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The crown fits Forsan

Lady Buffs Class 1A state softball champions

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

AUSTIN — In 2006, Forsan High School started a softball program.

Four seasons later, the Lady Buffs are Class 1A state champions.

Forsan defeated Alto's Lady Yellow Jackets, 2-1, Saturday in the title game after scoring its only two runs of the game in the first inning and holding off three Alto rallies for the victory.

"Four years ago, I could see us getting here in the back of my mind," said Forsan Head Coach Shanna Roberts. "Getting here is one goal. Winning it is another. This team came together and got really focused at the end of the year. After we beat Iola (2-1 in the semifinals Thursday). I thought we were going to win a state title."

The quest to claim the championship seems unlikely when considering the different obstacles facing the Lady Buffs at the beginning of the season. For starters,



Courtesy photo by Bob Fishback Forsan's Lady Buffs pose with their medals Saturday after defeating Alto, 2-1, to win the Class 1A state softball championship.

time Offensive MVP Amanda Longorio out with a broken

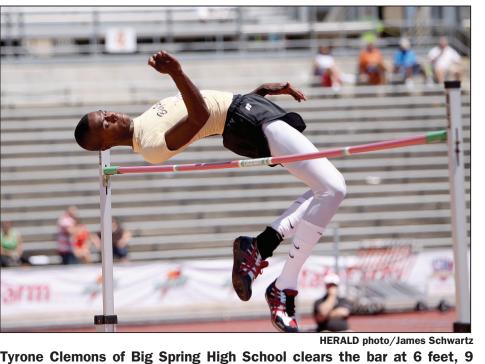
the season began with two-

However, Longorio came back in time to pitch in a game against Junction that essentially gave the Lady

Buffs their first outright district title. Her return turned out to be timely as the Lady Buffs had just lost their start-

ing pitcher Ashley Buzbee to a broken collarbone.

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inches to win the Class 4A high jump title at the University Interscholastic League State Track Meet in Austin Friday. BSHS placed fifth in the overall team competition. See related story, page 1B.

County officials work on proposed budget

Slated to convene Monday at 10 a.m.

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners are expected to continue efforts to plan for the 2009-2010 budget Monday morning, as the court continues its budget work sessions and meetings with department heads. According to County Judge Mark

Barr, the commissioners court is approximately halfway through its planned meetings with county department heads, the first part of the government body's process to construct a fiscal plan for the coming year.

"Some departments have managed to make cuts, while others are needing more funding to pay for things like travel expenses for when they have to attend required classes and whatnot." said Barr. "So it's just a matter of hashing all of that out and trying to come up with an idea what these things are going to cost in the coming year."

Barr said he's not expecting any employee layoffs — similar to the ones the county made in 2007 to avoid a budgetary shortfall — or major cuts in the coming budget, but the court isn't

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It's going to be lights out at Howard College campus of SouthWest Collequire workers to temporarily come with a catch.

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Construction projects at Howard College will soon be going lights out — literally. Howard College trustees

meet at 12:30 p.m. Monday in the Maddux Student Activity Center auditorium on the

giate Institute for the Deaf. At that meeting, they will hear updates on projects connected to a \$21.6 million renovation of the college's Birdwell Lane campus. One of the projects is nearing completion, but it will re-

pull the plug on the campus' electrical system. Dr. Cheryl Sparks, college

president, said work on the college's electrical infrastructure will be completed during a three-day period starting June 26 — but the work will

"We won't have any elec-

trical service for those three days," Sparks said, "so we'll have to shut down most of the campus."

No summer school activities are scheduled for that period, so Sparks said disruptions will be minimized. "We looked at all different

kinds of scenarios and we decided this was the best of our alternatives," Sparks said. Elsewhere across campus,

construction projects contin-See **COLLEGE**, Page 3A



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LaRay Woodard is shown competing as part of Big Spring High School's 4X100 meter relay squad at the University Interscholastic League state track meet Friday. BSHS finished fifth overall in the Class 4A team competition.

Clemons golden in 4A high jump

Big Spring finishes fifth in team competition at UIL state track meet

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

AUSTIN — The hardware is pouring in for the Big Spring Steers track team after the first day of the Class 4A state track and field meet at Myers Stadium in Austin.

Highlighting the Steers' firstday performances was the leaping abilities of Tyrone Clemons. Clemons claimed a state title in the high jump Friday, clearing six feet, nine inches, which was an inch better than Justin Benavidez of Corpus Christi Calallen and Jevin Colbert of Arlington Seguin.

The victory didn't come without drama, though.

Clemons was facing elimination at the 6-8 height. Benavidez and Colbert had already cleared 6-8, but Clemons missed on his first two attempts.

With a state title on the line, he regrouped and launched himself over the bar, advancing to the next height.

After being the only athlete to clear 6-9, Clemons could rest easy because the state gold was his. He did try to clear 6-11, but this was after the championship was already in the bag.

"There was a lot of pressure," said Clemons, whose personal best jump this season was at 6-10. "I hadn't cleared 6-8 in the last few track meets."

Powered by Clemons' performance, a silver medal finish by senior LaRay Woodard in the long jump and a bronze brought home by Clemons' cousin Mike Menefield in the triple jump, the Steers found themselves ahead in the team standings with 34 points through the first 10 events.

However, Big Spring ran out of athletes and four teams eventually surpassed the Steers. Lancaster eventually won with 54 points, while the Steers placed

Woodard's second-place finish in the long jump matches the performance he put forth at last year's state meet. He leaped 22 feet, 11.5 inches, which was a foot and three inches short of winner Darius Jones of Marshall.

Menefield, a sophomore who was a surprise winner in the triple jump at the District 4-4A meet, also fell short of Jones, who claimed his second gold medal in the event. Menefield cleared 48 feet, seven inches. He was slightly more than an inch shy of second-place Derek Edwards of Brenham and less than a foot away from eclipsing Jones. Clemons finished fifth in the event.

The Steers first got on the board thanks to senior Kade Parker. Parker finished fourth

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Kuznetsova claims French Open women's title

STEVEN WINE

AP Sports Writer

PARIS — Svetlana Kuznetsova conquered her nerves and beat a shaky Dinara Safina to win the French Open.

Showing uncharacteristic calm, Kuznetsova earned her second Grand Slam title Saturday by defeating Safina 6-4, 6-2

up. Jitters have often in the match. betrayed Kuznetsova the final four games with steady play.

Instead it was the top-ranked Safina who battled her emotions. double-faulted seven times, struggled with her movement and

could bring my better game today — that's why I won."

Four-time French Open champion Justine Henin and others have criticized Safina's rank-

in an all-Russian match- appeared near tears late ing because she has pressure on her. But I July, but she's now 0-3 in Grand Slam finals.

The vounger ter of two-time Grand Slam champion Marat Safin was runner-up at Roland Garros last year to Ana Ivanovic.

yet to win a major. She the same situation as in 2001, when Jennifer "Today I think she was climbed to No. 1 in April last year," Safina said Capriati beat Kim down the stretch in big too tight," Kuznetsova and will remain there during the trophy cer- Clijsters. matches, but she swept said. "She had so much through at least late emony, her voice crack- On Sunday, Roger ing. "Hopefully one day I can win here."

> The loss ended her 16-match winning streak and was the latest in a series of lopsided women's finals at Roland Garros. The last

"Here I am back in one to go three sets was

Federer will play in his fourth consecutive Roland Garros final, with one big difference this year: He's facing Robin Soderling, not

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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.

Hillger, Stewart and Harris place first at CTLGA playday

In the Comanche Trail Ladies' Golf Association weekly playday Monday, the team of JoAnn Hillger, Benella Stewart and Ramona Harris took first place, shooting even par.

Second place went to Daury Cockrell, Shirley Long and Dee Jenkins with a one over par score. In couples play Thursday, the team of Gus

Leonardi, Michael Carroll and Linda Dewaters placed first with a score of five under par.

Three under par was good enough to earn the team of Forrest West, Debra Lusk and Bob and Benella Stewart.

Debra Lusk shot closest to the pin on the sixth

Big Spring ISD announces sports skills camps

The Big Spring High School Athletic Department will host a variety of sports skills camps during the

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

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

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

9:30 am-5:30 pm

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

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

Volleyball Skills Camp

A volleyball skills camp has been scheduled for June 17-19 at the Big Spring Junior High gymnasi-

The camp is for incoming junior high and high school female athletes. Incoming seventh and eighth graders work out from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., while the high school aged girls take the floor from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

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

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.



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WEDDINGTRENDS

Delicious and Affordable Ways to Say "I Do"

FAMILY FEATURES

pringtime ushers in the glitz and glamour of wedding season, which lasts into late fall. This year, economizing is foremost on everyone's minds, but betrothed couples want their weddings and the events leading up to them to be as special as ever.

These wedding trends are how brides and grooms are turning bridal showers, couples showers and, of course, the wedding itself into priceless yet affordable experiences for everyone involved.

- Revisiting food classics that are guaranteed to please the palate but don't break the bank, like the Sizzling Mini-Sliders featured.
- Choosing fresh and flavorful wines that present incredible value for the price but don't compromise a smidge on quality.
- Serving food in smaller portions, a restaurant trend, is a hit for guests and a boon for the budget.
- Conserving resources with 3L Premium Wine Casks, a convenient, no-waste way to serve a crowd.

Here are some stylish, budget-friendly food and wine options that allow happy couples to have their cupcakes and eat them too.

Bridal Shower

To create an elegant and festive party atmosphere, decorate the event space with fresh flowers and set aside a table where gifts can be presented. A buffet table lets guests serve themselves and also provides a tableau for food and wine selections to be artfully displayed. Arrange an inviting layout of fresh seasonal salads and bite-sized desserts, with a delectable angel hair pasta dish as the centerpiece. Pair with the delicious Angel Juice Pinot Grigio, quintessentially Californian with delicate peach notes and a refreshing

Couples' Shower

A couples' shower is the ideal way to informally celebrate the upcoming marriage. Commonly known as a Jack and Jill party, the event can be a luncheon, a laid-back barbeque or a party at a local park. A couples' shower is a prime opportunity for everyone to take a break and enjoy spending time together. Mini-burgers, or gourmet sliders, have universal appeal and offer up a new twist on an old favorite. Paired with the vibrant Big House Red, a California blend bursting with ripe red fruits that costs less than \$10 a bottle, they will easily satisfy guests.

Wedding Reception

As an alternative to the traditional wedding cake, a cupcake wedding tree is a sophisticated way to end the momentous occasion on the sweetest of notes. Paired with the luscious, foodfriendly Cupcake Chardonnay from the prized Central Coast winegrowing region, this spectacular dessert and the creamy, fruit-forward wine are a match made in heaven.

Wine Planning Checklist for Parties

- Use 3L Premium Wine Casks for large groups, as each cask will serve up to 20 guests, each guest with a standard five-ounce glass.
- Guests at daytime parties usually drink less wine. Serve approximately one glass of wine per guest every 90 minutes.
- For evening parties, serve approximately one glass of wine per guest every hour.

■ Chill white wine for at least three hours before

- guests arrive. Open and decant red wines about 30 minutes
- before guests arrive to allow the flavors to open up and breathe.
- Be a responsible host and offer special nonalcoholic beverages and plenty of water for thirsty guests.







Serves 6

Prep time: 30 minutes

- 16 ounces dried angel hair pasta
- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil 3/4 cup chopped onion (about 1/2 onion)
- teaspoons minced garlic
- 3 teaspoons seeded and minced serrano chile (about 1 chile) teaspoons finely chopped fresh rosemary and sprigs for garnish
- cups Angel Juice Pinot Grigio
- tablespoons fresh lemon juice, about 1 lemon
- 24 large shrimp, peeled and deveined 4 tablespoons butter
- browned Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

1/4 cup pine nuts, toasted in a 350°F oven for 10 minutes until lightly

Cook pasta according to package directions. Set large saucepan over medium heat and add olive oil. Sauté onions, garlic, chiles and rosemary about 4 minutes or until soft. Add wine and lemon juice, raise heat to high and boil until liquid is

reduced by half.

Add shrimp and cook until pink, about 2 minutes. Remove pan from heat, stir in butter and pine nuts, and toss with drained pasta. Add salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste.

Pairing suggestion: Angel Juice Pinot Grigio

Sizzling Mini-Sliders

Serves 4

Prep time: 30 minutes

- 1 teaspoon onion powder 2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 1/2 cup Big House Red
- 1 1/2 pounds ground chuck 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt 12 3-inch dinner rolls

Condiments

Caramelized onions (sauté in olive oil, very slowly, about 20 minutes)

1/2 cup loosely packed watercress 1/2 cup thinly shredded radicchio

In medium bowl, combine onion powder, garlic, wine, beef, salt and pepper. Shape into twelve 1/2-inch-thick patties. Grill until browned, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Grill dinner rolls until slightly toasted. On bottom of each roll, place caramelized onions, patty, watercress and radicchio. Top with roll top.

Pairing suggestion: Big House Red

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Take Note

- An account to defray funeral costs for the family of Justin Hernandez has been set up at Western following activity Friday: Bank — formerly known as First Bank of West Texas - located on FM 700. Hernandez was killed in a rested on a local warrant. shooting May 29. For more information, contact the bank at 267-1113.
- The Pentecostals of Big Spring will have a silent block of Third. 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 block of Harding. 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 am-
- Area residents are invited to participate in Vacation Bible School events being offered by the Southern Baptist Churches of Big Spring. Listed are the churches, dates, times and ages included:

Baptist Temple, July 20-24, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., ages 4 through sixth grade.

Berea Baptist, June 22-26 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Central Baptist Elbow, July 12-16, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., ages kindergarten through adult.

College Baptist, June 7-11 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., ages kindergarten through sixth grade.

E. Fourth St. Baptist, June 29-July 1 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., ages first grade through sixth grade.

Big Spring First Baptist, June 8-12 9 a.m. to noon, ages kindergarten through sixth grade.

Coahoma First Baptist, July 6-10 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., ages pre-kindergarten through sixth grade.

Stanton First Baptist, May 31-June 46 p.m. to 8:30

p.m., ages kindergarten through sixth grade. Tarzan First Baptist, June 1-5 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., ages

pre-kindergarten through sixth grade. Forsan Baptist, June 22-26 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.k,

ages 4 through sixth grade. Gateway Baptist, July 6-10 9 a.m. to noon, ages 4

through sixth grade.

Hillcrest Baptist, July 26-30 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., ages kindergarten through sixth grade.

Midway Baptist, June 8-12 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (VBS camp with breakfast, lunch and snacks).

- Road to Recovery, a free service for those in the Big Spring area taking cancer treatments at Allison Cancer in Midland, is still in operation. The coordinator and phone number to call have changed. To get a ride to cancer treatment in Midland, please call Amy Carnes at (432) 334-6121, which is the American Cancer Society office in Odessa. If Amy is out of the office, you may leave your information with Melissa. An alternate number to call is 1-800-ACS-2345, which is the regional patient services offices; they will relay your information to Amy for the local drivers.
- The Big Spring High School class of 1979 is seeking classmates to attend our 30-year reunion Sept. 18-19. Please contact Debbye Salazar ValVerde at drawn: 29-30-14-15-37. debbyev@bigspringchamber.com or Cheryl Carter Joy at joycheryl79@hotmail.com with any contact five of five: 0. information, be it an e-mail address or physical address.
- A benefit account has been established at Woodforest National Bank (Account 1652331339) for John Allison and Jacoby Rivera, who lost their belongings in a residential fire on Runnels. Donations can also be made by calling (431) 213-4091.
- •The Salvation Army has funding for Texas mili numbers drawn Fritary personnel who have served or are currently day night by the Texas serving in Iraq or Afghanistan and their families. Lottery, in order: 2-7-4. Apply at the Salvation
- Army, 511 W. Fifth St. These funds were granted by the TRIAD Fund of Permian Basin Area Foundation.
- We are currently seeking Class of 1999 classmates from Big Spring High School. Our 10-year reunion will be Sept. 18-19. Please send your mailing information to bshs1999@gmail. com to receive information on the reunion or contact Jennifer Davidson at (432) 213-0257.
- The Big Spring High School Class of 1989 is looking for members to attend a 20-year reunion in September. Contact Christy Alexander Brown at (972) 567-8037 or Irma Moreno Garcia at (432) 816-5321 with your updated informa-
- Mobile Meals needs volunteers. You will be helping the senior citizens of Big Spring. Contact Macaria Cantu at 263-4016

tion.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the

- ORLANDO MONTANEZ, 27, 610 Linda, was ar-
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Support Groups

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

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
- 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.

TUESDAY

- Grief share, sponsored by Home Hospice and the First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels (north end door), meets at 6 p.m. Drop-ins are welcome. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599.
- The Path, faith-based addiction recovery, meets at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Tabernacle Ministeries, 1209 Wright St. Tuesday, Jan. 6, Teen Chaqllenge will be held at The Path. They will present a Rally for
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. and closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
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- Big Spring Band Boosters meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Big Spring High School band hall.
- Coahoma Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center at 306 North Ave.
- The Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library. For more information, call 264-6116.
- Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library Community Room in the basement. Call 270-2615 for more information.
- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.
- Big Spring Society of the Order of Beacieants meets at 6:30 p.m. for a meal with meeting that begins at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.
- Big Spring Commandry meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.
- The Christian Motorcyclists Association meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Dragon Restaurant, 1300 S. Gregg. Everyone is welcome. Call 263-3869 for more information.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell
- The Big Spring chapter of the American Cancer Society meets at Home Hospice, located at 111 E. Seventh St. at noon. Lunch is provided. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at (432) 264-7599.

Lottery

Here are the winning numbers selected Friday in the Mega Millions lottery: 5-20-38-41-52; Mega Ball: 20.

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Favre's agent: Quarterback still retired

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) Heard this one before? Brett Favre remains retired, as far as his agent is concerned.

Favre's longtime representative Bus Cook said Friday afternoon in an interview with The Associated Press that he is unaware of any pending change in Favre's

Cook said he speaks with his friend every day, but claimed the chats aren't about foot-"He's my close friend,"

Cook said by phone from Hattiesburg, Miss. "He lives right up the

road."

interest in the record-setting 39-year-old quarterback, whose waffling has become an annual summer story around the NFL.

But Minnesota coach Brad Childress said at a community service event Friday he isn't thinking about Favre, when asked if he had a deadline in mind for Favre to make a decision about his

"I'm thinking about the next four OTAs next week," Childress said, referring to optional offseason practices teams are allowed in May and June. Childress took

The Vikings have expressed part with players, coaches, staff and executives in a playground construction project at an elementary school in the Minneapolis area.

Cook, however, acknowledged the seemingly endless possibility that Favre — who said in February he was done for good this time — will seek a spot in the NFL again.

"We've all changed our minds, I guess," Cook said.

Without prompting, Cook then began touting Favre's ability, as if he were trying to sell the Vikings on a con-

He said: "I would think they would pull out all the stops

if they want to get the guy. I think Brett Favre just brings a whole new ballgame to any ballclub.

"That's no reflection on the guys that are on their team at quarterback right now, but Brett's in a different league than most."

Cook said he hasn't been in contact with the Vikings.

"I don't know what Minnesota will or won't do. I don't know what he will or won't do," Cook said.

At issue, according to recent unsubstantiated reports, is the condition of Favre's injured right arm.

His shoulder hurt last year

because of a partially torn biceps while playing for the New York Jets, and Favre insinuated at his latest retirement news conference that was his reason for leaving the game after 18 seasons.

Cook declined Friday to comment on Favre's condition, citing client confidentiality.

He didn't answer a question about whether Favre was mulling, or has already had, surgery.

"Right now there's nothing to talk about," Cook said. "As far as I know, Brett's very content to be where he's at, and that's in Hattiesburg.'

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in the 3,200 meters with a time of 9:32.61. Nathan Christianson of Boerne Champion won the event with a mark of 9:21.52.

In their final qualifying event, the Steers 4x100-meter relay team made up of Woodard, seniors Zamir Linton and Darius McCalister junior Monte Anderson finished fifth, earning Big Spring its final four points of the competition. At that point, the Steers led by

12 in the overall team standings.

Schwartz

comes up shy

Senior Jake Schwartz had a state title in mind, but the Garden City product couldn't get off a clean jump at the height of 6-4 in the high jump, forcing him to settle for bronze.

Schwartz cleared 6-10 at the regional meet a few weeks ago, but couldn't get over the bar at 6-6 in three attempts Friday.

On his second attempt, Schwartz appeared to clear 6-6. He was off the

mat and celebrating as he headed to the waiting area. However, the bar fell off and he wasn't awarded a successful jump.

Forsan's Johnson, Hill run Saturday

Forsan freshmen Ty Johnson and Ambra Hill made their attempt at bringing home a gold medal Satuday in their respective events in the Class A competition. Johnson qualified in

the 100-meters on the boys' side, while Hill was due to run in the girls' 100-meter hurdles. Hill had to hurry to

Myers Stadium from McCombs Field, though. The athletic freshman played shortstop earlier in the day as the Lady Buffs won the Class 1A state softball title Saturday over Alto, 2-1.

Hill just missed another medal, finishing fourth in the hurdles final.

The softball game began at 8:30 a.m., while Hill wasn't supposed to run until 12:45 p.m.

Results of Johnson's and Hill's state title bids will be available in Monday's edition of the Herald or check online for updates at www.bigspringherald.com.

FRENCH

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Rafael Nadal. Federer will bid for his 14th major title to match Pete Sampras' record, and he'll try to become the sixth man to win all four Grand Slam titles.

Soderling will play in his first major final after upsetting fourtime defending champion Nadal in the fourth round.

Kuznetsova ended Serena Williams' 18-match Grand Slam winning streak in the quarterfinals, and she had the more varied game against Safina, mixing the angle and pace of her groundstrokes as she scooted across the clay.

Kuznetsova hit an occasional drop shot and won all six points when she came to the net.

Cool, damp weather made for slower conditions that lessened the impact of Safina's booming groundstrokes. And her serve was woeful: Safina lost more than half her service points and was broken five

She double-faulted for the last time on championship point, then slammed her racket to the court. Kuznetsova's reaction to the victory was subdued. The two finalists, whose friendon the cheek at the net. Kuznetsova then allowed herself a brief the cheering crowd by

patting her chest. "I've been waiting for this moment for a very

long time," Kuznetsova said. "Really, I didn't expect it to happen this year, but I give my best, I played with all my heart, I had unbelievable matches, I had unbelievable support. It's my favorite tourna-

ment." Steffi Graf, who won the last of her six French Open titles a decade ago, presented the trophy.

"I've been watching her for very long. but I've never met her," Kuznetsova said. "So today I got in the locker room, and first thing I saw her, and I got red and I said, 'Hi, ly rivalry dates back a I've never met you.' She decade, traded kisses wished me good luck. It's special she gives me the trophy."

No. 7-seeded smile and acknowledged Kuznetsova, the 2004 U.S. Open champion, won \$1.5 million while Safina received \$750,000.

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By Steve Becker Now You See It, Now You Don't

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable. NORTH ♠ A K 7 3 **♥** A 8 4 ♦ K 7 5 WEST **EAST ♦**984 ♥K752 **♦**QJ6 **♥**— **♦** J 9 8 4 2 ♦ O 10 3 **♣**J 10 4 **♣**Q9765 **SOUTH ♠** 10 5 2 ♥QJ10963

♦ À 6 The bidding:
West **♣**A3 North East Pass 1 🏚 Pass

South 1 Pass 4 NT 5 NT Pass Pass Pass Pass Opening lead — jack of clubs. There is a play in bridge that has

to be seen to be believed, and even after you've seen it, you may still not believe it. It rarely occurs in actual practice, but virtually every serious student of the game has encountered the play in bridge literature or theoretical discussions, and eagerly awaits the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to execute it at the table.

Today's hand provides a good example. A study of all four hands reveals that South has two inescapable losers — one in spades and the other in trumps. From West's viewpoint, once dummy appears he has every right to feel certain of scoring a trump trick with his king, come what may. But if South pays close attention to his knitting, West will wind up a sadder but wiser man.

Declarer wins the club lead with the ace and finesses the queen of hearts. West does not cover, of course, and also does not cover when the jack is led. South now abandons trumps, leading a club to the king and ruffing a club. These plays are followed by the A-K of diamonds and a diamond ruff.

Declarer next leads the A-K and another spade, East winning with the queen. At this point, South has the 10-9 of hearts, West the K-7 of hearts, and dummy the ace of hearts and seven of spades.

When East now returns a diamond or a club, South ruffs with the nine, and West's "sure" trump trick disappears. Whether he overruffs with the king or underruffs with the seven makes no difference whatever. Either way, the king is dead. In effect, West's king is "smothered."

And, as a matter of fact, that's how the "smother play" got its name. But don't hold your breath waiting

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Dickson and Johnston

Jana Dickson and Jeff Johnston, DDS, of Denver, Colo., are planning a September wedding.

Jana is the daughter of Doug and Mavis Dickson of Sgt. Bluff, Iowa.

Jeff, a former Big Spring resident and a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School, is the son of Patricia Edwards of Abilene and James and Sharon Johnston of Austin. He is the grandson of the late D.D. and Lois Johnston of Big Spring.

The bride-to-be served in the Marine Corps for four years after high



Jana Dickson and Jeff Johnson

school. She received her business management degree from the University of Phoenix and is employed as a human resource manager for Kinder Morgan.

The prospective groom received his bachelor of science degree from Texas Tech University and doctor of dental

surgery from University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. He is practicing family/ general dentistry in Denver and is the owner of Ascent Dental Group.

Jana and Jeff plan to be married Sept. 19 2009, in Beaver Creek, Colo., with a reception to follow in Vail, Colo.

Births

Brennan Brodie Wash

Brennan Brodie Wash, a boy, was born at 2:01 p.m. April 3, 2009, weighing 6 pounds, 3 ounces and was 20-3/4 inches long.

He is the son of Brodie and Kaci Wash of Lubbock.



He is the grandson of Kathy Aycock of San Angelo and Mark and Sherleen Aycock of Menard and Lisa and David Hobbs and the late Billy Wash.

Adyson Donna Jones

His great-grandparents are Bob and

Lila Barron and J.W. and Billie Nel-

ton and Bob Wash and Jo Ann Loud-

Adyson Donna Jones, a girl, was born at 8:01 a.m. May 29, 2009, weighing 5 pounds, 12 ounces and was 17 inches long.

amy of Big Spring.



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BUFFS

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"It seemed like we were getting a raw deal at first with all the injuries that kept hitting us, but it really worked out in the end," said Roberts. "After going back and looking at it, things really fell into line for us. Amanda came in during the middle of district and never missed a beat. We never looked back from there.

"There were a lot of different things that happened with this team and we just had to come together," Roberts added.

"I don't think we had a certain player that stood out, which says a lot about this team. It's a group effort and that's what it takes to win championships."

Longorio picked up both wins at the state tournament, allowing just one earned run on six hits and no walks, while striking three batters in the title game.

"There's not any words for this," said Longorio. "It's just overwhelming. It feels like a dream."

The Lady Buffs got on the board in the first inning after freshman Ambra Hill led off the frame with a double to the left field fence.

Hill stole third and scored on a fielder's choice ball by junior Shelby Jones.

D'Amberly Averette,



Courtesy photo by Bob Fishback

who was hit by a pitch when Hill was on third, stole second and moved to third on the ball hit by Jones. Kelsey Jones, who is Shelby's twin sister, hit a second fielder's choice to third base, allowing Averette to score for a 2-0 Forsan lead.

Hill was named the Most Valuable Player of the state tournament.

"This is so overwhelming," said an ecstatic

"I was crying so much. I was so happy. I think my dad was crying. It's just an amazing feeling."

Hill was due to run at the Class A state track and field meet later in the day, competing in

the 100-meter hurdles.

"I don't know how I'll handle it. I'm going to be a bit jumpy, so I don't know," said Hill. "Maybe jumpy is good for the hurdles. I'm just so excited. God has done so much for me so far."

The Lady Buffs relied on several solid defensive plays to fend off Alto rallies.

They turned double plays in the first two innings. Longorio was able to pitch out of situations with runners on second and third in the third and fifth innings.

"I just focus on the batter," said Longorio. "If someone's on base, then I don't really worry about them. I just focus on the batter. I know my defense has got my

Alto finally got on the board in the top of the

Lauren Watson was hit by a pitch to start the inning and moved to second on a passed ball. A pop fly was caught by Sandi Golleher in center field, allowing Watson to move to third. However, Watson

caught the Lady Buffs napping on defense and she came around to score, cutting the Lady Buffs lead in half, 2-1.

Roberts came out of the dugout to calm her team down.

"I told the team that

we were starting over at that point," said Rob-

"We were ahead 2-1 and if the game ended with that score then we were still going to be the winners. I was telling them to forget about that run, get the next two outs and focus on finishing out the game."

And finish they did, as the Lady Buffs quickly got the next five outs to claim the state title.

"It feels great to start something and end with a bang," said Golleher, who along with Alyx Pappajohn and Haylie Burleson is one of three seniors on this team. "There's no better feeling than this right now. I mean, who gets to end the year as a winner? Only the state champions and that's us this year.

"We're so close. We've

been building this team for four years," Golleher continued.

"We're all like sisters. It just makes it so much better. We just love each other so much and it makes this more special."

Golleher, Pappajohn and Burleson make up the entire Lady Buffs outfield, leaving Roberts with a hole to fill next season.

"The seniors have really stepped up this year," said Roberts. "They've become really good outfielders. Alyx has also been a good pitcher and we've had to rely on her some to throw. Haylie and Sandi have been great defensively and stepped up tremendously at the plate over the last half of the season. I'm going to miss them. They'll be tough to replace."

The returning Lady Buffs agree with Roberts' assessment.

"It's going to be hard to replace these seniors," admitted Longorio. "I know we've got some good players stepping in and I think we'll be good enough to be up here again.

"I just hope we have another chance next year," Hill added.

"Our seniors are such a big part of this team and it's going to be hard next year without them. Hopefully, we can stay tight and get here again next year." While the outfield is

graduating, the Lady Buffs do return a solid core in the infield with every player coming back, forcing Roberts to believe the team has a chance to find its way back to Austin in 2010.

"Our infield is solid. I feel great about them," raved Roberts. "They make up a solid core. I would love to be back next year. I'm not making any promises, but I would love to come

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A. C. "Pops" Alexander, Jr., 92, of Big Spring died Thursday, June 4, 2009. Funeral Services were at 3 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burialatTrinityMemorial Ruby P. Gill, 96, of Big

Spring died Wednesday, June 03, 2009. Funeral Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.. George Daniel Dunning.

died Wednesday. Private family services will be held at a later Daniel O. Gonzales, 60,

died Saturday. Vigil Services will be at 7 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 3 p.m. Monday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Coahoma with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

James Walter Ussery, Jr., 49, died Thursday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

COUNTY

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currently expecting to make many additions, either.

"Right now we're not adding any jobs, but we're not taking any away," said Barr. "Bear in mind we haven't met with all of the department heads yet. We usually meet with the sheriff last, and Stan (Parker) has already expressed a need for some more deputies. We'll simply have to talk that one out, and we'll have to look at all of the departments and see what it would cost."

Barr said the county's fiscal health in the coming year is hard to define at this point in the

budgetary process. "It's not bad, but I wouldn't call it good. I

suppose I'd say it looks routine at this point," said Barr. "Every year, we fight with this thing. We try our best to keep property taxes as low as possible, and that's really been a battle."

Barr said the county has seen its share of ups and downs during the past year when it comes to operation costs.

"One one hand, we over-budgeted last year for fuel because the prices came down like they did. And while that helps, the costs of supplies and materials went up in so many departments, it's hard to know how it balances out yet," said Barr. "Once we're through talking to the department heads we can really get down to constructing a budget. But until that time, it's hard to say how county finances will come out."

And as the court plods

through the sea of numbers and costs, Barr said he plans to ask something extra of the court during this year's budget process.

"I also want the commissioners to come up with lists of what they feel is important to the county," said Barr. "I want them to come up with something of a wish list, things they would like to see accomplished. Once we have that, I feel like we can map out a three- to five-year plan so we can reach those goals."

Also during Monday's meeting, County Auditor Jackie Olson will present routine items, such as invoices, purchase requests budget matters. Olson will also discuss considerations for a signatory authorization for the county judge to approve contracts with registered retail electric providers, as well as discussion concerning the disposal of surplus equipment.

County Treasurer Teresa Thomas will discuss personnel considerations, as well as present a payroll report. County Road and Bridge Administrator Eddy Jameson will also discuss pipeline crossings and road maintenance.

County Clerk Donna Wright will make her monthly report and discuss possible action for indexing in her office, while Big Spring Police Lt. Terry Chamness will present information regarding a grant.

Also during the meeting, Parker is expected to discuss an agreement with Martin County to house inmates at the county jail facility.

The meeting gets under way at 10 a.m. in the

commissioners courtroom, located on the second floor of the Howard County Courthouse. For more information, call 264-2202.

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COLLEGE

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ue at a steady pace:

 Renovation of the A and E wings of the administration building should be completed by late June or early July, Sparks noted. Once work is complete there, several college services, including financial aid, admissions and the business office, will vacate their temporary offices in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum and return to

 Abatement of the Horace Garrett Building is complete and renovation work is in full swing. Work is expected to be complete in time for the fall semester, Sparks said.

the permanent homes.

 The foundation for the science building addition will be poured later this month. Completion of that project is slated for early 2010.

• The main wing of the administration building will be vacated in July and is scheduled for asbestos abatement at that time, with renovation to follow. Services will relocate to the coliseum and other areas on campus.

 Renovation to the student union building kitchen has begun, which has forced relocation of campus food services to the SWCID campus. Service clubs that normally meet at the SUB will instead convene at SWCID during the summer months.

Kitchen renovation log changes. should be completed in

time for the fall semester, Sparks said.

With so many projects going on simultaneously, some disruptions are to be expected, but Sparks said officials are working to keep those at a minimum. And classes, she added, will continue to be held.

"People will still be on campus," she stressed. "They'll just be in different places."

In other business Monday, trustees will consider:

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Whatever you call it, a curve's tough to hit

BEN WALKER

AP Baseball Writer

Bert Blyleven threw a wicked curveball, and whatever batters called it — the deuce, the yakker, the hook or Uncle Charlie — it was pretty tough to hit.

Why?

"It's a figment of your imagination," he kid-

Ever since someone

snapped off the first curve, and there's been a century-old debate whether it was Candy Cummings or Fred Goldsmith, there's been equal discussion over exactly what the pitch does in flight.

"There's something physical about it and something illusory about it," Bucknell University professor Arthur Shapiro said.

A diehard New York Mets fan well versed in the field of visual sciences, Shapiro has studied curves from every angle, and reached the same conclusion as many other experts.

"They look like they jump or break or do all these funky things, but they don't. The idea that the bottom falls out isn't so," he said.

"I'm not saying curveballs don't curve. I emphasize that, yes, they curve. They just do so at a more gradual rate. Instead of making a sudden hook, they would form a really big circle."

That might've pleased Dizzy Dean. He had a favorite line for those who doubted the ball moved at all.

"Stand behind a tree 60 feet away and I'll whomp you with an optical illusion!" ol' Diz liked to say.

Shapiro, however, offers a new theory on why hitters might think a ball bends so drastically: The eye exaggerates the break.

Shapiro said the brain processes objects it sees in peripheral vision differently from things it observes looking straight on. As in, a batter tracking a pitch from the corners of his eyes might throw himself for a curve.

To illustrate his point, Shapiro presented a tantalizing design that recently was judged the world's best visual illusion by a group of neuroscientists and psychologists.

It depicts a spinning ball that quickly changes direction, depending at which angle it's viewed. Straight on, it appears to simply drop; from the side, it seems to veer.

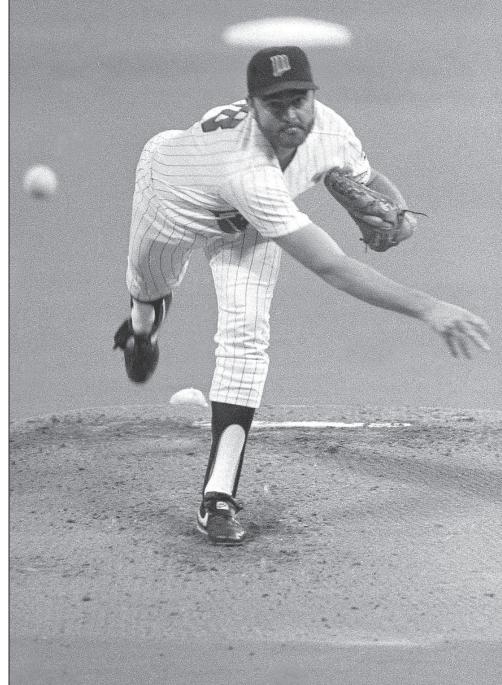
"I'm not saying this is it," Shapiro said. "It's a hypothesis."

Shapiro developed the illusion with three collaborators — Southern California professor Zhong-Lin Lu and former students Emily Knight and Robert Ennis.

"I would agree there is an illusion taking place when a batter visually tries to deal with a curving pitch, but not due to peripheral vision," Hall of Famer Mike Schmidt told The Associated Press in an e-mail.

"Curveballs are like snowflakes, none are the same. No two curveballs have the same rotation speed, velocity toward the hitter, arm delivery angle or break.

"Nolan Ryan and Bert Blyleven had the tightest rotation and velocity combination," he wrote.



In this 1987 photo, Minnesota Twins starter Bert Blyleven pitches to the Detroit Tigers in the first inning in Game 2 of the American League Championship baseball series in Minneapolis. Blyleven threw a wicked curveball and whatever hitters called it — the deuce, the yakker, the ol' hook or Uncle Charlie — it was tough to handle.

NCAA discusses Memphis' possible violations

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)

– The NCAA met with

— The NCAA met with Memphis officials on Saturday to discuss major violations and the school must now wait at least six weeks for a ruling on whether its 38 wins from the 2007-08 season will count.

The most serious allegation taken up at the meeting was whether an unknown person took the SAT for a player.

The NCAA has said the athlete in question played for the Tigers for only the 2007-08 season and the 2008 NCAA

tournament.

The only person who fits the description in documents obtained by The Associated Press is Derrick Rose, the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft

after that season.

Memphis athletic director R.C. Johnson had no comment as he left the four-hour meeting. Memphis president Dr. Shirley Raines also would not speak, but issued a statement.

"Although we cannot comment on the specifics of what occurred during the hearing, I can say that as president, I reiterated the university's commitment to NCAA rules compliance," Raines said.

"We believe we were able to fully answer the committee's questions and present the actions we have already taken based upon our internal investigations."

Memphis officials have said the school

should keep the victories from the 2007-08 season that ended in the national title game. An NCAA spokeswoman said a ruling is expected between six and eight weeks.

"We are hopeful that we will receive a favorable decision on behalf of the university in this matter," Raines said.

"We look forward to having more to say after the committee has released its decision."

A letter from the NCAA forced new Kentucky coach John Calipari to participate in the hearing.

The NCAA says Calipari, who coached the Memphis Tigers during the season in question, isn't considered "at risk" in the probe.

Calipari explained in one letter than he wouldn't be able to attend because of a previously scheduled trip to China, but the chairman of the NCAA's committee on infractions told him he needed to participate anyway, either through phone or video conference.

Calipari responded on May 27 that he would join the hearing by phone, but it wasn't

clear on Saturday whether he had.

Memphis could face similar meetings with the NCAA in the future. Another player, Robert Dozier, also has had questions surface about his entrance exams.

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Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Phinney 50th Anniversary June 5, 2009

Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Phinney of Sand Springs will observe their 50th wedding anniversary with a comeand-go reception from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 7, in the Midway Baptist Church fellowship hall. The couple will renew their vows at 2:15 p.m.

The celebration is being hosted by Jay Phinney, Lori Phinney Henry, Jean Ann Wolf and respective

Rickey Harry Phinney was born in Big Spring. Jeffie Lee Gore was born in Olney. They met as students at Coahoma schools and both worshiped at First Baptist in Coahoma.

They were married June 5, 1959, at Coahoma First

Baptist Church.

They have two children, Jay Phinney of Big Spring and Lori Henry of Fort Worth, and two grandchil-

dren, Zac and Ashley Phinney of Big Spring. He is retired from Getty Oil and the Big Spring

State Hospital. She is a homemaker.

They attend Midway Baptist Church and enjoy gardening, collecting and entertaining friends.

Their marriage has remained strong through de-

votion to family and faith.



Mr. and Mrs. Orville Spradling 65th Anniversary June 3, 2009

It was just a few days before D-Day when Orville and Reta Spradling got married. Sixtyfive years later the Big Spring residents are still very content to be sharing their lives together.

Reta Bigony graduated from Big Spring High School in 1940 and attended McMurry University. Orville was a student at Texas Tech. They met in 1942 while attending a Methodist youth fellowship in Idalou. After exchanging vows June 3, 1944, in the post chapel at Camp Rocker in Alabama, the couple planned to head for Panama City, Fla., for a honeymoon. However, travel problems cut the trip short. As they were returning, D-Day was taking place across the Atlantic.

It would be 50 years before they'd complete their honeymoon in Panama City. When they did, they took the opportunity to renew their wedding vows.

"It was just as sweet as 50 years ago," Reta said

In between, Orville was sent to Europe and returned home safely. The Spradlings lived in Lubbock, Costa Mesa,

Calif., Houston and Dallas. Orville was head of General Telephone's oil Yellow Pages. Reta was a church secretary, religious education director and school secretary. After Orville retired, they moved to the Fairview community near Luther and later to Big Spring.

Orville has been a longtime pilot, a love which he passed on to



their two sons, William O. Spradling and Dennis Michael Spradling. They have three grandchildren.

Orville is associated with several Masonic and aviation clubs. Reta

enjoys reading and is associated with the Garden Club and Genealogy Society.

They are affiliated with the First United Methodist Church of Big Spring.



June 2009 Employee of the Month Tye Brown

Parkview Nursing and Rehab would like to congratulate Tye for earning employee of the month. Tye has been working with us since April '07. She is the Activity Assistant. The residents, families and employees of Parkview Nursing & Rehabilitation appreciate all you do! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.



Tye Brown

Why do batterers threaten, abuse, or kill animals?

- · To demonstrate and confirm power and control over the family.
- To isolate the victim and children.
- To eliminate competition for attention.
- To force the family to keep violence a secret.
- To teach submission.
- · To retaliate for acts of independence and self-determination.
- To perpetuate the context of terror.
- To prevent the victim from leaving or coerce her/him to return.
- To punish the victim for leaving
- To degrade the victim through involvement in the abuse.

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- violence? YES. Animal abuse exposes the deliberateness of battering rather than loss of control.
- · Animal abuse and child abuse are closely related.
- · Animal abuse is often a tool used by batterers to emotionally control or coerce victims.
- Threatening, injuring, or killing animals can indicate the potential for increased violence or leathality.
- · Victims may postpone leaving out of fear for their pets' safety.
- · Identifying animal abusers can help identify other victims of violence within the family.







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Our View

Boys & Girls Club summer program begins Monday

Summer is finally here. That's right, it doesn't matter a bit what the calendar says, summer actually starts when our children get out of school. It's an absolute boon for youngsters, if memory serves correctly, and it does. However, for working parents — and there are a great many more of them than when we were children — the nearly three-month vacation presents somewhat of a nightmare when it comes to childcare.

The parents of 100 local children are in luck, though. The Big Spring Salvation Army's Boys & Girls Club of America offers them a reliable, cost-effective answer with its summer program, which begins Monday and continues through Aug. 14.

"We have a lot of different activities planned this year," said Sonnet Hildebrand, director of the annual project. "Our new program coordinator this year is Barry Barnett, who did a lot of work for the programs at the YMCA. We have all sorts of activities planned, from arts and crafts to a splash day." One thing that will be missing from the

club's agenda this year are trips to the municipal swimming pool, because the city of Big Spring will not open the facility this summer as it plans to make repairs at the facility.

The program is operated Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

For a lot of parents, daycare just isn't an option, due to financial concerns, according to Hildebrand.

But the Boys & Girls Club will be charging \$20 for each of the first two months, and \$10 for August. "That's the whole summer for \$50, which is within the reach of most parents," Hildebrand noted. "And they have the option of paying the entire amount up front or just paying on a month-to-month basis."

And it's important, we believe, to note that there are not financial restrictions parents must meet to qualify for the program.

Lunches will be provided during the first month of the program, as the youngsters will be bused to Big Spring High School for lunch, but after that, children will be expected to bring a sack lunch. However, a snack will be provided throughout the program's run.

The program, limited to 100 children, is currently filled, but Hildebrand is taking applications for a waiting list, in case any of the children drop out of the program.

That rarely happens, however, which tells us the program is not only a good one for parents, but enjoyable for the children involved. Simply put, that's a win-win situation.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Amen

With You, Lord, everyday kindness can be used for others and our greater good.

Hey, GOP, what is enough?

hen is enough, enough? It's just a question, mind you, but I absolutely think the question needs to be asked of folks like Tina Benkiser, who's chairman of the Republican Party

And, no, I'm not talking about the plethora of e-mails I get from the Texas GOP — at least one per day but the absolute dogmatic approach that Republicans seem to taking these days.

in Texas.

JOHN A. Moseley

You see, friends, the Republicans just aren't a happy bunch of campers. In fact, a great many of us are reasonably certain most of them lack a sense of humor, but that's a different matter.

So what's this all about?

Well, it seems that the Republicans are not just satisfied being the dominant political party in the state, they have their sights set on every political office in the state. In other words, the Republicans hope to make Texans into "yellow dog Republicans."

That's right, if the GOP has their way, folks in these parts will start voting for anyone brandishing the Republican tag.

Now, to my way to thinking, that's insane.

Understand, George W. Bush and most of the people who surrounded him, both in Austin and Washington, did their dead-level best to turn me into a yellow dog Democrat, there were just some people in the GOP I felt deserved our support — folks like Kel Seliger and Robert Duncan, a couple of state senators we're pretty familiar with. But now the Republicans say

they are "gearing up to fight and win the 2010 election across the Lone Star state," according to a press release they e-mailed me Monday morning. Seems the state GOP is launch-

ing the Local Republican Leadership Fund, which, the party says, is designed to establish, for the first time in history, a majority of all offices in the state.

That's right, the Republicans aren't satisfied with currently holding all statewide offices and enjoy majorities in the state leg-

islature and in the state's Congressional delegation, but thev have their sights set on an absolute majority in the more than 5,000 elected offices in Texas.

"We are going to go after offices in every precinct and county in this state," Benkiser was quoted in the release. "Areas that have long been traditionally 'yellow dog Democrat' are often naturally conservative and Republican in their politics. They already support us at the state and federal levels. So we are going to reach out to those areas and the entire state with our message of freedom, strength and prosperity for Texans.'

Some of us, particularly me, have a different take. While many of us Texas Democrats are, indeed, conservative to some extent, there's no way for us to be truly Republican ... we don't have enough money to be real Republicans.

In fact, most Texans don't have enough money, or ever will make enough money to be real Republicans.

Real Republicans ... you know, like Dick Cheney; George Bush, the elder; Claytie Williams and Bill Clements ... believe in GOP principles, because it behooves them financially to do so.

Most of us don't. Still, there are clearly many, many Texans that continue to vote against their own economic best interest.

That's because they've believed the tripe folks like Karl Rove, Rush Limbaugh, Ann Coulter, Sean Hannity and the rest of the folks at FOX News have been dishing them.

That's why things like what happened not too long ago in my doctor's office transpire.

I really don't even know how the subject got started that day, but it's not uncommon for people to be discussing political topics whenever a newspaper person is present. Maybe that's not true. Maybe it's just that we're more likely to pick up such a conversation as a result of what we do for a living.

But I was sitting there in the doctor's office having my blood pressure taken when the nurse performing the task opined, and I quote, "Well, I'm a Christian, so there's no way I could vote for a Democrat."

Excuse me. Did I hear that right?" I asked.

She said I had indeed heard

her correctly.

"Well, I'm a Christian, too," I said.

Then, just before she had a chance to tell me how wonderful she thought it was that I was a Christian, I added, "And I'm a Democrat, too."

She seemed stunned that I didn't consider the two mutually exclusive. I let it pass, because it re-

ally didn't seem worth arguing about. Not in the doctor's office and not when I was having my blood pressure taken. But come to think of it, so

many of the things the so-called Moral Majority and Republican Party have used and continue to use as issues — particularly gay marriage and abortion — just really aren't that important. The same people opposed to

gay marriage and abortion seem, in large part, to be perfectly all right that we condoned torture, but getting a legal ruling that what we said was torture in World War II wasn't torture following 9-11.

Seems to me that Christ left us with one commandment, to love the Lord with all our mind, body and soul and to love one another.

They seem to forget that one, if But then again, it doesn't matter what I think on that front.

The same is true about what they think about gay marriage and abortion.

What matters is what God thinks, and he's always been able to take care of things him-

Now, I know that's diverged a little, but I can't help but be a little afraid when the Texas GOP announces the Local Republican Leadership Fund, which is designed "to bring the party's expertise to each county in the state, to assess their needs, recruit candidates, build party infrastructure and train county party officials, workers and candidates."

"Our message and history of keeping Texas strong and free resonates with Texas' spirit and can-do attitude," Benkiser said. "We're going to keep Texas red, and paint it a little redder, in 2010."

All I can say is, I hope not.

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Your Views

TO THE EDITOR:

On behalf of the entire Marcy Elementary School staff, I would like to take this opportunity to thank businesses for their contributions this past school year.

Members from businesses have served on our Site Base Team, and have been partnered with Marcy, sponsoring programs like Balloons for Reading Achievements for the first grade, the Healthy Eating Essay for second graders and provided refreshments for campus events. They support us in our academic efforts and we are truly grateful.

Furr's has joined as a partner this year, and has furnished refreshments for several school functions as well, including our Celebrate Freedom Walk and fac-

ulty meetings. Western Contain-

er made a donation of \$1000 to our PTO Fund which will be used to purchase academic reading materials for the 2009-2010 school

We also want to thank First Baptist Church for furnishing much needed school supplies for students who cannot afford them and the coat drive at Christmas so that each of our students has a coat. They have also been willing to help out with individual needs when we call on them and, for this, we are truly grateful.

Businesses have supported activities that have helped make learning fun and worthwhile and the Marcy Elementary staff wishes to express its gratitude for all their contributions. We

feel fortunate to be educators in a

community that is so supportive

in educating our children.

Brenda Dunlap PRINCIPAL MARCY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

TO THE EDITOR:

In response to the letter in Sunday's, May 31, paper written by Rita Brown, I only have one thing to say: Amen.

> KENNETH CARSON BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

I believe that retaining the right and liberty to choose a safe, legal abortion is the most important issue facing American women since we had to fight for our

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SPORTS BIG SPRING HERALD Sunday, June 7, 2009



Driver Todd Bodine celebrates in victory lane after winning the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Winstar World Casino 400 auto race at Texas Motor Speedway Friday in Fort Worth.

Bodine wins again at TMS

FORT WORTH (AP) Todd Bodine passed up a chance to refuel on the final pit stop Friday night, and still had enough to win the fastest NASCAR Truck Series race ever at Texas Motor Speedway.

Bodine became the winningest driver for any series at Texas, racing to his fifth trucks victory at the $1\frac{1}{2}$ -mile. high-banked oval. He also is the first five-time trucks winner at any NASCAR track.

In a race with only two cautions and no crashes, Bodine won with an average speed of 152.282 mph. He finished 1.32 seconds ahead of Matt Crafton, who took the season points lead from Ron Hornaday Jr. Colin Braun was a distant third, 10.3 seconds

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to change tires and add fuel on the same stop, Bodine came through for tires on the final caution period. But crew chief Mike Hillman Jr. told him not to return to pit row for fuel before the final restart with 40 laps left.

Bodine went the final 63 laps of the 167-lap race on his last tank of fuel, and still had enough left to do celebratory burnouts in his Tovota on the frontstretch.

"I wasn't concerned," Bodine said, though he admitted he was glad no extra laps were needed for a green-white-checker finish. When Bodine was in

the pit for the tires, he also got other adjustments on what had been an ill-handling truck.

"This truck right into that last run, we were just too loose the whole

race," Bodine said. "Junior made some great calls at the end and fixed it up to make it run. This is an awesome night."

While trying to conserve fuel on those closing laps, Bodine also was trying to maintain a comfortable lead in case the truck loosened up again. It didn't, and Crafton couldn't catch

"Right now, I'd give up the points lead to be where Todd Bodine is," said Crafton, who has only one win in 205 career starts. "It was all about track position." Crafton has a 30 point

lead over Hornaday. Mike Skinner, 39 points behind Crafton, finished 10th — a lap back.

Bodine earned his 17th career victory, all of them coming on superspeedways. It was his second turn.

second victory this season, the other coming in the opener at Daytona.

Johnny Benson was fourth, followed by Rick Crawford. Only nine trucks finished on the lead lap.

Hornaday, who swept both Texas races last year, had led 55 laps when he made a greenflag stop on the 99th lap. But a tire got loose from his crew in the pits and he had to serve a drivethrough penalty and fell out of the top 10. He finished 19th, four laps back after coming off the track early because of an engine problem.

Polesitter Johnny Sauter led the first 42 laps, but lost the lead after some problems in the pit during the first caution, brought out when Brian Scott brushed the wall in the

Federer aiming to finally claim French Open crown

PARIS (AP) — All of Roger Federer's bad memories from past French Open finals could be wiped away Sunday.

All of those so-close-yet-sofar bids to win the only Grand Slam title to elude him could fade with just one victory.

If he beats 23rd-seeded Robin Soderling of Sweden in the final at Roland Garros, Federer will tie Pete Sampras' record of 14 major championships and complete a career Grand Slam — at least one trophy from each of tennis' four most prestigious tournaments.

As much as Federer already has done, one French Open championship could forever alter the Swiss star's place in history. No one knows that better than Andre Agassi, whose 1999 French Open title made him the fifth — and most recent — man with a career Grand Slam, changing the way he and others view

"Every surface, every condition, demands something different from you, and also rewards you differently, as well, from the physical challenges that exist, to the mental challenges. It's highlighted by the fact that it doesn't get done too often," Agassi said during an appearance at Roland Garros with his wife, Steffi Graf, to promote their charitable foundations.

"I'm pulling for Roger tomorrow," Agassi added, "because I think he's earned this opportunity. I think ... he deserves it."

Federer's influence in the sport extends beyond the court: The winner of the French Open women's championship Saturday, Svetlana Kuznetsova, pointed to a con-

versation with Federer at last year's Beijing Olympics as a pivotal moment for her.

Kuznetsova was down in the dumps after losing at the Summer Games and was trying to decide whether to keep training in Spain or return home to Russia. Some friends pushed her to ask Federer to pose for a photo, and Kuznetsova wound up speaking to him at length for the first time.

"He say, 'Look, you can only depend on yourself. You can control it. If you can concentrate and live in Moscow, do this. If you cannot, only you can judge," she recalled after beating Dinara Safina 6-4, 6-2 for her first French Open title.

Kuznetsova, like many players, is pulling for Federer to get his first. They all know how near he's come, losing to Spain's Rafael Nadal in the past three French Open

"If it wasn't for one sort of freak of nature from Mallorca," Agassi said, "he would have won this tournament, probably, already a handful of times."

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From left, Steve Smith and his mother, Edna Faye, Smith pose with Jobeth and Tommy Corwin, winners of the Big Spring State Hospital Jack Y. Smith Award. Posing with the Smiths and Corwins are Assistant Superintendent Olivia Flournoy and Superintendent Ed Moughon. The award was presented Wednesday during the hospital's annual Volunteer Services Council's awards luncheon. The award is presented in memory of Jack Y. Smith, one of the hospital's earliest volunteers.

Dedicated volunteers

Tommy, Jobeth Corwin receive Jack Y. Smith Award at BSSH

By VALERIE AVERY

Special to the Herald

Big Spring State Hospital volunteers Tommy and Jobeth Corwin were presented with the Jack Y. Smith Award Wednesday during the hospital's annual Volunteer Services Council's luncheon.

The award has been given for the past 36 years to the organization's top volunteer in honor of Jack Y. Smith — one of the hospitals' first and most dedicated volunteers.

Jack Y. Smith established the award in 1973 and presented it for many years before his death. His son, Steve, and Jack Y. Smith's widow, Edna Faye, now present the award ever year to the hospital's most decorated volunteer.

In presenting the award, Smith told the crowd of more than 100 volunteers and guests, which included the Corwin's children

who surprised them by traveling from as far away as Houston to attend, that they were joining a prestigious list of recipients.

"Their colleagues say she is a silent leader whose actions speak louder than words, and he is the 'wind beneath our wings,'" Smith

Jobeth Corwin began volunteering in 1992 and in that time has worked 3,393 hours; Tommy officially began his career in 1998 and has given 2,648 hours of his

Both have done a huge share of

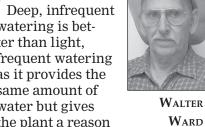
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Time to water, mulch

ummer comes this month and brings with it heat that can be very stressful for plants. Providing

proper care can reduce the amount of stress felt by the plant.

watering is better than light, frequent watering as it provides the same amount of water but gives the plant a reason to develop a more extensive root system in search-





ing for it. This allows the plant to take in more nutrients which results in a healthier, more productive plant.

Most plants prefer cool roots, so mulch, mulch, mulch! Apply mulch 3 to 6 inches deep. In general, coarser mulches will need to be deeper than finer ones. Mulches also help reduce weed growth in flower beds.

There are many kinds of mulches, both organic and inorganic. Plants generally prefer organic mulches as the mulch decomposes and provides food for the plant, but some plants and some purposes require inorganic mulch. Inorganic mulches are rock chips, gravel, tufa (lava chunks), coarsly ground tires; anything that decomposes so slowly that for practical purposes it can be said to not decom-

The organic mulches are anything that decomposes that

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does not mat to prevent the flow of air and water through it to the soil. The most common are bark chips but shredded wood, peat moss and many others are also available.

I prefer the shredded wood mulch from the Big Spring Compost Facility (3201 Perimeter Road) because it is about the same color as the stones that my house is built from. It works for me. If you use an inorganic mulch, don't forget to rake it back and apply 1 inch of compost

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Energy Watch



Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a managing director - investments for the Wachovia Securities Midland office.

Bill Franks, AAMS, is a senior registered client associate and the senior associate to the branch manager.



Last week's market session experienced a tugof-war between the bulls and the bears. The last half saw the bulls win out as greed overcame fear. The greed side is being fueled by many indications that the recession is ending, a seven-decade record setting rally by the S&P 500, and a last week's government bond market rally. The fear side is made up of concern that the stock market has gotten way ahead of the economy's recovery, that the recovery will be sluggish at best, and lots of inflation fears.

Helping the bulls recently has been short covering as those bears have gotten hung out to dry. Energy stocks have also led the market up as oil prices rose reflecting the improving economic outlook and perhaps some fear of international political problems (North Korea). Banks and financials were also strong as treasuries rallied on reduced fear that record government debt sales will trigger higher borrowing costs.

We did have a sharp sell-off Wednesday encouraging those on the sidelines to believe their hoped for pullback had finally started. But by Thursday, when the market started to rally, you could almost hear the shorts and sidelined cash screaming, "I've got to cover or get on-board." This is a nice environment for us bulls but it does set up a probable short term top fairly soon. We therefore continue to advise investors to remain somewhat cautious and traders to look to sell into strength.

We share the concern with the bears that the economic recovery in 2010 will not be robust and that international problems have become even more severe. At some point those factors will likely sponsor a normal pullback, probably when those hoping for one have given up on its possibility. It is critical to remember that markets are not a oneway street and we feel holding some buying power back makes good investment sense at this time.

On the commodity front...Wow! Natural gas futures had a big day Thursday, advancing 8.7 percent (which is the most in 10 weeks) after a government report showed a smaller-than-forecast gain in U.S. stockpiles signaling that reduced drilling may be starting to cut supply. Meanwhile, crude oil headed for its biggest monthly gain in a decade as economic indicators from Asia and shrinking U.S. crude inventories hinted at the beginnings of a global economic recovery. Oil rose to a sixmonth high (above \$66 a barrel) after India's economy grew more than expected in the last quarter and Japan said that its April industrial output

climbed the most in at least six years. For us here in the Permian Basin, oil's advance of 29 percent in May and the natural gas rally are as welcome as the recent rains.

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See RAINWATER, Page 5C



Wal-Mart recently presented a \$500 gift to the Pops in the Park Foundation. From left are Manny Negron, Wal-Mart community relations associate; Jan Hansen, Pops in the Park chairman; Debbye ValVerde, Pops treasurer; and Tim Walsh, Wal-Mart manager.



Enter the Big Spring Herald's Reader's Choice Poll by filling out this questionnaire.

Drop off your completed entry form at the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry, or mail it to us at PO Box 1431, to be received by **Monday,**

June 15, 2009 by 5 p.m. Late entries will be disqualified.

The winners of each category will be revealed to the public in our upcoming special section

"The Reader's Choice" to be published on Sunday, June 28, 2009.

Thank you for your participation, but please hurry! The deadline is coming soon! Only ballots clipped from the newspaper will be accepted.

YOU MAY VOTE FOR 10 PER PAGE

(MORE THAN 10 SUBMITTED WILL BE DISQUALIFIED)

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Barbecue	Collision	Travel Agency
Burritos		Work Out Facility
Chicken		
Chinese		Doonlo
Coldest Beer		Attorney
Donuts		Auctioneer
Fish		Teller
French Fries		at
Hamburgers		Chiropractor
Margaritas		City Employee
Mexican Food		Customer Service
Pizza		CNA
Sandwiches		at
Steaks		Dentist
Grocery Stores		Doctor
Circulary Citator		EMT
Deli		Financial Advisor
Meats		Fire Fighter
Produce		Insurance Agent
		at
Businesses		LVN
Abstract/Title Co.		at
Animal Hospital		Massage Therapist
Apartments		Opthalmalogist
Appliances	Markerana Carranana	Pastor
Auto Garage	Museum	at
Auto Glass	Noil Colon	Pediatritian
Auto Parts	Nurson	Pharmacist
Auto Dealer		at
Bail Bond		Physical Therapist
Bakery	Dlagraga	at
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Bank Drive Thru	Dool Catata Aganay	Real Estate Agent
Bank Hours	Detirement Heres	RN
Bar	Deefing Commons	at
Barber Shop	D.// D.	
Beauty Salon	Siding Dealer	

Tatoo Parlor_____

Television Dealer _____

Thrift Store _____

Tire Dealer _____

Boutique _____

Carpet

Cellular Dealer _____

College_

THANKS FOR VOTING!

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Addition

Date: May 26, 2009

Grantor: Rose Pierson

31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey

Grantee: Victor Hernandez

32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey

Date: May 27, 2009

Grantor: Donnie Reid

Grantee: Karen Winn

Date: May 27, 2009

Date: May 27, 2009

Grantor: Rudy Carpenter

Grantee: Julie Lawson

Date: May 27, 2009

Date: May 28, 2009

Town of Big Spring

Town of Big Spring

Heights

Grantor: Julie Lawson

Grantee: Lupe Zarraga

Grantee: Alvin Baker

Date: May 27, 2009

Glenda Kay Grigg

Addition

Grantor: Charles D. Rosenbaum

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Grantor: Charles D. Rosenbaum Grantee: CDR Investments

Grantor: Charles D. Rosenbaum

Grantor: Charles D. Rosenbaum

Property: Lot 16, Block 10, Monticello

Property: A tract out of Section 37, Block

Grantor: Mary Iwana Huckabee, Jimmy

Mark Phernetton, Sharon Schattel, Robbie

Joe Phernetton, Tammy Phernetton, Jef-

frey Phernetton, Saundra Louise Powers,

Vera Jean Rhoades, Linda Ray McCartney,

Property: A tract out of Section 48, Block

Property: A 4.8-acre tract out of Section 6,

Property: Lots 9 and 10, Block 41, Original

Property: Lots 9 and 10, Block 41, Original

Grantor: Citi Bank of New Mexico

Property: A portion of Block 37, College

derson, 788; Cyneather Wood-

ruff, 1,131; JoAnn Hernandez,

Grantee: Chuck Rosenbaum

Block 31, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey

Grantee: CDR Investments

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85, Original Town of Big Spring

Property: Lot 19, Block 20, Monticello

Property: Lot 8, Block 3, Stanford Park

Property: The S/100 feet of Lot 3, Block

Property: Lot 4, Block 2, Hayden Addition

Property: Lots 4 and 5, Block 1, Morning

Grantee: CDR Investments

Property: Lot 4, Block 17, Monticello Ad-

Grantee: CDR Investments

Public Records

Outstanding IBC Warrants:

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Julio Diaz Balcazar, 1900 Martin Luthor King Apt. 101, Big Spring Nancy Ramirez Banuelos, 1002 N. Main St. Apt. 1, Big Spring

Amy Barber, 2602 Ent, Big Spring Christopher Barrera, 1704 Goliad, Big

Teresa Baumann, 1509 E. Sixth, Big Spring Amy Benavides, 3001 N. Midland Dr., Big

Spring Crystal Biles, 15885 S. Quartz, Odessa Alexis A. Bowie, 2811 Lawton, Amarillo Nohelia Hernandez Brito, 1505 Vines, Big

Spring Wanda Heron Brown, 538 Westover Rd. Apt. 113, Big Spring Cristal Cabello, 1314 65th Drive Apt. C,

Lubbock Melissa Camargo, 2100 Ave. N, Tahoka

Wendell Campbell, 600 N.W. Eight St., Big Spring David Canales Jr., 2403 S. Runnels, Big

Donna J. Abbott Cantwell, 538 Westover

Rd. Apt. 101, Big Spring Amy Castillo, 1806 Morrison, Big Spring Antonia Castillo, 206 Fuller St., Hereford Patsy Cate, 3227 Cornell Ave., Big Spring Weldon Montague Cheatham, 4502 Deni-

son, Snyder Larry Dean, 10209 E. CR 24, Big Spring Johnny Delacruz Jr., of 502 S. Bell, Big

Constance A. Elledge, 1709 Scotland Ave., Tommy Esparza, 300 N. Lamesa Highway,

Stanton Alejandro Franco Jr., 1900 Martin Luthe King Blvd. Apt. 215, Big Spring

Ruby Gaitan, P.O. Box 783, Lamesa Melissa Gonzalez, 2317 CR 220, Garden

Pamela Kay Hadorn, 101 Shifflett Drive, Big Spring

Sharon Marquis Hanson, 1201 E. Co. Rd. 34, Big Spring Patrick Kyle Heckler, 12501 N. Co. Rd. 35,

Big Spring_ Cherie Brandy Hernandez, 2006 Ave. L,

Shauna Danielle Jenkins, 3301 40th Place, Snvder

Brandy O. Johnson, 24327 Pleasonton, San Antonio Sarah A. Barrow Johnson, 3402 D. State

St., Big Spring Paige Morgan Kenas, 1003-2 Lake County

Rd. 175, Colorado City Kimberly K. King, 1711 Young, Big Spring Christopher Max Martinez, 2870 S. High-

vay, Snyder Sandy Martinez, 1610 Eubanks, Big Spring Chad K. Merrill, 3300 Manor Rd. Apt. 174, Austin

Ricky L. Nava, 707 Willia, Big Spring Christopher Eric Painter, 1503 S. Johnson, Big Spring

Ruth Heinen Privett, 5822 Oak, Big Spring Rickie Dan Pruiett. 979 FM 977. Leona Jolene Reyes, 6900 FM 1205, Big Spring Natalie Nicole Good Robles, 607 W. 17th Street, Big Spring

Veronica Luera Rodriguez, 5709 Cedar Rd. No. 3, Big Spring

AWARD

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work with the Volunteer

Services council, serving in a

number of capacities but

efforts at The Chalet Resale

Shop, which sells secondhand

clothing and small household

items, generating more than

\$50,000 a year for the patients

at Big Spring State Hospital.

Among some of their noted

accomplishments were the

hauling of 600 buckets of rain

water from The Chalet, drill-

ing holes in the roof to chan-

nel rain water, training new

Mona Saldana, 400 Circle, Big Spring Jonathan Michael Shorten, 1619 1-35 La Quinta, San Marcos

Brian Paul Siverson, 589c Stoddard, Odessa Mickey Jermain Starnes, 402 Holly Oak

Dr., Tyler William Dale Stewart, 3505 Gail Highway,

Big Spring Liandro Ventura, 1905 Wasson No. 23,

Big Spring Grace Walker, 1401 N. Highway 87 Apt. 904, Big Spring

Candida Lynn Whitehead, 1405 runnels, Big Spring

Anna Raquel Zamora, 2501 March Circle, Big Spring

County Court Decisions:

Probated Judgment: Cody James Nall, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$1,500 fine, \$328 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Judgment and Sentence: Richard Charles Simmons, building location of tattoo/body piercing studio, \$500 fine, \$278 court costs, 30 days in jail. Probated Judgment: Cecilo Pena, fictitious/

counterfeit inspection or insurance document for display, \$500 fine, \$278 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation). Probated Judgment: Miguel Garcia, driving

while intoxicated - second offense, \$3,000 fine, \$443 court costs, 365 days in jail (jail time suspended, 24 months probation). Judgment and Sentence: Armando Lopez,

conviction or suspension, \$1,000 fine, \$328 court costs, 60 days in jail. Judgment and Sentence: Edward Morada Garcia Sr., unlawfully carrying a weapon,

driving while license invalid with a previous

\$522 fine, \$228 court costs. Probated Judgment: Scott Evan Boyd criminal mischief - more than \$500 less than \$1,500, \$1,500 fine, \$278 court costs, 180

days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Probated Judgment: Jason Ortega, driving while intoxicated, \$1,000 fine, \$443 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6

months probation). Judgment and Sentence: David Arguello Jr., resisting arrest, search or transportation, \$500 fine, \$278 court costs, 30 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Scott Evan Boyd, criminal mischief - more than \$500 less than \$1,500, \$1,500 fine, \$278 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation) Probated Judgment: Cody James Nall,

possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$1,500 fine, \$328 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Probated Judgment: Zachary Ray Wil-

liams, possession of a dangerous drug, \$1,000 fine, \$328 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Judgment and Sentence: Fidel Raul Mendoza, deadly conduct, \$2,772 fine, \$228 court costs.

District Court Filings: Element Petroleum LP vs. PNC Bank,

Pharia LLC vs. Richard Underwood, accounts, notes and contracts.

Cynthia Alvarado vs. Vicente Alvarado, family.

In Re Briseis Gabrielle Tovar, family Clark Ashley Coskey vs. Kaylo Jo Coskey,

volunteers, and repairing small appliances at the Chalet before listing them for sale, among many other items.

Olivia Flournoy was the keynote speaker and told them awe of the work that the volunteers do on a daily basis.

sisted Therapy building, the swimming pool, the Wellness Plaza, the trams, the Internet café and when they learn they all have been built by volunteers they are truly impressed," Flournoy said.

consultant who visited our

In Re Audrie Maree Reves, family. U.S. Bank National Assoc. vs. Arthur and Michelle Trevino, accounts, notes and contracts In Re Andrew Jai Garcia, family,

Sonny Hall vs. Steve Henry and Steve Henry Jr., injury or damages with a motor vehicle. Pharmerica Long Term Care vs. NKAJ En-

terprises LLC, accounts, notes and contracts.

Ruben Gonzales vs. Rita Moreno, family Deborah Rice vs. Marty Rice, family Lindsey Allen vs. David Allen, family In Re Ayden Ray Rubio, family. In Re Ariana Marie Vasquez, family. Van Gaskins vs. Mary Gaskins, family. Jesse Jones vs. Angela Jones, family. Estela Villa vs. Mary Joe Bertram, injury or damages with a motor vehicle. Stanley Partee vs. Tony Cervantes, accounts, notes and contracts.

Marriage Licenses: Joshua B. Valenzuela, 22, and Shawnte Nicole Pulver, 18, both of Big Spring.

Warranty Deeds: Grantor: Michael Hall and Barbara Hall

Grantee: Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Big Spring

Property: A 10.9-acre tract out of Section 12, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: May 21, 2009

Grantor: Chad Wash Grantee: Holy Trinity Catholic Church of

Property: A 3-acre tract out of Section 12, block 33. T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: May 21, 2009

Grantor: Willie James Hubbard Grantee: Christine Herrera and Joshua

Property: A tract out of Section 26, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: May 22, 2009

Grantor: Robert Lee Oliver Grantee: Steven Westbrook and Judy Property: A tract out of Section 32, Block

Date: May 22, 2009 Grantor: Tommy Gartman and Kathy Degenstein-Gartman

32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey

Grantee: Relocation Advantage LLC Property: Lot 1, Block 3, Western Hills Addition

Date: May 22, 2009 Grantor: MAR-KEA Investments Inc.

Grantee: MKSea LLC Property: 17 properties located in Howard Date: May 26, 2009

Grantor: Charles D. Rosenbaum Grantee: CDR Investments Property: Lot 5, Block 19, Monticello Ad-

Date: May 26, 2009 Grantor: Charles D. Rosenbaum

Grantee: CDR Investments Property: Lot 3, Block 17, Monticello Ad-

Date: May 26, 2009

Grantor: Charles D. Rosenbaum Grantee: CDR Investments Property: Lot 6, Block 19, Monticello Ad-

hospital wrote that our volun-

teers are one of our strongest

assets." Volunteers raise money Assistant Superintendent to build needed amenities around campus, Flournoy said but they also make pathat many of the visitors to tients feel valued by providhave spent most of their the hospital campus are in ing small touches such as birthday cards, magazines, We Care Bags and maga-

> zines. Volunteers receiving pins for hours donated were: Velta Lloyd, 207; Lupe Barraza, 287; Gracie Rushing, 300; Lee Emerson, 308; Neva Green, 445; Gracie Rushing, 300; Dorothy Gilbreath and Mary Lopez, 568; Stacy Barr, 643; Vicki Pitman, 768 and Theresa An-

1,215; Lucy Flores, 1,550; Connie Rodriguez, 1,602; Helen Crandall, 1,745 and Pat Dickenson, 1,764; Suzanne Markwell, 2,377; and Sharon Gutierrez, 2,383; and Gay Smith, Others include

Dorothy 2.451: Tommy Sheppard, Corwin, 2.553: Doris Smith. 3,176; Jobeth Corwin, 3,366; Ruth Nanny, 5,454; Shirley Bodin, 5,525; Robin Hallman, 7,041; and, Murlene Williams 27,479.

Big Spring State Hospital Superintendent Ed Moughon said when presenting Williams with her State Hall of

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water harvesting system.

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Grantor: Jewel Strickland Fowler and David Fowler Grantee: Kim Allen Long and Dorthean

Property: Lot 1 and the N/80 feet of Lot 2, Block 4, Wrights Second Addition Date: May 28, 2009

Grantor: Betty L. Freeman and Barry Moffett Grantee: Sheldon Finkelstein Property: Two tracts out of Section 19. Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: May 29, 2009

Grantor: Manuel Cantu Grantee: James K. Bowers and Mary Property: Lot 5, Block 6, Porter Addition

Date: May 29, 2009 Grantor: Betty Wright

Property: Lots 2 and 3, Block 2, Porter Addition Date: May 29, 2009 Grantor: Charlotte Hall and Raymond Hall

Grantee: Tammy Colvin Property: Lot 4, Block 1, Buffalo Subdivi-Date: May 29, 2009

Grantor: Albert E. Carlile and Gayla Carlile

Warranty Deeds

Date: May 26, 2009

Grantee: Levi Brewer

Grantee: Edward C. Grigg Property: A 1-acre tract out of Section 44, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: June 1, 2009 Grantor: Barbara Ann Morgan

Grantee: Samuel Deleon and Irene Deleon Property: A tract out of Section 14, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey Date: June 3, 2009

with Vendor's Lien: Grantor: Relocation Advantage LLC Grantee: George H. Reinert Property: Lot 1, Block 3, Western Hills Addition Date: May 22, 2009

Grantor: Shelia Stockwell and Thomas Stockwell Grantee: Gregg Roman and Jessica Ro-Property: A 20.17-acre tract out of Section 41, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey

Grantor: C&H Enterprises Inc. Grantee: Olen Douglass and Latonne Douglass Property: Lot 23, Tract 4, Foster Addition

Date: may 27, 2009 Grantor: Ronald Howell and Patricia

Howell Grantee: Diana Hudson Property: Lot 1, Block 4, Indianola Addition Date: May 29, 2009

Grantor: Patricia Grace Grantee: Donald Ceasar and Valerie Ceasar

Property: Lot 23, Block 2, Kentwood Unit No. 1 Date: May 29, 2009

Fame Award that her 27,479 volunteer hours equals a career of 13 years of full-time employment. Neva Green also was recognized for re-

ceiving the State Volunteer Services Council's Rookie Award, which she received earlier this year at the state conference. Volunteer Services The Council is an organization comprised of less than 100

time and money for the patients at Big Spring State Hospital. The hospital is a 200-bed

volunteers who donate their

psychiatric hospital serving West Texas and the Texas South Plains.

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RAINWATER

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rainwater percolates into the soil, it forces salts down and away from root zones, allowmaking plants more drought

Rainwater harvesting can be used both in large-scale landscapes, such as parks, schools, commercial sites,

five-page table, listing

the 120 recommended

plants, so you can com-

width, sunlight and wa-

ter needs for each plant.

down into five sections:

Shrubs, Trees and Turf-

These sections con-

tain photographs and

brief descriptions of

on landscaping your

Howard County prop-

erty you need this book.

It is available from the

the plants. If you plan

Annuals, Perennials,

grasses.

pare the color, height,

It is further broken

Texas Agrilife Extension Service office in the basement of the **Howard County Court**house (432) 264-2236. It will be the best \$3 you will ever spend. Most gardening books

treat insects and diseases as a problem. You will get better results if you think of them as symptoms rather than problems. This allows you to

look past the infestation to find the real problem. Healthy plants suffer little from disease or

insects. If you have a bug or disease "problem" look at the plant for a solution. You may have the wrong plant, insufficient nutrients, improper watering, or any of a host of other causes. Test the soil and make

necessary adjustments to suit that plant's needs. Adjust your watering to suit the plant. It is easy to overwater many desert adapted plants. Make sure you have the plant in the proper

location (sun, shade) and that it's the correct plant.

Plants that may do well in the northwestern states where it is cool and humid may never do well in West Texas, no matter how much loving care you lavish on them.

For more information, call Walter Ward at (432) 935-6455 or visit the Howard County Master Gardeners Web site at www.howardcountymastergardeners.org

GARDEN

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every year in the spring then replace the mulch. For those with or-

ganic mulches, it won't hurt to do the same thing but at the least, sprinkle at least a 1/2inch layer of compost over the top of the mulch and water it in. Replenish the organic mulch to the original depth.

This is the time of year to fertilize mature plants, so pick up a soil test kit and use it to make sure you're not over-fertilizing. If you use a chemical fertilizer, follow the directions on the package closely. Unlike using compost, it's easy to do it wrong with chemicals. Under

some conditions it may

be necessary and even

desirable to use the faster-acting chemical fertilizer rather than compost. Just make sure you are applying the correct type and quantity the plant needs, which is why I say to do a soil test. After much work

on the part of several people, Shirley Ryle in particular, the Howard County Master Gardeners have published the Landscape Guide for Howard County, West It is a 32-page, full-col-

or guide to plants that work well here. And I do mean Here! Every plant listed in the guide has been grown in a local garden and was chosen for its ease of care, sun and water tolerance and beauty.

Most of the plant photographs were taken in local gardens. The guide contains a

"They see the Animal As-

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ing roots to grow better and

parking lots and apartment complexes, and in small residential landscapes. Whether your landscape is large or small, developed or new, the principles described here can help you install a rain-

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LETTERS

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right to vote.

Personally, I intend to do everything in my power to retain that right. This issue does not belong in the political arena, the Vatican or in the hands of men. I believe in the separation of church and state. This is an extremely personal and private decision that only we women can make for ourselves.

I refuse to be silent and let the government interfere in my private life and continue to chip away at my rights. I oppose any legislation that prohibits health professionals, hospitals and clinics from informing, performing or assisting with abortions.

Each of the many denominations and faith groups in this country approach the issue of abortion from the unique perspective of its theology and their members hold widely varying viewpoints as to when abortion is morally justified.

It is exactly this plurality of beliefs that leads me to the conviction that the abortion decision must remain with the individual to be made on the basis of conscience and personal religious principles, and free from the government's interference.

> CAROL SMITH BIG SPRING

To the Editor:

I had an experience in the past few days that I feel the need to share. Many people know me as a professional social worker and that I am thorough in my work. It caved in on my and I have a new T-shirt.

A week or so ago, a man rang my doorbell and asked me if he could mow and trim my lawn. I told him the lawn wasn't ready to be attended. He said he was a construction

worker on a church that was being built here in Big Spring and was laid off because he got a hernia on the job. He showed me the surgery scar.

I took his name and phone number in case I needed him to attend my lawn.

Four days later the doorbell rang again and it was he. He said he was desperate and would mow and trim my yard for \$20. Again I explained the vard was not ready and that I would call him if I needed

A few days later I called him to attend my yard and he came over to make sure what I needed — mowing, trimming and hauling off an old yard swing.

I went ahead and paid him \$60 and he said he would take care of it about noon the next

Then he blessed me for being a Christian and said he was a member of the church of my neighbor and his wife, who live across the street from me.

He didn't show up. I accidentally ran into him and he told me he and his wife had just been evicted from where they lived and that he had come to see if a cousin would take them in.

He promised to do my yard at 6 p.m. He never showed up and he had been evicted.

I think what I learned was to absolutely never pay anyone for promised work, regardless of how desperate they are for food, rent, etc. Also, desperately poor people can be liars and manipulators, and have no value for integrity whatsoever.

I saw his wife sitting in their old, beaten up pickup truck twice. I feel sorry that she chose a person like this for her husband. He should make an excellent father for

I shall remember this really destitute man the next time I am asked to serve the verifiable poor, and I think I shall not be so helpful.

ORAND CARROLL BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

After observing some aspects of the current street modification project, I am mystified by what I have seen. One area in particular has me wondering, what is the intention of the council by constructing what appears to be a single-lane intersection at the corner of Second and Main Streets. The implication seems to be that vehicular traffic is to be discouraged in the downtown sector. Is this design to be repeated at Third and Main and at Fourth and

Another facet of these "improvements" that is obtrusive is the widespread use of white concrete. Besides being incongruous with the surroundings, it is not pleasant to look at and is going to be an eyesore in the future when it becomes stained and marked up. Whose "better idea" was

I applaud the city for having the foresight to not put any more money in the existing city swimming pool. If a pool is to be made available, then certainly it makes more financial sense to construct a completely new one.

The mayor obviously intends to pay for a new pool by the issuance of a new bond. Quote: "We have a bond that was paid off in February 2009. The current rate on that bond (as applied to the tax rate) is 2.9016 cents, which will free up 3 cents on the tax roll. That generates \$150,000 a year. On a \$3 million bond, the annual payment would be right at \$237,000, which means we would be looking at a difference of \$87,000 a year. Instead of putting that \$87,000 a year on the taxpayers, I'm asking the city staff to find a way to save that much on the annual budget. The pool is something the kids use. I feel that we have to have something for the kids to do."

This approach implies that since the taxpayer has paid off one debt this frees up money to take on another debt. Individuals are being chided by economists and our federal government to stop accumulating so much credit card debt. This should also apply to our governmental agencies as well. What is good for the goose is good for the gander. Bond issues are similar to credit cards in that money is being borrowed with the intent of paying it back and being charged a fee for doing Renovating the existing

law enforcement center to offer needed space to the police department seems to be needed. However, I question the proposed means of financing these renovations as stated by the mayor, "We have a correctional fund that was established when MidTex was out at the airpark. That fund has around \$2 million in it and this is one thing we can do with the funds." Are not funds such as this one relegated for use for the airpark only?

The mayor obviously does not think much of the current residents by making the following statement in the afore mentioned edition of the Big Spring Herald: "...However, if we could cut staffing by as much as 10 percent, we could give the savings back to the people of Big Spring, and possibly attract better people to (come and live in) Big Spring.'

Another example of our local government in action.

> Ardis McCasland Jr. BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Our park was buzzing Saturday before last with members of KBSB attacking the trash in the park while Kid Zone was buzzing with many volunteers striving to get Kid Zone back up and ready for

play as soon as possible.

Members of Keep Big Spring Beautiful had 11 adult volunteers and two young people participate in phase one of cleaning up our park. We needed a lot more help to eliminate all the trash that others using the park and facilities left behind. We hope to get control of that. This is the citizens' of Big Spring park and we need it respected. With these members and volunteers we eliminated approximately 600 pounds of

After lunch was finished, we took a few pictures and deposited the 30 bags of trash we picked up in the dumpster. It was a good morning well spent.

A few of us decided to join in with other KBSB members in working on Kid Zone.

Yours truly and Debbie Wegman decided we should join them and we could paint, so we attacked some of the posts with green paint, it was a great time. My pants will never be the same. It is going to be such beautiful place for the kids to play and I do hope and pray that they will use it and not abuse it.

Many hours of labor and love has been extended in not only the reconstruction, but raising the funds for this to happen. We so appreciate the city employees, and especially Todd Darden, for his leadership to see that this project was completed in a timely fashion.

It is with much care that I want to take our park back to the beautiful park it once was. I am asking everyone that uses this park to be mindful of the promotion and that we desire and have everyone's help.

So I am asking every resident of Big Spring to participate in controlling their trash and be a part of Keep Big Spring Beautiful.

> PAT SIMMONS BIG SPRING





At the Big Spring Herald we are suffering through the same road construction problems as everyone else. Over the last 2 weeks the front of our building has had no parking and it has been very hard for our customers to get to us. It is now available for parking and our newspaper racks that are out front are again available. We also realize that it is not easy to get to places on Gregg St. to get your copy of the paper. We would like to make everyone aware of all the different locations the Big Spring Herald is sold at for your convenience.

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Obituaries

Ruby Gill



Ruby Gill, 96, of Big Spring, went to be with her Lord and Savior on June 3, 2009. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Walter McCall of Compass Hospice, and the Rev. Dennis Teeters of Spring Fellowship officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive

friends from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Ruby Gill was born in Arkansas March 6, 1913, to Johnny and Susie Lough. She was the eldest child of eight siblings. She came to Big Spring at the age of 16 to pick cotton with her aunt and uncle. Always the classy lady, she wanted her first purchase to be a pair of silk stockings. And that's exactly what she did. She met the love of her life in Midland, Thomas H. Gill. It was love at first sight. Her family moved to San Angelo. He followed her there and they were married almost immediately. After their marriage, Tom went to work on the Will Terry Ranch as a ranch hand and she became the cook and fed the ranch hands from a chuck wagon.

When she became pregnant with their first child, they returned to Arkansas, where Tom worked as a share cropper. They returned to Midland, where she had her second child. Later they moved to Big Spring and opened a body shop where they remained until retirement. They retired in Seagoville. When Tom died in 1981, she returned to Big

Ruby was always the life of the party. She was a lady who was never afraid of an adventure. She loved to garden. She could plant a stick in the ground and it would turn into a beautiful plant. She was also known as a fantastic cook. People would beg her to make her chocolate pies for any occasion. She loved her family and loved to cook for them. She was known as "Sarge" in the kitchen. She loved to dance and went to dances all around West Texas. She lived life to the fullest until her health began to decline.

She was preceded in death by her husband Thomas H. Gill; a grandson, Clayton Thomas Franklin; three brothers, Garland Lough, J.C. Lough and Jewel Lough; and two sisters, Emma Lee Hubbard and Martina Ross. She is survived by a daughter, Bonnie J. Frank-

lin and husband George Franklin of Big Spring; a son, James T. Gill and wife Betty Gill of Austin; one granddaughter, Janice Ferguson and husband Glen Ferguson of Big Spring; and a great-grandson, Lance Justin Monteleone and wife Lindsay Monteleone of Coppell.

Also, she is survived by one brother, Delmer Lough and wife Betty Lough of Hope, Ark.; and one sister, Sue Smith and husband Buddy Smith of Columbus, Miss.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Hill, Glen Ferguson, J.L. Stevens, James Lough, Lance Monteleone and Charles Minchew.

We would like to extend our deep appreciation to the Marcy House Staff and Compass Home Hospice for their caring and compassionate handling of Ruby Gill in her last years. Words cannot adequately express our gratitude.

Ms. Ruby will be sorely missed by all who knew her, but especially by her family. We can all be comforted, however, in the knowledge that our precious Ruby can now see the mansion built for her, as well as the beautiful garden we know she will till throughout eternity. Share our joy as we send our mother and grandmother home.

The family suggests memorials to Spring Creek Fellowship Building Fund, Box 2070, Big Spring

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Lvman Greer

Lyman Greer, 95, of Big Spring, died Saturday, June 6, 2009, in a Sweetwater nursing home. Funeral services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com



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Billie Wynona Clements Billie Wynona (Bigby) Clements passed away in

her home June 4, 2009. Billie was born Jan. 31, 1923, in Garden City to William A. and Christine (Hanson) Bigby. She attended school in Garden City and Stanton. Billie was an operator for the first telephone company in Glasscock County. On Aug. 25, 1945, she married William W. Clements, and they spent most of their life in and around the Glasscock County area, farming and ranching. After Bill's death in 1965, she gave up farming and continued with the ranching operation. Upon retiring in 1972, Billie moved with her moth-

er and son to Wright County, Mo. She loved spending time with her family and grandchildren. She enjoyed traveling, especially to the Branson area. She also enjoyed visiting with people and never met a stranger. In years past, she was an avid CB radio operator, belonging to several area CB clubs. Billie was a 37-year member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles 3260. Billie was preceded in death by her husband; par-

ents; one son, William W. Clements Jr.; and one brother, James L. Bigby.

She is survived by three daughters, Linda S. Casey and husband Robert of Burkburnett, Brenda D. Long of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Glenda P. "Pattie" Olive and husband Steven of Urbana, Mo.; five grandchildren, Gene Long, Kristie Casey, Robert Casey, Clint Berry and Justin Thurman; and seven great-grandchildren.

Billie was a kind and caring person with a big heart. We celebrate her life and accomplishments and will cherish the wonderful memories she has created for her family and friends.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, June 8, 2009, in Holman-Howe Chapel, Mansfield, Mo., with burial to follow in the Mansfield Cemetery. Friends may call at their convenience in the funeral home or may visit with the family at Billie's home at 214 N. Lincoln in Mansfield, which is directly across the street from the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Mansfield Fire & Rescue Department, Fraternal Order of Eagles or Diabetes Research Center and made through Holman-Howe Funeral Home, P.O.Box 199 Mansfield, MO 65704 Paid obituary

Daniel O. Gonzales



Daniel O. Gonzales, 60, of Big Spring, died Saturday, June 6, 2009, at Hospice of Midland Inpatient Unit. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 3 p.m. Monday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Coahoma. Burial will be at Coahoma Cemetery.

He was born Dec. 11, 1948, to Felicitas and Francisco Gonzales Sr. in Coahoma. He married Juanita Rodriguez Sept. 12, 1970 in Big Spring. He was a lifetime resident of Howard County and was a cotton farmer. He was a member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife. Juanita Gonzales: two sons, Tommy Gonzales of Big Spring and Daniel Gonzales Jr. of Eaton, Colo.; three daughters, Cathy Gonzales, Samantha Gonzales and Becky Gonzales, all of Big Spring; four brothers, Ysidoro "Izzv" Gonzales, Angel Gonzales and his wife Mary of Midland, Frank Gonzales and his wife Teri of Kersev, Colo., and Ben Gonzales and his wife Susanna of Big Spring; two sisters, Rosie Dixon and her husband Marvin of Minford, Ohio, and Martha Martinez and her husband Robert of Eaton, Colo.; eight grandchildren; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one

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George Daniel Dunning



George Daniel Dunning, 56, of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 3, 2009, peacefully at home with his friends by his side. Private family services will be held at a later date. George was born Feb. 24, 1953, to

Joyce and George Dunning Jr., in Washington, D.C. George came to Big Spring two years ago from Port Charlotte, Fla. George had taught school in Nicaragua and was an art-

George is survived by his mother, Joyce Bernette Dunning and one sister, Jane Dunning, both of Port

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James Walter Ussery Jr.



James Walter Ussery Jr., 49, of Kingfisher, Okla., formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, June 4, 2009. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, 2009, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Courtney Ballard officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday at Myers

& Smith Funeral Home.

He was born Jan. 29, 1960, in El Paso, to Lona and James Walter Ussery. He came to Big Spring from El Paso in 1975. He was a driller in the oil field.

He is survived by his wife, Susie Edwards of Big Spring; one son, James Ussery III and his wife Jennifer of Fort Worth; one daughter, Whitney Dickens and her husband Daniel of Hinesville, Ga; one sister, Karan Gilbert Wilcher of Big Spring; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one daughter, one grandson and a brother-in-law.

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Profile: CASA of West Texas

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Mexico day care fire kills 31 children

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Associated Press Writer HERMOSILLO, Mexico A fast-moving fire killed 31 children in a day care center in northern Mexico despite desperate attempts of firefighters who punched through the walls and fought their way through flames to rescue babies, toddlers and others trapped inside.

At least 25 children and five employees were hospitalized after Friday's fire in ABC day care in the city of Hermosillo, said Jose Larrinaga, a spokesman for investigators in the state of Sonora, which borders Arizona.

Some of the injured suffered severe burns and might be taken to U.S. hospitals, Sonora Gov. Eduardo Bours

"For now, we're concentrating on saving as many kids as possible," he said.

There were about 100 children in the day care at the time, with ages ranging from six months to 5 years, said Guadalupe Ayala, coordinator of Red Cross rescue work-

Reforma newspaper reported that the building was a converted factory with no emergency exits. Ayala said the day care's exits were inadequate but did not have further details.

"Firefighters had to knock holes in the walls to get the children," he said.

Authorities have identified 27 of the 31 children killed, according to a Sonora government statement Saturday.



Rescue workers put an injured child who was pulled out of a burning day-care center onto an ambulance in the city of Hermosillo, Mexico Friday. Flames engulfed the day care center in this northern Mexico city, killing at least 29 children and injuring dozens.

The fire may have started at a neighboring tire and car warehouse Friday afternoon, state officials said. Firefighters took two hours to control the blaze, the cause of which was still unconfirmed.

Most the children died from of asphyxiation or smoke in-

Neighbors rushed to help pull out the children as screaming preschool teachers ran through thick clouds of black smoke, Reforma newspaper reported.

Sobbing parents flooded hospitals, desperate for news about their children.

Photographs showed the

sidewalk outside the day care strewn with upturned, slightly blackened baby seats and cribs. Cribs also could been seen through huge holes punched through the walls.

The Mexican government sent a team of 15 burn specialists, three air ambulances, and other medical equipment, President Felipe Calderon said. Mexico's Social Security Institute outsourced services to the privately run day care.

Calderon said he ordered an investigation by Mexico's attorney general.

Building safety violations have been blamed for previous disasters in Mexico.

Air France probe focuses on airspeed instruments

PARIS (AP) — Airspeed instruments on Air France Flight 447 were not replaced as the maker recommended before the plane crashed in turbulent weather, the French agency investigating the disaster said Saturday.

The French accident investigation

agency, BEA, found the doomed plane received inconsistent airspeed readings by different instruments as it struggled in a massive thunderstorm on its flight from Rio de Janeiro to Paris with 228 people aboard.

No confirmed debris from the ai

rcraft has been found and without its black box recorders, aviation investigators have little information to help them determine what caused the crash. Airbus had recommended to all its

airline customers that they replace speed-measuring instruments known as Pitot tubes on the A330, the model used for Flight 447, said Paul-Louis Arslanian, the head of the agency.

"They hadn't yet been replaced" on the plane that crashed, said Alain Bouillard, head of the French investigation. Air France declined immediate comment.

Arslanian cautioned that it is too early to draw conclusions about the role of Pitot tubes in the crash, saying that "it does not mean that without replacing the Pitots that the A330 was dangerous."

He told a news conference at the agency's headquarters, near Paris that the crash of Flight 447 also does not mean similar plane models are unsafe, adding that he told family members not to worry about flying.

Airbus had made the recommendation for "a number of reasons," he

The investigation chief played down the idea that terrorism was involved in the crash, saying "We can't completely close the door at the present time but it seems incoherent with the first facts we have established."

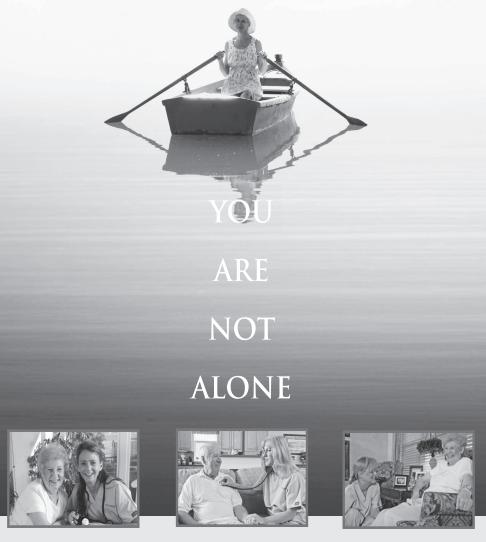
The Pentagon has said there are no signs of terrorism. Brazil's defense minister said the possibility was never considered. French Foreign Minister Bernard Kouchner agreed that there is no evidence supporting a "terrorism theory," but said "we cannot discard that for now."

The investigation is increasingly focused on whether external instruments may have iced over, confusing speed sensors and leading computers to set the plane's speed too fast or slow — a potentially deadly mistake in severe turbulence.

Pitot tubes, protruding from the wing or fuselage of a plane, feed airspeed sensors and are heated to prevent icing. A blocked or malfunctioning Pitot tube could cause an airspeed sensor to work incorrectly and cause the computer controlling the plane to accelerate or decelerate in a potentially dangerous fashion.

Air France has already replaced the Pitots on another Airbus model, the 320, after its pilots reported similar problems with the instrument, according to an Air France air safety report filed by pilots in January and obtained by The Associated Press.

The report followed an incident in which an Air France flight from Tokyo to Paris reported problems with its airspeed indicators similar to those believed to have been encountered by Flight 447.



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You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 29th day of May, 2009 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of

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News in Brief

Obama, Sarkozy call for Iran not to develop a nuclear weapons program; call for end of settlements in West Bank

CAEN, France (AP)
— President Barack
Obama and French
President Nicholas
Sarkozy are again mutually calling for Iran
not to develop a nuclear
weapons program.

Talking with reporters after a meeting Saturday, Obama said that in, and Obama said that he appreciates Sarkozy's leadership on a host of issues. And the U.S. president reaffirmed that there must be "tough diplomacy" with Tehran on this issue.

Sarkozy agreed with Obama's call for Israel to stop building settlements in the West Bank and said he worries about "insane statements" by President Mahmoud Ahmadineiad.

Obama said that he and Sarkozy will work "in close collaboration" on many issues, including anti-terrorism strategy, and Sarkozy said France will accept some Guantanamo detainees as the United States has requested it to do.

Report: Obama administration said to be weighing guilty pleas in 9/11 capital cases

WASHINGTON (AP)
— A plan under consideration by the Obama administration would permit Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, detainees facing the death penalty to plead guilty without a full trial, it has been reported.

This option would principally be aimed at a group of detainees accused of planning the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks, five people who have already indicated they prefer this resolution of the case, The New York Times said in a story posted late Friday on its Web site.

The terrorism-era U.S. military commission format has come under withering criticism from legal and human rights quarters, and American military prosecutions employing this structure and legal rules have for the most part been put on hold since January while the new administration considered other options.

President Barack Obama recently approved the continued use of these commissions. And the Times reported in its story that the possibility of permitting guilty pleas under some circumstances is among a series of options circulated within the administration by a special task force. The newspaper cited individuals who had been briefed on the proposal or had studied it.

Traveling in France with Obama, White House press secretary Robert Gibbs said: "The president has been clear that he hopes to work with Republicans and Democrats in Congress to improve the military commissions act to ensure that we can ensure more due process and deliver what has been long in coming: swift and certain justice. To suggest that any of the decisions have been made is not accurate."

Detroit Big Three to see more foreign brand competition under racing titan's deal to buy Saturn

DETROIT (AP) — More foreign car brands could find their way into American garages under a plan by auto racing magnate Roger Penske's dealership group to snap up Saturn from the ruins of General Motors Corp.

The deal announced Friday is another example of how the cataclysm that hit Detroit's three carmakers is reshaping the global automotive landscape in profound ways, reducing their worldwide influence and — if Saturn turns out as Penske envisions — opening new markets to smaller companies.

"There's no doubt that the automotive deck chairs are changing," said Michael Robinet, vice president of CSM Worldwide, a Detroitarea auto industry consulting firm.

In the shake-up, wellknown brands changing flags quicker than an oil tanker in pirate-infested waters. Italy's Fiat SpA is waiting for U.S. courts to approve its acquisition of Chrysler LLC's assets. GM has worked deals to turn its German subsidiary Adam Opel GmbH over to a Canadian auto parts company with Russian backing. And Hummer may be going Chinese, although state media there reported Friday that the deal has hit regulatory hurdles.

Yet industry experts are doubtful that the flurry of mergers and alliances will be any more durable than failed marriages of the past, proving to be just one big distraction from the underlying issue that made them so vulnerable in the first place: making more cars than people can buy.

Top Republican senator says Sotomayor's Supreme Court nomination should hinge on impartiality

WASHINGTON (AP)

— The Alabama senator leading the GOP's vetting of Supreme Court nominee Sonia Sotomayor said the American tradition of impartial courts is "under attack" and the pivotal question in her nomination should be whether she allows personal views to color her decisions as a judge.

Delivering the Republican Party's weekly radio and Internet address Saturday, Sen. Jeff Sessions didn't say if he thinks Sotomayor crosses that line. But he raised questions that reflect a growing chorus of GOP criticism that Sotomayor sees her role as something more than an impartial umpire.

Republicans have recently seized on speeches in which Sotomayor said she hoped a wise woman or Latina "with the richness of her experiences" would make better, more compassionate decisions in court than a white man.

Sessions said Americans should follow the confirmation process

closely and ask what kind of judge they would want in court.

Carradine's family wants FBI to investigate actor's death in Bangkok hotel

BANGKOK (AP) — The family of American actor David Carradine has asked the FBI to help investigate his death after his body was found in a hotel closet in Thailand's capital with a rope tied to his neck, wrist and genitals.

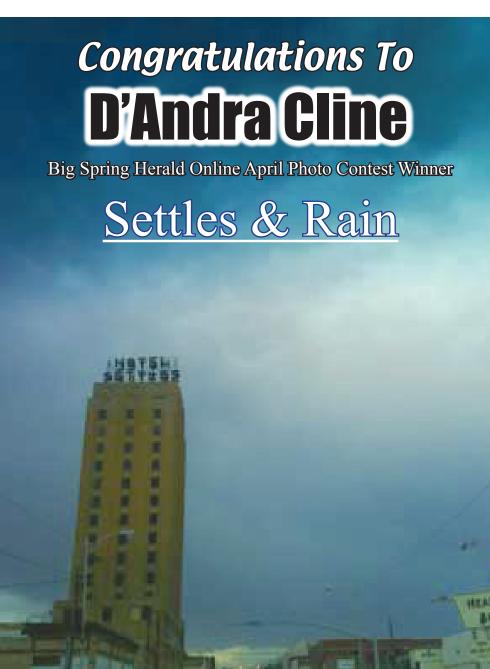
Carradine's family does not believe he committed suicide and is troubled by conflicting accounts about the circumstances of his death, Mark Geragos, an attorney for brother Keith Carradine, told CNN's Larry King late Friday.

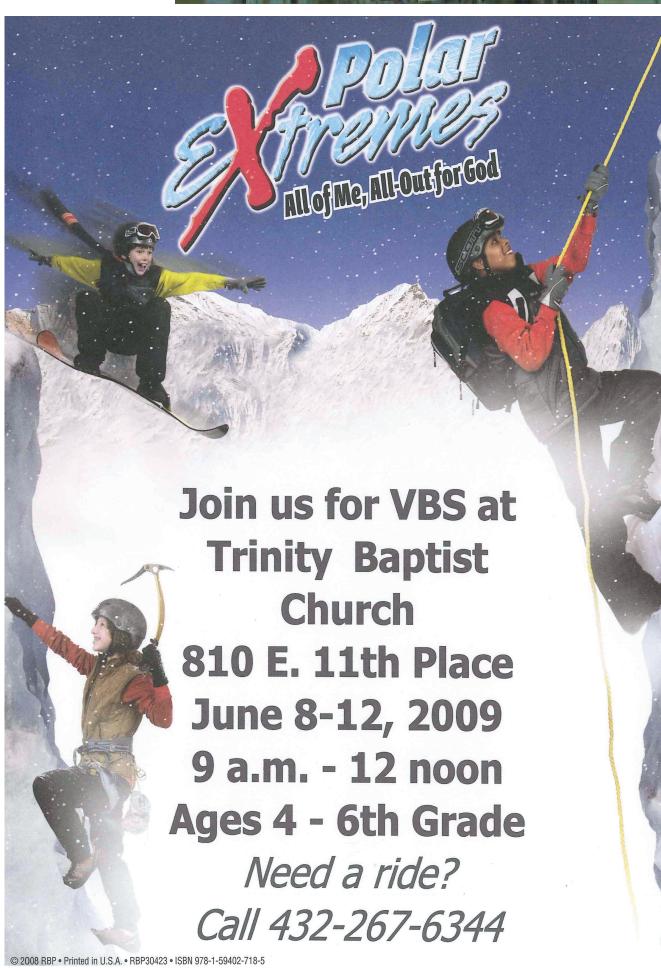
"They want an investigation," Geragos said.
"I would think that the people in Bangkok

would want to support an investigation and allow the FBI to go over there and assist in the investigation so we can get the answers to the questions."

Thai police said Saturday they have not been contacted by the FBI.

Police initially said Carradine's body was found "naked, hanging in a closet," causing them to suspect he committed suicide, though no suicide note was found.

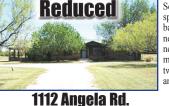








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#6154 June 7, 14, 21 & 28, 2009

Howard County, Texas

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Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, /of.lune AD 2 Brandie Martinez, Deputy Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District. #6158 June 7 & 14, 2009

Dear Margo: Recently I "bcc" a sizable send list, especially if everyone is not in the same social circle.

> E-mail addresses of well-known people should be treated like private telephone numbers. On the other hand, only a whack job would get ahold of, say, Jack Nicholson's e-mail address and write him hoping for an answer. In addition, showing all the addresses problematic be can because some people choose to "reply all," something I seldom do because, let's face it, often responses pointless — or only concern the person who sent the e-mail.

I must confess that I laziness) (from infrequently hide the send list. If everyone on the list were famous, however, one might be able to get away with all the names showing.

But in the instance you mention, it was simply careless, if not dumb, to reveal a bunch of famous names and their e-mail addresses simply because the author was flogging an event, thereby inviting press interest.

The e-mail you refer to, by the way, did make its way around and, in fact, wound up in "Page Six." Some of the sender's famous friends may now be former friends. Margo, discreetly

What To Do When Dad Is a Weak Sister

Dear Margo: My sister and I love our father. The problem stepmother, "Helen." From the first time we met her, she has been jealous of the love our father has for us and has never treated us as though we were welcome in her home, which turned into their home.

It cost my father our no longer spending weekends with him/them. Now we see him every week or every other week, if we're lucky.

Whenever we are at their house, she makes rude comments about things we like or what we on always remarks are directed at us when my another father is in

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An Eye-Popping Bunch of E-Mail Addresses Considering that we're this shouldn't older. bother my sister and me, but it does.

How can we handle her rude remarks when we're at her house? Is there a way to "politely" tell her off, or must we always bite our tongues? Cinderellas

Dear Cin: I don't think there's such a thing as "politely" telling someone off. One is either polite, i.e., non-challenging ... or one decides to someone off.

I don't, however, think you and your sister need to bite your tongues. I would recommend that the two of you either ask for "a family meeting" when you go to see them, and then bring up your discomfort with her thinly veiled hostility.

If you choose the en famille route, you might say that you are grateful that this woman makes your father happy, but that his children are an important part of his life, too, and you have already curtailed your visits because you do not feel welcome. (My guess is your father knows the score.)

If for some reason you decide this is not viable, take your father to lunch and tell him why you have been seeing less of him. My vote would be for the family meeting. I think that will get you better results than trying to have your father straighten her out which he may reluctant to do. Alas, yours is an unfortunate, though not uncommon, situation. Margo, empathetically

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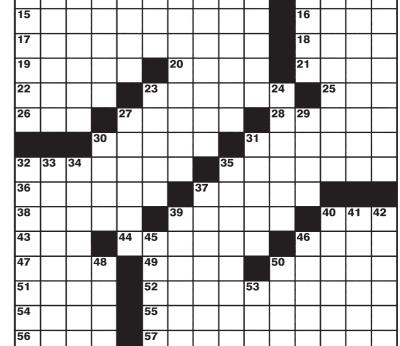
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Our park: 'If you use it, don't abuse it'

Our park is one of our city's valuable attractions as it holds within it our namesake, the Spring. It is my prayer that we, as citizens,

can assist the city in caring for this place that can be so beautiful.

Several members of Keep
Big Spring
Beautiful and a
couple of teens
forged ahead
in an attempt
to eliminate
as much trash



think? Most would say it's a negative thought about our park and Big Spring. That is going to change.

We do not have enough park employees to take care of all of the facilities they are responsible for. They have several small parks, plus Roy Anderson Sports Complex and Mt. Olive Cemetery to look after. So this is why we, as citizens, need to step up to the plate and help, especially with Comanche Trail Park.

Hopefully, we of KBSB can help them with the beautification process. I've been successful in adopting out all of our pavilions. Those taking responsibility for the pavilions are: Old Settlers pavilion, East Fourth Street Baptist church's RAs and GAs; Belaski pavilion, Howard County Masons; the two pavilions across from Belaski, Boy Scout Troop 187; Alice Haynes pavilion, Boy



Scout Troop 5; and one more pavilion, the Hilario family.

We should see some work going on in these areas soon. I have other spots in the park that I would like to adopt out, so give me a call.

With the Kids' Zone reconstruction, many visitors will be coming out to see all the new equipment and how beautiful it is. They will notice it is larger than the one torched Dec. 9, 2008. The kids will be surprised with all the new features added and will really enjoy it.

Thanks to Todd Darden, assistant city manager, for his passion to see Kids' Zone restored to a greater and better playground than before. He and Jim Little responded, asking for assistance with fund-raising, and many times they did not need to ask.

We have a great volunteer spirit in Big Spring, and they are always willing to do their part. The city employees were out doing their part and going beyond their hours required at work. There were many volunteers who came out and really worked the full week. Keep Big Spring Beautiful had about 15 volunteers, according to Darden. Yours truly spent a couple of hours helping with the

painting.

While mapping out what we can do, we came across the possibility of the rock scout hut becoming a viable building. This is just speculation currently, but it could be a useful and beautiful building with grounds around it.

A slogan I have come up with is, "If you use it, don't abuse it." Hopefully, this will be a slogan we use throughout the park and other facilities. Some signage will be going up at each pavilion showing the adopter's name, our KBSB sign and the slogan.

We need the whole community out helping us to take this park back and restore it to the beautiful park it once

We will be doing painting, planting and anything to beautifying it. Whatever we can do will help make a difference.





HERALD photo/Alex Newso

Pat Simmons, left, the founder of Keep Big Spring Beautiful, the organization's president, Walter Ward, second from right, and city code officer Brandi Hilario,(right), present June's Doing Your Part Beautification Award to Brantz, Vanessa and Bill Burchett of 2304 Allendale.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

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and especial acters around you. A new sense of curiosity guides you, adding depth to your encoun-

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Unlike some people, you can find amusement in ordinary things and don't need to be constantly, overtly entertained by life. The person who can appreciate you for this quality is a true friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Unplanned moments are exhilarating. They can only happen when you agree to go along for the ride, though. You're good at following your impulses and you'll get the best kind of atten-

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Recall that time when you felt so powerful, like there was nothing standing between you and your glorious destiny that couldn't be blown out like a candle. You are that powerful again today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have fantastic ideas and others will do well to listen up. Of course, they don't have to, and they might not. The ones who follow you are your supportive team members, so don't even worry about the rest.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). If you find yourself getting overly irritated with your next of kin, just know that it's normal. You're probably expecting of them the same standards you set for yourself, which may not, in reality, be reasonable.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct.

23). Your job requires you to think fast. But it's the opposite skill that will help you in your personal life. Take your time and ponder where a loved one is coming from. Don't jump to conclusions walk to them in slow motion.

(Oct. **SCORPIO** 24-Nov. 21). You are a master at keeping secrets and today's happenings only prove your command of the skill. Some will be challenged by your silence and will try to solve the puzzle, but you are always one step ahead.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll be creating things for a of people. group Whether it's food, a story or a cozy environment, do it to your own liking. For instance, cook what you would want to eat and others will just love it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The big picture and the little picture line up in obvious ways — the social issues you care about emerge on a personal level. This helps you figure out a solution that anyone can apply.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You will reach a beautiful, cheerful mood eventually. First, you have to get over your frustration with someone close. Cut yourself some slack and it will suddenly be easy to do the same for your loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your schedule for the upcoming week errs on the side of being impossible. There are so many little details to remember! Here's a stress reliever: Sit down and make a few helpful lists to guide you along the way.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: The full Sagittarius moon starts off the week by presenting a broad spectrum of possibilities.

The more open-minded you are, the more possibilities will be presented to you. It may be worthwhile to become slightly less choosey, lifting a few of your more constricting rules and doing away with limiting preferences.

In other words, you can always go back to disliking camping or hating jazz another

This is the time to stay flexible because it just may happen that the experience of a lifetime comes via a jazz festival in the middle of the for-

Tuesday Wednesday are the most practical days of the week and it's likely that projects will develop quickly when you follow a plan for those two days. The Capricorn moon

favors mentorship so don't be afraid to ask your superiors for help and advice — they'll like you better for it. Mercury and Jupiter are in a stressed position mid-week, making it easy to say the wrong

But don't obsess over every slip of the tongue or worry about how people are perceiving you. Just do your best to think about what you're

going to say, and when in doubt, it's not a bad idea to stay silent.

CELEBRITY **PROFILES:** Gemini is a witty and intellectual sign and lovely Natalie Portman fits the bill perfectly.

A movie star since the age of 13, Portman makes a smart impression on screen and off. She's a Harvard graduate who speaks six languages!

Last year, Portman made her directorial debut at the Venice International Film Festival and her stars favor furthering this interest in the years to

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am 15 years old and in the 10th grade. I have two best friends. One of them, "Alyssa," is a gorgeous and nice girl with few She's the one the guys

always fall for. But she randomly ignores me or seems really mad at me, especially in the morning. In the afternoon, things are fine.

She treats our other best friend great all the time, so I guess it's just me. I don't get it.

Our other friend has

noticed it, too, and doesn't think it's right. She says it's because sometimes a guy will like me, as well as Alyssa. But that doesn't happen so often, and Alyssa's weird behavior is becoming a regular thing.

I've tried to joke about it, like when our other friend says, "Alyssa, you could never be mad at me," and I'll reply, "Yeah, but she certainly likes to be mad at me."

But it doesn't seem to get the point

across. I really don't want to lose Alyssa as a best friend, but I don't know what to do except confront her and I'd rather not. I could use some advice. — *Hurting BFF*

Dear Hurting: Confrontation often indicates speaking with anger. But you can talk to Alyssa in a civil tone, with consideration, and simply tell her how much it hurts when she

treats you unkindly.

Ask if there is something you can do to repair the damage that is happening to your friendship. She may deny behaving this way, but it will get her to pay more attention and allow you to remind her gently when she does it

Dear Annie: I read your column every day, so I have to ask: Do all men constantly look at porn on the Internet?

I've been married 28 years, and our kids are grown and out of the house. In the past few years, sex has been great, but my husband has begun ask-

ing me to do different things in the bedroom. So I looked at his Internet searches and discovered he's been looking at

porn nearly every day. This makes me sick to my stomach, and I really don't want to have sex with him. I guess it's better than him cheating on me with someone else, but seriously, is this what most men do? — Flustered

Wife Dear Flustered: Ah, well, probably.



KATHY MITCHELL Marcy Sugar

Not all men, mind you. But based on our mail, we'd have to say there's a sizeable number of guys who check out online porn in the same casual way you'd get a cup of coffee.

In most instances, it's within normal male behavior, and it can add spice to a marriage to vary one's routine.

However, here are some signs that it's a problem: Your husband would rather be online than with you; he begins a cyber-affair; he

spends more than your budget can afford on porn sites; he asks you to perform in the bedroom in ways that are degrading or dangerous; his expectations of your sexual life and behavior are unrealistic, overly fantasized or borderline abusive.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Unhappy Parents," whose daughter is being bullied. We had similar problems with our fourth-grader.

When we reported it to the office and the teacher, the bullying only became worse. Although the verbal abuse stopped briefly, she was ostracized and ignored during lunch and recess by her classmates because her friends were afraid to get on the wrong side of the bullies.

I strongly recommend the website bullies2buddies.com for a sure-fire

way to make it stop. It took two weeks and a couple of false starts, but she is no longer bullied and now has the tools to stop any future bullying behavior. It was a terrific boost for her self-esteem because it taught her to solve the problem herself. Hope this helps. — Mililani,

Dear Hawaii: Thanks for the recommendation. We hope children, parents and teachers will check out the

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SC slave cabins were home to family through '60s



AP Photos/Mary Ann Chastain Above, the branch of a kitchen and gathering place as well as used for sleeping



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CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Eighty-six-year-old Johnnie Leach leans on his cane as he sits in warm sunshine on the steps of the old slave cabin where he raised 13 children four decades ago.

Despite the humble setting and the terrible history of the place, living there is a time he and his family remember fondly.

"The good Lord blessed me. I sent three of them to college from here," he says, reminiscing about

The building is one of four former slave cabins at Magnolia Plantation and Gardens that have been restored to show visitors the path of blacks from slavery to freedom. 'The time has come to tell this story," says

Preston Cooley, a tour guide who helped with the cabin project. "All this beauty you look around and see at this plantation was created by the people who lived on the slave street." The cabins at the plantation, which attracts tens

of thousands each year to the banks of the Ashley River, have been restored to reflect different eras of the black experience. One appears as it would have during slavery in

1850 with limewashed walls and a loft where sleeping mats were stored. A second shows how freedmen lived after the Civil War, some of their furnishings cast off from the plantation house. The poverty of blacks in the Jim Crow South of

the 1920s, walls lined with newspapers for insulation, can be seen in the third. The Leach cabin is restored to how it looked

during the civil rights Visitors with cameras

and knapsacks pass through the cabins with their wooden shutters and old brick fireplaces. The buildings say only so much. The real stories belong to those who lived in them.

The Leach family worked on the plantation for four generations, staying on the street until 1969, nearly three centuries after the plantation was built. They were the last to

an Oak tree frames the Gardener's Home as visitors tour the newly restored slave cabinsat Magnolia Plantation and Gardens in Charleston, S.C. At left, Johnnie Leach. 86, sit on the steps at the restored cabin he lived in and 13 children. Bottom, The Freedmen home of the 1870's was set up to function as

live in a cabin without modern conveniences, only a single electric line powering a couple of light

They got water from a pump, cooked on a wood stove that heated the house and used an outhouse.

Leach added two small rooms as the family grew. Their cabin and two others were used into the late 1900s by others but electricity, running water and toilets were added. Those conveniences were removed as part of the \$500,000 restoration.

"It's very good to have it the old way so some of the young ones can see what they didn't see," said Leach, a combat engineer during World War II who later moved into the cabin to work as a gardener at Magnolia.

Leach speaks with the lilting accent of the Gullah, the culture of slave descendants who live on the sea islands and the coast of the Carolinas.

"To me it don't have the old looks. It looks like a brand new place," said Leach, who was married and widowed twice, as he looked along the restored slave street.

Now more open, the street used to be wooded with trees and bushes, ideal for playing hide-and-

"Everybody loved the place and it was real good for kids. We played in the dark in the moonshine. I loved the place," recalled Hector Maxwell, 61, Leach's brother-in-law, who lived here for several vears in the 1960s.

The hardships weren't really hard, or at least they didn't feel that way, said Leach's 52-year-old son Isaac, who also works at Magnolia. "With me it didn't matter because this was my home and my father had made the best of it for the kids and the family.

Indeed, he misses some things about the cabin.

"We had the wood-burning stove with the oven and the thing to me was everything tasted better," Isaac Leach said. "You would cook your meat and then you would put your potatoes on the coals when the fire dies."

As the family grew, the older children moved in with relatives or struck out on their own.

"When it got too crowded the way it was, some were large enough to go out," said Johnnie Leach, whose children range in age from 37 to 53.

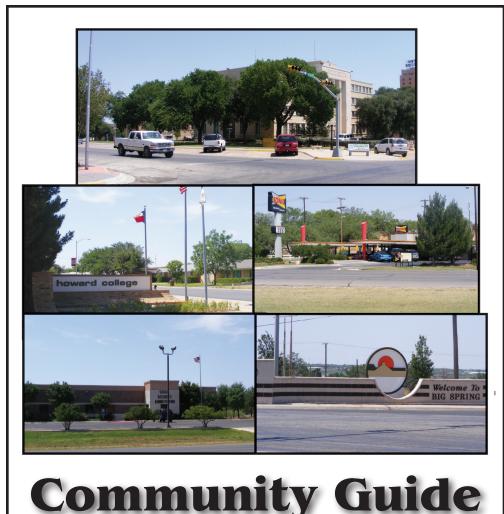
Although no one lives on the slave street anymore, it will always conjure home for the Leach family.

"I have a son who just turned 12 and we were approaching the plantation the other day and just getting ready to turn in," Isaac Leach said. "He said 'Dad, I can't get enough of this place."

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