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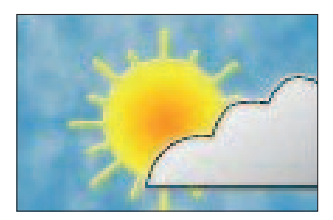
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## Opening their homes

### Symphony Guild 'Tour' set for Sunday, Dec. 9

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

Four Big Spring families will be opening their homes for guided tours this holiday season, as the Big Spring Symphony Guild prepares to hold its annual Holiday Tour of Homes Sunday, Dec. 9. Guild president and spokesperson Janice Bond said the event has become a staple on the holiday calendars of many area residents. "The Big Spring Symphony Guild was founded in 1980, and in 1984 it was decided that a Christmas Tour of Homes would be a good way to raise money," said Bond. "The Guild understood that many people have



Bond

always had a desire to see what the insides of other peoples' houses were like — especially how they had them decorated for the holiday season. "The Holiday Tour of Homes has been going on ever since. Not every year, but most of them. One of the main problems in having it every year, is finding people willing to open their homes to the public. As you can imagine, it is a lot of trouble to decorate — sometimes in an extra way from what

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## HOLIDAY SPIRIT



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan  
 Little Kaylee Kinsey is definitely dressed for the season at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center's annual Christmas Lighting Ceremony, held Friday evening at the hospital.

## Drive by gunfire continues

No one injured in what police say may be gang-related activity

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

Any hopes the recent rash of shootings in the city of Big Spring would quietly come to a close were dismissed during the early morning hours Thursday, as yet another home was riddled with gunfire. According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the Big Spring Police Department, officers were called to a home in the 700 block of Lorilla after gun shots were reported. "The call came in at approximately 3 a.m.," said Everett. "Someone fired multiple gunshots into the home, which was occupied by both adults and children at the time. Luckily, however, no one

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan  
 Lydia Jojola arranges items at her vendor's table during the annual Canterbury Christmas Bazaar, held Saturday morning at the retirement community.

## The Chalet

### State Hospital's second-hand shop firmly entrenched in downtown area

**Special to the Herald**

More than 15 years ago, Bill Wallace delivered a public plea for volunteers to staff The Chalet — the volunteer-driven second-hand clothing store which benefits patients at Big Spring State Hospital. Wallace still can be found plugging away at the cash register each Wednesday afternoon at The Chalet and still scours the area for potential volunteer staffers.



Christie-Morgan

recently purchased the latest home to The Chalet — the building at 115 E. Second St.

But this time, when he recruits volunteers he will be doing so to a permanent home. The Volunteer Services Council of Big Spring State Hospital purchased the latest home to The Chalet — the building at 115 E. Second St. "After 21 years and at least six locations, we finally have a place to call our own, and we don't have to worry about packing up and moving again," said Billie Christie-Morgan, Big Spring State Hospital director of community relations. One of the luxuries of owning a storefront is the band of volunteers can do long-range planning on remodeling and store

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**RANKIN'S REVENGE**

It's time to officially bid farewell to the high school football season in the Crossroads region. Grady's Wildcats were the final Crossroads representative still in the hunt for a state title. However, the Wildcats were eliminated by district rival Rankin, 50-29, Friday night at Big Spring's Memorial Stadium. The Red Devils avenged a 50-46 loss to Grady they suffered in the final game of the regular season.

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**LIBRARY FINES? CAN 'EM**

Do you owe fines at the library but are short of change? You may be in luck, if your pantry contains more than your pocketbook. Through Friday, Dec. 28, the Howard County Library is accepting canned or boxed food goods as payment for library fines. One canned or boxed food item equals 50 cents. Please, no glass containers or bagged items and no dented cans. Only non-perishable items will be accepted. No change will be given for overpayment of fines. Proceeds will be donated to charity.

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# Sports

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

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## IN BRIEF

### Big Spring Steers in championship at Andrews Tourney

The Big Spring Steers beat Saginaw Boswell, 90-87, in overtime Friday to earn a berth into the championship game at the Andrews Tournament.

Jason Walker had 31 points to lead Big Spring to its semifinal victory over Boswell.

The Steers dominated Paducah, 76-57, in the first round of the tourney.

Terrance Clemons led all scorers with 22 points.

The final game was played at 3 p.m. Saturday against Lovington N.M.

Pick up Monday's edition of the Big Spring Herald for full coverage of the Steers' stellar performance.

### Garden City's Bearkat Booster Club Klassic results

Friday's results from Garden City ISD's Bearkat Booster Club Klassic:

**Boys round robin**  
Garden City 59, San Angelo Cornerstone 40  
Forsan 69, El Paso Jesus Chapel 16

**Boys Championship**  
Garden City vs. Forsan, 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

**Girls bracket**  
Grady 38, McCamey 31

Rankin 48, San Angelo Cornerstone 45  
Forsan 41, El Paso Jesus Chapel 30  
Garden City 49, Iraan 21.

**Saturday's bracket**  
Iraan vs. McCamey  
Forsan vs. Rankin  
**Championship**  
Garden City vs. Grady, 2 p.m. Saturday.

Read Monday's edition of the Big Spring Herald for full coverage and results of the Bearkat Klassic.

### Big Spring High School schedules fall sports banquet

The Big Spring High School booster clubs have scheduled a fall sports banquet for Saturday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m. in the high school's cafeteria.

Male and female athletes that participated in football, volleyball, cross country and cheerleading will be recognized.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased from Kay Cook at the Athletic Training Center.

Call Denise Carillo at 816-1685 with any questions.

### Individuals needed to referee area basketball games

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

Anyone interested should call Adam Rodriguez at 517-0300.

## Coahoma playing for boys and girls titles

By **BRANDON HALLFORD**

Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — The last time the Coahoma Bulldogs won the Coahoma Invitational, Bill Clinton was in the Oval Office, gasoline was under two dollars a gallon and all the young men on this year's version of the Bulldogs where in the grades K-3rd.

Now, thanks to a 78-47 drubbing of the Miles Bulldogs, Bulldogs Head Coach Kim Nichols and the rest of the Coahoma faithful are poised to celebrate a tourney win that has

eluded them since 1997.

And after the second straight 30 plus win in as many days, the Bulldogs seem to be the safest bet to claim team gold Saturday night when they face off against a traditional rival — Stanton's Buffaloes.

Paced by Matthew Tatum's 15, the Bulldogs wasted little time getting the evening off to a fast start. Cody Sheppard took the ball off the opening tip in for an easy 2-0 lead just five seconds into the game.

After Miles tied the game at two off an Adrian Padilla basket, Coahoma went on its first run of

the night outscoring Miles, 14-4, for the remainder of the first quarter finding themselves holding an 18-6 lead after one quarter.

After a Tyler Krueger basket trimmed the lead back to eight, Braden Griffin buried a trey from the top of the key that sent the Bulldogs on a 10-0 run that lasted a little over two minutes, expanding Coahoma's lead to 28-12 with just over two minutes left in the first half.

With the score 28-15, Coahoma shot off one last little spurt of the half, closing with Colter Morgan doing most of the dirty work. The 6-7 senior post started the

mini-run off driving hard to the basket at the 1:23 mark of the second to draw the foul for the 3-point play. Another Morgan basket 30 seconds later pushed the lead to 18 before Josh Paniagua ended the first-half scoring, getting off a shot just as time expired to give the Bulldogs a 20-point lead, 35-15, going into the locker room.

The second half proved to be more of the same as the host Bulldogs ripped off 12 consecutive points to open the half pushing the margin to 47-15 before

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## Sweet revenge: Rankin eliminates Grady

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Herald Sports Editor

It's time to officially bid farewell to the high school football season in the Crossroads region.

Grady's Wildcats were the final Crossroads representative still in the hunt for a state title. However, the Wildcats were eliminated by district rival Rankin, 50-29, Friday night at Big Spring's Memorial Stadium.

The Red Devils avenged a 50-46 loss to Grady they suffered in the final game of the regular season. Grady clinched a playoff spot and a share of the District I, Division I title by winning the first game.

However, the Red Devils get the last laugh on the season, clinching a Region I title with Friday night's win. Now, Rankin prepares for a state semifinals matchup with second-ranked Rule.

Grady struggled to muster enough offense to compete with the Red Devils in the rematch. Rankin outproduced the Wildcats 404-277 in total offense.

"I just don't think we ever got our offense on track," said Wildcats Head Coach Joe Helms. "They did a good job defensively and it prevented us from getting into a flow."

Leading 28-23 in the third quarter, Rankin quarterback Garrett Avalos connected with Jesse Sanchez from 22 yards out for his fifth touchdown pass of the game, extending the Red Devils' lead to 34-23.

Avalos threw his sixth touchdown pass with 8:50 remaining in the game, connecting with receiver Chase Epley for the



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler  
Grady Wildcats end Justin Tubb pulls in a 36-yard pass from quarterback Dylan Cox in the Wildcats' 50-29 loss to the Rankin Red Devils in the Six-man Division I, Region I championship game Friday night at Big Spring's Memorial Stadium.

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## Missouri's Daniel looking forward to Texas homecoming



AP photo  
Missouri's Chase Daniel led the Tigers into San Antonio's Alamodome to take on the Oklahoma Sooners for the Big 12 Championship. Daniel, a graduate of Southlake Carroll, is looking forward to coming back to his home state.

By **ALAN SCHER ZAGIER**

Associated Press Writer

SAN ANTONIO — They come from industrial ports on the Gulf of Mexico, border stops on the Rio Grande, East Texas timber towns and high-toned Dallas suburbs.

For quarterback Chase Daniel and 17 other Texans playing for top-ranked Missouri, Saturday's Big 12 championship game against Oklahoma at the Alamodome will be anything but a neutral site.

More like a homecoming for a group that includes Daniel, a Heisman Trophy contender, and five of the team's defensive starters.

"It's going to be unbelievable," said Daniel, whose Southlake Carroll teams compiled a 47-1 record and won two state championships at the suburban Dallas high school. "Going back to Texas is a big deal."

The game will be Daniel's fourth in the 65,000-seat Alamodome. As a sophomore wide receiver, his Carroll team won the 2002 state title there. A year later as the

quarterback, Daniel suffered his only high school defeat at the Alamodome, but returned to win the first game of his senior year.

Playing in a state where high school playoff games can draw more than 40,000 fans conditioned Daniel and his fellow Texans for arguably the biggest game in school history, the quarterback said.

As a prep player, Daniel competed in the Alamodome, Baylor's Casey Stadium and Texas Stadium, home of the Dallas Cowboys.

"It prepared me immensely for the pressure," he said.

The surprising Tigers (11-1), ranked No. 1 in both The Associated Press and BCS polls after starting the season unranked, are one win from the Jan. 7 BCS championship game in New Orleans.

Missouri won the Big 12 North with a convincing defeat of rival Kansas last week. The title game against No. 9 Oklahoma, the South Division champion, is a rematch of Missouri's only loss, 41-31

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# St Andrew's Day Celebration

### World class artists to be featured

Three very special and renowned performers will be featured at the upcoming annual St. Andrew's Day Celebration presented by St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

Piper E.J. Jones and drummer Randy Wothke both are return performers from last year's event. They will be joined this year by piper Richard Kean. The celebration will be on Sunday evening, Dec. 9, at 7:30 p.m.

E.J. Jones began his piping studies at the St. Thomas Episcopal School in Houston. He then joined the Hamilton Pipe Band and was a committed member of that group when they won several competitions in Scotland. He has been a member and one of the founders of the Celtic groups Clandestine, The Willow and The Rogues. He is retiring from The Rogues at the end of 2007 to concentrate on traditional piping competitions and Scottish instrument making.

Randy Wothke is a graduate of the University of Houston with a degree in music education, with percussion as his principal instrument. Randy was also a founding member of The Rogues. Randy has been competing in Scottish style drumming competitions since 1986. He was a member of the Hamilton Pipe Band when they became the Grade II World Champions in Glasgow, Scotland in 1998. He composes music for The Rogues and serves as their business manager.

Richard Kean is a native of Edinburgh, Scotland and moved to Canada at an early age. He later moved back to Edinburgh and was a member of the pipe duet Teribus. Teribus traveled extensively throughout Europe and produced albums featuring strong traditional bagpipe music as well as new compositions by Richard. He participated in the formation of Stockbridge Pipe Band and has also been a member of the Hamilton Pipe Band.

2007 has been a very busy performing year for The Rogues. A special highlight of the year was a performance with the U.S. Air Force Band in February. The band recently completed the recording of their seventh album, "Rougetrip."

For the St. Andrew's Day event in Big Spring, the pipes and drums will process playing "Highland Cathedral" followed by "Amazing Grace." Their Solo Portion of the Celebration will include "The Mason's Apron," "The Atholl Highlanders," and "The Gravel Walk."

Other Participating Musicians include Darryl Knapp, organist and Dr. Keith Graumann, conductor, Gloria Steelman, flute & violin; Rocky Harris, Ryan Harris and Desmond Garcia, trombone; and Samuel Hale, horn along with the St. Mary's Parish Choir and the choir of St. Nicholas Episcopal Church

Guest vocalists are Joyce Bradley, Joseph Dawes and Susan Dawes.

A gala reception featuring traditional Scottish fare follows the Celebration service. There is no admission charge for the event.

*It is suggested that those planning to attend come early. Seats fill very quickly*

Thorn and Thistle Pipe Band will perform at 7:05 p.m. in the courtyard



Photos from the 2006 St. Andrew's Day Celebration  
 Story by Linda Hill  
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Obituaries

Ignacia 'Nancy' Garcia Lopez



Ignacia "Nancy" Garcia Lopez, 85, of Big Spring died Friday, Nov. 30, 2007, at her residence. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 4 p.m. Monday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Coahoma with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Nancy was born July 1, 1922, in Barstow, Texas, to Catalina and Bernardo Lopez Sr. She was a longtime resident of Big Spring, having moved to Coahoma about six months ago. Nancy was a homemaker and had worked in several restaurants in the Big Spring area.

Nancy is survived by one son, Joe Bernardo Lopez Jr.; two daughters, Linda Ruiz and her husband David of Coahoma, and Viola Lopez and her husband Juan of Big Spring; 16 grandchildren; 37 great grandchildren; 10 great great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Nancy was preceded in death by three sons, Manuel "Nino," Andres and Joe; and one sister, Chono Juarez.

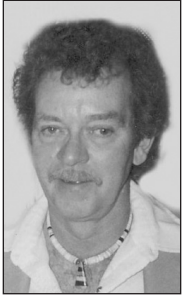
Pallbearers will be Brian Ruiz, Abram Ruiz, Paul Ruiz, John Manuel Solis, Bobby Joe Lopez and Manuel Lopez Jr.

Honorary pallbearers will be Joe Solis and Andres Paredes Jr.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

*Paid obituary*

James Wesley 'Jim' Woodall



James Wesley "Jim" Woodall, 72, of Coahoma, died Thursday, Nov. 29, 2007, at his residence. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Coahoma Cemetery with the Rev. Michael Chase, pastor of Grace Fellowship Church of God, officiating.

He was born Jan. 7, 1935, in Little Rock, Ark., to Mary Margaret and Joseph M. Woodall. He grew up in Colorado. He married Evelyn "Evie" Decker on March 25, 1989, in Santa Fe, N.M. He owned Woodall's Classic Coach Works in Santa Fe, N.M. He had also been an Evangelist in the Assembly of God Church. He moved to Coahoma in 1998 from Santa Fe.

He is survived by his wife, Evie of Coahoma; one son, Nick Woodall of Abilene; six step-sons, Gary Mareno of Pennsylvania, Brian Mareno and Dean Mareno, both of New York, Basil Kendrot of Idaho, Tom Kendrot of New Mexico, and Cortland "Cort" Decker of Florida; one step-daughter, Cheryl Kendrot of Colorado; one sister, Peggy Northcutt of California; two brothers, Allen "Butch" Burns of Florida, and Viccelger "Mac" Burns of the Philippines; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Jimmy Woodall and one daughter, Leslie Woodall.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

Teresa G. Moreno



TULIA — Teresa G. Moreno, 46, died Thursday, Nov. 29, 2007 in Big Spring. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, 2007, in the Church of the Holy Spirit with Father Tony Neusch, pastor officiating. Burial will follow in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Kornerstone Funeral Directors of Tulia.

Teresa was born Nov. 19, 1961. She grew up in Tulia and graduated from Hereford High School. She moved to Amarillo and married Daniel Moreno and moved to Lubbock and lived there most of her life and was a housewife. She also lived in Big Spring and worked there for a few years.

Survivors include four daughters, Samantha Enriquez and husband Chris of Big Spring, Elvira Moreno of Lubbock, Elida Moreno of Lubbock and Ida Moreno of Lubbock; her mother, Elidia Granado of Tulia; one brother, Jimmy Granado of Tulia; and one sister, Paula Perea of Big Spring; and eight grandchildren.

A rosary service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, 2007, in the Kornerstone Funeral Directors Chapel.

Online condolences may be made at [www.kornerstonefunerals.com](http://www.kornerstonefunerals.com).

Mary Beth "Sis" Walker

Mary Beth "Sis" Walker, 81, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Dec. 1, 2007, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-7-7-6. Sum It Up: 25.

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-7-9. Sum It Up: 21.

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GRADY

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fourth time. The 13-yard score gave Rankin a 44-23 lead.

After, the Red Devils' defense held Grady's offense to a three and out on its ensuing possession, Rankin running back Juan Hernandez continued the rout with an 18-yard touchdown run.

Trailing 50-23 with 8:03 left in the game, Grady could string together just one scoring drive that ended with quarterback Dylan Cox finding Leighton Fields for their fourth touch-

down connection of the night. The 11-yard touchdown made the score 50-29.

Grady's Roy Rodriguez recovered an onside kick on the ensuing kickoff, but the Wildcats were unable to turn the crucial special teams play into points, essentially bringing an end to Grady's postseason run.

A huge difference in the two games played by Grady and Rankin was the performance of Avalos.

In the first matchup, the Rankin signal caller struggled, completing just 10 of 21 passes for 112 yards and two touchdowns.

However, Avalos showed up with his A-game to lead Rankin to a region title.

He completed 12 of 17 passes for 153 yards and six touchdowns and added another 115 yards on the ground.

Four of Avalos' six touchdown passes went to Epley, who finished with four catches for 69 yards.

Hernandez had 123 rushing yards and 42 receiving yards with three total touchdowns. Rankin racked up 251 total rushing yards.

Grady managed just 55 yards on the ground. Tommylee Rivas led Grady with 48 yards on five carries.

Cox led the Wildcats' offense with 224 passing yards and four touchdowns on 19 of 30 passes. All four of his touchdowns were caught by Fields, who had six receptions for 63 yards. Justin Tubb finished with 71 yards on three catches and Lane Shands also had three receptions for 43 yards.

"This was a special group of kids," Helms said. "It's hard to reflect on the season right now, but I think this playoff run is something these players will always remember."

Grady says goodbye to five seniors — Rodriguez, Rivas, Tubb, Shands and Santos Montoya. However, Helms is

excited about the possibilities of next season with several players returning at key positions.

"We get a lot of our skill players back next season," Helms said. "There's something to be excited about here. We're going to be a faster team next season and have the ability to repeat this year's performance."

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COAHOMA

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Ryan West slowed the bleeding burying a jumper from outside the arc.

Morgan blocked five shots in the fourth period alone and finished the night with seven blocks. He also led Coahoma with 23 points.

Sheppard, Logan Stone, and Jovi Paniagua were also able to hit double figures scoring 10 apiece.

Coahoma finds a familiar foe in its path to the championship in the Buffaloes, who claimed the 2006 tourney title with a victory over the Bulldogs in the finals.

Stanton 43,  
Wall 35

Stanton, lead by Justin Hinojosa and Chase Pinkerton with 12 points each, the Buffaloes held a slim 24-21 lead going into the half.

Hinojosa did most of his damage in the third period as the senior buried two of his four treys in the stanza, but even then the Buffs' were only able to manage eight points in the quarter.

Garrett Fulton added nine to the Stanton tally while Logan Dodd provided a game high 17 for the Hawks. Caleb Usry added nine in the loss for the Hawks.

Sweetwater 54,  
Presidio 37

In the consolation bracket, the Sweetwater Mustangs moved into the finals thanks to the 54-37 win over the Presidio Bluedevils.

Thomas Holsey paced the Mustangs with a game-high 17. Presidio was paced by sophomore Edgar Ramirez's 12.

Pecos 66,  
Sterling City 40

The Pecos Eagles will face off against the

Sweetwater in the consolation finals by virtue of their 66-40 victory over the Eagles of Sterling City. Edgardo Madrid led the way for Pecos with 20 points while Jacob Hasteley scored 14 in the loss.

Girls Bracket  
Coahoma 66,  
Lorenzo 14

In the girls' bracket, the Coahoma Bulldogettes advanced to the finals by drubbing the Lorenzo Lady Hornets 66-14.

The Bulldogettes never let the Lady Hornets get on track bursting out to an 18-4 lead after one quarter and widening it to 38-10 at the half.

Coahoma did not allow a Lorenzo field goal in the second half until there was just over two minutes remaining in the game.

Janice Gonzales, who is looking to repeat last years all-tournament team performance, paced the Bulldogettes with 16.

Laci Sterling scored 15 and Christie Rich and Heather Sheppard each scored 12. The Lady Hornets were led by Morgan Ramirez's nine points.

Stanton 41,  
Miles 38

The Stanton Lady Buffaloes moved to 3-0 in the tournament thanks to a 12-5 run in the third quarter before holding off the Miles Lady Mustangs in the final quarter to win 41-38.

Adrian Carrasco led the way for Stanton scoring 10 while Krista Sanchez scored six.

Andra Kerly, Karla Glass, and Luzy Damian scored six apiece for Miles.

Stanton 51,  
Presidio 24

Earlier in the day it was the Stanton Lady Buffaloes — powered by Carrasco's 11 points and Rachel Fleckenstein's 10 — running away with the convincing 51-24 triumph over the Presidio Lady Blue Devils.

Presidio was powered by Nicky Ortiz's 12 points.

Lorenzo 58,  
Presidio 47

In their first game of the day the Lady Blue Devils found themselves again on the short side of the

score sheet 58-47 to Lorenzo. Ortiz again led Presidio with a game-high 19 while Dordy Garcia added 10.

Lorenzo got 14 from Courtney George and 13 from Jessica Vasquez in the win.

Sweetwater 56,  
Sterling City 29

The Sweetwater Lady Mustangs claimed their first victory of the tournament in the second game of the day as they trounced the Lady Eagles of Sterling City 56-29. Bennie Smith again led the way for the Lady Mustangs scoring a game high 16 while Kayla McKinney added another 10.

Sterling City's Erin Havlak powered the lady Eagles with 13.

The tourney came to a conclusion Saturday as the Bulldogs faced Stanton in the boys' championship game.

Meanwhile, the Bulldogettes matched up with Sweetwater with the girls' title on the line.

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2004 Ford Focus ZTS 4-DR - Black w/Gray Cloth, All Power, Local One Owner w/36,000 Miles. Was \$13,995 **NOW \$11,945**

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2005 Ford F-150 Supercab XL 4X4 - White, V-8, Air, Automatic, Local One Owner w/60,000 Miles. Was \$20,995 **NOW \$19,995**

2005 Ford F150 Supercrew XLT - Gray w/Cloth, Local One Owner. Was \$18,995 **NOW \$17,995**

2005 Ford F350 Crew Cab V-10 - Dark Gray w/Black Leather, One Owner, Like New, Very Nice, Ready To Be Sold. Was \$27,995 **NOW \$26,995**

2004 Ford F150 Supercrew XLT - White w/Gray Cloth, All Power, Like New, One Owner, Low Miles. Was \$17,995 **NOW \$16,995**

2004 Nissan Frontier Crewcab XE - White w/Gray Cloth, In Dash CD Player, All Power, Only 23,000 Miles. Was \$17,995 **NOW \$16,995**

2001 Ford F250 Supercab XLT 5.4 L V8 - White w/Gray Cloth, Nice Truck, One Owner, All Power. Was \$13,995 **NOW \$12,995**

2000 Ford F350 DRW 7.3L Diesel - Black Gold w/Tan Leather, Lariat, 6 Disc In Dash, One Owner. Was \$20,995 **NOW \$19,995**

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Living with others is one of the most difficult of arts. You may not think of it as an art, but it is the finest and often the most difficult. By learning it early in life, you will save yourself many unpleasant experiences.

How do you master this art? You do so by treating others with respect. Courtesy is a way of living life inspired by thoughtfulness, consideration and respect for others and for yourself. We all know people who live



JERRIE STOCKS

under a rain cloud. But we also know those who bring a ray of sunshine. A Houston newspaper once carried this caption: "Today was dark and dreary, until Mary Parker walked into the office, then the sun shone brightly as ever." The majority of us would enjoy having such kind words spoken about us. But most do not realize that the life we carve out for ourselves is created by the choices we make every day.

When you arrive at your place of employment in a disgruntled mood, where is your focus? It's on you. Your actions are saying, I'm the only one who matters here, it's all about me. However, consideration for

others is the heart of good manners, and a courteous manner is a grace that every person should learn early in life. If you do, you will be a desirable person, always sought after, and admired by friends and peers.

Living and working together requires a dedication of respect and kindness. As a family, your strongest bond is each other. It's your support system and tower of reinforcement. As co-workers, the same dedication of respect and kindness is required.

**Dear Jerrie,**  
I was so excited to see your column on etiquette in the Herald Sunday. My husband

and I live in San Antonio, but were home for the Thanksgiving holidays. What a wonderful column for a newspaper to carry. We have Dear Abby, Heloise and the Horoscope, but I never thought of etiquette, and it is so desperately needed today. My mom saved me the past issues of your column and I enjoyed them all. She has promised to send future ones to me. We have two daughters, 12 and 10. I know your columns will be very helpful to me on this most important issue.

Thanks a million,  
Sonnie

Hello Sonnie, and thank you for your complimentary letter.

I hope my columns will be helpful and inspiring to your daughters. However, the best teacher of etiquette is you and your husband modeling a lifestyle of good manners daily before them. Children learn and do what they see at home. This is the best education in etiquette you can give them.

**Dear Jerrie,**  
My husband and I are having a couple from Dallas as our guests for Christmas dinner who are some of our best friends. They and their 14-year-old twin boys will arrive by their private plane Christmas morning. They are very well

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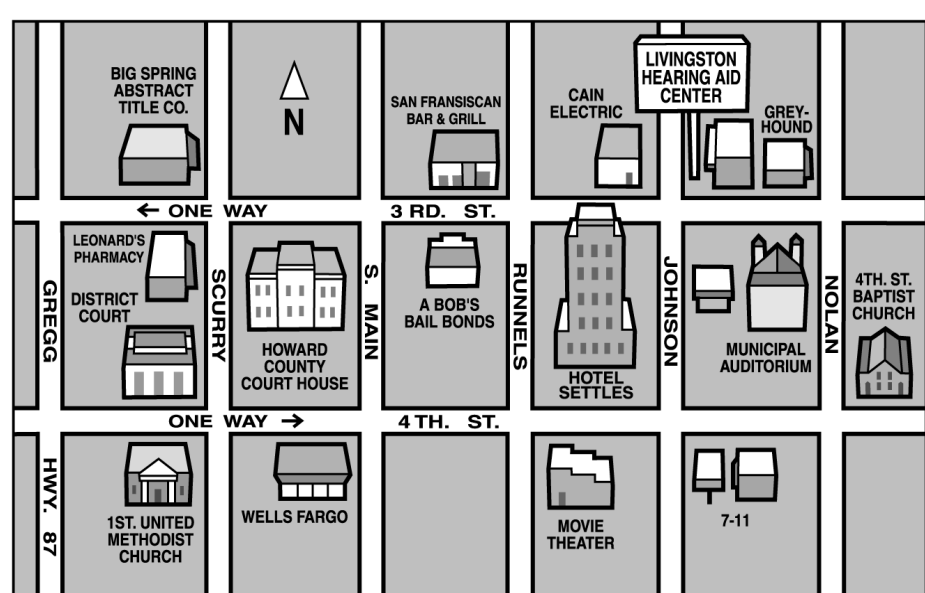
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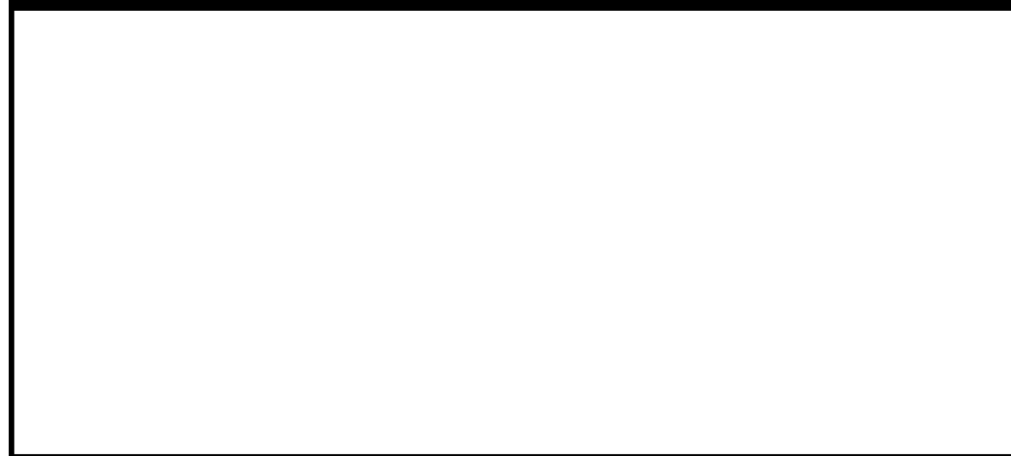
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TOUR

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one would usually do — and then give up a Sunday afternoon for the event. The husbands usually have to go somewhere else to watch football that day," she added with a laugh. "However, in some cases, wives have benefited from getting

new furnishings and decorations that they might not otherwise have gotten."

Bond said the traumatic nature of opening up one's home to a tour makes holiday homes hard to come by, but she and the guild have managed to line up nearly a half-dozen stops for the event.

"We're so very grateful

to all those in the past and those this year who have provided the houses for the tour," said Bond. "This year the homes on the tour are Loretta and Ron Farquhar, 716 Hillside Drive; Barbara and Ray Kennedy, 2901 Stonehaven; Billye and Ralph Mc Laughlin, 3 Kiowa Circle; Debi and A.J. Pirkle, 2807 Stonehaven; and Susan

and Rick Watkins, 908 Mountain Park Drive."

The tour will take place between 1:30 p.m. and 4 p.m., according to Bond, with tickets available at First Bank of West Texas, Blum's Jewelers, Faye's Flowers, the Heritage Museum and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

"Tickets are \$10 per person and can also be pur-

chased at each home on Sunday afternoon," said Bond. "One advantage to purchasing the tickets ahead of time, however, is a map with the location of each house is printed on the back.

"Traditionally, we also hold a reception following the tour," she added. "As customary in the past several years, it will be held in the parlor of the First

Presbyterian Church, located at Eight Street and Runnels from 3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m."

For more information on the tours, contact the Big Spring Symphony Guild office at 263-4033.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

SHOOTING

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was injured.

"We're unsure of the caliber gun used in the attack because no shell casings were recovered from the scene. And, as has been the case with most of these shootings, no one saw what happened, so we don't have any witnesses."

Everett said it's unclear whether the attack is related to similar reports in the 1300 block of College, 1500 block of

Sunset, Main Street and Cherokee and the 2500 block of Langley, all reported during the past several weeks.

He does, however, believe they all come down to one common denominator.

"I doubt it's the same people doing all of these shootings, but I believe it all comes down to gang activity," said Everett. "I can't tell you what specifically points to that because that's information we're not ready to release in this investigation, but it does appear to

be gang related."

Similar attacks were reported Nov. 19 in the 2500 block of Langley and 1300 block of College, according to police reports. Everett said a 9mm shell casing was recovered from the scene, the same caliber used in several other shootings earlier in the month.

During the early morning hours of Nov. 4, residences in the areas of Main Street and Cherokee came under fire, resulting in three Big Spring men being injured.

Joe Viera, 34, Chris

Ledesma, 24, and Ruben Gonzales, 20, were all wounded during the shooting spree. A home located in the 1500 block of Sunset was also riddled by gunfire a few days later and is believed to be related to the attack on Main Street.

"There's really nothing you can do to prepare for or prevent these types of shootings," said Everett. "Someone drives by or walks by your home and just opens fire without warning. The best thing I can tell area residents is if they see anything out of

the usual — any kind of suspicious activity — to call the police.

"There's really no way to predict when these shootings will stop. However, I don't see it dying down any time soon."

Anyone with information regarding the string of shootings is encouraged to contact the BSPD at 264-2550 or Big Spring Area Crimestoppers at 263-TIPS (8477).

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CHALET

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improvements, she said.

"One of their first undertakings is changing the storefront's facade so it can resemble it in its original state," Christie-Morgan said. "We want to assist in the revitalization of downtown."

"There is a great deal of work to be done before a grand opening and ribbon cutting planned for late spring," Christie-Morgan said.

A special late evening sale for hospital employees will be Monday, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Christmas decorations will be discounted by \$2. Employees must bring their ID badges to qualify for the sale items.

Donations of clothing and small household goods are accepted during store hours, Monday through Friday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Clothing items should be clean and in good condition, according to Chalet co-chairs Ruth Nanny, Tommy and JoBeth Corwin and



Murlene Williams.

Volunteers are always needed, Wallace said. Potential volunteers can either drop by the Chalet during business hours or call Christie-Morgan at 268-7535.

Members of the Chalet Facility Committee provide guidance on remodeling suggestions, building maintenance and future usage. Members of the committee are: Leslie Elrod, Beverly McMahon,

Kris Ryan, Max Moore, Robin Hallman, Shirley Bodin, Ed Moughon, Jok Simons and David Correa.

Big Spring State Hospital's Volunteer Services Council supports Big Spring State Hospital throughout the year providing items for patients that are beyond state budget allocations. Their donations have provided the construction of many building projects, including an Animal Assisted Therapy building, courtyards for many of the patient units, a walking track and a swimming pool.

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**CLASS 5A**  
**DIVISION I**  
**Region I**  
Odessa Permian (12-0) vs. Eules Trinity (11-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Abilene's Shotwell Stadium  
Lubbock Coronado (11-1) vs. Arlington Bowie (11-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Lubbock's Jones AT&T Stadium  
**Region II**  
Dallas Skyline (11-1) vs. Round Rock (8-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Waco's Floyd Casey Stadium  
Plano (11-1) vs. Spring Westfield (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Round Rock ISD  
**Region III**  
Cypress Ridge (11-1) vs. Fort Bend Hightower (9-3), 1 p.m. Saturday, Cypress Berry Stadium  
Galena Park North Shore 45, Cypress Fairbanks 31  
**Region IV**  
Converse Judson (8-4) vs. La Joya (6-6), 3 p.m. Saturday, Laredo Student Activities Center  
SA Reagan (10-2) vs. Los Fresnos (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Victoria  
**DIVISION II**  
**Region I**  
Abilene (11-1) vs. Southlake Carroll (11-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium

Mansfield Timberview (9-3) vs. Lewisville Hebron (10-2), 4 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium  
**Region II**  
Dallas Carter (7-5) vs. Pflugerville (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Waco ISD Stadium  
Longview (11-1) vs. Leander (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Corsicana  
**Region III**  
Houston Stratford (9-3) vs. Fort Bend Clements (12-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Galena Park ISD Stadium  
Katy (12-0) vs. Pasadena Memorial (9-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Rice Stadium  
**Region IV**  
Smithson Valley 55, Harlingen South 7  
SA Madison (11-1) vs. Weslaco (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Weslaco  
**CLASS 4A**  
**DIVISION I**  
**Region I**  
Woolfirth Frenship (10-2) vs. Aledo (10-2), 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Wichita Falls Memorial Stadium  
**Region II**  
Copperas Cove 48, McKinney Boyd 26  
**Region III**  
Austin LBJ (10-2) vs. Rosenberg Lamar (10-2), 4 p.m. Saturday, Texas A&M (Kyle Field)  
**Region IV**

New Braunfels (12-0) vs. Gregory-Portland (8-4), 7 p.m. Saturday, CC's Buccaneer Stadium  
**DIVISION II**  
**Region I**  
WF Rider 56, Lubbock Estacado 0  
Hereford (8-4) vs. Everman (12-0), 3 p.m. Saturday, Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium  
**Region II**  
West Mesquite (9-3) vs. Red Oak (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium  
Dallas Highland Park 36, Dallas S. Oak Cliff 13  
**Region III**  
Dayton 43, Livingston 0  
Waller 42, Lumberton 14  
**Region IV**  
Lake Travis 45, CC Calallen 14  
Beeville 24, Schertz Steele 10  
**CLASS 3A**  
**DIVISION I**  
**Region I**  
Abilene Wylie 28, Andrews 14  
**Region II**  
Dallas Roosevelt (11-1) vs. Gilmer (12-0), 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Mesquite Memorial Stadium  
**Region III**  
Liberty Hill 48, Navasota 14  
**Region IV**  
Pleasanton (10-2) vs. Gonzales (10-2), 7 p.m., Saturday, San Antonio

**DIVISION II**  
**Region I**  
Snyder 34, Argyle 27  
Seminole (8-4) vs. Vernon (11-1), 4 p.m., Saturday, Sweetwater  
**Region II**  
Celina 50, Pittsburg 23  
Glen Rose (8-3) vs. Texarkana Pleasant Grove (10-2), 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Mesquite Memorial Stadium  
**Region III**  
Waco LaVega 20, West Orange-Stark 12  
China Spring 35, Kirbyville 14  
**Region IV**  
Wimberley (6-6) vs. Cuero (10-2), 6 p.m. Saturday, Seguin  
Palacios 31, Llano 20  
**CLASS 2A**  
**DIVISION I**  
**Region I**  
Early 17, Littlefield 14  
**Region II**  
Farmersville 42, Caddo Mills 6  
**Region III**  
Tatum 20, Newton 16  
**Region IV**  
Salado (12-0) vs. Santa Rosa (11-1), 6 p.m. Saturday, Victoria  
**DIVISION II**  
**Region I**  
Canadian (12-1) vs. Coleman (10-2), 3 p.m. Saturday, Wolforth

Idalou (12-0) vs. Blanco (11-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, San Angelo Stadium  
**Region II**  
Boyd (8-4) vs. DeKalb (8-4), 6:30 p.m. Saturday at McKinney's Ron Poe Stadium  
Cisco (12-0) vs. Gunter (12-0) 2 p.m. Saturday, Birdville  
**Region III**  
Elysian Fields 20, Crawford 3  
Arp 24, Corrigan-Camden 6  
**Region IV**  
Refugio 21, East Bernard 14  
Altair Rice 29, Stockdale 28  
**CLASS A**  
**DIVISION I**  
**Region I**  
Sunray (9-2) vs. McCamey (8-4), 4 p.m. Saturday, Lubbock's Lowrey Field  
**Region II**  
Seymour (8-3) vs. Valley Mills (8-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Denton's Collins Complex  
**Region III**  
Alto 47, Joaquin 6  
**Region IV**  
Granger 35, Shiner 28  
**DIVISION II**  
**Region I**  
White Deer (10-1) vs. Sundown (12-0), 3 p.m., Saturday, Plainview  
Nazareth (11-1) vs. Iraan (8-4), 2 p.m., Saturday, Denver City

**Region II**  
Munday (11-0) vs. Roscoe (12-0), 8 p.m. Saturday, Abilene's Shotwell Stadium  
Windthorst 39, Goldthwaite 15  
**Region III**  
Maud 20, Cayuga 12  
Tenaha 50, Grapeland 27  
**Region IV**  
Bremond 21, D'Hanis 14  
Harper 32, Sabinal 0  
**SIX-MAN**  
**DIVISION I**  
**Region I**  
Rankin 50, Grady 29  
**Region II**  
Rule 59, Turkey Valley 14  
**Region III**  
Trinidad 69, Abbott 24  
**Region IV**  
Richland Springs 76, Calvert 26  
**DIVISION II**  
**Region I**  
Jayton 56, Sanderson 8  
**Region II**  
Matador Motley County 42, Follett 30  
**Region III**  
Woodson 89, Vernon Northside 60  
**Region IV**  
Gustine 67, Zephyr 56

## DANIEL

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on Oct. 13 in Norman, Okla.

Like Missouri, Oklahoma also recruits heavily in Texas. The Sooners' 105-man roster features 46 Texans, more than the team's 31 home-state players.

Recruiting experts tie much of Missouri's recent success to its ability to land players from a state that historically, along with Florida and California, produces the most number of Division I football signees each year.

"Missouri's staff, like most other staffs in America, look to Texas," said Jake Shaw, an editor for a Dallas-based football recruiting newsletter. "There is just an abundance of players."

On Missouri's defense, nearly half of the 11-man starting lineup hails from Texas: ends Stryker Sulak and Tommy Chavis, tackle Ziggy Hood, safety Del Howard and linebacker Sean Weatherspoon.

On offense, backup

receivers Danario Alexander and Jared Perry join Daniel as key Texan contributors.

The Texas contingent on Missouri's roster is second only to the home state, which produced 69 of the players on the

Tigers' 120-man preseason roster. Oklahoma, with six players, is a distant third.

"Missouri is our number one priority," Tigers coach Gary Pinkel said. "Certainly Texas is number two... It's been huge-

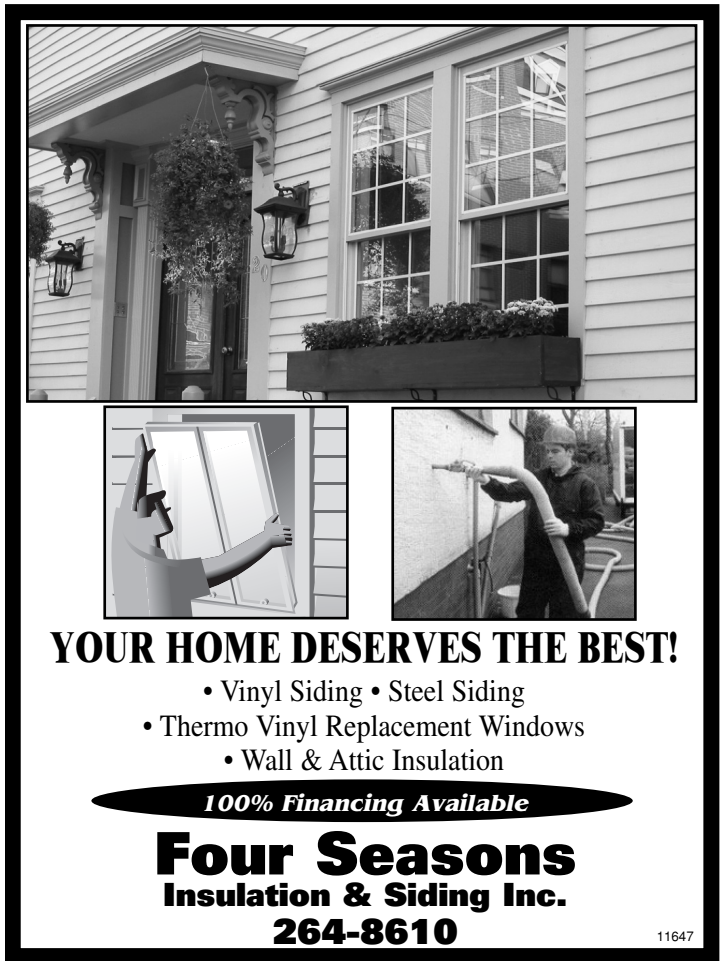
ly important for our football program."

In the offseason, Missouri has four assistant coaches, and sometimes five, recruiting in

Texas, Pinkel said.

While Oklahoma — which is appearing in the Big 12 title game for the sixth time in eight years — is sure to draw a large

crowd, Missouri's strong Texas connections could help balance the Sooners' advantage in tradition and proximity.



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## Sullivan and Dennis

Ashley Sullivan and Rob Dennis, both of Nashville, were married Nov. 10, 2007, at a beachfront ceremony in Seagrave Beach, Fla., with the Rev. Billy Richardson officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Curtis and Emily Sullivan of Gadsden, Tenn. The groom is the son of Jamie and Carla Collinsworth of Big Spring and Bobby and Wilma Dennis of Fritch.

Whitney Sullivan, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Mark McKinney, childhood friend of the groom, was best man.

The bride is a graduate of Peabody High School in Trenton, Tenn.. She received a bachelor of science in business administration from The

University of Tennessee-Martin, and a master of business administration from The University of Mississippi.

She currently is an independent publicist at mPress and a marketing manager for Rack-N-Roll Audio and Super Loud Music in Nashville.

The groom is a graduate of Big Spring High School. He received an associate of applied arts degree from Midland College. The owner of Rack-N-Roll Audio and Super Loud Music in Nashville, Rob also is an independent producer.

Following a beautiful ceremony and reception, the couple honeymooned in Napa Valley.

Rob and Ashley Dennis are residing in Nashville.

# Births



Paislie Tatum Hipp

Paislie Tatum Hipp, a girl, was born at 12:27 p.m. Nov. 9, 2007, weighing 5 pounds, 9 ounces and was 20 inches long.

She is the daughter of Paige and Travis Hipp of Coahoma. Her maternal grandparents are David and Annette Schofield and Billy and Ginger King. Her maternal great-grandparents are Shirley Paige and Lucille and Bill King.

Her paternal grandparents are Barbara Hipp and Gary Hipp. His paternal great-grandparents are Annie Ward and Darlene and Bill Hipp.

Paislie was welcomed home by big brother Tavyn.

Aycence Vikai Williams, a boy, was born at 6:02 a.m. Nov. 15, 2007, weighing 7 pounds, 6 ounces and was 21 inches long.

He is the son of Melinda Williams of Big Spring. His maternal grandparents are Vickie Carson and James Carson of Big Spring and Wade Rogers of Augusta, Maine.

His great grandparents are Charlene and Ralph Kennedy of Big Spring, Boyd and Mar Carson of Big Spring and Blanche and Irvin Rogers of Augusta, Maine.



Aycence Vikai Williams

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## Ray and Haley

Melissa Ray and Lonnie Christopher Haley, both of San Angelo, will be united in marriage at 3 p.m. Dec. 29, 2007, at College Baptist Church in Big Spring.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Pat and Gwen Ray of Big Spring. Her grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. C.J. "Red" Sullivan and Clema Ray of Big Spring and the late Pat Ray Sr.

The future groom is the grandson of Loy and Bill

Haley of San Angelo. His great-grandparents are Thomas Tedder of San Angelo and the late Alma Tedder.

Melissa earned a bachelor of science degree in kinesiology with a minor in biology from Angelo State University.

Chris will obtain his bachelor of arts in psychology with a minor in criminal justice from Angelo State University this December.



Melissa Ray and Lonnie Christopher Haley

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## MANNERS

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off financially, and I often feel somewhat inferior as I do not have the fine china, silver and glassware they are accustomed to. What do you suggest?

Thanks,  
Barb

Hello Barb,  
Since your guest are some of your best friends, I would not worry about the table set-

ting. Do the best you can by using a pretty tablecloth, napkins, place mats and some fresh flowers for the table. Soft holiday music in the background, good food and good conversation is all that's necessary. You do not need to apologize or explain. Eleanor Roosevelt once said: "No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."

One suggestion, shop some of the discount stores for dinnerware and flatware. You can find these things at excel-

lent prices. When buying dinnerware, choose a simple pattern in a soft cream or pale grey. These colors will work for just about any table setting. Keep it simple and enjoy.

Jerrie Stocks has for a number of years conducted classes on etiquette in public and private schools, colleges, church-

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By Steve Becker

### The Not-So-Good Old Days

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♥ 2  
♦ K J 10 9 5  
♣ 8 7 6 2

WEST EAST  
♠ 5 3 ♠ J 10 8 7  
♥ K Q 10 8 7 4 ♥ A J 9 6 5 3  
♦ 2 ♦ 6 4 3  
♣ A K Q 10 ♣ —

SOUTH  
♠ A K Q 9  
♥ —  
♦ A Q 8 7  
♣ J 9 5 4 3

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 ♠ 2 ♥ 3 ♣ 3 ♥  
3 ♠ 4 ♥ 5 ♣ 5 ♥  
6 ♣ Dble  
Opening lead — King of hearts.  
Calamity can strike at any time, but in this deal South was exceptionally hard hit. The hand occurred many years ago in a rubber-bridge game.  
He opened one club, and, after West had overcalled with two hearts (strong in those days), North raised to three clubs on decidedly skimpy

values.  
East bid three hearts, and South tried three spades. After North bid five clubs over West's four hearts, South could hardly be criticized for carrying on to six. He had a right to expect good trumps from partner, and that was about all he needed.

Why North bid five clubs is difficult to understand. Perhaps he intended the bid as a sacrifice against four hearts. But, whatever the reason, the outcome was disastrous.

West led a heart, and South ruffed. Faced with certain defeat, declarer attempted to cut his losses by leading a club, hoping to find the trumps divided 2-2 and so go down only one.

But West won the club with the ten and continued with the A-K-Q, drawing all the remaining trumps. He then cashed five hearts to defeat the contract eight tricks!

The penalty amounted to 4,400 points because at that time (1934) the first undertrick was 200 points, the second was 300, the third one 400, and so on.

Furthermore, to add insult to injury, West scored 100 honors to bring the total loss on the deal to 4,500 points!

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## OUR VIEWS

Remember, it's  
the season to  
give to others

**T**his is the season. That's right, we've all begun to turn our thoughts to Christmas. And that means it's time to begin remembering the various charitable drives that take place every year here in Big Spring.

While there's about a month of shopping days each year between Thanksgiving and Christmas, there's less time to help out charities.

Now is really the time to take a few minutes and remember those less fortunate than ourselves. And to remember the spirit of giving far outweighs that of getting. It's a message we preach to our children at an early age during the Christmas season.

And this Christmas, as is always the case, there are a number of agencies that need our help.

The Salvation Army's Angel Trees have the Christmas wishes of many needy children and elderly citizens on them as well this season.

The Angel Trees are within easy reach, located at the Big Spring Mall, Bealls Department Store and Wal-Mart. In addition, the tree for seniors located here at the *Herald*.

There's also still time to help out the Giving Trees project in Big Spring.

Child Protective Services annually sponsors a Giving Tree in the lobby of Wells Fargo Bank. The tree is trimmed with paper ornaments, each bearing the name of a child who has three wishes for the holidays. People purchase the gifts indicated on those ornaments and return them, unwrapped to the tree. Each ornament is marked with the child's shoe and clothing size.

Adult Protective Services' annual "Be a Star" program is also under way and is another opportunity to help needy elderly and disabled adults.

So, if you can, take a few minutes to drop by Wells Fargo Bank and pick an ornament off the Giving Tree and make this a special Christmas for a special child; or go by any of the three First Bank of West Texas locations and take pick up a star off the "Be a Star" trees.

Additionally, we would also ask our readers to remember that for children, Christmas just isn't Christmas without a new toy.

The *Herald* and the Salvation Army want to make sure no child in Big Spring has to experience that feeling this Christmas season, and that's why we'll again be partnering a joint toy drive.

So, if you can, please heed the call. We'll have the doors open here at the *Herald* offices every Monday through Friday morning at 8 a.m. and will be here until 5 p.m. on those days for those wishing to donate to the drive.

The toys will be taken to the Salvation Army and distributed on Dec. 23. Help us make sure they can give every child in need at least one new toy this Christmas.

Let's all be able to say we did our best to make it a joyous holiday season throughout Big Spring and Howard County.

Remember, the feeling you will receive from helping others is truly what is meant by the Christmas spirit.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

*Love and caring flows into the world, Lord, when we walk with You.*

Amen

## Time to buy a better radio, maybe?

**T**o a Dallas Cowboys fan, even a transplant such as myself, there are few things in this world as painful as being unable to watch the Boys play a game as pivotal as their recent meeting with — and savage beating of — the Green Bay Packers.

With the game only being broadcast on the NFL Network, which is only available in this area on satellite service, I turned to my beloved Internet at game time to feed my love for football.

Imagine my surprise when I visited the NFL.com site and found a live feed for the game right there on the Web site! Talk about luck! Not only was I going to be able to keep up with the game, I was going to get to see it in full.

Now, I'm sure those of you out there who are already familiar with NFL.com's live game time feed are already laughing at me for my obviously naive assumption, but for those that have yet to find themselves in similar shoes, I'll elaborate.

I got to watch the kickoff on the live feed, even the greatly disputed catch and strip between Terrell Owens and Al Harris. However, that was just about it.

For the rest of the game, my trusty Yahoo Stat-Tracker, which provides live fantasy football updates as well as game information, was more entertaining than the NFL.com feed, which eventual-

ly turned into one long rant about the evil cable companies, and how they are keeping the NFL Network out of the hands of cable customers like you and me.

For those unfamiliar with the ongoing war between the NFL and cable providers, it goes a little something like this.

Currently, about 8 million of the NFL Network's 35 million subscribers come from cable. Nearly all the rest are from satellite.

The NFL Network has been in negotiation — if that's what you want to call it — with the major cable companies, including Comcast and Time Warner, for more than four years now, and efforts to bring the channel to major cable company subscribers has reached a stalemate.

That's a nice way of saying both sides are acting like the south ends of northbound horses.

At the core of the standoff is the long-simmering dispute between proponents of bundled cable service — where you pay for a big package of channels, only a few of which you actually watch — and "a la carte" service, in which consumers would choose, and pay only for the stations they actually want to see.

And now, the NFL Network stalemate has the league running to legislators and regulators to compel cable operators to carry a channel whose lead attraction is eight games that started on Thanksgiving — games that before the 2006 season were seen Sundays on CBS or Fox and ESPN. The scarcity of games lets cable operators say they carry enough: 248 games on CBS, Fox, NBC and

ESPN.

"The eight games are a very definitive attempt to say the NFL Network is here to stay," Jerry Jones, the owner of the Dallas Cowboys, said in a recent interview. "It's long term, and if it's not eight games, it could be 16."

Bear in mind Jones' interest is personal. His team plays twice on the channel this season, the first being Thursday's game against Green Bay, and again Dec. 22 against the Carolina Panthers.

"Millions of our fans just won't get the games," Jones said. So he's telling fans to cast off cable and embrace satellite options or new TV services from Verizon and AT&T. "The company we are talking about here (Comcast), I guess I should go ahead and say it, is a company that depends upon privileges at the government level. And they shouldn't use those privileges to keep fans here from seeing the NFL."

But the campaign is weakened by the requirement that cable games on ESPN or the NFL Network be simulcast on local broadcast stations in the home markets of the teams that are playing. That reduces fan unrest if the primary audiences for each game are being served.

But during the Dallas vs. Green Bay game, cheeseheads in Wisconsin who lived outside the Green Bay and Milwaukee home markets were just as cut off from the game as we were if they were Charter or Time Warner customers.

NFL Commissioner Roger

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THOMAS  
JENKINS

## YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I do not know who is responsible for approving the road work on I-20 east of town. The area between mile marker 187 and 188 in the east-bound, right-hand lane is terrible. It's as bad as it was prior to being re-done.

As a taxpayer, I sincerely hope the contractor is required to re-finish that area before payment is made.

PAULA HENRY  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

I guess everyone has seen in the paper what the people that run our city are doing now, passing another law that affects only people that live outside of a certain district.

Is this discrimination? Why can't we park on our property, too?

KENNETH CARSON  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Although I am currently employed as an employee of the Big Spring ISD as a teacher, I feel compelled to respond to Ms. Morris' letter published in last Sunday's paper as a parent.

I have three children who have been educated entirely in the Big

Spring Independent School District. My two oldest children are currently students at Texas State University in San Marcos where they are excelling in every area of the college experience. My daughter will graduate in December of 2008 after 3-1/2 years of college, and my son is about to finish his first semester with all As and Bs.

My husband and I are proud of both of our children, but we realize that without the support of 13 years of dedicated educators at Anderson Kindergarten Center, Washington Elementary, Big Spring Junior High and Big Spring High School, none of their accomplishments would be possible.

I'm not sure where Ms. Morris is getting her information concerning the perceived lack of quality within

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## A sick kitty is no laughing matter

**W**hen considering my cat, I don't know what amazes me most — that Sylvester has survived so long; or that he's survived having me as an owner.

Upon discovering that my kitty recently celebrated his 18th birthday, people invariably congratulate me on being a wonderful, kind person who obviously takes superior care of his cat.

If they only knew. Don't get me wrong. I am rightly proud that my pets are so long-lived. Keyko, the other Great Cat of the World, lived for 15 years before succumbing to kidney failure, and now Sylvester is legally old enough to vote.

Obviously, I'm doing something right.

But I can't help shaking the feeling that beneath my caring, wonderful exterior beats the heart of a fraud. I sometimes think that Sylvester has thrived despite my best efforts to the contrary.

As I type this, my beloved kitty is home trying his best to recover from a month-long bout with a respiratory infection, brought on in part by his underheaded owner.

While Sylvester is the only cat I own, I do provide food to a neighborhood kitty who's taken a shine to me (probably because I feed him, I know).

About a month ago, this cat, who I have named Bright Eyes, was obviously feeling poorly. On top of that, it was a rainy, chilly night. So big-hearted me let him spend the night indoors.

Imagine my surprise when, a few days later, Sylvester started getting sick.

Oh, but my thick-headedness didn't stop there, kindly readers.

I recognized right off that my cat was suffering from a respiratory infection, because he's had those before. And about all I could do in the past was to let those things run their course. In a couple of weeks, I reasoned, he'd get better like he always had.

He didn't.

If you've never had a cat with a respiratory infection, let me educate you on what to expect.

In a word? Snot.

Lots of snot.

A copious amount of snot.

Snot everywhere.

If you're disgusted right now,

imagine how I feel.

I was amazed — repelled, but amazed — at the amount of snot that came out Sylvester's tiny nose. And it didn't just get on him, oh no. I am sure that, years from now, I'll still be cleaning up remnants from his latest sickness.

But the worst thing — and this is the last I'm going to write on the subject of snot, I swear — is that I had to constantly wipe his nose.

As much as I didn't like performing said act, Sylvester hated it even more. In fact, I think it would be fair to say he appreciated it as much as your average 2-year-old.

My poor baby would fight and squirm, I would wrestle and cajole — and 30 minutes later, we'd do it all over again.

Finally, after two weeks of this, the light bulb finally went on over my head and I realized I best get my cat to the vet and see if there

was something he could do.

That's when I learned that there are two different kinds of respiratory infections in cats — viral and bacterial. With a viral infection, you more or less just have to wait it out. But there are things a vet can do with a bacterial infection, which — big surprise — is what Sylvester had. The vet was telling me, in the nicest terms possible, that I let my cat suffer needlessly for two weeks.

So, my cat got a shot, which he appreciated about as much as a nose cleaning and I was instructed to give him twice-daily doses of antibiotics, another procedure he really didn't care for.

After a week of this treatment, my cat was markedly improved, so much so that I deemed him back in his old form.

Then, Bright Eyes re-entered our lives.

I inadvertently let him into the house late one night and, after futilely chasing him around for about 10 minutes, I gave up and let him spend the night.

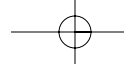
Guess what happened a few days later?

Oh, yeah, Sylvester took a turn for the worse.

The only bit of sunshine in this dreary tale is that I realized you don't have to hit me over the head too many times before I finally see the light. Bright Eyes went outside and stayed there, Sylvester went back to the vet and he is once more back on the mend.

It appears he has survived me one more time.

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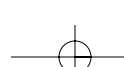
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Sunday, December 2, 2007

# Nuts! It's pecan show time

It's time again for the Howard County Pecan Show.

### Pecan Division

The Howard County Pecan Show will be held Wednesday and Thursday in the Howard County Courthouse. The deadline for entries is Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. All entries for the show must be brought to the County Extension Office in the basement of the courthouse. Judging will be completed Wednesday and the pecans will be on display on the first floor of the courthouse Thursday.



TOMMY YEATER

No entry fee is required to enter the show. However, the following rules do apply:

1. Exhibitors are limited to one entry of each named variety they grow.
2. The grower may enter as many seedlings, known hybrids or natives as he or she wishes.
3. Pecans must be entered in the

same county they are grown in.

4. The exhibitor must be the grower.
5. An entry consists of a minimum of 40 pecans, with 42 preferred.
6. Entries containing more than one variety are disqualified.
7. Nuts which are cut, sanded, polished or otherwise altered will be disqualified.
8. Pecans exhibited must be from the 2007 crop.
9. Pecans must be entered in a zippered plastic bag with variety and growers' name on it.
10. All pecan entries become the property of the Howard County Pecan Show.

### Food Division

Categories include cakes, candy, cookies, bread, pies and miscellaneous

#### Age Divisions:

- Adult — 19 years of age and older.
- Youth — 18 years of age and younger.

Entries will be accepted in the Howard County Extension Office from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and from 7 a.m. - 9:30

a.m. Thursday. Entries requiring refrigeration will not be accepted. No entry fee is required to enter the food show.

1. Entries should be in a disposable container with the exhibitor's name on the bottom and should be covered.
2. Each entry should be accompanied by a complete copy of the recipe with the exhibitor's name on the recipe.
3. All entries should consist of a full recipe. Partial recipes will not be accepted.
4. All food entries become the property of the Howard County Pecan Food Show.

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# Energy Watch



**Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a senior vice president of Investments of A.G. Edward's Midland office. He is also a member of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association.**

**Bill Franks, AAMS, is a senior assistant to the branch manager. He is also a member of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association.**



Following the recent Heads of State OPEC summit, a great deal of press is being given to the dollar denomination of crude oil. Like most commodities, oil is priced in the U.S. currency.

Iran's, Ahmadinejad and Venezuela's Chavez called on the cartel to change how crude is priced. We feel their remarks were populist by nature and were generally dismissed within the group.

OPEC can offset the impact of the dollar's decline by attempting to keep prices higher or by shifting away their reserves into currencies other than the greenback. They could also decide to price their oil away from the benchmark grades. The cartel did away with that policy during the 1980s.

We would point out that any single currency pricing will have the same impact on producers and consumers as the dollar has today. In reality, whatever currency oil is priced in matters little since each nation pays for their oil in their own currency.

Therefore, while OPEC members' purchasing power is declining along with the dollar, they are unable to mitigate this risk by simply changing pricing policy. Shifting away from dollar pricing may have an impact on the reserve status of the dollar, but it would mean little to the actual price of oil.

Meanwhile in Iraq, recent military reports suggest violence in the nation has fallen to the lowest level seen since January 2006. Jack Keane, the former Army General instrumental in convincing president Bush to increase troop numbers in Iraq, described the decrease in violence as "phenomenal" and occurring faster than he anticipated.

We attribute the decline in bloodshed to a few things. First, the surge has obviously had an impact. Second, local ceasefire deals, originally made with the Sunnis, have paid dividends. Also, radical Shiite militants, particularly al Sadr's Mehdi Army have called ceasefires, and finally, following intensive training, the Iraqi security forces are improving their capabilities. All of which is good news.

Last week the Fed suggested that in the long run, the U.S. economy couldn't grow much more than 2.5 percent annually without generating rising inflation. Expectations the Fed will cut rates again before the end of the year have been supportive for crude oil prices.

Today Russia will hold parliamentary elections. Putin's party, United Russia, is expected to garner an overwhelming majority of the votes cast.

In the U.K., to protest rising fuel prices, truckers are threatening to blockade refineries. In 2000, farmers and some of these same truckers shut down refineries as they protested fuel taxes. Those strikes led to gasoline rationing across the nation.

In Pakistan, the government has released approximately 3,000 prisoners who were held since President Musharraf declared emergency rule last month. However, the *Wall Street Journal* reports

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# Ornamentals, Landscape Management Symposium scheduled in Abilene

ABILENE — Texas Cooperative Extension will offer eight Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units during a Dec. 5 symposium at the Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N. Sixth St. in Abilene.

The symposium, "Ornamentals and Landscape Management Symposium - The Best of Best Management Practices for a Healthy Landscape," begins with registration from 7:30-8 a.m., and concludes at 5:30 p.m.

Melissa Clifton, Extension horticulturist for Taylor County, said the symposium will offer a total of eight continuing education units for pesticide applicators licensed with the Texas Department of Agriculture and the agency's Structural Division as well as professionals with the Texas Nursery and Landscape Association. "This symposium will

not only offer continuing education units, but will also present timely and relevant information for the treatment of lawn and ornamental pests and diseases of urban landscapes," Clifton said.

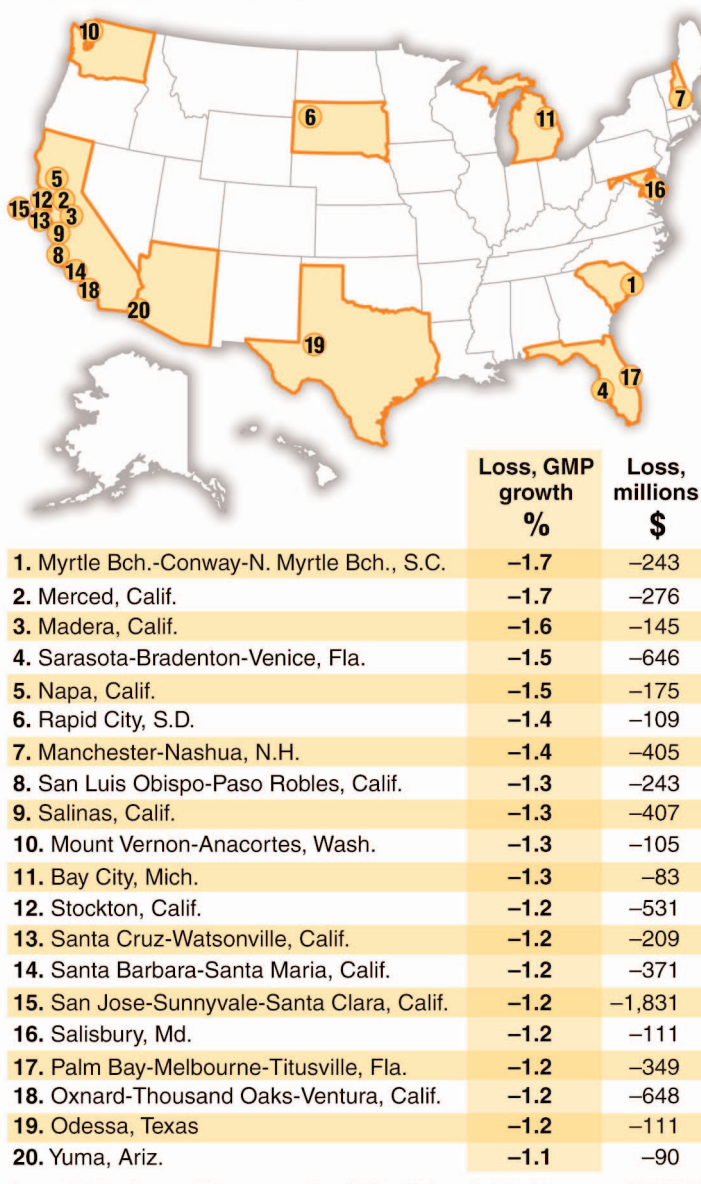
The day will be divided into eight sessions which consecutively will be: Facts and Myths About Termites, Alamo® Application and Labels, Fire Ants, Laws and Regulations Update for Professionals, Integrated Pest Management Strategies for Landscape Insects, Diagnosis and Management of Oak Wilt in Urban Landscapes, Soil and Water Properties that Affect Urban Landscape Management, Drift Minimization and Effective Management of Weeds in the Landscape.

Individual pre-registration is \$25 by Dec. 3 and \$50 thereafter. The fee includes a catered lunch.

For more information and to register call the Extension office in Taylor County at (325) 672-6048.

# Housing crisis hits metro areas

The 20 metropolitan areas with the biggest projected losses in gross metropolitan product (GMP) growth for 2008:



# ConocoPhillips plans to develop multibillion-dollar pipeline

By JOHN PORRETTO  
AP Business Writer

HOUSTON — ConocoPhillips said Friday it plans to develop a multibillion-dollar pipeline that would transport natural gas from Alaska to the lower 48 states and Canada.

The oil exploration and production company said it is "prepared to make significant

investments, without state matching funds, to advance this project."

ConocoPhillips spokesman Charlie Rowton said the company's best estimate for the entire project, including the pipeline from Alaska's North Slope to Chicago, is between \$25 billion and \$42 billion.

The pipeline would provide an important avenue for bring-

ing Alaska's massive stores of natural gas to U.S. markets that rely on it for heating homes and other uses. It would move about 4 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day.

The U.S. consumed about 21.7 trillion cubic feet of natural gas in 2006, according to the Energy Department.

In a statement, ConocoPhillips Chairman and

Chief Executive Jim Mulva said the company hopes to work directly with the state to advance the project as quickly as possible.

"We also expect to approach other parties to explore ways through which their participation could add value to this effort," Mulva said.

Specifically, Rowton said Exxon Mobil Corp. and BP PLC

would be logical participants as the project moves forward. Partnering with a pipeline company also is a possibility.

"We think it makes sense for there to be other owners," he said.

BP spokesman Steve Rinehart in Alaska said he couldn't speculate on whether the company

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# Public Records

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**LETTERS**

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our educational system, but according to the statistics I looked up on the TEA website, Big Spring is consistently in the top 25 percent of our region in all areas. There were several areas where we were in the top 5 percent. Now, let me speak for a moment as a teacher. I am proud to work with a group of teachers at Big Spring High School who are dedicated to the students of this fair city. Even though our official work day does not begin until 7:45 a.m., most of the teachers on my hall are hard at work by 7:15 tutoring students who need extra help.

I sit side-by-side with my colleagues in training classes as we learn to keep up with the ever-changing technology needed to be successful in

today's world. I have found the people I work with to be extremely caring and conscientious educators who have high expectations for their students.

I am sure there are many areas where we can improve, but please take your concerns to the teachers and principal of the campus in question. Publishing a letter in a public forum disparaging the entire Big Spring Independent School District serves no purpose and will not bring about the change Ms. Morris seems to think is needed.

KIM HUGHEY  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Someone once asked me, "Why do you not worry?" I remember replying, "Because I have faith."

The central image of the Christian faith is the

cross. A cross is the joining of a vertical beam and a horizontal beam and it signifies the God of heaven intersecting humanity on earth in the person and actions of Jesus Christ.

There is a sense in which the cross represents the Christian idea of infinity at its best and it gives us a reason to look forward to every new minute we are given to live.

I have the gift of faith and treasure it more than anything else. In my darkest moments, in my deepest pain, there lives in me and with me the One who died for me. I respect and recognize the holiness of the cross on which Jesus Christ was crucified. It was the ultimate humiliation. He was stripped of his clothes, battered by soldiers, nailed to cross bars and hung naked — suspended between heaven and

earth. It was a spectacle of blood, sweat and tears.

When I wonder how my Savior endured the taunting, the thorns, the torture of the cross, I am humbled with the awe and gratitude to be one He died for. He sacrificed his life for us. We would never think of doing what He did.

The wonder is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners, still ungodly, still powerless and still enemies of God. He didn't die for His friends. He died for those who crucified Him. He died for those who hated Him. He died for those who rejected Him. He died for those who cheered as the nails were driven into His hands.

We would never do anything like that. We might die for our family and friends, but not our enemies. But that's what Jesus did for us.

To the Romans, the cross was a symbol of defeat, a contemptuous display of loathing and complete loss. But the Christian sees that same cross in a divine mystery, the wisdom, grace, strength and power of God Himself. This is why the Christian delights, or "boasts," in the cross of Jesus.

In the cross is salvation. In the cross is life. In the cross is protection against our enemies. In the cross is infusion of heavenly sweetness. In the cross is strength of mind. In the cross is joy of spirit. In the cross there is the height of virtue. In the cross there is the perfection of sanctity.

This is the time of year when we should celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ who died so cruelly to save us from our sins.

SHELLEY EVERETT  
BIG SPRING

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**JENKINS**

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Goodell said he cut off discussions with Comcast in August and a recent flurry of negative communication between the league and Time Warner shows how contentious the relations remain.

NFL Network's move to embark on an intensive political lobbying campaign is a stark difference from last year when the network spent mil-

lions on a consumer marketing campaign to pressure operators into cutting a deal.

And, I expect both sides will do their best to muddy the waters with marketing slants claiming to be looking out for the little guy, when we all know what's at the heart of this dispute for both sides — money. It's all about the Benjamins, baby.

So, what does all of this mean for you and me, the everyday, average

Joe football fan?

While I was trying my best to stomach the NFL Network as it railed on during what I can only call a pseudo-sports broadcast condemning cable companies, their executives and all of their closest relatives and family pets — OK, so I'm exaggerating now — my father was listening to the game on the radio.

"Son, when I was a kid, that's all we had," he told me during a phone call at halftime. "We would

gather around the radio and listen to the game. So, that's what I'm doing tonight."

Maybe he's right. Maybe, as consumers in a capitalist society we can send a message to the greedy corporations by dialing the game in on a \$8.95 radio and telling them where they can shove their subscription rates and other, unidentifiable charges.

Dec. 22 is coming quick. I've got to get a better radio.

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*Special thanks to Father James Plagens, Teresa Rocha, Angie Arenivaz, Gilbert Leal, Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, Parkview Nursing Home, especially Renee McGee (employee).*

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**County Court Decisions:**

Judgment and Sentence: Joseph Alton Murley, theft - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$324 court costs, 15 days in jail.  
Probated Judgment:

Robbin Barnes, burglary of a vehicle, \$500 fine, \$274 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).  
Judgment and Sentence: Joseph Alton Murley, bail jumping and failure to appear, \$324 court costs, 15 days in jail.  
Probated Judgment: Denise Deanda, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$500 fine, \$324 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation).  
Judgment and Sentence: Nathan Hannum, unlawfully carrying a weapon, \$274 court costs, 100 days in jail.  
Probated Judgment: Mark Anthony McBeth, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$1,000 fine, \$324 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation).  
Judgment and Sentence: Rocky Autry, theft - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$500 fine, \$274 court costs, 60 days in jail.  
Judgment and Sentence: Marcus Hattenbach, resisting arrest, \$1,500 fine, \$274 court costs, 90 days in jail.  
Judgment and Sentence: Beverly Rynel Armstrong, failure to identify - giving false information, \$274 court costs, 30 days in jail.  
Judgment and Sentence: Terry Edwards Shirley, criminal trespass, \$274 court costs, 90 days in jail.  
Judgment and Sentence:

Terry Edwards Shirley, criminal trespass, \$304 court costs, 90 days in jail.  
Probated Judgment: Kimberly Bretz, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction, \$250 fine, \$324 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation).  
Judgment and Sentence: Martin Montemayor, driver's license/ID false, \$274 court costs, 1 day in jail.  
**District Filings:**  
Lisa Hildebrand vs. Ned Hildebrand, protective order.  
Dodeka LLC vs. Eileen Wildy, accounts, contracts and notes.  
Steve Davenport vs. Anita Davenport, divorce.  
Jack Cathey Construction Inc. vs. UTC Overseas Inc., accounts, contracts and notes.  
State of Texas vs. Christopher Wade Clark, civil suit.  
Rita Duncan vs. James Duncan, divorce.  
Debra Ann Smith vs. Richard Franklin Smith IV, divorce.  
Carol Ann Crowder vs. Lenneth Redge Crowder, divorce.  
**Marriage Licenses:**  
No marriage licenses were issued during the one-week period.  
**Warranty Deeds:**  
Grantor: Demetrio Rodriguez  
Grantee: Uvaldo

Rodriguez  
Property: A 3 acre tract out of Section 24, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: Nov. 21, 2007  
Grantor: Consuelo Marquez Hernandez  
Grantee: Daniel Marquez Hernandez  
Property: Lots 9 and 10, Block 16, Washington Place; Lots 11 and 12, Block 16, Washington Place  
Date: Nov. 21, 2007  
Grantor: Lazy J LTD  
Grantee: Pecos Petroleum LLC  
Property: A 1 acre tract out of Section 2, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: Nov. 21, 2007  
Grantor: Darel L Highley and Kathleen Highley  
Grantee: Marcellous Weaver  
Property: Lot 6, Block 13, College Park  
Date: Nov. 26, 2007  
Grantor: E.C. Rosenbaum and Gail Rosenbaum  
Grantee: Edward D. Cole and Vicki Cole  
Property: A tract out of Section 5, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: Nov. 26, 2007  
Grantor: J. Hopper Homes Inc.  
Grantee: Michael Tyson Blair and Ava Blair  
Property: Lot 1, Block 13, Washington Place  
Date: Nov. 26, 2007

Grantor: James Thomas Weaver  
Grantee: George King and Amy King  
Property: Lot 10, Block 4, Mesa Subdivision  
Date: Nov. 27, 2007  
Grantor: Janice Pitts  
Grantee: Delmer Bradshaw  
Property: The N/50 feet of the W/2 of Block 21, College Heights  
Date: Nov. 28, 2007  
**Warranty Deeds With Vendor's Lien:**  
Grantor: Tony Castillo and DE Teal  
Grantee: Jason Gonzales and Katrina Gonzales  
Property: Lot 8, Block 20, Washington Place  
Date: Nov. 21, 2007  
Grantor: Derwood Blagrove  
Grantee: Raymond Hodnett  
Property: Lot 32A, Block 7, Capehart Addition  
Date: Nov. 26, 2007  
Grantor: Derwood Blagrove  
Grantee: Iona Reid  
Property: Lot 32B, Block 7, Capehart Addition  
Date: Nov. 26, 2007  
Grantor: Norma Joyce Sundy  
Grantee: Ferrol Voight  
Property: lot 13, Block 10, Hall Addition  
Date: Nov. 28, 2007

**ENERGY**

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2,000 political activists remain in custody. In addition, last week more than 100 journalists were held for protesting the government's media suppression and their decision to close private TV stations.  
• In line with our estimation Turkey is unlikely to invade northern Iraq. Last week the nation's president suggested he saw "common

sense has slowly started to dominate" in the region.  
Despite Turkey having upwards of 100,000 troops on the border, improved intelligence sharing between the U.S. and Turkey, coupled with measures the Kurdish administration has taken in the autonomous region and the winter setting in have diminished the likelihood of a massive cross-border incursion.  
• South Korea's top crude oil suppliers during October included Saudi Arabia, the U.A.E.,

Kuwait, Iran, and Iraq. The nation's imports of 2.3 million barrels per day during the month imports were off 3.8 percent year-on-year.  
• Numerous recent reports are touting current Russian President Putin for the role of "National Leader" wherein the authority configuration of the state is changed and Putin rules over future presidents and prime ministers.  
*Portions of this article were produced Nov. 20-21 by Eric Wittenauer,*

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**PIPELINE**

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would be interested in partnering with ConocoPhillips, but it had no intention of submitting its own bid. Rinehart added, however, "we think a successful gas project is very important."  
Exxon Mobil said it had no comment.  
ConocoPhillips said it is already gathering data to support the pipeline permit application.  
During the initial phase of the project, Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals Inc. will provide construction and design support, the company said.  
Shares of ConocoPhillips rose 1 cent to \$78.83 in early afternoon trading Friday. The shares have traded in a range of \$61.59 to \$90.84 in the past year.  
Friday was the deadline for applications from companies interested in building the pipeline.  
Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin began calling for applications in July and extended the deadline by two months in August after more companies began to inquire. Oil and independent pipeline companies must outline details such as the pipeline's route, the market it will serve and how it can build a pipeline and avoid cost overruns.  
Palin has said the gas-line project could one day

be the economic life of the state, much like oil production in the North Slope is today.  
But a potential multibillion-dollar pipeline also carries implications for North America's long-term energy supply and has been widely discussed by lawmakers, energy regulators and company executives throughout North America since Palin outlined her plans in March.  
Palin has long warned the state and the nation cannot afford to let the natural gas supplies — estimated at about 35 tril-

lion cubic feet on the North Slope — sit untapped any longer.  
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Legals

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE/ BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S) Dist/Div: Odessa Contract 6164-93-001 for ROAD-SIDE MOWING in MARTIN County, etc will be opened on January 07, 2008 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$140,796.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 25532

State Office Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 Dist/Div Office(s) Odessa District District Engineer 3901 E. US. Hwy 80 Odessa, Texas 79761 Phone 432-332-0501 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. #5610 December 2 & 3, 2007

In determining whether to designate the Reinvestment Zone, the Glasscock County ISD will consider whether such designation and the granting of a limitation on appraised value under Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code is reasonably likely to (1) contribute to the expansion of primary employment in the Zone, or (2) attract major investment in the Zone that would be a benefit to property in the Zone and to the school district, and would contribute to the economic development of the region of the state in which the school district is located. If created, the property would become "Glasscock County ISD Reinvestment Zone A." The public hearing will take place at 7:00 PM on December 10, 2007, in the board room of the Glasscock County ISD in Garden City, Texas. All interested persons may appear and present testimony regarding designation of the Reinvestment Zone. If further information is needed, please contact the office of Glasscock County ISD Superintendent Steve Long, PO Box 9, Garden City, TX 79739. (432) 354-2230. #5616 December 2, 2007

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Legals

No. P-13,589 ESTATE OF IDA BELLE BANKSTON, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration for the Estate of IDA BELLE BANKSTON, Deceased were issued on the 27th day of November, 2007, under Docket No. P-13,589, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to BRENDA McMURTRY.

Claims may be presented in care of BRENDA McMURTRY at the estate addressed as follows: Estate of Ida Belle Bankston c/o Brenda McMurry 1517 Vines Avenue Big Spring, TX 79720

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

DATED this 27th day of November, 2007. BRENDA McMURTRY, Independent Executrix of the Estate of Ida Belle Bankston, Deceased. #5615 December 2, 2007

Notice of Public Hearing

The Glasscock County Independent School District (ISD) will conduct a public hearing at a meeting on December 10, 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

All of the real property located in Glasscock County and contained in sections 1 and 7, Block 31, 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 189, 190, 215, 216, 217 and 218, Block 29, W & NW R.R. Co. Survey, Glasscock County, Texas.

All of the real property located in Glasscock County and contained in sections 23, 25, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39, 42, 43, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 51, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60, Block 30, W & NW R.R. Co. Survey, Glasscock County, Texas.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS Is there a better way to spend a weekend than dolling out generosity, sharing kindness and spreading goodwill?



HOLIDAY MATHIS

With a sweet kiss from Venus to Jupiter, our hearts are ignited by the spirit of the season, which we gladly extend to friends and family. Has Christmas come early? Jupiter, the cosmic Santa Claus, makes one wonder.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). When loved ones take a casual attitude toward their responsibilities, you feel wary — rightfully so. Every minor infraction of etiquette is a signal to you — heed the warnings.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Nothing clouds intuition better than wanting a certain outcome. And in matters of romance, this goes double. Your ego is strong. It easily overpowers the subtleties of intuitive knowledge.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When you have an ego investment in what happens in a relationship, it becomes very difficult to read your own psychic signals. Let a loved one go so he or she can come back to you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Family members, even close family members, don't seem to have the same ideas about what's appropriate and what is (clearly) not. So you're tested. Be patient, and you'll pass the test.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Pay homage to your roots. The person in your life who has had the most profound influence on you haunts your activities today. This is true whether or not the person is among the living.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You come in peace. When others take issue with your personal choices, you may even go so far as to agree. Your best defense is to have nothing to defend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your biggest differences between people are not physical boundaries but mental ones. Success depends on your ability to change your thinking to align yourself with a person you've been at odds with.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). An important event looms large in your

future. Should you go or should you stay? What will you gain or lose? If there's a chance to meet that special someone, don't hesitate to go.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Light of heart, you skim through the day, headed toward dreamy plans. Life doesn't have to be momentous to be memorable. Celebrate small pleasures.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Unwilling to wait for other people to tell you where to go, what to do and how to look, you play by your own rules. New experiences come to you in a personalized and zany way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be free of the distractions that once knocked you for a loop. You're learning to prevent interruptions, get real and get focused. But love, joy and thrills are still included in this plan.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your spiritual power is on 10. Communicate inwardly with people. Imagine yourself having conversations, speaking your truth and coming into agreement. This works better for you than engaging in actual conversations.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Our lady of pleasure, Venus, takes the limelight this week as she dances with the stars, turning pirouettes with not one but two planets before changing costumes, from Libra to Scorpio. Dance partner No. 1 is a true showman with a love for living large. Jupiter puts no limits on love, extravagantly stepping out on your generosity. It's hard not to go all out for the people and things you love. Partner No. 2, Pluto, appears the lone wolf, dancing a bullfighter's dance, the paso doble, until he guides Venus through a soul-stirring step, deepening love's trust and loyalty. It's the challenging steps that showcase our true excellence. At a midweek costume change, Venus exchanges Libra's ball gown for a skin-baring number in Scorpio. Polite attractions deepen into juicy intimacy. In a daring move, a touch on the curve of the back moves us closer; we're baring all for love. Whether dancing ballroom or tango this week, our studied attention elevates the subtler movements of love's dance to an art form. The untrained eye won't see the shift of weight or slight hand pressure that communicates the next step, but partners will. We'll train to find our rhythm — together.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Tyra Banks has the Sagittarian ability to create windfall opportunities in the lives of others, en masse. She's also a teacher, broadening minds and changing attitudes. Luck plays a part in the life of every Sagittarian — for Sagittarius, luck is a synchronous connection to the universal mind. Tyra's big-picture thinking guides others to their highest potential.

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CITY OF BIG SPRING PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DESIGNATION OF REINVESTMENT ZONE 5:30 P.M., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2007 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 307 E. 4TH STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 DESIGNATION OF THE NORTHWEST 87 REINVESTMENT ZONE The City of Big Spring City Council will hold a Public Hearing concerning the designation of Northwest 87 Reinvestment Zone pursuant to Texas Tax Code Chapter 312. The area designated is all of that area held within the following boundaries: Beginning at the south side of Northwest 9th Street at U.S. 87 and going westbound to San Antonio Street, then the west side of San Antonio Street beginning at Northwest 9th Street and going northbound to Northwest 10th Street, then the north side of Northwest 10th Street beginning at San Antonio going eastbound to U.S. 87, then the west side of U.S. 87 beginning at Northwest 10th Street going southeast to commence at the beginning intersection of Northwest 9th Street within Big Spring, Howard County Texas. Citizens will have the opportunity to express any oral or written comments at the hearing, or by mail to City of Big Spring, 310 Nolan, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or call (432)264-2401. #5612 December 2, 2007

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# Daredevil Knievel dead at 69

By MITCH STACY

Associated Press Writer  
CLEARWATER, Fla. (AP) — Evel Knievel's hard life killed him — it just took longer than he or anyone else might have expected.

The hard-living motorcycle daredevil, whose bone-breaking, rocket-powered jumps and stunts made him an international icon in the 1970s, died Friday. He was 69.

He had been in failing health for years, suffering from diabetes and pulmonary fibrosis, an incurable condition that scarred his lungs. He had undergone a liver transplant in 1999 after nearly dying of hepatitis C, likely contracted through a blood transfusion after one of his many spills. He also suffered two strokes in recent years.

Longtime friend and promoter Billy Rundle said Knievel had trouble breathing at his Clearwater condominium and died before an ambulance could get him to a hospital.

"It's been coming for years, but you just don't expect it. Superman just doesn't die, right?" said Rundle, organizer of the annual "Evel Knievel Days" festival in the daredevil's Butte, Mont., hometown.

Knievel's son Kelly, 47, said he had visited his father in Clearwater for Thanksgiving.

"I think he lived 20 years longer than most people would have" after so many injuries, Kelly Knievel said. "I think he willed himself into an

extra five or six years."

Immortalized in the Washington's Smithsonian Institution as "America's Legendary Daredevil," Knievel was best known for a failed attempt to jump an Idaho canyon on a rocket-powered cycle and a spectacular crash at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas. He suffered nearly 40 broken bones before he retired.

For the tall, thin daredevil, the limelight was always comfortable, the gab glib. There always were mountains to climb, feats to conquer.

"No king or prince has lived a better life," he told The Associated Press in May 2006. "You're looking

at a guy who's really done it all. And there are things I wish I had done better, not only for me but for the ones I loved."

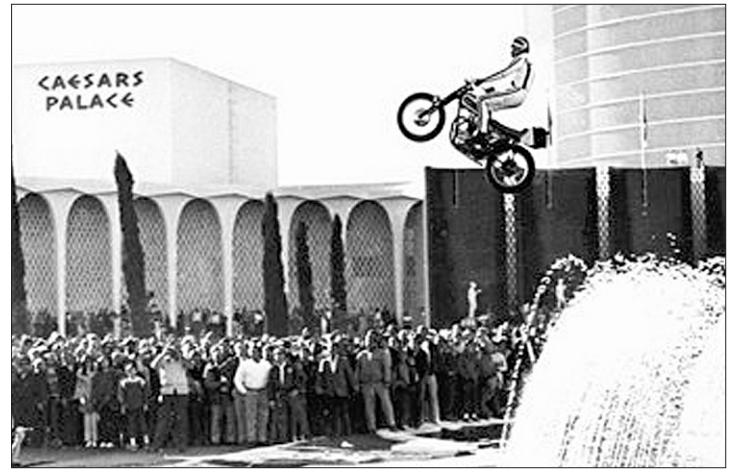
He garbed himself in red, white and blue and had a knack for outrageous yarns: "Made \$60 million, spent 61. ...Lost \$250,000 at blackjack once. ... Had \$3 million in the bank, though."

His death came just two days after it was announced that he and rapper Kanye West had settled a federal lawsuit over the use of Knievel's trademarked image in a popular West music video.

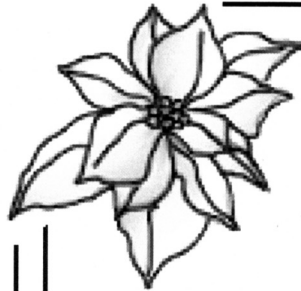
Although he dropped off the pop culture radar in

the '80s, Knievel enjoyed a resurgence in popularity in recent years. He made a good living selling autographs and endorsing products. Thousands came to Butte every year as his legend was celebrated during "Evel Knievel Days."

"They started out watching me bust my ass, and I became part of their lives," Knievel said. "People wanted to associate with a winner, not a loser."



AP photo  
Evel Knievel jumps the fountains at Caesars Palace, in this Dec. 31, 1967, photo in Las Vegas. Knievel, 69, the hard-living motorcycle daredevil whose exploits made him an international icon in the 1970s, died Friday.



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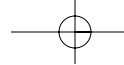
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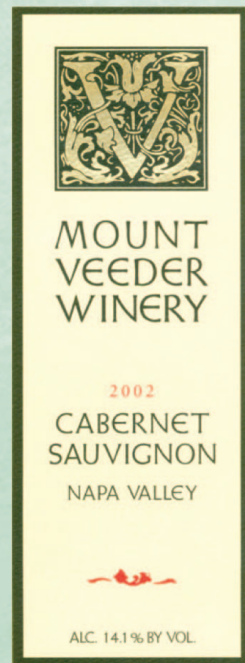
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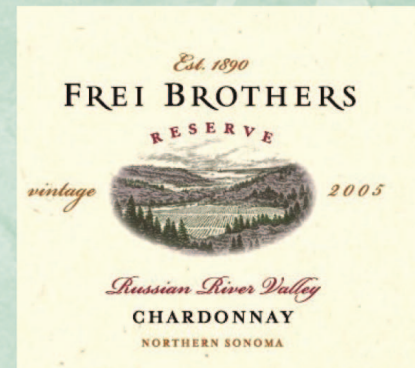


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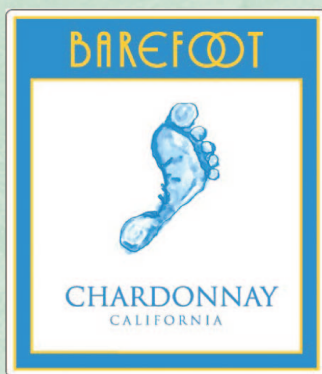
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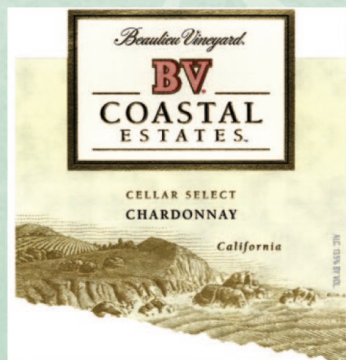


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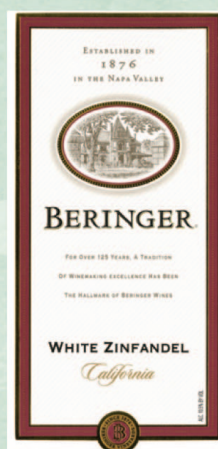


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Loma Jean Wynn, second vice-president, introduced Judge Pumroy, information specialist, and Bob Kerr, administrator of the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez State Veterans Home in Big Spring. Pumroy gave information on the veterans homes in Texas and special benefits here for veterans. Among these are a loan program in addition to federal loans; cemetery program with cemeteries in Killeen, Mission and Abilene (to be completed in 2009); and veterans homes in Bonham, Killeen, El Paso,

Floresville, McAllen, Big Spring and Amarillo.

The definition of a Texas veteran is an individual who lived in Texas when he/she entered military service or who lived in Texas at least a year before applying for residence in one of the homes.

Kerr added that volunteers are always welcome at the veterans homes and there are a variety of needs to be met.

At our next meeting, Dec. 17, the Coahoma children's choir will present Christmas music.

We want any interested persons, whether educators or not, to attend our meetings. They are brief, informative and always interesting.

**The Big Spring Evening Lions Club**

The Big Spring Evening Lions Club conducted its



Chandler Freeman shows her winning World Peace poster.

Peace Poster contest to promote students awareness on the importance of participating in the campaign for world peace. First place winner was Chandler Freeman. She believes world peace is very important and can't be achieved by one person or one nation, but that the principle needs to be embraced by everyone.

The Peace Poster con-



Bill Birrell processes each student's paperwork as the Lions perform photoscreenings at various elementary schools.

conduct their annual photoscreening. So far, we have completed more than 800 photoscreenings, covering all the elementary schools and the neighboring towns in the Big Spring area.

This is indeed what Lionism is all about — serving the community as a team.

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test is hosted by the Big Spring Evening Lion's Club every year to encourage our youth to express their ideas about how they can contribute

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