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Barr: Bond vote will be close

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

It's the bottom of the ninth inning and Howard County officials are hoping for a home run from voters, as the fate of the proposed \$11.57 million jail bond rests squarely on Tuesday's election.

County Judge Mark Barr said early voting numbers, which have come in below projections made by local election officials, really haven't given him or the county commissioners a strong feeling whether the bond will pass or be defeated again.



BARR

"What do the early voting totals mean? You've got me," Barr said Friday afternoon. "I really don't know what to read into that. I've heard arguments made both ways from other people, but who really knows what John Q. Public is thinking at this point?"

Barr said he feels optimistic going into Tuesday's election.

"I feel like it's going to be close," said Barr. "I think at this point you'd pretty much

have to be a fool to try to put any projected numbers to it, but I feel like it's going to be close. I'm very optimistic about the election."

The commissioner's 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 more than 60 percent. The current bond election would finance a 96-bed facility located on the city's west side, near the

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Tuesday poll locations

- North Side Fire Station, 100 N.E. Eighth Street — Precincts 101-115
- Life Church, 600 E. FM 700 — Precincts 202-205 and 208
- Goliad Middle School, 2000 Goliad — Precincts 302-305
- Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Kentucky Lane and Birdwell Lane — Precincts 401-407 and 410
- Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Avenue, Coahoma — Precincts 207, 408 and 409

JOINT MUSICAL OPENS THURSDAY



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

King Arthur (Jason Worthington) and Guenevere (Hallie Biemeret) share a moment during a scene from "Camelot," a joint production of the Big Spring High School and Howard College theater departments. The first performance will be at 7 p.m. Thursday in the high school auditorium. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students.

Nix reunion is Saturday at Stampede

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

For more than 60 years, any mention of country and western or Texas swing music in the Big Spring area has brought one family name to mind.

And it's that tradition second-generation musician Jody Nix hopes to keep going as he and his Texas Cowboys celebrate 61 years of Nix-driven music Saturday at the legendary Stampede.

"The music business started professionally for the Nix family in 1946. When my dad, Hoyle Nix, and my uncle, Ben Nix, started with their band at Yell's Inn, which was in the west part of Big Spring," said Nix. "It's not there anymore, but that's where they started their professional career. It lasted almost 40 years for both of them before they passed away."

"In 1996 — which was the 50th anniversary — I

started holding a reunion for all of the family and old band members, and the guys that had worked with them through the years. We held that reunion for nine years in a row."

Marking exactly 61 years since the Nix brothers took the stage for the first time, Nix and the Texas Cowboys — joined by fellow Texas swing legend Bobby Flores — will celebrate the milestone Saturday.

"Me and my boys — the Texas Cowboys — will start it off at about 9 p.m. and play until about 10:15 p.m. or so," said Nix. "Bobby and his boys will come on and play until about 1 a.m. or until we're all just give out."

Nix said he and Flores first met in the early 1980s while the Central Texas star was fronting for Johnny Bush.

"He's such a humble person to have accomplished so much," said Nix. "He's country. I mean real country. Like us, he's stayed true to his roots."

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SWCID provost search continues

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

Officials are hopeful that the search for a new provost at SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf is entering its final stages.

Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said officials are hoping to name a new chief administrator at SWCID, the nation's largest community college for deaf students, within the next few months.

The post has been vacant since July, when Dr. Ron Brasel announced his

retirement after 21 years heading SWCID.

Sparks said 11 applications have been received to date, but is hopeful more will be received before officials begin the interview process.

"Due to the fact that there are a limited number of individuals with experience in the field of deaf education, we knew it would take time to gather a pool of applicants," Sparks said. "We're still receiving applications and hope to begin interviews by the end of the year or early in 2008 ... We hope to have the position filled by the end of the educa-

tion year."

Sparks said SWCID is not alone in its search.

"Institutions across the country are experiencing the same difficulties we are," she said. "It difficult finding candidates with experience in administering deaf education, so we're not alone."

While the post is vacant, affairs at SWCID have been run practically by committee. HC Dean Javier Flores has been entrusted with day-to-day decisions, backed by other college adminis-

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IN BRIEF

Youth B-ball league sign-ups have started at YMCA

Registration for the Big Spring Youth Basketball League for boys and girls are taking place at the YMCA through Nov. 17. Divisions of play include separate boys and girls teams in grades 1-2, 3-4 and 5-6.

Outlying communities may form their own teams, but must have a mix of players from each grade in each division.

Games are played on Saturdays beginning Dec. 8. Practices start the week of Nov. 26. A coaches meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. Nov. 18 at the YMCA. Teams will be formed at this meeting. Players are not required to attend.

Registration fee is \$45 with an \$8 credit for those who will use the same game jersey as last season.

Call the YMCA at 267-8234 for more details.

Individuals needed to referee area basketball games

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

Anyone interested should call Adam Rodriguez at 517-0300.

Quarterback Club meeting today at 7 p.m. in ATC

The Big Spring Quarterback Club is meeting today at 7 p.m. in the Athletic Training Center.

All parents of Big Spring football players from junior high to varsity are encouraged to attend and help support the Steers' football program.

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.

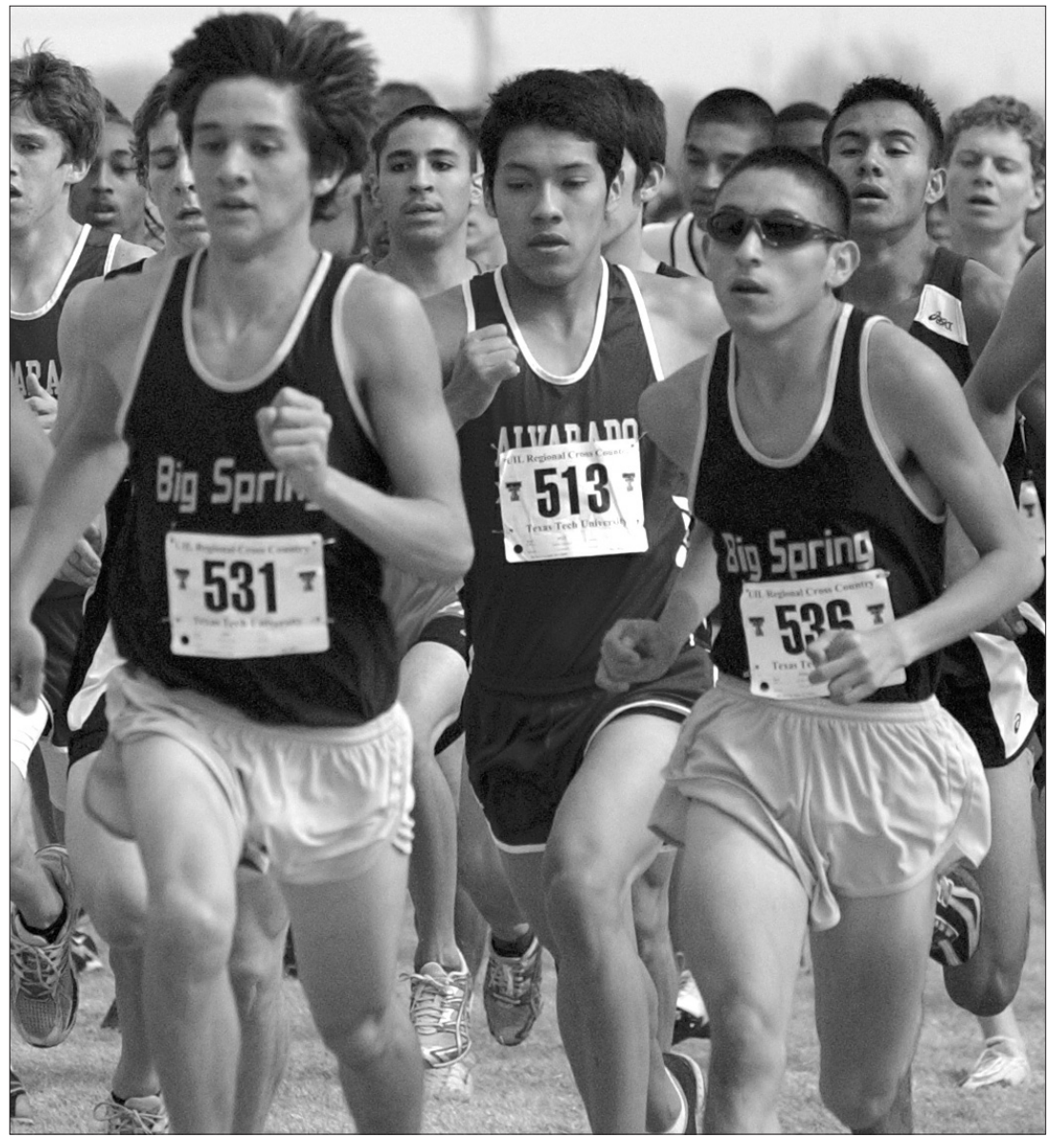
Each Hawk Buddy will receive an opportunity to learn how to play the game from Howard players and coaches for a fee of \$20. A T-shirt will be given to each participant that will also serve as a free family season pass when worn to Howard College home games.

A second clinic is scheduled for Jan. 12 to be followed by a pizza-party 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 Assistant Coach Eric Rodewald at 816-4327.

Steers headed to state



Herald photos/Jonathan Hull
The Big Spring High School boys cross country team won the Class 4A, Region I title Saturday at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock, earning the right to defend its state crown Saturday at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. Pictured left: Big Spring's Zach Dawson races to a second place finish in the 3-mile race. Above: Dawson (left) races out to the front of the pack with teammate Jordan Valle (right), who claimed third at the regional race. Both Dawson and Valle will compete for an individual state title Saturday.

Big Spring boys cross country team claims regional title, ready to defend state crown

By JONATHAN HULL

Herald Sports Editor

LUBBOCK — The first part of defending a championship is to be sure to get in position to have that opportunity.

The Big Spring High School cross country team accomplished that feat Saturday at the Class 4A, Region I cross country meet at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. The Steers' top five runners accounted for a competition-low 72 points to claim first place and repeat as Region I Champions.

"I thought the results could be a little iffy after the event," said Steers' Head Coach Randy Britton. "Turns out, it wasn't even close. Winning a regional event is much tougher than winning state. Getting a chance to

defend our state title is very important."

Unfortunately, Big Spring's Zach Dawson wasn't able to defend his individual regional title. Dawson held the lead for a majority of the race, but faded to second in the final stretch, finishing six seconds behind winner Anthony Pequeno of Amarillo Caprock with a time of 15:17.69.

"I really don't know what happened. I'm a little disappointed because of the type of race I ran here last week," said Dawson, who ran the same course in 15:07 at the district meet Oct. 27. "I think I might've jumped too far out at the beginning. I couldn't keep the pace. I'm happy for the team, though. That's more important."

Britton disagreed with Dawson's assessment and felt like his top runner didn't jump out quick enough.

"I'm disappointed for Zach. I really wanted him to defend his title," Britton said. "I think he should've pushed harder at the beginning. He could've broken the field early and made everyone believe they couldn't catch him."

Just behind Dawson in third place was Jordan Valle, who finished the 3-mile race in 15:39.24. With the top 10 individual runners earning the chance to compete for a state title, Valle's finish gives the Steers two runners in the state competition.

A third Big Spring runner will join Dawson and Valle to contend for an individual champi-

onship. Senior Esther Tobar finished third in the girls' race with a time of 11:42.02.

"I'm so excited," said Tobar. "It's taken so much commitment and mental preparation to get to this point. It feels so good to have all of that work pay off."

Sadly, Tobar should've had company at the girls' state meet, but teammate Catherine Leubner collapsed halfway through the race and was unable to finish. Leubner was walking around after the meet, however.

"I think Catherine might have gotten a little dehydrated," Britton said. "It's unfortunate for her. She's had a strong season and would have made the state race."

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Crossroads girls basketball preview

Lady Steers not rebuilding for long

Bulldogettes have district title in sight

Lady Buffs hope to reappear in playoffs

By JONATHAN HULL

Herald Sports Editor

Rebuilding is a word not many coaches are fond of using. However, sometimes it is the perfect word to describe a team's current situation.

For the Big Spring Lady Steers basketball team, the 2007-08 season could easily be seen as a rebuilding year. However, that process doesn't have to take up the entire season.

The Lady Steers finished 9-20 overall last season, but were 0-8 in District 4-4A play.

"I've taken on an interesting challenge, but I'm prepared for it," Head Coach Randal Petty said. "We've got a lot of work to do, but these girls are trying hard. I really think we can be better than we were last season."

This is Petty's first season as the head coach for the Lady Steers. He had served the last two seasons as an assistant coach for Big Spring's boys team and before that was a head coach for the Class 1A Highland Hornets boys basketball team.

Petty notes there is an adjustment to make

By JONATHAN HULL

Herald Sports Editor

COAHOMA — When a basketball team has all five starters returning from a 23-10 team, expectations are generally high. When 10 returning lettermen are added into that mix, expectations start to go through the roof.

For Coahoma's Bulldogettes, anything short of a District 5-2A title might be seen as a bit disappointing.

"A district title is definitely within our grasp," said Bulldogettes' Head Coach Chris Sumerall. "We're going to be very talented and very experienced. The pieces are there for a good season."

Last season, Coahoma finished as district runner-up to Merkel's Lady Badgers, who finished league play perfect at 14-0. Sumerall says he expects Merkel, along with Haskell, to provide Coahoma with its toughest challenges this season.

"We're in a very competitive district. We're going to have to be at our best to win it," Sumerall said. "Merkel and Haskell return a

By JEFF LANE

Special to the Herald

FORSAN — The Forsan Lady Buffaloes varsity basketball team takes the court for the 2007-08 season with one thing in mind — a return to the playoffs.

Last year, the Lady Buffs took an 8-17 record to Wink in the bi-district round of the playoffs. Wink won the game, but Forsan Head Coach Robert Hillger and his team came away with a load of confidence and a readiness to get back to work this year.

"We gained a lot from last season's playoff berth," Hillger said. "It's definitely something we can build with."

It won't be easy, especially losing starters like Kaylon Stanley, Cayley Eggleston and Tessa Montgomery. Stanley and Eggleston were All-District players and all provided valuable leadership.

However, the Lady Buffs are not without experience and talent.

Juniors Faith Belew and Tori Gauer return as starters and will be expected to lead the

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when going from coaching boys to coaching girls.

"The biggest change is the speed of the game," said Petty. "I've tried to adapt some of that, but more plays in girls' basketball depends on timing."

The Lady Steers return very few players with varsity experience and are dealing with loss of what was to be their only returning all-district player in Desiree Yanez.

"We're going to be putting a lot of sophomores on the court," Petty acknowledged. "We're going to be fairly young and inexperienced."

However, the Lady Steers do return a few seniors that provide some leadership and experience.

"Jordan Chesworth saw a lot of time on the court last season and is a strong player at guard. Callie Partee will give us some size inside that we're going to need," said Petty of his seniors. "Clarisa Carrisalez shows a lot of great hustle and is going to see a lot of time at guard. Lydia Teichroeb is coming back from an injury last season and will contribute a lot as well."

Teichroeb isn't the only

player returning to the Lady Steers from an injury.

Junior Andrea Claxton suffered shoulder and collar bone injuries in the past year, but is now healthy and ready to contribute. Petty mentioned that she'll see a lot of minutes. However, he wasn't clear about his starting lineup, saying it will change often.

"It's hard to say what the starting lineup will be right now because we're going to be platooning at most every position," Petty explained. "We're going to be running a full-court press and a transition offense so having fresh legs at the end of games is important."

Among the several sophomores that will find playing time on this year's squad are Kallina Fletcher, Kenzie Hunt and Linzee Yarbar. Petty said he expects Fletcher to play several important minutes as the teams' point guard.

"Kallina is our quickest ball handler," Petty said. "She sees the floor well and is a good ball handler. Kenzie is probably the best pure shooter we have. She's also very solid fundamentally. Linzee is raw, but has incredible athletic ability. She has a lot of potential."

Big Spring plays in one of the more competitive districts in Region I. For



The Big Spring Lady Steers basketball team breaks out of a huddle in a scrimmage against Abilene Cooper Saturday at Steer Gym. Head Coach Randal Petty (right in white) is optimistic about the team's chances to compete for a playoff spot this season.

example, Plainview is considered by many publications to be a top 10 team in the state and aren't even the defending district champs. That title belongs to Lubbock Estacado, which returns the district's offensive and defensive players of the year. Estacado went

undefeated in district play a year ago.

"We're in an extremely tough district. All four schools we're playing against have extremely talented programs," Petty said. "I feel like we can surprise some of those teams. My goal is to make the playoffs. We're going

to use the non-district season to make some improvements. I think we can sneak up on some teams with our defensive effort. Once district starts, anyone can be beaten on any given night."

The Lady Steers tip off their season at 6 p.m.

Tuesday night at Lubbock Monterey. Their home opener is at 11 a.m. Saturday against Slaton.

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lot of experience and are just as talented as we are. They're going to be contenders."

Sumerall feels one of Coahoma's strengths is its ability to attack opposing defenses inside and outside. The Bulldogettes are led by junior forward Laci Sterling.

Sterling was an all-region selection her freshman and sophomore years. She's capable of playing well both outside and inside in an offensive scheme.

The team's best shooter might be senior Janice Gonzalez, according to Sumerall, who plays shooting guard for the Bulldogettes.

In the interior, Coahoma will count on the play of senior Kristie Rich. Rich will be joined in the post by 6-5 Heather Sheppard, who transferred to Coahoma from Big Spring this year.

"We're going to be able to attack teams in a variety of ways," Sumerall said. "We're very versatile and can go inside or outside to get points. We're doing fine defen-

sively as well."

Sumerall also noted that Teryn Bibb and Berkley Iden have thoroughly impressed him with their hustle and expects both to contribute heavily off the bench.

"Teryn and Berkley can come in off the bench ready to contribute immediately," he said. "Their effort has made the pre-season very enjoyable. Both will see significant minutes this season."

Coahoma starts its season at 6 p.m. tonight hosting Sterling City.

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Follow all Crossroads high school basketball action in each daily edition of the Big Spring Herald.

Howard basketball starts season hot

By ERIC RODEWALD

Special to the Herald

The Howard College Women's basketball team picked up a pair of victories to start the season. Thursday the Hawks defeated Abilene Christian University's JV 72-41 and Saturday downed Lubbock Christian University's JV 76-41.

After jumping out to an early lead the Hawks cruised to a 40-21 halftime lead. Howard had two players score in double figures led by freshman point guard Jotasha McDonald, who scored 13 points while dishing out four assists. Sophomore center Aqueelah Watkins scored 11 points while pulling down four rebounds.

Candace Lambert scored nine points while three Hawks — Monica Jones, Amanda George, and Danielle Cota — had eight points apiece. All but one player scored for the Hawks as Ronnie Wilson dished out four assists to tie for the team

lead with McDonald and Rachel Dryver.

The Hawks shot the ball extremely well, connecting on 27-for-56 from the field including 8-for-13 from beyond the arc as they built a 34-17 halftime lead and eventually defeated Lubbock Christian's JV, 76-41.

Watkins had a double-double with 12 rebounds and 10 points. Leading the Hawks in scoring was Lambert with 17 points. Also in double figures were sophomore Kandace Griffin with 14 points and McDonald with 13.

Both Monica Jones and Courtne Stehlik pulled down seven rebounds apiece and Dryver snagged six boards. Lambert and McDonald each dished out four assists.

The Hawks, 2-0, resume play Tuesday at Plainview versus Wayland Baptist University's JV at 4 p.m. and then travel to Garden City, Kan., to play in the three day Pepsi Classic

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

North dealer. North-South vulnerable.

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SOUTH: ♠K 8 3, ♠8, ♠K Q 10 7 5 4 2, ♠K 2

The bidding: North 1 NT, East Pass, South 3♥, West 4♥; North 5♣, East 5♥, South Pass, West Pass; North 6♣, East Pass, South 6♦.

Opening lead — queen of spades. The 2006 Rosenblum Cup was won by a team composed of four Americans and two Norwegians, who defeated another composite team of two Americans and four Swedes in the 64-board final.

The victors — Rose Meltzer, Kyle Larson, Roger Bates, Alan Sontag and Norwegians Geir Helgemo and Tor Helness — defeated Christal Henner-Welland, Marc Jacobus, and Sweden's Magnus Lindkvist, Peter

Fredin, Peter Bertheau and Fredrik Nystrom by the comfortable margin of 46 International Match Points.

Throughout the final, the Norwegian pair exhibited excellent judgment in competitive situations. Today's deal shows them in action. Helgemo was North and Helness South when the auction shown unfolded. Helness' three-heart bid showed a singleton or void in hearts and was forcing to game.

After Bertheau's interference bid of four hearts, Helgemo showed his club suit, and bid them again after Nystrom's five-heart bid was passed around to him. In bidding six clubs, Helgemo took into account his partner's failure to double five hearts, which invited Helgemo to continue bidding if he thought a slam was in the offing. Helness then corrected six clubs to six diamonds, and with the A-J-3 of diamonds outside, the slam was easily made for a score of 1,370.

At the other table, Henner-Welland and Jacobus elected to double five hearts in a similarly competitive auction, and did not find the defense that would net them +800 for down four: ace of spades, spade ruff, plus two clubs and the ace of hearts. Instead, North led a diamond, allowing declarer to get rid of a club loser on the diamond ace, and then did not play the ace and another spade after gaining the lead with the ace of hearts. Plus 300 for North-South left them with a 1,070-point deficit for a loss of 14 IMPs.

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ladies on the court as they do most of the ball handling. Both girls were named all-district honorable mention last season.

Also returning is Amanda Longorio and Sandi Golleher, who both got valuable experience on the varsity level last year and, according to Hillger, will be ready to contribute as starters this year.

Longorio was named the district's Newcomer of the Year and will definitely be a presence to be reckoned with underneath, according to Hillger.

Forsan will compete in District 2-1A again this year against Hamlin, Roscoe and Rotan.

Roscoe finished last season undefeated in district on its way to an appearance in the area round.

The Lady Buffs will open regular season play at Grady on Nov. 13.

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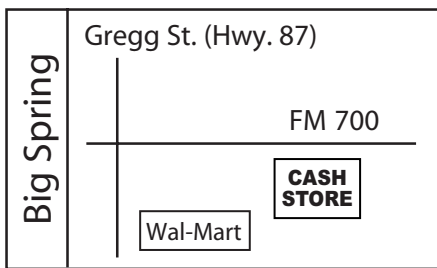
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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 9 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- **GILBERT FRANCO**, 57, of 905 W. Fifth Street, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **BENARDO HILARIO**, 20, of 1409 Bluebird, was arrested Sunday on charges of resisting arrest and criminal mischief.
- **STARLET MARSHALL**, 22, of 2509 Hunter, was arrested Sunday on a charge of no driver's license.
- **JABREYA LOUDERMILL**, 21, of 1904 Runnels, was arrested Sunday on two local warrants.
- **JENNIFER DELEON**, 19, of 105 N.E. 10th Street, was arrested Sunday on a charge of disorderly conduct - language.
- **JUSTIN BIRDICK**, 17, of 1504 Wood, was arrested Monday on a charge of disorderly conduct - language.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
 - in the 1600 block of 11th Place.
 - in the 500 block of Johnson.
 - in the 1300 block of Tucson.
 - in the 1900 block of Main Street.
 - in the 1400 block of U.S. Highway 87.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1200 block of 15th Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported:
 - in the 1000 block of Locust.
 - in the 3200 block of FM 700.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 900 block of Willia.
 - in the 2300 block of Wasson.
 - in the 400 block of Birdwell Lane.
- **RESISTING ARREST, SEARCH OR TRANSPORTATION** was reported in the 1900 block of Runnels.
- **DEADLY CONDUCT** was reported in the 1900 block of Main Street.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 2300 block of Morrison.

Sheriff's report

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 60 inmates at the time of this report.
- **JACKIE RAYMOND MOORE**, 19, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of criminal mischief.
 - **BILLY JOE CHAVERA**, 30, was arrested Friday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid.
 - **DOMONIQUE XAVIER WILLIAMS**, 18, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for possession of marijuana - capias pro fine.
 - **HAROLD MILTON SIMMONS**, 36, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence of 180 days or pay fine (charge not provided).
 - **JIM PHILIP FRAZIER**, 32, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to adjudicate/judgment/sentence (charge not provided).
 - **DANIEL FREDERICK HEMBREE**, 40, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.
 - **DONALD GERALD HOLSENBECK**, 36, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of resisting arrest, search or transportation and interfering with the duties of a public servant.
 - **QUINTEN LEE LITTLE**, 19, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of burglary of a building.
 - **CHRISTOPHER ALTON RANEY**, 35, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of disorderly conduct - language.
 - **WILSON CONNELL EDWARDS JR.**, 35, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
 - **STACY LEANN PRUITT**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of burglary of a building.
 - **BERNARDO JACINTO HILARIO**, 20, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of resisting arrest, search or transportation, criminal mischief and hindering officers discharging official duties.

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trators, including Sparks and HC Vice President Terry Hansen. "Javier is juggling several hats right now," Sparks said. "This is just

one more additional responsibility for him ... He's putting in a lot of hours."

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McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

The existing county jail was shut down by TCJS in November 2006, after the facility's smoke evacuation system failed to meet requirements during a pair of tests. Adan Munoz, TCJS executive director, recently announced the jail — which has failed to meet several basic state standards from more than 20 years — would be closed permanently if the bond failed.

According to Barr, a successful bond election will translate into a 5-cent tax hike for county taxpayers. On a \$50,000 home with no exemptions, the increase would translate in approximately \$25

more per year.

While the fate of the proposed jail may be on the line, county officials have said in the past weeks a lot more than immediately meets the eye may be riding on the outcome.

"If the jail bond gets defeated by a wide margin, we're going to have to take a good, hard look at county operations when the dust settles," said Barr. "We're going to have to look at our options, and there is a very real possibility we'll have to consider closing the county library and the senior center."

Barr said closure of the library and senior center were both "worst case scenarios." Talks are currently under way between county officials and representatives of the city of Big Spring concerning the city possibly taking

over control of the senior citizen center, but Barr said nothing solid has been decided yet.

Closure of the existing jail facility — which would require the county to house inmates in out-of-county facilities — is expected to cost more than \$1.4 million per year, according to Barr, and the only way the county can absorb the deficit is by slashing its budget, which already took a major hit this year when more than a dozen county positions were eliminated in an effort to make up for the fiscal shortfall created by the six-month closure of the facility that began in November 2006 and ended in July 2007.

"The average cost of a county employee, with benefits, is approximately \$50,000 a year," said Barr. "To make up for a \$1 million shortfall, you're look-

ing at letting 20 employees go. And that would affect every facet of the county government business, from the clerk's office to the tax collector and assessor. It would mean long lines and less protection from the sheriff's office, just to name a few."

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Detrick Houston Wright, 40, died Wednesday. Funeral Services will be at 11:00 AM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Zula Rhodes, 88, died Thursday. Funeral Services will be at 4:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Bertha Ellen Goolsby, 88, died Friday. Funeral Services will be at 2:00 PM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 7:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Herbert Paxton, 59, died Saturday. Funeral Services will be at 6:00 PM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 6:00 PM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Harvey Mansfield, 79, died Monday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

REUNION

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Flores is a Grammy Award-winning artist who has performed with Ray Price, Willie Nelson, Johnny Bush and Doug Sahm, showcasing his talents on the guitar, fiddle and voice.

In 2002, he received a Grammy Award for his string and brass arrangements and violin performances on Freddy Fender's CD "La Musica de Baldemar Huerta."

"I could have kept the tradition going by myself, but I wanted to share it

with my good friend Bobby and his great band," said Nix. "He plays the kind of music that we play, and he's a classy gentleman and a superb musician."

"It's down to me now. My dad and my uncle have been gone a long time, but we had a lot of fun at those reunions. But it's really not about me. It's about keeping that tradition alive, and our style of real Texas dance music, real country

music and Texas swing."

Doors at the Stampede — located just off FM 700 on State Highway 350 — will open at 8 p.m. Admission is \$15 per person and tickets will be available at the door.

For more information, or to make reservations, contact Nix at 267-2060.

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Tuesday — Partly cloudy. Much cooler. Highs in the upper 50s. Northeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Tuesday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. East winds around 10 mph becoming light and variable.

Wednesday — Partly cloudy. Warmer. Highs in the lower 70s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday night — Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 40s.

Thursday — Sunny. Highs in the upper 70s.

Thursday night — Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 40s.

Friday — Mostly sunny. Highs around 80.

Friday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s.

Saturday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s.



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Owens, Romo lead Cowboys to dominating win over Eagles

By ROB MAADDI
AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA — Soon after Terrell Owens finished taunting fans by flapping his arms in the end zone, there weren't many people left in the stands to boo.

T.O. stuck it to the Philadelphia Eagles again. He tortured the secondary and tormented the crowd.

Nearly two years to the day Owens was banished from the Eagles, the star receiver caught 10 passes for 174 yards and one touchdown to help the Dallas Cowboys dismantle Philadelphia 38-17 on Sunday night.

Tony Romo threw three TD passes, Marion Barber had 106 total yards and one score and NFC East-leading Dallas improved to 7-1 for the first time since 1995, their last Super Bowl winning season.

Desperately needing a victory to have any hope of defending their division championship, the last-place Eagles (3-5) were dominated on both sides.

Right from the start, it was clear the Eagles were in for a tough night.

McNabb fumbled on the first play from scrimmage, and the Cowboys converted it into their first score, a 2-yard run by Julius Jones.

Owens had a key 23-yard catch on third-and-6 during that drive, just one of several big plays he made.

Once the Cowboys went up by 14 late in the second quarter, Owens tried to incite the rowdies. He strutted along the sideline, gesturing and yelling at the crowd behind the bench.

But the disappointed Philly faithful were too angry at their own team to worry about Owens' antics. So, they directed their hostility at the Eagles as

they ran off the field.

It got uglier after halftime when Dallas increased its lead to 28-7 on the first drive of the third quarter.

Owens turned a short pass from Romo into a 45-yard TD catch.

After Jason Witten caught a 20-yard TD pass to make it 35-10 in the third quarter, the stadium emptied.

No one wanted to stick around and watch Owens celebrate anymore.

After Brian Westbrook's 3-yard TD run tied it at 7, Romo tossed a 1-yard TD pass to Tony Curtis to give Dallas a 14-7 lead it never relinquished.

pass from Manning and raced 73 yards for a touchdown. Manning's TD gave them the 20-10 lead, then the Patriots stormed back.

Tom Brady threw two touchdown passes in a 4-minute span of the fourth quarter to overcome a 10-point deficit and New England remained perfect by beating the defending Super Bowl champion Colts 24-20.

The win in one of the NFL's biggest regular-season games ever made the Patriots (9-0) a strong threat for the NFL's first unbeaten season since Miami did it in 1972.

"This is the first time we were in a ballgame late," said Brady, who has 33 touchdown passes and is on pace to break Peyton Manning's record of 49 in a season. "There wasn't any loss of confidence or determination."

"We just kept telling ourselves in the fourth quarter,

"Keep our poise, keep our poise, just keep playing," linebacker Tedy Bruschi said.

Vikings 35,
Chargers 17

At Minneapolis, Peterson topped 200 yards rushing for the second time in one season, a feat no other rookie has accomplished.

He scored two of his three touchdowns and gained 253 yards in the second half, helping the Vikings (3-5) rally from a 14-7 deficit.

Peterson reached 1,036 yards rushing for the season, putting him on pace to smash Eric Dickerson's rookie record of 1,808 set in 1983. Dickerson's single-season record of 2,105 yards in 1984 could be in reach, too.

"I set my bar high, because I know anything is possible when you continue to work hard," Peterson said.

REGION

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As a team, the Steers dominated the boys' field with 26 points separating them from second-place Clint Horizon. El Paso Chapin was the final 4A team to advance to state with 102 points in its third-place effort.

Jessie Sanchez was the third Big Spring runner to cross the finish line with a time of 16:28.14. Less than a second behind Sanchez was Kade Parker, finishing in 16:28.78. Shane Allen was the fifth runner across for Big Spring and the 32nd of the race.

Four other Crossroads region runners also advanced to the state meet in their respective classifications

Coahoma's Josh Jones, Stanton's Albert Lozano and Grady's Roy Rodriguez and Eva Dyck.

Jones came in ninth in the Class 2A, Region I race with a time of 16:54.30. He finished just 3-tenths of a second ahead of 10th-place finisher Joey Escalante of Crane. Jones was also a mere 1.26 seconds ahead of 11th place.

Lozano took seventh in the boys' Class 2A event with a time of 16:50.26. Stanton's boys team finished 11th out of 21 teams. Stanton's girls finished 16th of 24 teams with Laci Luna placing highest individually at 25th.

Rodriguez was 10th in

the boys' Class 1A race, finishing the course in 16:57.16. Grady's boys team finished sixth out of 18 teams. Tommylee Rivas placed 13th with a time of 17:04.64.

Sands High School finished 15th in the boys' field.

Dyck came in eighth with a time of 12:32.01, leading Grady's girls to an eighth-place finish out of 24 teams in the Class 1A girls race.

The state meet is scheduled for Saturday at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. The girls' 4A race starts the day at 10 a.m., followed by the boys' 4A race at 10:20 a.m. The girls' 1A event is at 11:40 a.m., immediately followed by the boys' race at noon. The girls' 2A race is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. with the boys' race slated for 12:50 p.m.

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Horizon — 98; 3. El Paso Chapin — 102; 4. Keller Fossil Ridge — 158; 5. Hereford — 177; 6. Canyon Randall — 177; 7. Fort Worth Boswell — 226; 8. El Paso Jefferson — 259; 9. El Paso Burgess — 279; 10. Fort Worth Southwest — 316.

Class 4A boys individual results

1. Anthony Pequeno, Amarillo Caprock — 15:11.66; 2. Zach Dawson, Big Spring — 15:17.69; 3. Jordan Valle, Big Spring — 15:39.24; 4. Andrew Herrera, Fort Worth Southwest — 15:47.10; 5. Robert Castanon, El Paso Irvin — 15:47.70; 6. Ramiro Garcia, Fort Worth Northwest — 15:54.51; 7. Tommy Rivas, Fort Worth Southwest — 16:00.03; 8. Pedro Martinez, Keller Fossil Ridge — 16:01.66; 9. Solomon Gardea, El Paso Chapin — 16:02.64; 10. Blake Whitel, Keller Fossil Ridge — 16:06.24; Notable: 22. Jessie Sanchez, Big Spring — 16:28.14; 23. Kade Parker, Big Spring — 16:28.78; 32. Shane Allen, Big Spring — 16:47.56; 70. Sammy Segundo, Big Spring — 17:20.33; 155. Daniel Segundo, Big Spring — 18:59.82.

Class 2A girls individual results

1. Coleen Adams, Wall — 12:01.99; 2. Valerie Calderon, Slaton — 12:09.62; 3. Suttan Garnett, Spearman — 12:13.50; 4. Shayla Contreras, Stinnett West — 12:15.48; 5. Kristen Crabtree, Stratford — 12:15.98; 6. Kendra Glass, Wall — 12:19.24; 7. Maury McCormack, Wall — 12:20.05; 8. Katherine Esquivel, Ballinger — 12:21.31; 9. Jaycee Crawford, Panhandle — 12:21.97; 10. Victoria Goodloe, Reagan Country — 12:31.08; Notable: 25. Laci Luna, Stanton — 12:54.02; 47. Tiffani Saucedo, Stanton — 13:19.44; 66. Megan Conley, Coahoma — 13:38.58; 75. Adrian Carrasco, Stanton — 13:46.63; 132. Samantha Mulkey, Stanton — 14:37.03; 145. Bailey Bryan, Stanton — 14:48.64; 149. Alicia Perez, Stanton — 14:50.62; 153. Nino Buzzell, Stanton — 14:52.95.

Class 2A boys individual results

1. Derrick Brest, Wall — 16:20.29; 2. Charles Bale, Kermit — 16:21.53; 3. Leeroy Garcia, Kermit — 16:42.89; 4. Ben Moore, Panhandle — 16:45.27; 5. Drew Jones, Shallowater — 16:46.66; 6. Jason Mares, Wall — 16:48.67; 7. Albert Lozano, Stanton — 16:50.26; 8. Randal Guinn, Idalou — 16:51.10;

9. Josh Jones, Coahoma — 16:54.30; 10. Joey Escolonte, Crane — 16:54.60; Notable: 32. Josh Barbosa, Stanton — 18:08.37; 75. Vincent Villa, Stanton — 19:04.10; 93. Simon Stolarczyk, Coahoma — 19:34.71; 107. Jesus Oyerides, Stanton — 19:48.83; 165. Mark Reyna, Stanton — 23:30.34.

Class 1A girls individual results

1. Allie Reyna, Ralls — 11:56.46; 2. Mackenzie Hodge, Sundown — 12:05.79; 3. Haley Sparks, Wheeler — 12:17.44; 4. Esmeralda Saucedo, Bovina — 12:22.55; 5. Emeline Crutcher, Wellman-Union — 12:22.85; 6. Kyra Sloan, Crosbyton — 12:24.67; 7. Taylor Sparks, Wheeler — 12:26.44; 8. Eva Dyck, Grady — 12:32.01; 9. Haley Chambliss, Hedley — 12:34.37; 10. Valerie Miller, Lefors — 12:35.22; Notable: 50. Brittini Blagrave, Sands — 13:31.10; 58. Anita Wiebe, Grady — 13:42.40; 77. Maegan Walker, Grady — 14:06.87; 80. Kandace Schuelke, Grady — 14:09.92; 81. Linsey Chavez, Grady — 14:11.22; 90. Julia Schuelke, Grady — 14:22.09; 139. Kaitlyn Blocker, Grady — 15:22.38.

Class 1A boys individual results

1. Anthony Chavez, Boys Ranch — 16:29.80; 2. Johnathan Lira, Plains — 16:33.36; 3. Jose Marcias, Hart — 16:35.17; 4. Aaron Rodriguez, Hart — 16:36.99; 5. Matthew Skalsky, Hartley — 16:39.95; 6. Frank Hernandez, Sundown — 16:42.63; 7. Tommy Cerna, Sundown — 16:44.53; 8. Clay Nieshe, Boys Ranch — 16:47.47; 9. Wade King, Sundown — 16:52.96; 10. Roy Rodriguez, Grady — 16:57.16; Notable: 13. Tommylee Rivas, Grady — 17:04.64; 34. Jacob Rodriguez, Grady — 17:56.47; 67. Casey Shands, Grady — 19:03.93; 70. Josue Rodriguez, Grady — 19:09.20; 71. Tyler Mathews, Grady — 19:10.96; 81. Christian Medina, Grady — 19:32.78; 96. Daniel Armendariz, Sands — 20:01.95; 103. Richard Lucio, Sands — 20:21.70; 108. Johnny Rogers, Sands — 20:44.86; 116. David Martinez, Sands — 21:09.45; 122. Thomas Pena, Sands — 21:32.47; 128. Brian Moore, Sands — 21:50.55; 133. Ruben McMorris, Sands — 22:20.36.



Herald photo/Jonathan Hull

Big Spring's Esther Tobar runs to a third-place finish in the Class 4A, Region I race at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock Saturday, earning a trip to Round Rock this weekend to compete for an individual state title.

HOWARD

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hosted by Garden City Community College beginning Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. Sterling College's JV will be Howard's opening opponent.

The Howard College Men's basketball team started the season with three impressive victories over the weekend.

The Hawks defeated Lackland Air Force Base Thursday night at San Antonio by 21 points, 92-

71, in a come from behind effort. Early the Hawks trailed 22-6 before sophomore guards Corey Allmond and Sean Watson rallied the Hawks, scoring 27 and 23 points, respectively.

Watson — an NJCAA Pre-Season Honorable Mention All-American after averaging 13.1 points, 4.3 rebounds and 2.1 assists per game last season — pulled down six rebounds while shooting eight-for-12 from the field and seven-for-eight from the charity stripe.

Freshman guard Devon

Baker added 11 points and Corteze Isaac scored eight.

The Hawks defeated Team Mexico Sunday afternoon at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 94-40, after jumping to a 46-21 halftime lead.

Once again, Allmond and Watson led the Hawks in scoring with 17 points a piece. Sophomore DeMarcus Richard had 17

points.

Also in double figures for Howard were freshman guard Markeys Dean with 16 points and freshman forward Keith McAllister with 11 points.

The Hawks defeated Lubbock Christian University's JV Saturday night in Lubbock to begin the season a perfect 3-0.

Howard travels to

Snyder Friday and Saturday for the Western Texas College Classic with a 4 p.m. tip-off Friday against Southwest

Texas Junior College and a 3 p.m. tip-off Saturday versus Grayson County College.



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Legals

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS Just as the perfect lotus flower grows in mud, the dark hardships we endure, even if we can't see it at the time, contain tremendous beauty. As Pluto in Sagittarius angles innocent Venus in Virgo today, we surrender another little bit of innocence about the nature of love and life. Remember, your beauty can't be diminished by darkness. ARIES (March 21-April 19). Technology connects you in inspired ways with people you normally wouldn't know. Get in touch with someone on the other side of the globe via the Internet, or see the world through an artist's mind via media. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It's a fine time to honor those who helped you get this far. Send thank-you letters, make

Tomorrow's Horoscope

phone calls, or just hold people in your consciousness and your grateful heart. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's no substitute for the charge you get when you interact with others who are as witty — or nearly as witty — as you. Put yourself in places and situations where the smart people are bound to congregate. CANCER (June 22-July 22). Should you make an agreement with someone or not? Can you trust this person? If you're wondering how this person will act within the agreement, it will be the same as he or she is acting now, only slightly worse. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have it in you to create moneymaking opportunities out of thin air. Someone who builds a fortune out of almost nothing inspires you to learn more about business. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Someone you think is a total crackpot actually has something to offer — just not to you. Move on quickly to situations where you feel you have much to give as well as receive. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's a chance to increase your income. People need exactly the kind of help you can give and are willing to pay you well for it, too. It's a fine day simply to say "yes" when you're in doubt. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's an art to staying connected with the people who are important to you. You know who your top-five

priority relationships are, but it helps to list them. Make sure you're giving your attention as you'd like to be. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Stop and consider where another person is coming from before you decide what to do next. Tonight, love feels like friendship — as it should. Love without friendship is fraud. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're dealing with rapid changes that cause you to adjust, readjust and adjust again. It's uncomfortable, maybe, but also very fortunate. Think of it this way: Things that don't change are dead. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Stay light of heart. Relationships are moving along nicely. Instinct points you in the right direction, and loose plans come together in a brilliantly fitting manner. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You do good works daily: You smile at strangers, wave at a babies and let the other guy go first in traffic. These gestures are pebbles in a still pond that ripple out to affect the world in a positive way. ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I enjoy your insights daily and thank you for them. I was born April 4, 1956, with a Cap moon and Leo rising. I have never been married and would love to know if a soul mate is in my future." My take is that you've had many relationships and have encountered many soul mates already. Soul mates are many —

they're the people we contract with for a specific reason and purpose. Some soul mates we may marry; others we may not. It's not the amount of time spent together that counts but the growth gained (humans use clock time, the soul doesn't). You've got a habit of getting involved with people who are less mature than you are — maybe even chronologically younger. You're as stimulated by your new love as a kid with a new bag of marbles — until you realize you're playing with someone who doesn't play by the same rules or share the same life beliefs you do. Every time you realize someone is lacking the maturity you need for a life partner, you break it off. Then you come into your wisdom: "Oh, that's what I'm about." For you, finding your soul mate is a process of wising up. CELEBRITY PROFILES: Scorpio has a reputation for turning out more commitment-phobe men than any other sign. It's not all hype for heartthrob Matthew McConaughey. Intimacy can feel both deeply liberating and threatening to Scorpio, who craves deep intimacy as much as he fears it. Cling-ons need not apply: Male Scorpio likewise looks for emotional depth and independence in a partner. If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com.

Notice of Public Hearing The Glasscock County Independent School District (ISD) will conduct a public hearing at a meeting on November 12, 2007 to consider (1) the application of Airticity Panther Creek Wind Farm, LLC, for designation of certain property located in Glasscock County as a Reinvestment Zone eligible for property tax abatement under Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code and eligible for the granting of a limitation on appraised value under Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code, and (2) the application of Airticity Panther Creek Wind Farm, LLC, for appraised value limitation agreement. The property designated by Airticity Panther Creek Wind Farm, LLC, is located entirely within the territory of the Glasscock County ISD, is intended for use as a wind power generation facility, electrical substation, associated transmission facilities and lines, and operations facility by Airticity Panther Creek Wind Farm, LLC, and consists of: * All of the real property located in Glasscock County and contained in sections 13, 24, 25, 35, 36, 37, 38 and 48, Block 33, TWP 2-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, Glasscock County, Texas. * All of the real property located in Glasscock County and contained in sections 1, 2, 11, 12, and 13, Block 33, TWP 3-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, Glasscock County, Texas. * All of the real property located in Glasscock County and contained in sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, Block 32, TWP 4-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, Glasscock County, Texas. * All of the real property located in Glasscock County and contained in sections 1, 2, and 14, Block 32, TWP 3-S, T&P R.R. Co. Survey, Glasscock County, Texas. #5591 November 5, 2007

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am 16 years old, and my mother just saw fit to tell me that the man I thought was my father is actually my stepfather. Now, to understand my dilemma, you also have to realize that my real dad never did anything nasty to my mom. She's just bitter for getting pregnant when she was young. However, my stepfather is about the worst man I've ever met.



KATHY MITCHELL MARCY SUGAR

part of her inheritance (whether she deserves it or not). Dear Annie: This is for "Losing Myself in Louisiana," the woman who let herself go because her husband is continually involved with porn and it makes her feel worthless. Her husband is a sex addict. I know because I lived with one for years. She needs to realize that a sex addict can also be having sexual relationships outside of marriage that could be putting her health in serious jeopardy. Please encourage her to be tested for HIV.

He's selfish and abusive, but really only to me, not to the daughter he had with my mother. So my question is, shouldn't I be allowed to know my biological father? I'm told he lives in the same city, and I've never even seen a picture of him. This shouldn't be my mother's decision, and it has nothing to do with her husband. I think it's my right to meet my father if I want to, isn't it? — Sick of Being Fatherless in Louisville, Ky. Dear Louisville: We know this information must be difficult to process, and the problems you are having with your stepfather make it more complicated. First, understand that your biological father might not be the savior you think he is. He may have abandoned your mother when she was pregnant. He may have another family and no interest in a relationship with you. If you think he is going to "rescue" you from your current situation, you could be very disappointed. Second, if your stepfather is abusive, he should be reported to the authorities. You cannot force your mother to give you information if she is unwilling. You may have better luck if you approach it with less hostility. Please discuss

this with a trusted adult — perhaps your school counselor, a relative or a close family friend, and ask them to intercede for you. Dear Annie: I have a problem with my 56-year-old daughter, "Marylou." She lives out of state, but we call each other every weekend and are very close. I confide in her a lot. However, I made the mistake of telling her how much money I have in a savings account. Now she wants some of it as part of her inheritance. When I declined, she hung up during our conversation. My husband and I are over 75 and retired. Do you think I should give in? — Simi Valley, Calif. Dear Simi Valley: We don't like the way Marylou is punishing you over money. It's petty and greedy, and it is tempting to write her off completely. But we also know you love her and don't want the relationship to suffer. We assume you are planning to give Marylou an inheritance anyway. If you need the money in this savings account for yourself and your husband, you should not promise it to anyone. You can, however, assuage Marylou by telling her that whatever is left will go into your estate and be distributed to your heirs, meaning she would get some as

After I gave my husband too many chances, I had to leave him. I am happier, disease-free and amazed at how much my self-worth has gone up. There is a lot of literature on the subject at the library and online, and I also recommend she contact Sex Addicts Anonymous (saa-recovery.org) for her husband. — Carol in Rockford Dear Carol: Thanks for the suggestion. We also recommend COSA (cosa-recovery.org) for you and any spouse of a sex addict. The address is P.O. Box 14537, Minneapolis, MN 55414. Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com. © 2007 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

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EDITORIAL

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

Remember to go to polls Tuesday and be counted

For one last time, it seems fitting to remind our readers that Tuesday is Election Day across our state and if you haven't cast your vote, we encourage you to do so.

There are a number of important state and local issues on the ballot.

The headliner, for those of us in Howard County, of course, is the \$11.57 bond issue for construction of a new county jail.

And statewide, there are 16 proposed constitutional amendments to be decided to be decided.

Among those 16 proposals are amendments making Angelo State University part of the Texas Tech University System; authorizing the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance college and university student loans; affecting the formula for figuring the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation; issuance of up to \$1 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for maintenance, improvement, repair and construction projects and purchase equipment; allowing governmental entities to sell property acquired through eminent domain back to the previous owners at the price the entities paid to acquire the property; adding clarification and more precise language to existing provisions for home equity loans; authorizing the legislature to exempt all or part of the residence homesteads of certain totally disabled veterans from ad valorem taxation; requiring 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; providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the Texas Transportation Commission in an amount not to exceed \$5 billion to provide funding for highway improvement projects; authorizing the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders or conditions of release in a felony or family violence case; permitting a justice or judge who reaches the mandatory retirement age while in office to serve the remainder of the justice's or judge's current term; 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; and providing for issuance of up to \$250 million in general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance to economically distressed areas of the state to help provide adequate sewer and water supply services for residential use.

So, it's clear that voters have quite a bit to decide. Obviously, many are decisions that will impact almost all our lives for some time to come.

It seems that we are saying this on an almost yearly basis these days, but once again, we are collectively saddened by the negativity created by those seeking our vote — particularly what has become an absurdly contentious argument over the need for a new county jail.

Yes, a great deal is at stake tomorrow and we're not about to downplay that importance. And just like last year, we're simply not willing to tell you how we think you should vote. We just want to encourage all registered voters to take the time cast their ballots.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. throughout Howard County. That's plenty of time to work in a trip to ballot box and make your voice heard.

Please, go vote!

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I have become aware that there was some misunderstanding regarding my favorable vote in support of the jail bond election.

I voted in support of the county government offering the option to the people for their decision. I did not vote for the jail

bond because I still disagree with locating a jail in a residential area.

As I stated Tuesday night, I did not ask anyone to vote for or against the jail. I asked that each person vote his or her conscience.

JO ANN STAULCUP
BIG SPRING

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we greet frustration with You, Lord, and let go of stress.

Amen

Global warming gets lip service

The best thing about Al Gore winning the Nobel Peace Prize is that it has driven the Right Wing Nut Farm, home of the Vast Right Wing Conspiracy, absolutely bonkers.

You thought they were whack-jobs before? Gore has sent them entirely over the edge. I don't listen to Right Wing radio myself — that stuff sounds ever so much better in the original German — but I'm told the Conservative Blather Machine is foaming at the dipstick over it.

I'm not sure why right-wingers hate Al Gore so much — maybe they can't forgive him for winning the 2000 election — but he sure rattles their cages.

Personally, I'm delighted he won and even more delighted that his crusade against global warming seems to be having some effect.

The nation, ever so slowly, like a giant grizzly rising from hibernation, is beginning to wake to the problem.

A telltale sign of the degree to which the issue has pierced the public consciousness is that even Republican presidential candidates have heard of it.

Sen. John McCain, for example, is saying things like "There's no doubt in my mind about the urgency of the issue of climate change."

And Rudy Giuliani says of the problem: "We need a project similar to putting a man on the

Moon." Leave it to Mike Huckabee to put a religious twist on the issue: "Whether it's going to your home and tearing up your living room furniture or whether it's going to God's home and tearing up what He created...those of us who are believers would classify it as sinful behavior. It's evil. It's wrong."

But perhaps the most fascinating global warming message has been delivered by Fred Thompson, the stealth candidate:

"Some people think that our planet is suffering from a fever. Now scientists are telling us that Mars is experiencing its own planetary warming...Maybe Mars got its fever from Earth. If so, I guess Jupiter's got the same cold."

There you go. That statement pretty much explains Thompson's candidacy. He's running for president of Mars.

The candidates have suggested a variety of solutions to the prospect of our planet slowly becoming a tropical swamp. McCain is calling for higher fuel standards and capping emissions, Romney and Giuliani think that alternative fuels, nuclear power and hybrid vehicles are the answer. Huckabee wants to lower taxes. (Lowering taxes is the all-purpose elixir of Republican candidates; it cures all ills.)

These are all good proposals. They share a common trait with Democratic proposals, however. None of them would make much difference even if we implemented them, which we won't. It would be too inconvenient.

The problems of global warming are about to overwhelm us (and by

"about" I mean in the next 100 years) and we're just going to stand there and watch it come, like a herd of cows mesmerized by an approaching tornado.

The word missing in the discussion is conservation. Candidates, generally speaking, don't use it, except in a vague context.

That's because they're trying to fool people into voting for them and the American people are not interested in energy conservation, which they think of as some sort of socialist plot.

Remember the oil embargo back when Jimmy Carter was president? Ol' Jimmah, he went on the TV and said we had to use less oil. He was wearing a sweater because he'd turned down the heat in the White House. The press, the public, his party, they laughed at him.

Conservation is not the American way. We are a people that likes it 78 degrees in our homes during the winter (when we're wearing wool) and 64 degrees in the summer (when we're in cotton). We don't care if the earth dries up and blows away, so long as we're in our SUVs when it happens. That's the way we are and, frankly, most other countries are too.

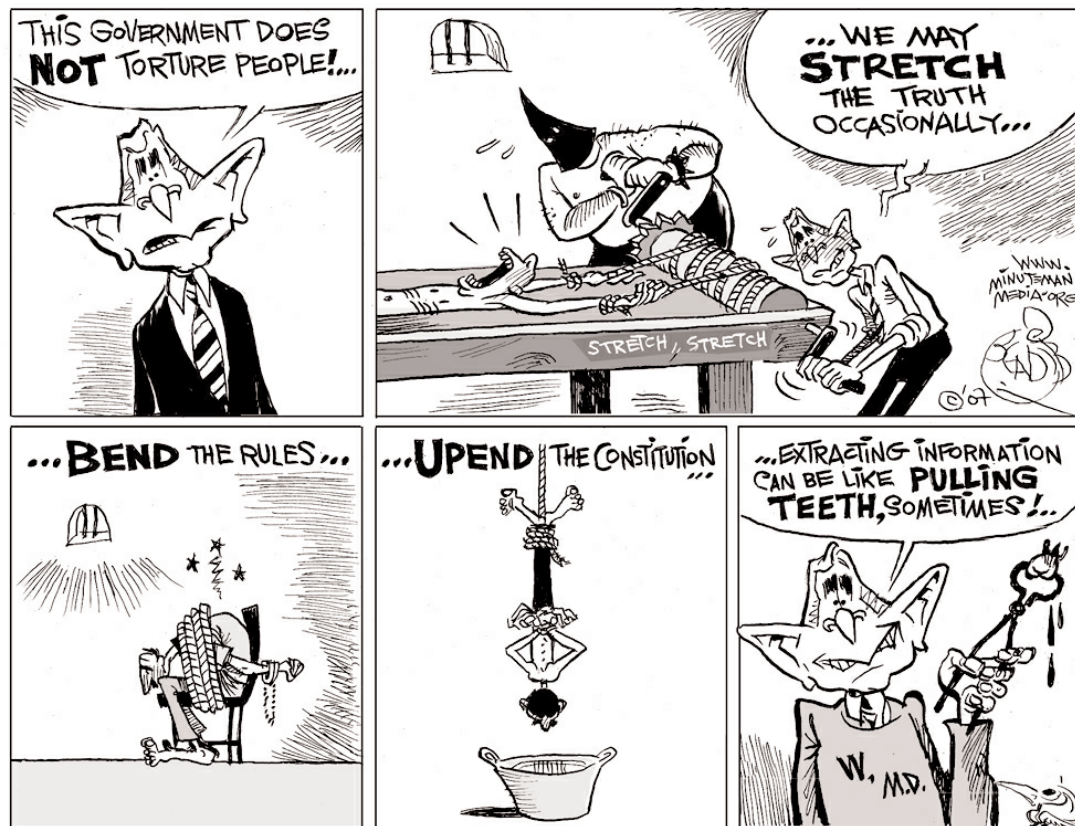
Still, I'm glad Al Gore won the prize. Anything that brings a snarl to Ann Coulter's lips is worth doing.

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Poor Iraq: First Mongols, now us

As the saying goes, there are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies and statistics. The Bush administration has embraced this adage in Iraq, which has suffered one of the worst humanitarian crises to strike the Middle East since the Mongols sacked Baghdad.

That's not an overstatement.

According to the London-based organization Iraq Body Count, civilian deaths recently stood at as many as 82,330, and the organization noted that 2007 has seen "the worst violence against civilians in Iraq since the invasion."

The Iraq Interior Ministry is highly critical of the United Nations' conclusion that 34,452 Iraqis died in 2006, calling the figures "inaccurate" and "unbalanced." But it refuses to release its own figures. And the only sum the Bush administration has ever come up with is when the president commented to the press in December 2005 that the number of Iraqis killed was "30,000, more or less."

As the U.S. military's death toll from the Iraq War fast approaches the 4,000 mark, tragically, the Iraqi death toll is probably in the hundreds of thousands or even higher.

The first serious statistical investigation of the war's impact was in a pair of surveys by Johns Hopkins University published in the British medical magazine "The Lancet." According to the second of two studies, from the March

2003 invasion through September 2006, the number of deaths due to the war was 654,965. Over half of those were women and children.

Bush immediately dismissed the Johns Hopkins team's methodology after its first survey was released in 2004 as "pretty well discredited." The media has largely ignored its measure of the carnage in Iraq or accepted the White House's characterization.

In fact, there is virtual unanimity among biostatisticians and mortality experts that the methodology used in the Johns Hopkins study is accurate. Following up on an earlier version of the study, Lila Guterman, a senior reporter for the "Chronicle of Higher Education," says she contacted 10 experts in the field concerning the "Lancet" article about the first study, and "not one of them took issue with the study's methods or conclusions." Indeed, she said, the experts found the conclusions "cautious."

Actually, the Bush administration used exactly the same methodology to determine the number of deaths in Darfur.

And a recent poll by the British agency Opinion Research Business (ORB) found that the war might have killed more than 1 million people, a toll that surpasses the 800,000 killed in the Rwandan genocide. The ORB used "excess mortality" as its measure, that is, deaths over and above mortality figures from the past.

Besides the deaths and injuries, the war had unleashed, according to the "Financial Times," "The worst refugee crisis in the Middle East since the mass exodus of Palestinians that was part of the violent birth of the state of Israel

in 1948." According to the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, 2.2 million Iraqis have fled their country, mostly to Jordan and Syria, and another 2.2 million have been turned into internal refugees. If one adds to that the ORB figures for deaths, it means at least one-fifth of Iraqi's pre-war population of 26 million has been killed, wounded, exiled, or displaced.

Meanwhile, some 75 percent of the country's doctors and pharmacists have fled, bringing its medical system — at one time the best in the Arab world — to the point of collapse.

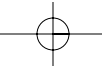
And finally, like a biblical plague, the World Health Organization reports that cholera is working itself down the country's river system, from the Kurdish north to Basra in the south. Over 7,000 cases have been confirmed in northern Iraq.

In 1258, the Mongol general Hulagu Khan besieged and took the city of Baghdad. His forces murdered its inhabitants, burned its libraries and ravished its lands. The Bush administration has done the same, but hidden the carnage behind a smokescreen of lies and voodoo statistics.

For the average Iraqi, there is little difference between the Mongols and the United States. Both have laid waste to their country.

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Halibut en papillote is both healthy and sinfully delicious. Try it with mushrooms and bell pepper.

A fresh way with fish

By **DANA JACOBI**

When you first hear the words en papillote, the French term sounds refined, even pretentious. Yet this simple method of preparing fish roasted in foil is actually quite modest. Constructing foil packets that steam individual pieces of fish creates an elegant presentation that is both healthy and sinfully delicious.

My first experience with this dish, saumon en papillote, was served at a three-star restaurant in Paris. The salmon filet, topped with thin slivers of fresh ginger, lime and a sprinkling of shallots proved just how delicious en papillote can be. When the balloon-size packet enclosing the fish was opened at the table, notes of heavenly citrus and ginger billowed out. Steaming the fish alongside the fresh fruit and seasonings created a decadent sauce without added butter or oil. The fish was wonderfully moist and infused with flavor.

Enticed by other chefs who swore this was a simple way to prepare fish, I decided to try my hand. In truth, the most intimidating part was determining when the fish was done; since it is wrapped in foil, you cannot see or touch it. In the end, I learned to squelch my desire to peer inside the packet and to trust the cooking times offered in recipes.

Preparing foods en papillote lends itself to small and large gatherings. Cooking for two, I utilize a toaster oven heated to 400 degrees. For a more substantial dinner party, I prepare and refrigerate ahead of time as many portions as needed and bring them to room temperature just before roasting.

I love making fish this way because there is no clean-up. Without a sink full of dirty dishes, the only thing that lingers after preparing this recipe is the rich aroma of mushrooms and fresh ginger.

Halibut En Papillote with Mushrooms

- 1 large shallot, thinly sliced crosswise
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- Freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 1 large or 2 medium lemons
- 4 (4-oz.) pieces halibut
- 16 sprigs fresh thyme (or

- 1/2 tsp. dried)
- 1 Tbsp. rice wine vinegar
- 1 Tbsp. reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 2 tsp. brown sugar
- 1 tsp. grated or minced ginger
- 2 oz. shiitake mushrooms, stemmed
- 2 oz. white mushrooms, stemmed
- 1 medium orange bell pepper, seeded

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. In a small bowl, whisk together the vinegar, soy sauce, sugar and ginger. Set aside.

Cut the mushrooms and bell pepper into 1/4-inch slices and place in mixing bowl. Add the shallots, salt and a generous pinch of black pepper.

Cut the lemon into eight very thin slices, reserving the ends. Set the lemon slices aside. Squeeze the juice from the ends of the lemon over the mushroom and peppers. Mix to coat the vegetables with the lemon juice.

Make four 12-inch x 12-inch squares of heavy-duty aluminum foil and coat the dull side with cooking spray. Place a piece of fish in the center of each foil square. For each serving, spoon one-fourth of the soy sauce vinaigrette over the fish. Top with two lemon slices and add one-fourth of the vegetables. Top each with four thyme sprigs or sprinkle with one-fourth of the dried thyme. To seal the packets, bring two opposite sides of the foil together over the fish and roll down three or four times. Roll in the short ends to seal the packet. Place the packets on a baking sheet.

Bake 20 minutes, or until the fish is white at the thickest part and the vegetables are tender. To serve, immediately place each packet on a dinner plate. At the table, advise guests to open the packets very carefully, as there will be hot steam. Makes 4 servings.

Per serving: 148 calories, 3 g total fat (<1 g saturated fat), 5 g carbohydrate, 24 g protein, <1 g dietary fiber, 535 mg sodium.

"Something Different" is written by Dana Jacobi, author of 12 Best Foods Cookbook and contributor to AICR's New American Plate Cookbook: Recipes for a Healthy Weight and a Healthy Life.

Proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution

Editor's Note: Below are the 16 proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution that will appear on the ballot in Tuesday's statewide election.

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 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 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 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

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

Explanation: This amendment adds clarification and more precise language to existing provisions for home equity loans. Among the changes are a provi-

sion for a second home equity loan on the same property sooner than one year after the first home equity loan in the event of a declared state of emergency, such as a natural disaster.

9. Proposition 9 — SJR 29

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt all or part of the residence homesteads of certain 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 service-connected 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 billion to provide funding for highway improvement projects."

Explanation: This amendment would authorize the Texas Transportation Commission to issue up to \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for highway improvement projects, the proceeds of which will be used to pay for projects, costs, and payments owed under related credit agreements.

13. Proposition 13 — HJR 6

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders or conditions of release in a felony or family violence case."

Explanation: This 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 authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders in a family violence case.

14. Proposition 14 — HJR 36

"The constitutional amendment permitting a justice or judge who reaches the mandatory retirement age while in 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 assistance to economically distressed areas of the state to help provide adequate sewer and water supply services for residential use.

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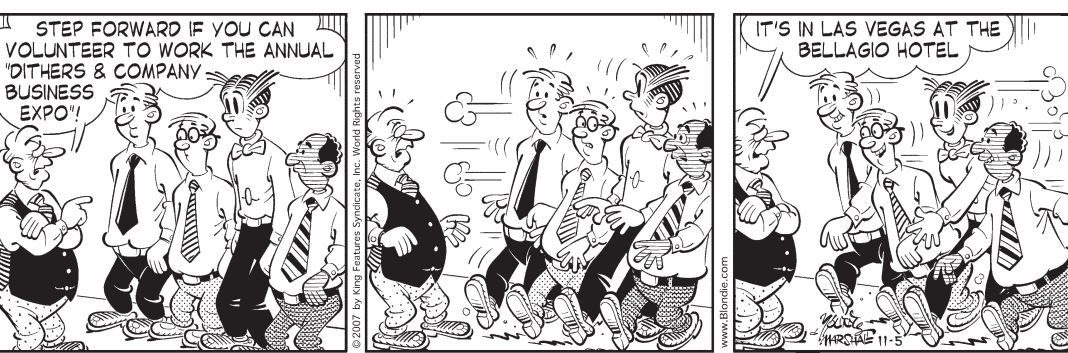
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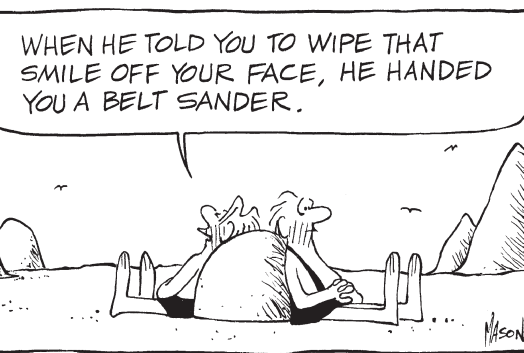
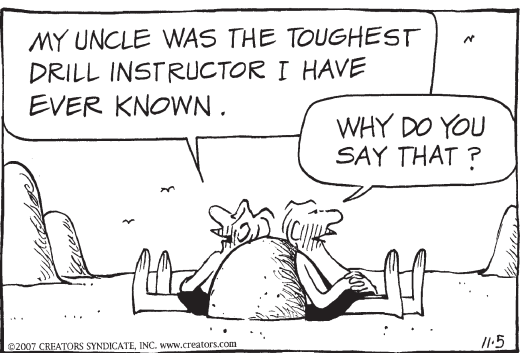
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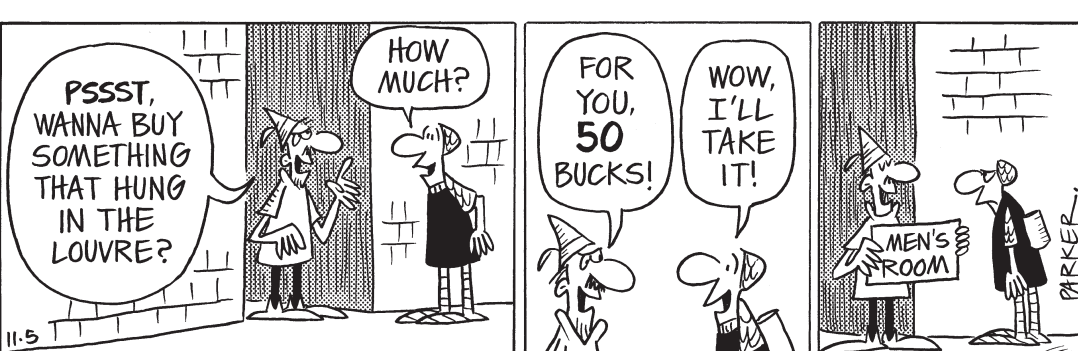
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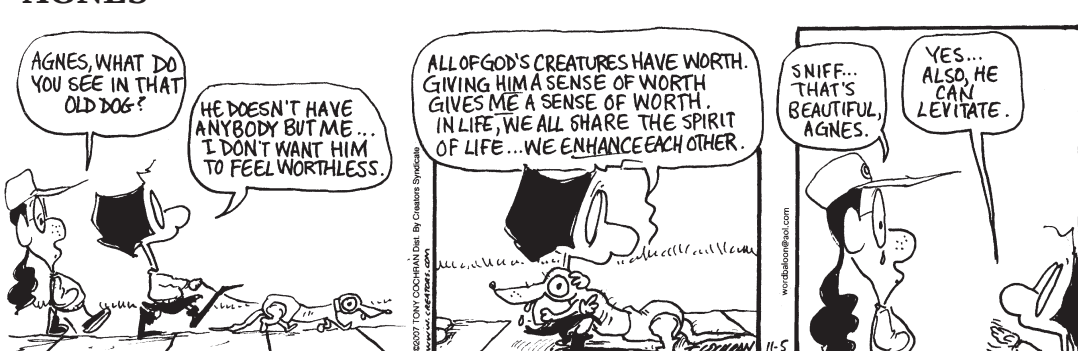
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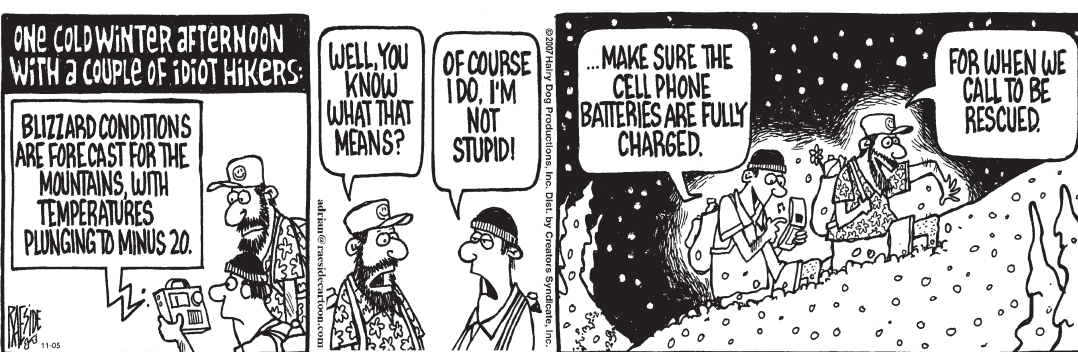
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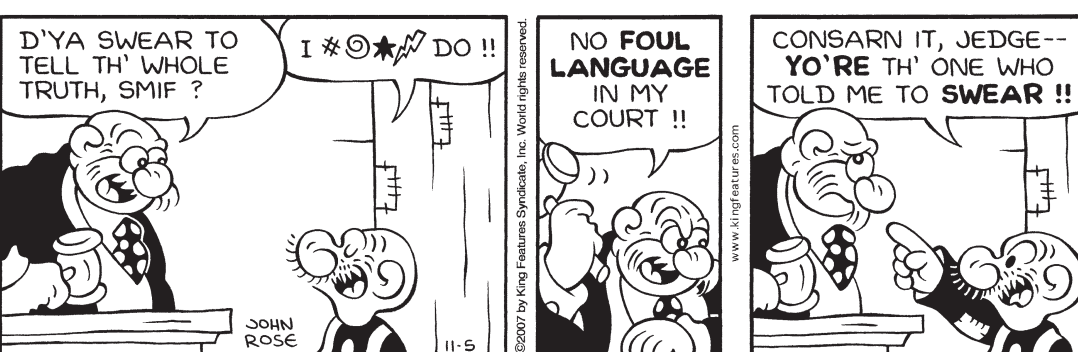
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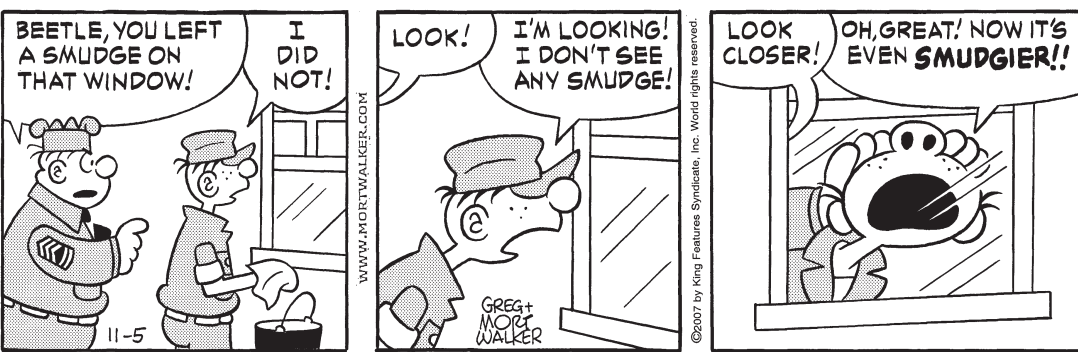
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Nov. 5, the 309th day of 2007. There are 56 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 5, 1605, the 'Gunpowder Plot' failed as Guy Fawkes was seized before he could blow up the English Parliament. On this date: In 1872, suffragist Susan B. Anthony defied the law by attempting to vote for President Ulysses S. Grant. In 1895, George B. Selden of Rochester, N.Y., received the first U.S. patent for an 'improved Road Engine.' In 1912, Woodrow Wilson was elected president, defeating Progressive Party candidate Theodore Roosevelt and incumbent Republican William Howard Taft. In 1940, President Franklin D. Roosevelt won an unprecedented third term in office as he defeated Republican challenger Wendell L. Willkie. In 1946, Republicans captured control of both the Senate and the House in midterm elections. In 1968, Richard M. Nixon won the presidency, defeating Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey and American Independent candidate George C. Wallace. In 1987, Supreme Court nominee Douglas H. Ginsburg admitted using marijuana several times in the 1960s and 70s, calling it a mistake. (Ginsburg ended up withdrawing his nomination.)

Answer to previous puzzle crossword grid with words like CATCHOW, OBADIAH, RAMINTO, etc.

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