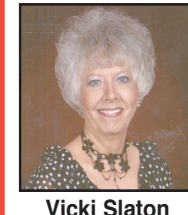




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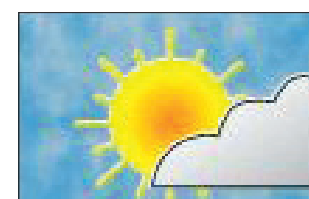
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Beat the heat, officials advise

As the temperature soars, opportunity for illness climbs

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

With temperatures expected to top out in the upper 90s during the coming week, officials with the Texas Department of State Health Services

(DSHS) are urging Texans to take precautions.

Emily Palmer, spokesperson for DSHS, said the elderly, the very young, people with chronic diseases and those without access to air

conditioning are those most likely to suffer in extremely hot weather.

"Typically, the most deaths are recorded in July, followed by August, then June," said Palmer. "Staying in an

air-conditioned area, either at home or in a public place such as a mall, library or recreation center, is the most effective way to combat heat. If air conditioning is not available, open the windows, pull

the shades down to keep out the sun and use cross-ventilation and fans to cool rooms."

Palmer said the symptoms of heat-related illnesses are

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K'lyn Rae Gillespie, who weighed just 2 pounds, 5.1 ounces when she was born, celebrated her birthday May 1 by digging into some cake. Top right, K'lyn Jae's mom, Jennifer, gives her a kiss at the neonatal intensive care unit at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa. At bottom right, just a few days old, K'lyn clings to life.

Courtesy photos

Miracle Baby

A year after she was born prematurely, K'lyn Jae Gillespie is all sugar & spice

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
News Editor

Little K'lyn Jae Gillespie is exploring the miracles of life — saying her first words, pulling herself up to a standing position, clapping wildly and generally creating as much mischief and laughter as a 1-year-old can. Her bright blue eyes and wide grin are infectious and her enthusiasm while attending a softball game or playing with friends at the Tot Stop day care in Big Spring don't give away the fact that only a short time ago, K'lyn Rae was fighting for her life.

"She's full of sugar and spice," says her mom, Jennifer Gillespie. "Other than being really small, she doesn't show any signs of prematurity at all."

Diagnosed with preeclampsia, Jennifer was in her 29th week of pregnancy when she gave

"It amazes us how our little town showed such love, prayers and friendship and we both fully believe that with God's healing and all the prayers, that is why we are where we are today."

—Jennifer Gillespie, K'lyn Jae's mom

birth to K'lyn in the neonatal intensive care unit at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa. Born by c-section May 1, 2008, K'lyn weighed just 2 pounds, 5.1 ounces.

Jennifer was released from the hospital

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Obama seeks 'new beginning'

Says cycle of suspicion between Muslims and United States 'must end'

By **MARK S. SMITH**

Associated Press Writer

CAIRO — Quoting from the Quran for emphasis, President Barack Obama called for a "new beginning between the United States and Muslims" Thursday and said together, they could confront violent extremism across the globe and advance the timeless search for peace in the Middle East.

"This cycle of suspicion and discord must end," Obama said in a widely anticipated speech in one of the world's largest Muslim countries, an address designed to reframe relations after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and the U.S.-led war in Iraq.

The White House said Obama's speech contained no new policy proposals on the Middle East. He said American ties with Israel are unbreakable, yet issued a firm, evenhanded call to the Jewish state and Palestinians alike to live up to their international obligations.

In a gesture to the Islamic world, Obama conceded at the beginning of his remarks that tension "has been fed by colonialism that denied rights and opportunities to many Muslims, and a Cold War in which Muslim-majority countries were often treated as proxies without regard to their own aspirations."

"And I consider it part of



AP Photo/Pablo Martinez Monsivais
U.S. President Barack Obama speaks at Cairo University in Cairo. Obama called for a "new beginning between the United States and Muslims," declaring that "this cycle of suspicion and discord must end."

my responsibility as president of the United States to fight against negative stereotypes of Islam wherever they appear," said the president, who recalled hearing prayer calls of "azaan" at dawn and dusk while living in Indonesia as a boy.

At the same time, he said the same principle must apply in reverse. "Just as Mus-

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Rodeo banners? Time to 'cowboy up'

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Banners, anyone? That's the question the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is asking, as the local organization wraps up

its annual rodeo banner promotion in preparations for the 76th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, slated for June 18-20 at the Howard County Rodeo Bowl.

Chamber Director Debbye ValVerde said area business-

es can "cowboy up" this season by sponsoring the red, white and blue tapestries.

"The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is working with the Rodeo As-

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Magic, Lakers ready to tip off NBA Finals

TOM WITHERS

AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES — Sporting a body-hugging tank top, Dwight Howard bounded onto the press conference podium flashing his megawatt smile and muscles on muscles.

Unsure where to sit, he looked at the high chair to his right, a perch he was told was reserved for Los Angeles coach Phil Jackson.

Not there. So Howard slid into a seat occupied moments earlier by Lakers star Kobe Bryant, whose interview session was cold and charmless. Orlando's super center was just the opposite. He beamed like a little kid at the circus and then announced his arrival at the NBA finals.

"This is the chance of a lifetime to be playing for a championship," Howard said. "Our motivation is

greatness. We want to be a great team."

They'll have their chance.

Overlooked for months and an underdog through-out the Magic of the playoffs, the Magic will return to the finals for the first time since 1995 on Thursday night when they take on the Lakers at Staples Center.

Orlando hasn't been on the big hardwood stage since they had Shaquille O'Neal, their original Superman, breaking backboards and roaming the paint on both ends. The Magic are back, and Howard and his band of merry marksmen are relishing that they aren't being given much of a shot.

"We've always been overlooked," Howard said. "We were over-

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AP Photo/Chris Carlson

Orlando center Dwight Howard talks with the media during a news conference in Los Angeles Wednesday. The Los Angeles Lakers face the Magic in Game 1 of the NBA Finals Thursday.



AP Photo/Kathy Willens

Texas pitcher Scott Feldman delivers during the second inning of the Rangers' game against New York at Yankee Stadium in New York Wednesday.

Feldman improves to 5-0; Rangers top NY

JAY COHEN

AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — Scott Feldman stayed with the same game plan that has served him well during his successful run in Texas' rotation — get ground balls and watch the Rangers' defense gobble them up.

Feldman pitched into the seventh inning to win his third consecutive start and the Rangers cooled off the New York Yankees with a 4-2 victory Wednesday night.

Texas shortstop Elvis Andrus robbed Robinson Cano twice, and third baseman Michael Young deftly turned an inning-ending double play on Alex Rodriguez's bases-loaded grounder in the third.

"The play that Michael made was probably the play of the game and I think it really saved

us," Feldman said. "Elvis made a couple of spectacular plays, too, as everybody's sort of getting accustomed to now."

"I do better when I keep the ball on the ground. I'm not like a big strikeout type of pitcher."

Andrus and Ian Kinsler each had two hits for Texas, the best leapfrogged New York for the best record in the American League. Andrus is batting .417 (10 for 24) in his last seven road games.

Feldman (5-0) allowed two runs, one earned, and five hits in 6 1-3 innings. He is 5-0 with a 2.63 ERA in eight starts since he joined the rotation in April.

"Scott Feldman has been great since we put him in the starting rotation," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "He always does what you need him to do, keep you in the ballgame. He did

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Houston wins 4th straight

By CHRIS DUNCAN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Hunter Pence thought he might have a shot at an inside-the-park home run against Colorado on Wednesday night, but settled for a triple.

He left no doubt in his next at-bat, launch-

ing a solo home run to left field. The Houston right fielder also had two RBI singles to continue his sparkling start and help the Astros beat the Rockies 6-4 for their fourth straight victory.

"We have the confidence, we're picking up the urgency and picking each other up as a

team," said Pence, who has hits in 12 of his last 15 games. "We're playing every game with everything we've got."

The game was tied 3-3 in the fifth inning when Pence hit a towering drive off the wall in left-center, missing a home run by a few feet. The ball caromed sideways

and Pence was ready to round third and sprint for home, but third-base coach Dave Clark waved his arms to stop him.

The Astros then trailed 4-3 when Pence led off the seventh and he hammered a 2-1 slider from Jason Marquis (7-4) over the railroad tracks in left, his sixth

of the season.

"I feel like I have a good approach, I have an idea of what's going on," Pence said. "If I continue to put that bat up there every day, good things can happen."

Lance Berkman and Ivan Rodriguez also

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Sports in brief

Howard College Hawks national championship attire available

The Howard College Hawks are the 2009 Division I Junior College baseball national champions and T-shirts and hats commemorating the feat will be made available in the Howard College Bookstore.

The cost for each item is \$19.99 and could be available by Monday.

Contact the Howard College Bookstore at 264-5050 if you'd like to pre-order an article.

Black & Gold Tennis Tournament scheduled for Friday and Saturday

Figure 7 Tennis Center will host the Black & Gold Tennis Tournament Friday and Saturday.

The event is open to all ages with singles and doubles brackets available.

The tourney kicks off an 11-week circuit throughout West Texas. Entry fee is \$15 for one event and \$25 for two.

For more information, call Dana Jones at 557-3831.

Big Spring ISD announces sports skills camps

The Big Spring High School Athletic Department

will host a variety of sports skills camps during the summer.

Call Kay Cook at the Athletic Training Center with any questions at 264-3662.

Camp of Champs

Camp of Champs is a weight conditioning program geared to helping increase strength, quickness, speed and agility.

The program began today and continues through June 18 at the Athletic Training Center. There are two different sessions for different age groups.

Third through fifth graders attend from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., while sixth and seventh graders work out 11 a.m. to noon.

The camp is held Monday through Thursday during the allotted dates.

Cost is \$25 with an optional \$10 T-shirt fee.

Steers Baseball Skills Camp

Big Spring Steers Head Coach Burt Otto will host a baseball skills camp beginning Monday and ending June 11 at Steer Park for first through eighth graders.

Cost is \$25 with an optional T-shirt fee of \$10.

Lady Steers Basketball Skills Camp

Lady Steers Head Coach Mike Warren will lend

his skills in teaching a basketball camp for girls entering second through eighth grade June 22-25.

The camp will be split into two age groups. Second through fifth graders participate from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. each day at Steer Gym, while sixth through eighth graders take the court every day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$25 with an optional \$10 T-shirt fee.

Steers Football Skills Camp

A skills camp for first through eighth graders interested in football will be held June 15-18 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. each day at the Athletic Training Center.

Cost is \$25 with an optional T-shirt fee of \$10.

Wayland Baptist University conducting baseball tryouts

The Pioneer baseball coaching staff at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview is conducting a tryout camp for all graduating high school seniors and/or players with college eligibility remaining.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. June 13 at Wilder Field on the WBU campus. Tryouts follow at 9 a.m. There is no charge for the camp.

For more information or to make reservations, contact WBU Head Coach Brad Bass at (806) 291-1157 or Assistant Josh Milner at (806) 291-1158.

Obituaries

Cynthia Heath Ray

Cynthia Heath Ray died Tuesday, June 2, 2009, at her residence in Austin. An inspiration to all who knew her, Cynthia faced declining health, fighting three types of cancer for several years. Her courage, spirited determination and strong faith brought comfort to her, her family and friends.

Born to Mavis Barnett Heath and Judge William Womack (Bill) Heath in Austin in June 1934, Cynthia attended Pease Elementary, University Junior High and Austin High School where she excelled at tennis. After graduation, she entered Hollins College in Roanoke, Va. Her sophomore year she enrolled at The University of Texas at Austin, where Cynthia was a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and a Junior Helping Hand Debutante.

Cynthia married Bert Franklin Ingels and had three daughters, Mavis, Melodie and Julia. She returned to Austin with her daughters in 1962 and immersed herself in her children's activities.

Her love of nature and ranching was shared by her second husband, Dewey G. Ray, whom she married in 1966. They enjoyed more than 20 happy years in Big Spring with their family and friends. The love of her life, Dewey Ray, predeceased her in 1993.

In 1997, Cynthia returned to Austin where she happily reconnected with the Hubba-Hubbas and joined Nau's Lunch Bunch. As an active member of Tarrytown United Methodist Church, she enjoyed attending the Swift Sunday School Class and made many new friends. Cynthia also was a member of the Austin Assistance League.

Her passions were reading, gardening, watching sports and traveling with friends and family. As an avid Texas Longhorn fan, she attended UT games with her children and grandchildren. She also loved being at the family ranch in the hill country.

Cynthia was devoted to her friends and to her family. To the grandchildren she was affectionately known as "Honey." She enjoyed attending dance recitals, tennis matches, basketball games, football games and graduations. Cynthia enjoyed hosting gatherings and her bountiful table always was filled with wonderful food, beautiful flowers and warm hospitality. She was a charming, refined Southern lady.

Cynthia is survived by her daughter, Mavis Ray Griffith and husband Joseph F. Griffith of Dallas and their children, Joseph Heath Griffith, Katherine Mavis Griffith and Guy Womack Griffith; her daughter, Melodie Ray King and husband Rhett King of Corinth, and their daughter, Natalie Ray King; her daughter, Julia Baines Ray of Austin; her daughter, Hanne Ray Overton and husband Dr. Phil Overton of Austin, and their daughter, Hanne-Lise Overton Parker and her husband Jay Parker, and their daughter, Morgan Leigh Parker of Park City, Kan.; her son, Steven K. Ray and wife Gloria Smith Ray of Conroe, and their daughter Christal Leigh Ray.

Cynthia is survived by her sister, Linda Heath Nelson and her husband Schuler Nelson of Fort Worth, and their children Bill Hester, Dylan Hester, Jennifer Nelson Johnson and Mitchell Nelson. Also surviving Cynthia are her cousins, Will David Davis and his wife Ann of Austin, Guy Hill Heath and his wife Donna of New Braunfels and James Neal Heath Jr. and his wife Frieda of Longview.

Honorary pallbearers will be Will Davis, Roger Joseph, Hank McNamara, Shuler Nelson, Phil Overton, Steve Ray and Charles Sikes. Serving as pallbearers will be Guy Womack Griffith, J. Heath Griffith, Joe Griffith, Guy Heath, Jim Heath, Bill Hester, Dylan Hester and Rhett King.

Visitation will be held Friday, June 5, from 2-4 p.m. and then from 6-8 p.m. with family present, at Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home, 3125 N. Lamar. A celebration of life service will be held at Tarrytown United Methodist Church, 2601 Exposition, on Saturday, June 6 at 11 a.m. A service of Committal will follow at Austin Memorial Park.

Memorial donations may be made in memory of Cynthia H. Ray to The Assistance League of Austin, Tarrytown United Methodist Church or a charity of one's choice.

Arrangements are by Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home, 3125 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin 78705 (512) 452-8811. Obituary and guestbook online at wcfish.com
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Support Groups

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 Golliard for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

Margaret Louise Ray

Margaret Louise Ray, 86, of New Braunfels, formerly of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 3, 2009, in a New Braunfels nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 6, 2009, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Jan. 22, 1923, in Thurber and married Oliver Ames Ray in 1940 in Letexo. He preceded her in death in 1969.

She lived in Big Spring from 1955 until 2005, when she moved to New Braunfels. She was a homemaker. A devoted member of College Park Church of God, she held the position of Sunday School teacher and Sunday School superintendent for several years. She volunteered at the Big Spring State Hospital Chalet for many years.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Larry Ames Ray and wife, Helen, of New Braunfels; one granddaughter; two great grandsons; one brother, William R. Hall of Robert Lee; and several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, James Artie Hall and Minnie Leola Kitchen; four sisters, Dorothy Tullis, Linnie Issac, Florence Brewer and Myrtle Moore; and one brother, E.L. Hall.

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

Ruby P. Gill

Ruby P. Gill, 96, of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 3, 2009, at Marcy House. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

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

- PRECILIANO VIERA JR., 40, of New Mexico, was arrested Wednesday on three local warrants.
- ARLINDA ROSALES SMITH, 57, of 1703 W. Third St., was arrested Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- AARON SCOTT COMBS, 22, of 1514 Vines, was arrested Wednesday on two local warrants.
- BRENTON YATER, 19, of 520 Scott, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- IVY LYNN LEDESMA, 27, of 1503 Cherokee, was arrested Thursday on four local warrants.
- THEFT was reported:
in the 1700 block of Runnels.
in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
in the 2100 block of Monticello.
- ASSAULT BY THREATS was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg Street.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 1900 block of Highway 87.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 78 inmates at the time of this report.




- AARON COMBS, 22, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on two local warrants.
- IVY LYNN LEDESMA, 26, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a local warrant and charges of failure to appear (two counts) and no driver's license.
- ARLINDA SMITH, 57, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a local warrant and a charge of public intoxication.
- PRECILIANO VIERA, 40, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on two local warrants and a charge of violation of a promise to appear.
- BRENTON LAUREN YATER, 19, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 200 block of Gregg Street. Three people were transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 600 block of N.E. Broadway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 800 block of W. Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC.

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| Scattered clouds with the possibility of an isolated thunderstorm developin. | Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s. | Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the upper 60s. |

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Bulletin Board

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

TODAY

- League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. The public is invited.
- Genealogy Society of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
- 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 St. Mary's Episcopal Church. 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 Cruisers cruise Gregg Street and at the Sonic Drive-In beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.
- Big Spring Squares. Call 263-6305 for more information.

Take Note

• An account to defray funeral costs for the family of Justin Hernandez has been set up at Western Bank — formerly known as First Bank of West Texas — located on FM 700. Hernandez was killed in a shooting May 29. For more information, contact the bank at 267-1113.

• The Pentecostals of Big Spring will have a silent auction and barbecue at the corner of 11th Place and Locust St. from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday to support Sunday School department summer youth camps. The barbecue meal will include brisket, beans and potato salad, including all the trimmings for \$7.50 per plate.

• Chorus rehearsals for Pops in the Park are from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. June 9, 16, 23 and 30 at the First United Methodist Church. Parking is on the corner of Fifth and Gregg streets. Pops in the Park, Big Spring's annual symphony and fireworks show, will be held July 3 in the Comanche Trail Park amphitheater.

• A reception for retiring Coahoma Independent School District employees will be held from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, in the Coahoma Community Center. Everyone is invited.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 2-18-32-43-48-50.
Number matching six of six: 0.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 4-7-16-29-31.
Number matching five of five: 0.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-9-5-3. Sum It Up: 19.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-8-1. Sum It Up: 14.

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looked in the first series against Philly. We were overlooked against Boston. We were overlooked against the Cavs, and we're still overlooked. We don't want to be a team that everybody picks to win, because I think as a young team, once everybody starts saying, 'OK, you're this or you're that,' sometimes you tend to forget what got you there.

"Everybody picking against us motivates us. It drives us to do something greater."

To understand these two teams and their differences, one need look no further than the two team's respective superstars: Bryant and Howard.

The 30-year-old Bryant, with three championship rings in his jewelry box, is looking for his first without Shaq, his former teammate with whom he shared a love/hate relationship.

But Bryant, who maintained a stone-faced look throughout his interview session, doesn't feel he needs a post-Shaq championship for his legacy.

"Not at all," Bryant said. "It means nothing. To me, it's about winning another one, just because I want to win another one. People think Shaq would have won a championship without me on that team. They're crazy."

O'Neal, a 7-foot timeline connecting finals appearances by both franchises, posted a message on his Twitter feed saying he was pulling for Bryant.

"I am saying it today and today only," Shaq tweeted. "I want kobe bryant to get number four, spread da word."

Bryant said he and his teammates have learned from last year's Boston massacre, when they were beaten in Game 6 by 39 points. This time, the focus, the drive, everything will be different with the Lakers.

"We've been through this hoopla," Bryant said. Los Angeles would seem to have everything — history, experience, star power, coaching, A-List celebrities — over Orlando.

The Lakers have won 14 titles, Orlando, 0.

The Lakers have won 61 finals games, Orlando, 0.

Jackson has nine championship rings, Orlando's Stan Van Gundy 1 — but he got it as an assistant and doesn't know where it is.

RANGERS

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that tonight very well."

Jorge Posada homered for the second straight day for New York, which had won five of six and 16 of 20. Andy Pettitte, who left his previous start with a stiff back, looked shaky in his five-inning outing.

"I was just not good," Pettitte said. "That's all there is to it."

The Yankees were without first baseman Mark Teixeira, scratched with a bruised right ankle. Teixeira was injured when he made a hard slide into Andrus to break up a double play in New York's 12-3 victory Tuesday night.

C.J. Wilson replaced Feldman with a runner on first in the seventh and got Brett Gardner to ground into a fielder's choice before Derek Jeter took a called third strike to end the inning.

Wilson then worked the eighth before Frank Francisco got three outs for his 12th save in 12 opportunities.

Feldman, Wilson and Francisco skillfully adhered to the scouting report on Yankee Stadium, keeping the ball down at New York's cozy new home. Hideki Matsui's fly ball to center for the second out in the ninth was the only putout by a Rangers outfielder.

"We weren't swinging the bats particularly well, but Feldman was good," Yankees manager Joe Girardi said.

Posada's drive leading off the seventh was his eighth of the season and No. 91 at the \$1.5 billion field. The record for most homers in the first 25 games at a major league ballpark is 95 at Houston's Enron Field in 2000, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

Pettitte (5-2) never looked comfortable on a damp and unseasonably cold night in the Bronx.

A steady rain fell on the field for about two hours but it let up right before the game, delaying the start by 12 minutes before giving way to a chilly, 55-degree evening.

Pettitte uncharacteristically issued leadoff walks in three of the first four innings and finished with a season-high six in his shortest outing of the year. The 36-year-old lefty walked five in his previous start against Cleveland before leaving in the sixth with a stiff back.

The Rangers took advantage of Pettitte's control problems to score three times in the first. Kinsler walked and scored on Nelson Cruz's one-out single. Murphy followed Cruz's hit with another walk, setting up Marlon Byrd's run-scoring fielder's choice.

Texas wasted a chance for an even bigger start when Byrd was thrown out at third trying to advance on Chris Davis' RBI single, ending the inning.

ASTROS

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drove in runs for the Astros, who've won five of six overall.

Chris Sampson held the Rockies scoreless in the eighth and ninth to earn his third save in four chances. Houston manager Cecil Cooper said he stretched Sampson for two innings to rest closer LaTroy Hawkins, who'd pitched in the last three games.

"I knew that if anyone was on the back end, more than likely, it was going to be me," said Sampson, who dropped his ERA to 1.91. "I'm having a good year so far, just got to keep it going."

Tim Byrdak (1-1) pitched a perfect seventh in relief of starter Brian Moehler to get the win.

Ian Stewart hit a three-run homer off Moehler for the Rockies, who've lost four in a row and seven of their last eight games against Houston.

The Astros started the bottom of the first with four consecutive singles off Marquis to build a 3-0 lead.

Leadoff man Michael Bourn scored on Pence's hit and Carlos Lee singled to load the bases. Berkman grounded out, but Miguel Tejada scored and Rodriguez then singled up the middle to drive home Pence.

Moehler allowed only two singles through the first four

innings. Brad Hawpe and Seth Smith started the fifth with singles before Stewart drove a 1-0 pitch into the upper deck in right, his eighth homer of the season.

Dexter Fowler doubled to center leading off the sixth, advanced on Clint Barmes' bunt and scored on Todd Helton's sacrifice fly to put the Rockies ahead 4-3.

Marquis was mad at himself for allowing Pence's tying homer.

"I made some good pitches and I battled out of some jams," he said. "But I didn't make a smart pitch in the seventh. I shouldn't have let myself get beat by a secondary pitch."

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HEAT

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no joking matter, and could lead to serious health problems — even death.

“Symptoms of heat illness include heavy sweating, muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, nausea, weak but rapid pulse and headaches,” said Palmer. “People with these symptoms should find shade, drink water slowly and make sure there is good ventilation.

“To help a person showing severe symptoms, get the victim into shade, call for emergency medical services and start cooling the person immediately with cool water or by fanning. If fluids are not replaced soon enough, heat stroke can follow causing extremely high body temperature, red and dry skin, rapid

pulse, confusion, brain damage, loss of consciousness and death.”

And with so many children home during the summer holiday, Palmer said parents should be vigilant when it comes to the heat.

“Children, especially, can quickly become dehydrated,” said Palmer. “They need to drink fluids frequently, especially water, and wear light-colored, loose-fitting clothes. Avoid drinks that are heavily sweetened or contain caffeine. Check on children often, especially if they are playing outside in high temperatures.”

Palmer suggests following a few simple rules when the temperature begins to rise:

- Never leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle in hot weather, even for a short time.
- Drink plenty of fluids, but

avoid drinks with alcohol, caffeine or a lot of sugar. Don't wait until you are thirsty. Start drinking fluids at least 30 minutes before going out.

- Plan strenuous outdoor activity for early morning or evening when the temperature is lower.
- Take frequent breaks when working outside.
- Wear sunscreen SPF (sunscreen protection factor) 15 or higher, wide-brimmed hats and light-colored, loose-fitting clothes.
- Eat more frequently, but be sure meals are well balanced, cool and light.
- Dress infants and children in cool, loose clothing. Shade their heads and faces with hats or an umbrella.
- Check frequently on the elderly, the ill and others who may need help.
- Adjust to the environment. A sudden change in tempera-

ture — an early heat wave or travel to a hotter climate — will be stressful to the body. Limit physical activity until you become accustomed to the heat.

- Check with a doctor about the effects of sun and heat when taking prescription drugs, especially diuretics or antihistamines.

Palmer said the body's defense mechanism against higher temperatures — sweating — isn't always effective enough to protect people from the heat, especially when combined with other health and environmental factors.

“The body normally cools down by sweating. But under some conditions, sweating is not enough,” said Palmer. “The body's temperature may rise rapidly to dangerous levels, leading to the possibility of heat illness or death.

“A combination of high tem-

peratures and high humidity especially can cause this natural cooling system to work overtime. When humidity is high, sweat may not evaporate efficiently, preventing the body from releasing heat quickly. The stress of hard physical activity, fatigue, dehydration, heart disease, obesity, poor circulation, sunburn and prescription drug and alcohol use also contribute to heat-related health problems.

“Prevention is the best defense against heat-related illness. Staying cool, drinking plenty of fluids, wearing cool clothing and monitoring outdoor activities are essential to staying healthy in hot weather.”

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Actor David Carradine found dead in hotel room in Bangkok

BANGKOK (AP) — Actor David Carradine, star of the 1970s TV series “Kung Fu” who also had a wide-ranging career in the movies, has been found dead in the Thai capital, Bangkok. A news report said he was found hanged in his hotel room and was believed to have committed suicide.

A spokesman for the U.S. Embassy, Michael Turner, confirmed the death of the 72-year-old actor. He said the embassy was informed by Thai authorities that Carradine died either late Wednesday or early Thursday, but he could not provide further details out of consideration for his family.

The Web site of the Thai newspaper *The Nation* cited unidentified police sources as saying Carradine was found Thursday hanged in his luxury hotel room.

It said Carradine was in Bangkok to shoot a movie and had been staying at the hotel since Tuesday.

OBAMA

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lims do not fit a crude stereotype, America is not the crude stereotype of a self-interested empire.”

Obama's remarks drew a positive response from corners of the world not given to complimenting the United States.

“There is a change between the speech of President Obama and previous speeches made by George Bush,” said Fawzi Barhoum, a Hamas spokesman in Gaza. But he complained that Obama did not specifically note the suffering in Gaza following the three-week Israeli incursion

earlier this year and did not apologize for U.S. military attacks in Iraq and Afghanistan.

In Iran, Mohammad Ali Abtahi, a cleric who was vice president under reformist President Mohammad Khatami, called the speech “compensation to hostile environment which was created during President Bush.”

“This can be an initial step for removing misconceptions between world of Islam and the West,” he said.

Obama spoke at Cairo University after meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak on the second stop of a four-nation trip to the Middle East and Europe.

The speech was the centerpiece of his journey, and while its tone was striking, the president also

covered the Middle East peace process, Iran, the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq and the violent struggle waged by al-Qaida.

Obama arrived in the Middle East on Wednesday, greeted by a new and threatening message from al-Qaida's leader, Osama bin Laden. In an audio recording, the terrorist leader said the president inflamed the Muslim world by ordering Pakistan to crack down on militants in the Swat Valley and block Islamic law there.

But Obama said the actions of violent extremist Muslims are “irreconcilable with the rights of human beings,” and quoted the Quran to make his point: “be conscious of God and always speak the truth ...”

MIRACLE

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a week later, but it would be 75 days before K'lyn would be strong enough to leave. During that time, Jennifer and her husband, Heath, were almost always at K'lyn's side. Their employers — Jennifer works for Parks Insurance Agency, Heath for Cornell Corrections — and coworkers arranged for the couple to have as much time off work as possible. As time wore on, K'lyn's parents were making a daily commute to Odessa and staying in an RV in the hospital parking lot on weekends. Though life centered around K'lyn Rae, the couple had other obligations, including two other daughters.

Jennifer credits “God's goodness” and the Medical Center Hospital and its staff for K'lyn's steady improvement.

“You never dream something like this is going to happen, but when it does, it's amazing to know that this neonatal intensive care unit is here in West Texas,” Jennifer said just weeks into K'lyn's battle for survival. “They have the best of the best equipment, the best doctors, the best nurses.”

Today, K'lyn is a healthy 18 pounds. Dr. Steve Ahmed sees after K'lyn's medical needs in Big Spring, but the soon-to-be-toddler will be reunited with some of the doctors and nurses on the neonatal intensive care unit in Odessa this weekend.

K'lyn will be featured on the Children's Miracle Network telethon, which will air on KWES-TV (channel 9) from 7 p.m. to midnight Friday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. K'lyn and the Gillespie family are to be at the Music City Mall — site of the telethon — at about 10 a.m. Saturday. It's not clear when they will

actually go on the air. When they do, it will be to tell K'lyn's story and make a plea so that other children can receive top medical care.

“I'd like people to donate in honor of K'lyn, if they can, because of how far she's come. Maybe it will help save another child's life,” says Jennifer. “All the money donated stays at Medical Center Hospital for the children, training for doctors and nurses and the equipment.”

It's that technology and knowledge that saved K'lyn's life, Jennifer believes.

She says her daughter has been steadily improving and, except for her size, is a typical baby.

“She's saying her first words — ‘Daddy,’ ‘hi’ and ‘bye.’ I wish she'd say ‘Momma,’” Jennifer expresses with a laugh. “She'll be walking in the next few weeks. She's just amazing.”

The family — Jennifer, Heath and daughters Hannah Darrow

and Chesney Gillespie, both 8 now — realizes it is possible K'lyn could have complications as she gets older.

“She's not showing any delayed signs of mobility or learning skills. That's wonderful,” says Jennifer. “Once she starts walking we'll know more. Vision and hearing problems take longer to show up. But we're optimistic she'll be just fine.”

K'lyn will likely have another seven months of RSV (respiratory syncytial virus) shots next year.

“They really do help her stay stronger during the months of the RSV season, and without those shots, we are honestly not sure where we would be right now,” explains Jennifer.

The older girls dote on their sister, Jennifer says, and since she and Heath coach in youth softball, K'lyn has become a “softball rat.”

Mostly, the family is thankful.

“I want to stress again

how much the community, family, friends and complete strangers pulled together to help us during our times of special needs with K'lyn Jae,” Jennifer says. “It amazes us how our little town showed such love, prayers and friendship, and we both fully believe that with God's healing and all the prayers, that is why we are where we are today.”

The Gillespies are members of Baptist Temple Church, where K'lyn is their “Miracle Baby.”

“She belongs to the church, for sure,” says Jennifer.

Editor's Note: You can find K'lyn Jae's story on the Web at <http://caringbridge.org/visit/klynjaegillespie>. Jennifer updates it from time to time and there is a journal, photos and a guestbook. K'lyn's grandparents are LouAnn Perry of Big Spring and the late J.L. Perry; Gramps and Mumsie Gillespie, also

known as Tony and Angela Gillespie of Knott; Verl and Ioma Shaw of Big Spring and Hallie Gillespie of Ackerly and the late Joe Gillespie.

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BANNERS

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sociation once again this year in helping to decorate the town with rodeo banners,” said ValVerde. “The banners are red, white and blue with a panel in the middle that has the word ‘Welcome’ in the middle.”

The size and cost of the banners is as diverse as the annual rodeo itself, according to ValVerde.

“The sizes and prices vary,” said ValVerde. “Friday is the deadline to order them because the company that puts them up is expected to be here this weekend to put them up.”

ValVerde said the banners — which serve as a fundraiser for the local Chamber — will be put up and tak-

en down by the same company as last year, offering area businesses a chance to show their support for the annual rodeo with little or no “physical” effort.

“The company we work with is Flying J Flag and Banner Service,” Newell explained. “They come in and put up the banners several days before the rodeo and then they take them down after the rodeo is over. You don't have to lift a finger — they do all the work.”

For more information on rodeo banners, call the Big Spring Chamber at 263-7641 or visit them at 215 West Third Street.

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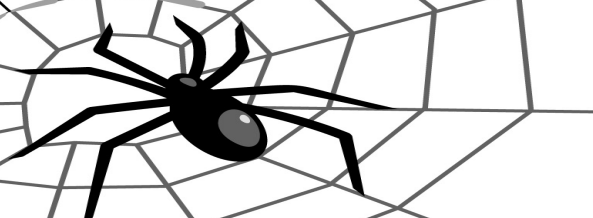
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OUR VIEW

'Legends' fish fry, auction will again have lots to offer

The Heritage Museum of Big Spring has scheduled its fourth annual Legends and Legacies Fish Fry and Auction for Tuesday, June 16, at the museum, and it promises to truly live up to its moniker.

In fact, museum officials once noted that you can't get much more "Texan" or more "Howard County" than works of art that make up the paintings to be on display during the fish fry and auction of historical paintings.

This year, those who attend the reception will have an opportunity to not only study the works, but to bid on a special work themselves — a collage painting featuring historical points of interest in Big Spring.

The painting was donated by the Big Spring Art Association, and museum officials say those interested are welcome to come by and preview the work prior to the auction.

"Legends" begins at 6:30 p.m. with a reception, fish fry and auction. Beer and margaritas will also be available.

Tickets, priced at \$25 each, are available at the museum, but are also limited.

For those that are bothered by the heat, organizers say they will be offering inside gallery seating. They are asking for people to let them know if they would like to sit in the gallery or in the pavilion.

Those planning to attend should RSVP by June 12 by calling 267-8255.

We encourage our readers to make plans to be a part of the Legends and Legacies Fish Fry and Auction. In so doing, you'll be helping the museum in the development of cultural and educational programs for our community.

And don't forget to go by the museum at 510 Scurry and take in all of its exhibits.

The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for senior citizens and children.

Stop by and spend a couple of hours. You'll be glad you did.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we take a time out with You, Lord.
Amen

Who's on trial, Sotomayor or GOP?

When I dared to suggest that Sonia Sotomayor could be a shoo-in for a Supreme Court nomination — three weeks before President Barack Obama actually picked her — some people told me I had gone too far out on a limb.

"Estas loco," some of my friends told me. They said that my longing for Hispanic representation on the high court had distorted my sense of reality. Some said I was dreaming, and others called me delusional.

Frankly, I still think it was an easy call. When Obama and other members of his administration spoke of the qualities they sought in their first Supreme Court nominee — excellence, integrity, respect for the rule of law, and real-life experiences that make her a better judge — to me, it seemed as if they were painting a picture of Sotomayor.

The fact that she is a Latina is not a qualification, I wrote, but it's certainly icing on the cake, especially because she would help balance the current court's lopsided 8-1 gender scale and add some ethnic diversity to what has been predominantly a white men's club. Seeing as 106 white men, two white women and two black men had been seated throughout the court's history, it seemed as if the "Corte Suprema" was more than overdue for a Latina.

Nevertheless, suggesting that a Puerto Rican woman from the projects of the Bronx, N.Y., could suddenly become one of the country's most influential people was too much wishful thinking, even for many Latinos who wanted to see it happen.

"Five years ago, if you would have asked me what had a better chance of becoming reality — finding life on Mars or having a black president appoint a Puerto

Rican woman to the Supreme Court — I would have picked life on Mars," one of my friends told me after Obama nominated Sotomayor last week. This particular friend, journalist Elaine Rivera, a Puerto Rican woman who lives in the South Bronx, also said, "Now it feels like we are living in a dream."

In the Hispanic community, Sotomayor's nomination can be equated with that wonderful elation felt by many African-Americans when Obama was elected president. Across the country, Latinos are telling their children, "Si, se puede," because they, too, can grow up to become justices of the Supreme Court of the United States.

And just as Latinos are beginning to enjoy this moment of pride and euphoria, just as they are beginning to realize what previously was only a dream, some very hateful people who claim to speak for the Republican Party are turning the whole thing into a nightmare.

In spite of Sotomayor's vast experience and brilliant career, some Republican flamethrowers are implying that she was picked only because she is a Latina, as if no Hispanic could get that job if the selection were based purely on intellect.

Even if they don't mean it as an insult, that's the effect!

Clinging to a few misspoken words by Sotomayor, right-wing extremists, such as Newt Gingrich and Rush Limbaugh, already are branding the judge as a racist.

Amazingly, these are the same people who don't like to be called racists — the ones who claim that civil discourse cannot be had if the left always is accusing them of racism.

Yet now look at who is playing the race card!

Is Sotomayor an activist judge or a judge who recognizes that her life experiences affect her decisions? That's a legitimate debate. Is she going to tilt the balance of the court? Even that question, although problematic, has become acceptable.

What is not acceptable and, frankly, repulsive is the effort to turn Sotomayor into a reverse racist — all because of her choice of words during a 2001 speech at the University of California, Berkeley, in which she noted that "a wise Latina woman with the richness of her experiences would more often than not reach a better conclusion than a white male who hasn't lived that life."

Even when they purposely ignore the rest of her speech and decide to take that sentence totally out of context — as many obviously have — most rational Americans can see that, as the president said Friday, "what's clear is that she was simply saying that her life experiences will give her information about the struggles and hardships that people are going through, that will make her a good judge."

But the Republican leadership in Congress — instead of strongly condemning the outrageous diatribes of those who claim to speak for the party — simply is saying that Gingrich and Limbaugh are not elected officials. It's not enough!

Imagine how Latino Republicans must feel when they hear the GOP zealots suggesting that their party doesn't need the Hispanic vote? Could this lead to massive desertions? Possibly. Stay tuned for the Senate confirmation hearings!

The tone of the dialogue is getting so nasty that many in the Spanish news media rightfully are asking whether the Republican Party is on the verge of self-destructing.

Certainly in the Hispanic community, after the damage GOP zealots have done to their party over the issue of immigration, the Sotomayor nomination could represent the last nail on the Republicans' coffin. When we watch the upcoming confirmation hearings, it will be Republicans, not Sotomayor, who will be on trial.

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Immigration dilemma not going away

Illegal immigration, fueled by desperation back home, is common and risky the world over. Senegalese and Nigerians die in open boats heading for the Canary Islands. Haitians do the same en route to Puerto Rico. Mauritians likewise perish aiming for Italy.

And it's no picnic even when they arrive safely. Abuse and death await Tajiks in Russia, Zimbabweans in South Africa and Pakistanis in London.

Rewards, however, are alluring. While citizens in receiving countries may respond brutally to foreign competitors angling for their jobs, employers love them. There is nothing like cheap, vulnerable labor to increase profits. Thus, sweatshop and plantation owners everywhere become natural allies of human rights activists in seeking amnesty for the undocumented.

If this sounds to you a lot like the United States, you win.

We're little different from the rest of the world in this age-old dilemma, and in some ways we're worse. Our own trade policies with Central America foist on those sad lands cheap subsidized American agribusiness corn. This has put their farmers out of business and forced them to sneak up here under cover of darkness.

Here they generally slip across our woefully insecure border and, if caught, find themselves immersed in our likewise woe-

fully understaffed immigration system. There they mix with hundreds of thousands of other immigrants, legitimate and otherwise, who have become illegal because the government was too slow in processing their claims.

What a mess! The president has promised more staff to reduce the backlog, but we'll see about that. He has a few other competing priorities on his plate, too.

Worse luck, he has already forsaken his campaign pledge to revisit NAFTA and like agreements, so it seems those workers from the south, whom we have already impoverished back home, are likely to keep flooding our borders.

And big employers — from Microsoft to Smithfield — are forever pressing Congress and the White House for more permits to import foreign labor. The job of that labor is to perform work that "Americans won't do!" (unless paid a decent wage).

The most popular solution to this quandary, if only marginally effective, is to build a new fence. The latest version, soon underway, will be "virtual." It features towers, sensors and cameras, and, we hope, agents to go out and collar those malefactors who get sensed.

We hope it works better than the real fences, gates, patrol plane and cops that we've used up to now. Of course, those busy agents are also looking for drugs, stopping to detain plain old folk only when they have time. In any case, good fences, as we know, make good neighbors. Let's hope this one is a beaut.

Meanwhile, we need inspectors. Lots of inspectors. And

higher minimum wages for our nation's lousy jobs.

The reason Americans won't work at millions of those jobs is because they don't pay a living wage and are needlessly filthy and dangerous. Meatpacking, for example, used to be (messy) middle class work, until the plants moved from the cities and got rid of the unions. Now we enjoy cheap meat built on the suffering of immigrants and the erosion of the environment.

Crop work too, where labor isn't even covered by the minimum wage, needs upgrading.

But aside from the often ill-treated immigrants themselves, the real sufferers in this drama are the low-paid or unemployed American non-union workers who get displaced.

The press, which makes its money from employers, shows little regard for the angry unemployed, often demonizing them as "nativists," bigots and the like.

True there are plenty of nativists around, but you don't have to be one of them to resent losing your job to someone who is in the country illegally or through politics. This is true whether you're a software engineer dumped for a cheaper Indian model, or an orange picker booted out for a Mexican.

Luckily, the recession has now softened immigration pressure for a few minutes, so we ought to be using that respite to get our fences, bureaucracies and trade policies in order before the next rush.

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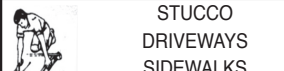
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Recently, we embarked on our careers and bought a home together. I think her dad is starting to come to terms with our relationship because I've been invited over for some family functions.

However, I have not accepted any of the invitations. It's too hard for me to forget about the past and some acts of discrimination that led to embarrassing situations.

I also question the sincerity of these invites and whether I am being offered them out of some feeling of obligation.

I love Denise immensely and would like to marry her someday, but it's difficult with all this tension hanging in the balance. What should I do? — *B.B.*

Dear B.B.: It serves no purpose to keep Denise's family at a distance. They are making an effort to get to know you, and it will be better for everyone if you participate in this endeavor instead of holding grudges.

Her family members may have behaved poorly in the past, but they cannot change their ways if you don't give them the chance. Vow to accept the next invitation.

Put on your best face and greet them as if you are starting from scratch. Denise will appreciate it.

Dear Annie: I am good friends with "Jack and Jill," who have been having marital problems in the last year. Both developed relationships outside the marriage.

Jack has ended his extramarital affair, and I was under the impression that Jill had ended hers, as well. But I recently found out she is still talking to this guy.

She met him online, and he lives 1,000 miles away with his parents in Canada. He's only 18, and Jill is 26. She swears they are just friends, but the things they chat about are not exactly platonic subjects.

Jill tells me she knows it isn't right and understands what she is risking, but she's made no effort to end this inappropriate relationship.

I feel caught in the middle. I don't want to tell

Jack what I know, and I don't want to see either of my friends get hurt.

I worry about them and hate that Jill continues to lie to me about stopping her online affair. I know what's coming down the road. The longer she carries on like this, the worse things will be when they end. What do I do? — *Still Friends*

Dear Still: Nothing. You are not responsible for Jill's poor choices, and obviously, you have little influence on her decisions.

She's going to have to take her lumps the hard way. You don't have to blab to Jack, but you also shouldn't cover for Jill and lie on her behalf. We'd simply spend less time around her and let her know why.

Dear Annie: I was sad to read about how "Grossed Out in Kentucky" was treating the young woman with genital herpes.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that more than one out of every five adults and adolescents have genital herpes.

Odds are very good that some of the people Kentucky is blabbing to are affected, as well. Most people with herpes don't know they have it and are unaware they may be spreading it to others. Many have no symptoms or mistake their symptoms for something else, such as jock itch, insect bites, hemorrhoids, yeast infections, razor burn or allergies to laundry detergent.

I hope Kentucky thinks about that next time he has an itch he can't scratch. Thanks for trying to help enlighten and educate the masses. — *Informed in Iowa*

Dear Annie: I have been married to "Tom," a successful farmer, for seven years. We both have children from previous marriages, three of whom work here, and my youngest son lives at home.

I quit my job to help on the farm, and now I don't have a husband anymore, just a boss.

Our intimate time and conversation is fairly nonexistent, and there's no such thing as family time. Holidays, birthdays and our anniversary are not important to him.

Tom tells his sons every personal thing I think should be kept between husband and wife. The only thing he wants to discuss is farming. Otherwise, he tells me I talk too much. So now I barely speak to him at all.

My mother and grandparents live on the West Coast. My daughter and grandkids live on the East Coast.

My youngest son and I visit them without Tom because he says he cannot leave the farm. I'm not sure why we're still married.

We don't have children together. If he loves me, he certainly doesn't show it. If I left him, I'm sure he'd replace me in a heartbeat with a farm worker.

I'm miserable and I'm sure he's unhappy, too. I've suggested we work on our marriage, but he

just works more on the farm.

I don't want to give up, but I also don't want to feel like this for the rest of my life. Any suggestions, Annie? — *Midwest Farmer's Wife*

Dear Wife: Sometimes marriage to a farmer means you're married to the farm. Tom thinks this is what you signed up for, but it is not what you expected.

In order for your relationship to improve, Tom must be willing to devote more time to his family, and we can't guarantee it.

Tell Tom you are terribly unhappy and that counseling is likely the only way to save your marriage. Even if he won't go with you, you should still speak to someone who will help you clarify the issues and decide what, if anything, is worth keeping.

Dear Annie: The other day I was in a Pilates class, and the woman sitting next to me passed gas very loudly while completing some of the exercises. This happened twice and did not go unnoticed by those around her. No one said a peep about it, including the gassy lady. What would have been the proper way for her to handle this embarrassing situation? — *Holding My Breath in North Dakota*

Dear N.D.: The correct response is, "Excuse me." This poor woman was obviously so embarrassed that she hoped others would think the sound emanated from someone else. There is no way to address this without embarrassing her further, so please try to find a way to ignore it as best you can.

Dear Annie: "Montreal, Canada" criticized you for advising psychological, rather than legal, counseling when she suspected her husband of cheating. You are right on the mark!

Years ago, I had been reduced from a self-confident college grad with a career to a timid dependent by the mental abuse and bullying of my husband.

A visit to a lawyer did nothing for my self-esteem. Fortunately, I also visited a counselor who had a women's support group. I rediscovered myself and had the courage to walk out of my nightmare and start over.

Please don't ever stop telling people to get counseling. It saved me, and I bet I have plenty of company. — *Got it Right in Hawaii*

Dear Hawaii: We promise to keep doing it. In so many cases, it's the best recourse.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

A Sure Thing

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ 7 4 3
♥ Q J 2
♦ 8 4
♣ K Q 10 5 2

EAST

♠ K 10 5
♥ 9 6
♦ Q 10 6 5 2
♣ A 8 7

SOUTH

♠ A J 8 6
♥ A 7 3
♦ A K 7
♣ J 9 4

The bidding:
South West North East
1 NT Pass 2 NT Pass
3 NT

Opening lead — five of hearts.

Anyone who has played bridge for any length of time has had the unhappy experience as declarer of seeing an apparently certain contract disintegrate right in front of his eyes. Usually, the cause is a freakish distribution of the opposing cards, in which case declarer is probably not to blame. But when declarer himself is responsible for turning a sure thing into a losing proposition, that's another story.

Take this case where West led a heart against South's three-notrump contract. Declarer put up dummy's

queen, which held, and then set about establishing the club suit. However, East declined to cooperate, refusing to take his ace on either the first or second round.

This left declarer with no recourse. He could go ahead and establish the clubs by playing a third round, but there would then be no way to reach the dummy. In practice, he turned his attention to spades and wound up down one, scoring two tricks in each suit.

Considering that South had a sure thing going from the opening bell, it is difficult to muster any sympathy for him. The plain fact is that after the opening heart lead, nine tricks were there for the taking.

Declarer's error came when he played the queen of hearts from dummy at trick one, a momentary victory that eventually cost him the contract. Instead, he should have played dummy's deuce and taken whatever card East produced with the ace. This would have assured a later entry to dummy with either the queen or jack of hearts.

In the actual deal, after taking East's nine (or six) with the ace, declarer plays three rounds of clubs. East can then return a heart or shift to another suit, as he likes, but nothing can stop South from scoring a spade, two hearts, two diamonds and four clubs for his contract.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.

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Emergency responders prepare to transport this woman to the emergency room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a two-vehicle traffic accident near the intersection of Second Street and Gregg Wednesday afternoon. According to officials at the scene, no life threatening injuries were sustained by either party in the accident.

Gang member pleads to federal charges

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Yet another local member of the Latin Kings street gang has pleaded guilty to drug conspiracy and related charges in federal court, bringing the total number of pleas from alleged gang members to 18.

Guerrero Olivas, aka "Screech," 26, of Big Spring, pleaded guilty late Friday afternoon in Lubbock before U.S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings to an indictment charging conspiracy to distribute and possession with intent to distribute five kilograms or more of cocaine and 100 kilograms or more of marijuana.

Jesus Martinez, aka "Solid," 28, of Midland, also pleaded guilty to the same charges, including a charge of conspiracy to engage in the business of dealing in firearms.

Both alleged members of the "Almighty Latin King and Queen Nation" street gang, join a number of other guilty pleas that have come on the

heels of investigations by federal, state and local authorities.

John Guzman, 30, of Big Spring, and Luis Nava, aka "Flaco," 25, of Midland, both pleaded guilty May 18, before Judge Cummings to the indictment, which charged them with conspiring to distribute and possession with intent to distribute five kilograms or more of cocaine and 100 kilograms or more of marijuana.

Reynaldo Nava, aka "Rat," 27, of Big Spring; Cecily Dominique Juarez, 20, of Midland; and Eliseo Perez, aka "Wicked," 28, of Mission, have also pleaded guilty to conspiring to distribute and possession with intent to distribute five kilograms or more of cocaine and 100 kilograms or more of marijuana.

Nava was indicted on allegations he participated in a drive-by shooting in the 3200 block of W. Highway 80 by a Howard County grand jury last year, but charges were later dropped by the District

Attorney's Office. The Big Spring man was identified as a member of the Latin Kings at that time by officials with the Big Spring Police Department.

Hiluterio Chavez, aka "Zeus," 33, of Chicago, also pleaded guilty to a superseding indictment charging him with being a convicted felon in possession of firearms, possession of stolen firearms and conspiring to engage in the business of dealing in firearms.

The indictment in the investigation, which charged a total of 17 defendants and was unsealed Feb. 26, alleged that from 2001 until Dec. 13, 2008 — when six of the defendants were arrested — the alleged members of the Latin Kings conspired to distribute multi-kilogram quantities of cocaine and marijuana throughout Texas and elsewhere.

"The 11-count indictment ... charges each of the defendants with conspiracy to distribute and possession with intent to distribute co-

caine and marijuana," said acting U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas James T. Jacks shortly after the indictments were unsealed. "Three defendants are also charged with conspiring to deal in firearms. The indictment also includes drug distribution charges and various firearms charges, including using and carrying a firearm to commit murder during and in relation to a drug trafficking crime."

Officials with the BSPD say the Latin Kings are believed to be responsible for the May 4, 2008, drive-by shooting that claimed the lives of Valerie Garcia, 20, and Michael Cardona, 21, both of Big Spring, and injured several others.

According to the indictment — which was engineered by Jacks and Assistant Attorney General Lanny A. Brewer of the Criminal Division — the defendants acquired the cocaine and marijuana from Mexico and brought it to the South Texas region, where it was packaged, stored and transported to Big Spring, Lubbock and Midland for further distribution.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Cody L. Skipper of the Lubbock division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Texas and Trial Attorney Joseph A. Cooley of the Criminal Division's Gang Unit are prosecuting the case, according to the U.S. Department of Justice.

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Additionally, orders will be taken from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and June 13 at the Big Spring Mall.

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- lb. Bacon-Wrapped Chicken Breast (4 x 6 oz.)

Chicken combo, \$22

- 4.5 lb. (avg.) Perdue Whole Bird
- 3 lb. Split Chicken Breast
- 2 lb. Breaded Tenders
- lb. Boneless/Skinless Chicken Breast

Fruit and vegetables, \$22

- 1 Red Seedless Watermelon
- 1 Cantaloupe
- 2 Mangoes
- 3 lb. Valencia Oranges
- 1 lb. Kiwi Fruit (5-6 Kiwis)
- 4 Ears Sweet Yellow Corn
- 2 Zucchini Squash
- 2 Yellow Squash

- 2 lb. Vidalia Onions
- 1 Head Green Cabbage
- 1 Head Iceberg Lettuce
- 3 lb. Idaho Baking Potatoes
- 1 Bottle Zesty Italian Salad Dressing & Marinade (16 oz.)
- June 2009 Fruit and Veggie Recipe Sheet

Latin fruit and vegetables, \$22

- 1 Cantaloupe
- 4 California Hass Avocados
- 2 lb. Key Limes
- 1 Pineapple
- 2 Green Plantains
- 2 Mangoes
- 1 Head Iceberg Lettuce
- 2 Yucca Root
- 1 Jicama
- 1 Package Yellow Corn Tortillas (30 ct.)
- 2 lb. White Onions
- 1 lb. Cello-Pack Carrots
- 1 lb. Jalapeño Peppers
- 5 ct. Garlic
- June 2009 "Latin Flavors" Recipe Sheet

ETBU president Dr. Bob Riley retires

Special to the Herald

MARSHALL—Following 17 years as president of East Texas Baptist University, former Howard College President Dr. Bob E. Riley will retire on July 16, 2009.



Riley

Riley and his family moved to Big Spring in 1983 when he became vice president for instruction at Howard College. His wife, Gayle, was an elementary teacher in the Coahoma ISD where their three daughters, Lisa, Leigh and Melinda, graduated from high school. Riley was named president of Howard College in 1984, a position he held until 1992.

"Although this presidency has been a wonderful experience, Gayle and I believe that it is time for a new vision and leadership for ETBU," said Riley, whose term as president is the second longest in the 96-year history of the university.

Riley's tenure at ETBU has numerous highlights: Record enrollments; significant increase in the endowment; organized the university into seven schools with deans; completed over \$25 million in capital projects; expanded institutional and instructional technology; moved from NCAA Division II (scholarship athletics) to NCAA Division III (non-scholarship athletics); elected to the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, appointed to the executive council; served on the Marshall Chamber of Commerce board; was president of the Marshall Rotary Club; and deacon at First Baptist Church of Marshall.

In 1992. One goal was to build enrollment through programs; the university had three athletic teams and now has 10 teams for men and women, beginning with football in 2000. He was instrumental in expanding the choir program; initiated the marching band program; encouraged the development of the Student Leadership Institute and Great Commission Center; emphasized study abroad and international education; and made religious symbolism more prominent on campus.

"Universities are deeply blessed by continuity of leadership as the mission and purpose of the university is consistently advanced. A short drive or walk through the campus bears evidence of the significant improvements under Dr. Riley's leadership, including academic buildings, athletic fields and residence halls," said Dr. Paul Sorrels,

provost/vice president for academic affairs. "Nearly every building has been improved, extensively renovated or built during his tenure."

Riley began his education career at age 19 as a school bus driver and college student. Except for serving two years in the U.S. Navy, the past 46 years have been dedicated to serving students and faculty in the public schools, community colleges and universities.

"Gayle and I believe what Ecclesiastes teaches, that there is 'a time for everything,' and now is the time for us to move on to the next chapter of our life," Riley said in announcing his decision to retire.

The ETBU Board of Trustees met on May 8 naming Riley president emeritus effective June 1, 2009. The Rileys plan to move to Hideaway Lake, which is north of Tyler.



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