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'Best of Broadway' to sing out

Final symphony performance of the season to offer variety of styles

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra and Chorus will perform the final subscription concert of the 2007-2008 concert season — The Big Spring Symphony in Balance — Saturday, April 26 at 8 p.m. in the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium.



Joubert

Broadway," the concert will offer a wide variety of styles from well-known Broadway musicals. Featured as guest artists will be tenor David Corman from Odessa College and soprano Renay Peters Joubert from New York City.

"I am very excited about our guest artists," said music director and conductor Keith Graumann. "I have heard David Corman on several occasions, and his performances have been brilliant. This is an encore performance for Renay Peters Joubert, who performed spiritual and gospel music for us last concert season. The audience will remember the

beauty and vibrancy her performance brings to our stage."

The Big Spring Symphony Orchestra will perform a number of medleys, including those from the rock musicals "Grease" and "Jesus Christ Superstar." Members of the Big Spring Symphony Chorus will join the orchestra in more

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'The Best of Broadway'
Saturday, April 26
8 p.m.

Big Spring Municipal Auditorium
 corner of E. Third and Nolan streets

Tickets
\$15 adults, \$10 seniors
\$5 students

TIME FOR SOME FUN



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Above, Moss Elementary School kindergartners and first graders serenade the audience with cowboy and camprground songs during their "Under Western Skies" musical program at the school Thursday night. At right, the King (Christian Hill) looks over his daily to-do list during "It's a Jungle Out There," a musical play performed by the Elbow Elementary kindergarten class Friday morning.



No news yet on shooting

Officer: Police provided no time table by Rangers

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

The investigation into the shooting death of a 36-year-old Big Spring man killed by an undercover police officer continues with no immediate end in sight, according to local law enforcement officials.

Patrick Rios, 36, of 3206 W. Eighth St. was shot and killed by an undercover Big Spring Police Department narcotics officer April 6 in front of a home in the 700 block of Lorilla, near the intersection of W. Eighth Street.

Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the BSPD, said the investigation into the shooting — which is being handled by the Texas Rangers — is out of the department's hands.

"We haven't been given a timetable or any other information regarding how long they expect the investigation to take," said Everett. "We haven't heard a word from them. We want to make sure we don't interfere in the investigation because we don't want to taint it. When it's completed, the Rangers will notify the chief of police and let him know what their findings are. Until then, we don't want to interfere in any way."

Everett said the officer involved in the shooting — whose name has not been released by police officials — remains on administrative leave until the investigation is

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Big Spring going to the dogs — again

Kennel Club show May 3-4

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

Attention, area dog lovers — it's your time of year.

The annual Big Spring Kennel Club Dog Show returns to Dorothy Garrett Coliseum May 3

and 4 and organizers are expecting more than 500 dogs from across the United States to enter the competition.

Shows begin at 8 a.m. both days. Admission is free.

Treasa Wells of the BSKC said more than 560 dogs are entered in both days of competition.

The dogs will compete in one of seven groups — Sporting, Non-Sporting, Herding, Working, Toy, Terrier and

Hound — with the winners from those groups then vying for Best in Show honors.

Wells said the American Kennel Club-sanctioned event continues to grow in popularity each year.

"Every year, we get new exhibitors come in ... and they say how much they love the show," Wells said. "Then, they come back the next year."

The reason for that popularity

is simple, she added.

"It's the dogs," she said. "I love seeing that many dogs in one place ... and I enjoy being with a bunch of people who have the same goals and love of dogs that I do."

The dog show is not just for the competitors, however. Wells said visitors are welcome to closely observe the action. The

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Children ordered to stay in Texas

By **MICHELLE ROBERTS**

Associated Press Writer

SAN ANGELO — A chaotic two-day hearing ended with dropped heads and silence when a judge ordered that the 416 children taken from a

ranch run by a polygamous sect will stay in state custody for the time being.

State District Judge Barbara Walther heard 21 hours of testimony over two days before ruling Friday

that the children would be kept in custody while the state continues to investigate allegations of abuse stemming from the teachings of

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IN BRIEF

Crossroads high school varsity sports calendar

TUESDAY

Big Spring baseball vs. San Angelo Lake View, 4:30 p.m.

Forsan baseball at Miles, 4:30 p.m.

Coahoma baseball vs. Anson, 7 p.m.

Big Spring Teenage League holding sign-ups and tryouts

The Big Spring Teenage Baseball League is holding sign-ups and tryouts Saturday at the Roy Anderson Complex for interested players ages 13-15.

This is the final chance to sign up. Registration fee is \$90 and a copy of the child's birth certificate is required. Sign ups start at 1 p.m.

Tryouts begin at 3 p.m. and players that registered early do not have to be present until then.

Call Carey Burchett at 213-2706 for additional information.

Country club hosting 2008 Cancer Scramble April 26-27

The Big Spring Country Club along with several local sponsors are hosting the 2008 Cancer Scramble Golf Tournament April 26-27 with all proceeds from the event benefiting the American Cancer Society and Relay for Life.

The tourney's setup is a four-person scramble. Entrants can either make their own team or be assigned to one. The field will be flighted by first-round score.

Entry fee is \$75 per player plus a \$20 cart fee, however, private carts are welcome.

Prizes will be given to first-, second- and third-place teams in the form of BSCC Pro Shop gift certificates.

Call the BSCC to enter at 267-5354.

Crossroads of West Texas Golf Classic scheduled

The Big Spring Chamber of Commerce and ATMOS Energy are sponsoring the Crossroads of West Texas Golf Classic to be held at the Big Spring Country Club May 17-18.

The tournament is limited to the first 100 paid teams with a two-man scramble format being used.

A handicap is required and the tourney will be pre-flighted by a tournament committee and local golf pro.

Entry fee is \$180 per team. All entries are to be paid in advance. The fee includes access to the ATMOS Energy hospitality tent, free beverages, a barbecue lunch for both days, an afternoon shootout on May 16 and a golf goodie bag.

Call the country club's pro shop at 267-5354 or the chamber at 263-7641 for more information.

Call Sports Editor Jonathan Hull at 263-7331, ext. 237, to submit a sports brief or e-mail him at sports@bigspringherald.com.

Steers still looking for first loop win

Herald Staff Report

WOLFFORTH — After playing a competitive first half of the District 4-4A season, the Big Spring Steers baseball team has suddenly given way to two straight shutout defeats.

After Plainview shut down Big Spring's bats last week with a 14-

0 victory, Frenship's Tigers kept the Steers' sticks asleep, blasting the Steers for an 11-0 win Friday.

Aaron Cannon pitched a three-hit shutout with seven strikeouts in five innings as Frenship bounced back from its first loss in 4-4A play to register the win.

John Swope, who was Big Spring's Achilles' heel at the

plate the first time the two squads faced each other, had three RBIs on two hits, including a three-run homer in the third inning. Jordan Richburg also homered for Frenship and knocked in four RBIs.

John Benavides got the start for the Steers, but switched places with catcher Lance Gross

in the third inning. The game was called in the fifth inning due to the 10-run mercy rule.

The loss drops Big Spring to 0-6 in district play and 12-17 overall. The Steers continue the search for their first district win Tuesday, hosting Lubbock Estacado at 4:30 p.m. at Steer Field.

Lady Steers moving on

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

LUBBOCK — Beating Lubbock Estacado's Lady Matadors didn't come as easy as it did two weeks ago for the Big Spring Lady Steers softball team, but the run-rule victory still accomplished what the Lady Steers wanted most — advancement into the postseason.

With the news circulating through the crowd that San Angelo Lake View had already defeated Plainview, 8-4, meaning all Big Spring had to do was win to make the playoffs as District 4-4A's third season, the Lady Steers took the field and delivered an 11-1 win over Estacado and earned their postseason berth.

"Getting in the playoffs is what matters," Big Spring Assistant Coach John Sparks said. "We've earned our spot and get to keep playing this season."

The Lady Steers finished the district season 4-4, winning their last two games of the season by a combined score of 19-4. Big Spring hopes to continue its win streak in the first round of the Class 4A playoffs.

The Lady Steers return to Lubbock to open the postseason, facing Canyon Randall in a best-of-three series scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. Friday at the softball field located on the campus of Coronado High School. Game 2 will be played at 8 p.m. Friday. Game 3, if needed, will be played Saturday at a time still to be determined.

After shelling Lubbock Estacado, 35-0, two weeks ago, the Lady Steers didn't find the same willing opponent in the Lady Matadors Friday. While the young Estacado squad still had its fair share of errors, mistakes were cut down considerably, not allowing the Lady Steers to score many easy runs.

However, Big Spring finally started to find the creases and alleys in the Estacado defense and earned the 10-run advan-



HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Big Spring's Jillian Valle hits an RBI double during the Lady Steers' 11-1 win over Lubbock Estacado in Lubbock Friday. The Lady Steers' win, coupled with San Angelo Lake View's victory over Plainview, guaranteed Big Spring a spot in the Class 4A playoffs.

tage with three runs in the top of the fifth, forcing the Lady Matadors into a must-score situation in the fifth.

Estacado worked a runner onto third base in the frame, who tried to score on a fielder's choice ball with two outs in the inning. Although the runner at first was called safe, Dominique Green

fired the ball to home in time to catcher Baylea Fox who made the tag to end the game.

Sparks feels the difference in scoring between the two games is based mostly on overconfidence.

"That's a good word for it," Sparks said. "Winning 35-0 can be a bad thing. We've got to get over that confidence

before we play Randall. We've got to focus hard on beating Randall.

"We went three rounds deep into the playoffs last season and we've got as much talent this year," he continued. "I think we could easily go just as far this season."

Waiting for the winner of the Randall-Big Spring series is El Paso

Canutillo, which has a first-round bye.

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W — Kenzie Hunt, L — Yvonne Limon
2B: Desiree Yanez, Hunt, Jillian Valle, RBI: Linzee Yarbar 3, Valle 2, Hunt 2 Dominique Green, Whitney Gonzales.

Contact Sports Editor Jonathan Hull by calling 263-7331, ext. 237, or by e-mailing him at sports@bigspringherald.com.

Lady Buffs pound Miles; prepare for 'title' game

Herald Staff Report

MILES — For the Forsan Lady Buffaloes softball team, the first order of business was taken care of Friday. However, an amendment to that order has been added.

The Lady Buffs blasted Miles Friday, scoring eight runs in the seventh inning for a 17-3 win in the regular season finale. The victory gave Forsan a 7-1 league record and ensured at least a share of the District 2-1A title — the first in the program's short history.

However, that's not enough.

The Lady Buffs also want the bragging rights of the district's top seed in the postseason, but to earn it, Forsan must defeat fellow district champ and new-found rival Eldorado. The Lady Buffs and Eldorado play for the No. 1 ranking in the playoffs Monday at Angelo State

University in San Angelo.

As far as being seeded No. 1 or No. 2 in the playoffs doesn't really matter. Both seedings would earn the Lady Buffs a bye in the first round of the postseason. However, the pride involved with being named the top team in the district is what Eldorado and Forsan are fighting for.

"We get a bye either way," Forsan Head Coach Shanna Roberts explained. "I think we'd rather be known as the best in the district, though."

According to Roberts, the Lady Buffs are 2-1A's elite squad heading into the one-game playoff. Her reasoning is based on the results of the two games played in the regular season.

In the first matchup between Eldorado and Forsan, the Lady Buffs run ruled the Lady Eagles with a 22-11 victory. However, Eldorado claimed the win in the second meeting, edging a short-

handed Forsan team, 13-12.

"We split with them in the regular season, but I think we're the more talented team," Roberts said. "We were coming off a funny week the second time we faced them. There was a lot of UIL academic competitions going on and we were without Amanda (Longorio). That's our starting pitcher and one of our best hitters. Alyx (Pappajohn) is a good pitcher, but Alyx with Amanda as a combination is so much better."

Case in point of Roberts' philosophy on Forsan's pitching staff was displayed against Miles. Longorio pitched the first three innings of the contest, holding Miles to just one run.

However, Pappajohn earned the win even though she entered the game in the fourth inning with a 9-1 lead. She gets the victory because she pitched a majority of the innings. Pappajohn surren-

dered two meaningless runs in the bottom of the eighth.

Longorio was the Lady Buffs' strongest offensive performer, scoring more than a third of their runs. She ended up with three hits, but crossed the plate an impressive six times. Kelsey Jones and Sandi Golleher each had four hits apiece and Miranda Park had three.

Roberts hopes the Lady Buffs continue their strong hitting at the plate Monday against Eldorado.

She notes that the one-game playoff is a bit of a blessing in disguise, though.

"I don't know that it's a good thing that we get a first-round bye in the playoffs. I think I'd rather we kept playing and keep our momentum," she explained. "That playoff with Eldorado could benefit us, though. It will give us a taste of what the playoff-like situation."

Celebrating life

Bauer Elementary students learn about life while helping Home Hospice with fund-raiser

By NANCY KOGER

Special to the Herald

How many kindergartners get the chance to become “mommies and daddies?”

Those in the classes of Janet Osburn, Sheila Ward, and Eloise Wynn at Bauer Elementary were presented with that challenge when Sherry Hodnett, Volunteer Bereavement coordinator for Home Hospice, brought them sealed plastic cups with caterpillars in them.

She explained that each child would get to care for a caterpillar, which would become a Painted Lady or Monarch butterfly in three to four

weeks.

Being the free thinkers children are, one little boy didn't want to be a mommy or daddy. “I want to be a brother,” he said. Whatever the relationship, the youngsters are “parenting” the worms until they are ready to emerge from their cocoons.

What is the connection between kids, caterpillars, and Home Hospice? Big Spring Home Hospice is preparing for its first Butterfly Release and Family Celebration, which will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater.

The butterflies will be collected in “critter carriers” and taken to the amphitheater, where they will be released, while names will be read as a way to show gratitude for the way lives have been enriched and brightened by those named.

The butterfly has long been a symbol of hope and new life, thus being an appropriate sign of thanks and honor for loved ones with whom we have shared moments and memories. Each individual or family may purchase a butterfly for \$25. That donation will go toward building The Grace House in Midland, an eight-bed home for

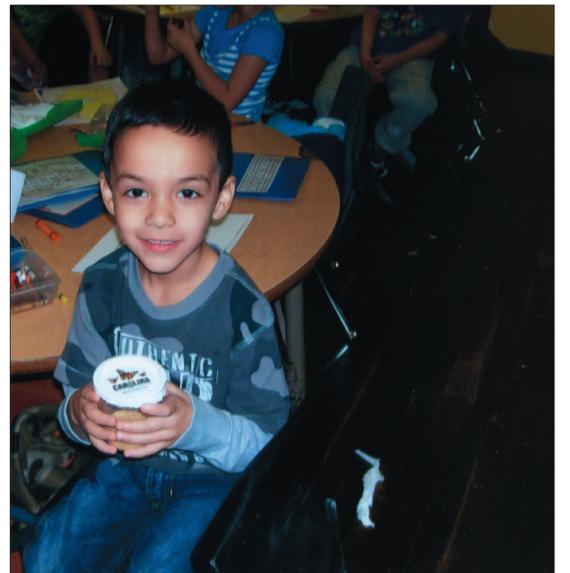


hospice patients who can no longer be cared for in their own home. The Hospice House in Odessa is a Home Hospice “end-of-life care” dwelling which has been in use for some time.

Hospice care seeks to assist the whole family. Their main goals are “to relieve pain and ease suffering, to allow individuals the dignity to make important decisions about how they want to be treated at life's end, and to provide care and support for not only the patient, but the entire family,” according to their literature. Assisting families deal with grief after loss is also part of their focus.

The butterfly “parents” will be recognized at the release ceremony Sunday afternoon. They will have observed the cycle of nature from the caterpillar to the cocoon to the butterfly, a living science lesson, and in the process produced a symbol of renewal and resurrection for those with whom we share our memories.

“We feel like we are

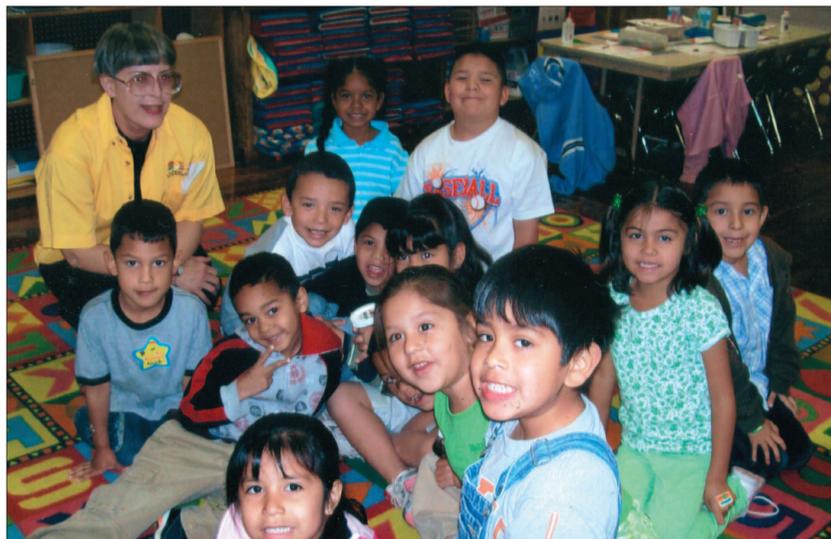


Bauer Elementary students in Eloise Wynn's class, far left, Janet Osburn's class and Sheila Ward's class were given caterpillars to “raise” by Sherry Hodnett, volunteer bereavement coordinator for Home Hospice. Above, Nathan Morales holds a cup containing a butterfly. In a fund-raiser open to the public, the butterflies will be released between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday at Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater.

helping those who grieve for lost loved ones and also helping the youngsters experience the cycle of life,” asserted

Hodnett.

“Home Hospice is about life and helping people understand that death is a part of living.”



Manners Matter: How you look

As the old adage states, “You never get a second chance to make a first impression.” Therefore, your appearance is an important component of class. You are the representative of yourself in the places you go and the things you do. No one can represent you better than you can. You should look as good as you can — even better if possible. Unfortunately, because the subject of appearance has never been part of the college curriculum, most people do not look as good as they might. We should all be on a mission to



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improve ourselves everyday, not only in appearance, but spiritually, physically, financially, and in our attitude. You will never improve your image unless you work at it. And the same is true for every area of our lives.

Most often others judge us by the way we look. We have heard it said, “clothes make the person.” To a small degree, this is true. If you do not have the appearance of a potential executive you aspire to become, begin presenting yourself as an executive and see what happens.

Most of our fashion designers today are a young and a new breed. They do not design clothes for the figure as designers did a few years ago. Most design for the very young and trendy, rather than for fit

and a smart look of class. Clothes that are designed with class in mind, never go out of style. You can wear them for years and still be stylish. The right cut and fit of a garment will improve your over all appearance, never diminish it. The constant changes of fashions today create confusion and unnecessary spending and do very little for a person's over-all appearance.

Many budding executives, who do not dress appropriately, have been passed over for good jobs because of their appearance. Today's sloppy look is not an improvement for anyone. People often live and conduct themselves in the same manner they dress.

Dear Jerrie,

I enjoy your column so much. I never knew there was such a nice way to live. I am enjoying my new life by following your column each week. I am learning how to be a new person in the way I do things and the manner in which I live. My question is, what is the correct way for eating French fries? — Tippy

Hello Tippy,

Thank you for your e-mail. There are two ways to eat fries correctly. If the fries are cut in quarters, or if they are long and slender, you can eat them as finger foods. If they are cut short, you eat them with a fork. If you like catsup, do not pour the sauce over the fries, you dip them in a small bowl of catsup or you pour a small amount on your dinner plate and dip the fries into the

sauce.

Dear Jerrie,

I would like to attend one your etiquette classes. When you speak of the basics of good manners, would you please explain what the basics are? I'm 25 years old and plan to go back to college this fall to finish my education. I'm unmarried and work for an insurance company. My boss does not want me to leave because she says she will not be able to find another employee with the experience I have. I like my job, but I feel that I must get my degree. Please help! — Wilma

Dear Wilma,

In a nut shell, the basics of etiquette are very simple. They

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Obituaries

Elias Galindo Barrera



Elias passed blissfully into the arms of God in Heaven surrounded by his dear loving family at sunset April 3, 2008. He was accompanied by his eldest daughter Esmeralda Barrera-Mikkelson, son-in-law Kenny, and their children, Felisha, William and Christopher. Despite some of his major health difficulties, when the bardo of dying began to dawn upon Elias he remained strong and brave, with a sharp-minded consciousness!

Elias was born Aug. 30, 1934, in Abilene to his parents Manuela Galindo and Cleto Mora Barrera. The Barrera family then moved to Big Spring, where Elias married and had four children, Esmeralda, Manuela (Nellie), Yvette Wyman and Lee. Elias worked his entire life as an auto-body/painter. Five years ago Elias retired and moved to Albuquerque, N.M., where he enjoyed woodworking, fishing, Friday night boxing, playing-pool and bird watching.

Until five years ago, Elias enjoyed riding his Harley motorcycle to Sturgis with his beloved son, Lee. Elias will be missed by his familia and friends.

He is survived by his children, nine grandchildren and eight great-grand children; his sister, Rosa Abreo; brother, Cleto; great aunt, Manuela Barrera Sosa of Anthony, N.M.; and many nieces and nephews. Elias, a man of Faith, our friend, grandfather, father, brother and son will be deeply missed.

"Just days ago your eyes sparkled full of life, we will always see your smile, we will always hear your laugh! Our lives will never be the same without you. Thanks for all the memorable years and guidance!"

The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of Angels at Zia-Hospice. Also, to Father Miguel and Richard Montag of Prince of Peace Catholic Church who visited Elias weekly at his home.

A Rosary service was held on Sunday, April 6, 2008 at 7 p.m. at Sanders Funeral Home Chapel. Mass was held Monday, April 7 at 2 p.m. at the San Ramon Catholic Church in Woodrow with the Rev. Nelson Diaz officiating. Burial followed at Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

A memorial service will be held April 26, 2008 at Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Albuquerque. A mass in memory of Elias will be held in Big Spring at 6:15 p.m. Dec. 18, 2008 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Paid obituary

Patrick Westbrook



Patrick Westbrook, 29, of Big Spring died Thursday, April 17, 2008, in Snyder following an accident in Borden County. Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Monday at Baptist Temple with the Rev. Syl Moore of Lubbock and the Rev. Derrick Looney of Forsan, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Patrick was born Nov. 18, 1978, in Big Spring. He graduated from Forsan High School in 1997 and was employed by Jupiter Electric in Andrews. Patrick was a lifetime resident of Howard County and was a member of Baptist Temple.

Patrick is survived by one son, Tyler Wayne Westbrook of Big Spring; parents, Cindy and Glenn Graves, and Steve and Judy Westbrook, all of Big Spring; two sisters, Codi Long and her husband Sean, and Casi Graves, all of Lubbock; two brothers, Richard Saint of Florence, Colo., and James Saint of Camp Pendleton, Calif.; grandparents, Joyce and Ray Davidson and Clara Westbrook, all of Big Spring, and Faye Graves of Borger; and a number of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Patrick was preceded in death by his sister, Brandi Rodriguez.

Pallbearers will be Jason Phillips, Justin Hobbs, Stacey Gibbs, Dustin Scott, Nathan Graves, Aron Graves, Dan Graves and Zach Phillips. Honorary pallbearers will be James Saint, Chuck Graves, Wesley Platte and Mike Spivey.

The family suggests memorials to The Tyler Westbrook Scholarship Fund, in care of Forsan Baptist Church, P.O. Box 244, Forsan 79733.

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

Debbie Kay Stump

Debbie Kay Stump, 49, of Dallas died Thursday, April 17, 2008, in Carrollton. She was born Jan. 29, 1959, in Compton, Calif. She graduated from Bowie High School and attended Denton Bible Church. She was a mortgage loan closer.

Visitation will be Sunday, April 20, 2008, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at DeBerry Funeral Directors. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, April 21, 2008, in the chapel of DeBerry Funeral Directors with Judd Rumley officiating. Burial will follow at Roselawn Memorial Park.

She is survived by a son, Bobby Lynn Stump and wife Christiane of Dallas; mother, Ora Adams Sealey of Hico; father, Warren Adams of Bowie; sisters, Nancy Bishop of Bowie, Cindy Kelley of Meridian and Vickie Adams of Big Spring; a brother, Gary Adams of Bowie; and one granddaughter.

Garland T. Land



Garland T. Land, 91, of Big Spring died Friday, April 18, 2008, in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 21, 2008, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with Mona Lue Tonn of Spring Tabernacle officiating.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

He was born Feb. 19, 1917, in Mitchell County and married Ruth Lynch in 1949 in Roscoe. She preceded him in death on July 29, 1986.

Garland was raised on a farm and loved the land and farming. He moved to Big Spring in 1954 from Loraine and retired as an assistant engineer with Pioneer Natural Gas Company in 1982, after 27 years of service. He was a kind and loving man who especially enjoyed his family. He loved playing shuffleboard and was a champion table shuffleboard player. He was an avid bird hunter and fisherman.

Garland served in the United States Army in Germany during World War II. He was a member of the International Order of Odd Fellows and the American Legion.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Terry and Charles Ingram of Big Spring and Jolene and Allan Frank of Austin; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Thomas Land and Jeff and Charlene Land, all of Big Spring; two sisters, Auta Doss of Arlington and Lonice Hall of Snyder; 14 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, one brother, three sisters and a grandson.

The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association, 3205 W. Cuthbert, Ste. A-5, Midland 79701.

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

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Mary Edna Rodgers



Mary Edna Rodgers, 79, of Big Spring died Thursday, April 17, 2008, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, April 21, 2008, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Sammy Segundo, pastor of Family Faith Victory Center, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

She was born Aug. 21, 1928, in Dawson and married John Franklin Rodgers on Feb. 9, 1944 in Stamford.

Mrs. Rodgers had been a resident of Big Spring since 1947 moving from Stamford. She was a homemaker and gardener. She attended Family Faith Victory Center and had been active with the Women's Auxiliary at College Park Church Of God.

Survivors include her husband, Johnnie Rodgers of Big Spring; three sons and daughters-in-law, Jimmie and Carolyn Rodgers of Big Spring, Carl and Debby Rodgers of Sand Springs and Johnnie and Susie Rodgers of Sharpsburg, Ga.; six daughters and five sons-in-law, Edna and David Rawls of Big Spring, Linda and Raymond Plaster of Granbury, Kay Flowers of Coahoma, Sue and Mike Sizenbach of Big Spring, Beverly and James Wilkerson of Big Spring and Becky and Bryan Letz of Big Spring; 20 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; and one brother and sister-in-law, A.J. and Violet Patterson of Big Spring.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Alex and Minnie Edna Patterson; two grandsons; two great-great grandchildren; and eight brothers and sisters.

The family suggests memorials be made to Family Faith Victory Center Building Fund, P.O. Box 507, Big Spring, Texas 79721-0507.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity Friday:

- **ASSAULT BY CONTACT** was reported in the 2400 block of Eighth.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING** was reported in the 400 block of Fourth and the 700 block of Interstate 20.
- **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 1100 block of Lancaster.

David Lynn

David Lynn, 64, of Big Spring died Thursday, April 17, 2008, at his residence. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 21, 2008, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center Chapel in Big Spring with Chaplain Dean Thomas officiating.

He was born Sept. 11, 1943, in Sikeston, Mo.

Mr. Lynn served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam Conflict. He worked as parts man for Crown Energy, retiring in 2006.

He was a member of First Assembly of God Church in Odessa.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Ann Marie and Dairrel Headrick of Aledo; two grandchildren; and one brother, Larry Lynn.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Clyde Lynn.

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

Weather

Sunday — Partly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs inThe lower 90s. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph.

Sunday night — Increasing clouds. Lows in the upper 50s. South winds 15 to 25 mph decreasing to 10 to 15 mph after midnight.

Monday — Partly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs in the lower 90s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

Monday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s.

Tuesday — Mostly sunny. Highs around 90.

Tuesday night — Mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s.

Wednesday — Cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

Wednesday night — Mostly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 50s. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

Thursday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s.

Thursday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s.

Friday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 1-2-22-23-28.
Number matching five of five: 0.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-4-7-5. Sum It Up: 17

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-7-3. Sum It Up: 11

Take Note

• Ackerly Lunch Bunch will meet Saturday, April 26, at 10 a.m. at the 14th and Main Church of Christ Fellowship Room. Lunch will be served. Call 267-1449 or 213-4452.

• Tickets for the Big Spring High School Prom will be on sale at the high school from noon until 1:30 p.m. each Friday leading up to the prom. Tickets cost \$20 each and must be paid for in cash. For more information, call Carrie Fox at 816-9687 or Karen Martin at 213-1388.

• Mobile Meals needs volunteers to deliver meals Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. The organization delivers approximately 70 meals each day and needs drivers to donate just one hour per week. Mobile Meals also needs back-up volunteers to fill in when regular drivers can't make it. For more information, contact Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

• Nurses' Hospice of Big Spring Volunteers will meet at 1 p.m. for singing and fellowship Saturday, May 10, at Marcy House. If you are interested, call Gina at 517-4073.

• Cross stitchers are needed to complete one or more blocks of this year's Howard County Fair quilt. All supplies are provided. Blocks may be picked up from Posey Cotton Office, 601 Scurry, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon. For information, call 263-1267 or 263-4980. This year's quilt theme is "Wildflowers of Texas." All proceeds from the sale of tickets for the quilt are used to defray the expenses of the Fair. The quilt will be awarded the last night of the fair.

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Hunter's catch saves Angels; Ortiz's slam sinks Rangers

By The Associated Press

Torii Hunter said it felt like running into an outfield wall when his Bentley got rear-ended before the game against the Seattle Mariners. Then he braved the outfield wall to make a game-saving, ninth-inning catch.

Hunter nabbed what might have been Richie Sexson's third home run of the game in the Los Angeles Angels' 5-4 win over the Mariners on Friday night.

Meanwhile, no leaping outfielder could come close to catching the shot David Ortiz hit.

The slumping Ortiz hit a third-inning grand slam over the Green Monster in Boston's 11-3 win over Texas.

Ortiz entered the game hitting just .111, the lowest of any regular in the majors. His slam was his seventh with the Red Sox, and seventh at Fenway — tying a record held by Ted Williams and Jim Rice.

"I'm sure he's going to feel good about it," Boston manager Terry Francona said. "Obviously we do."

Hunter, dealing with a stiff neck and back after his fender bender, sprinted toward the wall and

made a leaping catch above the center-field wall with two outs in the ninth inning. Had he not made the catch, Sexson's two-run homer would have given the Mariners the lead.

"That was sweet, man," Hunter said. "You can't beat taking a home run away. That probably could have been the game-winner, so I'm pretty excited about that — winning the game with my glove. Things started off pretty rough today and it was pretty frustrating, so I went out there and tried to take it out on them in the game."

In other AL games, it was: Baltimore 8, New York 2; Detroit 8, Toronto 4; Chicago 9, Tampa Bay 2; Cleveland 4, Minnesota 0; Oakland 13, Kansas City 2.

Hunter also doubled his first three times up, driving in three runs with his first two-base hit about 5 hours after getting rear-ended by a driver talking on a hands-free cell phone. The seven-time Gold Glove winner was waiting at a stop light when the accident occurred. No one in either vehicle was seri-

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AP photo/Gus Ruelas

Los Angeles Angels' Torii Hunter (48) and teammate Erick Aybar (2) celebrate Hunter's game-ending catch in the ninth inning during their MLB baseball game against the Seattle Mariners Friday.

Jones helps injury plagued Braves to win over Dodgers

By The Associated Press

Chipper Jones knows he's in a groove, the kind that comes along once every few years and even the best of hitters can't explain.

He also knows it couldn't come at a better time for the Braves, with Tom Glavine headed to the disabled list for the first time in 22 seasons.

"It's good to come through for the team," Jones said, "when the team needs it most."

Jones had his second straight two-homer game Friday night, leading injury riddled Atlanta past the Los Angeles Dodgers 6-1. The Braves slugger hit a three-run shot off Derek Lowe in the fifth to break open a 2-0 game, then added a solo homer in the seventh to make it 6-1.

"I wish I could explain or begin to illustrate to people how awesome the last couple of nights have been," said Jones, who has hit safely in 10 straight games. "Not only am I getting pitches to hit, I'm doing ultimate damage with 'em."

The previous night, Jones went 4-for-4 with two homers and three RBIs in an 8-0 rout of the Florida Marlins. The 3-for-5 performance against the Dodgers raised his average to .455, with six homers and 18 RBIs.

Lowe (1-1) had a tough night all around. He took a liner off his right foot and lasted just 4 1-3 innings, allowing eight hits, five runs (four earned) and walking four.

"They were taking target practice against Derek," Dodgers manager Joe Torre said.

In other NL games, it

was Chicago 3, Pittsburgh 2; the New York Mets 6, Philadelphia 4; Milwaukee 5, Cincinnati 2; Washington 6, Florida 4; St. Louis 11, San Francisco 1; Arizona 9, San Diego 0; and Colorado 11, Houston 5.

Replacement starter Jeff Bennett worked into the fifth for Atlanta without allowing a run, but came up one out short of qualifying for the win. Manager Bobby Cox went to the bullpen, and Will

Ohman (1-0) struck out Andre Ethier swinging with two aboard to get the victory.

Bennett filled in for Glavine, who came out of his last start with an ailing hamstring. The 303-game winner had hoped to start Saturday against the Dodgers, but the team announced during the game Friday night he was going on the disabled list.

"I've only been on the disabled list two hours and I hate it," Glavine

said. "I feel like I let people down. My job is to go out there and pitch."

Last Sunday, Glavine threw only 16 pitches and failed to retire a batter against Washington, matching the shortest start of his career. The lefty threw a normal bullpen session on Thursday without any problems, but noted that he never throws at full speed on an off day.

"I never envisioned a hamstring problem, espe-

cially as flexible as I am and as loose as I was before the game," Glavine said. "Hopefully it was just one of those freak things."

Atlanta's pitching staff has been hammered by injuries already. Starter Mike Hampton went on the DL with a pectoral injury that he sustained while warming up for what was supposed to be his first start since 2005.

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Joy Diane Humphreys and Jeb Stuart Clark

Humphreys and Clark

Dale and Beverley Humphreys of Big Spring are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Joy Diane Humphreys of Lubbock to Jeb Stuart Clark of Lubbock, son of Thomas and Dorcas Clark of Harker Heights.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Amy Humphreys and the late Fred Humphreys of Abilene and Floy Laws and the late J.D. Laws of Abilene.

The future groom is the grandson of the late Raleigh and Neva Clark of Las Cruces, N.M., and Gladys and the late Robert Hawthorne, of Schenectady, N.Y.

Joy is a 1999 graduate of Forsan High School. She holds a bachelor of arts and master of arts in psychology from Texas Tech University. She is currently a candidate for the doctorate of philoso-

phy in clinical psychology. She is employed at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Department of Neuropsychiatry and Behavioral Sciences.

Jeb is a 1999 graduate of James Logan High School in Union City, Calif. He holds a bachelor of science in microbiology and recently completed his master of science in microbiology, both at Texas Tech University. He is currently employed by the Texas Tech Department of Biological Sciences.

The couple will be married Sunday, June 8, 2008, at the Merket Alumni Center on the Texas Tech University Campus, Lubbock.

Following a honeymoon in Alaska, Joy and Jeb will make their home in Jackson, Miss., where both will be employed by the University of Mississippi Medical Center.



Lori Amber Hoelscher and Matthew Thomas Machacek

Hoelscher and Machacek

Tommy and Karla Hoelscher of Garden City are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lori Amber Hoelscher to Matthew Thomas Machacek. Matt is the son of Joe and Mary Machacek of Shiner.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Magdaline Hoelscher and the late Elo Hoelscher of San Angelo and Leon and Jo Ann Halfmann of Garden City. The prospective groom is the grandson of Monica Machacek and the late Joe Machacek and Elmer Foucheaux and the late Nellie Foucheaux, all of Shiner.

Miss Hoelscher is a graduate of Garden City High School and a 2006 graduate of Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in agricultural readership

and development. She is employed by the Farm Service Agency in Marlin.

Her fiancé, Matt, is a graduate of St. Paul High School in Shiner and a 2006 graduate of Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in rangeland ecology and management. He is employed by the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Victoria.

The couple will be united in marriage June 28, 2008 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in St. Lawrence.

MANNERS

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include politeness, respect toward others, being courteous, good table manners, personal appearance, good hygiene, considering others first as the Bible teaches, and The Golden Rule. I always teach the basics first for a foundation of good manners.

I agree, you should finish your education. This is the big stepping stone in today's society and I'm sure your boss would agree. Finishing your education takes priority over staying on as her employee. She knows good help is very hard to find, and she knows you are an asset to her as an employee. Any boss would want to keep good help. However, your future is important, and you should follow your instinct.

Dear Jerrie,

My mother taught my sister and me good manners when we were growing up. Last summer I was married to a fine young man, hard working and very good to me. But he does not know anything about good table manners. Recently, I have started teaching him some of the more simple things of table manners. He says it's o.k., but he does not see the need to be so fussy as he calls it about your eating habits. How can I get him to understand the importance of this? — Della

Hi Della,

Remember, patience and consistency eventually pays off. Stay with the course, but be gentle and don't nag. Tell your husband, learning at home is what it's all about. Then when your in the presence of others, good manners become automatic. It's not something you have to remember to do, it becomes a way of life. When you have children someday, he will be happy to know they are polite and have good table etiquette.

Hi Jerrie,

When I travel, I use my credit card to pay for food. It really ticks me when the cashier ask if I want to leave a tip? Don't they know if I do, I would say so? Most of the time I leave cash for the tip, but when I'm asked by the cashier, if I want to leave a tip, I feel it's none of her business. Please explain. — Ike

Hi Ike,

And you are so right. It is never the place of the cashier to ask if you want to leave a tip. What she should say is, "shall I close the ticket?" Then you can say, "Yes, please" or you may say, "Please add (suggested amount) for my tip."

Jerrie Stocks has for a number of years conducted classes on etiquette in public and private schools, colleges, churches and ladies' groups, as well as providing private tutoring and conducting workshops. E-mail your questions concerning etiquette to yourmannerscount@suddenlink.net.

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Alexis Armentrout, from left, Natty Sorenson, Caleb Hector and Jacob Nixon were among the Maranatha Baptist Academy students participating in the Regional Student Convention recently. Not pictured is Larissa Melchert.

Maranatha Baptist Academy students stand out in contest

Students from Maranatha Baptist Academy in Big Spring won during competition at the Regional Student Convention in Cedar Hills, at the Mt. Lebanon Encampment earlier this month. Representing Maranatha were: Jacob Nixon in illustrated story telling and soul winning; Larissa Melchert in color photo, special

effects and still life, black and white character trait and expressive reading; Natty Sorenson in essay writing, illustrated storytelling, sketching and color photo — character trait; Alexis Armentrout in clay sculpture, color photo — still life and expressive reading; Caleb Hector in color photo — still life and preaching. The students will partic-

ipate in the International Student Convention in Warrensburg, Mo., the last week in May. "Their parents and school are very proud of these students and are looking forward to their success as they represent Maranatha," a school spokesperson said. "Thank you, students, for your accomplishments." Maranatha Baptist Academy is located at 903 Johnson.

SYMPHONY

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traditional favorites, including medleys from "Fiddler on the Roof" and "Sound of Music." The evening's performance will culminate in the performance of selections from "Les Miserables," one of the most popular recent works on Broadway.



Corman

Mr. Corman and Ms. Joubert will perform a suite from Leonard Bernstein's "West Side Story." The suite features a number of famous selections including "Maria," "One hand, One Heart,"

"Somewhere," the "Balcony Scene" and "Tonight." Ms. Joubert will also perform "Glitter and be Gay" from "Candide," "Out of My Dreams" from "Oklahoma" and "Over the Rainbow" from "Wizard of Oz."

"Glitter and be Gay" is one of the most exciting but difficult works for soprano in the entire Broadway repertoire. It requires extreme agility and also has extreme range. I think it will be one of the evenings' highlights," Graumann said.

"Mr. Corman is a very versatile musician and an accomplished opera singer. His performance of 'Bring Him Home' from 'Les Miserables' will have the audience spell-bound. I have asked him also to

sing two selections from the opera repertoire: 'E lucevan le Stelle' from 'Tosca' by Puccini and 'Vesti la Giubba' from 'Pagliacci' by Leoncavallo. These arias are both very emotional. I think the audience will be mesmerized by Mr. Corman's interpretations," Graumann added.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and \$5 for students and may be purchased at Blum's Jewelers, Faye's Flowers, First Bank of West Texas (all locations), Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Big Spring Herald and at the door on the evening of the performance. For more information, call (432) 264-7223 or visit www.bigspringsymphony.com

SHOW

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local club will also sell a catalog for \$5 that will answer many questions about the particular breeds in the competition, she added.

Also, four classes of obedience competition will be held in the coliseum's East Room. That event also is open to the public, Wells said.

Another attraction will be a drill team comprised of 4-H students from Weatherford and their dogs who will perform

about 30 minutes after the Saturday best in show competition.

For more information, contact Wells at 517-0259.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

SHOOTING

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completed. The shooting was reported at 11:40 a.m. at 711 Lorilla, according to Everett.

"An officer with the police department assigned to narcotics investigations was threat-

ened by a subject armed with a shotgun," said Everett. "The officer fired, killing the suspect. The officer has been placed on administrative leave, which is standard procedure in a shooting situation."

Theodore Rios, 38, also of 3206 W. Eighth St., was also arrested at the scene on two local warrants for

delivery of a controlled substance and a charge of assault by contact, according to police records.

Officials with the Rangers' office declined to comment on the investigation, saying their office will not be releasing any information to the media regarding the shooting.

SECT

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the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

"This is but the beginning," Walther said.

She also ordered genetic testing to sort out family relationships that have confounded welfare authorities.

Individual hearings will be set for the children over the next several weeks, and the judge will determine whether they are moved into permanent foster care or can be returned to their parents. All of the hearings must be held by June 5.

Walther ordered all 416 children and parents be given genetic tests. Child welfare officials say they've had difficulty determining how the children and adults are related because of evasive or changing answers.

A mobile genetic lab will take samples Monday at the main shelter where children are being kept; parents will be able to submit samples Tuesday in Eldorado, closer to the ranch.

The custody case is one of the largest and most convoluted in U.S. history. The ruling on Friday capped two days of marathon testimony that sometimes descended into chaos as hundreds of lawyers for the children and parents competed to defend their clients in two large rooms linked by a video feed.

Attorneys popped up with objections in a courtroom and nearby auditorium, then queued up and down the aisle to cross-examine witnesses in a mass hearing that frustrated attorneys and stretched the small-town court system.

The April 3 raid on the Yearning For Zion Ranch was prompted by a call made to a family violence shelter, purportedly by a 16-year-old girl who said her 50-year-old husband beat and raped her. That girl has never been identified.

The state argued it should be allowed to keep the children because the sect's teaching encourages girls younger than 18 to enter spiritual marriages with older men and produce as many children as possible. Its attorneys argued that the culture put all the girls at risk and potentially turned the boys into future predators.

A witness for the parents who was presented by defense lawyers as an expert on the FLDS disputed that the girls have no say in who they marry.

"I believe the girls are given a real choice," said W. John Walsh. "Girls have successfully said, 'No, this is not a good match for me,' and they remained in good stand-

ing." But Dr. Bruce Perry, a psychiatrist who has studied children in cults, testified that the girls will not refuse marriages because they are indoctrinated to believe disobedience will lead to their damnation.

The renegade Mormon sect's belief system "is abusive. The culture is very authoritarian," he said.

Perry acknowledged that many adults at the ranch are loving parents and that the boys seemed emotionally healthy. When asked whether the belief system really endangered the older boys or young children, Perry said, "I have lost sleep over that question."

He also conceded that the children, taught from birth to believe that contact with the outside world will lead to eternal damnation, would suffer if placed in traditional foster care.

"If these children are kept in the custody of the state, there would have to be exceptional and innovative programmatic elements for these children and their families," he said. "The traditional foster care system would be destructive for these children."

CPS spokeswoman Marleigh Meisner said the department was

pleased with the judge's ruling and believes that the children will now be safe.

It's not clear how quickly the children might be moved from the coliseum and fairgrounds where they are staying on cots into foster homes or other temporary housing, but they could be placed with family members if CPS determines the children will be safe, Meisner said. Four women testified Friday, and all said they were free to make their own choices. They also said they would do whatever it took to get their children returned to them.

"We're a peaceful people," Lucille Nielson said. Life on their 1,700-acre gated ranch "is very peaceful. You can feel the peace when you are there. Very loving. We raise our children in a loving environment."

But the women also acknowledged that girls get married at ages younger than the state

allows.

Some of the women bowed their heads when the judge issued her order to keep the children in state custody. They left the columned courthouse stoically, ignoring ques-

tions shouted by reporters.

They'll face more hearings, and some could be required to take steps to prove to Child Protective Services that they should be allowed to regain custody.

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Defending champion Boo Weekley watches his shot from the first fairway Wednesday during the Verizon Heritage golf tournament pro-am at Harbour Town Golf Links on Hilton Head Island, S.C.

Weekley not backing down in bid for Verizon Heritage

By PETE IACOBELLI

AP Sports Writer

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. — Perhaps no one's had a better time as Verizon Heritage champion than Boo Weekley.

Weekley shot a 64 to move a shot behind leader Lucas Glover after two rounds at Harbour Town Golf Links on Friday. Weekley's round left him at 9-under par, second to Glover's 10-under 132.

Weekley won his first PGA Tour event here last year, improbably chipping in on the 71st and 72nd holes to defeat Ernie Els. Even more endearing, though, was Weekley's no-nonsense, down-home country style that galleries here easily plugged into.

Weekley has smiled his way around the course this week, too, enjoying the cheers and friendly atmosphere from familiar fans.

"It's always fun to be able to look out on the crowd and see all the people pulling for you and chanting your name," Weekley said. "I always have a place in my heart"

for Harbour Town.

And why not?

He won his first time playing here and has never shot higher than 69 in six career rounds here.

Weekley loves everything about this place, even the garish, plaid coat draped around his shoulders after last year's victory.

"I got it the other day when we marched around the lagoon" for opening ceremonies, Weekley said. "I think I got it in my mama's car, packed up ready for a long drive back to Florida."

Not everything has gone right for Weekley this week, speaking of mama. Patsy Weekley played in her son's pro-am group Wednesday, outdriving her son on the first hole.

How did that make you feel, Boo?

"It aggravated me, to tell you the truth," said Weekley, his mom in the room to hear. "It kind of got under my skin a little."

With Weekley's high level of play so far, he may get under the skin of some competitors this weekend. He shot up the leaderboard Friday with

four birdies on the back nine to set himself up for a second-straight run at the title.

He'll have some stiff competition.

Glover continued his improved play, finishing with his second straight 66.

Glover "weaseled" his way into the lead Thursday with two late birdies, then used four birdies on his back nine to push past Weekley into first.

It's been a rough season for Glover, who has surpassed \$2 million in earnings in 2005 and 2006 and played for the U.S. team in last year's Presidents Cup. But he hadn't finished better than 22nd his first eight events.

Glover felt he'd uncovered a problem with his ball positioning and posture at the Shell Houston

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NL

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Closer Rafael Soriano (tendinitis) and setup man Peter Moylan also are on the DL, with Moylan facing the prospect of reconstructive elbow surgery.

tart of the season.

"We've been hit hard early on," Glavine said. "Hopefully, we're getting it all out of our system. Once everyone comes back, maybe we'll have no more issues the rest of

the season."

Rockies 11, Astros 5

Troy Tulowitzki had three RBIs, Garrett Atkins homered and had three RBIs, and Colorado won at Houston less than 20 hours after winning a 22-inning marathon in San Diego.

Franklin Morales (1-1) gave up five hits with two strikeouts and four walks in five innings. Colorado's bullpen, a night after pitching 15 innings, gave up only two hits.

Chris Sampson (0-2) was pulled in the first inning after giving up six runs and six hits.

Cubs 3, Pirates 2

Rich Hill won for the first time in three starts, Mark DeRosa doubled and drove in a run and host Chicago won for the ninth time in 12 games.

Hill (1-0) combined with four relievers on a six-hitter, allowing one run, three hits and three walks in five innings. Kerry Wood pitched a perfect ninth for his fourth save.

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Big Spring native on Oprah Winfrey Show

Raises \$400,000 for respite center in the Windy City

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

A Big Spring High School graduate is set to appear on the Oprah Winfrey Show Monday after having helped raise more than \$400,000 for an interdenominational respite center in Chicago. Amador Gonzales III, better known to his friends and family as Trey, is expected to appear on the show — set for 4 p.m. Monday on Cable Channel 3 — after using \$10,000 in seed money provided by “Oprah’s Big Give” to raise funds for Interfaith

House, a home for injured or ill homeless in the Windy City.

According to Gonzales’ mother, Beckie Mendoza of Big Spring, Trey appeared on the show in March, at which time Winfrey and residential designer Nate Berkus presented him with the seed money. Gonzales was given five days to raise as much money for the charity as possible.

“Interfaith House is a non-profit organization dedicated to permanently breaking the cycle of homelessness in Chicago,” Gonzales, an employee of the Holly

Hunt furniture showroom in Chicago, said in an e-mail to family and friends. “They provide housing, medical care, counseling and employment training to their residents. They also supply the tools to help individuals rebuild their lives and rejoin society.”

“They are in desperate need of a passenger van to transport their residents. Their facilities are outdated and in need of a great deal of repair. Interfaith House does so much for our community and now it’s time to show how we can give back to them.”

With a dozen friends in

tow, Gonzales helped organize and hold a benefit at the Trump International Hotel and Tower that drew approximately 500 people, bringing in a whopping \$458,496 for the Chicago charity.

“We’re so proud of him,” said Mendoza. “To accomplish so much in such a short period of time, it’s just amazing. It’s something to be proud of.”

Gonzales’ father, Amador Gonzales Jr., also of Big Spring, said his son’s success is something his entire family is proud of.



Courtesy photo
Big Spring High School graduate Amador Gonzales III, left, accepts \$10,000 in charity seed money from television talk show host Oprah Winfrey and residential designer Nate Berkus during a March airing of the Oprah Winfrey Show.

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

► Menus

Big Spring ISD

Monday — Lunch, pepperoni pizza, baby carrots, applesauce and milk.

Tuesday — Lunch, chicken-fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears and wheat rolls.

Wednesday — Lunch, chicken spaghetti, garden salad, melon slices, garlic bread and milk.

Thursday — Lunch, tacos, refried beans w/cheese, corn, strawberry and banana bar.

Friday — Lunch, chicken burgers, smiley fries, pickle spears, peanut butter, cookies and milk.

Forsan ISD

Monday — Breakfast, cereal, NutriGrain bars, juice and milk; Lunch, pizza, seasoned corn, tossed salad, sliced peaches and milk.

Tuesday — Breakfast, sausage-on-a-stick, juice and milk; Lunch, nacho grande, lettuce and tomatoes, cornbread, orange smiles and milk.

Wednesday — Breakfast, oatmeal, toast, juice and milk; Lunch, baked potatoes, broccoli and cheese, Texas toast, fresh fruit and milk.

Thursday — Breakfast, donuts, juice and milk; Lunch, chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot rolls, fancy gelatin and milk.

Friday — Breakfast, cinnamon toast, juice and milk; Lunch, corn dogs, oven fries, baked beans, apples, rice crispy treats and milk.

Coahoma ISD

Monday — Breakfast, waffles, ham, apple juice and milk; Lunch, Frito pie, baked beans, cherry turnover and milk.

Tuesday — Breakfast, donuts, ham, apple-sauce cups and milk; Lunch, baked ham, macaroni, corn on cob, oranges and burritos.

Wednesday — Breakfast, pancakes, sausage, syrup, grape juice and milk; Lunch, chicken fajitas/onion, peppers, refried beans, salad, corn dogs.

Thursday — Breakfast, oatmeal, sausage, orange juice and milk; Lunch, chili dogs, baked beans, baby carrots, oranges, hot pockets.

Friday — Breakfast, pancakes, sausage-on-a-stick, grape juice, syrup and milk; Lunch, hamburgers, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, apple turnover and milk.

Spring City Senior Citizen's Center

Monday — chopped steak with brown gravy, augratin potatoes, lima beans, buttermilk biscuits and tapioca pudding.

Tuesday — vegetable beef stew, cornbread, tossed salad and cherry crisp.

Wednesday — chicken fajitas, tortilla, spanish rice, cheese/lettuce/tomatoes, guacamole/chips and oranges and pineapples.

Thursday — cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickle slice, French fries and peach crisp.

Friday — fried catfish, French fries, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread and fancy fruit mix.

Italy from jar to skillet

By **RENEE ENNA**

Chicago Tribune

This vegetarian Italian “casserole” is mostly a stove-top preparation. Instead of making our own marinara, we’re using a good-quality jarred version. (But you can also use your own!)

Cooking the ingredients on the stove top, then popping a pan into the oven just long enough to melt the cheese and warm all the ingredients together, gives this entree the feel of a long-cooking casserole, minus the long cooking.

Menu:

Tossed salad with pepperoncini, black olives and cherry tomatoes
Pasta casserole
Crusty bread and butter
Cream puffs from the bakery

Tips:

This casserole presents a good opportunity to try less familiar Italian cheeses, such as an aged asiago. Or try one of the pre-shredded blends in the supermarket dairy case.

Beverage suggestion:

A hearty Chianti or slightly mellow montepulciano d’Abruzzo.

Pasta Casserole

Preparation time: 15 minutes

Cooking time: 15 minutes

Yield: 8 servings

1 package (16 ounces) medium pasta shells

1 jar (24 ounces) marinara sauce

1 package (8 ounces) sliced mushrooms

1/4 cup Chianti or other dry red wine

1 bag (6 ounces) baby spinach or baby arugula

2 tablespoons chopped basil or to taste

2/3 cup shredded Parmesan cheese

2 tablespoons chopped flat-leaf parsley, optional

1. Heat oven to 400 degrees. Heat stockpot of water to a boil; cook the pasta according to package. Drain; set aside.

2. Meanwhile, combine the marinara sauce, mushrooms and Chianti in a large, deep skillet or saucepan over medium-high heat; cook until thickened, about 10 minutes.

3. Pour the pasta into a large baking dish add the sauce mixture, stirring to combine. Distribute spinach over mixture; sprinkle basil over spinach. Sprinkle cheese over greens. Place pan in oven until cheese melts, about 5-7 minutes. Sprinkle with parsley, if desired.

Who's Who

Levi Johnson, a Forsan High School graduate currently majoring in mathematics at Texas Tech University, is one of 85 new inductees to Tech’s chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation’s oldest and most prestigious honor society.

Johnson and the other new members were inducted into the society April 9 at the Allen Theatre on the Texas Tech campus.

Three Crossroads area students attending Angelo State University were among the 56 ASU students to be included in the 2008 edition of Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

The three area students were Melissa A. Strain of Big Spring, a senior majoring in kinesiology; Steven D. Barraza of Ackerly, a senior majoring in biochemistry; and Kandice N. Fryar of Forsan, a senior majoring in pre-pharmacy.

A reception and presentation ceremony honoring the 56 students has been scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday, May 9, in the Houston Harte University Center Theater, Room 110-111.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

Why don't we make it a true Day of Prayer?

Since we live in a community that most of us realize has truly been blessed in the past few months, wouldn't it be wonderful if Big Spring observed the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 1, with a full day — that's right — 24 hours of prayer?

It's a thought that came to us a few weeks ago and apparently we were not alone, because that's exactly what those who are planning our local National Day of Prayer observance have in mind.

In past years, Big Spring has marked the observance with ceremonies of anywhere from one-half hour to an hour long at various times of the day. And there's clearly no doubt our community has been blessed as a result.

Think about it for a moment. Let's see, now...

- Area farmers have enjoyed three consecutive cotton crops that have ranged from merely good to absolutely phenomenal and been a boon to our local economy.
- An oil boom that has helped boost the West Texas economy even further.
- Surviving the Feb. 18 Alon Refinery explosion with only a handful of injuries and no deaths.
- And another survival story of sorts when the recent Kentwood brush fire was limited to destroying just two homes and damaging a few others in its scorching race across the south side of the city.

And if you're willing to look a little deeper, you'll recall that we've seen the Big Spring VA Medical Center move from being on the CARES chopping block to experiencing expansions in the services it offers as well as its physical plant; the Big Spring State Hospital doing much the same in another closure scare; and, with the passage of a bond issue last November, the end of a bitter and long-standing feud concerning the need for a new county jail.

That does not, however, mean that we are no longer faced with difficult issues.

As a matter of fact there's no doubt in our minds that intense times are ahead for our community and there's no better tool available for any of us to use during such times than prayer.

As Everett Bender, one of the organizers of this year's local National Day of Prayer observance noted, "The Bible describes special blessings when we gather together, and even greater blessings when we pray together."

So this year, Bender says two events — a full day of prayer and a noon public gathering — are being scheduled.

The noon meeting, a bring-your-own-lunch affair, is scheduled for the First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall on May 1.

But that meeting will only come at the mid-point of the day's activities, because organizers are seeking individuals and groups that are interested in signing up to pray for one-hour blocks between midnight and 11:59 p.m. that Thursday.

To sign up for the 24 hours of prayer event, go to the www.hcchurch.org website or contact any local church.

And when you consider that you can pray at any time and in any place — at home, at church, while you're walking or driving ... whatever your choice — there's really no good reason not to get involved.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we emphasize the quality of our life, Lord, by trusting in You.

Amen

We need a new NAFTA

Thanks to the Democratic Presidential primaries, the North American Free Trade Agreement is back in the political limelight. It's about time.

The nearly 15-year-old trade pact between the United States, Mexico and Canada is the blueprint for many other trade pacts. And yet our leaders have never bothered to take a hard look at whether NAFTA's promises have actually proved true.

The biggest sales pitch was about jobs. The deal's supporters claimed that by lifting barriers to trade and investment, NAFTA would create more and better jobs. Today, who hasn't heard the joke: "we've got lots of jobs in the U.S. — in fact, my wife has three!" Part-time hours, lousy benefits, low pay — those have been the hallmarks of the so-called job boom.

NAFTA cheerleaders also claimed that a related problem — the repression of basic labor rights in Mexico — would disappear. But the sad truth is that workers still face blacklisting and even violence if they try to organize to get their fair share of the benefits of trade.



SARAH ANDERSON

And perhaps the most off-base promise was that NAFTA would improve living standards in Mexico so much that it would reduce migration pressures. Just the opposite has occurred, as millions of Mexican small farmers have struggled to compete with imports from heavily subsidized U.S. agribusiness. There are some new jobs in border factories, but more have been lost in small businesses hurt by the pressures of the export economy.

Meanwhile, in all three countries, we've seen the rich getting richer.

Mexican Carlos Slim is now the world's wealthiest man, with \$60 billion in assets.

And so the Democratic candidates' promises to renegotiate NAFTA have been welcome. They have opened the door wider than ever for the public to demand new trade rules that promote good jobs, a clean environment, and healthy communities.

George W. Bush, on the other hand, has ignored these issues. By the end of his presidency, he will have participated in four summits with the leaders of Mexico and Canada (the last in New Orleans this month). Not once has their agenda included the widespread concerns over NAFTA.

In fact, the three leaders have been going in the opposite direction by actually expanding

NAFTA through an ongoing "Security and Prosperity Partnership."

It's hard to come out against apple pie virtues like security and prosperity, but this process is unlikely to produce either. That's because the partnership appears to be only with big business.

The chief executives of Wal-Mart, defense giant Lockheed Martin and 28 other large corporations are in on the closed-door negotiations, while members of Congress, journalists and ordinary citizens are excluded.

What are they talking about? Very little information is public, but the overall goal is to make regulatory changes that do not require Congressional approval. And given who's in the room, it's a safe bet that these changes will favor narrow corporate interests over the public good.

Hopefully, the November elections will signal an end to the secret deal-making on trade and the opening of a real dialogue on the future of North American economic relations. Ordinary citizens have been on the sidelines too long.

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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing to the citizens of House District 85, urging you all to support the development of wind energy in House District 85 and West Texas. A formal hearing of the Texas House of Representatives Committee on Regulated Industries will be held at 9 a.m. Thursday, April 24, at the Region 16 Education Service Center, Panhandle Conference Center, located at 5800 Bell Street in Amarillo.

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss wind energy and transmission lines. The development of wind energy is very important for the residents of House District 85 and all of West Texas. I encourage you, if possible, to spend the day at the committee meeting. It will give you first hand knowledge of the process as it unfolds.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call my district office at 806-675-1583. I hope to see you in Amarillo.

JOE HEFLIN
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
CROSBYTON

TO THE EDITOR:

Well another tax year has come and gone, and what a tax year this turned out to be. At the beginning of the year, we had no idea what would be in store for us this tax season and were in for a big surprise. An undertaking such as this is almost impossible without the help and support of many individuals and organizations. The publicity we received from

the local media was great. I would like to thank Suddenlink of West Texas, KBST and KBGY radio stations, and a very special thanks to the *Herald* and especially Thomas Jenkins for helping get the word out about our program. With all of the publicity we received, more than 500 taxpayers took advantage of our services.

A big thank you to the staff at Canterbury South for their help during this year. Not only did they loan us equipment to use in training, but they also made arrangements and coordinated a work day for us to go to their facility to complete stimulus payment tax returns.

I would also like to express a very special thanks to Hollis McCright and the entire staff at the Howard County Library. We truly enjoyed working at the library this year and we appreciate all that the library staff did for us throughout the entire tax season.

Finally, I would like to thank my posse, the 14 Tax-Aide volunteers who gave so willingly of their time and talent. They are the heart and soul of the Tax-Aide program and they are the best. Thank you all and God Bless.

GLORIA HOPKINS
TAX-AIDE COORDINATOR
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring wants to send a heartfelt thank you to the 35 businesses and groups that supported our annual pancake supper in March. We couldn't have

done it without them.

We appreciate all those who attended and we look forward to another great year.

ANITA CLINE
PRESIDENT
KIWANIS CLUB OF BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

We had a great day, "Praise the Lord," during the Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off — a little windy but lot of excited people and a good number of new volunteers which has really touched me. Trash total weight hit the scales at 6,160 pounds with 3,580 pounds of it brought to the park and placed in a 30-yard dumpster and transferred to the landfill, while 2,580 was taken to the landfill or placed in its dumpsters.

We had 341 volunteers; 95 were from the Adopt-A-Highway program, and 120 were under 18 years of age. These volunteers put in a total of 667 hours. Thank you volunteers, it was a job well done and it is appreciated by all.

I have seen more excitement in this year's event than ever before. More people have expressed how clean our town looks after the event and several have a desire to join Keep Big Spring Beautiful and be more involved.

The hot dog lunch provided by Greater Big Spring Rotary and the Chamber of Commerce was a precious time with two little girls who had participated in the Trash Off because they'd seen the skit that

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ously injured. "I haven't had an accident in 15 years. Then I come to L.A.," said Hunter, who signed a five-year, \$90 million contract with the Angels in November. "I tried to treat myself a couple of weeks ago, and look what happened. The air bags didn't even deploy. You know, I'm kind of disappointed that I got rear-ended in a Bentley, and they didn't deploy. I won't feel safe in that no more." Sexson, who already had driven in four runs with a pair of homers against lefty Joe Saunders (3-0), hit a towering drive off Angels closer Francisco Rodriguez. Hunter, known for his home run-stealing catches, timed his leap at the wall perfectly and came down with the ball and a big smile.

"I think it was over the fence, but not by much," Hunter said. "He hit it pretty high. There was a little angle out there at the outfield fence, so you didn't know if you were going to hit that fence first before the ball got close to it. But I just tried to jump up and time it. If it was close, I was getting it."

Rodriguez, pitching for the fifth time in six days, barely earned his seventh save.

"That was the greatest catch I've ever seen," said Rodriguez, who has had only one clean ninth inning in his nine appearances. "It was a great experience for me to be a part of it. He saved me right there. That was an unbelievable catch. It doesn't surprise me because I've seen him do that on the highlights on TV."

Ortiz's slam — his first hit at Fenway this season — erased Boston's 1-0

deficit against starter Luis Mendoza (0-1) in the third after Jed Lowrie doubled and Jacoby Ellsbury and Pedroia walked. It was his second homer of the season.

Orioles 8, Yankees 2

Jay Payton and Melvin Mora had two RBIs apiece in a seven-run sixth inning, Daniel Cabrera took a four-hitter into the seventh for host Baltimore.

Cabrera and Phil Hughes were locked in a 1-1 duel before the Orioles sent 11 men to the plate in their most productive inning of the season.

Baltimore got seven hits, all of them singles.

Indians 4, Twins 0

Cliff Lee pitched two-hit ball for eight innings, Casey Blake homered and had three RBIs, and visiting Cleveland beat Francisco Liriano and the Twins.

Liriano (0-2) lasted five innings, giving up three runs and four hits with five walks and three strikeouts.

Tigers 8, Blue Jays 4

Edgar Renteria hit a two-run home run, Kenny Rogers won for the first

time since July and Detroit handed Toronto its sixth consecutive home defeat.

The Blue Jays have not won at home since April 6.

, when they completed a three-game sweep of Boston. It's Toronto's longest home losing streak since an eight-game skid in 2004.

White Sox 9, Rays 2

Jim Thome hit his 511th

career home run and Javier Vazquez won his third consecutive start to help visiting Chicago win for the 10th time in 14 games.

The White Sox designated hitter tied Hall of Famer Mel Ott for 21st place on the all-time list with his fourth homer of the season, which hit an overhanging catwalk. Thome has reached base safely in all 26 games he has played at Tropicana Field.

VERIZON

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Open, where he posted his first top-15 placing.

Glover missed the Masters for the first time in three years, further fueling his motivation to improve for Harbour Town.

"I told myself I had to go to work and it's not going to come easy," Glover said. "I was able to do it the last couple of days."

Els figured to have a strong chance here with three top-10 finishes his past three trips. But Els never found his groove, missing the cut after a 76.

Anthony Kim (67) was alone in third, two shots

behind Glover. Another shot behind were two-time Verizon Heritage champ Stewart Cink (68), Cliff Kresge (66), and Stephen Ames (64).

Five-time Heritage champ Davis Love III, tied with Glover and Justin Leonard for the lead after one round, fell five shots behind after a 71.

All in contention will have to get past a very fired-up Weekley if they hope to take the championship.

"It's great to be able to come back here and say, 'Hey, I was defending champion at one time,' and might still be coming up," Weekley said. "All depends on what happens."

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box. Solution, tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Now You See It ... Now You Don't

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ 10 9 2
♥ Q 6 3
♦ A Q 4
♣ 10 9 7 3
WEST
♠ 7 6 4 3
♥ —
♦ 10 9 8 5
♣ K J 6 4 2
EAST
♠ K Q J
♥ J 10 9 4
♦ K 7 2
♣ Q 8 5
SOUTH
♠ A 8 5
♥ A K 8 7 5 2
♦ J 6 3
♣ A

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 2♥ Pass
4♥

Opening lead — ten of diamonds.
In assessing his prospects in a suit contract, declarer is usually better off if he counts his potential losers. In most hands, this will give him a clearer idea of where he stands and what he has to do than if he starts by counting his winners.

But this is a rule of convenience only, and declarer should feel free to readjust his sights when the occasion calls for it.

Here is an example. West leads a diamond against four hearts. Declarer plays low from dummy, and East wins with the king and returns the king of spades, taken by South

with the ace.
The only losing tricks appear to be two spades and a diamond, but when declarer plays the ace of hearts and West shows out, South learns he has a trump loser also.

This unlucky break seems to presage defeat, since South now has four losers, but he can still make 10 tricks if he goes about his business carefully.

He first cashes the ace of clubs, then crosses to dummy with a diamond and ruffs a club. The operation is repeated by leading another diamond to dummy and ruffing a second club.

South next cashes the king of hearts and plays a heart to the queen. At this point he has won nine tricks — a spade, two diamonds, a club, two club ruffs in his hand and the A-K-Q of hearts.

He is in dummy and leads the ten of clubs. East has three cards left — the Q-J of spades and jack of hearts, all theoretically winners. South has three cards left — two low spades and the eight of hearts, all theoretically losers.

But the club play from dummy renders East's position untenable. If he discards, South ruffs with the eight to score his 10th trick, while if he trumps the club, South discards a spade and later scores the heart eight. One of East's winners simply vanishes.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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New season, so try a new hairdo

By **BONNIE BING**
McClatchy Newspapers
WICHITA, Kan. — It's

spring! Time to add vivid color to your wardrobe, show off your toes in pretty sandals and top it off

with a new, fresh hairstyle. "Tell your winter hair and makeup to take a

hike for a while," says Pam Cutler, owner of Salon Knotty in Wichita, Kan. "It's spring and time to make a change."

She says that hair trends for spring were inspired by celebrity looks.

Eric Fisher of Eric Fisher Salons agrees.

"Look at the impact of celebrities, Victoria Beckham, for example," he said.

Fisher says that she may be the reason why asymmetrical looks are very big with bangs angling from short to long and uneven sides.

"It's a wiggly kind of fun look, like when you put a wig on and sort of twist it," he said.

"Two of the great looks for the season are long lengths and pixie-style bobs," Cutler said. "But if you've got long hair and you've been thinking about getting a perm, now is the time."

Cutler says waves, "the kind that flounce around your shoulders when you walk," are part of the old Hollywood glamour showing up for spring.

She says the bouncy waves and the myriad of updos are part of the glamorous looks.

"It's polished, but not too perfect. It needs to be slightly messed up for a more modern edge," she said.

Robin Wilborn of Wilborn Hair Co. says that long, flowing hair with "long, flowing layers and long bangs are hitting us from the East Coast and from the West Coast."

And Fisher said, "The longer layers are a throwback to the '70s, maintaining length, with short layers on top and lots of movement."

When it comes to hair color, "blending" is the key word.

Cutler says that chunky highlights are going by the wayside, but there is still plenty of color.

Fisher says the color trend he is seeing includes reds and deep brown, calling it "shade on shade."

"For example," he said, "take a rich, red brown, add a pretty brown and then a pretty red, mix them and add texture and it really flows nicely, partly because the shades aren't major league different."

Wilborn says it's a sea-

son for strong solids, warm undertones and, of course, the ever-popular summer blondes.

Spring About Face

With glam looks come emphasis on the lashes.

"The eyes are dramatic, but they're pretty clean except for liquid liner and heavy lashes," Fisher said.

"This spring, pastels have it for the daytime, and bronzy gold lids tempered with rich brown shadows add a glamorous touch to neutral pallets for evening," said makeup artist Rachel Mathis, of Wilborn Hair Co.

"For spring, it's matte foundation, so you can save the dewy foundations for summer," Cutler said.



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It's spring and time to update your hair with a new fresh hairstyle.



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We all know that law enforcement cannot prevent all crime. We cannot expect the state's Child Protective Services to stop all child abuse and neglect. In fact, in the majority of the most tragic cases of child abuse - those in which a child died - Child Protective Services had no opportunity to impact the safety of the child at risk. Maybe it was a situation that people outside the family couldn't see. Possibly the child's parent didn't realize that their own action, or lack thereof, put their child's life at risk. We all have to recognize neglect and not walk away from it.

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LETTERS

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members of KBSB had put on at their schools. These sweet little first-grade girls wanted to be included and picked up trash. We were able to meet and visit with them. They are Kloe Mata from Marcy Elementary and Aliana Beserra from Washington Elementary School. Thanks, girls! We hope you will stay interested in cleaning up our community and join us by taking part in future clean ups.

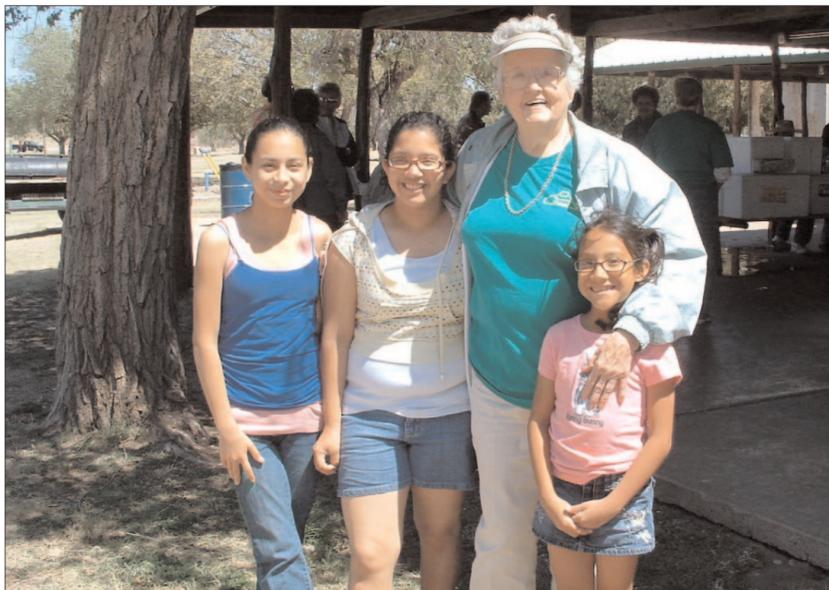
I am working with groups, businesses and organizations that are interested in adopting a spot, road or highway. That is music to my ears. We are doing something right and the public wants to be involved.

Sid Richardson employees called and wanted to adopt a two-mile stretch of road that runs next to their plant. I contacted Judge Mark Barr, giving him the information. He is working out plans to put up signage showing Sid Richardson has adopted that stretch. They have named their team the "Sid Richardson Roadrunners." They are the first business to call and say, "We want to adopt." I could certainly rejoice if others would take this challenge to do likewise.

Look around and see if there is an area, whether it be a street, block, corner or highway you might like to take responsibility for. Think about it!

I want to get the churches more involved. The biggest majority of churches have a nice appearance to their property. The next step is to challenge their congregations to become a part of Keep Big Spring Beautiful taking responsibility for their own personal property. I've always said the physical appearance of property reveals its owner's spiritual condition.

We've had new groups, family, business join in by "Adopting A Highway" they are responsible for a two-mile stretch, which is the requirement of TxDOT and must clean the area at least four times year. The VA Hospital adopted Highway 87 southward from FM 700 for two



Courtesy photo/Gloria McDonald

Washington Elementary first grader Aliana Beserra (far right) and her two older sisters pose with Pat Simmons, Keep Big Spring Beautiful's local coordinator for the Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off, after having participated in the clean up effort on April 12. Aliana was so impressed by a program provided by KBSB at school that she not only volunteered for the effort, but enlisted help from her family.

miles, and they did as fantastic job. We had lot of comments on it.

Also, the next two miles down on Highway 87 have been adopted by In Home Care and they will participate with us in the future. The Manuel Ramirez Jr. family took an open spot on Third and Fourth Streets from Settles to Tulane. Also, the Teen Workforce has been with us before and they have the completed area of Third and Fourth from Gregg to Settles. That completes the streets from W I-20 to Tulane. The Master Gardeners have been working on an area at the west entrance and will be doing more.

Those participating this year were: McMahan Wrinkle Airpark; BSHS Student Council; Irene Galan and friends; city of Big Spring; Cornell Corrections-Big Spring; ladies of the First Baptist Church; East Side Baptist Church; Friends of the Library; Bobby and Gloria McDonald; Goliad Cavaliers; Goliad Classics; Hangar 25; Howard College; Downtown Lions Club; St. Paul Lutheran Church; Troop 7, Pack 305; Crew 7; Robert and Charlene Ragan; DAR; Susan and John Dameron; Big Spring Rotary; Greater Big Spring Rotary; Sacred Heart Catholic Church youth; Joe Viera Jr.; Dee Spaeth; Scenic Mountain

Medical Center; Jerry and Jan Foresyth; Kathryn Wiseman and Mary Paradez; Sandra Silva and Christopher Chavez; Sharon Westerhof; Carol Jansen; Brenda Dunlap; D'Carlton Mata; and the Chamber of Commerce crew. The Adopt-A-Highway participants were: American Legion Post No. 506; Boys Club; Concerned Citizens; Adult Probation; Teen Workforce; Walter and Pat Ward; and the Family of Phillip Guzman, plus the newcomers.

I must say a great big "thank you" to Adult Probation that cleans their strip on FM 700 from Wasson going east to I-20 under the leadership of Kent Minchew.

It was a great day and we did eliminate 6,160 pounds of trash from our community. Again, thanks to all our participants with a caring spirit that is what makes a difference in our community. May your life be enriched because you cared enough to become involved.

PAT SIMMONS
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

It was announced this past week that we have lost 4,000 American lives in the Iraq war. The loss of even one American life in a war or otherwise is grievous and sorrowful,

crushed the Taliban, crippled al Qaeda, put nuclear inspectors in Libya, Iran and North Korea without firing a shot. In addition, he captured a terrorist who had slaughtered 300,000 of his own people. Unlike all of his predecessors and utilizing the highest intelligence source, CIA, etc., President Bush sought and received permission of the United States Senate and the United Nations to pursue Iraq and the terrorists which his predecessors failed to do before waging their four wars.

If you consider that there has been an average 160,000 troops in the Iraq Theater, and a total of 2,110 deaths in the first two years, that gives a firearm death rate of 60 per 100,000 soldiers. The firearm rate in Washington, D.C., is 80.6 per 100,000 population for the same period. That means that you are about 25 percent more likely to be shot and killed as a civilian in our nation's capital, which has some of the strictest gun control laws in the United States, than as a member of the U.S. armed forces in Iraq.

Hillary Clinton and Barrack Obama are preaching that we need a "Change" in Washington and they're exactly right. We need to reduce the greater possibility that a law abiding citizen has a greater threat of losing his life in our nation's capital than a member of our armed forces in Iraq where they are fighting a ware. This is the only change we need.

R.E. "PEPPY" BLOUNT
LONGVIEW

TO THE EDITOR:

First of all, I love Big Spring because I was born and raised here, but we need to make this town better for everyone. I

mean, if we keep making people pass our town, then Big Spring will become a ghost town very soon.

We barely have a mall to let people shop at. The only stores in the mall that people see now are the movies, Greg's Grill, Beall's, Hallmark and Serendipity Ice Cream Shop. I read that the mall manager was saying that they were getting new businesses to come to the mall. Well, when's that going to happen, in five years?

Wasn't it only about six years ago when the mall had stores in every part of it? Where have the businesses gone? I'll tell you, to Midland and Odessa. That's why nobody comes to our mall, because we have barely anything to show them.

Second, we need to get rid of these gangs and criminals and make our streets safe for our families and children. I have a nephew and three nieces, and I don't want them exposed to stuff like this. There are more of these bad people now than there were when Tim Blackshear was mayor.

I mean, Mayor (Russ) McEwen has just ruined this town. Since the time he became mayor, he has done nothing to stop the criminals and gangs or to make the city a better city. Look at the crime rate from when Blackshear was mayor and when McEwen got into the office.

Blackshear did the job right. Why do we even have McEwen? The guy has not taken care of our people. No wonder many of the residents wanted to kick him out of office. I say either we start making change for our city or this town will just become another small, pass-by town.

TERRY TREVINO
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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Ron Brooks, president of the Big Spring office of Lone Star Bank, talks with bank employee Genia Andrews at the facility Tuesday.

Lone Star State Bank to open here Monday

Herald Staff Report

Big Spring's newest bank, Lone Star State Bank, will be open for business Monday at 406 E. FM 700 in Suite 102, located in the building next to Cowboy's Steakhouse. "I am very pleased to announce the opening of Lone Star State Bank in Big Spring," said Ron Brooks, president of the Big Spring office. "This is a very exciting opportunity for me to provide high quality, West Texas service to my customers. We are rejoining some of our banking colleagues from this area and we look forward to reuniting with our local development

board members. We are West Texas owned with a West Texas flavor." The new bank will have a commercial focus, with state-of-the-art management services and other amenities catering to business customers. For its permanent location, the bank anticipates closing on a property on E. FM 700 within the next 30 days. "This is a new bank, but we're all longtime West Texas bankers and we have deep roots here," said Alan Lackey, CEO of the bank's holding company. "We are excited to be in Big Spring. Our most important job will be to take care of customers from Big Spring and the surround-

ing area." Other Lone Star offices are located in Lubbock and Odessa. The bank's holding company, Lone Star Bancshares Inc., is capitalized with \$25,750,000 exclusively from West Texas investors. The Lubbock and Odessa offices opened in December 2007. Since then, Lone Star has grown to \$135 million in total assets. Big Spring personnel joining Brooks are Genia Andrews, banking officer; Jo Etta Hart, new accounts representative; and Jacque Moore, teller. Lobby hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

H-E-B offers Earth Day incentive

Staff and wire reports

The Big Spring H-E-B Grocery Store wants its customers to "go green" in celebration of Earth Day Tuesday. From 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday, anyone who brings five or more plastic shopping bags to the store for recycling will receive a coupon for a free reusable shopping bag. Store Director Dave Sandle said the reusable bags are already popular items among customers. "We've already been making a big push for the reusable cloth bags — we have several hundred in stock," he said. "They've been selling surprisingly well ... and, of course, we encourage our customers to bring their plastic bags to our recycling bin."



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Customers at H-E-B Grocery Store are encouraged to drop off their old plastic shopping bags at this recycling bin, located at the front entrance of the store. On Tuesday, the store will offer free coupons good for a reusable grocery bag to customers providing five or more plastic shopping bags.

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Range workshop set for Sterling Ranch

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Natural Resources Conservation Service in several West Texas counties are teaming up to present a range education workshop and tour May 1. The workshop will begin at 8:30 a.m. with registration and breakfast on the Sterling Ranch, about 25 miles north of Big Spring on State Hwy. 350. A tour on the ranch will



Yeater

follow at 9 a.m. Six Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered: 3 general, 1 drift management, 1 laws and regulations and 1 integrated pest management. "This field day is all about optimizing the range resource through proper long-term management," said Tommy Yeater, AgriLife Extension agent in Howard County. "We'll start with the tour on the Sterling Ranch and then travel to Dunn at about 12:15 p.m. for the afternoon session and meal.

"The speakers are some of the best in the business, so it would be time well spent for anybody contemplating brush work in the near future." Morning tour-stop demonstrations will include: mechanical brush control, Brush Busters, range ripping and seeding, wildlife and grazing management, and using a "range stick" to measure available forage. Afternoon topics will include: rangeland weed control, chemical laws and regulations, plant identification, aerial application and U.S.

Department of Agriculture farm bill programs. The counties hosting the program are Howard, Borden, Mitchell and Scurry. The workshop is free of charge and includes breakfast and lunch; however, a response is requested for meal planning purposes. RSVP to the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Big Spring at 432-267-1871, extension 3, or call Yeater at (432) 264-2236.

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.

Last week, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) said it anticipated the U.S. economy to have a mild recession in 2008. Counter to the Fed, who suggests the American economy will begin its recovery in the second half of this year and experience above trend growth in 2009, the IMF is looking for 2008 growth at 0.5 percent and only 0.6 percent in 2009. In essence, the IMF is calling for a "slow recovery" in the United States. According to the IMF, the Fed "may well need to continue easing interest rates for some time."

The Wall Street Journal points out that cutting rates makes the response to inflation more complicated. The IMF warns consumer prices in the developed world could rise 2.6 percent in 2008. This would be the highest inflation rate since 1995. In the developing world, prices are forecast to rise 7.4 percent. To hedge inflation risks, it makes sense to hold real assets. Institutional money flows to crude have increased of late, in part, because of this. A global recession could cool crude prices, but the IMF puts the odds of this at only 25 percent. The group expects oil prices to average \$95 a barrel this year and next.

Currently, it's not hard for us to see the effects of rising inflation resulting in social unrest throughout the world. Last week, corn prices traded above \$6 a bushel for the first time. There are geopolitical repercussions to the rising cost of living. A few noteworthy events in the world showcase the impact of this.

In Saudi Arabia, where inflation is traditionally not a concern, it hit 6.5 percent recently. Protests and boycotts ensued. Egypt is dealing with a bread crisis, and the opposition Muslim Brotherhood is using the situation to leverage their political standing. Across the Pacific, Thai, Taiwanese and Malaysian voters each voted down the incumbents in recent elections. This likely highlights their discontent with worsening living standards. Numerous populations are shielded from rising costs by state-imposed price caps, but state industries are being forced to take losses. For example, this is the case in China. We anticipate inflation will continue to result in social unrest and prove an important issue across the globe.

Meanwhile at the International Oil Summit, CEO Christopher de Margerie said, "There is no capacity to quickly increase production if there is additional demand." We interpret his remarks to say the oil market is in a period of supply verticality wherein there is no spare capacity available to bring into production in the case of a supply disruption or rising demand. We believe OPEC virtually exhausted their spare capacity in 2004. Leading up to that exhaustion and thereafter, crude prices have spiked. Last week, the bullish inventory report resulted in a new barrel record of \$112.21.

At the same International Oil Summit where Margerie spoke, Saudi Oil Minister al Naimi remarked that, "If there is a buyer, we will sell to him." The Qatari energy minister remarked the global oil market is "well-balanced." Naimi said he will not "dump oil into the market" despite the record high prices. Therefore, OPEC believes, at least publicly, the world is producing more oil than is being consumed.

- The largest U.S. refiner has said, "Market conditions have improved a little bit. Margins have improved a little. Inventories are still ample but below the levels they were a few weeks ago." In late March, the refiner announced it had cut its fluid catalytic cracking utilization to 73 percent because of the weak gasoline environment. Now they have reportedly increased their primary gasoline making units' utilization, but they wouldn't indicate to what extent.

- In Germany, the plan to boost ethanol content requirements in fuel blends to E-10 has been scrapped. E-10 would represent a doubling of ethanol content in the nation's fuel supply.

However, the nation believes over 3 million vehicles in the nation would not have been able to run on the new blend. In Germany, a gallon of gasoline costs (go ahead and guess) around \$8.

- On April 2, Russia began pumping crude in the completed portions of the Eastern Siberia Pacific Ocean (ESPO) pipeline. When finished, the 2,500-mile line is expected to connect Siberian reserves and the Asian-Pacific markets. The pipeline plan reiterates Russia's desire to play a significant part in supplying Asia with crude.

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Oldest known person turns 115 Sunday

By RICK CALLAHAN

Associated Press Writer

SHELBYVILLE, Ind. — Maybe it was a lifetime of chores on the family farm that accounts for Edna Parker's long life. Or maybe just good genes explain why the world's oldest known person will turn 115 on Sunday, defying staggering odds.

Scientists who study longevity hope Parker and others who live to 110 or beyond — they're called supercentenarians — can help solve the mystery of extreme longevity.

"We don't know why she's lived so long," said Don Parker, her 59-year-old grandson. "But she's never been a worrier and she's always been a thin person, so maybe that has something to do with it."

On Friday, Edna Parker laughed and smiled as relatives and guests released 115 balloons into sunny skies outside her nursing home. Dressed in pearls, a blue and white polka dot dress and new white shoes, she clutched a red rose during the festivities.

Two years ago, researchers from the New England Centenarian Study at Boston University took a blood



AP Photo/Darron Cummings

Edna Parker holds a rose that she was given during a birthday party for her in Shelbyville, Ind., Friday. Parker, who was born April 20, 1893, is the oldest known human. She will turn 115 Sunday.

sample from Parker for the group's DNA database of supercentenarians.

Her DNA is now pre-

served with samples of about 100 other people who made the 110-year milestone and whose

genes are being analyzed, said Dr. Tom Perls, an aging specialist who directs the project.

"They're really our best bet for finding the elusive Holy Grail of our field — which are these longevity-enabling genes," he said.

Only 75 living people — 64 women and 11 men — are 110 or older, according to the Gerontology Research Group of Inglewood, Calif., which verifies reports of extreme ages.

Parker, who was born April 20, 1893, was recognized by Guinness World Records as the oldest of that group last August after the death of a Japanese woman four months her senior.

A widow since her husband, Earl, died in 1938 of a heart attack, Parker lived alone in their farmhouse until age 100, when she moved into her son Clifford's home. She cheated death a few months later.

One winter night, Clifford and his wife returned home from a high school basketball game to find her missing. Don, their son, says he discovered his grandmother in the snowy darkness near the farm's

apple orchard. He scooped up her rigid body and rushed back to the house.

"She was stiff as a 2-by-4. We really thought that was the end of her," he said.

But Parker recovered fully, suffering only frost-bitten fingertips.

Fifteen years later, her room at the Heritage House Convalescent Center in Shelbyville, Ind., about 25 miles southeast of Indianapolis, is adorned with teddy bears and photos of her five grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

She's outlived her two sons, Clifford and Earl Jr.

During a visit this week, Parker was captivated by a new album of photos and documents from her life that Don's wife, Charlene, had assembled.

"That's the boys," she said hoarsely, tapping a photo of her two late sons in their youth. "Clifford and Junior."

Her two sisters also are deceased. Georgia lived to be 99, while her sister Opal was 88 when she died.

Parker's long-lived sisters are typical of other centenarians, according to Dr. Nir Barzilai, director of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine's Institute for Aging Research in New York. Nearly all of them have a sister, mother or other relative who lived a long life, he said.

"Longevity is in the family history," Barzilai said.

He and other scientists have found several genetic mutations in centenarians that may play a role in either slowing the aging process or boosting resistance to age-related diseases.

Perls said the secret to a long life is now believed to be a mix of genetics and environmental factors such as health habits. He said his research on about 1,500 centenarians hints at another factor that may protect people from illnesses such as heart attacks and stroke — they appear not to dwell on stressful events.

"They seem to manage their stress better than the rest of us," he said.

Teen arrested in drug sting set up by school principal

By CLARE TRAPASSO

Associated Press Writer

CONCORD, N.H. — A high school senior who was charged in a drug sting set up by a rival school's principal is suing district officials over his lengthy suspension.

Concord High School student John Huckins, 17, was arrested last month on a charge of possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute. He has not entered a plea, but school officials suspended him for the rest of the school year.

Bishop Brady High School Principal Jean Barker set up a meeting with Huckins on a cell phone she confiscated from one of her students, according to police reports.

She received a text message from Huckins stating, "Yo, you need a bag?" according to police reports.

Barker pretended to be the phone's owner and told him to meet outside the back door of her Catholic school, then called police.

When Huckins showed up March 6, he was arrested with a quarter-ounce of marijuana, police said.

Barker did not return phone messages to The Associated Press. She defended her actions to The Concord Monitor, saying Huckins' willingness to bring drugs onto school property placed her school at risk.

Huckins' attorney, Mark Howard, disagreed.

"It is a crime in the state of New Hampshire to elicit a drug offense if you are not either a police officer or working under the direction of a police officer," Howard said.

Police refused to comment.

While his criminal case is pending, Huckins has sued the Concord School District, Superintendent Chris Rath and his principal, Gene Connelly, over his suspension. Huckins is attending classes until a judge reaches a decision.

"John is very interested in staying in school and finishing out the school year," Howard said. "He couldn't be any more

embarrassed or humiliated about this."

The lawsuit alleges the school district neglected to provide the written

charges against him and inform him he could bring a lawyer to his suspension hearing.

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attorney John Teague acknowledged that a mistake was made initially but said the charges were refiled correctly.

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AT&T to cut about 4,600 jobs, sees \$374 million 1Q charge

NEW YORK (AP) — AT&T Inc. on Friday said it plans to cut about 4,600 jobs, or 1.5 percent of its work force, to shift resources to growing parts of its business.

The nation's largest telecommunications provider said most of the layoffs will be among managers, particularly in wireline operations, including local phone service and service for large corporate customers. Jobs in corporate functions in like finance will also be cut.

"Even with the reductions announced today, we expect our head count overall to remain stable this year as we hire additional employees to support growth areas like wireless and TV," said spokesman Michael Coe.

The San Antonio-based company said in a regulatory filing that it plans to take a \$374 million first-quarter pretax charge against earnings due to the job cuts. The company reports first-quarter earnings on Tuesday.

The company had 309,500 employees at the end of last year. When it announced the acquisition of BellSouth Corp. in 2006, it has said it would cut 10,000 jobs over three years from the combined company to eliminate overlap. The cuts announced Friday are not part of that reduction, and is the largest announcement of job cuts by the company since then.

Despite the layoffs associated with the BellSouth acquisition, the combined work force grew by 7,000 last year, as the company built up its growing wireless and TV divisions even as land lines shrank in the face of competition from wireless and cable phone service.

Former Fannie chief agrees to \$24.7 million settlement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Fannie Mae chief Franklin Raines and two other top executives are paying a total of nearly \$31.4 million in a settlement with the government over their roles in a 2004 accounting scandal.

Raines, former Fannie chief financial officer Timothy Howard and former controller Leanne Spencer were charged with manipulating earnings over a six-year period.

Raines, a prominent Washington figure who was President Clinton's budget director, has agreed to pay \$24.7 million, including a \$2 million fine and relinquishing of company stock options valued at \$15.6 million.

The amounts that Raines, Howard and Spencer are paying under the settlement are far less than what the government was seeking when it sued them in December 2006.

Halliburton held talks to buy Europe's Expro International

HOUSTON (AP) — Oil field services provider Halliburton Co. said Friday it has held talks with European oil field contractor Expro International Group PLC about a possible all-cash purchase of the overseas outfit.

Halliburton's confirmation of talks came a day after a private equity consortium led by London-based Candover Group said it will buy Expro International for \$3.2 billion.

In a statement, Halliburton said its cash offer would top the one made by Candover but gave no specifics.

"Halliburton is currently conducting its due diligence on Expro," the Houston-based company said in its statement. "A further announcement will be made in due course."

Halliburton shares rose about \$1.58, or nearly 3.5 percent, to \$46.73 in Friday afternoon trading. They've traded between \$30 and \$45.38 in the past year.

Shares of Expro International closed up 4.5 percent in London to around 15.1 pounds Friday.

Halliburton, which provides services and equipment to oil and natural gas companies, said it considers Expro's sub-sea and flow management sector to be an area of potential expansion. Expro's primary focus is providing services and products to measure and control the flow of oil and gas from wells.

SMMC seeks patients' choice in nursing

Special to the Herald

If you've been a patient at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and were impressed by the care you received by one of the hospital's nurses, SMMC officials want to hear from you in the form of a nomination for the Patient Choice Award.

The Patient Choice Award will recognize the quality care, comfort and compassion offered by the nurses at SMMC by honoring one nurse in particular. Continuing the tradition of the last few years, the program, which solicits input from the community, will culminate with one nurse at Scenic Mountain receiving the Patient Choice Award during Nurses' Week, May 6-12.

Why would SMMC be asking former patients to be so involved in spotlighting an exceptional nurse, rather than making the choice internally?

"Sometimes it's just too hard to spot one nurse when there are so many nurses in our hospital doing such an incredible job caring for our patients," said Judy

Roever, chief nursing officer for SMMC. "That's why we are asking patients to help us make the choice. They see the little things that matter so much on a very personal level."

"So, if you, or a family member, have come to Scenic Mountain Medical Center for inpatient or outpatient care in the last year and you have a nurse you'd like to thank for going the extra mile, don't miss this chance," Kim Howell, SMMC's marketing director, said.

Nominations for the 2008 Patient Choice Award will be accepted until April 30. To nominate a nurse, send the nurse's name and a few paragraphs explaining your nomination, along with your own name (and the name of the patient) address, and telephone number.

E-mail nominations to Kim_Howell@chs.net or mail them to her at Kim Howell, Marketing Director, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 West 11th Place, Big Spring 79720. Nominations can be faxed to: 432-263-0151.

RECYCLE

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Plastic bags brought into the store can be from any retailer, store officials said. No purchase is necessary, but there is a limit to one free reusable bag per customer and the

cloth bags will only be available while supplies last.

Shoppers can purchase the reusable bags for 99 cents (plus tax).

Five cents from each bag sale will be contributed to a grant program H-E-B is establishing through Keep Texas Beautiful. These grants

will be open to eligible KTB affiliates looking to fund local recycling programs, store officials said.

"H-E-B is calling attention to an important way people can make a difference for the environment," said Cathie Gail, KTB executive director. "Earth Day is the perfect

occasion for educating people on how they can change their day-to-day habits when it comes to shopping bag reuse and recycling."

H-E-B's daily contribution to the recycling effort includes its plastic recycling bins, which are placed in front of the

stores. These bins accept most No. 2 (high-density polyethylene) and No. 4 (low-density polyethylene) plastic products.

Among the products acceptable for recycling are: Newspaper delivery sleeves, dry cleaning bags, plastic shopping bags, six-pack soda can

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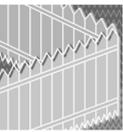
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Lot 4, Blk 17, Jones Valley Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$1,584.30, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against JOHNNY RUEDA and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on June 28, 2007, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. JOHNNY RUEDA, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5231 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinafter described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinafter described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Interveners, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 18th day of February, 2008 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 2nd day of January, A.D.2008. Colleen Barton Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #5755 April 20 & 27, 2008

Legals

INVITATION TO BID HOWARD COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Sealed proposals for the construction of the Howard County Law Enforcement Center, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, will be received at the office of the Howard County Auditor, Ms. Jackie Olson until 10:00 A.M., May 1st, 2008 For regular mail, please use: PO Box 1949, Big Spring, Texas 79721. For HAND or OVERNIGHT DELIVERY ONLY, please use: Howard County Courthouse, 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, 432/264-2210, it is the responsibility of each bidder to ensure timely delivery of their proposal. The bids will be opened and evaluated by the Construction Manager at Risk and ranked by their cost and completeness. The Construction Manager at Risk will present the bids to the Howard County Court on May 1st, 2008 at 1:30 P.M. in the County courtroom on the second floor of the County Courthouse located 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

The work to be executed as herein described and shown on the drawings entitled a new Law Enforcement Center for Howard County, Big Spring, Texas, consist of the furnishings of all material, labor, equipment and services necessary or reasonably incidental to complete the construction of the aforementioned project on a site shown and described on the drawings.

The facility is approximately 41,500 square feet of new construction and houses both male and female inmates for a total of ninety-six (96) maximum-security beds with alternatives. This is a fast track style project and the bidding will include an alternate shell space:

Construction consist of erosion control, site utilities, landscaping, irrigation, concrete paving, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, slab on grade concrete foundation, striping and parking bumpers, termite control, security fencing, pre-engineered metal building and standing seam roof system, handrails, bollards, concrete masonry load bearing and non-bearing walls, EIFS System, standard drywall and acoustical ceilings, batt and blown insulation, steel ceilings, commercial and detention grade doors, frames, hardware and windows, millwork, tape bed texture and painting, caulking Interior and exterior, carpet, vinyl tile flooring, ceramic tile wall and flooring, bath accessories, building accessories, signage, flagpole, skylight, overhead door assemblies, kitchen, shelving, and laundry equipment, trash compactor system, pneumatic tube system, security, electronics system, inmate visitation and arraignment system, fire alarm, fire protection, mechanical, plumbing, electrical systems and final clean up.

Drawings, Specifications, Bidding and Contract documents may be examined in the County Judges office at the County Courthouse located at 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720; the office of the Southwest architects, Inc., located at 3117 Handley Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76112 and the office Dinosaur Valley Construction, Inc., Construction Manager at Risk, located at 1378 County Road 327, Glen Rose, Texas 76043 and on-line by request to Architect's office.

Interested bidders may obtain Drawings, Specifications and Bidding Documents at Reprographics Fort Worth, Inc. for a charge of \$225.00 per set, non-refundable (payable to Howard County). Please contact Ricky at Reprographics of Fort Worth at 817/695-1077 for additional information.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond issued by a surety company authorized to do business within the State of Texas or a cashier's check drawn on a solvent State or National bank located within the State of Texas. The amount of the bond or check shall be equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid and shall be made payable to Howard County as a guarantee that the Bidder will enter into a contract with the Construction Manager at Risk for the work described in the Proposal Form and furnish the specified Performance and Payment Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

This is a Construction Manager at Risk project where all work will be performed under the Construction Manager's contract. All questions concerning the project details should be in the form of a RFI, included in the project manual, and can be directed to Southwest Architects, Inc., Attention: Jeffrey E. Heffelfinger, AIA or Justin Gilmore, Assoc. AIA. No addenda's will be issued in the final week of bidding.

No bidder may withdraw his/her bid for a period of thirty (30) days following the opening of bids. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids or portions thereof and to waive all formalities therewith. Jackie Olson Howard County Auditor #5745 April 13 & 20, 2008

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS Human nature is funny: Happy one moment, then happy to give our happiness away to the nearest obstacle the next. If we weren't so mysterious to ourselves, we'd be rolling on the ground, cracking up through most of our lives. Well, today's Scorpio full moon watches all of it — the pleasure, pain, loss and hope — with an insider's smile.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're dutiful and dignified, holding doors for the disabled, rerouting misguided mail, giving directions to lost souls. Someone loves you even more after catching you in the act of being generally cool to everyone around you. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Superficial friendships pass in and out of your life without much fanfare, and you're used to letting them flow through. But when someone is able to really touch you, don't let this person go.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The stars highlight all the power in your tenacious heart. You are willing to risk anything, even your own survival, to pursue your desire. Your sacrifice is not in vain. CANCER (June 22-July 22). You don't want to make waves, but when you know you're right, it's important to maintain your position. When you get your way, it will be better for everyone, especially a certain Sagittarius you know.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Intuition guides you. Though you'll find yourself doing the most illogical things, time will prove your actions to be, in most cases, sound — and in a few cases, genius!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll run into an old friend, habit or memory. The point is to check in and realize where you came from and how far away you are from that location, mentally or physically, right now. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Helping someone out of a tight squeeze will make you feel great. And it's also nice to know that this person will likely pay it forward. This is particularly true in the case of an Aries.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Be open-minded and you'll find allies in the strangest places. For instance, someone who once envied you, competed with you or openly opposed you could be your greatest friend now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You love who a person is, not what they do. You'll have to offer up some forgiveness in order to rectify the equation of love tonight. If single, your interest in a new prospect will be sparked. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Much has happened recently in one of your relationships. Evolution is inevitable. That things won't be the same is good news. You're ready to thrive together in new ways.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You've dealt thoughtfully in your financial ventures, however, unanticipated expenditures arise — probably in the form of something you want so badly you can't stop thinking about it until it's yours. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Nothing is wrong between you and a loved one. What a perfect reason to connect. Have a breezy conversation. Laugh a little. Take advantage of fair weather in this relationship.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: The Sun, having newly entered Taurus, doesn't skip a beat before meeting with the moon in Scorpio today, this first full moon in Scorpio of the season (a rare, second full moon occurs in May). In case you haven't stopped to smell the flowers lately, please do. Taurus energy is simple, intelligent in an uncomplicated way. In contrast with the complexity of the Scorpio moon, imagine relaxing in meditative repose, perhaps watching the patient unfolding of a petal when Scorpio moon ratchets up the emotional intense-o-meter. It's easy to get lost in thoughts and painful interpretations of circumstances that just sort of happen. Why? We're broaching new consciousness in an area of life, and that's not easy. But by examining our perceived emotional reality, we can transform it into something less fraught with pain — something useful. There's a tendency for merciless introspection during Scorpio moon, which, gently pointed inward, is compassion personified, but turned outward (toward the neighbor who won't move their car, or a barking dog) only creates more resistance. It's all fertilizer for the soul. If it smells ripe, it's ripe for awareness. In greeting everything that arises this week with kindness, our soul unfolds and flowers.

Holiday Mathis is the author of "Rock Your Stars." If you would like to write to her, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page.

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of her life, she's content. "Contentment as far as I'm concerned comes with old age ... because you accept things the way they are," she said. "You know that nothing is per-

fect." Cornwell's nationally representative study was based on in-home interviews with 3,005 people in 2005 and 2006. While it didn't include nursing home residents, only about 4 percent of Americans aged 75 to 84 are in nursing homes, Cornwell said. It's all good news for the

aging population. However, Yang's study also found that baby boomers were the least happy. They could end up living the unfortunate old-age stereotype if they can't let go of their achievement-driven mind-set, said George, the Duke aging expert. So far, baby boomers aren't

lowering their aspirations at the same rate earlier generations did. "They still seem to believe that they should have it all," George said. "They're still thinking about having a retirement that's going to let them do everything they haven't done yet." Previous research also has shown that mid-life tends to be

the most stressful time, said Cornell University sociologist Elaine Wethington. "Everyone's asking you to do things and you have a lot to do. You're less happy because you feel hassled." The new studies show "if you can make it through that," there's light at the end of the tunnel, Wethington said.



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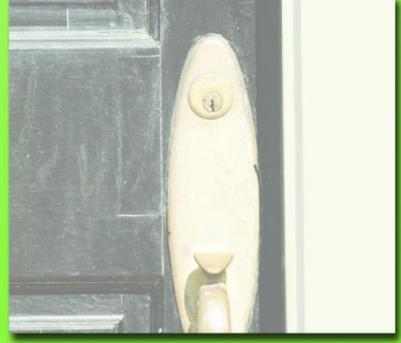
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Dear Annie: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: Five years ago, my mother came to live with us. Our children are grown and I was looking forward to being alone with my husband, but Mom refused to go to a senior facility. Since I hadn't lived with her for over 40 years, she seemed like an intruder. She and I did not have the best relationship when I was growing up, but somehow she has forgotten that and tells everyone we're just alike. This bothers me because I have spent my whole life trying not to be like her.

The main problem is my siblings, who seem to think it's OK for Mom to live with us without offering one thin dime to help. Mom receives a small pension check and gives us a little bit of money every month. My siblings have said, "If you need anything, let us know." But why should I have to call them? They know what things cost. At this point, I have no respect whatsoever for any of my siblings. If something happens to Mom, they will not be hearing from me again. — Miffed Sister

Dear Miffed: Speak up already. Your siblings have offered to help, but you refuse to tell them what you need, so they happily assume you don't need anything. It serves no purpose to fume because they aren't better at playing guessing games.

Create a list of what you would like each sibling to do — whether it's a financial contribution, driving Mom to doctors' appointments or taking her every third weekend so you can get a break. Make it very clear that you have taken on a major responsibility and you expect them to do their share to assist you.

Dear Annie: For a little over a year now, my husband of five years has been touching and scratching at his privates all day long. His hand gravitates there every minute. The other day, I counted him doing it 44 times in a half-hour. Yes, I counted.

He does this at home, in public, in front of family, everywhere. He tries to be discreet by doing it quickly, but I still notice. Most of the time, he's barely touching himself, so I'm not sure what that accomplishes.

I have spoken to him about it, and he claims he doesn't know why he feels the need to touch himself so often. He showers daily, says nothing itches and acts as if I'm the one with the problem.

This behavior has turned me off in a sexual way, and it's embarrassing to go anywhere with him. Can you help? — Disgusted in Iowa

Dear Disgusted: Your husband should talk to his doctor. Showering daily does not mean there isn't something physically wrong. And this sort of behavior also can become habitual. Even a 3-year-old is able to learn to control these impulses, and you should insist that your husband do so.

Dear Annie: I read with interest the letter from "A Concerned Sister," whose sister had lost her hearing. She asked about lip-reading. While your advice was solid, there is another option that I think the family should explore — cued speech.

Cued speech is a visual way of communicating different parts of speech. Instead of learning an entire vocabulary of signs, cued speech uses hand signs to indicate different vowel and consonant sounds. It is quite easy to learn and master, and can help boost lip-reading



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skills when the sister needs to communicate with people in the family unwilling to learn sign language. She can learn more through the National Cued Speech Association (cuedspeech.org), 5619 McLean Dr., Bethesda, MD 20814-1021.

Cued speech is also an option for young children and has been shown to greatly improve literacy rates among the deaf and hard of hearing. I wish more people knew about this excellent system. — Hearing Loss Is in My Family, Too

Dear Hearing Loss: Thanks for the terrific information. Our readers are wonderful about educating one another — and us.

Dear Annie: My boyfriend, "Sam," and I have been together for over two years. My family has been talking to me lately about breaking up with him.

I don't think Sam is abusive, but my family feels he is. He is very controlling and I realize that. He doesn't like me going anywhere without him. He used to go through my phone records to see whom I had been talking to. (I got him to stop doing that.) I cannot have any male friends without him getting suspicious and thinking I am cheating. He comes over to my house every day when he wakes up.

My family really wants us to split up. The problem is, Sam is depressed and has a horrible temper. I am afraid if I break up with him, he might hurt me or my family, and that is the last thing I want. Please help. — Scared and Frustrated in the Carolinas

Dear Carolinas: Sam shows all the signs of being a potential abuser, and the fact that you are afraid of him is reason enough to break up. You are smart to acknowledge that it can be dangerous getting out from under someone who is both controlling and has a

bad temper, but the longer you wait, the harder it will be.

Please call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE (1-800-799-7233) or visit ndvh.org, and explain your dilemma. Someone there can help you.

Dear Annie: My wife and I recently invited two gentlemen widowers over for a Sunday dinner. We thought they would enjoy our company and a home-cooked meal. Both accepted.

Here is the issue: While we were enjoying the meal, the good company and the conversation, one guest's cell phone rang. Much to our surprise, he said, "I need to take this" and answered the call right at the table without excusing himself. When he finished, he resumed eating. Not more than five minutes later, his phone rang and, again, he "had to" take it.

Being a gracious host, I bit my tongue and didn't say anything, but after they left, my wife and I discussed these rude interruptions. We'd like to know the proper response if we are faced with these stupid cell phone intrusions again. Right now, we think our only recourse is to remove him from future invitation lists. What's your opinion? — Cell Phone Mad

Dear Mad: Considerate people turn their cell phones off during dinner. Is your guest a doctor? The leader of a foreign nation? In other words, if he has a legitimate reason to be interrupted during dinner, you must indulge his rudeness. He should, however, excuse himself from the table and not carry on a private conversation in front of everyone. You can suggest he take the call in another room while you continue without him. If it keeps up, however, say, "You really should go home and take care of whatever is distracting you. Obviously, this turned out to be an inconvenient date to have dinner. Perhaps we can invite you another time."

Dear Annie: I agree with your advice to "Alone in Wisconsin," whose fiance felt working overtime was more important than being with family.

My husband is a police officer. He doesn't have major holidays off — they are the worst part of the year for him. But it wouldn't matter even if he did. He's never been one to celebrate special days. He doesn't see the impor-

tance.

Instead of complaining and getting depressed (after many years of doing so), we now do "holidays of life." Whenever he has a day off, we celebrate. I've learned one doesn't need an excuse to have a special day. If we want to involve the extended family, we have the "day" on a weekend.

I admit this doesn't work well at Christmas, but I'm thinking of setting up the tree in April for a combined Christmas-anniversary-my birthday celebration. — V.B.

Dear V.B.: This is a wonderful way to turn lemons into lemonade. Good for you.

Dear Annie: I am in my mid-50s and have known since childhood that I am gay, but have always lived as a straight man. I met my wife in graduate school. I liked her as a friend and, after many years, gave in and married her. I was lonely and couldn't see myself living openly as my real self. We have two children.

Four months ago, I met a younger guy who is very much in the closet except with me. Our friendship electrifies me. There is nothing sexual between us and I don't intend to initiate anything, but if he wanted more, I don't know what I'd do. I couldn't stand to lose him. I have been faithful to my wife, even though our sex life has been marginal at best. She accepts my friend and has even had him over for dinner, but my children do not. It's as if they know.

I want so much to tell my wife. I know it would clear up many questions I'm sure she has. But I fear what she might do to me a nasty divorce and a financial wipeout. Do I have anything to gain by telling her, or should I just refuse to state what might already be obvious? Still In the Closet

Dear Closet: Here's what you have to gain: a loving relationship and satisfying sex life with someone who appreciates the real you, and the self-respect that comes from being honest and doing the right thing. Your wife also deserves to know the truth and, if she wants it, a relationship with someone who is sexually attracted to her.

She and your children can learn to forgive you for the deception if you handle this decently and lovingly. If you decide to come clean, you can get support through PFLAG

(pflag.org), 1726 M St. N.W., Suite 400, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Dear Annie: I recently received an invitation to a bridal shower for my cousin's fiancée. The invitation states, Please wrap all gifts in clear wrap.

Is this something new? I have asked everyone I know, and no one has heard of this practice. I find it insulting. I am supposed to take the time to go shopping, pick something from her registry (ALL her choices are expensive), travel three hours each way for the event and what? She can't be bothered to take the time to open it?

I thought opening the gifts at the shower was half the fun. I don't see the point of clear wrap. Do you? Insulted in Pennsylvania

Dear Insulted: We actually have heard of this and completely agree with you. Guests are supposed to ooh and aah over the gifts, create silly hats out of the ribbons and generally make a fuss. Clear wrap makes everything rather clinical. It allows the bride to see the presents without opening them and, if necessary, return them without disturbing the packaging. For the sake of family peace, try to assume it was the shower hostesses, and not the bride, who made this gauche suggestion.

Dear Annie: As the mother of a young gay man, I want to respond to that poor teenage boy in California whose father

won't let him hang out with Alex because he might be gay. Your advice was right on. Being gay is not contagious.

My son is now 27, a graduate of a prestigious university, responsible, respectable and gainfully employed. My only response to his outing was concern over his safety, due to the mentality of people like that teenage boy's father.

I couldn't help but wonder, though, about the school thinking they needed to call home and report that Alex was caught kissing another guy at school. Unless the school also does this when boys are caught kissing girls, they are wide open for a discrimination lawsuit. Lavender's Mom and Proud of Him

Dear Mom: We don't know the policy of this particular school, but we certainly hope it is the same for all students regardless of gender.

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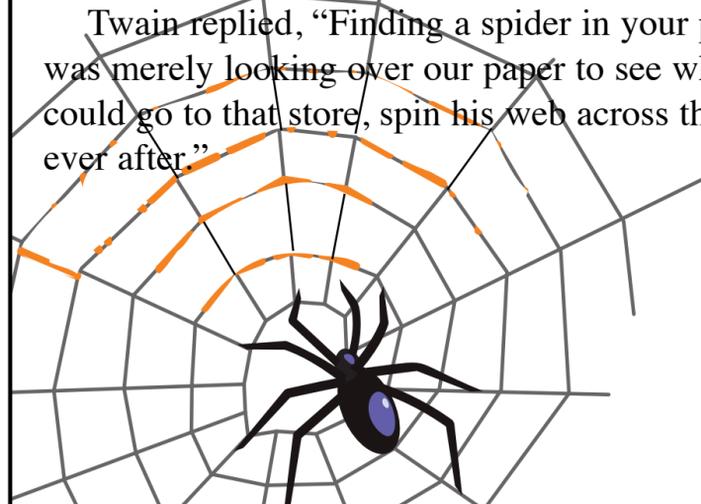
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County Court Decisions:
Probated Judgment: Lisa
Ann Chavarria, driving while
intoxicated, \$400 fine, \$469
court costs, 180 days in jail
(jail time suspended, 24
months probation).
Probated Judgment: Lisa
Ann Chavarria, theft by
check – more than \$20 less

than \$500, \$100 fine, \$326
court costs, 180 days in jail
(jail time suspended, 24
months probation).

Judgment and Sentence:
William Scott Simpson, pos-
session of marijuana – two
ounces or less, \$326 court
costs, 60 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence:
William Scott Simpson, theft
– more than \$50 less than
\$500, \$276 court costs, 60
days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Jose
Lionel Cerda, driving while
license suspended, \$500
fine, \$276 court costs, 180
days in jail (jail time sus-
pended, 12 months proba-
tion).

Probated Judgment: Devon
Lee Butler, driving while
intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$441
court costs, 180 days in jail
(jail time suspended, 12
months probation).

Probated Judgment: Christian Davon Gordon,
possession of marijuana –
two ounces or less, \$1,500
fine, \$328 court costs, 180
days in jail (jail time sus-
pended, 12 months proba-
tion).

Probated Judgment: Billy
Halford, driving while intoxi-
cated – second offense,
\$1,000 fine, \$443 court
costs, 365 days in jail (jail
time suspended, 12 months
probation).

Probated Judgment: Angel
Edieberto Torres, driving
while license invalid, \$500
fine, \$276 court costs, 180
days in jail (jail time sus-
pended, 12 months proba-
tion).

Probated Judgment: Jason
Scott Edwards, resisting
arrest, \$250 fine, \$276 court
costs, 180 days in jail (jail
time suspended, 12 months
probation).

Probated Judgment: Billie
Ray Brown, driving while
intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$443
court costs, 180 days in jail
(jail time suspended, 12
months probation).

Probated Judgment: Brady
Timmins, driving while intoxi-
cated, \$1,000 fine, \$443
court costs, 180 days in jail
(jail time suspended, 12
months probation).

Probated Judgment: Brady
Timmins, possession of mari-
juana – two ounces or less,

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costs, 180 days in jail (jail
time suspended, 12 months
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Probated Judgment: Alice
Guzman, driving while
license suspended, \$1,500
fine, \$276 court costs, 180
days in jail (jail time sus-
pended, 12 months proba-
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Probated Judgment: Lana
Crawford Kirkham, driving
while intoxicated, \$750 fine,
\$493 court costs, 180 days in
jail (jail time suspended, 6
months probation).

Probated Judgment: Camilo
Martin Nieto Jr., driv-
ing while license invalid with
a previous conviction, \$1,000
fine, \$276 court costs, 180
days in jail (jail time sus-
pended, 12 months proba-
tion).

Judgment and Sentence:
William Scott Simpson, bail
jumping and failure to
appear, \$328 court costs, 60
days in jail.

Probated Judgment: William
Gordon Fuller III, ter-
roristic threats, \$500 fine,
\$276 court costs, 180 days in
jail (jail time suspended, 6
months probation).

Judgment and Sentence:
Thomas W. Simmie, prohibi-
ted weapon –
switchblade/knuckles, \$100
fine, \$228 court costs.

Judgment and Sentence:
Curtis McCullough, failure to
identify as a fugitive from jus-
tice – giving false informa-
tion, \$1,500 fine, \$328 court
costs, 180 days in jail.

District Court Filings:

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divorce.

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Amy Vigus Stilwell, divorce.

In Re Orlando Ray
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Chavera, Alexis Dena
Chavera and Arnulfo Rey
Chavera III, family court.

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\$2,010 in currency, civil suit.

US Bank National
Association, as trustee for
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Warren, accounts, contracts
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Kimberly Nichole Mata vs.
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Grantee: Daniel Paul
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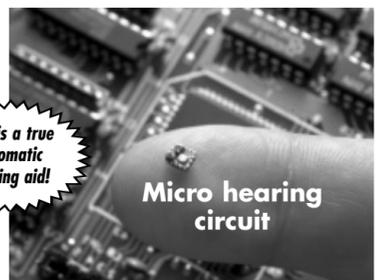
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National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information	800-729-6686 Español 877-767-8432 TDD 800-487-4889
National Crime Prevention Council	800-NCP-911
National Criminal Justice Reference Service/ Office for Victims of Crime Resource Center	800-851-3420
National Domestic Violence Hotline	800-799-SAFE TTY 800-787-3224
National Fraud Information Hotline	800-876-7060
National Organization for Victim Assistance	800-TRY-NOVA
National Organization of Parents Of Murdered Children, Inc.	888-818-POMC
National Resource Center on Domestic Violence	800-537-2238 TTY 800-553-2508
National Sexual Violence Resource Center	877-739-3895 TTY 717-909-0715
Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center	866-OVC-TTAC TTY 866-682-8880
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