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Council OKs golf clubhouse, 6-1

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

A new clubhouse for the Comanche Trail Golf Course estimated to cost \$500,000 met some resistance Tuesday night, as the Big Spring City Council approved first reading of a contract to

design the proposed facility on a 6-1 vote.

The clubhouse, which was originally given the nod by the council during budget work sessions earlier this year, would be financed through an inter-budgetary loan that would be paid back over either 10 or 15 years,

"I don't know why the county and city officials think the citizens of Howard County are a bottomless pit from which they can continue to extract taxes"

-Local resident Rita Brown

according to City Finance Director Peggy Walker.

The construction is aimed at complementing

the ongoing reconstruction which began earlier this year with the closure of the course and is expected to wrap-up in June 2008. Financing of the course renovations came through an energy conservation contract with Siemens Technology.

"Will the clubhouse be open when we re-open the golf course?" asked Todd Darden, assistant city manager. "That's yet to be seen. There are a lot of variables that go along with a project of this magnitude. We hope to,

50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 SUNDAY

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City backs jail bond in 6-1 vote

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

A resolution of support from the Big Spring City Council in support of the upcoming

\$11.57 million jail bond met mixed — if not reluctant approval Tuesday night, passing 6-1. The council

with Horton Councilwoman Stephanie Horton the naysayer lone approved a resolution supporting Howard County commissioners effort to pass a bond election to finance the design and construction of a new jail facility, in hopes of staving off state officials who have already recommended the existing jail be shut down if the bond election fails to meet voter approval. "I've spent a great deal of time studying this particular project, and I'm absolutely convinced, beyond a shadow of a doubt, this is the right jail, at the right time, in the right place," said McEwen. "They brought in an excellent architect



State aid cuts to be restored

HC officials studying Perry's announcement

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Speaker

Howard College officials are reacting with cautious optimism to news that cuts in state aid announced recently may soon be reversed.

In Austin, Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Craddick Tom



Director Jim Rhodes and Assistant Director Misty Hoelscher, lower right, celebrate along with members of the Forsan High School band after receiving news of their Division I rating at Saturday's Class 1A Regional Marching Contest in Odessa.

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Strike up the bands!

Big Spring, Forsan, Stanton compete for spot in state contests

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By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer Three area high school bands are hoping to march their way to state this weekend.

Bands from Big Spring, Forsan and Stanton high schools will compete in area contests this weekend. hoping to advance to the big prize - a spot in the Texas University Interscholastic League



pete at the Class 1A area contest at Dick Bivins Field in Amarillo. The "Best Band Herd" of

State Marching Stanton High School will march in the Class 2A area later contest at Lowery Field in Spring Lubbock. will compete in

The three bands earned spots in the area round of UIL competition by all earning Division I ratings — the top scores available — from the judges in regional contests last weekend.

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announced today an agreement to allocate \$99 million for the state's Hansen share of health benefits, a onetime \$55 million transitional payment for

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Moore Board meets tonight

The board of directors for Moore Development will meet today at 5:15 p.m. in the boardroom at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, located at 215 W. Third Street.

The board is expected to hear financial and investment reports, as well as meet in an executive session to discuss business prospects the economic development corporation hopes to have locate in Howard County. Time has also been allotted for comments from the board and the public.

For more information, call 264-6032.

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Stansel shows management, combat skills

By LANE BOND

Special to the Herald

Behind every foot soldier in a battle zone is a whole network of people who may or may not ever hear a gun fired. Kevin Stansel is a Marine who showed excellence in personnel administration as early as boot camp. Even so, Kevin spent six months in Iraq in battle zones while he kept up with mountains of details that were necessary to keep the units functioning.

The Forsan High School graduate enlisted in the Marine Corps



Depot Sept. 8, 1992, to become U.S. Marine, private first

class. He was Honor Man for Platoon 1073. Following boot camp, Kevin

on April 28, He Troop graduated boot

> took leave and married his high school sweetheart, Jill Martin. Jill's mother is Patsy Martin of Big Spring. Jill brought her son Trinadad (now 17) into the marriage, and since that time the couple have produced three daughters, Whitley (14), Alisia (13), and Maxine (12).

Kevin's mother is Leah Johnson of Big Spring, and his father is Arvel "Stan" Stansel,

also of Spring. His brother, Stephen, has spent 11 years

in the Navy, got out to go into business, and now has joined the National Guard, where he serves while he works for the Veterans Administration Medical Center here.

Kevin took Marine combat training and his military occupational skills training at Camp Pendleton north of San Diego.

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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

Ladies Golf Assoc. Club Championship results

The Big Spring Country Club Ladies Golf Association held their Club Championship Saturday and Sunday.

Joan Daniel claimed the club championship by posting the lowest 2day gross score of 164.

Cassie Guinn had the second lowest score at and Tammy 175Depauw came in third with a gross of 177.

Linda Dewaters and Patsy Sharpnack each shot a 140 to register the lowest net scores.

The following association members were elected as officers for 2008: Tammy Depauw, president; Jane Jones, vice president; Vickie Purcell, Secretary; Sandra Waggoner, Treasurer.

Individuals needed to referee area basketball games

Individuals are needed to referee area subvarsity basketball games for the 2007-08 season.

interested Anyone should call Adam Rodriguez at 517-0300.

Big Spring Youth Soccer Association closing ceremony

The Big Spring Youth Soccer Association will be having its season closing ceremonies at 3 p.m. Saturday at the soccer fields.

UIL decides not to change alignment

BIG HERALD

By JIM VERTUNO

AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — The University Interscholastic League will leave the current football alignment in place and will survey Class 4A superintendents about adding a fourth team to the playoffs in additional sports, the league announced Monday.

The league also enhanced the penalty for a first-time positive steroid test under the new testing program that is yet to begin.

governing body of The Texas high school sports considered a split conference alignment for football for the upcoming 2008-2009 seasons, but the UIL Legislative Council agreed to ask superintendents instead if they want to make a change for the 2010-2012. The league will use 2008 enrollment figures in the survey to show what the changes might have looked like.

"It gives everyone a chance to

bers and a new perspective," said Charles Breithaupt, UIL director of athletics.

Class 4A superintendents will decide if a fourth team is added to the playoffs in baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball and volleyball.

The playoff referendum will be this spring and would take effect in the 2008-09 school year if approved.

Mandated by state lawmakers restore eligibility.

look at this plan with fresh num- last spring, the UIL has yet to implement mandatory random steroid testing, although some penalty guidelines have been approved.

> The penalty for a first-time positive test had been a 30-calendar day suspension from competition. The new penalty would require a 30-school-day suspension and require a student to take an additional test with a negative result in order to

MLB playoffs bring the unexpected

s it divine? Or are Pudge Rodriguez and the the Major League Baseball playoffs just flat out crazy most of the time? The playoffs have

become completely unpredictable in the past four years.

So much so. that it is to the point that one must begin to expect the unexpected in October.

In years

past, the

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HULL

unexpected = has taken center stage as the postseason's leading story. For example, in 1997 no one really thought Florida would win the World Series so soon after becoming an expansion team. However, in 2003,

things just started getting flat out goofy. It seemed that the underdog always prevailed. The underdog, of course, was anybody other than the Yankees.

The team that led the goofiness of the 2003 playoffs was once again the Florida Marlins. They started off by beating the defending National League Champion San Francisco Giants in four games in the divisional series. Then they fought through a 7-game series to defeat the Cubs, only to win an opportunity to take on the heavily favored Yankees. But that was just the beginning. The Marlins had several players step up, including the aging

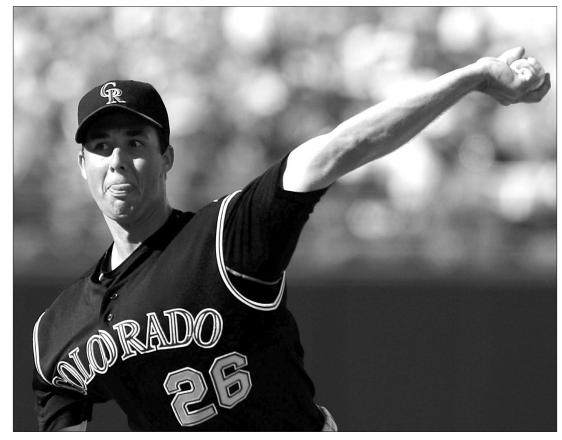
new Mr. October, Josh Beckett. They defeated the Yankees in six, despite being probably the last team most people would have picked to win the Series at the beginning of the playoffs.

The following year, in 2004, the most memorable postseason in MLB history took place, centered around the cursed Boston Red Sox.

Already down three games to none, the Red Sox were trailing 4-3 in the 9th inning. Mariano Rivera, one of the top big game closers in the history of the game, was out to close the game for the Yanks.

Most Yankees' fans were making World Series plans after game 3 when the Yanks crushed the Sox 19-8. However, a little divine intervention was on the way.

Bill Mueller saved the day when he hit a RBIsingle off of Rivera to tie the game and send it into extra innings. David Ortiz would eventually hit a walk-off home run in the 12th inning to send the series to a fifth game. No team in MLB history had ever come back from a three games to none deficit to win the series. However, the Sox were ready to make history. Everything just started falling their way throughout the remaining games. They won three straight games to beat the hated Yanks and to finally put some distance between themselves and the Curse of the



MCT photo/Jerry Lodriguss/Philadelphia Inquirer

Colorado Rockies ace pitcher Jeff Francis has been key to the Rockies unlikely ascension into the World Series. The Series begins at 7 p.m. tonight with Colorado traveling to take on the Boston Red Sox.

Bambino.

Boston went on to sweep the Cards right out of the World Series. Looking back, it was just plain screwy that things fell that way. Even Red Sox fans have to admit they thought their team was dead in the water and that "The Curse" would continue to haunt them. But baseball fans everywhere were just starting to learn they have to expect the unexpected during the MLB playoffs. The unlikely trend continued in 2005 when the Houston Astros and Chicago White Sox made trips to the Series. In 2006. it was the Detroit

Tigers who swept past a hot Yankees team on their way to an almost unbelievable attempt at earning championship rings.

that the Rockies could even make the playoffs. However, they've gone 21-1 in their last 22 games.

Half-way through the



There will be a cookout and awards will be handed out.

Volunteers are needed.

To help out or for more details, call Isaac Miramontes at 268-8740.

Howard College announces Hawk **Buddies Program**

The Howard College Women's Basketball team is tipping off its season with the Hawk Buddies Basketball Program for girls in kindergarten through eighth grade.

It starts Saturday, Nov. 17 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum with a basketball clinic from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Each Hawk Buddy will receive an opportunity to learn how to play the game from Howard players and coaches for a fee of \$20. A T-shirt will be given to each participant that will also serve as a free family season pass when worn to Howard College home games.

A second clinic is scheduled for Jan. 12 to be followed by a pizzaparty with the women's basketball team.

Each Hawk Buddy will be recognized at halftime of the Hawks home game Jan. 21.

For more information, contact Head Women's Basketball Coach Earl Diddle at 264-5043 or Assistant Coach Eric Rodewald at 816-4327.

However, no matter how nutty it's been in the past four years, there has not been a more unlikely World Series matchup than the one taking place this season.

The Colorado Rockies and Boston Red Sox begin their best-of-seven series at 7 p.m. tonight in Boston. It's a matchup that just avoided several setbacks and overcame what seemed to be insurmountable odds.

A little over a month ago, it seemed unlikely

season, the Rockies' ERA was 43 points above the league average. Then they performed an unbelievable turnaround as they led the NL in the same category through the second half of the season. That's not supposed to be done when a team plays it's home games in the thin air of Denver that allows the ball to simply leap out of the ball park.

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Brown shoots for 100th win as Texas' coach

By JIM VERTUNO

AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — For all the hand-wringing and hair-pulling that comes with losses to Kansas State and close wins over Baylor and Arkansas State, Texas fans should remember this: Mack Brown has, by the numbers, won like no other coach in modern school history.

That's right. Even Longhorns superhero Darrell Royal didn't win at Brown's current clip of 80.5 percent.

Brown is shooting for his 100th Texas victory Saturday when the No. 17 Longhorns play Nebraska. That's quite an achievement considering he hasn't finished 10 seasons in Austin.

The Longhorns have won 10 games each year since 2001. Comparing that to the old-timers can be tricky because teams now play 12-game regular seasons and conference championships. Still, it's impressive when compared to Brown's contemporaries across the coun-

Texas is the only team in the country to win at least 10 games the last six years. Some notable programs that have suffered losing seasons in that span include Notre Dame, Nebraska and Texas A&M.

None of this suggests Brown's record doesn't come with a few lumps, just that it might not be appreciated as it should be.

When Texas loses, it tends to lose in memorable ways. That fivegame losing streak to Oklahoma from 2000-2004 stands out. So does that collapse in the Big 12 title game in 2001. The 41-21 loss to Kansas State earlier this season was Brown's worst home defeat at Texas.

The biggest knock on Brown's win total is that it comes with only one Big 12 championship in 2005, the same year Texas won the national title. Mention Brown's record and the most logical comparison is Oklahoma's Bob Stoops, who in nine seasons with the Sooners

has won four conference titles and one national championship.

But the real point here is to remind Texas fans that Brown pulled the Longhorn program out of a decade-long rut.

From 1986-1997, Texas chewed up three coaches (Fred Akers, David McWilliams and John Mackovic) who had five losing seasons and won 10 games only twice.

From 1986 to 1989, the Longhorns were ranked in The Associated Press poll only twice and promptly lost both games to drop out. Under Brown, Texas has been ranked in the AP Top 25 for 116 consecutive weeks, the longest active streak in the nation. The 2005 national championship was the first in 35 years.

It's understandable that Texas fans get frustrated when the Longhorns need onside kick recoveries to beat the likes of Arkansas State by eight and Central Florida by three.

Last week they were locked in a fourth-quarter

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MCT photo/Sharon M. Steinman/Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Texas head coach Mack Brown yells at the referees in the first quarter during the University of Texas against Oklahoma University Oct. 6 at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas. Brown goes for his 100th victory as Longhorns' head coach Saturday against Nebraska.

LOCAL

Obituaries

Mavin James Boyd

Mavin James Boyd of CampWood. died Oct. 22, 2007, in Life Care Hospital in San Antonio at the age of 79.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Oct. 25, 2007, at 10 a.m. at the Trinity Full Gospel Church in CampWood. Interment will follow in CampWood Cemetery. The Rev. Carroll Vernor and the Rev. Myrtle Carney will be officiating.

He was born Janu.15, 1928, in Glasscock County to Scott and Martha Boyd. He lost his mother at the age of 12 and was on his own at 14. He spent much of his life in the Big Spring area where he met and married Lavenia Faye Long on May 24, 1946. They moved to the Hill Country in 1978 where she preceded him in death in 1988.

He then married Demerita Beagle Pletcher on June 3, 1989.

He is survived by his wife, Demerita Boyd of Riverton, Kan.; daughters Ellen Barefoot and husband Ed and Carol Self and husband E.J., all of Big Spring; sons Jim Boyd and wife Brenda of Vanderpool and Phil Boyd and wife Darlean of Melvin; three step-sons, J.J. Pletcher and wife, Joan of Florida, Rock Pletcher and wife Barbara of Dallas and Zale Pletcher of San Antonio; two step-daughters, Ermarita "Sissy" Urick of Alvin and Karen Grimmer and husband Savoy of Riverton, Kan.; eight grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; 11 step-grandchildren; 13 step-great-grandchildren; and one step-great-great grandchild.

In addition to his first wife, he was also preceded in death by his parents, one sister and two brothers.

Memorials may be made to Gideons International or to the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements are by Rushing-Estes-Knowles Mortuary, Inc.

An online registry can be accessed at www.rekfunerals.com.

Michael J. 'Mike' Myers



Michael J. "Mike" Myers, 57, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2007, at Mountain View Lodge. Memorial services will be at 4 p.m. Friday at Birdwell Lane Baptist Church with the Rev. Stephen King, pastor, officiating. He was born June 19, 1950, in Brady.

He married Joyce Marsden on June 7, 1969, in Tolar. They moved to Big Spring in 1976, from Brady. He worked for CRMWD from 1977 to 2001, retiring

due to ill health. He was a Baptist.

He is survived by his wife Joyce Myers of Big Spring; two daughters, Rayla Rucker and her husband Dan of Austin, and Gwendolyn Waight and her husband Raymond of Big Spring; parents, Johnny and Martha Myers of Brownwood; three brothers, John Myers of London, Ohio, Doug Myers of Lovington, N.M., and Robert Myers of Brownwood; two sisters, Erma Ellison of Brownwood and Kathy Martin of Comanche; and three grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Children's Fund at Birdwell Lane Baptist Church, 1512 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring 79720 or Julie Wennik Scholarship Fund, 707 East 11th Place, Big Spring 79720

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

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

Police blotter

• VERONICA RODRIGUEZ, 31, of 513 N. Goliad, was arrested Monday on charges of theft, failure to identify and a Colorado parole warrant.

• PILAR ANN HILARIO, 27, of 1904 Runnels, was arrested Tuesday on four local capias warrants and two Howard County warrants.

• ROBERT R. SANCHEZ, 43, of 1023 Stadium, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.

 VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER was reported in the 600 block of Linda.

• THEFT was reported:

- in the 200 block of Marcy.

- in the 2000 block of Johnson.

• POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA was reported in the 200 block of Second Street.

• FAILURE TO IDENTIFY AS A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE - GIVING FALSE INFORMATION was reported in the 400 block of Fourth Street.

• ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 800 block of FM 700.

 ABANDONING/ENDANGERING A CHILD WITHOUT INTENT TO RETURN was reported in the 1400 block of Sixth Street. According to Big Spring Police officials, the charge is part of a custody dispute with prosecution unlikely.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity: Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 54 inmates at the time of this report.

• ESTMOND D. USSERY, 34, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of assault and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

• JASON SCOTT EDWARDS, 19, was arrested Tuesday by DPS on a charge of resisting arrest, search or transportation.

• STEPHEN D. CURRY, 38, was arrested Tuesday by DPS on a charge of contempt of court - child support.

Fire/EMS

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

• MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of Courtney Place. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 2500 block of Maria. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of Crow. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 900 block of Father Delaney. Service refused.

Take Note

Bulletin Board

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

TODAY

• Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

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

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

• League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information, contact John Ybarra at 264-1628. The public is invited.

FRIDAY

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

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant. Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at

the Big Spring Country Club. • Dance at the Senior Center to Monroe Casey and

the Prowlers, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Weather

Tonight...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 40s. North winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Thursday...Sunny. Highs in the lower 70s. Northwest winds around 10 mph.

Thursday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s. Light and variable winds.

Friday...Sunny. Highs in the upper 70s. East winds 10 to 15 mph.

Friday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. Saturday...Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s. Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s.

Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40s.

Monday...Sunny. Highs in the lower 70s.

Monday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 40s. Tuesday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s.

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

Kate Irons

Kate Irons, 93, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2007, in a local nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Theodore Hernandez

Theodore Hernandez, 80, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2007, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Leona Wells

Leona Wells, 92, of Croton On Hudson, New York, formerly of Big Spring died Tuesday, Oc. 23, 2007. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jimmie Schuelke

Jimmie Schuelke, 62, of Ackerly, died Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2007, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Lottery

The winning Pick 3

BIG

Lottery, in order: 6-2-6

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SPRING

The jackpot in the mul- Sum It Up: 20 tistate Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to \$53 million Wednesday.

None of the tickets sold for Tuesday's \$43 million drawing matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball.The winning numbers from Tuesday's drawing were: 2, 7, 45, 52 and 53. The Mega Ball number was 18.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 2-6-8-31-32.

Number matching five of five: 1.

Prize winner: per \$25,475.

Winning ticket sold in: Houston.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-2-7-6.

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY FALL FESTIVAL will held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday at the school. Tickets may be purchased at the school before Satureay at 5 for \$1. At the door, they will be 4 for \$1. For more information, contact Olga Billaba at 264-4126.

• THE WEST TEXAS PACHYDERM CLUB invites the community to hear Cathie Adams, president of Texas Eagle Forum. Ms. Adams will be speaking on the topic, "What's the Deal with Border Security?" The Pachyderm meeting will be at 6 p.m. Thursday at St. Paul Lutheran Church on the corner of Ninth and Gregg streets.

• SALVATION ARMY LODGE, 308 AYLESFORD, WILL HAVE A COMMUNITY COOKOUT and open house from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Hotdogs and other food will be available at no charge. The community is invited to come see what the lodge is all about. Everyone is invited.

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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



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BRIEFS

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Big Spring High School cheerleaders holding cheer clinic

The Big Spring High School cheerleaders will be holding a mini-cheer clinic for girls in grades K-6 Oct. 29-30 at the Steer Gym from 6:30-8:30 p.m. each night.

Participants will learn a cheer, a chant and a bleacher mania dance. They will perform the cheer at the black out community pep rally on Nov. 1 and then again at halftime of the Powder Puff football game following the pep rally.

The student must participate in both nights of the clinic in order to perform.

- Cost is \$40 and includes a T-shirt.
- For more information,

contact Shannon Stuteville at 264-3641, ext. 166or at sstutevi@bsisd.esc18.net.

MLB playoffs: World Series schedule Colorado vs. Boston

Here's a look at the 7game schedule for the 2007 World Series: Game 1 Rockies at Red Sox, 7 p.m. tonight Game 2 Rockies at Red Sox, 7 p.m. Thursday Game 3 Red Sox at Rockies, 7 p.m. Saturday Game 4 Red Sox at Rockies, 7 p.m. Sunday Game 5 Red Sox at Rockies, **TBD Monday** Game 6 Rockies at Red Sox, TBD Oct. 31 Game 7 Rockies at Red Sox,

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SPORTS

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BROWN

through

McWilliams

Mackovic.

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battle with Baylor, a team

they scored more than 60

points against the last

two seasons. That's the

kind of thing they went

Brown sometimes bris-

tles over agitated fans

who have gotten so used

to winning big that he

thinks they don't appreci-

ate some of the tougher

ones. But even he would

admit it's better to lead a

program where fans care

more about wins and loss-

es on the football field

than on the basketball

court (remember North

Critical fandom has a

long history at Texas.

Nearly 100 years ago,

Dave Allerdice went 33-7

from 1911-1915. But mid-

way through his final sea-

son when he went 6-3, he

told the school Athletic

Carolina, Mack?).

Council he'd had enough and would be leaving because of the "super critical nature of Texas fans.'

When Texas gave Mackovic the boot, the Longhorns went searching for the next Royal, who won 77 percent of his games in 20 years. What they got in Brown was a coach who has stayed twice as long as even he thought he would and has won at a dizzying rate.

Asked Mondav to comment on approaching 100 wins, Brown said, "I never thought I'd be here 10 years. It hadn't been the trend.'

Brown could have expected to either be eaten up by the job or have gotten out while the getting was good. Instead, he is the longest-tenured coach in the Big 12.

At 99 wins and counting, even as maddening as some of them might be, Texas has been a better program for it.



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The pitching has only gotten better in the postseason, posting an ERA of 2.08. Many will not know a single player in Colorado's pitching rotation or in their batting lineup. Even long-time great Todd Helton goes greatly unnoticed.

However, this particular matchup was still in doubt just a few days ago. The Cleveland Indians looked as if they were Series bound when they took a 3-1 lead over Boston in the ALCS. Apparently, the Sox still had some of that magic from their 2004 championship run left in them.

They rallied to defeat the Indians in three lopsided games, including an 11-2 victory in Game

Now it becomes tough to predict what will happen next. The theory here is to go with the unexpected, but both teams have already performed that recently. Either one has an argument to be an unexpected Series' participant.

The Rockies ERA has been phenomenal, but they haven't faced a lineup like the one Boston brings with Manny Ramirez and David Ortiz in the middle of it.

However, if anything could be seen as unlikely in this series, it would be that the Rockies' pitching staff would shut down the vaunted Sox batters. Colorado's ace is Jeff Francis. Francis admittedly doesn't have great velocity on his pitches and doesn't consider anything in his arsenal to be spectacular. Yet, with the top defense in the majors behind him, the Rockies have followed their No. 1 pitcher to a Series' berth.

There's one thing that could be more unlikely than Francis and company stopping the Sox lineup. That is for the Rockies to overcome Beckett, who has looked untouchable throughout his playoffs career with a 1.78 ERA.

After all of this deliberating about the underdog theory, the Rockies standout as the most unlikely team to win this season. Now, will they keep their 7-game playoff win streak alive? Probably not. Boston is a great team.

However, the unexpected should be expected and Colorado will win this series in six.

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS Retrograde Mercury has backtracked into Libra, where the

messenger kindly and graciously holds opposing points of view. Like a dating-game contestant reviewing

dates with Bachelor Nos. 1, 2 and

her

3, the colorful truth comes out. No one need

take offence; Libra revels the paradoxical in dilemmas of diversity.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You want to hook up that with special someone, but it's not worth changing your plans to make it happen. Trust that when you honor your original commitments, the natural unfolding of events will support your wishes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You present the truth in the best light, but you don't fabricate it. That's what makes you a star at the PR game now. And if you don't think you use public relations tactics in everyday life, think again!

GEMINI (May 21-June Ultra-successful 21). friends can help you with whatever you can't seem to figure out on your own. And asking is a way of forging bonds that keep you in their minds and ultimately in their VIP circles.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're pushing the limits of your current people you know.

lifestyle. A wish that seems unattainable is actually not out of reach at all to many people. You can and will create scenarios beyond your current imagination.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You are ready to do the job you always wanted to do. In a weird way, you're already doing it. All that's lacking is the fat paycheck, and that is coming. Believe.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. Moments 22). of fearlessness help you to feel the full force of your inner power. Even if those moments are fleeting, you're able to hold them longer and longer when you practice. Stand tall in a courageous version of yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). simplification of The vour immediate surroundings brings all kinds of possibilities -like peace, order and beauty day after day. Address problems at the start of the day and they are solved by the end of it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Spirit communication usually highly is symbolic. So, when strange images cross your mind -- be they fish flying in the air, golden harps played by cherubs or mountains of lilacs -make record of what you There's meaning see. here.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You need all the brainpower you have to make the most of this opportunity -- and also all the brainpower you can borrow from the smartest

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). As you aim for your highest potential, the people around you perk up with interest. You're building yourself and creating energy as you do, and nothing is more attractive. Be kind with your power.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Someone you haven't spent much time with lately will be thrilled to monopolize your afternoon. You'll have so much fun that you'll find yourself you wondering why didn't do it sooner.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You can accept how you are, love yourself and still make vast improvements.

Enhancements to your appearance might initially go unnoticed by loved ones, but you feel like a million. and that's what makes it worth the effort.

ASTROLOGICAL

QUESTIONS: "I am an Aries woman (born April 16, 1961, in Belleville, N.J.), and I have met an Aquarius man (born Jan. 26, 1960) at work. We share intense an emotional and physical attraction to each other but are in other committed, long-term relationships. We have stayed away from each other because of this, but I can't help wanting us to be together. Please give me insight into a potential future relationship for us: Is he sincere in his feelings, and would he like to work things out? I think we are both afraid of the changes that would be

involved, but this seems so right. I feel my life is on hold until I can decide to follow these feelings or let go and move on."

Who are you betraying by staying in а relationship when your heart's not in it? Two people already -- yourself and your partner. You need to make a brave decision to end one of them. There will be fallout from leaving your respective relationships, and that's the price of following your heart. Better to come clean and be honest now than wait for someone to find you out.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Hillary Rodham Clinton has the staying power of the fixed sign of Scorpio. Sitting in her Senate seat or standing by her man, she's resolute. As partnerships deepen in the sign of Scorpio, teaming up resources is the natural next step. With an innate ability to create financially lucrative and prestigious alliances, Hillary's purse strings are tied to those around her.

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Annie's Mailbox •: Advice for those in need

Annie: Dear My husband and I have been married for 17 years, and we have a blended family. For a long time, I have suggested we make out legal wills to provide for each other. He always has a reason not to do it. I even bought will kits for both of us in order to make it easy. His is still

asked him about this, we got into an argument and I told him if he wouldn't protect me, I wanted a divorce. I'll happily eat a plate of crow if it is legally binding to write down your wishes on a piece of paper and sign it. — Insecure in Oregon Dear Oregon: No crow for you. Your husband is wrong. According to the Oregon Attorney General's Office, Oregon is NOT a community property state. And although your husband can write a will on a napkin, it must be signed, witnessed and notarized in order to be legal. Please contact an attornev estate immediately to be sure both of you are protected. Dear Annie: My mom and dad were married for 46 years and divorced two years ago. My parents mostly avoid each other. Dad never badmouths my mom, nor does he date. Mom has gone out a few times, but she doesn't like any of the men she's met. Her favorite saying is, "Who needs them?" She is a bitter person. I'd like to fix up my dad with a woman I work with. She's his age and had an emotionally abusive marriage. My dad loves to have a good time and has a great personality. What do you think? — Sam Dear Sam: It's sweet that you want Dad to be happy, but you run a real risk of infuriating your mother. It's also possible that if things don't work out, your co-worker will be less than cordial to you. But if you think neither woman will mind (or you don't care that she does), by all means set Dad up and hope for

the best.

Dear Annie: T discovered that the "reverse phone directory" feature allows anyone to put your phone number in the computer

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City of Big Spring Zoning Board of

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Chief Building Official #5573 October 21 & 24, 2007

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MARCY SUGAR

sitting on his desk, right where I put it.

My stepchildren are all adults now. Not long ago, they told me (they didn't ask) what they want from our house when their dad dies. Some of those items are my family heirlooms, intended for my daughter. This made me nervous. Consequently, I asked my husband to make out a will so I protected would be legally. He insists we don't have to waste money on attorneys fees because we live in Oregon, a community property state, and all we have to do is write our wishes down on a piece of paper and sign it.

Is that true? I support us because my husband is disabled, though his Social Security supplements our income. We have little savings and no real property. We have a few financial investments, but they don't amount to much. Our personal possessions make up most of the estate.

I feel insecure without a legal will, especially when his children are already acting like they are entitled to whatever they want. I don't trust them. The last time I and get your complete name and address, including a map to your home. All someone has to do is stand in line behind you at a store and remember your phone number. Would you want some pervert doing this to gain access to your family?

Another thing that bothers me is when newspapers run pictures of kids and print the child's full name. All newspapers should stop this practice immediately for the kid's safety. -AConcerned Parent and Grandpa

Parent: Dear How unfortunate that our world has become such a frightening place. Store personnel often request a phone number, but you are not obligated to provide it. And we agree that printing the full names of children in the newspaper can create unanticipated problems. How sad.

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COUNCIL

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certainly. However, until we get into the nuts and bolts of it, it's not determined at this time."

Darden said the \$500,000 price tag includes architect and engineering fees for the facility, as well as construction costs.

The council approved first reading of a contract between the city and architect Robert Durham — with Councilman Greg Biddison the lone dis-

senter — but not before local resident Rita Brown expressed her displeasure for the expenditure.

"Can we not find better things to do with this money?" asked Brown. "Only a limited number of citizens would use this clubhouse, and I feel the money could be better used for something for the whole community. Four hundred thousand dollars could go toward the new jail or remodeling the old jail, depending on how the election goes. It could go toward making this town more ADA

LOCAL

(Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant. It could go toward improving the streets... It could go toward not increasing our taxes for all of your whims.

"I don't know why the county and city officials think the citizens of Howard County are a bottomless pit from which they can continue to extract taxes. We grant you one thing that you request, and then you want three more things. We want Big Spring to attract businesses and new people, but officials

an undesirable town that taxes its citizens to death.'

The contract is expected to go before the council for final approval in approximately two weeks. Also during Tuesday's

meeting, the council: • Approved first reading

of a resolution that would allow the city to reimburse newly hired police officers for up to \$1,500 for their police academy tuition and fees on a 6-1 vote, with Biddison voting against the measure. Passed on first reading

are hell bent on making it of a resolution allowing city employees to sell back sick leave hours in favor of holding a work session, tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, to discuss this and several other matters.

• Approved first reading of agreements with companies for auditing and storage tank rehabilitation services.

• Made several appointments and re-appointments to municipal boards and committees, as well as nominating former Mayor Tim Blackshear to serve on

fate of the jail bond during the November elec-

court placed a similar

bond election on the

November 2006 ballot,

asking voters to approve a

bond for slightly more

than \$10 million to

finance a 144-bed jail,

which was voted down by

commissioner's

the Howard County Tax Appraisal District Board

of Directors for 2008 and 2009. Blackshear's nomination will have to garner support from other tax entities before it can be approved.

• Gave Mayor Russ McEwen the go ahead to begin negotiations for a contract between the city and City Attorney Linda Sjogren.

MYERS & SMITH

FUNERAL HOME

& CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Michael J. "Mike" Myers, 57, died Tuesday.

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be at 4:00 PM Friday at

Birdwell Lane Baptist

Leona Wells, 92, died

Tuesday. Services are

pending at Myers &

Jimmie Schuelke, 62,

died Tuesday. Services

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SUPPORT

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who has done many jails, and an excellent consultant to work with them and put into play a circumstance where they design that jail to minimize the number of employees they would need. They are going to be able to run the jail with the same number of people that they had before.

"There are lots of things that have caused me concern about this project in the past. They do not, now. I feel like this is a good thing."

McEwen said approval of the bond election would essentially get the city of Big Spring out of the jail business, thus reducing its liability in the future.

"As you all know, we (the city of Big Spring) are in the jail business. And we have an exposure to liability that is not good," said McEwen. "If we have a new jail we would have the ability to contract with them, and in essence help them pay for the jail in the area of \$150,000 to \$175,000 per year, if we have them run the jail.

"There has been much said that this is a Taj Mahal jail. This is not a Taj Mahal jail. This is a metal building with a nice facade in front of it,

in 2006 — said she voted against the resolution because it would place too great a tax burden on the citizens in her district.

"I think when we did our bonds, it's going to cost too much for my constituents," said Horton flatly. "So I'm not for that."

Councilwoman Gloria McDonald said she still has personal reservations regarding the bond election, but feels it's in the best interest of the city.

"There have been many fingers (aspects) of this I haven't agreed with, and I still don't agree with," said McDonald. "I was elected by the people of my district to look out for the city, and because of that, we do need to get out of the jail business... I don't want anyone to think I'm 100 percent for this. I'm going to vote for it because I believe it's good for the city."

Councilwoman Joann Staulcup echoed the same concerns, saying it was the fiscally responsible thing to do.

"Throughout this process, there are things that I've found doubtful. Some of them have been resolved, some of them have not," said Staulcup. "But I don't know that anything is ever 100 percent. You do the best you

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can with what you have. "I'm not 100 percent in support of this... I'm

going to vote for it for the reason Mrs. same McDonald is, which is because the people in our districts elected us and asked us to do the best we could with their money, and we have to spend it wisely."

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but that's all there is to it. It's not something that has any amount of grandeur... I just wanted to state the reasons I felt like, as a public entity, we needed to have a resolution in support of this. I think it's right for the community, and I think it's right for the city of Big Spring. We need to get out of the jail business."

Horton — who voted in favor of bonds totaling more than \$14 million for city street renovations and a new sports complex

Halloween events

Scenic Mountain Medical Center Relay For Life Haunted House will be held Friday, Saturday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Malone & Hogan Clinic. Admission is \$5.

Halloween at the Big Spring Mall will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday. Parents, bring your children in costumes for fun, safe trick or treating. For more information, call the mall at 267-3853.

The Yellow Dogs Relay For Life team is sponsoring a spook house at College Heights School, 1801 S. Goliad. Hours will be 7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday and 7:30 p.m. until 11 p.m. Oct. 29-31.

Big Spring High School Class of 2009 will be holding a haunted house at John Wesley's Pick Pocket Billiards, 102 E. Third St., Saturday from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person. All money received will go towards the BSHS prom.



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OUR VIEWS

Let's help our children stay free of drugs

mong the major lures our children face day in and day out are drugs and alcohol. Administrators and teachers do a good job in keeping drugs and alcohol off school campuses. That effort continues as most area districts, including the Big Spring school system, will soon be implementing random testing.

Still, the use of drugs and alcohol among younger students is a national problem.

It's good to know then, that Crossroads area schools are avidly participating in this week's Red Ribbon Week campaign.

Red Ribbon Week began in 1987 as a federal effort to promote awareness to the drug problem in America's schools. A few years later, the program became extremely popular in Texas schools and remains so.

Whether it be tying ribbons around trees, wearing red, holding events like "Hugs, Not Drugs" or participating in drug awareness programs, anytime we can send a positive message to our youth it is important.

However, as Darrell Ryan, director of federal programs for the Big Spring ISD noted, the program raises awareness not only for young people, but for parents and teachers, as well.

As adults, most of us know substance abuse can lead to a lifetime of misery. Too many lives have The United States of Cubazuela

ell, just when you thought the clown who rules Venezuela couldn't be any more bizarre or say anything more absurd, out comes President Hugo Chavez with yet another amazingly preposterous statement.

It happens at least once a week. He is the shock jock of Latin American politics. But unlike American radio shock jocks, most of whom say stupid things without consequences, this radio flamethrower happens to be the leader of 27 million people in Venezuela and



OPINION

MIGUEL Perez

many other millions of anti-American leftists throughout Latin America.

When he says he wants to develop nuclear energy, or when he threatens a neighboring country with war, or when he admits that he wants to lead a revolution against the U.S. "empire," we should take him seriously.

His latest diatribe, on his weekly " Alo, Presidente " ("Hello, President") radio and TV show, was broadcast from Cuba, where he announced that Cuba and Venezuela are one single country marching toward a confederation of Bolivarian republics — and a "regional power."

The Venezuelan opposition has long complained that a huge number of Cuban government emissaries already are running the Venezuelan government.

With Cuban dictator Fidel Castro as his guest, Chavez confirmed it. "Deep down, we are one single government, one single country," Chavez said.

Although Cuba obviously welcomes Venezuela's economic aid, many in the Castro government who value their country's independence must have been shocked by Chavez's marriage proposal.

"Fidel, let's tell everybody we are going to turn this aggregation of countries — the Bolivarian Alternatives for the Peoples of the Americas — and beyond that, into a confederation of republics. We are going to turn the union of our peoples into a regional power."

It was clearly an effort to publicly commit the ailing Cuban dictator to cede his power to Chavez after he dies. But although Castro did not take the bait, Chavez has reasons to feel he may someday become the absolute ruler of Latin America.

Together with other leftist Latin American leaders who have been propped up with Venezuela's oil wealth, Castro and Chavez have formed a union of anti-American nations that includes Bolivia, Ecuador and Nicaragua.

Three weeks ago, after Venezuela and Bolivia received Iranian president and terrorism sponsor, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, this column called them "The Latin American Axis of Evil." And last week, jokingly, Castro confirmed it.

"We are the axis of evil," Castro said, as if turning it into a joke made it untrue.

Chavez was in Santa Clara, Cuba, and Castro was in Havana, but their telephone dialogue was heard throughout the Caribbean island and Venezuela.

Their conversation was meant to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the death of Ernesto "Che" Guevara, whom they see as a revolutionary icon, while others regard him as a bloody murderer. Guevara ran Castro's firing squad after the guerrillas took power in Cuba in 1959.

It was Che Guevara who coined the slogan "one, two, three, many Vietnams" to counter "U.S. imperialism."

Remembering Guevara and refer-

ring to the U.S. military involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan, Castro said, "The world is full of Vietnams today facing up to a tyrannical power."

But Chavez, broadcasting and shooting off his mouth from Guevara's tomb in Santa Clara, had to take it one step further. Because Guevara was killed in Bolivia while exporting Cuba's guerrilla warfare in 1967, and because his Bolivian counterpart, President Evo Morales, has not been able to ram a new leftist constitution down the throat of his people, Chavez threatened to turn Bolivia into another Vietnam.

With the power of his proposed confederation already going to his head, Chavez warned "the Bolivian oligarchy" that his government would not "fold its arms" if Morales were overthrown or killed. He said Bolivian opposition groups are sabotaging the Constituent Assembly that is trying to draft a new constitution.

"Be careful because you could be faced not only with the Vietnam of the ideas, but also the Vietnam of the machine guns of war," Chavez threatened.

He then told ministers in the Venezuelan and Bolivian governments that "no consensus can be sought with such currents" of dissenters who operate through "tricks and terror."

"What consensus?" Chavez asked. "The consensus of Washington? All they want is hegemony and imposition."

His friends are the world's cruelest dictators and sponsors of terrorism. He is trying to organize a totalitarian bloc of nations that undoubtedly would threaten world peace. And yet he accuses his opponents of "tricks and terror" and "hegemony and imposition."

Can anyone be more hypocritical?

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A few words, please, about my hero

The kids in one of my son's ninth-grade classes were asked to write essays on their hero. With two exceptions, they all picked Al Gore. That's easy: He was in the news this week. Only a kid with my son's backbone would debate

people usurious interest rates for goods they desperately needed and then repossessing them for even a single nonpayment, as explained in very small writing.

Judge Wright thought that was exactly what it prohibited, and he wrote a decision that outraged

Kennedy did.

I was Judge Wright's second woman clerk. He had to tell me that his good friend William Brennan, then the most liberal justice on the United States Supreme Court, a job my Judge would have loved and could never have,

been torn apart because a drunken teenager got behind the wheel of a motor vehicle or overdosed on some drug he or she took "for fun."

Unfortunately, the pitfalls are many and peer pressure is difficult to overcome.

Let's face it, convincing young people that the real way to "be cool" is to be your own person, is not the easiest of tasks.

As a result, we need to always be vigilant.

Red Ribbon Week is only a handful of days important days to be sure, but we need to constantly remind our children that the choices they make today will be key to their future.

But this week, whether you are a parent or not, don't miss an opportunity to tell a student who is wearing a red ribbon how proud you are of them.

Remember, our children are our future. Let's do everything possible to help them grow up drug and alcohol free.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Amen

When we concentrate on You, Lord, and not race from one situation to another we won't be as stressed.

whether all of the science in Al Gore's presentation was correct, whether he really would be a stronger candidate than Hillary, or whether his loss in 2000 wasn't at least in part his own fault.

But the question of picking a hero remained. So he asked me who mine was.

That's probably why I found myself dreaming of Williams v. Walker-Thomas Furniture Store. Most people dream of romance and adventure. On occasion, I do, too. But when I go to bed thinking of heroes, I'm more likely to dream of an obscure furniture store in Washington, D.C., that used to take advantage of poor people who had nowhere else to go to buy tables and chairs, or refrigerators and stoves. So they went to Walker-Thomas Furniture, which promised credit for everyone, with a catch. The catch was that the interest rates were higher than anyone would pay in any other part of town, and repossession came faster than it ever would from Hecht's or Woodward and Lothrop if they missed even a single payment. Did I mention that all the customers were black?

That's the way it was until a man named J. Skelly Wright wrote a decision I read about in my first year of law school. I'd never heard of Judge Wright, and when I started reading, it was just one more case to be briefed by morning. But this one was different. The Uniform Commercial Code, one of the most boring documents I encountered in law school, prohibited unconscionable commercial transactions. No one had ever thought that meant charging poor

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many in the business community for its audacity in seeking to regulate arms-length commercial transactions between willing sellers and desperate buyers.

'What do you think of that?" my then-professor asked the class. I thought I might have found my hero.

Long before he protected poor people from being treated like dirt in furniture stores, J. Skelly Wright, a self-described "good Catholic boy" from New Orleans, a night-law-school graduate, a working-class kid who took seriously what he learned in school and in church, had been appointed to the federal district court by Harry Truman while still in his 30s because he was the only guy around who thought every ballot was supposed to be counted, once. But no one expected this good ole boy to decide that if separate but equal was inherently unequal, it was his job as a federal judge to order the first blacks to attend LSU Law School, to integrate the New Orleans school systems.

The Klan burned crosses on his lawn so often his son once told me that when his parents went out, his dad told him to just ignore them unless they got too close to the house, in which case he should call the fire department.

He didn't set out to be a hero. He just believed it was his job to do what was right, to enforce the law. By the early '60s, Richard Russell, then the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, had told the president's men that Skelly Wright would never be confirmed for the Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, which covered the South, or for the Supreme Court. But if the new president wanted to get him out of Louisiana and put him on the U.S. Court of Appeals in D.C., he'd skip the hearing that day. That is what President

wouldn't be hiring me because I was a woman. He sat with me as I tried not to cry.

A few months later we were assigned an important rape case. The fancy law firm representing the defendant was trying to uphold the corroboration requirement that Judge Wright's closest friend on the court had championed. I came close to tears again. I explained how I'd been raped and there had been no corroboration, and the rule that would have kept this case from the jury would have kept mine away as well. This one's for you, he told me. It was the day I came to understand that lemons could be made into lemonade.

He never got rich. I used to joke years later that he was the only person I knew who drove a car worse than mine: I drove a Maverick, he drove a Pinto. As the Supreme Court changed, he got reversed more and more often. But he never stopped fighting.

The year I worked for him was the year my world fell apart: I lost my father, my family was in shambles, I didn't have a dime to call my own and I could barely remember why I had become a lawyer. It was also the year my world came back together, under the kind and gentle tutelage of a man who never wore his courage on his sleeve, never expected, or received, much acclaim, but taught me what it was to believe in something enough to put your life and your heart on the line for it every day.

I spent Christmas that year with the Wrights. It was the finest Christmas of my life. For it was his soul that made J. Skelly Wright a hero. He never got a Nobel Prize, but truth be told, he didn't need one.

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By April 1993 he had finished this training and reported to his first permanent duty station, at the Marine Corps Barracks, 8th and I, Washington DC. This assignment was an honor he received for being selected a Yankee White Recruit while in boot camp.

After a year, he was sent to Okinawa as SRB chief and non-commissioned officer in charge to the Combat Assault Battalion, 3rd Marine Division for a year (he had become a corporal at 8th and I).

Immediately after his overseas tour he was given orders to 1st Light Anti-Aircraft Missile Battalion (LAAM), Yuma, Ariz., where he was put in charge of the SRB, info management, and separation sections. During this time he became a sergeant, did a lot of volunteer work, earned Marine of the Year for the Third Marine Aircraft Wing 1998 and attended the sergeants course at 29 Palms.

Kevin volunteered for drill instructor duty. After the two-month school, he was assigned to Making Marines, Charlie Company. For three years as DI and senior DI he helped train 600 men through eight training cycles. He was promoted to staff sergeant.

His next assignment took him back to the scene of his own boot training, as administration chief of 1st Battalion,

Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif. He served one year there, then was ordered to the 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine Regiment. He was promoted to gunnery sergeant.

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In 2005, he volunteered for an assignment that took him aboard the U.S.S. Tarawa for service touching the Philippines, Australia, Egypt and Iraq. This was with the 2nd Marines, 2nd Batallion.

Of his service there, Kevin wrote,"While in Iraq, I was in charge of maintaining accountability of more than 1,200 Marines, seven different attachments and more than 200 Iraqi soldiers who were in more than four different areas of the Al Anbar Province.

"My position was in the Forward Command Operation Center and I was in charge of monitoring Battalion TAC-2, which consisted of the evacuation and tracking of all KIAs and WIAs, any line Improvised 9 Explosive Device threats, and all other administrational information passed over the net. I participated in two combat operations: Operation Steel Curtain and Operation Iron Hammer."

Returning to Camp Pendleton, Kevin became the adjutant for 2nd Battalion 1st Marines, and then was reassigned as headquarters and sercompany vice 1st sergeant, but not for long. He was soon sent to U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Korea. Upon arrival in November 2006, he took over as administration chief in the G-1 Division

Silver Wings Ball

The Silver Wings Ball, an annual fund-raiser for Hangar 25 Air Museum, will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3 at the Big Spring Country Club. Activities will include a silent auction, appetizers, desserts, dancing and live music featuring Millennium Jazz.

Tickets are \$25 per person; reserved tables for eight are \$200. RSVP by Oct. 29 by calling (432) 264-1999 or e-mailing hangar25@crcom.net

where he is currently serving. He anticipates the completion of his 20year career in less than five years.

Kevin has received ribbons and medals for the several units and operations in which he has served. Four times he received this Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Do you have a story about your own family members in the military? E-mail Lane Bond (lane@bondwebs.com), call him at (432) 263-4033, or visit his Web site at www.bondwebs.com



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Just listen for giggles."

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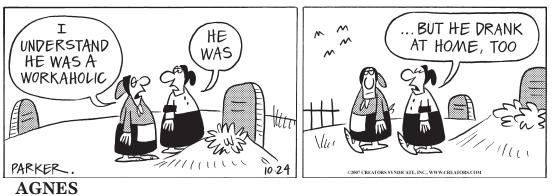


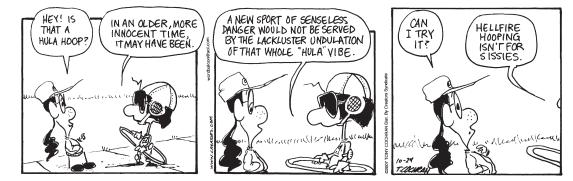


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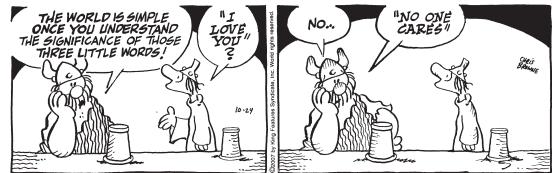
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 24, the 297th day of 2007. There are 68 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 24, 1945, the United Nations officially came into existence as its charter took effect.

On this date:

In 1537, Jane Seymour, the third wife of England's King Henry VIII, died 12 days after giving birth to Prince Edward, later King Edward VI.

In 1648, the Peace of Westphalia ended the Thirty Years War and effectively destroyed the Holy Roman Empire.

In 1861, the first transcontinental telegraph message was sent as Chief Justice Edson Taylor became the first person to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel.

In 1931, the George Washington Bridge, connecting New York and New Jersey, was officially dedicated (it opened to traffic the next day).

In 1940, the 40-hour work week went into effect under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

In 1952, Republican presidential candidate Dwight D. Eisenhower declared in Detroit, "I shall go to Korea" as he promised to end the conflict. (He made the visit over a month later.)

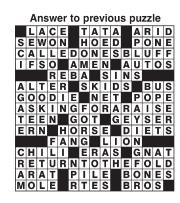
In 1962, the U.S. blockade of Cuba during the missile crisis officially began under a proclamation signed by

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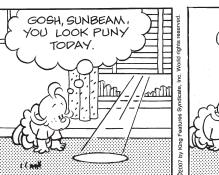
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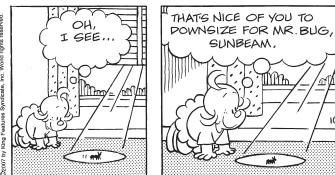
Thought for Today: "Seek not the favor of the multitude; it is seldom got by honest and lawful means. But seek the testimony of the few; and number not voices, but weigh them." Immanuel Kant, German philosopher (1724-1804).

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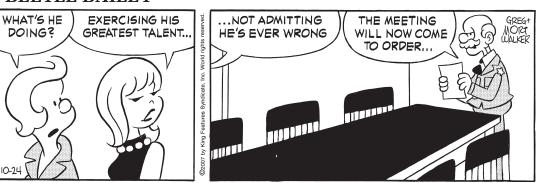
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Editor's Note: Below are the 16 proposed amendents to the Texas Constitution, up for voter consideration Nov. 6. Early voting is under way at the Howard County Courthouse and other polling places across the state.

1. Proposition 1 — **HJR 103**

"The constitutional amendment providing for the continuation of the constitutional appropriation for facilities and other capital items at Angelo State University on a change in the governance of the university." Explanation:

Essentially, this amendment updates the constitution to reflect that Angelo State University, once a part of the Texas State University System, is now part of the Texas Tech University System.

2. Proposition 2 – **SJR 57**

"The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students and authorizing bond enhancement agreements with respect to general obligation bonds issued for that purpose."

Explanation: This amendment would authorize the Texas Higher **Education Coordinating** Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance college and university student loans.

3. Proposition 3 – **HJR 40**

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation is limited to the lesser of the most recent market value of the residence homestead as determined by

the legislature to permit the voters of a municipality having a population of less than 10,000 to authorize the governing body of the municipality to enter into an agreement with an owner of real property in or adjacent to an area in the municipality that has been approved for funding under certain programs administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture under which the parties agree that all ad valorem taxes imposed on the owner's property may not be increased for the first five tax years after the tax year in which the agreement is entered into."

Explanation: The amendment aims to aid in the elimination of slum and blighted conditions in less populated communities and promote rural economic development.

6. Proposition 6 — **HJR 54**

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation one motor vehicle owned by an individual and used in the course of the owner's occupation or profession and also for personal activities of the owner."

Explanation: An individual who uses their vehicle for both business and personal activities could be exempted from ad valorem taxation on one motor vehicle. If passed, this amendment would apply to the tax year that begins Jan. 1, 2007.

7. Proposition 7 – **HJR 30**

"The constitutional amendment to allow governmental entities to sell property acquired through eminent domain back to the previous owners at the price the

"The constitutional amendment to clarify certain provisions relating to the making of a home equity loan and use of home equity loan proceeds."

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9. Proposition 9 -

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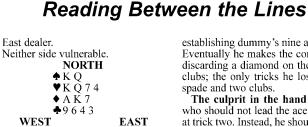
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establishing dummy's nine as a trick. Eventually he makes the contract by discarding a diamond on the nine of clubs; the only tricks he loses are a spade and two clubs. The culprit in the hand is East,

By Steve Becker

who should not lead the ace of clubs at trick two. Instead, he should return a low club, a conclusion he arrives a

after working out the exact meaning

of the low club led by West.

the appraisal entity or 110 percent, or a greater percentage, of the appraised value of the residence homestead for the preceding tax year."

Explanation: If approved, this amendment would make the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation the lesser of the most recent market value, or 110 percent, or a greater percentage, of the appraised value of the homestead for the preceding tax year.

4. Proposition 4 – **SJR 65**

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$1 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for maintenance, improvement, repair, and construction projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

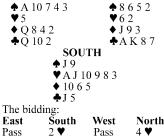
Explanation: This amendment allows the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue and sell up to \$1 billion in general obligation bonds for maintenance, improvement, repair, or construction projects authorized by the state agencies outlined in the amendment and for the purchase of needed equipment. Agencies include the Parks and Wildlife Department, Department of Aging and **Disability Services**, Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, and the Texas Historical Commission, among others.

5. Proposition 5 -**SJR 44**

"The constitutional amendment authorizing entities paid to acquire the property."

Explanation: The purpose of this amendment is to allow the immediate previous properly owner or their heirs to reacquire property taken from them through eminent domain at the price which was originally paid to them when the property was acquired by the government. This would apply in certain cases where the public use for which the property was acquired by eminent domain no longer exists or a prescribed deadline was not met.

8. Proposition 8 – **HJR 72**



two of clubs.

Cards frequently tell a story, but

For example, take this case where

it would be easy to go wrong. West

has no clearly indicated lead and,

East wins with the king and

returns the ace, on which South plays

the jack and West the ten. Too late

East realizes that West has led from

the Q-10-2 and shifts to a diamond,

Several plays later declarer ruffs

the six of clubs, felling the queen and

but the damage is already done.

let's say, tries the deuce of clubs.

it is not always easy to decipher the

Opening lead

message.

Once declarer follows with the five at trick one, East can diagnose West's club lead as having come

from one of two holdings: a singleton, or a three-card suit consisting of precisely the Q-10-2. A low club return at trick two caters to both possibilities and thus can do no harm. East arrives at this conclusion by

the following thought process: West cannot have a doubleton since he did not lead high-low. It is impossible for West to have started with four clubs. since he would have led the queen from a holding of Q-J-10-2. Similarly, West cannot have the J-10-2 because he would have led the jack from that holding. That leaves West with either the singleton deuce or Q-10-2

The number of hands where cardreading of this sort is possible is far greater than is generally realized. To be a good card detective, one must be willing to think. Bridge is not a game for the lackadaisical mind.

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tain totally disabled veterans from ad valorem taxation and authorizing a change in the manner of determining the amount of the existing exemption from ad valorem taxation to which a disabled veteran is entitled."

Explanation: With this amendment, a disabled veteran with a serviceconnected disability with a disability rating of 100 percent or totally disabled may be exempted from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of their residence homestead. It also adds some clarifications regarding exemptions for disabled veterans with less than 100 percent disability.

10. Proposition 10 -**HJR 69**

'The constitutional amendment to abolish the constitutional authority for the office of inspector of hides and animals."

Explanation: This amendment cleans up the wording of the constitution to remove references to the former office of Inspector of Hides and Animals.

11. Proposition 11 – **HJR 19**

"The constitutional amendment to require that a record vote be taken by a house of the legislature on final passage of any bill, other than certain local bills, of a resolution proposing or ratifying a constitutional amendment, or of any other non-ceremonial resolution, and to provide for public access on the Internet to those record votes."

Explanation: This amendment would require a vote taken in either house of the legislature to be recorded by record vote, if the vote was on final passage of a bill, other than local bills, a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment or any other resolution that is not purely ceremonial. The record vote must be archived and available for public viewing on the Internet for at least two years.

12. Proposition 12 — **SJR 64**

"The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the **Texas Transportation** Commission in an amount not to exceed \$5 case." billion to provide funding for highway improve-

ment projects.' **Explanation:** This amendment would authorize the Texas Transportation Commission to issue up to \$5 billion

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owed under related credit

13. Proposition 13 –

"The constitutional

the denial of bail to a

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Explanation: This

amendment authorizing

person who violates cer-

tain court orders or con-

felony or family violence

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amendment would authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates conditions of release in a family violence case and permit the legislature to

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to a person

who violates

certain court orders in a

14. Proposition 14 -

amendment permitting a

"The constitutional

reaches the mandatory

retirement age while in

justice or judge who

family violence case.

HJR 36

the

office to serve the remainder of the justice's or judge's current term."

Explanation: This amendment would limit a state justice or judge's service to December 31 of the fourth year of the term if he/she is elected to all or part of a six year term, and reaches mandatory retirement age during the first four years of said term.

15. Proposition 15 — **HJR 90**

"The constitutional amendment requiring the creation of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and authorizing the issuance of up to \$3 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for research in Texas to find the causes of and cures for cancer."

Explanation: This amendment would require the legislature to establish the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, and would provide for its management, duties, and powers. It would authorize the issuance of up to

\$3 billion in general obligation bonds to be used for operations and grants for the purpose of scientific research of all forms of human cancer.

16. Proposition 16 -**SJR 20**

"The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$250 million to provide assistance to economically distressed areas.'

Explanation: This amendment would authorize the issuance of up to \$250 million in general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assis-

tance to economically distressed areas of the state to help provide adequate sewer and water supply services for residential use.

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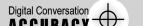
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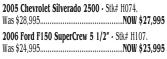
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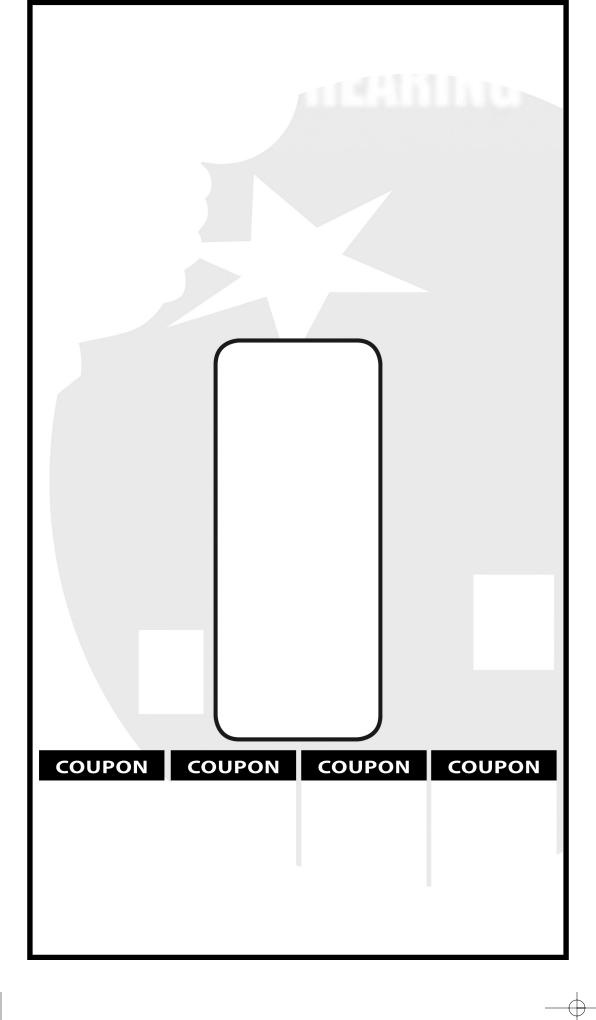




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