn:

5-8-12-14-21. Number matching five of five: 1.

winner: Prize per \$26,209. Winning ticket sold in: Grapevine.

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order:

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Texas Tech rebuilding around Harrell

SPORTS

By BETSY BLANEY

Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech returns its quarterback for the first time in five years. But with so many others gone, building on the biggest comeback in bowl history will be more difficult for Graham Harrell and the Red Raiders.

Starting over at quarterback all those years never seemed to change the expectations or results, with Tech running the nation's top offense four consecutive seasons before ranking sixth last year at 448 yards per

But things could be different this year with coach Mike Leach's pass-happy scheme, which will have to break in four offensive linemen and find three new leading receivers.

One thing won't change, though: Leach's belief in a system that brought the Red Raiders back from 31 points behind for a 44-41 overtime victory against Minnesota in the Insight Bowl, the biggest rally in Division I-A bowl history.

Leach said he's heard that his new crop of receivers ranks no higher than eighth in the Big 12, and he practically laughs at the notion.

"I really don't think anybody in America that's watched any football honestly believes that our receivers are really going to stack up lower than eighth in the conference," Leach said. "Whoever hates us the most at Texas A&M right now, I really don't think he believes our

receivers are between eighth and 12th."

Harrell, too, is confident in finding replacements for Joel Filani, Robert Johnson and Jarrett Hicks, who combined for 205 catches and 26 touchdowns last year.

There's more chemistry between him and the receivers this year, possibly because some last season had their eyes on the NFL, said Harrell, who threw for 4,555 yards and 38 touchdowns in 2006.

"We don't have anyone that already has a name for themselves," said Harrell, a junior. "We're all young."

Leach said those judging Tech's receivers really don't know the players' talent. He points out that no one believed Kliff Kingsbury's successor would be potent.

"Then, of course, B.J. (Symons) breaks the all-time national record for a season, which he still has," Leach said, referring to Symons' 5,833 passing yards in 2003. "Just because they didn't know B.J. didn't mean B.J. wasn't a good play-

Harrell would like to cut his interception total to single digits from last season's 11, five of which came in consecutive midseason losses to Missouri and Colorado that stole Tech's momentum. If he can protect the ball, he'll take his chances with a team picked fifth in the six-team South Division in the Big 12 media poll.

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Texas Tech quarterback Graham Harrell (6) throws against Southern Methodist University Sept. 2, 2006 at Jones AT&T Stadium in Lubbock.

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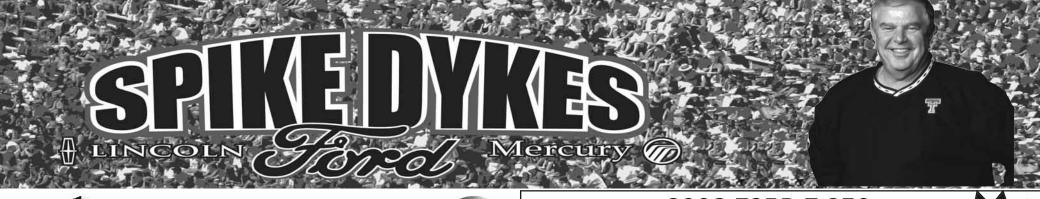
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HUTCHISON

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any war this country has ever fought.

"Before, the enemy being fought was the kind that wanted to shoot you and keep itself alive. It was an enemy that wanted to take over. These enemies (terrorists) are the kinds of enemies that want to kill themselves in order to kill us. That makes it very hard to deal with. The wear and tear mentally has been more extreme because it's incomprehensible to us in our culture to think people would teach their children it would be a good thing to kill themselves to never have their own children and never be able to continue their family — to kill innocent people. It's incomprehensible."

Hutchison said the toll this war, and its new breed of enemies, is taking on our soldiers has been immense.

"This certainly does cause a mental anguish part," our said Hutchison. "And we've had to retool our effort. But what we cannot retool is the commitment to fighting for our way of life. The commitment to fight for freedom. Because if we lose the war in Iraq or Afghanistan and we let the terrorists take over and we let Iraq become a part of Iran, then we're

going to have more deaths

in America.

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"We are going to lose our way of life, and most important of all, we're going to lose the opportunity for our children ... We can't do that. We can't let them down, the future generations of America. That's what's at stake in this war, and that's why I'm going to keep the commitment for America to do what is right. To show that America has the commitment and the capacity to save freedom for our future."

According to Hutchison, tax cuts and immigration are also major concerns in Congress.

"The tax cuts have kept our economy strong, and I'm very worried that with the new majority we may lose the tax cuts, and that would be a huge hit on our economy and we can't let that happen," said Hutchison. going to be standing up for the tax cuts and the low taxes that have kept our economy strong and keep it going and keep the jobs in America.

"Congress has failed to provide a legal way for people to come into our country. A legal way for employers to hire people who fill jobs that can't be filled by Americans. We have to do that. It's up to Congress to secure our borders first, to have a working process by which people can be hired to fill jobs that are not being filled by Americans. I hope we can do that by the end of this Congress and I will working to do that, for sure.'

The farm bill, which

recently passed the House of Representatives, was another topic Hutchison addressed, saying she believes the president will veto its current incarnation in favor of extending the existing bill.

"The House has passed its version of the farm bill, and it is a terrible bill," said Hutchison. "It would have big tax increases on oil and energy, and that will raise the price of energy not only for all of us farmers and ranchers, but for everyone who buys gasoline at the pump. And anyone who knows anything about West Texas knows we have to drive a lot of miles here. We can't let that happen. I hope we will have a farm bill that's much more like the farm bill we have right now. If the House were to prevail, I think the president will veto it and we'll have to extend the farm bill. I think the extension would be quite adequate because we should pass a farm bill that's as good as

or better than the one we have in place, and if we can't pass that then we need to extend what we have right now."

Hutchison addressed the dangers the Internet poses to children when in the hands of sexual predators, and while Congress is far from an actual answer to the problem, it hasn't been swept under the rug.

"Congress is very aware of it, and is trying very hard to take action that would help in situations," said Hutchison. "There has been a real problem with convicted sexual offenders going online posing as children and chatting with children and luring them into situations where they are harmed. There has been a steady drum beat to get Myspace.com, the places where kids go to talk to other children, to do something.

"When Myspace.com agreed to take the monikers of known and

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convicted sexual predators off their online capabilities to use their site, 20,000 were dropped from the capability to use that site. Twenty thousand. I was blown away by that. We are looking at laws that would keep known convicted sexual predators from being able to go on these spaces."

Hutchison's tour is expected to end this evening in Mineral Wells.

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Mable Wilson, 77, died Monday. Funeral Services will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Velta Hiltbrunner, 87, died Wednesday. Funeral Services will be at 10:00 AM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 7:00 until 8:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Geraldine Fuqua, 84, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

BSISD

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property and taxable goods, Waggoner said.

Until litigation is settled, the refinery will pay taxes only on the uncontested appraisal amount of \$66 million.

The difference between the two amounts will approximately mean \$264,000 less in tax revenue for the school district, Waggoner said.

The good news is that the district did not base budget figures on the full appraisal figures, she noted.

The bad news will probably come next year, when state officials determine the amount of money to send to BSISD. At that time, they will base the state's amount the district's full appraisal of \$1 billion, whether taxpayers pay on that amount or not.

"As local taxes increase, state funding goes down, **BSISD** said Superintendent Michael Downes. "What the state bases our wealth on ... is previous year's appraisal, which will include Alon at \$320 million, regardless of what they pay."

How much money this will eventually cost the district won't be known until early next year, Waggoner said.

"We're going to lose

consisting

teachers, administrators and other staff, recom-

the

"We felt like the need to keep students in class

outweighed the need for

them to shave," said

Wilson, starting his first

year at the helm of BSHS.

"Our teachers told me

they'd rather have them

in class studying. Facial

hair doesn't affect their

attitude or performance

in the classroom, and it

doesn't affect their men-

Extra-long sideburns, however, are still taboo.

Wilson said they will not be allowed to extend

As for what does or doesn't constitute "well-

groomed," Wilson is leav-

ing that to teachers and

"If it gets to be a dis-

traction, it will have to

go," he said. "There won't

be any ZZ Top beards

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tal ability, either.'

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state funding next year," she said. "And it could be significant. We'll be OK, but it will be a significant

amount." other In business Thursday, trustees approved:

• Bids for supplies and equipment for the high school career and applied technology program, and for fire suppression systems at the Goliad Intermediate and high school cafeterias.

• The Howard County Appraisal District budget.

 Memos of understanding concerning operation of the alternative education program and high

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school construction technology department.

 A policy regarding student expression of religious beliefs.

· Resignations of the following personnel: Kindergarten teacher Carmen Click; Assistant Manager Business Tommy Gibson; high school English teacher Robbie Gibson; special education teacher Susan Lloyd; and kindergarten teacher Stessa Miles.

• Hiring of the following personnel: Kindergarten teacher Jessica Carter; Assistant **Business** Manager Debbie Green; high school English

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teacher Rob Edward King; and junior high ISS teacher/coach Robert Peugh, special education teacher Marsha Sturdivant, Kindergarten teacher Iva Myers, assistant high school principal Charles Mohler and Kindergarten teacher Cindy Hodges.

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Royals rally in the eigth to beat Ranger, 6-2

The Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Mark Teahen drove in the tiebreaking run on an eighth-inning fielder's choice, and John Buck added a three-run double as the Kansas City Royals beat Texas 6-2 Thursday night to snap the Rangers' three-game winning streak.

With the game tied at 2, the Royals put runners on first and third in the eighth against reliever Willie Eyre on consecutive singles by Mark Grudzielanek and Billy Butler.

Teahen hit a chopper to first baseman Brad Wilkerson, but his throw catcher Jarrod Saltalamacchia was late and Grudzielanek slid home with the go-ahead

Kansas City went on to load the bases in the eighth and Buck cleared them with his double to right-center, giving the Royals a 6-2 advantage.

(1-0)Ryan Braun pitched 2 2-3 innings of two-hit shutout relief for his first major league vic-

Alex Gordon homered for the Royals and Grudzielanek had three hits for Kansas City.

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although he acknowl-

edges that every week

will present a viable chal-

"There's a lot of teams

in the district capable of

being playoff teams," he said. "We can't let our

Eyre (4-6) gave up four

runs and three hits in two-thirds of an inning.

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Rangers spot starter John Rheinecker pitched into the eighth inning. He was the fill-in for scheduled starter Brandon McCarthy, who was placed on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday due to a stress fracture in his right shoulder.

Rheinecker gave up two runs and six hits, struck out two and walked three in 7 1-3 innings.

The Royals got a run in the first on Butler's RBI ground-out. Frank Catalanotto tied it at 1 when he hit starter Leo Nunez's second pitch into the right field seats for his ninth homer of the season.

Texas went ahead 2-1 in fifth when Saltalamacchia and David Murphy led off with singles to put runners on first and third. Ian Kinsler drove in Saltalamacchia with a sharp single off reliever John Bale.

Kansas City drew even the seventh on Gordon's solo homer, his 11th of the season.

Nunez left the game in the fourth inning with a torn callous on his right thumb.

With the game tied at 1, teams got a break. It was

guard down at all. Any

team can win any night

in this district. Haskell is

probably the team to beat

and Hawley is another

team to look out for. But

even past them, this dis-

trict is going to be very

"The fact that we are an

eight team district makes

it a little tougher to get

making

"The kids finally under-

stand the concept of team

work and hard work,"

Thompson continued.

"They have to trust each

other enough on the field.

We don't win with indi-

vidual superstars. We

have to win as a team.

Individual glories have to

be put aside. I'm very

stronger as a team."

them

competitive.

Nunez gave up a leadoff infield single to Marlon Byrd that struck the back of Nunez's right knee.

He then threw two balls before Wilkerson Royals manager Buddy Bell and team trainer Nick Swartz went to the mound to check on the converted reliever, who was making his fourth major league start.

The problem was with Nunez's thumb, not his leg, and he was replaced by Bale.

Nunez gave up one run and four hits in three-plus innings.

Notes: Heavy rain started falling in the top of the fourth with the game tied at 1. Play was suspended before the Rangers could come to bat in the bottom of the fourth, but the shower was brief and the game resumed after a 22minute delay. ... Rangers relievers C.J. Wilson and Joaquin Benoit weren't available because each has carried a recent heavy workload. Catalanotto led off the game with a homer for the seventh time in his career and second time this season. ... After play-

ing in temperatures in the

high 90s for the first two

games of the series, the

"Every week is going to

be a test and we have to

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team's cohesiveness this

season. It doesn't matter

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only 91 degrees when play Detroit in the offseason, began. ... Wilkerson struck out four times against four different pitchers.

Tigers 8, Yankees 5

The fans at Yankee Stadium focused their catcalls on Gary Sheffield, reviled in New York for his recent comments about manager Joe Torre.

On Thursday night, Carlos Guillen did the most damage for the Tigers.

Guillen hit a firstinning grand slam off Mike Mussina, and Ivan Rodriguez also homered to help the Detroit Tigers beat the suddenly struggling Yankees 8-5.

Sheffield finished 0-for-3 with a pair of walks in his return Yankee to Stadium. The former New York slugger, traded to

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to hesitate anytime you go out early with too much going on. That's when things can look to be in total disarray."

One of the key position battles that will take center stage during the scrimmage is at quarterback. Ryan Tannehill left the position available, following his graduation and acceptance of a full scholarship to Texas A&M.

Tannehill's younger brother, Tyler, could be the answer for the Steers at quarterback although he is locked in a battle with junior Nathan Deporto. Ritchey says that the competition is currently even with each player doing some things better than the other.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Steers are simply looking for the players to play good technique in their base 4-3 defense and to get to the football as quickly as they

"Defensively, we've only gotten into our base defense so far," Ritchey said. "This weekend we're looking for players that can play good technique for a second and then run to the football."

The coaching staff is happy with the progression of the team thus far through two-a-days and heading into their first scrimmage of the season.

"We feel that we're doing well with what we're doing," commented Ritchey, "but we should get an even better idea about our progression

was booed before each plate appearance — hours after standing by the critical comments he recently made about Yankees manager Joe Torre.

"I noticed some cheers," Sheffield said. "You have to have been a hell of a player to get a reaction like that."

Justin Verlander (13-4) held New York's lineup in check and the Tigers won the opener of the key four-game series to move back into first place in the AL Central, a halfgame ahead of idle Cleveland.

Bobby Abreu hit a tworun homer, but the Yankees lost their third straight following a 9-1 stretch. New York fell 5 1/2 games behind firstplace Boston in the AL East.

"I'm happy to say it now that we'll be facing someone other than ourselves."

"It's a slower game when you're running against your junior varsity in practice, but we're fairly pleased with where we are now," he continued. "Not satisfied, but fairly pleased. There's always room for improvement."

Ritchey believes that his players can match up with any other team in the district physically. It's been the mental part of the game that has been toughest to teach.

"The greatest challenge with these players so far hasn't been the physical side of the game, but the mental side of it," he said. "Getting players to show up on time and not drift in and out of focus in practice has been our greatest challenge. Any championship team in the world of sports is disciplined. They're going to know how to play hard and the right way.'

Chemistry and accountability have been two other points of emphasis for the Big Spring coaching staff. It's important to them that the players care more about their teammates than themselves.

"The media often refers to great teams as teams of chemistry. Chemistry is wanting more for your teammates than you do for yourself," explained Ritchey. "That's the type of attitude we're trying to establish here. The attitude that you have to

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seems very odd," New York manager Joe Torre said. "We still have a great deal of confidence."

The Tigers Yankees, both in a tight race for AL playoff spots, meet seven more times in the next 11 days. This was their first matchup since Detroit's upset in the first round of the 2006 postsea-

Magglio Ordonez, Brandon Inge and Sean Casey each had an RBI single for Detroit, which took advantage of a crucial error by third baseman Alex Rodriguez in the first that allowed the inning to continue.

"We've got a pretty good lineup, too," Detroit manager Jim Leyland said.

Mussina (8-8) won his previous four starts before getting tagged for

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work hard because you want your teammate to be successful. We want them to think that they're cheating their teammates if they don't put forth their best effort."

This year's roster returns 10 seniors including five returning senior starters — to a team that finished third in District 4-4A. The Steers were knocked out of the playoffs in the first round, falling Hereford's Whitefaces in overtime.

Hirschi will give Big Spring a look at a team that plays a similar style of football. The Class 3A Huskies went almost three years without a victory before they made a push into the playoffs following a 7-4 record last season.

"The scrimmage with Hirschi gives us a good chance to throw a different scheme at our players and prepare them for something different. But with Hirschi we expect to see something similar to what we run," Ritchey. "They run a 4-3 defense and a spread offense and possess a lot of speed. That'll be nice because that's what we've seen the last couple of weeks in practice. We'll just be seeing it at a faster pace Saturday."

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said. "Last year the

guys really started work-

ing along with each other.

They understood how to

work better with each

other and became more

coachable. They're learn-

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thrown into the fire, but they should come out better players because of it," said Henderson, who is in his fourth season as the Mustangs head coach. "We've had 21 players at practice and out of those only seven are juniors and seniors. The future could be nice. The transition of getting there is going to be the most challenging part. Hopefully

• Sands

some gained experience." The lack of experience doesn't have Henderson exactly throwing away the season, though. He believes that his team is talented enough to compete and scare some of the tougher teams in the dis-

"We're very athletic and these kids know the system well," Henderson said. "We are in a fairly loaded district with teams that are going to be heavily senior laden. We know the odds are stacked against us, but we're

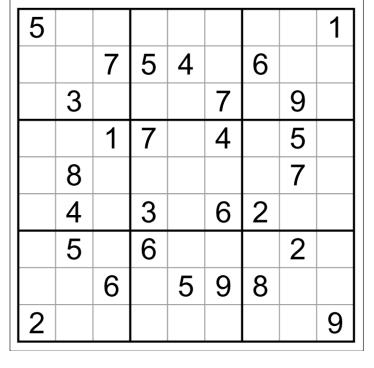
can compete with a young team, then the future only gets brighter for us. Our goal right now is to make sure we're better and a little more competitive every week.'

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Test Your Play 1. You are East, defending against Four Spades, the bidding having gone: North — 2 NT; South — 3 Spades; North — 4 Spades.

NORTH **↑**K Q 7 3 **♥**K 4

> **EAST ↑**6 **∀**AJ92 ♦ K 8 4

♣KJ963 West leads the seven of hearts. declarer following low from dummy. Plan your defense

2. You are declarer with the West hand at Four Spades, and North leads the jack of hearts. How would you play the hand? WEST

EAST ♠ A J 7 6 4 3 2 **↑** 10 5 **∀** A 7 3 **♥**K8 ♦ A J 10 5 3 **♣**QJ9 **♣**K 10 8

1. The best chance to defeat the contract is to play the deuce of hearts at trick one! If you make this play, the contract is likely to fail. Assuming West's seven is his fourth-best heart, it will win the trick when you play the deuce on it. Partner should then deduce that you allowed him to hold the trick because you wanted

him to lead a club at trick two. If you played the jack of hearts instead at trick one, declarer would make the contract if he had as little

By Steve Becker

♠ A 10 9 8 2 **♦** 10 5 3

Whatever you did next, declarer could not be prevented from scoring 10 tricks consisting of five spades, four diamonds and a club. A club shift by partner at trick two, however, would allow your side to collect two hearts, a club and a diamond for

2. Win the jack of hearts with the king and lead a low spade toward dummy's 10-5! This safety play guards against either opponent holding all four missing trumps, which is the only holding that realistically jeopardizes the contract.

If North holds the K-Q-9-8, he can score only two trump tricks regardless of how he defends. But if you started by playing the ace of trumps from your hand, or by leading a trump from dummy, North would score three trump tricks, and you would finish down one

If South turns up with all the missing trumps, he will also be unable to score more than two trump tricks after you begin by leading a low trump to the ten.

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OPINION

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play

This week we salute:

- U.S. Rep. Randy Neugebauer and U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, for stopping by this week and visiting with the folks in Howard County. We know we can always pick up the phone and talk to an aide or someone, but it's especially good to know that our representatives in Washington are eager to meet with us where we live. Fortunately we can say the same about our state legislators, Sen. Kel Seilger and Rep. Joe Heflin.
- All of the competitors in the Federation Aeronautique Internationale World Hang Gliding Championships going on at the Big Spring Airport for the past two weeks. Hats off, too, to the support personnel, airport staff and volunteers.
- Teachers, staff and administrators at area private and public schools and Howard College gearing up for the 2007-2008 school vear.
- Hangar 25 Air Museum on its Flight Festival. While the heat and scheduling conflicts led to a disappointing turnout, we'd like to see the festival continue — perhaps with one large event instead of a myriad of activities.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

How To Contact Us

The Herald is always interested in our readers' opinions. In order that we might better serve your needs, we offer several ways in which you may contact us:

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- By fax at 264-7205
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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we not forget that You love us, Lord.

Amen

Baseball and bullet-proof Bibles

mericana. It's a word related to our history and culture. When I think of Americana I tend to think of baseball, hotdogs and cowboy hats. So there I was, next to one of my teenagers, Luke, eating a hotdog and watching the Texas Rangers beat up on Kansas City.

We were sitting in the lower balcony on what is called "the homerun porch" and for a brief while I actually believed I could catch a ball that was sent my way. I said a small prayer thinking how cool it would be if we actually got our hands on a real major league ball.



Brewer

At the bottom of the fourth inning, Michael Young hit a home run exactly to my seat. If you saw it on TV, I was the fat guy pushing people over trying to protect myself. There, on national television and with my son watching, I screamed like a little girl and jumped a full two seats to left to

try and get away from it. The really awesome dad on the row in front of me held his glove up above my face and after catching it, handed the ball over to his

AKRON BEACON JOURNALEOT

slack jawed 9-year-old. Luke looked at me, I looked at Luke and we both busted out laughing. Lesson one on baseball night; be careful what you pray for, you might just get it. Lesson two; sometimes you just look stupid when you get what you pray for. Incoming!

One of the guys that I crawled all over was a sitting next to my son. He was a 19-year-old solider on leave from Iraq. We had already thanked him for his service and told him we would be praying for his safety. He said he was headed back to "the sandbox" on Monday.

I told him to keep his Bible with him and asked him he had heard about PFC Brendan Schweigart. He said no, so I told him the story I'm telling you now.

Brendan is a 22-year-old from Andover, N.Y. He had his Bible tucked in a pocket beneath his bulletproof shield when he was shot with a high-powered rifle while on a mission in Iraq. It saved his life by shielding the bullet from his heart.

According to reports, Schweigart told his mother. Kim Scott, that he always carried a Bible into battle. The Bible he was carrying was one he got at boot camp and there inside the actual book is the bullet that was meant to kill him. He

still carries it with him today.

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Friday, August 17, 2007

The sniper put bullets through his arm and another through his body but the one that was meant for his heart stopped somewhere past the book of psalms. Schweigart, who received a Purple Heart, has since been released from the hospital and is back on light duty. I think it's a great idea to keep your heart protected with God's word.

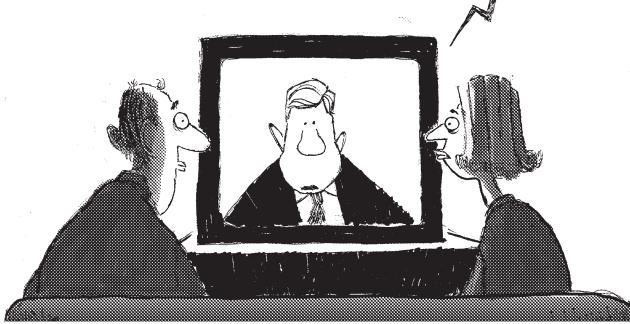
There is a Bible with a bullet in it on display in the Alamo. It has a similar story with a different time and setting. I've looked at it through the glass in the long barracks on more than one occasion. This week's sip from the master's cup comes with a little advice about protecting your heart. I have been really trying to wrap my head around what that might mean, lately. When that solider hid his bible under his vest he didn't know that it would cause him to dodge a bullet.

I think keeping God's word hidden in our heart causes us to dodge something much more lethal.

"I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." Psalms 119:11

The Rev. Troy Brewer welcomes your comments. E-mail him at FFTB@OpenDoorMinistries.org.

THE STOCK MARKET GLLAPSED TODAY WHEN ALAN GREENSPAN DID LIKEWISE AFTER SNACKING ON TAINTED CHINESE INGREDIENTS.



Any bridge builders out there?

n the road again." Sing it, Willie Nelson. "Just can't wait to get on the road again." Willie and I must travel different roads, though we were together the other night tooling down US 25 in Georgia between Augusta and Savannah. I logged 460 miles on a two-day circle from Columbia, S.C., to Augusta, to Hilton Head via Savannah, and

back to Columbia. In Georgia, there was lots of highway construction and little nighttime traffic. In South Carolina, there was rough road and plenty of sluggish traffic. Just couldn't wait to get off the road again.

CHARLES BIERBAUER

You can't help wondering about the nation's infrastructure when we have a bridge collapse on the Interstate in Minneapolis, pipes erupting through the streets of New York and airports looking like refugee camps filled with stranded passengers.

Each has separate causes and consequences. What ties them together is the strong impression we are not taking good care of the things we depend on in so many

ways. It is as though the throwaway society that we have become when it comes to plastic water bottles, cell phones and auto parts-nah, we can't fix that fuel pump; we'll have to replace it!-has led us to forget that some things must have fixing and routine maintenance. We tear down a 40-year-old building or stadium because it is no longer stylish and invest hundreds of millions of dollars in new ones so we can live, work and entertain ourselves in comfort.

Yet, as in Minneapolis, you can't get to the ball park when the

bridge is out.

In this election season, I find myself turning to the presidential candidates to see if any have ideas, plans, solutions for our growing problems. Mindful that all problems are not federal matters — Interstate highway maintenance is also a state responsibility — I'd still like to have confidence in national leadership.

The Democratic candidates had an opportunity to show their insight and ingenuity on the infrastructure problem at this week's AFL-CIO sponsored debate in Chicago. For the most part, they disappointed.

Sen. Hillary Clinton proposes spending \$3.8 billion a year as a 'down payment" on a \$1 trillion problem. (South Carolina alone has a \$3 billion backlog of highway work, the Greenville News reported this week, citing Department of Transportation figures.)

Sen. Joe Biden said he proposed a \$20 billion infrastructure bill in 1992. "We don't need any more studies," Biden said.

Gov. Bill Richardson said he was able to put \$1.5 billion into highway and bridge construction in New Mexico and called for a federal/state/local partnership.

Sen. Chris Dodd said "putting our country back to work begins by cutting the funding for the war in Iraq."

The Democratic candidates generally described fixing the infrastructure in terms of jobs. Dodd: "For every \$1 billion we spend.40,000 jobs can be created." Jobs may be what moves the AFL-CIO audience, but how many bridges might \$1 billion restore? How many lives might it spare? One thing that won't happen: A

billion saved on the war in Iraq won't convert to a billion for infrastructure. As every senator knows, Congress doesn't work as a zerosum game.

One thing that should happen, even though President Bush opposes a nickel a gallon gas tax increase: Congress should pass a 50-cent a gallon gas tax increase and devote half to repairing infrastructure and half to mass transit. Actually, that's what should have happened during the 1973 gas crisis. Had Congress worked that way, we might not be having this discussion.

The candidates' web sites don't help much. Infrastructure doesn't usually make their issues lists. Sen. John Edwards continues to lament-deservedly-the slow pace of rebuilding New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. Hillary Clinton has an "innovation agenda" that includes an increased "research focus on the physical sciences and engineering.'

Sen. Barack Obama's web site invites questions. So I sent an email asking the Senator's approach to infrastructure needs. And I got a prompt reply.

"Dear Charles.your priorities, experiences and perspectives are important to me," it started. After four paragraphs of campaign boilerplate, it concluded: "Although I am unable to address each of the concerns raised in these communications individually, you can be assured that collectively they are helping shape my vision of where our country should go."

Not what I was looking for, but nice to get a response. I almost can't wait to get on the road again.

Charles Bierbauer covered presidential campaigns from 1984 to 2000 for CNN. He is currently dean of the College of Mass Communications and Information Studies at the University of South Carolina, though the views here are his own and not those of the university. Dean Bierbauer is also the senior contributing editor and consultant to www.schotline.com.



T.O. works hard against Bailey, Bly — once he gets to practice

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Once Terrell Owens finally got to practice Thursday morning, it didn't take long before the Cowbovs receiver was again going head-to-head in drills against Champ Bailey and Dre' Bly.

Dallas and the Denver Broncos wrapped up practice against each other, four practices over two days in which T.O. got to work against the Broncos cornerback duo of Bailey, Pro seven-time Bowler, and the always talkative Bly for three of

"I love it. He's one of the best in the game and you don't get to see that every day," Bailey Thursday. "Why not take advantage of that opportunity to go against one of the best?"

Owens was about 20 minutes late getting on the field for the morning practice and was on the field but not in pads for the afternoon practice. In the morning, he stretched on the side with a team

utes later was taking part in drills.

When asked why Owens was late Thursday morning, coach Wade Phillips wouldn't confirm Owens was, even though the receiver didn't get on the field until after both teams had already completed their stretching routines.

"We had a player late for practice, and it's been handled," Phillips said during the break between practices, without mentioning Owens' name or elaborating. "I don't discuss who is, who isn't. You guys find out all that stuff."

Responding to an earlier question. Phillips described Owens as "an effort player. He practices hard."

Owens didn't talk to reporters Thursday, but that wasn't unusual since he had already done two interview sessions earlier this week.

But on the field, Owens — who had an NFL-high 13 TD catches in his Cowboys debut last sea-

eration with baseball's

trainer, and a few min- son — chatted quite a bit receiver cut off another 90-yard TD. "91 to be with Bailey and Bly during the three sessions they worked together.

> At the end of one play Thursday morning, Owens stopped before going back to the huddle and directed a few verbal jabs toward Bly. While it wasn't clear what T.O. said then, Bailey said there really wasn't any trash talk.

"No, he's pretty cool. People get this perception about him in the media, but he's a real cool guy, Bailey said. "He's a guy you can talk to off the field and on the field."

Within minutes after stretching, T.O. was taking part in passing drills. He made an easy catch after cutting in front of Bailey, and beat the Pro Bowler another time for a touchdown leaving Bailey to shake his head after the play.

Owens didn't have as much success against Bly, who appeared to get extra snaps by going against T.O. as much as possible. One pass was thrown behind Owens, and the

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seven runs — six earned — and nine hits in five innings.

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"I didn't feel comfortable out there," Mussina said. "Today I didn't really know where the ball was going all that well. All the things I was doing well the last four games, I couldn't do today.'

New York did get some good news earlier in the Jason Giambi escaped punishment from commissioner Bud Selig because of the slugger's charitable work and coop-

At Toronto, Kelvim Escobar (13-6) shut down his former team, Gary Matthews Jr. homered and Los Angeles held on despite a rocky ninth for closer Francisco Rodriguez.

The Blue Jays scored two runs in the ninth and had a runner on first before Rodriguez got Matt Stairs to fly out to center for his 30th save in 33 opportunities.

Toronto's Dustin McGowan (8-7) allowed four runs and four hits over six-plus innings.

Athletics 8, White Sox 5, 10 innings

Suzuki hit a game-winning, three-run home run off Matt Thornton (3-4) and Oakland completed a

Piazza had three hits including a triple and home run for the A's, who won their fourth straight game. The White Sox lost their fifth in a row.

(4-0)Ruddy Lugo pitched a perfect 10th inning to earn the win for

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"It's going to be a fun position to play out of," he said. "Nobody thinks we're going to be very good, so let's prove them wrong. We don't have anything to lose."

If nothing else, the Red Raiders know not to quit if they fall behind.

They trailed Minnesota 38-7 midway through the third quarter before Harrell threw for two touchdowns and ran for another to help force overtime.

The 31-point rally was one better than the previous record held by Carolina in the 2001 GMAC Bowl.

Harrell said the bowl win "created a buzz."

"We always know we're not out of the game," he said.

Running back Shannon Woods scored the last two touchdowns in that comeback, and he led the conference in all-purpose yards at 139 per game. But now he's in a battle for his starting position with Kobey Lewis, a

sophomore from Abilene. Whoever emerges will join Harrell in a backfield protected by an offensive line that returns only one

starter, Louis Vasquez. But Leach said he's confident that those new to

Marshall against East the line are "tougher" and "every bit as big" as the Red Raiders they replace. In fact, he's considering adding more running

> plays. "Certainly wouldn't rule it out," he said.

> Harrell said Woods' strong running games last season translated to more success through the air.

He expects the same this season but is realistic about his offensive line.

"The first couple of games there might be some blown assignments," he said. "They're more talented probably but so inexperienced it's going to be tough. But experience will come."

steroids investigator.

Blue Jays 3

At Oakland, Calif., Kurt three-game sweep.

Designated hitter Mike

Oakland.

deep route when he was exact." unable to shake the defender.

There will be no more practice sessions between the teams, but they play a game Saturday night in Texas Stadium. It will be the second preseason game for both teams, each winners in their first.

The last time Owens faced Bailey in a game, T.O. had the longest touchdown catch of his career — in his last game the Philadelphia for Eagles on Oct. 30, 2005.

"Yeah, I remember it. It was pretty good," Owens said Wednesday with a smile, then correcting a reporter who called it a

After catching a short pass, Owens ran past Bailey, who then pulled up because of a hamstring problem.

Owens on Wednesday characterized his conversations on the field with Bailey and Bly as "just friendly talk" — and said he valued the time to practice against them.

"It's good to just go out there and get some quality work done," Owens said. "I've played against those guys on different teams. They've been able to hold their own. Obviously, getting those guys will be a staple for their defense."

Broncos safety John Lynch, who's going into his 15th NFL season, said it's still a lot of fun to watch when Owens and Bailey line up against each other.

"When you've got guys who are the best at their craft, they take a lot of pride in what they do. and you want to go against the best," Lynch said. "They are the two best in the game right now at what they do."

Notes: Rosalind Williams, the mother of slain Denver Bronco cornerback Darrent Williams, visited with the team and then attended the afternoon practice

Wednesday.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS **BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

The Coahoma Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:00 pm, Monday, August 27, 2007 in Administration Building, 600 N. Main, Coahoma, Texas. **The purpose of this** meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax

1.04000/100 (Proposed rate for maintenance

and operations)

School Debt Service Tax

Approved by Local Voters \$0.25000/\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded

indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that pegins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure

Maintenance and Operations Debt service **Total expenditures**

6.52000% increase or _% (decrease) _% (decrease) % increase or % (decrease) 6.52000% increase or

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

Total appraised value* of all property Total appraised value* of new property Total taxable value*** of all property Total taxable value*** of new property** Preceding Tax Year \$ <u>321,050,825.00</u> **\$** _1,444,445.00 \$ <u>260,122,352.00</u>

\$_1,148,847.00

Current Tax Year \$ 384,393,971.00 462,956.00 \$ <u>299,909,471.00</u> 417,320.00

"Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.

"New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code. "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 13,577,313.34

* Outstanding principal

Increase (Decrease) in Taxes

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

Local Revenue State Revenue Maintenance Interest & & Operations Sinking Fund* **Total** Per Student Per Student Last Year's Rate \$1.37000 \$0.00000* \$1.37000 \$4,816.00 \$4,090.00 Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service \$1.04000 \$0.25219* \$1.29227 \$4,942.00 \$5,070.00 **Proposed Rate** \$1.04000 \$0.25000* \$1.29000 \$5,034.00 \$4,869.00

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

BRIEFS

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YMCA volleyball league sign-ups The Big Spring youth

Volleyball League is now accepting sign-ups fo girls and boys in grades 4-6 to play at the YMCA.

Registration fee is \$45 and financial assistance is available for those who qualify. Players can register until Aug. 30.

A coaches meeting is also scheduled for Aug. 30. Teams begin practice Sept. 4.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Hunter education class scheduled

The next hunter education class in Big Spring will be held Saturday and Sunday at

the Chamber Commerce office. Classes start at 8 a.m. both days. Cost is \$15 per student. All persons born after

Sept. 1, 1971 are required

to have hunter education before they can legally hunt in Texas. All states have some sort of hunter education class and have a reciprocal agreement with the state of Texas

least 12 years old at the time of the class. For more information

Students must be at

or to register, call Steve Poitevint at 264-7033, preferably in the evening.

Meet the Steers on Aug. 25

Big The Spring Quarterback Club will be hosting a Meet the Steers event at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 25 at Memorial Stadium.

The public is invited to get a first glimpse at this Steer football year's teams.

All players from junior high to varsity will be introduced.

Steers season ticket public sales set Big Spring High School

will make 2007Steer football season ticket available to the general public starting Wednesday. Potential buyers will have until Aug. 22 to make their purchase.

Tickets can be bought at the Athletic Training Center Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4

Call Kay Cook at 264-3662 with any questions.

over-80 golf tourney

Club is hosting an over-80 scramble tournament starting at Saturday.

of the higher.

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

includes barbecue on the course both days. Call the pro shop at 267-

tion.

Country club to host

The Big Spring Country

The format is a 2-person team with combined ages teammates required to equal 80 or

for more informa-5354

Entry fee is \$60 and

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

This Year **Last Year** \$43,109.00 Average Market Value of Residences \$38,701.00 Average Taxable Value of Residences \$15,961.00 \$19,488.00 Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value 1.29 1.37251.40Taxes Due on Average Residence \$ 218.67 \$ 32.73

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.268047. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.268047.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) \$3,000,000.00 **Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)** 0.00

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2 FAMILY Backyard Sale: 4208 Theo, Saturday 7-1. Lots of stuff. Clothes for the family, shoes, belts, purses, tables, knick-knacks and more. Don't miss this one.

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BENEFIT GARAGE Sale: 500 State St., Saturday & Sunday 9:00am-7:00pm. All proceeds go to Jesse & Connie Baker to help with medical expenses.

GARAGE SALE: 1307 Virginia Ave., Saturday 8:00-1:00. Bunk beds, boys clothes, antiques, tools, BBQ grill, edger, bar stools.

GARAGE SALE: 1517 Vines, Saturday 8-? Toys, children's & teen clothing, lots of misc. items.

GARAGE SALE: 4106 Muir, Friday & Saturday 7:30-11:30. New & used items, clothes, shoes, Jesse French and Sons upright antique piano. Hurry for best selection.

Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE: 8601 N. Service Rd. Look for Balloons. Friday 8-5 & Saturday 8-noon. Jenn Air smooth top stove, bar stools, new womens Harley Davidson motorcycle helmet, MP3 player, car DVD, lots of good adult and childrens clothes. Come See. Too much to list.

GARAGE SALE: Saturday 8:00-6:00, 1600 Goliad. Stereo w/CD & cassette, camera equipment, tools, TV & much more. Please Do Not Block Drives.

MOVING SALE: Everything Must Go! Saturday 7:00am-1:00pm, 4119 Muir. Large storage unit, rocking chair, baby stuff. Name brand clothes, lots of misc.

MOVING SALE: Saturday 10-? 3rd house on the left on Andrews Hwy. Furniture, microwave, tools sets, computer & monitor. bar stools. knick-knacks and lots more. 432-212-3110.

Garage Sales

2 FAMILY Sale: 1735 Purdue, Saturday 8:30-? Household kitchen items, microwave and stand, king comforter, walker, computer and much more.

Garage Sales

3 FAMILY GARAGE Sale: Friday 8-? & Saturday 8-12. Furniture, clothes, books, dishes and more. 14 Chapman Road (Coahoma).

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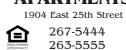
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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS As the sun in Leo joins with Venus, we're at our happiest doing what we

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auditioning.

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HOLIDAY **M**ATHIS

A producer \equiv passes on our song today, but tomorrow we'll write another. We persist — not for approval, but for the joy of creating.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Smart work versus hard work is the game today, and you can guess which side wins out. Those in sales (and when it comes down to it, who is *not* in sales?) have success with a disarming approach.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). When you see things differently from how a partner sees them, sometimes that's called a fight, other times, beautiful, life-affirming diversity. A Scorpio person chimes in just when you need it.

21). By doing your own thing, you're not only pleasing yourself, you may also be building your net worth — and increasing other people's interest in your talent.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You almost unravel a juicy mystery. You don't solve it, though — what would be the fun in that? Tonight, someone is just as interested in you as you are in him or her. Oh, delight!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're better off being an example than trying to make an example of someone else. One way to fight for your principles is to live up to them. And that's the best way now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). What a flirty mood you're in! Your crazy notions are so adorable to the one who's nuts about you. Water signs (Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces) follow your every move.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've studied aesthetics — perhaps not formally, but you have superb taste. You want to share your appreciation for fine things with others, but not just anyone. You delight in the company of discerning people.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.

organized? Don't let it hold you back. There will always be some degree of clutter in your world. Accept it. Use chaos as the background for your formidable talent.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When you make a choice, you reject everything that isn't that choice. Such a sacrifice is necessary for you to establish vour life's direction once again.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're getting more specific about how your life should go through the end of the month — hopefully the people around you are on the same page. If not, they're about to see your tougher side.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Whoever Feb. 18). remarked, "The watched pot never boils," didn't know your powers of concentration. You vigilantly observe project, enjoying each tiny development along the way to your ultimate success.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Gatherings that you plan now will be a fabulous hit. You could get a job out of the whole deal. Tonight, the person you're thinking of is also GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Still trying to get thinking of you. Pick up for love and break old

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: What love offers is limitless. TAURUS: You're tempted to withdraw into a shell, but the people you love you. GEMINI: Sandwich serious communication between a silly joke and some laughs. CANCER: Like money, when you invest in the people and things you care about, they grow. LEO: Take control of your image by doing your own thing regardless of how others see you. VIRGO: Don't hide your light under a bushel. Appreciation is a web of gratitude worth getting all tangled up in. LIBRA: Your friends are your friends because they bring out the best in you. If they don't, they're not worthy of the distinction. SCORPIO: You have tons of admirers, but one person's opinion counts SAGITTARIUS: most. Higher love can't be gotten in a weekend crash course; it's cumulative. And you're moving on up. CAPRICORN: You believe love changes everything. Now it's time to simply trust it. AQUARIUS: Make up some new rules

PISCES: barriers. Approach every issue from a position of strength, even if you have to make a list of what those are exactly.

COUPLE WEEKEND: As the Pisces fish swim in two directions, the crosscurrents are strong she needs a strong spiritual complement. As a match for this quintessential heroine, enter unambiguous straight-shooter Aries, taking swirling Fishes by storm. She swoons. Confident Aries models yang directness, purpose. Pisces reminds Aries that surrender is strength, too how yin. Their relationship is a yin/yang thing.

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Annie's Mailbox •: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I am planning to go away to school in the fall. I'll only be an hour from home and will visit every available weekend. I'll be living with mv grandparents, who are 10 minutes from the campus. However, these things don't seem to appease my mother.

Mom wants me to go to the local community college and live at home. I have a free ride for my first year, so it isn't about money. She has told me she won't pay for any of my schooling, and I agree I should pay for it myself. The problem is, continuously Mom claims I'm in danger by going away. She is constantly giving me articles about people who are abducted, raped or killed, saying that is what is going to happen to me.

This morning we had a confrontation. major Since my choice is making her so unhappy, I offered to go to the local two-year college and then transfer, but it wasn't enough. Any suggestions to help her come to terms with my decisions? — Tired of Fighting

Dear Tired: Stop arguing with your mother. She is overprotective and not rational on the subject. If you are old enough to attend college and pay for it yourself, you should go to the school of your choice. We know Mom about your worries safety, but you have to leave the nest sometime. You have taken every sensible precaution. Tell her she needs to trust you now. (But call her often. She'll miss you.)

Dear Annie: We live on the same road as my

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brother, aunt, uncle and niece. If we are outside, whether cooking or gardening, they see it as an open invitation. There usually a steady of family stream intruding at all hours.

minute The husband arrives home from work, the phone starts ringing or his dad follows him into the driveway. This is all normal to him, and he resents it when I say anything.

I am now sleeping in the spare room. He won't talk to me acknowledge my point of view. What shall I do? — Smothered in Minnesota Dear Smothered: Your

husband is obviously close to his family and likes it that way. This was part of the package when you married him shouldn't be a surprise now. Since Hubby won't speak to you, you may need to "sweet-talk" him into a discussion, saying you love his family, but sometimes you'd like a little more private time with him. You should make every effort to warm up to the in-laws a little more, because you aren't going to get rid of them unless you are also

husband. Dear Annie: I just read the letter about the

willing to get rid of your

origins of "beck and call" and have a grammar issue of my own. We often hear phrases based on "All men are created equal." Wouldn't the proper word "equally," since it is an adverb describing a verb? I even hear the president and others use this phrase. Am I the only one bugged by this, or am I wrong? Thanks for solving these major issues in life. — Eydie in Louisville, Ky.

Dear Eydie: your understand confusion, and although we are not grammar experts, we will give it our best shot. The phrase "All men are created equal" is best known U.S. from the Constitution. (Let's not get into the gender issue. That's another column.) The confusion may come from the use of the passive voice. "Equal" is not describing how the men are created. They all have the same body parts. It is actually the describing men themselves, that they have equal worth as human beings. If any grammar experts have a better explanation, please write us.

Dear Annie: I am a 30year-old woman who lives an hour away from her parents. My parents are still married, even though they have been unhappy for many years. My mother is great, and we are very close. My father was always a verbal bully mentally abusive to both my mother and me. Still, I love him and have tried my best to maintain a relationship. He was a rough around the edges, he still loved me. For the past two years, a single female neighbor of my parents has been in my father's life. The rest of the family thought

very involved father and

attended all of my school

events and paid for my

always accepted that,

even though he was

college education.

it was strange when "Dottie" hung around the house, sat outside with Dad all the time, and came to our home for holiday dinners. He brought her presents. and she planted flowers

in my mother's garden. I suspect this is an emotional affair, not a physical one, but it's still wrong, and it breaks my heart because now my father has cut himself off his family from completely and enthralled with Dottie. She's all he talks about. The rest of us think he's lost his mind. She's a floozy for continuing this so openly. Dad stopped talking to me, and it hurts a lot, so now I only see my mother. Dottie insists on being part of Dad's life and often tries to converse with me, but frankly, I can't stand her.

How do I get closure when I still have to run into them? My father isn't the type for a heartto-heart, so I am looking for closure in another Confused way. Daughter in California

Dear Confused: Your father totally is infatuated with Dottie, your mother apparently doesn't care enough to do anything about it. In spite of your parents' unhappiness, your mother prefers marriage to divorce. That is up to her. We suggest you treat Dad as if your parents are no longer married and your father has a new girlfriend. That may not be the legal situation, but it is the essential reality. polite to Dad and Dottie, no more, and hope this absurdity resolves itself soon.

Dear Annie: It's been over 10 years since my boyfriend's wife passed away. I know some people mourn longer than others, but he still has all her things in the house, including clothes, just as she left them even food in the freezer that she bought before died. I have she discussed donating her things to charity and that the freezer items should be discarded, but he says he can't get rid of anything of hers.

I like him very much, but I really believe he needs help. I accepted his engagement ring, but my friends say he has too much to get over before we think of marriage. What do you think? — Bewildered

Dear Bewildered: Food in the freezer for 10 vears? This is obsession combined with inertia. Tell your boyfriend he must get counseling before you will consider marriage. If he refuses, at least you will know where you stand (which is somewhere behind the old, frozen hamburger).

Dear Annie: I was verv upset with your reply to "Chicago," whose son, "Liam" was stealing. What does the amount of his allowance have to do with it? I did not receive an allowance growing up and I did not steal. My children never received an allowance and they did not steal. Lack of money is no excuse to take from others. — Tonawanda, N.Y. Dear Tonawanda: Not

all parents give an allowance, although it is a good way to teach children how to save and manage money. However, when little Bobby sees his friends buying things he cannot afford because his allowance substantially smaller (or nonexistent), stealing can become a way to keep up with his friends and maintain social status. It's not an excuse. It's something that needs to be discussed.

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Cave-in at Utah mine kills 3 rescue workers who were trying to reach 6 trapped miners

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HUNTINGTON, Utah (AP) — A disastrous cave-in Thursday night killed three rescue workers and injured at least six others who were trying to tunnel through rubble to reach trapped miners, authorities said. Mining officials were considering whether to suspend the rescue effort.

It was a shocking setback on the 11th day of the effort to find six miners who have been confined at least 1,500 feet below ground at the Crandall Canyon mine. It's unknown if the six are alive or dead.

Six of the injured were taken to Castleview Hospital in Price. One died there, one was airlifted to a Salt Lake City hospital, one was released and three were being treated, said Jeff Manley, the hospital's chief executive.

The second dead worker passed away at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center in Provo, said hospital spokeswoman Janet Frank. Another worker there was in critical condition with head trauma but was alert, she said.

The third death was confirmed by Rich Kulczewski, spokesman for the U.S. Department of Labor, but additional details were not immediately available.

Relatives search rows of bodybags after Peru quake as death toll tops 500

PISCO, Peru (AP) - Rescuers combed rubble for survivors and distraught relatives wept as they searched rows of bodybags for loved ones killed when a powerful earthquake devastated cities and sent a church's soaring ceiling tumbling down on hundreds of worshippers in southern Peru.

Officials said the death toll across the region hit by the magnitude-8 temblor topped 500 late Thursday

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Howard County Jail, was then brought in for questioning.

"I interviewed the suspect, the girl's step-father, and he confessed to everything. We took him into custody at that time,' said Wood. "This has been going on for a threeyear period, so it began when the little girl was 9 years old. You don't really know who knew it was going on and who didn't."

If convicted, Edwards faces five to 99 years to life in prison on each of the first-degree charges, and two to 20 years in prison on each of the second-degree felonies, as well as a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

The grand jury also handed down a true-bill against 38-year-old Mark 28, driving while intoxi-A. Hickman, who is also being held at the county jail, on a charge of aggravated robbery, a firstdegree felony.

According to police reports, the robbery occurred July 4 at the 7-Eleven convenience store located in the 1200 block Thomas Jenkins at 263of E. 11th Place.

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Chamness, officers were called to the convenience store just after 1 a.m. where the store's clerk reported that a man had tried to rob him at knifepoint.

The clerk told officers the man had attempted to force him to give him money from the cash register. When the cashier refused, the man fled the scene and was arrested moments later.

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

Also indicted were four other men, all currently being held at the county jail. They are:

· Adolfo Garza, 24, burglary of a habitation, a second-degree felony.

Ruben Anthony Gonzales, 24, evading arrest, a state jail felony.

 Francisco Jesus Nieto, cated, a second-degree felony, enhanced.

• Ricky Lin Wallace, 41, three counts of sexual assault of a child, firstfelonies. degree enhanced.

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In the gritty port city of Pisco, searchers at San Clemente church pulled at least 60 bodies out of the ruins and lined them up on the plaza. Doctors struggled to help more than 1,500 injured, including hundreds who waited on cots in the open air, fearing more aftershocks would send buildings crashing down.

Peru's fire department said the death toll from the magnitude-8 quake that devastated the southern coast had risen to 510, and rescuers were still digging through ruins of collapsed adobe homes in cities and hamlets.

Destruction from Wednesday's quake was centered in Peru's southern desert, near the oasis city of Ica and nearby Pisco, about 125 miles southeast of the capital of Lima.

Southerners and Midwesterners pray for relief from heat; high temps blamed for 37 deaths

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Residents across the South and Midwest were hopeful that the weekend would bring some relief from brutal temperatures that have killed more than three dozen people and set records for power demand.

Forecasters expected temperatures in Memphis and other parts of the Mississippi Valley on Friday to drop slightly, into the 90s, a relief from several consecutive days of triple digits.

In Tennessee, the Shelby County medical examiner's office confirmed Thursday that heat caused the death of a 53-year-old man found in his apartment the day before, bringing the death toll in Memphis alone to

In all, 37 deaths in the South and Midwest have been confirmed as heat-related, and heat is suspected in 10 more, authorities said.

The Tennessee Valley Authority, the nation's largest public utility, shut down one of three units at the Browns Ferry nuclear plant in Athens, Ala., on Thursday because water drawn from the Tennessee River was exceeding a 90-degree average over 24 hours.

Powerful Hurricane Dean bears down on the eastern Caribbean packing 100 mph winds

FORT-DE-FRANCE, Martinique (AP) — Airports closed, coastal hotels were evacuated and tourists hunkered down in shelters as powerful Hurricane Dean bore down on the eastern Caribbean.

The first hurricane of the Atlantic season was a large and dangerous storm, packing 100 mph winds late Thursday as it neared the islands of Martinique, Dominica and St. Lucia, where authorities urged people to stay indoors and out of danger.

In a region accustomed to rough weather, islanders stocked up on essentials and taped glass windows but conditions ahead of the storm were deceptively calm and even some locals said it was hard to believe that danger loomed out at sea.

Martinique resident Patrice Labamar who was camping on the beach with his wife and two children waited until the last minute to finally clear out, hoping the forecasters might be wrong about the storm's trajecto-

"Our vacation is over," Labamar said as they headed for safety.

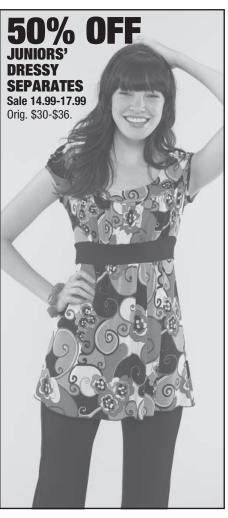
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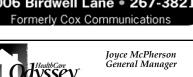
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Friends of Unity

Thirty days of prayer vigil began Wednesday leading up to World Day of Prayer on Thursday, Sept. 17.

The Center will be closed for a week from Monday through Monday, Aug. 27. Friends will be on mission to New Mexico and South Texas.

Catholic Mass of Celebration

arrival of the Catholic faith to the Big Spring area 125 years ago, Bishop Michael Pfeifer will join Catholics from Big Spring's four area churches Sunday, Aug. 26. for a Mass celebrating the significant occasion. Pfeifer will preside over a 10 a.m. Mass at the Big Spring High School Auditorium. Parishioners from Big Spring's St. Thomas, Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart churches as well as St. Joseph in Coahoma have worked together in the planning of the anniversary.

"A group of Carmelite missionaries settled in Stanton shortly before this date 125 years ago and began going out by train to the nearby towns on the railroads, and the reason we have chosen this date is because we offer as evidence that on this date in the Stanton record book, is the recording of a baptism that took place in Big Spring, and for us to baptize makes the church," said Fr. James Plagens, of Sacred Heart and St. Thomas, who, along with Fr. Richard Regan, have coordinated much of the planning of the event. "Celebrating this anniversary is a significant step in the efforts of these four churches to come togethfaith community Big spring area."

A number of non-Catholic leaders have also been invited to the celebration, though organizers fully realize many will be in worship services at their own churches during that day and time.

"Recognizing that others will be in their own churches, we respectfully ask the prayers of people from other faiths on this special day," Plagens said.

For more information, contact the Diocese of San Angelo,s Director of Communications, Jimmy Patterson, at 432-889-6640.

First Presbyterian Church

On Sunday, Aug. 12, in a congregational meeting following worship, the congregation voted to formally dissolve the pastoral relationship with the Rev. Matt Miles, effective Sept. 16. Matt and his family are moving to Ft. Davis to accept a call to pastor the First Presbyterian Church

there. The church expressed appreciation to Jamie Walker and all the workers at the Vacation Bible School last week for making that a successful event.

This week, Bible study will be on Wednesday evening as usual, but the choir will not practice at 6 pm.

After worship Sunday, the congregation will gather for a farewell reception for Ralph, Cheryl and Kelcey Truszkowski.

During worship the choir will sing "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee" by Georg Neumark,

in a setting by Jody W. Lindh, and "The Lord My Shepherd Guards Me Well," by American composer K. Lee Scott, based on Psalm 23 as paraphrased by Carl P. Daw,

Lectionary for the week is Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56.

First Presbyterian is located at Eighth and Runnels.

To commemorate the Mt. Bethel Church

You are invited to share in our 35th Annual Women's Day, Sunday, Aug. 26, at 3:30 p.m. Speaker for the hour will be the Rev. R.T. McNeil of St. James Baptist Church in Odessa. Our theme is "Send Me," scripture from Isaiah 6:8.

We look forward to the fellowship as we lift up the name of Jesus for He is worthy to be praised. On Saturday, Aug. 25, we invite you to share in our morning workshop from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come and get a blessing as our keynote speaker Minister Sandra Green Community House of Hope in Colorado City addresses our annual day

theme. Mt. Bethel is located at 630 Sgt. Paredez St. (N.W. 4th). The Rev. William Vaughn Jr. is pastor.

We invite you to worship and fellowship with us for Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m., Beginning Aug. 22, Bible study will p.m.each at 5 Wednesday and Women's Missionary Society each Monday at 6 p.m. Youth Ministry meets each Sunday at 5 p.m. and Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church

Calvary Baptist Church, er and be one Catholic 1200 W. Fourth St., invited you to any or all of our services: Sunsay school at 9:45 a.m., morning worship at 11 a.m., evening worship at 5 p.m. and Wednesday prayer meeting and Bible study at 5

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Contrary to a false rumor, Calvary Baptist Church has not closed or become inactive. Recently, property was transferred to the Baptist Association to expand the Hospitality House Ministry but the church continues. Come help us grow a church for Jesus!

Cornerstone Church

A Sno Cone fundraiser is set for today until 4 p.m. and Sunday from noon until 4 p.m. at the west doors of Wal-Mart. A Youth Movie Night is set for Aug. 25 at 5 p.m.

Cornerstone Church is having a back to school picnic Aug. 26 beginning at 4:30 p.m. in the center of Comanche Trail Park. The picnic, a monthly time of fellowship, is Christian BYOB, which means bring your own barbecue to cook, along with a side dish or dessert.

Ladies Only meets each Monday night at 6:30. Ladies Only Movie Night is set for Aug. 24. Youth meets each Wednesday at Winning 6:30p.m. Wednesday, a time of fellowship, food and fun, begins at 6 p.m.

Remodeling projects are ongoing at the church, and skilled craftsmen are needed. If you can donate your time and expertise to any of our projects, from tape and bedding to grouting floor tile to wiring and plumbing, give us a call.

Sunday morning worship services begin at 10:30 a.m. A special Children's Church is available for 4-year-olds through fourth grade. Nursery care is provided for those children 2 and younger.

Cornerstone Church is a member of the Every Nation Ministries. The church is located at the corner of 12th and Owens streets, south administration buildings Spring for Big Independent School District.

Office hours Monday, Tuesday

Monday - Friday 8:30 - 5:30

Thursday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. If you call outside these hours, please leave a message.

For more information about any of these programs, or for a ride to church, call 263-3072.

St. Mary's **Episcopal Church**

Holy Communion is celebrated at 9:30 a.m. The Brotherhood of Andrew will hold its meeting and breakfast this Sunday at 8 a.m. in the chapel. For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit www.stmarysbst.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 South Goliad.

East Side Baptist Church

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m., family praise and worship is at 10:45 a.m. and afternoon praise and worship is at 1:45 p.m. Youth 4 Christ meets at 6 p.m. followed by midweek Bible study at 7 p.m.

Sunday morning, we will be having a missionary family to Croatia, the Johnny Leslie Family. Bro. Leslie is sponsored out of the Trinity Baptist Church in Arlington. He will be speaking during the Sunday school hour and also in the morning service.

East Side Baptist Church is located at 1108 E. Sixth St. For more information call, 267-1915.

North Birdwell Lane **United Methodist** Church

The Angel Food Ministry of North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church will deliver August orders Saturday, Aug. 25, from noon until 2 p .m. Please note the change in pick up time. You will need to bring a box about the size of a large laundry basket. Orders for September will also be available at that time.

Sunday services at North Birdwell UMC, located at 2702 North Birdwell Lane, begin at 9:30 a.m. You are invited to come and hear the message and enjoy the fellowship. Following regular worship service, there is a short time of visitation before Sunday school classes begin. There is also Sunday evening worship at 5 p.m. Bible study classes have resumed on the first and third Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

Dr. Shane Brue's sermon text for this Sunday comes from Leviticus 20-26 and is entitled "The Common Becomes Holy." This is the final in a fivepart series on Holiness. Services of worship are at 8:30 and 10:50 each Sunday morning.

The pre-teen group GIG (God Is Good) will meet for a swim party Sunday afternoon. This will be their final social event before starting back to school.

Our sincere thanks to all those who participated in the drive held at First Methodist by United Blood Services. Those donations of blood will be credited to our pastor Shane Brue as he contin-

ues his cancer treatments.

The Children's Clothes Closet is full. If you know of a family in need of clothing for their preschool and school-age children please contact Agustin Ypina at 267-6394.

Sunday school classes have again this year been asked to make gift baskets for the Lord's Acre Auction. These beautiful baskets were such a hit last year and their contents so creative that we just can't wait to see what they come up with this year. Mark your calendars for Oct. 6; Mission Possible 2007, an all-day experience of fun and sharing.

Our buildings are located at Fourth and Scurry streets in the heart of downtown Big Spring.

St. Paul **Lutheran Church**

Worship services are at 9 a.m.; Sundy school and Bible classes are at 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday noon Bible study is on vacation until September.

Bible studies continued: Friday 6 a.m. "Forty Days of Just Words" Greg's Grill at Big Spring Mall. Sunday, 5:30 "Christians in a Post Modern World," 2712

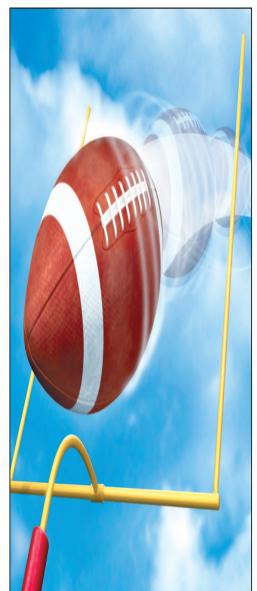
2204 Edgemere. Volunteers are needed to clean the church or pay for cleaning the church.

Ann; 6 p.m., "Daniel,"

New St. Paul membership directories are available. Call the office at 267-7163 if there are changes.

Send Church News to newsdesk@bigspringherald.com by noon Wednesday

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Members of the Coahoma Independent School District Board of Trustees, administration and the Citizen's Committee take part in ground-breaking ceremonies at the campus Thursday. Front row, from left, are: Jody Reid, Mike Blissard and John Wayne Metcalf. Second row: Sissy Franklin, Marie Ethridge, Jerry Johnson, Loma Jean Winn, Lori Martinez and Bill Read. Back row: Kirby Brown, James White, Alan Wright, Dale Coates and Alan Guthrie.

Club News

Tops No. 21

The Tops meeting opened with Alex presiding. Olnee Menges led us in prayer. The welcome song was sung.

Ms. Bertram gave the roll call. Carol Smith was best loser for Tops. Alex Sechelski was best loser for Kops.

Cherry Sechelski was presented with a charm and a certificate for being the best loser for the month of June.

Sechelski gave a report on "fun days." It will be held Sept. 29, 2007, in San Angelo at the First

Assembly of God Church. Admission is \$3 at the door. Lunch will be \$10 or you may bring lunch. "Under the Big Top" is the theme. Tops congenial award and the WOW bar will be awarded.

Bertram gave the program titled "Rainbow of Nutrition." Participation was given by the group.

Menges will give next week's program.

The closing song was sung by all and the meeting adjourned.

For more information on this Tops group, call Alex at 264-6921.

Laura on Life:

Pitfalls one faces with any collection

e started off collecting children. It hobby we necessarily pursued with enthusiasm, but up until the time we figured out what caused them, we collected five of them.

We stopped collecting when we found out that they eat a lot when they get to be teenagers. Children are a highmainte-

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One day, 20 years ago, I walked into a novelty store and became enchanted with a music box that played "Memories." I made that one purchase. For five years after that purchase, I received another music box for every Mother's Day, anniversary, birthday and Christmas. They were pretty little dustmagnets, but my children always wanted to play

That sounds sweet, but unfortunately, they didn't want to play them one at a time.

with them.

My children must be tone-deaf, because, for some reason, the cacophony that they heard when all of those music boxes were turned on at once, didn't seem to disturb them one iota.

I, however, had a headache the size of Texas when they were done.

It might have sounded good if every music box at least played the same song, but I had a "Lara's Theme," a few played "Some Enchanted Evening"; "Speak Softly Love" was played, but not softly; the inspirational "Amazing Grace" was certainly amazing; and I don't want to remember how many "Memories" were intertwined with the others. It was teeth-grindingly awful.

I started collecting tea sets because I wanted everyone to stop giving me music boxes. Tea sets don't make noise. They

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were blissfully silent. They also attract dust faster than you can say

"one lump or two?" I also ran out of shelf space for them fairly quickly.

So, I started requesting mini tea sets.

Since my family has a stunning lack of imagination when it comes to gift giving, I've always had some kind of collection so that they would know what to get me for the various holidays during the year. Otherwise, they would get me a dish towel with my name embroidered on it or perhaps a really expensive potato peeler.

Don't get me wrong, I really like my tea sets, but I've run out of room. Besides, my mother kept buying me tea sets that came out of the toy section at Wal-Mart. It was still a gift, and it was from my mom, so I had to display them with my china tea sets in a glass cabinet, even if Winnie the Pooh isn't normally found in a china cabinet.

I tell everyone that they are the ones that I col-

lected in my childhood. That gave the Wal-Mart tea sets the required value they needed to be displayed in my china cabinet.

I am currently in a butterfly phase.

I love butterflies, so they are represented in almost everything I own. My family knows that if it has a butterfly on it, it qualifies as a decent gift for me. Even a potato peeler is good if it has a butterfly on it.

When my daughter draws me pictures, she puts at least one butterfly on each one, even if doesn't belong there. I have learned that the more butterflies appear in her drawings, the higher my parental ratings are that day. She once drew me a picture of the planets in outer space. Between Mercury and Pluto (which hadn't lost its planet status yet) flew a veritable army of butter-

She really loved me that day.

E-mail Laura Snyder at lsnyder@lauraonlife.com.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS **BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

The Glasscock County Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. on August 30th, 2007, in the board room, The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised

Maintenance Tax

\$1.0173/\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

School Debt Tax Approved by Local Voters

\$0.08/\$100 (proposed rate to pay

bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations <u>0.0%</u> increase or <u>5.00%</u> (decrease) Debt service 0.0% increase or <u>13.00%</u> (decrease) 0.0% increase or Total expenditures <u>18.00%</u> (decrease)

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"Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.

** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.

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*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded Indebtedness on construction, equipment or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
Average Market Value of Residences	\$39,572	\$41,389
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$25,516	\$27,357
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.439	\$1.0973
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$367.23	\$300.19
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		(\$67.04)

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Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.04. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.04.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) \$3,444,662 **Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) \$0**



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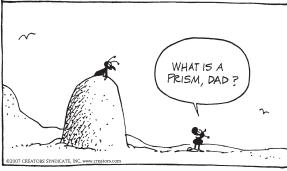






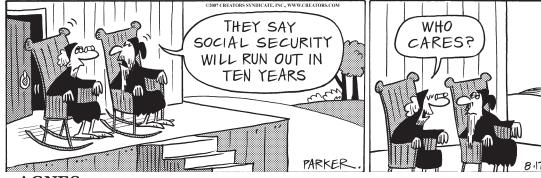
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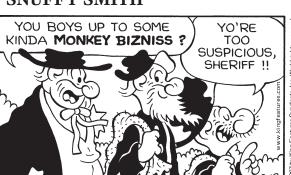
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On this date:

In 1863, federal batteries and ships began bombarding Fort Sumter in Charleston harbor during the Civil War, but the Confederates managed to hold on despite several days of pounding.

In 1896, a prospecting party discovered gold in Canada, a finding that touched off the Klondike gold rush.

In 1915, a mob in Cobb County, Ga., lynched Jewish

businessman Leo Frank, whose death sentence for the murder of 13-year-old Mary Phagan had been commuted to life imprisonment. (Frank, who'd maintained his innocence, was pardoned by the state of Georgia in 1986.)

In 1942, during World War II, U.S. Eighth Air Force bombers attacked Rouen, France. In 1943, the Allied con-

quest of Sicily was completed as U.S. and British forces entered Messina. In 1969, 256 people were

killed as Hurricane Camille slammed into the Gulf In 1978, the first successful

trans-Atlantic balloon flight ended as Maxie Anderson, Ben Abruzzo and Larry Newman landed Double Eagle Two outside Paris. In 1985, more than 1,400

meatpackers walked off the job at the Geo. A. Hormel and Company's main plant in Austin, Minn., in a bitter strike that lasted just over a year.

In 1987, Rudolf Hess, the member of Adolf Hitler's inner circle, died at Spandau Prison at age 93, an apparent suicide.

In 1996, the Reform Party announced Ross Perot had won its nomination to be its first-ever presidential candidate.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Maureen O'Hara is 87. Actor Robert DeNiro is 64. Movie director Martha Coolidge is 61. Rock musician Gary Talley (The Box Tops) is 60. Rock musician Sib Hashian is 58. Actor Robert Joy is 56. Rock singer Kevin Rowland (Dexy's Midnight Runners) is 54. Rock musician Colin Moulding (XTC) is 52. Country singer-songwriter Kevin Welch is 52.

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- 21 Clobbers

YEP, THEY'RE CLEANING

YOUR ROOM

- preference **26** Tops without
- 28 Pacific salmon
- philosopher
- 38 Where JFK
- **39** Jai
- 42 Cope Book
- character
- film spool?
- 50 Wooden
- **53** Cooper
- character
- Campbell
- acquisition
- Heston film

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73 For fear that

DOWN

3 Sand bar

4 Velvet fabric

5 Opp. of dep.

7 Golden Rule

accommodation

6 Password,

for one

word

9 Stadium

8 Rep

72 Jersey remarks

1 Rubbernecks

2 Feel the same

70 Oklahoma

Indian

69 Vista

- **9** Candy holders

- **17** Inappropriate
- 19 Noble gas
- in Speed
- 23 Talking
- Bible beast
- 24 Shows a
- buttons
- 30 Chinese
- 34 On-the-go diva?
- served in WWII
- **40** Lived
- aunt **43** Cooper
- 46 Counterfeit
- **49** Rate
- coaster
- **51** Broad belt
- **58** Hard to see
- 61 Model
- 63 Newlywed
- **64** Charlton
- **66** Interfere with a soft drink?

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- notation ghanouj
- **35** Eskimo knives
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