

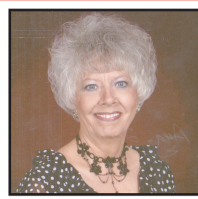
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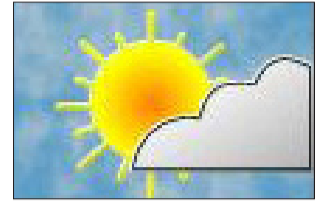
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75th annual rodeo debuts tonight

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
News Editor

Riding, roping and wrestling. Those are the basic ingredients for any pro rodeo. Add color, humor and pageantry, then roll in 75 years worth of tradition. Now you've got the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo which begins its three-day gallop tonight.

Rodeo Week got off to a favorable start Tuesday with the Heritage Museum's annual Legends & Legacies fund-raiser and continues at 5:30 p.m.

today with the rodeo parade. Horses, floats, flag bearers and a sheriff's posse or two will join in the march which will begin at 11th and Main, head north to the courthouse square and come back south down Scurry. Clowns, Shriners implement dealers and others will be on hand to entertain the crowd, which typically lines both streets along the route.

The parade will break up about 6:30 p.m., leaving plenty of time for everyone to make the 8 p.m. grand entry at the Rodeo Bowl.

Advance tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. Tickets at the gate each night will be \$10 for adults and \$6 for children.

In addition to traditional rodeo fare — bull riding, bronc riding, bareback, calf roping, steer wrestling, team roping and barrels — there will be several special events.

Mutton busting will be held nightly with an entry fee of \$20 per child. Protective gear is provided by the rodeo association and the youngsters

compete for boots and buckles.

Tommy Lucia is the rodeo's feature act with his Capuchin monkey, Whiplash, as well as Scottish dogs and a black thoroughbred to entertain the crowd. Lucia has been the opening act for the National Finals Rodeo seven times.

For those who like to scoot a boot, there are three dances scheduled — all at the fairbarn. Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will perform tonight. Thanks to the Click Ranch, admission is free tonight with a rodeo

ticket. Clear Water will take the stage Friday. Admission is \$10. And Saturday, headliner Cory Morrow will entertain.

Purchase advance tickets at Ward's Boot and Saddle, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, First Bank of West Texas, Compass Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, Citizens FCU, State National Bank or H-E-B Grocery.

For information on the mutton busting or to enter, contact Diane Hofacket at 267-8041. Gates open nightly at 7 p.m.

2nd town hall meeting scheduled

Citizens can sound off on ADA concerns

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council will hold its second town hall meeting to gather public input regarding its ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Transition Plan Monday, as the city attempts to address accessibility problems with municipal buildings and walk ways.

Expected to follow the same format as the first meeting, held June 9, the town hall meeting will not involve any motions or votes from the council, but should help engineers with Parkhill Smith & Cooper — the firm hired to develop a plan to address the city's ADA shortcomings — gather much needed data on the barriers facing the disabled community.

"Title 2 of the ADA requires that local governments ensure all are able to participate in programs, services or activities, and this is the city council's way of trying to get this in compliance and the transition plan into place so we can reach that goal," said Linda Sjogren, city attorney. "We were required to do an evaluation on our facilities and services back in 1992 and have had that plan on file for quite some time. We updated it in 2007 and we're in the process of doing further evaluations, and one of the questions we want to ask tonight — in addition to the curb ramps — is a facilities transition plan.

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Sjogren



Heath Moncada works on the new Sharp Imaging building on South Highway 87 Tuesday afternoon. The building should be completed in January, officials said.

HERALD photo/Alex Newsom

Stargazing party slated for Saturday

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

Heavenly bodies will take center stage at the Big Spring State Park Saturday night, as park officials and amateur astronomers from the West Texas area prepare for the annual Stargazing Party.

"Sunset is 8:55 p.m., and Gene Hardy will present a program as soon as it gets dark enough to see the projection," said Park Manager Ron Alton. "Saturn and Mars will be visible, with Jupiter rising at 10 p.m. However, the best view of the planet won't be available until about 11 p.m. We will be able to see some nebulas, galaxies and star clusters.

"The moon and planets are usually our star attractions, so we'll work on finding some interesting objects during the stargazing party. I'm going to

See **STARS**, page 3A



Alton

CISD superintendent search hits high gear

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

COAHOMA — The search for a new superintendent at Coahoma Independent School District is about to pick up steam.

Jerry Johnson, who has headed the district since 2005, announced his retirement in May after more than 30 years as a professional educator.

With Johnson's retirement, Wayne Mitchell, longtime superintendent of Stanton

schools, became acting chief of the Coahoma district. This marks the third time Mitchell has served on an interim basis with the school district — the last time immediately before Johnson's hiring.

There is no firm

timetable for naming a new superintendent, but Mitchell said trustees hope to have one named in time for the new school year.

Jim Dunlap and Dr. See **CISD**, page 3A

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Cease-fire begins

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Guns went quiet as a six-month truce between Israel and Gaza Strip militants took effect early Thursday, but there was widespread skepticism about its ability to hold.

The cease-fire, which Egypt labored for months to conclude, aims to bring an end to a year of fighting that has killed seven Israelis and more than 400 Palestinians — many of them civilians — since the Islamic militant group Hamas wrested control of Gaza a year ago.

It also obliges Israel to ease a punishing blockade of the coastal strip.

Field shut down

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Royal Dutch Shell said it shut down production from an offshore oil field that produces about 200,000 barrels per day after the most powerful militant group in Nigeria launched an attack on an installation there Thursday.

The group also said it captured an American worker on a supply vessel in the area of the rig, but that was not immediately confirmed.

A leader of the Movement for the Emancipation of the Niger Delta told The Associated Press that militants attacked the Bonga oil field more than 65 miles from land.

More reactors needed

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP) — Sen. John McCain called Wednesday for the construction of 45 new nuclear reactors by 2030 and pledged \$2 billion a year in federal funds "to make clean coal a reality." In a third straight day of campaigning devoted to the energy issue, the Republican presidential nominee-in-waiting also said the only time Democratic rival Barack Obama voted for a tax cut was for a "break for the oil companies."

McCain said the 104 nuclear reactors currently operating produce about 20 percent of the nation's electricity needs.

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IN BRIEF

75th Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo schedule

Thursday
5:30 p.m. - Parade starts at 11th and Main, heads north to the courthouse square before turning and going back south up Scurry.

8 p.m. - 75th Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo kicks off at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

9:30 p.m. - Jody Nix plays free concert at the fair barn for anyone who bought a ticket to the rodeo courtesy of sponsorship by Click Ranch.

Friday
8 a.m. - Golf tournament benefitting Justin Crisis Fund and Everett Blackburn Scholarship Fund at the Big Spring Country Club. Four-man scramble format with a cost of \$50 a player.

8 p.m. - Second night of rodeo performances.

9:30 p.m. - Clearwater plays at the fair barn. Tickets are \$10.

Saturday
9 a.m. - Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion at the fair barn.

8 p.m. - Final night of rodeo performances.

9:30 p.m. - Cory Morrow performs at the fair barn. Tickets are \$20.

BSGSA holding 5th Annual Co-ed Ragball Tourney

The Big Spring Girls Softball Association is having its 5th Annual Co-ed Ragball Tournament Friday through Sunday at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Cost is \$110 per team with an eight-game guarantee.

Register at the complex between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Friday. Games start at 7 p.m. on the same date.

For more information contact Rodney Jones at 213-3750.

Sandlot boys softball team raising funds

The Big Spring Sandlot boys softball team is on a quest to reach the Youth Slow Pitch World Series in Fayetteville, Ark., and is asking for the assistance of the community.

The team will be holding two carwashes over the next two weeks, hoping to raise funds for their trip.

The first carwash is set for 8 a.m. Saturday at Wal-Mart. The second is at 8 a.m. June 28 at Advance Auto Parts.

Advance will also be donating a hydraulic jack and battery charger to be raffled for \$1 a ticket.

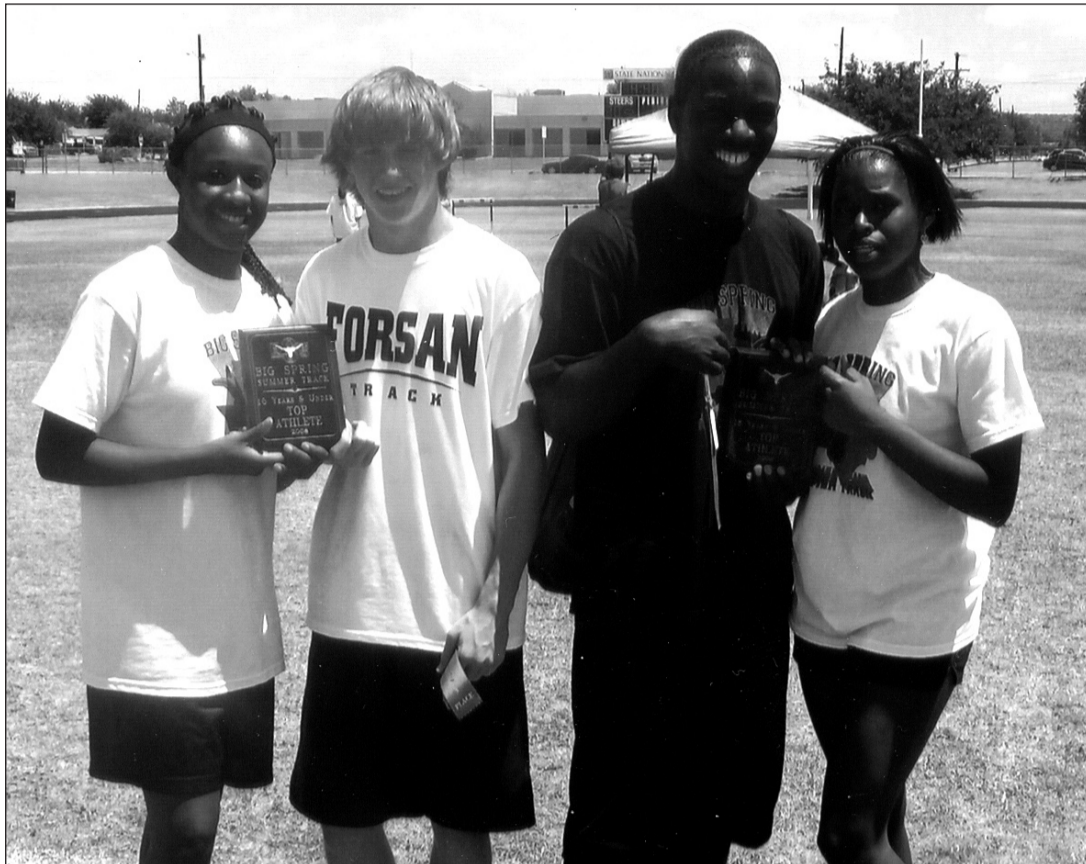
If you want to just give a donation, call Ben Flores at 816-1262 or Diane at 264-0353.

C. G. A. sets scholarship tournament

The Chicano Golf Association is holding their 18th annual scholarship tournament June 28-29 at the Big Spring Country Club.

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Track camp showing results with high turnout



Courtesy photo

From left to right: Bidgett Tuitt of Big Spring, Tye Johnson of Forsan and Ieshia Simpson of Big Spring hold up plaques naming them top athletes after a summer track meet held at Blankenship Field. Tuitt and Johnson were tops in the 16 and under division, while Linton and Simpson took home the prize in the 18 and under division.

By JONATHAN HULL
Sports Editor

Good track programs can produce good athletes in a large variety of sports.

The speed, endurance and strength gained from the running and field events often transcend to sports such as football, basketball and volleyball.

"I believe the stronger and faster you are then the better off you're going to be," said Big Spring Girls Track Coach Nick Roberson. "The more speed and strength you have the better a team will be."

Roberson has been in command of the summer running program at Big Spring High and the turnout and results have been impressive.

"We've had between 50 and 60 kids involved this summer and we're having great results," Roberson said. "They're ranging from first grade through 12th grade. For the younger ones, we're trying to

teach them how to run with the correct form and increase their fast muscle twitch. We want to help build strength and speed that can help them in everything they do. Most importantly, we want to get them off the couch this summer and involved in sports."

The impact the camp can have on the older participants is hopefully more immediate.

"For the older boys and girls, we're looking on improving upon what we accomplished during the track season," Roberson said. "And what we accomplish this summer will move over into what they're doing in their fall sports. I think the athletes out here have figured out that the more speed and strength they have the better they'll be at whatever sport they're participating in."

Each day, the camp's

Fundamentals key teaching at Steers Baseball Skills Camp

By JONATHAN HULL
Sports Editor

Just knowing the fundamentals of a sport and performing them at a high level can take an athlete far.

In this week's Steers Baseball Skills Camp, coach Burt Otto is attempting to teach just that.

"Throwing, fielding and hitting. Those are the three fundamentals of baseball and that's what we're trying to teach this week," Otto said. "We've had about 26 first through fourth graders in our first session and 17 of the older group in the second session. We're very happy with how the camp is turning out and the kids seem to be taking to the teaching. Most of all, we want to make sure they're having fun."

The location of the camp had to be moved because of the lights being placed around Steer Field this week. It's a welcome move, though.

"We're having to do this at the field next to the ATC (Athletic Training Center) so they can put the lights up, but we're excited about getting those lights," Otto

said. "It hasn't effected the camp's success, though."

Otto said of the three skills he's teaching, the most time is being spent on throwing.

"Throwing is the biggest part of baseball," he said. "A bad throw can lead to a lot of bad things. So we're spending the first 45 minutes or so just working on it. Not just throwing the ball, but throwing it correctly."

One of the bigger benefits of the camp is for Otto and his coaching staff to get to know the younger baseball players in the area.

"Some day these kids could be attending Big Spring High School and when that happens then I don't want to be a stranger to them," Otto explained. "I think it's important for them to see our faces and know who we are. That way, when they get to high school there is already some familiarity with us."

For Otto, the opportunity to teach the game is what he looks forward to the most.

"I just like getting out here with these kids and teaching them about baseball," Otto said. "That's been the best part for me."



HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Big Spring baseball coach Burt Otto instructs a group of boys on the proper mechanics of throwing a pitch Wednesday at the field beside the Athletic Training Center.

Lady Steers using camp to build with youth



HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Big Spring softball assistant coach John Sparks hits fly balls to girls participating in the Lady Steers Softball Skills Camp at Howard College's Foundation Field Wednesday.

By JONATHAN HULL
Sports Editor

There isn't a better way to strengthen a program than with a talented group of young players. That's the goal Big Spring Lady Steers Assistant Softball Coach John Sparks is trying to accomplish.

"We want to try and teach these girls how to play the game the right way," Sparks said. "That way, when they get to high school, they have a better understanding of the game and could be ready to play immediately."

Sparks has had 23 girls in camp this week and with the help of four Lady Steers softball players - Linzee Yarbar, Belle Feaster, Kenzie Hunt and Brianna Rodriguez - has been able to split into two groups.

"With the younger girls, we just want to get them out here and have some experience with the game," Sparks said. "We want them to understand the basics of it. With the older ones, we're most concerned about the fundamentals. I want them to start getting into the habit of doing things the right way."

One of the fundamentals Sparks was teaching the older group Wednesday was fielding fly balls, emphasizing how important it

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Obituaries

Roy Billings



Roy G. Billings, 61, of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 18, 2008, in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, June 20, 2008, at the Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel with the Rev. Derrick Looney, pastor of Forsan Baptist Church, officiating.

He was born Jan. 4, 1947, in Big Spring. Mr. Billings was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School. He was working at Wal-Mart at the time of his death.

Roy was loved and respected by his fellow employees and customers of Wal-Mart. He was a devoted son and took care of his mother, Elsie, for many years before her death. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Mandy Billings of LaVergne, Tenn., and an expected granddaughter; one sister and brother-in-law, Pat and Lonnie Taylor of Ackerly; and nieces, Laurie and Lance Reed of Canyon, and Missy and Coy Irwin of Andrews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Grant and Elsie Billings.

The family suggests memorials be made to the donor's favorite charity.

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

Paid obituary

Alifonza Sanchez

Alifonza Sanchez, 88, of Odessa died Wednesday, June 8, 2008, at the Hospice House of Odessa. Private family services will be held. There will be a viewing Thursday, June 19, 2008, from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the funeral home, located at 3800 N. Big Spring in Midland.

Alifonza was born May 20, 1920, in Brady to Alifonzo and Jesusita Juarez. She enjoyed cooking for her family and spending time with them. She especially enjoyed gardening and tending to her flower beds.

She is survived by three sons, Ismael Sanchez of Midland, Abel Sanchez of Odessa, and Rejino Sanchez of Toyah; two daughters, Sara Caffey of Big Spring and Isabel Olguin of Odessa; 15 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

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

Ricky Lynn Potts

Ricky Lynn Potts, 37, of Big Spring, died Sunday, June 15, 2008, at his residence. Services will be held at a later date in Amarillo.

He was born Feb. 2, 1971, in Bossier Parish, La. Ricky had worked as a nurses aide.

Survivors include his mother, Norma Handley of Amarillo; three brothers, Barry Potts and Jackie Potts, both of Amarillo, and Max Hair of Portland, Ore.; and one sister, Rhonda Valentine of Bossier City, La.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jackie Potts.

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

Erlinda Lujan

Erlinda Lujan, 85, of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 18, 2008, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Belvedere Thomas

Belvedere Thomas, 71, of Burlleson, formerly of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 18, 2008, in Burlleson. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

Police blotter

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

- ROBERT VALENCIA, 29, of 1101 Lamar, was arrested Thursday on a local capias warrant.
- JOE VALENCIA, 25, of 1905 Wasson, was arrested Thursday on a local warrant and a charge of failure to identify.
- THEFT was reported: in the 200 block of FM 700.
- UNATTENDED DEATH was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- FAILURE TO IDENTIFY AS A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE was reported in the 1000 block of Bluebonnet.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1300 block of Lincoln.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported: in the 400 block of Father Delaney.
- in the 1300 block of Lincoln.

Sheriff's report

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 71 inmates at the time of this report.
- SCOTT RANDALL BROWN, 27, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for an unnamed charge.
- VICTORIA MARIA LOZANO, 23, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana — more than four ounces less than five pounds in a drug free zone.
- CHAD WARREN, 29, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana — more than four ounces less than five pounds in a drug free zone.
- JOE CRUZ GUTIERREZ, 21, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for burglary of a building.
- JEFFERY PAUL CARTER, 45, was arrested Thursday by DPS on charges of disregarding a stop sign, no liability insurance and driving while intoxicated — third or more offense.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1200 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 300 block of Tulane. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of W. Marcy. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of W. Interstate 20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of Wallace. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2800 block of Cornell. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 2000 block of S. Gregg Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

• American Legion Post 506 at 3203 W. Highway 80, will hold a fish fry Saturday. Delivery will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with serving at the post set from noon until 3 p.m. Carryouts are available. Plates are \$8 each. Call 263-2084 to order.

• The Big Spring Mall will be sponsoring a blood drive June 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All donors are needed. Everyone gets a opportunity to win a Vegas Trip for two. All donors gets a Vegas T-shirt.

• June is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. Any group that would like to see a program on the topic can contact Bill Birrell at 263-0659. He has an 18-minute American Cancer Society VCR tape edited by Sidney Poitier.

• 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.

• Road to Recovery, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to

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Bulletin Board

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TODAY

- Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. in the RSVP office at 501 Runnels.
- League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information, contact John Ybarra at 264-1628. The public is invited.
- American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call 263-2084 for more information.
- Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Veterans of America meets at 7 p.m. in the Sparenburg Building, 309 S. Main St.
- Big Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until about 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.
- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Dance at the Senior Center, 1901 Simler, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 5-13-27-28-35-53
Number matching six of six: 0.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 11-12-22-33-35.
Number matching five of five: 0.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 6-9-2-9. Sum It Up: 26.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 4-8-8. Sum It Up: 20

Take Note

treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call Nancy Koger at 267-7809.

• The purpose of life is a life of purpose. Join Nurses' Hospice of Big Spring volunteer program and become an "Angel" or "Teen Angel" in someone's life today. Come by 1008 E. Third St. or call (432) 517-4073 to register.

• Bring joy and kindness to others by becoming a Compass Hospice volunteer. Help those at the end of life's journey. Make a difference in someone's life. Call 263-5999 to begin your journey.

• All Creatures Sanctuary and Rescue has an account set up with Big Spring Salvage at 3608 N. Hwy. 87 for all types of metals and aluminum cans. Please tell them that your donations are for All Creatures Sanctuary and Rescue. All Creatures Sanctuary and Rescue is also still taking weight circles off of all Purina brand dog foods. Send your Purina Weight Circles, to A.C.S. & R. at P.O. 871, Coahoma 79511. All Creatures Sanctuary and Rescue is still accepting old and used cell phones and ink jet cartridges, for drop off locations in Big Spring and Coahoma, Call Melanie at 267-7387.

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Braves score 3 in ninth to beat Rangers

The Associated Press

ARLINGTON—Thirteen months after elbow surgery, Mike Gonzalez returned to the major leagues and moved right into the Atlanta Braves' vacant closer role.

Gonzalez came off the disabled list and pitched a perfect ninth to save Atlanta's 5-2 victory over the Texas Rangers on Wednesday night.

The left-hander is back from ligament replacement surgery.

"It's just a great feeling letting (the ball) go without having to think about it," said Gonzalez, making his first appearance since May 15, 2007. "It felt like my major league debut again. I definitely wanted to get that opportunity to do that at the end of the game. For (manager) Bobby (Cox) to do it gives me confidence too. For me the first strike was a big deal. As soon as I threw it I felt at home."

Gonzalez's parents and sisters from the Houston area and friends from Dallas were among the 38,545 in the crowd.

"Before I came into the clubhouse, my dad said, 'No matter what you do, you're the best,'" Gonzalez said.

His manager, who has been searching for answers in a bullpen wrecked by injuries, also liked what he saw.

"He looked great tonight," Cox said. "He threw a changeup, some curveballs and all those heaters. He looked better than I thought he might look closing out a game. He pitches with adrenaline, and the first time out I don't know what's going to come up. He might be too excited."

Rafael Soriano, who began the season as the Braves closer, is on the DL for the second time. Atlanta planned to switch

John Smoltz into that role, but after blowing his first and only save opportunity, he had season-ending surgery.

Omar Infante hit a tie-breaking single, and the Braves scored three times in the ninth inning.

Jeff Francoeur led off the inning with a grounder that Rangers closer C.J. Wilson threw wildly to first for a two-base error. Texas manager Ron Washington argued that Francoeur was running inside the base path, impeding the pitcher's throw to first, to no avail.

Washington said Laird had a better shot at fielding the ball and throwing out Francoeur.

"Gerald came out there yelling for it, but C.J. came off the mound and picked it up, he just didn't finish the play," Washington said. "Gerald would have cleared and thrown him out easy....C.J.'s only human. He hurts more than I do."

One out later, Infante singled to right to drive in Francoeur, and Gregor Blanco followed with a run-scoring triple to right-center. Kelly Johnson added his second RBI of the night with a run-scoring groundout to make it 5-2.

"That was a big hit by Infante," Cox said. "I can't tell you how valuable he is to our team. He can play third base, shortstop or second base with excellent defense, and he's an excellent center fielder. And the guy can hit. We'll keep him for a long while."

Wilson took full blame for the misplay.

"If I would have hit (Francoeur with the throw), he would have been out," said Wilson, in his first full year as the Texas closer. "If I would have made a good throw, he would have been out. If I would have let Gerald take it, he would have been



AP photo/Tony Gutierrez

Atlanta Braves first baseman Mark Teixeira (24) and shortstop Yunel Escobara, rear, run down Texas Rangers catcher Gerald Laird (15) as Laird tried to steal second in the third inning of a Major League Baseball game Wednesday in Arlington.

out. So tell your kids at home, bean the batter when he's running to first base and he's out."

Wilson (0-2) allowed three runs — one earned — and two hits in the ninth inning.

Jeff Bennett (1-4) pitched a scoreless eighth inning for Atlanta.

Chipper Jones homered and went 2-for-5 to keep his major league-best batting average at .400. The Braves' slugger hit his 16th of the season over the center field fence with two outs in the first.

Braves starter Jo-Jo Reyes gave up two runs and five hits in seven innings, striking out three and walking four.

He left with the game tied at 2.

The Rangers' Eric Hurley

matched Reyes through five innings in his second big-league start, allowing two runs and five hits with five strikeouts and two walks.

Johnson's RBI single in the third pushed Atlanta's lead to 2-0 before Gerald Laird's run-scoring single in the third pulled Texas within a run.

The Rangers tied it in the sixth when Josh Hamilton singled, stole second, moved to third in catcher Brian McCann's throwing error and scored on Brandon Boggs' infield single.

The Rangers' offense could have used Milton Bradley, who missed the game with a strained left quadriceps. He's expected back in the lineup Thursday.

**Orioles 2,
Astros 1,
10 innings**

At Baltimore, Kevin Millar singled in the game-winning run in the 10th inning as Houston lost its seventh straight game.

With one out in the 10th, Melvin Mora singled off Jose Valverde (4-2). Aubrey Huff hit an opposite-field single to left to put runners on the corners for Millar, who bounced a single up the middle.

Chad Bradford (3-2) pitched two scoreless innings for the Orioles.

Lance Berkman hit his 20th home run for Houston.

**Mets 5,
Angels 4**

At Anaheim, Calif., Jerry Manuel got his first win managing the Mets when New York rallied to tie it in the ninth inning against Francisco Rodriguez and Damion Easley homered in the 10th.

Manuel, who replaced the fired Willie Randolph, lost his debut with the Mets on Tuesday night.

Down to their last out, the Mets made it 4-all in the ninth on David Wright's RBI single off Rodriguez.

Easley connected with two outs off Justin Speier (0-4) for his second homer of the season.

The blown save was the second in 30 opportunities this season for Rodriguez, and snapped his franchise-record streak of 25 consecutive save opportunities.

Mets relievers allowed one hit over the final four innings.

Billy Wagner pitched a perfect 10th for his 16th save.

Duaner Sanchez (3-0) pitched a perfect ninth inning for the victory.

**Dodgers 6,
Reds 1**

At Cincinnati, Derek

Lowe earned his first road win since last August by pitching into the sixth inning, and Los Angeles extended its season-long domination of the Reds.

James Loney had a solo homer and a run-scoring double off Bronson Arroyo (4-6), sending the Dodgers to their sixth victory in seven games against the Reds.

Lowe (5-6) hadn't won on the road since Aug. 22 at Philadelphia, going 0-6 in his next 11 starts away from Dodger Stadium.

The Reds lost for the 11th time in 16 games.

**Red Sox 7,
Phillies 4**

At Philadelphia, J.D. Drew tied a career high with four hits and fell a triple short of the cycle for Boston.

Justin Masterson (4-1) allowed two runs and four hits in five innings, the shortest of his six career starts.

Jonathan Papelbon, the fourth Boston reliever, pitched a perfect ninth for his 21st save in 24 chances.

Phillies starter Kyle Kendrick (6-3) gave up six runs and six hits in three innings.

**Tigers 7,
Giants 2**

At San Francisco, Placido Polanco had four hits, drove in two runs and scored three as Detroit knocked struggling San Francisco starter Barry Zito out after two innings.

Armando Galarraga (7-2) didn't allow an earned run in six innings and struck out five to win his third straight start and fourth consecutive decision.

Zito (2-11) has one win in his past five starts and this was the second-shortest start of his career. He allowed five runs and five hits, struck out two and walked four.

SOFTBALL

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was use their free hand to help cover the ball after it's in their glove to secure the catch.

"I'm happy with the results we've had so far," Sparks said. "The girls have been receptive and

are out here working on what we're teaching."

The camp was forced to move to Howard College's Foundation Field due to the lights being installed at Lady Steer Field this week. Sparks thinks the change and the heat of the afternoon may have hurt attendance to the camp, but is satisfied with the results still.

"We've been able to teach more since we didn't have a massive amount of girls involved. The heat has been the worst part. I don't think we'll do this in the afternoon next year," Sparks said. "And I like seeing those lights up. The skyline looks a lot different when I'm driving up to the field. It's a good kind of different."

TRACK

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participants spend 45 minutes on the track and 45 minutes in the weight room. They also spend time running uphill and downhill, increasing the strength in the muscles

needed for each type of run. There's also an emphasis on field events like long jump, high jump and triple jump.

Roberson says there's a great chance that having a good turnout will benefit the Steers' track programs in the long run.

"This could be huge for

us," he said. "The sooner we get kids running the right way, the better we'll be. We've got a good core of 12 and under kids out here. If they stick with this and keep working hard, then they'll definitely be head and shoulders ahead of the competition when they get older.

BRIEFS

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The format is a two-person scramble and cost is \$75 per player. Mulligans can be bought for \$5 a piece.

Bob Brock Ford is sponsoring Hole No. 3 Saturday with any participant that hits a hole-in-one receiving a 2008 vehicle.

There are closest-to-pin prizes awarded on holes 3, 7, 13 and 16.

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Small towns survive by pulling together against Midwest floods

OAKVILLE, Iowa (AP) — As floodwaters take aim at the tiny towns lining the Mississippi River, the heartland ethic of neighbors helping neighbors is proving to be a potent force against the rising water.

Volunteers up and down the river in Illinois and Missouri joined sandbagging operations early Thursday in the frantic effort to contain the Mississippi, as forecasters predicted near-record crests from Quincy, Ill., to Winfield, Mo.

"There's one thing about Midwesterners," said Don Giltner, mayor of Louisiana, Mo., a picturesque river town north of St. Louis where 40 square blocks were under water Wednesday, three days before the Mississippi's expected crest.

"We're resilient as hell. We're all worn out. We've put in a lot of long days."

Storms and flooding across six states this month have killed 24 people, injured 148 and caused more than \$1.5 billion in estimated damage in Iowa alone — a figure that's likely to increase as river levels climb in Missouri and Illinois.

Even before the Iowa River used the town of Oakville as a shortcut to the Mississippi, there wasn't much here: a post office, a convenience store, a tavern and a little restaurant.

Democratic-led Congress to vote on war funding, unemployment benefits extension

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Democratic-led Congress finally appears ready to give President Bush his request for \$162 billion in long-overdue funds for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

A deal worked out Wednesday between House Democrats and Republicans and the White House, if it

passes as expected, would put to rest Bush's long-standing battles with the Democrats over war funding. At the same time, Democrats would win help for the unemployed and a remarkably generous increase in GI Bill education benefits for military service members.

The House was to vote on the compromise Thursday, officials said.

House passage of the bill also would pave the way for a quick infusion of emergency flood relief for the Midwest, though more is expected to be needed to deal with the terrible losses in Iowa, Illinois and other states.

The latest installment of war funding would bring to well over \$600 billion the amount of money Congress has provided for the unpopular war in Iraq.

It also would give Bush's successor several months to set Iraq policy after taking office in January — and spares lawmakers the need to cast more war-related votes closer to Election Day.

CISD

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Russell Marshall, heads of Arrow Educational Services Inc., have been hired by the district to screen candidates for the position. Marshall was head of the search team that recruited Johnson for the position in 2005, Mitchell said.

Marshall and the search team will accept applications for the post until June 26. From

those applications, CISD trustees will narrow the list to about six finalists, Administration Secretary Judy Dobbs said.

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for the week of July 7 through 11. If all goes well, trustees should name a new superintendent by July 15, Dobbs noted. The district would then have to adhere to a state-mandated 21-day waiting period before formally hiring the new school chief.

While CISD officials

search for a new superintendent, they are also keeping close tabs on the progress of ongoing construction projects across the district.

Mitchell said today that the projects are slightly behind schedule because of manpower issues, but most work should be back on schedule by the end of the summer.

Renovation at the elementary school, which includes installation of a sprinkler system and an upgrade of plumbing and

other utilities, should be completed by the first week of August. Similar work at the junior high school should be finished around the same time, he noted, and the new athletic field house should be ready for occupancy when preseason football workouts begin in early August.

At the high school, which is undergoing the most extensive work, finishing touches are being done at the auditorium and band hall and one of two new classroom wings should

be completed by the start of the new school year, Mitchell said.

Construction of another wing of classes, along with a new central office and library, should begin sometime during the coming school year. Demolition of the old classrooms is scheduled for sometime next year.

Although the work will entail a measure of classroom disruption, Mitchell thinks it will not be a significant issue.

"They've already been

through a year with those types of disruptions and they go through it all right," he said. "I assume they'll be able to make it through another year in the same manner."

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331.

ADA

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We would like to get your input on any city-owned facilities that you've encountered barriers to access or are aware of such barriers."

Big Spring's ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Advisory Committee, along with officials from PSC, began developing the plan after several ADA issues were recently brought before the council.

The first town hall meeting identified several problems with city facilities, ranging

from the restrooms at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater to accessibility of the Municipal Auditorium.

"The incline of the ramp outside the auditorium is too steep," said local resident Judy Durham. "Even getting from the floor up to the top, I have to have help. And even if I got there, I couldn't get through the doors. Also, going into City Hall the door opens outward and it sends you back down the ramp when you come in. That needs to be fixed. If the wind catches that (door), I'm down off that 8-foot deal if I don't have my brakes set."

Bill Noonan, an architect

and engineer with Parkhill Smith & Cooper, said his firm, along with the committee, will be looking at each city-owned facility — including the Auditorium and City Hall — before the transition plan is complete.

"All of those areas — the auditorium and access into City Hall — will be part of the facilities transition plan," said Noonan. "PSC and myself will be evaluating them. What we like to do is go through the inventory of the buildings the city has, and once we identify the buildings and where they are, we go through building by building, facility by facility and look

at the ADA accessibility issues, starting from the parking lot all the way into the building.

"We will be evaluating these things and incorporating them into the transition plan, which identifies where we have problems in the facility and it outlines a basic plan for how we're going to resolve those and when we're going to resolve those. It actually sets out a timeline of when those problems are going to be addressed. They may not be addressed within a year's time or five years time. Some of them are going to drag out a little bit longer based on funding, and that's going to be critical for the entire

transition plan."

The meeting is expected to get under way at 5:30 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center, located at 100 Whipkey Drive. For additional information, call 264-2401.

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

STARS

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ask the astronomy club members to bone up on their constellations so we can point some of them out, and for anyone who is willing to stay late, the moon rise should be pretty. The full moon is June 18, so it should be pretty large."

Slated for 8:30 p.m. until 11 p.m. near the park office at the top of Scenic Mountain, the program will offer something for everyone in the family, according to Alton.

"It's one of the bigger events of the year for us," said Alton. "It's a fun and educational way to spend a Saturday night outdoors with your family. You can take a tour of the night sky with area amateur astronomy clubs.

"It's a great chance for families to spend some quality time together, as well. It doesn't matter how old you are, seeing the stars and the different heavenly bodies through a telescope is just amazing."

Alton said the West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club from Midland will provide several high-powered telescopes for those attending to get a better look at the heavens.

"They've been really great in helping us put the stargazing event on each year," said Alton. "They really love doing this. Most people who are into astronomy love to teach others about it, so there will be plenty of knowledgeable people to answer questions during the presentation."

Alton said the Stargazing Party is a great chance for area residents to learn about astronomy, but it also serves a very important purpose when the state of Texas begins

looking at the park's budget.

"We invite everyone to come out," said Alton. "These events keep the state park finances going, especially in these times when budgets are being even more closely examined than in previous times. The state looks at attendance at these types of events when they decide how much to allocate, so participating is very important.

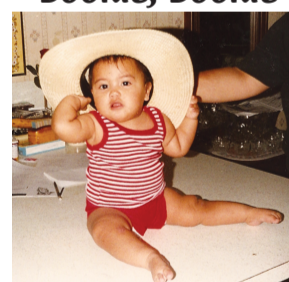
"If the weather doesn't cooperate with us — we have too many clouds or it rains — we'll reschedule the Stargazing for July 12," he added.

The state park is located at No. 1 Scenic Drive, just off FM 700 near Wasson Road. For more

information about the stargazing event, contact Alton at 263-4931.

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OTHER VIEWS

The right move, wrong message

When it comes to the Mexican drug wars, the United States is making the right move but sending the wrong message.

Congress is considering a massive funding bill to help its neighbor combat the drug cartels right move. But Congress is also considering linking the support to human rights reforms in Mexico. And that is the wrong message, at least at this time.

Mexico is a country in stress, and its own corrupt system, both politically and judicially, has exacerbated the drug problem for decades. There is no disputing that. But Mexican officials feel the U.S. is trying to strong-arm them, and while our lawmakers should be lauded for pushing reform, they should not do so at the expense of this desperately needed measure, known as the Merida Initiative.

Yet that is precisely what they are in danger of doing. Mexican officials, upset with what they consider the arrogant tone of U.S. politicians, have said they would not accept the assistance if the reform language is linked to the funding. That would be a tragedy for both countries.

"Since when is it bad policy, or an infringement of anything, to insist that American taxpayer dollars not be given to corrupt, abusive police or military forces in a country whose justice system has serious flaws and rarely punishes official misconduct?" Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., said in a recent statement, according to *Bloomberg News*.

The answer is when that insistence trumps the best interests of both countries. Mexico is a flawed democracy, but President Felipe Calderón is waging the drug war on two fronts against the cartels and the corrupt law enforcement officials. This is not the time to stall that noble effort.

Calderón inherited the problem; he did not create it. And he does not need lectures on how to run his country. He needs help in dealing with a crisis that affects both nations; almost 400 people died in drug-related executions during May, including seven federal agents who were gunned down in Culiacan, according to the Mexico City daily, *El Universal*.

In Juárez, the violence has become so rampant that federal officials are trying to calm the fears of residents in El Paso, the sister city on the U.S. side. Four Juarez police officials were killed last week, the *El Paso Times* reported.

The newspaper also reported that drug smugglers are using children as cover, some as young as 7 years old, because border officials are less likely to stop vehicles with youngsters.

Cooperation is the key. Mexico must overcome its defensiveness, and the United States must try a diplomatic approach. U.S. lawmakers should recommend human rights reforms, rather than try to embarrass an administration that is clearly trying to do the right thing.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we keep our eyes on your heavenly destination, Lord. Amen

Driving was fun while it lasted

Who said that the power of the Press is dead? A few weeks ago I told people to stop whining about the high price of gasoline and do something about it; namely, use less gas.

Almost immediately, the American people responded. In March of this year Americans drove 11 billion fewer miles than they did in March of 2007 and used 4.3 percent less gasoline.

That marks the first time since 1979 that traffic has declined from one March to the next and constitutes the biggest drop since the government started keeping track in 1942. Which means that my advice has had a greater impact on gas consumption than either World War II or the gas lines of the Carter years.

I am so proud. I am well aware, however, that with power comes responsibility. So it is with deep humility that I say to my fellow Americans:

It's not good enough, kids. You have to do better.

You're still spending, on the average, four percent of your disposable income on fuel (in some rural areas, 10-15 percent). That's more than twice as much as you were spending in 1998. In other words, too much.

And you haven't even thought

about increasing fuel standards or lowering speed limits. All you've done is complain and cut a measly 4.3 percent from your gas bill.

A Chicago woman, a single mother of two, told the *New York Times*: "Rising gas prices end up hurting working, lower class people like me, who can't afford it anymore."

So what else is new?

All bad things — wars, economic depressions, inflation, George Bush — end up hurting the working classes most.

That is the way of the world, folks, particularly when the world is being run by a party whose answer to all problems is tax-cuts for the rich.

So don't think government will help you. Don't wait for the oil companies to give you a hand. And if you're expecting our oil-producing Arab allies to bail you out, forget it.

To repeat what I've said before: If you want to stop spending so much on fuel, use less of it. And I'm not talking about a four percent cut, I'm talking a 20, 30, even 40 percent cut in consumption.

That won't be easy. You can only do so much with car-pooling, driving sensibly and one-trip multiple errands. You're going to have to find alternative modes of transportation.

I don't mean to blow my own horn, but this is what I have done: I got rid of one of my cars, thus making my wife and me a one-car family. I can't tell you that there aren't moments of conflict over who should have the car and when

but basically it's working out fine. And it gives one a sense of moral superiority.

When it's inconvenient to walk or ride a bike to where I'm going, I take a bus. This has its own inconveniences, of course, but so does dragging around a 3500-pound car that has to be parked and attracts expensive tickets not to mention dents in the doors.

Buses would be more convenient if there were more of them and there'd be more of them if more people used them. Start using them.

As for long-distance hauls, there are trains. Yes, they're still with us. They're like Santa Claus — just because you don't see them doesn't mean they don't exist.

I recently took two train rides — one from New York to Michigan (in a sleeping compartment) and one a round-trip between Ann Arbor and Chicago.

I'm here to say they were...OK. Not a patch on what train travel used to be in this country and still is in Europe, but better than sitting, fists clenched on a steering wheel, for hour after hour as you dodge homicidal truckers.

Gas prices are going to get higher before they get lower. It's time to adjust our living to them. Complaining is just a waste of hot air.

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DON KAUL



Maybe there are too many of us

Population. Is our woe; Saving every Embryo.

You'll be pleased to hear that in a very low-key and gingerly way, the Sierra Club has publicly admitted that overpopulation is a big problem. And they may have gotten away with it. No reports yet of widespread defection by Catholics or evangelicals. What a relief! Now the Club won't have to deal with that landmine again.

Most environmental groups just ignore the issue altogether. Discussions of overpopulation are understandably avoided like the plague. Yes, we're all against it, but since its obvious cure lies in birth control, sex education, stern immigration rules, and maybe even abortion, rare is the nature lover who wants to meddle. Various churches will have your head if you do. Further, American foreign aid policy prescribes an abstinence-only approach to overpopulation. Equally dangerous are compassionate human rights groups which urge us to welcome millions of immigrants to join us here in the U.S. in overusing Earth's limited resources.

But at least one good thing, we have finally reined in our ridicule of China's single-child policy. That's because it seems to be

working. Luckily religion is weak over there. Perhaps even more amazingly, population control is also spreading in desperate Bangladesh, despite its strict adherence to Islam. Sometimes practicality wins out. In most of the Third World, however, unsustainable populations are exploding, egged on by faiths and cultures that promote fecundity, unhindered by aid programs that promote birth control.

Even in Connecticut growth is seen as an unassailable virtue. Cities that actually lose population are tagged as doomed, while those with booming new subdivisions are viewed as the future of our species. More buildings mean more tax base, more business and more vibrancy.

Attitudes toward immigrants are similar: they provide more customers, more cheap service workers, more taxpayers, more Social Security revenue. We just don't want them to bring their kids, get sick, or keep speaking Spanish. Their big environmental problem is of course that in order to live here at all they must adopt our wasteful ways, consuming gas and electricity while elevating global warming. Still, as long as they go home each night to Bridgeport, New Haven, Hartford, or Willimantic, we don't grouse too loudly.

So as a nation we remain ambivalent about overpopulation. Intellectually we know it is destroying the world, but individually we have reasons to keep quiet. Indeed the *New York*

Times just ran a long baleful story on the travails of Pittsburgh as its numbers dwindle. Likewise the Connecticut Business and Industry Association laments our own declining workforce. Meanwhile Russia is sending recruiters to Armenia to help fill its vacant jobs.

But that's not the problem for most of the world. The far more common complaint is that there are too many people and not enough jobs. Or food. Or health care. Or money.

By now it is well understood academically that the key to stabilizing overpopulation is the education of young women. Helping them mature has turned out to both defer and cap childbearing. But that simple humane act can generate a cultural revolution in many poor lands, and its sex education component means a religious revolution in some donor lands as well, especially the United States.

Thus the world races daily deeper into the pit of resource destruction, simply by creating too many people. It's not only oil and gas that get squandered, but water, soil, forests, fisheries, minerals, farms, and air quality. It seems Biblically ironic that while religion is in many ways the protector of our gracious provenance, at the same time it is also religion that is cruelly destroying that provenance through preservation of every sacred sperm and egg.

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Mexico pursues appeal to stay executions in US

By **ARTHUR MAX**

Associated Press Writer

THE HAGUE, Netherlands — Mexico made an emergency appeal to the U.N.'s highest court Thursday to block the execution of its citizens on death row in the U.S.

Mexico's chief advocate Juan Manuel Gomez-Robledo said the U.S. was

"in breach of its international obligations" by disregarding a 2004 judgment by the U.N.'s International Court of Justice, which ruled Mexicans were denied the right to consular advice after their arrests, as guaranteed by an international treaty.

The court, informally known as the World Court,

has ruled that the Mexicans were entitled to "review and reconsideration" of their trials and sentences to determine whether the violation of the 1963 Vienna Convention affected their cases.

President Bush accepted the judgment and asked state courts to review the cases.

Texas refused, and the issue went to the U.S. Supreme Court, which ruled last March by a 6-3 vote that Bush lacked the authority to compel state courts to comply with the judgment from The Hague. The Vienna Convention cannot be binding on the states unless Congress enacts legislation enforcing it as federal law, the Supreme Court said.

Mexico asked the World Court for an "interpretation" of its earlier ruling to clarify what it meant when it asked the U.S. to "review and reconsider" the cases of the condemned prisoners and, in the meantime, to order the halt of the execution time-

table.

Gomez-Robledo said that without urgent action now, five Mexican nationals "will be executed before the conclusion of these proceedings."

U.S. representatives were due to respond later Thursday before the 13-member tribunal, officials said.

News in brief

Noriega slams 'hypocrite' Cornyn

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Democratic Senate candidate Rick Noriega said Wednesday that Republican Sen. John Cornyn is a "hypocrite" who should not expect South Texans to vote for him after he "spit in their face" by voting for the border fence.

Noriega, a state representative from Houston, predicted he would prevail in the Rio Grande Valley, where Cornyn has been working with landowners in the path of the U.S.-Mexico border fence, earning himself several local endorsements.

"You don't go down to South Texas and spit in their face, which he has done, on children's issues, on veterans issues and on the (border) wall and on private property issues, and then expect the people to vote for you," Noriega told a news conference where he was endorsed by more than a dozen San Antonio-area officials.

Cornyn voted in favor of the law requiring a border fence which has strong opposition in the Valley.

The heavily Hispanic Rio Grande Valley is a key constituency in Noriega's effort to beat the better-funded Cornyn, who is seeking a second six-year term in the U.S. Senate. For Cornyn, the endorsements are a big plus in a year when Republicans have lost some gains with Hispanic voters.

Infant hospitalized after dog mauling

BRYAN (AP) — A 5-month-old baby attacked by a rottweiler while left unattended on a sofa was transferred to a Houston hospital on Wednesday with multiple injuries, Bryan police said.

Bryan police said the child's 26-year-old mother went upstairs to take a shower early Wednesday morning and returned to find the dog dragging her son around by his head. It was unclear if anyone else was home at the time.

After being taken to a hospital in Bryan, police said the baby was transferred to Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. The child's condition was not immediately available.

The Bryan-College Station Eagle reported that Robert Thompson, the dog's owner and the infant's grandfather, voluntarily gave the dog up to Bryan Police Animal Control. Authorities said the dog would be euthanized.

Bryan police Sgt. Walt Melnyk said Thompson lived at the residence but was not home when the attack happened. The mother is a Waco resident who was visiting her father-in-law's home.

Melnyk told The Associated Press on Wednesday night that the investigation is continuing. He said no charges have been filed.

5-year-old killed in pit bull attack

WESLACO (AP) — A 5-year-old boy has been mauled to death by a pit bull at the home where he was staying with relatives, said Hidalgo County Sheriff Lupe Trevino.

The boy was pronounced dead at the scene. Hidalgo County Justice of the Peace Rosa Trevino told The Monitor in McAllen for its Thursday editions that the condition of the child's body suggested there was no way emergency responders could have saved his life.

Sheriff's deputies were investigating at the home north of Weslaco late into the night on Wednesday. The sheriff said deputies must determine whether the dog had been confined and how the boy came into contact with the animal.

Sheriff Trevino declined to identify the boy pending notification of his mother, who lives and works in Washington state. The boy's father lives in Mexico.

The sheriff said the boy had been living with his aunt and uncle after Child Protective Services placed him with them. The circumstances of that placement were not immediately known.

Luis Palomo, 20, said he was down the street playing football with friends when the trouble began. He said the victim was at home with a baby sitter when one of two pit bulls at the house began running around the front yard, getting a second pit bull inside the home riled up.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Assembling the Necessary Clues

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ 9 5 3
♥ K 9 8
♦ K Q 4 3
♣ K 10 2

WEST
♠ J 10 7 4 2
♥ J 3
♦ J 9 7 5
♣ 6 4

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

SOUTH
♠ A Q 8
♥ A 10
♦ 10 8 6 2
♣ A Q 9 5

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — four of spades.

The declarer should always begin the play of a hand by forming a tentative plan of what he intends to do. In making this plan, he usually begins by counting his winners if he is playing a notrump contract, and counting his losers if he is in a suit contract.

Thus, in this deal, after a spade has been led, South can count seven immediate winners — two spades, two hearts and three clubs. Since his goal is to make nine tricks, declarer must formulate a plan to develop two additional tricks.

He notes that he can definitely gain a diamond trick simply by leading toward the K-Q, at the same time concluding that two diamond tricks

are certain if West was dealt the ace.

South also notes that an additional club trick is possible if the suit is divided 3-3, or if the singleton or doubleton jack was dealt to either opponent, or if he chooses to finesse against the jack.

Since there is no hurry about testing the clubs, South takes East's king of spades with the ace and leads a diamond to the queen. East wins with the ace and returns a spade, on which declarer plays the eight. He does this for two reasons — he wants to exhaust East of spades, and he is curious to learn how many spades West started with.

West wins and returns another spade to South's queen as East discards a heart. Declarer leads a diamond to the king, hoping the jack will fall, but East shows out, discarding another heart.

South now has only one hope left — to score four club tricks. But before tackling the suit, he cashes the A-K of hearts. When both defenders follow suit, the contract becomes a certainty.

West has thus far shown up with five spades, four diamonds and two hearts, and therefore cannot have more than two clubs. Accordingly, South leads the ten of clubs to the ace, a low club to the king and returns a low club from dummy. When East plays the eight, South finesses the nine with absolute assurance that the finesse will win and provide him with his ninth trick.

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Mercury in Gemini hits a dead halt and does an about face today. In a few days, the planet of communication will start delivering the mail to the right post office box and call back the vixens that made our computers their workshop for the past three and a half weeks. Whether the message was received today remains to be seen.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). In an "aha" moment (perhaps involving an astute Pisces) your perception of your personal life changes, even if the facts of your actual circumstance seem relatively the same. And perception is everything.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Scandals of the romance novel or tabloid hot sheet variety hold

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

intrigue. As for the real-life, in-your-own-backyard kind of news, it's best to stay out of it now. Likely the word on the street is neither accurate nor fair.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When you give loved ones the gift of clean dishes or lunch, you don't expect much. A simple smile will do. If said smile is replaced with a complaint, withholding future bounty works just fine to set the scale of gratitude right.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Working with others is your specialty now. You notice people's strengths and point out talents they didn't even realize were talents. You could be asked to do a new and important job for this very reason.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You communicate well with those from a different species. Pets adore you and want to please. Note when you see wildlife, even if it's an ant on the concrete, and pay attention to what you might learn from the creature.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your patrons are interested in one thing only -- how they feel around you. Your credentials, experience and the other pertinent details are superfluous to the main point: giving the superstar treatment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're human; mistakes are part of the deal. So is mortality. What are you going to do? Dwell on the obvious? Some around you will, which is a sign that you should go elsewhere fast.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Someone is asking you for a deeper commitment. Well, maybe this

person hasn't actually said this yet, but you know it's coming. Get your answer straight now so you'll be ready.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Whatever is on your mind, you get the sneaking suspicion it's not what others are thinking, and you're right. There are times when you move to the common beat, but right now you're dancing to your own iPod.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Friends are "up in your business." They mean well -- you're so interesting right now, you really can't blame them. Still, it's better not to tell all. Don't even tell most. Telling nothing is the best.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Easy connections aren't as appealing to you now as someone who poses a challenge. The untouchable, aloof person you know is actually yearning to be reached, and you're the one to do it. Observe, listen and wait.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Passive acceptance of the moment is beautiful in theory. It's just that it's hard to get there when you're feeling this ambitious. The edginess inside you will compel you to move work and/or love forward.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I have often wondered about how the elements (earth, air, water, fire) interact, as I am a Leo with a Pisces moon. I've always been an atypical Leo -- less confident and showy than a normal Leo -- and have wondered if my watery moon sometimes douses my fiery sun. How does this work?"

In this world where

everyone's trying to shine brighter and bigger, it is a solar world we're living in, isn't it? And yet, all the ways I take care of "me," the moon's domain, is exactly what keeps our sun, the ego, purring. Astrology says the moon is our personality, and Pisces moon is softer, inspiring a more fanciful, imaginative version of the lioness than the "typical" Leo. You do have the creative command and charisma shared by every Leo, and others see this in you. And helping a lost soul find their way home, or getting your "om" on bring their own creative fulfillment and well-being, too. A water-fire combination merges passion and compassion, and while softer, is highly dramatic! Elementally speaking, no one element in our birth chart steals fire from the other -- they work together -- making you uniquely and expressively you.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Isabella Rossellini embodies the light, effervescent beauty of a Gemini woman. And with both the sun and Venus in Gemini, she's a woman of many faces. Model, author and filmmaker, she once made a tribute film to her father, director Roberto Rossellini, and played almost every role -- from Alfred Hitchcock to her mother, Ingrid Bergman -- herself! Multi-faceted, she looks good from all angles.

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, or you may send her a postcard in the mail.

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: "Lynne" and I have been dating for over two years, and her parents and I get along very well, but a continuing situation with her mother has me perplexed and angry.

Lynne, 17, has been working part time for the last three years, trying to save for college. Several months ago, she confided that her mother has been taking money from her bank account. This amount now totals in the thousands of dollars. I do not feel this action is justified or fair.

If her mother needed money so badly, why didn't she just explain the financial situation and ask for help instead of going behind Lynne's back? I think Lynne deserves to be reimbursed, but at the very least, she should get an explanation and apology. This money is crucial to Lynne's academic future. Is there anything I can do? -- Mad in Michigan

Dear Mad: We don't know why Lynne's mother is taking money from the account, or why she still has access. She certainly should not be going behind her daughter's back. Many parents supply the seed money for a child's savings account, and it's possible Mom has been taking money she believes is her own. Or, Mom anticipates that she and Dad will pay for Lynne's college tuition and considers the money an "advance." In any event, this is truly not your business. You should encourage Lynne to discuss the matter with her parents and visit the bank to set up an account in her own name.

Dear Annie: Well, it happened again. I have trouble forgiving my dear women "friends" who beg to be introduced to my



KATHY MITCHELL
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new beau and then, in some offhanded way, remind him that I'm older than he is. You can't believe what lengths they go to in order to make this point in front of him.

I'm so tired of comments like, "Fifty years ago, when you and I graduated from high school" or "Remember that women OUR age have to consider Ö blah, blah, blah." They are otherwise really good ladies whose company I enjoy -- but not when I'm with my men friends.

Please do me a favor and print this so they can see why I don't like to invite them to my parties. -- Fit and Beautiful from the Midwest

Dear Fit: If you think having younger boyfriends is a sign of fitness and beauty, this could be part of the problem. Either you're preening too much over your ability to attract these men, or your female friends are jealous. By forcing your boyfriends to acknowledge your age, they are attempting to level the playing field. We suggest you ignore the not-so-subtle sniping.

Dear Annie: I had a different take on the letter from "Desperate in Illinois," whose husband is friendly with a female co-worker. She sounded quite insecure.

Men and women work together all the time. It is wrong to assume they will have affairs. If the marriage is healthy, nothing will happen. I went through the same thing. After the indignities of being escorted to work, having my home phone tapped and my male friend treated to a telephonic tirade, the result was, I lost a dear friend and broke off a seven-year relationship that had deteriorated into accusations, mistrust and arguments over something that never would have happened.

Jumping to conclusions is the Olympic sport that many of us, unfortunately, are pretty good at. If "Desperate" continues to insult her hubby by not trusting him and makes his home life unbearable, she will lose him and it will be her fault for driving him away. -- Secure and Single Lady in Pennsylvania

Dear Secure: We believe in trusting one's intuition. If nothing is going on, Hubby should have no problem reassuring his wife by offering to see this woman only under work-related circumstances. But if he gives her a hard time about it, it means he values that friendship more than his wife's feelings, justified or not.

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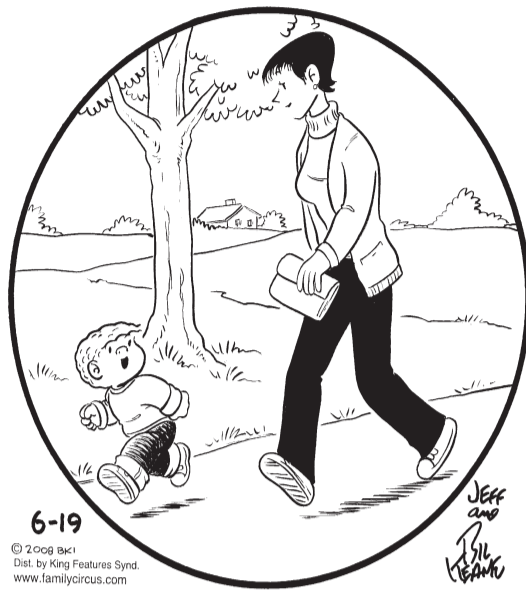
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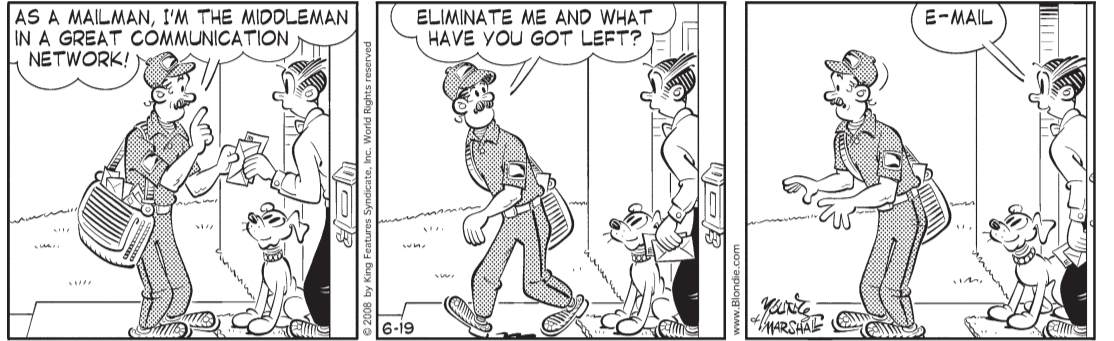
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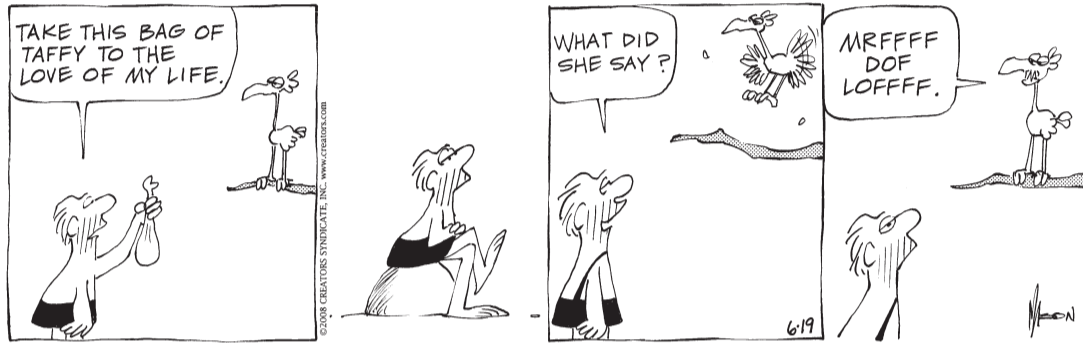
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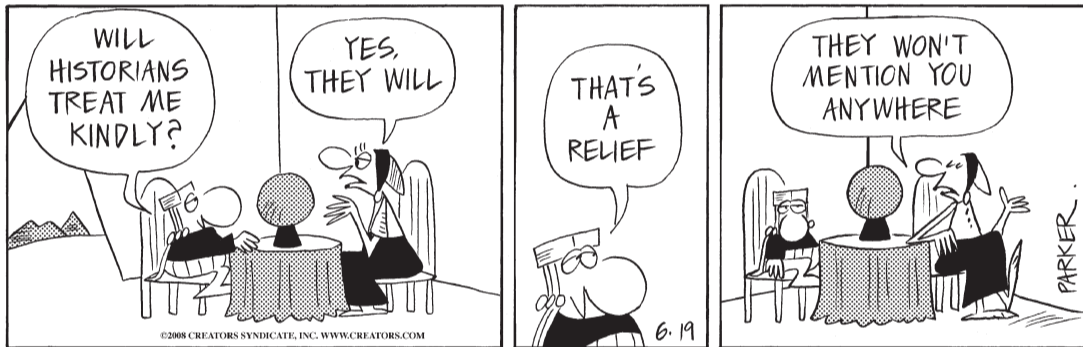


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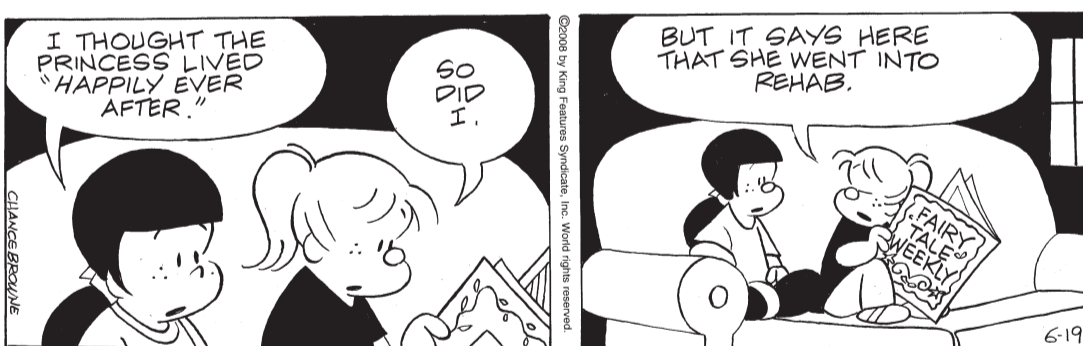
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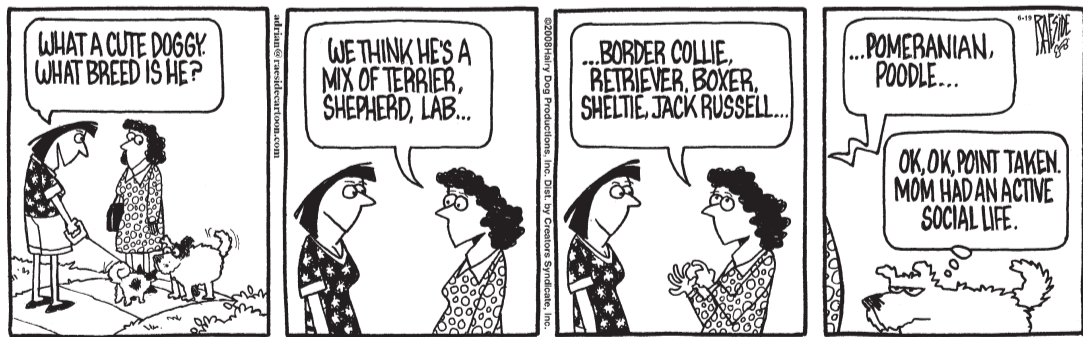
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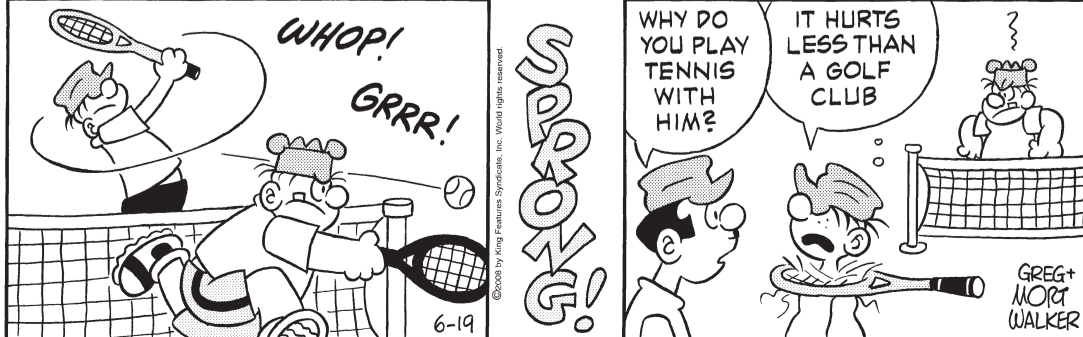
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, June 19, the 171st day of 2008. There are 195 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On June 19, 1865, Union troops commanded by Maj. Gen. Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas, with news that the Civil War was over, and that all remaining slaves in Texas were free. (This event is celebrated as "Juneteenth.")
On this date:
In 1862, slavery was outlawed in U.S. territories.
In 1910, Father's Day was celebrated for the first time, in Spokane, Wash.
In 1917, during World War I, King George V ordered the British royal family to dispense with German titles and surnames; the family took the name "Windsor."
In 1934, the Federal Communications Commission was created; it replaced the Federal Radio Commission.
In 1938, four dozen people were killed when a railroad bridge in Montana collapsed, sending a

train known as the "Olympian" hurtling into Custer Creek.
In 1952, the celebrity-panel game show "I've Got A Secret" made its debut on CBS-TV with Garry Moore as host.
In 1953, Julius Rosenberg, 35, and his wife, Ethel, 37, convicted of conspiring to pass U.S. atomic secrets to the Soviet Union, were executed at Sing Sing Prison in Ossining, N.Y.
In 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was approved by the Senate, 73-27, after surviving a lengthy filibuster.
In 1977, Pope Paul VI proclaimed a 19th-century Philadelphia bishop, John Neumann, the first male U.S. saint.
In 1986, University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias, the first draft pick of the Boston Celtics, suffered a fatal cocaine-induced seizure.
One year ago: A truck bomb struck a Shiite mosque in central Baghdad, killing at least 87 people. President Bush and visiting Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert sided emphatically with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas in his standoff with the militant group Hamas.
Today's Birthdays: Actress Gena Rowlands is 78. Singer Spanky McFarlane (Spanky and Our Gang)

is 66. Nobel peace laureate Aung San Suu Kyi is 63. Actress Phylicia Rashad is 60. Rock singer Ann Wilson (Heart) is 58. Musician Larry Dunn is 55. Actress Kathleen Turner is 54. Country singer Doug Stone is 52. Singer Mark DeBarge is 49. Singer-dancer "American Idol" judge Paula Abdul is 46. Actor Andy Lauer is 45. Rock singer-musician Brian Vander Ark (Verve Pipe) is 44. Rock musician Brian "Head" Welch is 38. Actress Robin Tunney is 36. Actor Bumper Robinson is 34. Actress Poppy Montgomery is 33. Actress Zoe Saldana is 30. Actor Paul Dano is 24.
Thought for Today: "One has two duties -- to be worried and not to be worried." -- E.M. Forster, British author (1879-1970).
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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 ___ through (scans)
6 Chunk of bacon
10 Cone bearers
14 *Tiny Alice* playwright
15 Actor Rob or Chad
16 "What's ___ for me?"
17 One on the wing
18 Natural soother
19 *Playbill* listing
20 Symbol of a feast
22 ___ 18 (Uris novel)
23 Suffix from the Russian
24 Maple leaf, for Canada
26 Husetop laborer
30 ___ Hawkins Day
32 AD part
33 Long tale
35 Cereal bit
39 Rings out
41 Tel. no. add-on
42 Ultimate
43 Annie's dog
44 Take five
46 Irish New Ager
47 River of Pakistan
49 Nadal of tennis
51 Candle holder
54 Grand total
55 Do laundry
56 Not readily ignited
63 Ancient Peruvian
64 Contraption designer Goldberg

DOWN
1 Guffaw, informally
2 Singer Fitzgerald
3 "This won't hurt ___!"
4 Yard divisions
5 Peaceful
6 Hanging loose
7 *Damn Yankees* enticer
8 MP's quarry
9 Complained
10 Solid conviction
11 How sardines may be packed
12 Lunar valley
13 Geyser output
21 In ___ straits
25 Put in a snit
26 Strikes, as a door
27 Top draft rating
28 "___ unrelated note..."
29 Bisect, in a way
30 Boxcars pair
31 Does something
34 Andean land
36 Paquin of *The Piano*
37 Danny who played Mitty

38 Line to Ben-Gurion
40 In ___ (together)
45 In perfect alignment
48 Pay all or part of
50 More plentiful
51 Big gulps
52 Lake rental
53 Felix's roommate
54 Get a whiff of
57 Sumptuousness
58 Genesis shepherd
59 Super review
60 Raw materials
61 Fairy tale brute
62 Suffix with gab or slug

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Dear Margo: Hey, Buddy, Put Your Clothes On

Dear Margo: I have been dating a man for a year. He's been divorced for two years. He has a daughter who will be turning 7 in about four months. The concern I have about his relationship with his daughter is that he has to sleep with her because she insists on it. But a bigger concern is that he allows her to see him naked at all times. I have told him I don't think this is appropriate, and he accuses me of being jealous of their relationship. He has also slept in the nude with her. That has finally stopped, but he continues to dress in front of her and lets her in the bathroom as he showers and finishes his business. Please let me know if I am overreacting or if there is harm in this. — *Getting a Headache*



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Dear Get: Whether or not this man understands it, his behavior with a daughter that age is both inappropriate and seductive. Your problem with him, however, goes beyond this. His defensiveness — saying you are jealous of the "relationship" — suggests he believes that whatever he thinks is the truth; that's a form of disordered thinking. While there may be nothing overtly sexual between him and the child, he is obviously insensitive to the effect his exhibitionist behavior has on his daughter. One course of action, prior to bailing out of the romance, would be to propose seeing a sophisticated child therapist, as a couple, to talk about his practices and your concerns. That might be immediately clarifying because I'm betting he would either refuse to go, or blow up at the idea of going to an expert when he is the only expert he recognizes. — *Margo, corroboratively*

Do You Tattoo?
Dear Margo: I am 28 and have been happily married to my wife for a little more than five years. I am currently away on an extended business trip and received an e-mail from my wife stating that she is considering going with her younger sister to get a tattoo. One of the things I have always found feminine and attractive about my wife is that she'd never marked her body with tattoos. While I understand that they are more popular and socially acceptable these days, that doesn't change the way I feel about them on my wife. Please dispense any helpful advice you may have. — *Trouble with Tats*

Dear Trub: When I was your age, the tattooed population consisted mostly

of servicemen who'd gotten drunk or women who kept company with the Hells Angels, so, yes, you are quite right about tattoos having become respectable. In fact, my own daughter has a tiny star tattooed on her hand ... and it wouldn't surprise me if Mrs. Clinton sported an American flag somewhere we can't see, since she doesn't wear a flag pin. In your particular situation, one consideration would be what your wife wants to have inked on her body and where. I doubt that she'd be going for a bunch of roses and a snake. Many women wouldn't do this if there were stated objections on the part of her husband. On the other hand, it's her body and her aesthetic. If she is absolutely decided about getting a tattoo, I hope you will be accepting and pat yourself on the back for being "with it." — *Margo, compromisingly*

When Your Life Is a Soap Opera
Dear Margo: I was divorced and unattached for 10 years before meeting and eventually marrying a wonderful woman I thought I knew quite well. We happily dated for 18 months prior to marriage, with no problems in the all-important area of compatibility, emotional or otherwise. She meshed easily with my friends and immediate family, as well as with my 18-year-old son, whom I had raised on my own. Moving forward one year, I come home early from work one day and catch my wife in bed with my 19-year-old son. Needless to say, my jaw dropped so fast you could hear it crack. It was an immediate and emotionally charged situation that ended with them both being told to get out, which

they did. The following morning, after a wretched night full of agony beyond description, I received a call from my son, who told me the two of them would be leaving town the following day to start a new life together. He told me they were in love but neither knew how to break the news to me. It had been going on for — you guessed it — one year. I was absolutely speechless. The following day, they packed their things while I was away from the house and left. It's been a month now and I haven't heard a word. I don't even know where they went. As for the soon-to-be ex-wife, good riddance. She'll reap what she's sown somewhere down the line. But my son is a different story. I am his dad and I love him. The horror of our relationship being destroyed this way is almost more than I can bear. I want there to be some way we can reconcile. In the meantime, I am left in anguish as I suffer through the pain of having two people I loved brutally ripped from my life. I am in need of discerning words of wisdom here. — *Lost in Space*

Dear Lost: Wow, this sounds like a B-movie, and you have my sympathies. When you say this woman "meshed easily" with everyone in your world, you weren't kidding. I think any woman who marries a man with a teenage son and kicks off a romance with him from the time of her marriage is beneath contempt. I also think that any woman who runs off with her husband's 19-year-old son is going to rue the day ... and if she doesn't, the kid will. It's just a question of who realizes the situation is loony first. Unless your son has independent

wealth, earning a living for him and his ... whatever ... is going to be a shock to his system. I think you are heroic to want to reconcile with your son, and I suspect at some point in the future you will get the chance. That will happen when he and what's-her-name have decided it was all a huge mistake. — *Margo, consolingly*

Keep Your Cookies, but How About a Big Check?

Dear Margo: I would like to know what you think of a mother-in-law who thinks nothing of asking my husband and me to donate thousands of dollars so she can name a room or terrace of a museum after my late father-in-law. This is a woman who won't buy a box of Girl Scout cookies from her granddaughter because she doesn't know how she would get them (she lives

140 miles away) and doesn't want "the temptation." Is this lame, or is it just me? — *Waiting to Exhale*

Dear Wait: I don't think your m-i-l's excuses regarding the cookies are lame. "Cheap" is the word I think you're looking for. Everybody buys Girl Scout cookies from the little girls; how could a grandmother say no? Even people who don't want the "temptation" buy them, then give them away. Her judgment, in general, seems a little off. Trying to strong-arm people who are not enthusiastic into giving to institutions for a naming opportunity is certainly tone deaf. The good news is that she lives 140 miles away. — *Margo, positively*

Dear Margo is written by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter. All letters must be sent via e-mail

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NOTICE OF A REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FILED WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC ("Oncor"), a regulated electric transmission and distribution company, wishes to inform you that on May 28, 2008, Oncor filed a Request for Approval of Advanced Metering System Deployment Plan and Advanced Metering System Surcharge with the Public Utility Commission of Texas, a copy of which Request is kept at Oncor's office at 1601 Bryan St., 23rd floor, Dallas, TX 75201.

depend upon whether retail electric providers pass along an approved surcharge to its customers. The surcharge will allow Oncor to recover reasonable and necessary costs incurred in deploying advanced metering systems to such affected customers.

If approved, the nonbypassable surcharge will go into effect on January 1, 2009. Affected persons include all residential and non-residential customers who are not required by the independent system operator to have an interval data recorder meter. Oncor is requesting a nonbypassable surcharge that, if approved, will be billed to retail electric providers serving residential customers or non-residential customers who are not required by the independent system operator to have an interval data recorder meter in Oncor's service area. Costs to affected retail electric customers will

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas (commission) as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is July 14, 2008.

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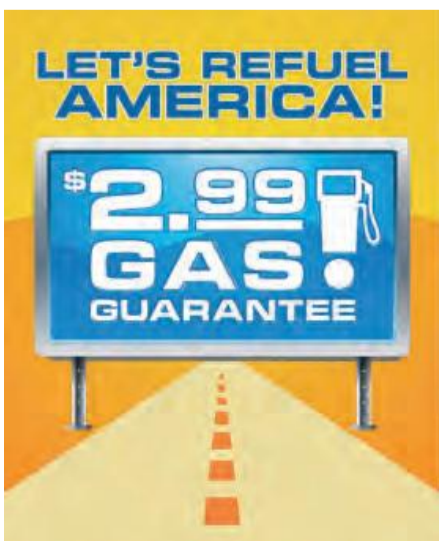
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