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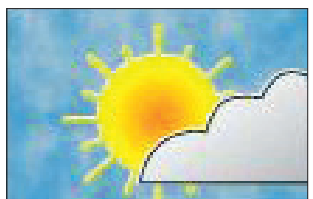
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Bee careful

Reports are down this year, but city officials urge caution

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

City officials say the number of bee-related calls to the Big Spring Fire Department have fallen dramatically compared to past years, possibly thanks to a higher level of education concerning the insects among local residents.

Fire Marshal Car Condray said BSFD firefighters haven't had to respond to a single call concerning bees or a bee attack so far this season, but the lack of city involvement doesn't necessarily indicate an end to bee-related prob-

lems. "We haven't had any calls so far this season, which is actually quite surprising. Normally, we would have already had several by now," said Condray. "I think a large part of that has been getting the word out to residents and educating them on how to handle and avoid the bees.

"However, this certainly doesn't mean there haven't been bee-related problems. I've talked to several of the lo-

cal beekeepers, and they are being called out at least once a week, sometimes more. So the problem certainly hasn't gone away."

Condray said prevention is the key to safety when bees, whether they are of the more territorial Africanized variety or your everyday honey bees, are nearby.

"If they are resting in your yard, try to remove your pets and keep children out of the area until they move," said Condray. "Use caution when entering sheds or outbuild-

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Courtesy photo

A swarm of bees recently took up residence on the rotor blades of a Big Spring Air Evac Lifeteam helicopter at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, City officials said the number of bee-related calls received by the municipality are down considerably compared to years past.

Pops edges closer to financial goal

Time running out, though; event just two weeks away

By **JOHN A. MOSELEY**
Managing Editor

With only two weeks remaining, members of the Big Spring Fourth of July Foundation, the organizers of Big Spring's Pops in the Park symphony concert and fireworks show, learned during their Thursday meeting that donations for this year's show are increased to a little more than \$27,000.

And while she's clearly pleased that \$27,613 had been raised, Foundation President Jan Hansen and organizing committee chairperson, admits being a little concerned because time is running out to raise the \$40,000 goal the committee has set, which is the approximate amount needed to stage the show.

"I still don't want to make it sound like we're overly concerned," she said following Thursday's meeting. "But we have farther to go to meet our goal than I'd like, so we're again putting out a call for the community

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Binie White, right, talks with Loyce Phillips during Saturday's Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers' Reunion, held at the Heritage Museum. White and his relatives were one of two families honored at the event.

County to join others in state with oil appraisal concerns

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Howard County will join with numerous other West Texas counties Monday morning in passing a resolution local commissioners hope will spur the state legislature to take a second look at its market condition factor for appraisal of oil and

gas related properties. County Judge Mark Barr said the market condition factor, which was passed by the Texas Legislature in 2007, will shift much of the tax burden from oil and gas ventures to smaller property owners.

"We passed a resolution asking the legislature to take a second look

at this before," said Barr. "They tried to get it in the regular session, but it simply became a victim of the politics. Other counties out here in West Texas are passing similar resolutions, and we're hoping they will convince the governor to make this

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DeMoss brothers steal the show



By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Generally, it's the bull riding that gets fans on their feet and cheering at a rodeo.

However, on Friday night at the 76th Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, the top billing belonged to the saddle bronc riders.

It helps when two superstars of the sport are headlining the competition, though. Brothers Cody and Heith DeMoss of Heflin, La., came into the event with a lot of hype surrounding them, but they had no trouble living up to it, either.

Big brother Cody, who is ranked See **RODEO**, Page 2B

76th Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo

sixth in the world — set the pace when he rode National Finals Rodeo qualifying horse Coffee Bean for eight seconds and a score of 85.

Not to be outdone, Heith — ranked third in the world — mounted a NFR steed as well, taming Deuces Wild for the eight-second ride. However, with the crowd boeing their disapproval of the



HERALD photos/Jonathan Hull

At left, Cody DeMoss of Heflin, La., hangs on during a saddle bronc ride at the 76th Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Friday at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. Above, Specialty Act John Harrison, who was dressed in drag, has his horse leap over a car.

Longhorns rally again, advance to CWS final

By ERIC OLSON

AP Sports Writer

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — No matter what happens in the College World Series finals, it'll be tough for Texas to top this finish.

Connor Rowe hit a game-winning solo home run with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning, moments after Cameron Rupp tied it with a homer of his own as the Longhorns came from behind to beat Arizona State 4-3 on Friday night.

Rowe sent a shot into the left-field seats, then sprinted around the bases with his helmet raised in his right hand as his celebrating teammates waited at home plate to greet him.

Two batters earlier, Rupp homered over the 22-foot wall in straightaway center field to tie it.

"The two home runs were

about as dramatic as you can get," Texas coach Augie Garrido said. "We struck out 12 times, so they did a great job of pitching. But they got some balls up and we ran into them, and that changed the game. I feel blessed about it."

So now a Texas team that won its first game on a bases-loaded walk in the ninth and its second game after rallying from six runs down will move to the CWS best-of-three championship series starting Monday against LSU. The Longhorns will try to become the first No. 1 national seed to win the title since Miami in 1999.

"They did a wonderful job of hitting in the clutch at the end," Arizona State coach Pat Murphy said. "It was a great game for college baseball. We're sorry we're going home."

Rowe, who batted in the No. 9 spot, hit the first walkoff



AP photo/Dave Weaver

Texas' Connor Rowe (10) celebrates after hitting the winning home run against Arizona State in the ninth inning of a College World Series baseball game, in Omaha, Neb., Friday. Texas beat Arizona State 4-3 after hitting two home runs in the ninth inning.

homer in Omaha since Texas' Chance Wheelless did it in a win over Baylor in 2005.

It looked as if the Sun Devils (51-14) would force a Saturday

rematch for the Bracket 2 championship after they took a 3-2 lead in the top of the ninth on Zach Wilson's RBI triple.

Mitchell Lambson (9-5) struck out Brandon Loy to start the bottom of the ninth.

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Sports in brief

Summer Tennis Camp at Figure 7 courts starting Monday

Figure 7 tennis courts is playing host to a Summer Tennis Camp, starting Monday and lasting through Friday, June 26.

Camp starts at 7:45 a.m. each day and ends at noon.

The camp is for all age groups and abilities with instructors available for each group. Cost is \$65.

Results for Big Spring Country Club's Cloverleaf golf tourney

The Big Spring Country Club played host to the

Ladies Cloverleaf Golf Tournament Thursday. Here are the results:

Championship flight: First gross - Trina Albright and Becky Hakes; Second gross - Janell Burnett and Lisa Cain; First net - Debra Lusk and Linda DeWaters; Second net - Joan Daniel and Connie Fowler.

First flight: First gross - Susie McGowan and Margaret Lance; Second gross - Peggy Wilson and Pat Underwood; First net - Jo Ann Hillger and Dee Jenkins; Second net - Patsy Sharpnack and Donna Fish.

Second flight: First gross - Carol Ramsey and Judy Gryder; Second gross - Annie Ward and

Lenita Fryar; First net - Kim Barnes and Mary Mason; Second net - Teresa Miller and Lacy Clifton.

Closest to the pin: No. 7 - Margo Lauderdale; No. 13 - Lana Woodlock; No. 16 - Patsy Sharpnack.

Big Spring ISD announces sports skills camps

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

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

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which concluded its 76th
annual run Saturday

Clockwise, from top left: Steven Anding hangs on during bareback bronc riding competition; Hardin-Simmons University's Six White Horses are an annual rodeo attraction; rodeo clown John Anderson entertains the crowd during Thursday's performance; Laci Smith-Mullin and her horse compete in barrel racing; a rodeo clown tosses candy to spectators during Thursday's parade through downtown Big Spring; reigning Howard County Fair Queen Theresa Turner waves at parade spectators.



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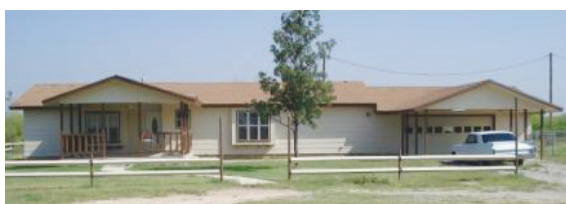


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Obituaries

Richard Allen Rhoads

Richard Allen Rhoads, 64, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, June 17, 2009, at his residence. No services are planned at this time.

He was born July 25, 1944, in Terrell.

Survivors include one son, James Rhoads of Bedford; two daughters, Karin Sue Rhoads and Kathi Lyn Rhoads, both of Lubbock; and two brothers, James W. Rhoads Jr. of Bushland and Clyde Edward Rhoads of Burnet.

He was preceded in death by his parents, J.W. and Helen Rhoads; and one brother, Charles Rhoads.

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

Take Note

- The West Texas Pachyderm (Republican) Club is having its monthly meeting Thursday, June 25 at noon at the Big Spring Country Club located off of Driver Road. Lunch will be served for a nominal fee. Plans for an upcoming Tea Party will be discussed and anyone interested please attend. For more information, call Melanie Gambrell at 267-7387.

- The Permian Basin Foundation has awarded West Texas Opportunities funds through the Texas Resources for Iraq Afghanistan Deployment fund. West Texas Opportunities will assist current and former military personnel serving in Iraq or Afghanistan and their families. Funding will serve Howard, Martin, Andrews, Borden, Dawson, Ector, Fisher, Gaines, Glasscock, Midland, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry and Upton counties. For more information, contact Diana Martinez or Debbie Wilson at 110 Johnson in Big Spring or call (432) 267-9536.

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

- 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:

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

Forsan Baptist, June 22-26, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., ages 4 through sixth grade.

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

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

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

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

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

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

- Iglesia Bautista Central, 2105 Lancaster, will hold Operation Space Vacation Bible School from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for ages 2-12, July 6-10.

- 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.

- 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 debbyeval@bigspringchamber.com or Cheryl Carter Joy at joycheryl79@hotmail.com with any contact 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 military personnel who have served or are currently serving in Iraq or Afghanistan and their families. 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.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity Friday:

- JOHN MURPHY, 44, Coahoma, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- DARYL NEWBERN, 49, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- DANIEL GOVEA, 24, 4004 Connally, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- LORI GARCIA, 37, 1612 Bluebird, was arrested on an other-agency warrant.
- DWAINE ROGER JR., 19, Scott, La., was arrested on an other-agency warrant.
- DENNIS RICHARDSON JR., 24, 1612 Settles, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- STANLEY PAULDING, 58, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- ASSAULT ON THE ELDERLY/DISABLED was reported in the 1800 block of Hearn.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 400 block of 10th and the 1700 block of 15th.
- DRIVING WHILE LICENSE SUSPENDED/INVALID was reported in the 600 block of FM 700 and the 100 block of Ninth.
- HARASSMENT was reported in the 1800 block of Hearn.
- THEFT was reported in the 1800 block of Hearn and the 1200 block of 11th.

Support Groups

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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

TUESDAY

- The Path, faith-based addiction recovery, meets at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. and closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY




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

Reunions

Coordinators for the Big Spring High School Class of 1959 50th year reunion scheduled for Sept. 18 and 19 are seeking information on the following BSHS grads. Call 267-6143 or by e-mail at pja01@suddenlink.net

Carol Aston
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MONDAY

- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 6 p.m. There is a different program each week. For more information, call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

- The Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library. For more information, call 264-6116.

- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

- The Powwow Committee of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church annex, 809 Scurry, or the fellowship hall at 810 Scurry. Call Robert Downing at 263-3255 for information.

WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.

- Free blood pressure screenings from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., provided by InHome Care.

- Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

- Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

- League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. The public is invited.

FRIDAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.

- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

- Dance at the Senior Center, 1901 Simler, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Lottery

Here are the winning numbers selected Friday in the Mega Millions lottery: 4-9-12-16-46; Mega Ball: 44.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night: Winning numbers drawn: 9-13-24-27-36. Number matching five of five: 1. Prize: \$25,226
Winning ticket purchased in: Morris.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-2-4-8. Sum It Up: 16.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-7-6. Sum It Up: 18.

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RODEO

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judges' decision, Heith came up short of his older sibling, scoring an 83.

The brothers sat 1-2 in the saddle bronc standings heading into the Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo's final night Saturday.

While the DeMosses might have provided the biggest roar from the crowd of the night, the faithful rodeo fans who waited out the threat of rain were treated to two stellar bull rides.

Tyler Willis of Wheatland, Wyo. — ranked 37th in the world — posted a score of 80, only to be outdone by Brad Pierce of Baird. Pierce, who also competed in the saddle bronc, set the pace for the final night with a tremendous score of 86.

The cowgirls didn't let the boys have the stage all to themselves, though.

Terra Bynum of Colorado City, who

is ranked 18th in the world and was a NFR qualifier in 2008, raced out to a time of 16.63, taking the top spot in the barrel racing. Only Janna Beam of Refugio joined Bynum with a time under 17 seconds with a 16.9.

Jana Bean of Fort Hancock came up just short of eclipsing that elusive 17 second mark and sits in third with a 17.03.

Big Spring's Peggy Cheney is currently in eighth with a time of 17.3.

The bareback competition also had a new leader by the end of the night as Stetson Herrera of Magdalena, N.M., posted a score of 82 for top honors heading into the final performance Saturday.

No. 21 in the world Zach Dishman of Beaumont is tied for second with Matt Bright of Azle, who rode Thursday night, with a score of 77. Jake Brown — the 40th-ranked bareback rider — sits fourth with a score of 73.

The steer wrestling event found a new name at the top of its list by the

end of the night as Canyon's T.J. Bohlender wrangled his way to a time of 3.2 seconds.

Former world champion Mickey Gee of Wichita Falls is in second with a time of 4.7 seconds, while fellow Wichita Falls native Glen Clark is third with a 4.8.

Tie-down roping and team roping were the only events not to have a new leader emerge Friday night.

Team roping had no chance in its standings with the team of David Moseley of Farwell and Jeremy English aof Rose Bud, Ark., still lead with a time of 4.9.

Tie-down roping had a slight shift occur in its standings on the second night as Brad Hartt of Sebring, Fla., — ranked 32nd in the world — moved into a tie for third place after corraling a calf in 10 seconds.

Will Kiker of Midland still holds the top time for the event with a 9.5.

Complete results from the 76th Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo will be available in Monday's edition of the

Herald.

76th Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Results through Friday

Bareback: 1. Stetson Herrera, Magdalena, N.M., 82; 2. Matt Bright, Azle, 77; 3. Zach Dishman, Beaumont, 77; 4. Jake Brown, Hillsboro, 73.

Saddle bronc: 1. Cody DeMoss, Heflin, La., 85; 2. Heith DeMoss, Heflin, La., 83; 3. Tol Cawley, Crockett, 78; 4. Andrew Counts, Stephenville, 74; 5. Jesse James Crowder, Stephenville, 73; 6. J.W. Todd, Carlsbad, N.M., 69; 6. Cody Parks, Canyon, 69; 6. Ty Atchison, Jackson, Mo., 69.

Bull riding: 1. Brad Pierce, Baird, 86; 2. Tyler Willis, Wheatland, Wyo., 80; 3. Cody Sweat, El Paso, 76; 4. Sye Jones, Weatherford, 70.

Steer Wrestling: 1. T.J. Bohlender, Canyon, 3.2; 2. Mickey Gee, Wichita Falls, 4.7; 3. Glen Clark, Wichita Falls, 4.8; 4. Justin Nulisch, Del Rio, 5.5; 5. Reagan Walker, Ennis, 7.5; 6. Cimarron Thompson, Hobbs, N.M., 9.5.

Team roping: 1. David Moseley, Farwell/Jeremy English, Rose Bud, Ark., 4.9; 2. Tye Maben, Spur/Kirt Jones, Hobbs, N.M., 7.4; 3. Bart Hutton, Boerne/Randy Hinds, San Angelo, 12.6.

Barrel racing: 1. Terra Bynum, Colorado City, 16.63; 2. Janna Beam, Refugio, 16.9; 3. Jana Bean, Fort Hancock, 17.03; 4. Judi Reed, Clint, 17.16; 5. Andrea Herron, Stockdale, 17.21; 6. Tana Renick, Kingston, Okla., 17.26; 7. Mary Walker, Ennis, 17.28; 8. Peggy Cheney, Big Spring, 17.30; 9. Kirstin Carlson, Carlsbad, N.M., 17.31; 10. Jodi Creel, Newcastle, 17.32; 10. Lizzy Allen, Abilene, 17.32.

CWS

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but Rupp tied it with a homer that carried at least 420 feet, one of the longest in recent CWS memory.

"When I hit it," Rupp said, "I knew it was gone."

After Preston Clark popped out, Rowe hit the first offering from Lambson over the left-field wall, well above the leaping Kole Calhoun.

Rowe said he wasn't necessarily trying to hit a home run off Lambson, who had gotten him out in their two previous CWS encounters.

"Every time, he kept throwing me a changeup," Rowe said. "I didn't see one fastball from him. I was sitting on a changeup."

Austin Wood (6-1) got the win after throwing three innings in relief of starter Cole Green. But it didn't look so good for Wood in the top of the ninth.

The senior struck out four of the first six batters he faced before Jason Kipnis battled through an 11-pitch at-bat. Kipnis' hard shot got past first baseman Brandon Belt, but second baseman Travis Tucker came up with the ball and threw wildly to Wood, who was covering first. Kipnis took off for second as Rupp, the catcher, scrambled for the ball next to the top step of the ASU dugout.

Clark got a bad break on Carlos Ramirez's hard line, but made a nice recovery to catch it. Wood then struck out ASU's hottest hitter, Calhoun. Wilson, who entered as a pinch hitter in the seventh, hooked a 1-0 pitch into the right-field corner past a diving Kevin Keyes to score Kipnis. It was Wilson's first RBI since May 10.

Starters Mike Leake of Arizona State and Texas' Green each went six innings, giving up two runs on eight hits, before turning the game over to the bullpen with the score tied at 2.

Lambson allowed Calhoun's single leading off the seventh, then retired six in a row before his disastrous ninth inning.

LSU used an impressive show of power and pitching to win Bracket 1. The Tigers hit four home runs against the Razorbacks and Anthony Ranaudo bounced back from a subpar outing to throw six shutout innings.

The Tigers hadn't played since Monday's 9-1 win over Arkansas, and they had to wait even longer because of a thunderstorm that pushed back the start of Friday's game 2½ hours.

Once out there, the Tigers showed no signs of rust against an Arkansas team they dominated all year. Arkansas (41-24) was outscored 23-6 by LSU in two CWS games, and the Razorbacks lost four of five overall against the Tigers this season.

LSU scored in six of the nine innings Friday and shut out Arkansas for 14 straight innings over their two meetings in Omaha. The Tigers also beat Virginia 9-5 and have won 13 in a row.

The Tigers went deep three straight innings to give Ranaudo (11-3) a big cushion.

Ranaudo, who lasted 3 1-3 innings in last Saturday's start against Virginia, allowed four hits and had five strikeouts against no walks. Austin Ross took over to start the seventh with the Tigers leading 11-0.

Dean hit his second homer in three games, and 17th of the season, off Mike Bolsinger in the fifth.

Jared Mitchell, the Chicago White Sox's first-round draft pick, hit an opposite-field homer to left off former LSU pitcher TJ Forrest the next inning.

Ryan Schimpf followed with his team-leading 21st, sending Forrest's fastball near the top of the right-field stands and starting a five-run seventh.

Tyler Hanover added a pinch-hit two-run homer in the ninth off Zack Cox, the seventh of a CWS record-tying eight pitchers used by the Razorbacks. The teams combined to use 13 pitchers, tying a CWS mark.

Brett Eibner's two-run homer off Ross ended the Razorbacks' scoreless-inning streak in the seventh, and Chase Leavitt hit a three-run homer for Arkansas in the ninth.

Texas returns to the CWS finals for the first time since 2005, when the Longhorns won the last of their six national championships.

The Longhorns' bid for a seventh title has featured a little bit of everything, from comeback wins to a 25-inning regional victory that ranked as the longest game in NCAA history.

Then there's the quirky wins here in Omaha.

"Whether we're a team of destiny," Wood said, "that's still to be determined."



Courtesy photo
N-V-Us, a Big Spring Girls Softball Association team in the 14U age group, finished the season 14-0 on its way to a league championship. Starting on the bottom row (from left to right) members are: Belinda Gonzales, Ashlie Besserra, Melinda Gonzales, Ayana Gomez, Madison Churchwell, (top row), J.D. Gonzalez, Tiffany Gonzalez, Selena Bustamante, Delores Goodblanket, Valerie Goodblanket, Lynn Cresswell, Shilo Cresswell and Ricky Cresswell.

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April Ward Farris graduates Harvard Law School

April Ward Farris, a 2002 graduate of Big Spring High School, graduated with honors from Harvard Law School June 4.

She is the daughter of Dr. David and Ann Ward and the granddaughter of Sonny and Ruth Hollis of Big Spring.

April completed her undergraduate education at Abilene Christian University in spring of 2005

and began her law studies at Harvard in fall of 2006. Harvard Law School is currently ranked No. 1 in the top 100 law schools in the nation.

While at Harvard Law, April was able to distinguish herself in several ways. She was the managing editor for the Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy, the most read conservative legal journal in the nation. She was president of The Harvard Abigail Adams Society, and a member of the Harvard Federalist Society, nationwide legal societies for conservatives and libertarians. She was awarded a Blackstone Fellowship by the Alliance Defense Fund to be oriented to the role of Christians in the arenas of law and government. She did a summer internship at the Office Legal Policy in the U.S. Justice Deptment in Washington D.C. during the Bush administration.

April has accepted a prestigious judicial clerkship with the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in Houston for one year.



April Ward Farris

Following the year in Houston, she has accepted a position as the first female lawyer in a small, but prestigious law office in Austin, called Yetter, Warden and Coleman, that specializes in non-criminal appellate law.

This law firm had a case accepted for hearing by the U.S. Supreme Court this year.

Some of the writing that April did in helping with the case when interning for them last summer was included in their presentation to the court. Yetter, Warden and Coleman flew April from Boston to Washington, D.C., so she could observe when the actual presentation was made to the Supreme Court.

April and her husband Ben will be moving to Houston in August after she takes her Texas Bar exam.

Who's Who

Malle Franchesca Carrasco, a junior from Big Spring majoring in medical humanities at Baylor University, has been included on the dean's list, which required her to have a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 and be enrolled for a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Bobby Jay Doty, son of Bob and Darla (Buchanan) Doty of Stephenville, recently graduated with a juris doctorate degree from the South Texas College of Law in Houston. He has accepted a job with the law firm of Sheldon and Reecer in Denton.

He is the grandson of Jack and Mildred Buchanan of Coahoma.

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San Angelo man sentenced to 30 years in child porn case

LUBBOCK — Jason Segura, 23, of San Angelo was sentenced Friday in federal court to 360 months in prison, to be followed by a life term of supervised release.

Segura was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings after pleading guilty in March to one count of production of child pornography, said Acting U.S. Attorney James T. Jacks.

Segura will be required to register as a sex offender.

Segura has been in federal custody since his arrest in November 2008 on related charges outlined in a federal criminal complaint. He was subsequently indicted by a federal grand jury on three

counts of production of child pornography.

In documents filed in court, Segura admitted that on Nov. 16, 2008, he used the camera in his cell phone to take three images of a prepubescent female child engaged in sexually explicit conduct with him.

The case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice.

Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Child-

hood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims.

For more information about Project Safe Childhood, visit <http://www.projectsafchildhood.gov>

The case was investigated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), San Angelo, and the San Angelo Police Department, and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven M. Sucsy of the Lubbock, Texas, U.S. Attorney's Office.

White House: Census to better count gay couples

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — U.S. Census Bureau officials said Friday that married same-sex couples will be counted as such in the 2010 national tally, reversing an earlier decision made under the Bush administration.

Steve Jost, a spokesman for the Census Bureau, said officials already were identifying the technical changes needed to ensure the reliability of the information, but remained committed to providing an accurate tally of gay spouses.

"They will be counted, and they ought to report the way they see themselves," Jost said. "In the normal process of reports coming out after the census of 2010, I think the country will have a good data

set on which to discuss this phenomenon."

Same-sex couples could not get married anywhere in the United States during the last decennial count. But last summer, when two states sanctioned gay unions, the bureau said those legal marriages would go uncounted because the federal Defense of Marriage Act prevented the federal government from recognizing them.

Since President Barack Obama took office, his administration has been under pressure from gay rights activists to take a fresh look at the issue. The White House on Friday announced that its interpretation of the act, known as DOMA, did not pro-

hibit gathering the information. Gay marriage is now legal in six states, although the first weddings have not yet commenced in three of them.

"The president and the administration are committed to a fair and accurate count of all Americans," White House press secretary Robert Gibbs said. "We're in the midst of determining the best way to ensure gay and lesbian couples are accurately counted."

Enumerating married gay couples will not require any changes in the census forms, which includes boxes for the genders of people living in a household and their self-reported relationships as "husband," "wife" or "unmarried partner," according to Jost.

POPS

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to help us. Of course, Big Spring has always come through with what we've needed. And I'm reasonably sure it will come through for us again."

Capacity crowds have packed the amphitheater each year with thousands of people attending the Big Spring Symphony and Chorus' concert and fireworks program, and the crowd always spills out into the park and even along U.S. Highway 87.

And Hansen says there's no reason to think this year's crowd won't be just as big or even larger.

In addition to the symphony and chorus' performance, the show will be opened by young country singer-song-

writer Maren Morris and her band, and bluegrass music from Jim Kay and the Kay Grassband.

"We're always trying to expand the show, because we always want to make it bigger and better," Hansen said. "Even while we're working on putting this year's show together, we look for things we can improve on next year. I think that's one of the reasons the crowd has also continued to grow over the years."

"We're planning on having a great fireworks show, and since we'll have a couple of different acts performing before the symphony takes the stage, I wouldn't be a bit surprised if we have the biggest crowd we've ever had," she added.

But before all that can happen, the organizing committee has to raise

the money it needs.

Donations making the concert and fireworks show possible come from local businesses and individuals, as well as corporate sponsorships. Hansen noted that's why the organizing committee plans to open the gates free of charge.

"This is the everyone's celebration — that's something we're continually stressing," Hansen said. "And that's why we need the community to come through."

Support for Pops in the Park comes from big and small donations.

Presenters for the show, which currently include the Big Spring Herald, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Big Spring Symphony, the city of Big Spring, KBTS, KBST AM and FM and the Cornell Companies,

contribute at least \$5,000 in financial or in-kind services.

Stars and Stripes sponsors donate \$3,000 or more to the show. To date, the only Stars and Stripes sponsor is H-E-B.

This year the committee has two Texas Star sponsors, who have made \$2,500 contributions.

Rocket sponsors, which donate \$1,000 or more, to date include: Wal-Mart, Alon USA, Partee Enterprises, Porter Henderson Implementation Company, the Worthy Company, T. Blackshear Interiors and Robinson Drilling of Texas Ltd.

"We know it's been a difficult year for some of our donors, and some have been forced to roll back their contributions," Hansen said. "I don't think anyone has

BEES

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ings where bees might be nesting. The same precautions hold true for wasp nests. Examine your yard and work areas before using lawn mowers and other power tools.

"Prevention is the key to bee safety," he added. "Start by educating yourself and children about how bees behave. Remove possible nesting sites from your property. Seal all openings that are an inch or larger in walls, chimneys and vents. Fine screening material 1/8 inch and smaller will prevent bees from entering an area."

"Most bees will not attack unless the hive is threatened. Therefore it is always the best course of practice to simply leave them alone. Usually, the swarm will move on in just a few days."

Condray said the swarms, sometimes appearing as a large "ball" of bees, is a natural reaction by the bees to find a new home. And while the appearance of these swarms may seem intimidating, chances are the insects will simply move on in a few days.

"Swarming is a natural occurrence and simply means that a hive has become too big for its housing and split up to seek new shelter," said Condray. "You may see them gathering in vacant lots and buildings. They are generally looking for some type of cover to provide them protection from the heat and elements."

"They can form their own shelter by clustering up in

a big ball with the queen in the middle. This is how they are often found when resting in trees and bushes. Most of the time they will stop for a few days of rest then move on to find proper quarters."

Condray said the best rule to follow if a swarm is encountered is also the simplest — stay away.

"As a general rule stay away from all honeybee swarms and colonies," said Condray. "If encountered, get away quickly and try to protect your face and eyes as much as possible. Take shelter in a car or building. Most importantly, don't stand and swat at the bees, as the rapid motions will cause them to sting."

"If stung, go to a safe area. Scrape the stinger out with your fingernail or something like a credit card or knife — don't squeeze it with tweezers, as this will release more venom. Wash the site with soap and water then apply ice to reduce swelling and discomfort. Seek medical treatment if you begin to experience difficulty breathing or have known allergies to insect stings."

While the "live and let live" is the best policy according to Condray, he said it's not always possible.

"If you feel that a hive must be eradicated contact a licensed exterminator for assistance," said Condray. "Call 911 if you witness an attack or experience multiple stings."

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COUNTY

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issue part of the coming special session."

Barr said the commissioners court is expected to pass the resolution opposing the undervaluation of oil and gas property during Monday morning's meeting.

"This market factor was something I'm sure looked really good in theory, especially when the oil and gas markets were fluctuating wildly," said Barr. "However, the application of it now, and the interpretations of it have really screwed this thing up."

"If we don't do something to correct this, it will shift a great deal of the tax burden from oil

and gas companies to the property owners, the little guys. And that will be devastating to counties like ours, school districts and any other agency that is dependent on property taxes for revenue."

The meeting is also expected to cover several routine items of interest, including:

Invoices and purchase requests, including budget amendments.

Discuss bids for a 2010 Ford Escape for the County Extension Agents office.

Budget work session, including meetings with county department heads.

Consideration of funding to be provided to the 2010 Census.

Personnel consider-

ations and an assessment of the county's retirement plan for 2010.

Pipeline crossings and reports concerning county road maintenance.

Cooperative agreement between the county and Midland College for the Breath Alcohol Testing Program.

The meeting is to get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioners

courtroom on the second floor of the county courthouse.

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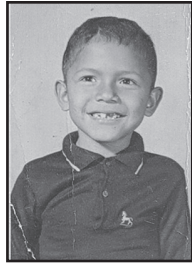
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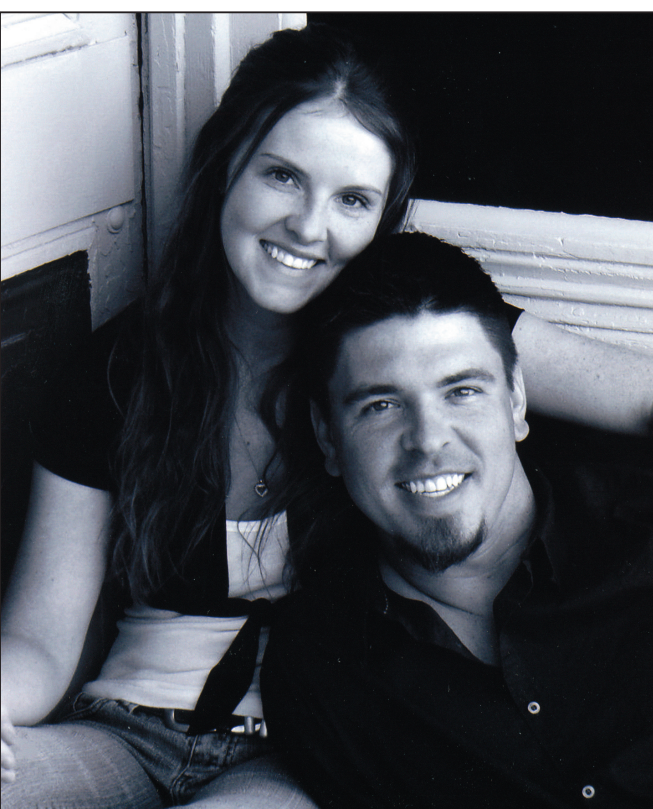
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Kacie Clairetta Lois Deana Boyd and Tye Cameron Newman

Boyd-Newman

Keith and Wendy Boyd of Big Spring are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kacie Clairetta Lois Deana Boyd to Tye Cameron Newman, son of Bill and Debbie Agnew of Pleasanton and Fred and Deborah Newman of Big Spring.

The bride-to-be is a 2001 graduate of Coahoma High School. She attended Howard College and is employed by San Angelo National Bank.

The groom-elect is a 1999 graduate of Pleasanton High School. He attended Howard College and is employed by the Big Spring Fire Department.

They will be married Aug. 22, 2009, in San Angelo.



David T. Hughes and Tania M. Bradley

Bradley-Hughes

Tania M. Bradley and David T. Hughes, both of Big Spring will exchange wedding vows at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 1, 2009, at the First Christian Church in Big Spring.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mark and Terrie Bradley.

The groom-to-be is the son of Roy and Kathryn Hughes.



Jeremy Michael McBrayer and Kristina Lantrip

Lantrip-McBrayer

Kristina Lantrip (Kristie) of Abilene and Jeremy Michael McBrayer of Big Spring are planning to exchange wedding vows later this month.

Kristie is the daughter of Gene and Cindy Lantrip of Abilene and the granddaughter of Kenneth Lantrip (deceased) and Mary Lantrip of Abilene and Kenneth Stewart and Esther Stewart of Buffalo Gap.

Jeremy is the son of Michael and Joyce McBrayer of Big Spring. His grandparents are Hartwell and Gladys McBrayer (deceased) of Frankfort, Ky., and

Aubrey (deceased) and Mary LaNeave of El Paso.

The bride-to-be has a bachelor's degree in behavioral science and is employed by Lantrip's Custom Homes in Abilene.

The prospective groom received his associates degree in computer technology from TSTC and is employed by Secure Data Solutions in Midland.

The wedding will take place at 6 p.m. June 27 in Abilene.

After a short honeymoon, the couple will reside in Midland.

Bailey receives biomedical degree from A&M

Brennan Bailey, 2005 graduate of Big Spring High School, graduated cum laude with a degree in biomedical engineering from Texas A&M University in the commencement ceremony held May 15.

While at Texas A&M, Brennan has worked as an undergraduate research assistant in the biomaterials lab with the department of biomedical engineering. Her research has focused on utilizing polymeric coatings for the prevention of biofouling on implantable medical devices.

During her undergraduate tenure, Brennan has presented her research findings at two American Chemical Society national



Brennan Bailey

conferences, receiving the "Excellence in Undergraduate Research" award for the research she completed.

She also received the Texas A&M University Undergraduate Student Research Grant as well as the NSF Texas A&M University System Lou-

is Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation grand to fund her research.

In 2008, Brennan received the "Distinguished Student in Engineering Award" and also earned a Polymer Certificate. She was inducted into the National Honor Society and the Biomedical Engineering Honor Society.

Brennan has been involved in non-profit organizations such as One Party and Save Our Streets Ministries as is also very involved in her church. Brennan will continue her studies and research at Texas A&M University where she has been accepted into the Materials Science and Engineering Ph.D. program.

Brennan is the daughter of Craig and Julie Bailey and the granddaughter of Allen and Margaret Bailey, Bob and Marlene Underwood and the late Marge Underwood.

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“Light has come into the world,

and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one practicing evil hates the light, and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God.” [John 3:19-21].

More and more, there are those who try to run from or put the light of Christ out. It would be humorous if it weren't so sad. Those who God made, trying to do away

with Him. Like the pot on the potter's wheel trying to do away with the potter. Ridiculous.

Then those who have to slip around and do what they do in secret, really need the light of the gospel to shine on those deeds. When people slip around and hide what they do, they already know it's wrong or they would not hide to do it. Isn't it wonderful that God created a thermostat inside each of us to let us know wrong from right? It is calls a conscious.

The Bible says that what is done in darkness will be brought out into the light. The things that have to be hidden like secret organizations, activities, bad speech, business deals or things we have to hide from the pastor, God has already seen. The pastor is not the one who will be sitting on the judgment seat on judgment day. The pas-

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tor can be fooled, but God is never fooled. The Bible also says “Abstain from all appearance of evil.” [1 Thess. 5:22]. What is so wonderful is, this principle also applies to going into the closet to pray. Seeking God in our privet and quiet times. He reveals those things in the light, too.

Let us look at the first scripture in this writing. Light has come whether we believe it or not. The word is true whether we believe it or not. Jesus is the word, Jesus is the Light. Sin

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OUR VIEW

For all fathers, you deserve your day today

You might call him "Dad," "Daddy" or "Pop," but whatever you call him, today is his day — Father's Day. It's time to recognize the man who taught you to fish or how to throw a ball, carried you on his shoulders and gave patient advice.

He may have cried at your wedding, or you may have never seen him cry at all, but chances are he consoled your tears on many occasions.

For some, it seems he was always around ... especially when you were doing something you weren't supposed to do.

To others, however, he was rarely part of your life due to a demanding work schedule or family problems, and maybe you only got to know your father well as an adult.

One thing is certain, though. Fatherhood is taken for granted all too often today. It seems we are constantly being reminded that many children don't know their fathers or don't see them regularly.

Those of us who do should be thankful, because that's clearly something many in coming generations will not enjoy. And that, we think, is not only a shame, but destined to be the ruination of our society.

Today we should also remember that a father is sometimes a "father figure," someone who gave you his time and attention, even though he wasn't your father.

It is for all those sorts of men we celebrate Father's Day.

For all the things your father was to you, take time today to show appreciation. Let him know that you saw how much he cared and what it's always meant to you.

And for fathers everywhere: We realize you had a tough job to do. Thanks for taking it seriously. Your influence continues to have a lasting effect.

Have a great day, because you've earned it!

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Forty-nine years ago I wrote a letter to the editor about Birdwell Lane.

Let me invite the city once again to fix Birdwell Lane. I think they are through with the digging in front of Howard College.

Years ago the south end of Birdwell did not have any pavement on the east side of the street. It was that way for years.

Are they of the mind set, "we don't repair anything until there is a complaint?"

FRANKLIN EARLEY
BIG SPRING

Howard College baseball team this year. I wanted to thank the people of Big Spring for their support this year during our unbelievable season.

I have played at many ballparks throughout my life but none of them hold a candle to the field at Howard College.

The fans of Big Spring made it special and their continued support throughout the entire season made the World Series championship just as much theirs as it was ours.

The people of Big Spring will always be in my heart and I thank you all for a season that I will never forget!

TO THE EDITOR:

I was a part of the

NICK POPESCU
FLOWER MOUND

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we take the bull by the horns, Lord, and ask You into our life.

Amen

Father's Day message to 'Daddy'

From the outset, I need to explain how difficult to write this column has been. I've tried to write it for Father's Day countless times and never been able to get the job done. The result has always been the same, too many tears.

But I decided while I was in the hospital in Dallas last summer that no matter what, I'd finally complete the task.

How many years has it been? Five? Six? Or is it seven? I'm really not sure how long it's been since my father died. To be honest, I'm not even sure what day he died. But I miss him.

Man, do I miss him ... so bad it hurts sometimes.

Then why can't I remember when it was he died?

A friend asked me that the other day. "How could you love someone as much as you say you loved your father and not remember what day he died?" she asked incredulously.

The answer was simple. I don't remember, because that's not what I want to remember.

What I remember, and what I want to remember, are the things that are really important. The things about Bill Moseley that made having him as a father special.

Things like perhaps my earliest childhood memory. I was almost 4 years old, and my family was visiting my maternal grandparents here in Big Spring, where my grandfather was working on an addition to the Cosden Refinery.

While we were here, I began running a high temperature and was taken to the old Malone and Hogan Clinic where Dr. P.V. Malone diagnosed me and determined my tonsils needed to be removed.

My parents had known this for some time, but in those days, doctors didn't want to remove your tonsils until you were 6 or 7. Dr. Malone said I wouldn't live another week in my condition, removed my tonsils and all was well.

I don't remember all that, but

what I do remember is the night before the surgery. I was all alone in a strange hospital room and absolutely scared to death. To say the least, I couldn't get to sleep.

My father — I called him Daddy until the day he died — came in the room, sensed my uneasiness, climbed into the hospital bed and held me. I went to sleep immediately, because I was safe and all was right with the world.

Years later, as an adult, I discussed that night with him and told him how important he'd been to me that night. He smiled that smile that always let you know you'd touched him, but simply said, "That's what fathers do."

Over the years, Daddy showed me much more than what a father is. He taught me what it meant to be a man, a loving husband and, most importantly, a Christian.

He was my mentor.

He taught me the importance of a good education, honesty, loyalty, perseverance, the ability to have courage in tough times and the importance of family.

These weren't lessons learned quickly or easily. Some weren't even learned until after his death. In fact, some are still being learned today.

I guess that's what fathers do, huh?

But my father was also my best friend and I'm sure we had a special relationship. Some of the best times in my life were simply spent with him. It didn't matter what we were doing, we were doing it together, just the two of us — and that made whatever it was special. I think that was true for both of us.

And perhaps that's why writing this column has been so difficult.

Perhaps more than anything, though, I'm reminded today that he for years told me I should be a journalist.

I, of course, wanted to be anything but a journalist. You see, back in the late '60s and early '70s, it was cool for teenagers and young adults to have trouble with their parents.

I had to work awfully hard at it, but I must have been cool, because I had trouble with my parents.

I was a natural writer, my dad

told me, and suggested I take journalism courses.

But he'd been a journalist and even taught journalism, so I wasn't about to follow that suggestion. Yeah, this was one of those lessons that was both difficult to learn and took a long time in learning.

I wound up trying many different jobs — they couldn't be considered professions, because I never stayed with any of them long enough to become "professional." Oh, I found lots of jobs that I liked, but wasn't very good at. And many more I found that I was pretty good at, but didn't like them.

Anyway, in 1978, I found myself living in Dallas working in some dead end job and was pretty unhappy with life in general. One Saturday night, the phone rang and Daddy asked me how things were going in Dallas.

I'll never forget what I told him. "Daddy, I'm sitting here in the middle of a couple of million people and not a swinging one of them cares whether I take my next breath or not."

He, of course, had a solution. "Well, would you be interested in working for 'The Paris News?'" he asked. "They have an opening for a sports writer and I'm pretty sure I can get you an interview."

To make a long story short, I said I'd talk to them, if they'd talk to me. The Paris News' editor, David Sullens, granted me an interview and decided to give me a chance — basically because he was placating the college's vice president.

But being a reporter and sports writer, and later an editor, turned out to be the only thing I've ever found that I'm both good at and like doing.

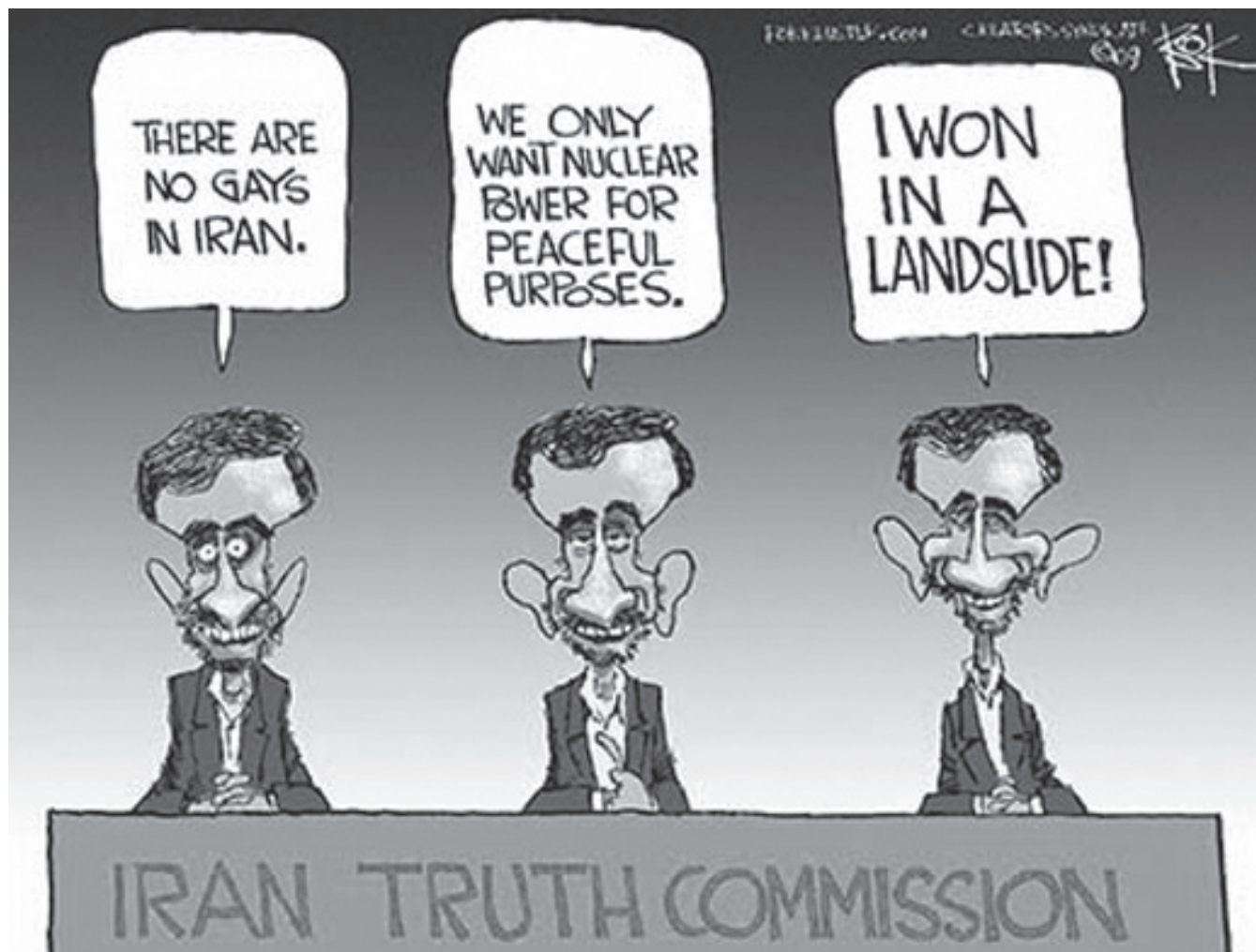
Imagine that, another lesson learned from my father.

Come to think of it, there weren't many decisions I made in my life afterward that I didn't bounce off him first. Those I didn't, I should have.

And there have been plenty of times in the last few years that I wish I could see him and ask his opinion on something — like every day including today.

Happy Father's Day, Daddy, I miss you.

Contact John A. Moseley at 263-7331, ext. 230, or by e-mail at editor@bigspringherald.com



The love in Daddy's hands

Memories of my dad are brief and few and yet they are very vivid. Although it's been more than four decades since I was in his presence, there are certain permanent impressions that are fixed in my memory.

Dear Dads (and Moms, too): If you are questioning the impact you are making on your children, question no longer. In fact, the very things you may think are of little significance to your children, are the very things that will stick with

them for life.

I had less than ten years with my dad before he passed on, and of course, I have no real memories of those first two or three. I've been wondering lately why some memories linger and others fade. No doubt I had more experiences with my dad than the ones that stand out the most. Certainly, there are some sad ones that I choose not to recall today.

Perhaps one way to wash away, diminish and erase the bad is to restore, rejuvenate and reflect on the good.

As I recall a few cherished moments with my dad, some Bible verses also come to mind, reminding me of a Father that is always caring for and loving both me and my dad throughout

eternity.

I loved watching television with my dad — albeit a black and white one in those days. One of my greatest afternoon delights was when my dad came home from work and invited me to watch his favorite talk show with him. I can't say how many times I watched TV with him, but apparently it was meaningful for me to snuggle with him on the sofa. I remember feeling wanted and loved in his warm embrace.

"Blessed be the Lord thy God, which delighted in thee..." (II Chronicles 9:8)

One of my early childhood dreams was to be a professional singer and musician — not that I



ANNETTE BRIDGES

Montoya won't push limits in Sonoma

SONOMA, Calif. (AP) — The first trip to Infineon Raceway was a pressure-packed, must-win race for Juan Pablo Montoya.

Considered one of the best road racers in the world, everyone in NASCAR knew it was his best opportunity to win in a stock car. He pulled it off, overcoming a horrible qualifying effort to drive through the field and win in 2007, his first season in NASCAR after jumping from Formula One.

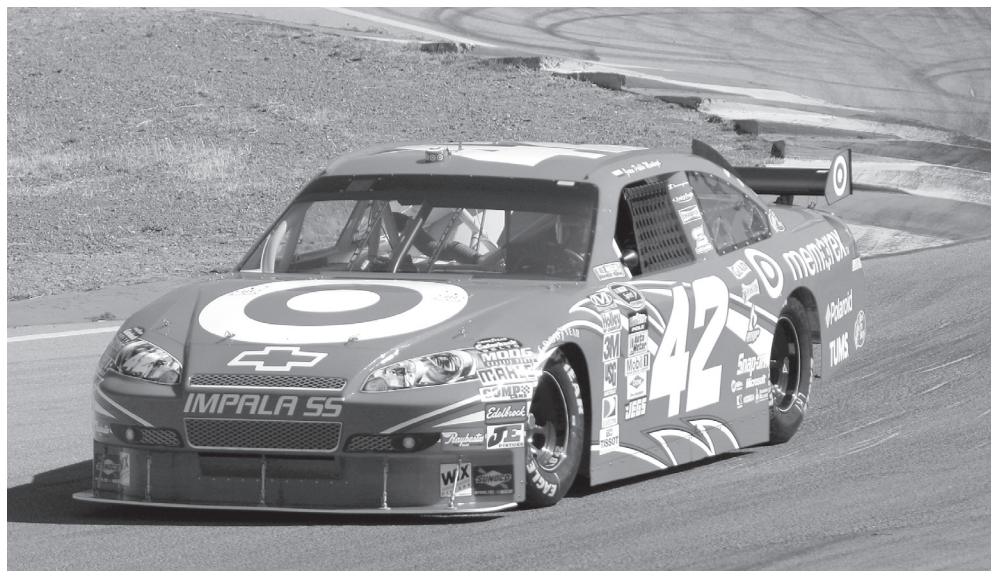
Two years later, the urgency to win Sunday's race is gone for Montoya, replaced but an even bigger goal: making the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship.

That means Montoya, who is 14th in the standings and just 43 points away from claiming one of the 12 Chase spots, won't push the limits in pursuit of a win. He'll instead settle for solid finishes that improve his position in pursuit of the Chase.

"I will Chase race," Montoya said about his strategy for the next 11 races. "Surprising, isn't it?"

Not to crew chief Brian Pattie, who said Montoya's been "Chase racing" this entire season. Pattie proves it with a color-coded chart he uses to track Montoya's third year in NASCAR. Green boxes highlight the races where Montoya has improved over last year's finish, and through 15 races, the Colombian driver has 10 lines shaded.

He's been so solid, Pattie can rattle off the top of his head the few mistakes Montoya has made this year.



AP photo/Ben Margot

NASCAR driver Juan Pablo Montoya accelerates out of turn four on his qualifying lap for the Toyota/Save Mart 350 auto race Friday at Infineon Raceway in Sonoma, Calif.

"He's been really smart all year, except for something with (Jamie) McMurray at Bristol, he's been very smooth," Pattie said. "He was caught speeding on pit road at Phoenix, but had the fastest lap right before that. He's just been good all year, and we can't change what we're doing now. We've been racing for the Chase this whole time, and that's not going to change."

To do it, Pattie believes Montoya needs to raise his average finishing position from 15.8 last season to 14th or better this year.

"We do that, we're in," Pattie said. But that will require mistake-free

racing over the next three months, and Montoya will have to learn how to points race — a frustrating assignment of settling for a position rather than pushing hard to gain a spot or two.

Patience is not exactly his specialty, proven over the course of his open wheel career and then carried into his first two seasons of NASCAR. Montoya's first victory, in the 2007 Nationwide Series race on the road course at Mexico City, came at the expense of teammate Scott Pruett. With Montoya closing in on Pruett, he moved him out of his way to take the lead in a maneuver that infuriat-

ed Pruett.

But he's convinced he can now points race, and the circumstances were far different the last two seasons.

"We were nowhere near (the Chase) and it was all about proving a point," he said. "Of course we want to win races and of course we want to run well, but I don't think anybody in the position that we are in can really afford taking too many risks."

Montoya will start 17th on Sunday, but isn't concerned about the traffic he'll have to maneuver on his way toward the front. He won from the 32nd starting spot in 2007. He started 21st last year and finished sixth after he was spun by Marcos Ambrose while running second with roughly 20 laps to go.

He's vowed to avoid placing himself in a similar situation on Sunday.

"I'm going to run hard. It's just avoiding stupid mistakes, avoiding stupid wrecks," he said. "A lot of people try to out-brake in the last corner here, but there is always people taken out and I was a victim of that (last year). If you can avoid that somehow, then you have to."

"It doesn't mean that you are not going to try to win, but the same goal is that we have to try to make the Chase, and by trying to take the lead and spinning out and finishing 25th, at the end of the day we didn't win and we lost points. If we stay in second and finish second, then we didn't win, but we had a good points day."

Dirk Nowitzki seeks custody of unborn child

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Mavericks star Dirk Nowitzki wants sole custody of his former girlfriend's unborn child if genetic tests prove he is the father, according to a court filing.

Nowitzki wants custody the child due to be born to Crystal Taylor, who was arrested at the player's Dallas home May 6 and is being held at the Jefferson County jail in Beaumont.

Nowitzki's court filing notes that he has been cited as the father of the child by Taylor and it asks the court to order a paternity test. The petition was

filed in state district court in Dallas on June 12. It was sealed Friday, shortly after its details were reported by the Beaumont Enterprise newspaper.

Neither Nowitzki nor Taylor is specifically named in the petition. However, the petitioner is identified as "D.N." and the respondent as "C.T." The document also outlines circumstances similar to those made public by Taylor, who has said repeatedly that Nowitzki is the father.

Taylor's attorney, Scott Renick, told the Beaumont newspaper that his client knew the documents had

been filed but he declined comment. Renick did not immediately respond to a phone message from The Associated Press.

Nowitzki's attorney, Katherine Kinser, was unavailable Friday, according to a woman who answered the phone at her office.

Taylor has been jailed in lieu of \$50,000 bond. She is accused of paying for almost \$11,000 in dental work with a credit card she didn't have permission to use. She also faces a probation violation charge in Missouri.

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**Paul and Narcissa
Abundez
60th anniversary**

Paul and Narcissa Abundez celebrated their 60th anniversary with a family dinner at their home.

The couple was married June 19, 1949, at St. Charles Catholic Church in Eden.

Paul and Narcissa had eight children in all: Dora, deceased, Dinah Hartin of San Angelo, Elva Jean Clark of Big Spring, Nellie Robles of Big Spring, Abel Abundez of Midland, Norma Jean, deceased, Cynthia Aguilar of San Angelo and Paul Edward of Carrizo Springs.

Paul and Narcissa have 16 grandchildren: Daniel, David and Danielle, children of Daniel and Diana Hartin; Cecily and Michael, children of Charles and Elva Clark; Charles, Julie and Denise, children of Milly and Nellie Robles; Heather, Abel Jr. and Monica, children of Abel and Rosie Abundez; Alexandria, daughter of Faustino and Cynthia Aguilar; and Latisha, Norna, Jon and Emmanuel, children of Paul and Bonnie Abundez. The Abundez' have 11 great-grandchildren.

Paul and Narcissa lived in Lamesa from 1950 to 1956, when they moved to Big Spring.

Paul retired as a self-employed mechanic. Narcissa is a homemaker. They are members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and are active in all their programs.

The Abundez' enjoy having breakfast every morning with friends at McDonald's Restaurant.



**C.L. and Annabelle
Cook
60th anniversary**

C.L. (Pete) and Annabelle Cook are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary Thursday, June 25, 2009.

The couple was married June 25, 1949, at the Mathew Memorial Methodist Church in Fort Worth.

She is the former Annabelle Dyer, daughter of H. Gale and Clara Schmidt Dyer of Fort Worth.

Pete is the son of Manley A. and Avenelle Talbot Cook of Big Spring. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.



The couple met in Lubbock while attending Texas Tech University. After living in Big Spring for 26 years, they moved to Granbury in 1976.

They are blessed with children Clif Cook and Bennie Hill of Fort Worth Dr. Cynthia Cook and Jan Whatley of Dallas, Peggy Cook of San Antonio and grandchildren Casey, Jace, J. Lee, McKenna, Lexi and Tyler (our beautiful angel).

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ful people hate the light. Just being good will not get us to Heaven. We can not work enough to earn Heaven. Many religions can talk about a god, but when it comes to Jesus Christ — The Way, The Truth, The Life — it is

different. Christianity is not a religion, it is a relationship with our Savior. The church is not an organization, it is an organism.

This is the good part, those who come to the

light and do the truth [The Word of God] those who invite Him into their heart, and say "Lord change me into what you want me to be," will get to Heaven. Do you know

that light? He said "My sheep, hear my voice." If you don't know Him, why not invite Him into your heart today?

We have so much to be thankful for. Jesus did so much for us.

Why do batterers threaten, abuse, or kill animals?

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- 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 lethality.
- 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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Annie's Mailbox®

Dear Readers: Happy Father's Day to all the Dads and father figures in our reading audience. You are immeasurably important, and we hope your children will remember to acknowledge you on this special day.

Here's a poem sent to us by a reader in Michigan, author unknown.

What Makes a Dad

God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree, the warmth of a summer sun, the calm of a quiet sea,

The generous soul of nature, the comforting arm of night, the wisdom of the ages, the power of the eagle's flight,

The joy of a morning in spring, the faith of a mustard seed, the patience of eternity, the depth of a family need,

Then God combined these qualities, when there was nothing more to add,

He knew His masterpiece was complete, and so, He called it... Dad.

Dear Annie: My wife and I had fertility problems for a few years, but after several procedures, tests and adventures, we became pregnant and now have a beautiful 2-month-old son.

I am a social worker, and my main objective is to find adoptive homes for foster children. I myself was adopted, and now I help other people complete their families through adoption. We do not discriminate against adoptive families due to age, but if an older couple is having difficulty adopting,

I hope they will check into becoming foster parents through their local state agency or private agencies. There are so many children in foster care who need



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

permanent homes. -- Louis

ville, Ky.

Dear Louisville: Thank you for reminding us, on Father's Day, that there is more than one way to become a loving parent. Anyone interested can contact their local Child Welfare League or State Department of Human Resources, or the National Foster Parent Association (nfpainc.org) at 1-800-557-5238.

Dear Annie: I am a 20-year-old man and would like to change my name. I don't care for my first name and would like to take my father's name and be a "junior." However, I have some concerns.

First of all, I don't want to hurt my mother's feelings. She named me after a very significant person in her life.

Second, I don't want my brother to feel somehow left out if I take Dad's name. Third, if I legally become a "Jr.," does that simultaneously alter Dad's legal name to "Sr."?

Can I legally change my name without parental consent? Will I have to change my Social Security number or driver's license? Do

I need a court order? Does it cost a lot? -- Nameless in New Mexico

Dear Nameless: In many states, you can change your name simply by using it that way, as long as you aren't doing it for fraudulent purposes. Otherwise, you can do it by court order, which will cost a small fee, depending on the state. You may also need to change your Social Security card, driver's license, passport, credit cards, etc.

We suggest you discuss this with both of your parents. (Your father may not approve, since having the same name could create legal hassles for him.) If you decide to go ahead, consider using your new name for a while to see how it goes before making it legally binding.

Dear Readers: In honor of Father's Day, we thought you would enjoy these instructions on how to diaper a baby from baseball great Jimmy Piersall:

"Spread the diaper in the position of the diamond with you at bat. Then fold second base down to home and set the baby on the pitcher's mound. Put first base and third together, bring up home plate and pin the three together. Of course, in case of rain, you gotta call the game and start all over again."

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had any special talent for either. I remember very well the day my parents bought me a baritone ukulele like my fourth grade teacher's. My dad set up a music stand in my room that displayed a chord instruction book. After a few suggestions from him, he left me alone to self-teach. I remember feeling self-assured and encouraged by his confidence in me.

"Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." (Luke 12:32)

It's probably a true statement to say we all want, like and need to be needed. One of my fondest memories with my dad is when he asked me to help him mix up concrete. He was making a decorative brick wall around our back patio at our new house. My job was to scoop the cups of concrete mix. I remember how important I felt as I fulfilled my duties and how pleased my dad was with my work. His faith in me made me believe I could do anything.

"If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." (Mark 9:23)

And then there were the times when all I needed to feel safe and sound was to hold my daddy's hand. For a while, the six members of my family shared

a two-bedroom apartment. During this time my bed was parallel to my parent's. I remember many nights when I was afraid in the dark, and all my fears disappeared as soon as I reached across the aisle between our beds to grab my dad's hand. His strong hand made me feel protected and invincible. And again, I felt loved.

"The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love..." (Jeremiah 31:3)

Children may not always understand their dads. We may get very little time to know them. We may sometimes disagree with them. We may even want to be very different from them. But I like to believe that, at least most of the time, our fathers love us. Certainly, we all have a divine Father who does.

Indeed, perhaps my most indelible memory of all is holding my dad's hand. I'm looking at a photo right now that is on the bookcase in front of my desk. I'm in my Easter dress and bonnet standing beside my dad holding his hand. So yes, oh yes — in the words of Holly Dunn — "I'll always remember the love in (my) Daddy's hands."

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Venus and Mars join just in time to celebrate Father's Day with a perfect union of feminine and masculine energies. So although this is a day to appreciate the manliness of dad, in doing so, we can't help but acknowledge the mother that made his paternal influence possible. This is a time to be lavish in your celebration of your parental units!

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll notice that what you want to do will take more work and energy than you first thought. A coach can help you -- someone who will give you unambiguous feedback. You're tough enough to hear it now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It's not enough for you to show up and do your work. You want to be remarkable, respected -- the best. So, while those around you relax, you don't mind putting in the hours it takes to be a master.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Create some sacred space and time. You need to connect with your core self to get centered and stay grounded. Construct barriers to intrusion. Even invisible walls you erect in your head will work.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're considering a big move. Test the waters first. Conduct a test run. You are in a highly observant mode now. You're likely to gather a great sampling of information over the next three days.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're a generous soul and yet there are things you just shouldn't lend today: your car, your books

or your advice. Lend an ear instead and that will be a huge gift to someone who really needs to unload.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Other people's expectations of you are intense -- and you thought you were supposed to be relaxing! Well, you can always say "no." Figure out what you want to say "yes" to and eliminate the rest.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's difficult to believe, but there are people who love to do the very thing you hate to do. You could find such a person today and put them to work next week. It's not as expensive as it is smart.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You don't need to have long conversations or negotiations. Cut to the quick. You're mightier than you were yesterday. You're learning to express yourself quietly and powerfully.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your focus may be too small, causing you to feel trapped when in actuality you are quite free. Ask someone to look at your situation and tell you what it's like from that point of view.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Someone is telling you exactly what you want to hear. The only problem is, you don't believe it. Honor that instinct. If it feels too easy, ask more questions. Also, this is no time to sign up for subscriptions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Be flexible. You won't be able to understand your loved ones if you think in textbook psychological terms. Forget about the rules for hours on end while you listen to their actions with your heart.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The word "people pleaser" has a negative connotation, and yet what could be so wrong

about wanting the people around you to be pleased sometimes? Avoid doing extra work, though. First, ask what would please them.

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Analysis: Obama offers split verdict on economy

By TOM RAUM

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — It's a difficult balancing act.

Where some economists see "green shoots" of a recovery others see only yellow weeds of continuing recession. It's hard to know for sure whether things are getting better or worse.

President Harry S. Truman whimsically asked for a "one-handed economist." He complained that "all my economists say, 'on the one hand ... on the other hand.'"

That's pretty much the dilemma that President Barack Obama and policymakers now face.

With consumer spending accounting for more than two-thirds of the economy, Obama is mindful that reviv-

ing it depends a lot on restoring confidence. So he's been trying to put the most positive spin on any signs of improvement, as have leaders in other recession-wracked countries.

"It's safe to say we have stepped back from the brink, that there is some calm that didn't exist before," Obama said recently about what already is the longest recession since World War II.

On the other hand, there's a clear danger. Sound too cheery and people lose confidence in your judgment, especially if their own eyes see a bleaker picture.

Ease up on government stimulus spending too soon and the recovery could be snuffed out. Talk by some Group of Eight finance min-

isters about stimulus exit strategies briefly spooked international stock markets. But keep stimulus spending going too long and you end up with huge deficits and soaring inflation.

Polls show people in the United States increasingly are concerned about the government's record levels of debt, a sour legacy for future generations.

So Obama has talked up and talked down the economy. At the same time.

"Even as we've made progress, we know that the road to prosperity remains long and it remains difficult," he told a Chicago audience this past week as he promoted his health care overhaul. It's an effort that Obama says will help the economy in the long

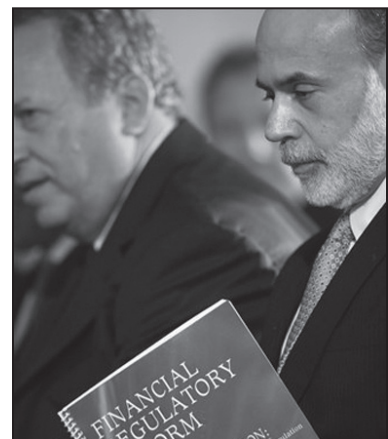
run, but one that the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office says could top \$1 trillion over 10 years.

The daily numbers don't help much.

On the one hand, some statistics suggest the recession's fury is easing. Not only are fewer jobs being lost, but there are signs that stability is returning to housing and manufacturing. Even with recent declines, stocks are up about 30 percent from their March lows.

On the other hand, the economy is continuing to shed tens of thousands of jobs a month and the unemployment rate may soon exceed 10 percent. Housing values still are falling. Consumers keep

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Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke holds a copy of the outlined reforms waiting for President Barack Obama to deliver remarks on the new comprehensive regulatory reform plan in the East Room of the White House in Washington.



AP photo/Mark Lennihan

Customers line up to purchase an Apple iPhone 3G S at an Apple Store Friday, in New York. The iPhone 3G S went on sale nationwide Friday. It sports a faster processor, longer battery life, an internal compass, a video camera and a photo camera with better resolution and auto-focus. A 16-gigabyte version of the 3G S will cost \$199 and a 32-gigabyte version will be \$299.

New iPhone goes on sale with less drama this time

By PETER SVENSSON

AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK — The new iPhone went on sale Friday morning, greeted by much smaller lines and less hoopla than previous models.

A few hundred people were in line just before the 7 a.m. opening of Apple Inc.'s flagship store on Manhattan's Fifth Avenue, a fraction of the people who lined up around the block for last year's launch.

That launch turned into a debacle as Apple's servers failed to cope with the load of new customers trying to activate their iPhones. People who already had iPhones were trying to install a software update on the same day, adding to the pressure.

This year, Apple and AT&T Inc., the phone's U.S. carrier,

defused the drama by taking pre-orders for the new phone online. That means fewer prospective buyers had a reason to stand in line, and it sped up the activation process.

Apple also released its software update for previous customers two days early. There were only scattered reports of problems with that upgrade.

The new model is called the 3G S. AT&T said it had taken pre-orders for "hundreds of thousands" of the phones. Apple sold one million units of the older model, the 3G, in the first three days last year.

For new customers signing a two-year contract with AT&T, the 3G S costs \$199 or \$299 depending on the memory capacity. Compared to the 3G, it has a faster processor and an upgraded camera.

Owners of the previous model, the iPhone 3G, will have to pay more than that. Most of them are not eligible for the new-customer pricing because AT&T subsidizes the cost of the phone and requires customers to "pay off" the subsidy through their monthly service fees before it will subsidize a new phone.

In line at the Fifth Avenue store, Brandon Dennie, 27, was not put off by the prospect of having to pay the unsubsidized price of \$599 for the new phone. He's had a 3G for only six months, so he didn't qualify for the lowest price.

He's creating his own subsidy by selling his old phone for \$200 to a colleague, and he has an Apple gift card.

"I want the video option and

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Jobless rate in Western U.S. tops 10 percent

By JEANNINE AVERSA

AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON — The unemployment rate in the West jumped over 10 percent last month, the first time that regional threshold has been broken in about 25 years. On the state level, eight set record-highs and only two — Nebraska and Vermont — did not report increases.

The Labor Department reported Friday that 48 states and the District of Columbia saw employment conditions deteriorate last month. The fallout from the longest recession since World War II, the worst in Michigan

as automakers cut tens of thousands of jobs. Its unemployment rate rose to 14.1 percent.

The West region reported the highest jobless rate at 10.1 percent. The last time any region had a rate of at least 10 percent was September 1983, when the country was emerging from a severe recession.

The region is home to California, where the jobless rate jumped to a record 11.5 percent last month, Nevada, where it's a record 11.3 percent, and other states that have been slammed when the housing boom went bust — snatching jobs and wealth.

The other six states that set new highs on records dating to 1976 were: North Carolina, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Florida and Georgia.

Nebraska's jobless rate dipped last month, while Vermont's was flat.

On the layoffs front, Arizona and Florida suffered the largely monthly percentage decreases, followed by Oklahoma and Arkansas, Kentucky and Michigan.

Joblessness is rising as companies lay off workers and turn to other cost-saving measures,

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Energy Watch



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Last week was a good week for those who benefit from rising oil prices. Crude oil hit an eight-month high as prices reached \$73 per barrel. While there were some upwardly revised demand numbers from the International Energy Agency, in our opinion, crude's steady climb from the \$40s has not come from the supply vs. demand side. We feel crude has been trading higher simply as a hedge play for those investors who feel the U.S. dollar will continue to weaken due to the billions of stimulus dollars being pumped into the system. You know, the old "speculator" argument.

As loyal residents of the Permian Basin, our minds and our hearts are conflicted. On the one hand, higher crude equals a better local economy which everyone knows has been lagging as of late. But on the other, our concern is that higher crude translates into higher pump prices. Gasoline is up 17 percent since last month and we can not envision a scenario where higher fuel prices from here will do anything but slow an already fragile economic recovery.

The markets did hold steady last week but any upside progress has been modest for the past three weeks. It remains very impressive that despite a 44 percent jump in the S&P 500 since March ninth, the market has resisted any heavy profit taking.

In our opinion, the steady market action is due to the growing evidence and testimony that the recession is easing and that there is still a positive supply/demand ratio for stocks. Last week Nobel Prize winning economist Paul Krugman was quoted as saying "I would not be surprised if the official end of the U.S. recession ends up being, in retrospect, dated sometime this summer" and "the economy begins recovering by September."

We believe at this point the market has already discounted the end of the recession and increased employment is probably at least a year off. A big help for the markets now would come from reduced world tension and some progress or even stabilization in the Middle East. As the economy improves, the Fed will likely raise interest rates which initially will bring in some selling. However, we believe investors will quickly recognize that raising rates would indicate the Fed is starting the fight against inflation.

Our pipe dream is that the Congress stops the \$787 billion stimulus program as the economy is already doing better without it. This would sharply reduce inflation fears and growing concern about a giant government and a weaker dollar. If all this were to happen, the market could possibly prance into 2010. If not, the market will probably be on a slow walk into next year.

Happy Father's Day.

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► Club News



Above, Greater Big Spring Rotary Club president Keith Graumann recognizes Amy Vidal as 2009 Rotarian of the year. Friday, June 12 the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club held its annual installation banquet, pictured are the 2009-2010 Rotary Board members Richard Sanders, Amy Vidal, President-Elect Debbie Wegman, Secretary Debbye Valverde, President Shelley Smith 2009-2010, Troy Tompkins, Walter Shipman, Treasurer Debbie Green and Keith Graumann.

KBSB is looking for your help

A great quote from President Teddy Roosevelt serves as a motto for Keep Texas Beautiful, as well as Keep Big Spring Beautiful. This was a phrase uttered by him in 1912, when he said, "This country will not be a permanently good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a rea-



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sonably good place for all of us to live in."

Yes, indeed, we want Big Spring to be known as a good place for all of us to live. No matter what anyone says, you and I have the power to make the world a better place. It begins with us.

One of our council members gave me this quote, and it really speaks volumes: "Local people will determine the quality of life for our community."

People litter where they feel no sense of ownership, where someone else will clean up after them and

where trash has already accumulated. Research indicates that some people believe it is OK to litter.

A great contributor to our litter problems are the items fast food are served in. Styrofoam, paper or plastic cups and other containers were the most-found items in our latest Adopt A Highway cleanup, held the first of the month along FM 700. Beer bottles were also a big litter item.

Removal of litter is costly. The highway department spends millions of dollars

and hours annually in cleaning up litter, money and time that could be used for much-needed services. Texas spends more than \$20 million annually removing litter from the roadsides. What a pity.

You, as citizens, can help Keep Big Spring Beautiful in many ways by supporting us to reach a single goal. Cleaning, planting or weed-eating is good for the community. We also need to gather information — such as pictures — to submit to Keep Texas Beautiful and Texas Department of

Transportation to show that projects have been done to help qualify for the Governor's Community Achievement Award.

My personal goal this year is for KBSB to receive the Governor's Award, which would be an awesome achievement. We would receive \$130,000 for improvements of our entrances, as well as Gregg Street, Third and Fourth

streets and FM 700.

We could do some spectacular beautification with the funding. We have until Dec. 31 to do enough work in cleaning and beautifying our community. Our park is our focus point this year. We will be working diligently to clean, paint, plant and beautify our park. Will you help us? We have a few spots in the park that need adopting.

TOPS

Tops TX No.21 met Monday evening in the fellowship hall of the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad Streets. The meeting began with a TOPS cheer led by Linda Stapel. Then the TOPS pledge was led by Mary Churchwell, and the KOPS pledge was given by Ethel Cassady. The members then sang the TOPS welcome song.

A humorous reading was presented by Mary Churchwell entitled "A Little Mixed Up." She then read the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved by all the membership.

Roll call was then given and 9 members answered with a total loss of 11.5 pounds. Mary Churchwell was the Best Loser for the week with a 3-pound loss.

A report on the two contests now in progress were given. Linda Stapel reported that Raymond Churchwell is ahead with his flower blooming vigorously due to five straight weeks of weight losses. Then Frank Sickles reported the team TOPS Texas Sluggers are ahead of the team TOPS Texas Rangers in our baseball contest by only one point.

A good report was given by Linda Stapel that Linda Eskew of San Angelo is now home from a lengthy hospital stay. Then Linda reminded everyone there will be no TOPS meeting held on June 22.

The program following next was presented by Sondra Railsback. We played a game to test our knowledge of calorie contents in tasty foods. Prize were awarded to those with correct

answers. Everyone had lots of fun and laughs.

For more information about TOPS please call Frank Sickles at 432-213-

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Tiffany Yanez vs. John Meir, protective order.
LaFawn Cantu vs. Juan Cantu, protective order.
Frances Willborn and Lisa Allison vs. Bradley Everett, injury or damages with a motor vehicle.
Angela Stewart vs. William Stewart, protective order.
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Gina Calvio vs. Susan Gaston, injury or damages with a motor vehicle.

Marriage Licenses:
Adam Ross Jones, 25, and Tiffany Elaine Land, 22, both of Big Spring.
Billy Jared Phillips, 24, and Jessica Dawn Rodriguez, 22, both of Big Spring.
Carl M. Durham, 24, and Maria G. Juarez-Martinez, 22, both of Big Spring.
Lloyd Paul George, 54, and Tina Lynn Johnson, 41, both of Big Spring.

Warranty Deeds:
Grantor: Donnie Reid
Grantee: Mona Moore
Property: A .093-acre tract out of NE/4 of Section 6, Block 31, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 11, 2009
Grantor: Carrie Blythe
Grantee: Dustin Martin
Property: E/2 of Lot 56, Tract 4, Foster Subdivision
Date: June 10, 2009
Grantor: Bob Lee Tabet
Grantee: Sharon Tabet
Property: A 7.75-acre tract out

of NE/4 of Section 42, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 12, 2009

Grantor: Rodney W. Chandler and Ada P. Chandler
Grantee: Prudential Relocation Inc
Property: Lot 27, Block 1 and Lots 13 and 14, Block 8, Highland South Addition No. 6
Date: June 12, 2009

Grantor: Larry Kerr, Independent Executor of the Estate of Nell S. Bingham, Deceased
Grantee: William McGary and Kimberly McGary
Property: A 1.75-acre tract out of SW/4 of Section 32, Block 32, Cert. 2/100, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 15, 2009

Grantor: GMAC Mortgage, LLC
Grantee: The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development of Washington DC
Property: A tract out of SW/4 of Section 34, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: May 15, 2009

Grantor: Leland C. Pierce
Grantee: Tommy Bobo
Property: A tract out of NW/4 of Section 34, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey; a tract out of NW/4 of Section 34, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey; and a tract of land out of the NW/4 of Section 34, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 16, 2009

Grantor: Charlie L. Clark
Grantee: Mona Faye Moore
Property: A .053-acre tract out of a 3.38-acre tract out of the NW/4 of Section 34, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 17, 2009

Grantor: Debbie Butts
Grantee: Tom Chambers, Peggy Chambers and Tonya Damgaard
Property: A 1.86-acre tract out of SW/4 of Section 43, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 18, 2009

Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Lien:
Grantor: Bill Pollard
Grantee: Jeffrey D. Ward
Property: Lot 15, Block 9, Kentwood Unit No. 1
Date: June 10, 2009

Grantor: Horace E. Tubb

Grantee: Dealy E. Blackshear
Property: A 7.629-acre tract out of the SW/4 of Section 31, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: May 11, 2009

Grantor: Leland Stonerook
Grantee: William Leroy Davis
Property: A tract out of NW/4 of Section 44, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 11, 2009

Grantor: Sherry Faye Adams
Grantee: Dustin Baker and Lyndsey Baker
Property: A 17.12-acre tract out of NE/4 of Section 41, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 11, 2009

Grantor: Joel T. Lawson and Laine Lawson
Grantee: Teddy Latham and Sulynn Latham
Property: A 3.92-acre tract out of NE/4 of Section 42, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 11, 2009

Grantor: Timothy D. Harshbarger, Jr. and Lisa Harshbarger
Grantee: Michael Perez
Property: Lots 4 and 5, Block 4, William Green Addition No. 1
Date: June 12, 2009

Grantor: Albert J. Edwards and Beatrice E. Edwards
Grantee: Marcus J. Fernandez and Tiffany Ann Fernandez
Property: Lot 30, Block 16, Kentwood Addition No. 2
Date: June 12, 2009

Grantor: Jim Alexander and Susan Alexander
Grantee: Heather M. Schafer and Marck Todd Schafer
Property: A tract out of Lots 6 through 11, block 40, Original Town of Forsan
Date: June 10, 2009

Grantor: Zachary H. Hall
Grantee: Louis Anthony Morelion
Property: Lot 4, Block 1, Hillcrest Terrace
Date: June 12, 2009

Grantor: Mona Faye Moore
Grantee: Glen Naquin
Property: A .83-acre tract of land out of NW/4 of Section 34, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey and a .053-acre tract of land out of a 3.38-acre tract of land out of NW/4 of Section 34, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: June 18, 2009

ECONOMY

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spending cautiously. Even though 10 top banks won Treasury Department approval to repay \$68 billion of bailout money, hundreds of billions of dollars in bad debt clogs the balance sheets of many banks. Gasoline prices are rising again.

Since the recession began in December 2007, the economy has lost a net total of 6 million jobs.

"We are still in a recession. The risks are still to the downside. The coast isn't clear," said Mark Zandi, chief economist of Moody's Economy.com.

While Zandi thinks the recession

probably will end this year, he sees an extended period of slow growth and continued high unemployment, as do many economists.

Sometimes the numbers give rise to competing interpretations.

For instance, the benchmark 10-year Treasury bond has inched up and now yields 3.8 percent; it was well under 3 percent three months ago. Optimists see that as an early sign of an economic rebound.

Pessimists say it is a harbinger of higher mortgage rates that could throttle a housing recovery.

The Federal Reserve is buying long-term Treasuries to try to put downward pressure on rates. But some economists see this as backfiring, troubling investors, aggravating inflation worries and contributing to

even higher rates.

Economists and politicians keep searching for those "green shoots," signs of an economic revival. After all, if green shoots are sprouting, can blue skies be far behind?

"Green shoots" is the colorful phrase that Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke used in mid-March to describe those bits of evidence that the economy was showing tentative signs of recovery.

Since Bernanke's comments, the term has sprouted like, well, weeds. Britain's "Economist" magazine even created a "Green Shoot" index to track the number of times the phrase appeared in the news media.

Bernanke spotted those green shoots way back in March. With the official start of summer upon us, it's hard to see that any of those shoots have

grown into saplings.

"We need significant more improvement to suggest that the economy is really turning the corner," said Alan Gayle, senior investment strategist at RidgeWorth Investments.

White House economic advisers estimated in January that if Congress passed the president's economic stimulus bill, unemployment probably would rise no higher than 8 percent this year. Congress did and unemployment now stands at 9.4 percent.

The recession "won't be over until actually we have the unemployment rate down to a more normal level, like 5 percent," Christina Romer, chairwoman of the White House Council of Economic Advisers, said recently. "We're a long way from it being over."

PHONE

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the speed," Dennie said.

In its two-year life, the iPhone range has revolutionized phone design and given AT&T a leg up on its rivals in recruiting customers willing to pay high monthly fees.

Competitors have started to catch up to some of the iPhone's signature features, like a user interface that's designed from the ground up to be navigated with finger touches. In particular, Palm Inc.'s Pre, which came out two weeks ago, has generated a lot of buzz and favorable reviews.

But the iPhone is still the king of smart phones. Pacific Crest analyst James Faucette estimated that exclusive carrier Sprint Nextel Corp. sold

90,000 to 100,000 Pres in the first week of sale, far lower than expected sales of the 3G S.

To grab even more market share, Apple is now selling the older 3G for a lower price: \$99 with a two-year contract.

At an AT&T store in the New York borough of Queens, there were three people in line at 5:45 a.m. Sarah Gates and Ed Phylfe, the couple who were first in line, didn't know about the pre-order option until it was too late, and wanted to be sure to get phones from the small stock set aside for walk-ins.

"We got Sprint smart phones since just before the first iPhone came out, and we immediately regretted it," said Gates, 33. She has nothing against Sprint Nextel Corp., but the Motorola Q phones were awful, she said.

"I feel kind of bad to leave Sprint ...

spin.

Factories, construction companies, retailers and financial companies are among the industries that have slashed the most jobs. U.S. manufacturers have suffered a double whammy: customers in the U.S. have pulled back along with foreign customers, who are dealing with their own economic troubles.

but I don't like any of the phones they have half as much the iPhone," she said.

Apart from the U.S., the phone went

on sale Friday in Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Switzerland and the U.K. Other countries will get it throughout the summer.

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such as trimming hours and freezing or slicing wages, to survive the recession. Housing, credit and financial problems — the worst since the 1930s — have sent the economy into a tail-

News in brief

Pakistani officials says ground fighting in tribal belt kills about 50 militants

CHUPRIAL, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistani troops backed by jet fighters and artillery have killed about 50 militants in a volatile northwestern tribal region near Afghanistan where the country's top Taliban leader is believed to be entrenched with thousands of his fighters, officials said Saturday.

They were the first known militant casualties in South Waziristan — where Pakistan Taliban head Baitullah Mehsud and al-Qaida figures are believed to be hiding — since the military started pounding the area with artillery about a week ago.

Mehsud is blamed for a series of suicide attacks that have killed more than 100 people since late May.

Although the army has not announced a formal start of full-scale operations in South Waziristan — an offensive that Washington has been pressing Pakistan to undertake — officials said troops are already occupying strategic positions in the region.

The operation, seen as a test of nuclear-armed Pakistan's resolve against an insurgency that has expanded in the past two years, could be a turning point in its sometimes halfhearted fight against militancy.

It also could help the war effort in Afghanistan, because the tribal belt has long harbored militants who launch cross-border attacks.

Jet fighters flattened two abandoned militant-linked seminaries and a training facility Friday in a clear sign that the operation was ramping up.

Drug industry would pay for some Medicare prescriptions under emerging \$80 billion deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Medicare beneficiaries would receive better drug coverage and a portion of President Barack Obama's health care legislation would be paid for under an emerging agreement involving the pharmaceutical industry, the White House and key lawmakers.

Several officials said Friday night that agreement on the \$80 billion deal was close, and one said it had been sealed.

Any agreement would mark a major triumph for Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., as well as the administration.

The chairman of the Senate Finance Committee has been negotiating with numerous industry groups for weeks as he tries to draft legislation that meets Obama's goal of vastly expanding health coverage, has bipartisan support and does not add to the deficit.

It would also counter a recent series of stumbles that, while common with any major legislation, have contributed to the impression that the drive to enact health care legislation was sputtering.

Officials said the 10-year proposal under discussion would have drug companies pay as much as half of the cost of brand-name drugs for lower and middle-income seniors in the so-called doughnut hole.

Prosecutors: Madoff should be sentenced even though scope of Ponzi scheme unknown

NEW YORK (AP) — A judge should not delay Bernard Madoff's sentencing even though investigators have yet to determine how much money investors lost in the disgraced financier's multibillion-dollar Ponzi scheme, prosecutors said.

A fragmentary record of the activities of Madoff's firm, some of it going back as far as 1979 and on microfilm that needs to be digitized, has delayed efforts to identify each victim and losses, prosecutors said in court filings Friday in the Southern District of New York.

Reconstructing the record is likely to take several more months, but should not delay the 71-year-old's scheduled June 29 sentencing, they argued. They requested a 90-day extension beyond the sentencing date for the court to take up the issue of restitution.

Madoff pleaded guilty in March to charges that his investment advisory operation was a massive scheme to rip off investors. He could spend the rest of his life in prison.

The government and a trustee handling the liquidation of Madoff's business have been working to unravel the decades-long scheme so that assets can be recovered and redistributed, or restitution given.

Now-closed abortion clinic at center of debate, with vigils and demonstrations planned

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — The now-shuttered Kansas clinic run by slain abortion provider George Tiller is the focus of the issue again, with a vigil and counter-demonstrations planned Saturday.

Operation Rescue planned a gathering and prayer vigil in Wichita led by Rev. Patrick Mahoney, who helped lead the 1991 "Summer of Mercy" protests in the city that sparked mass demonstrations and arrests.

Tiller was gunned down May 31 in the foyer of his church. Scott Roeder, 51, faces first-degree murder and aggravated assault charges. Tiller's clinic was one of the few in the nation where third-trimester abortions were available.

Marla Patrick, state coordinator for the National Organization for Women, said dozens of abortion rights supporters plan to confront Operation Rescue at the clinic.

Abortion opponents plan to lay hundreds of flowers in remembrance of the more than 60,000

abortions performed at the clinic since abortion was legalized. A memorial service there will be followed by a prayer walk across Wichita and vigils at a local church.

Nevada senator pushes back against charge from ex-mistress' husband, says man sought money

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Sen. John Ensign is pushing back against the husband of his former mistress, saying the man made "exorbitant demands for cash and other financial benefits."

Ensign's accusation on Friday was the most direct shot at Doug Hampton, the husband of the woman with whom the Nevada Republican admits he carried on a nine-month affair last year. Through a spokesman, the Republican senator seized on an allegation that had circulated among his allies for days.

The senator's charge came as he attempted to fight back against a series of accusations from Hampton. In a letter published Friday by the Las Vegas Sun, Hampton accused the man he called a lifelong friend of "heinous conduct and pursuit" of his wife.

Ensign, 51, a staunch Christian conservative in his second term, confessed on Tuesday to the affair with Cindy Hampton, 46, a former campaign aide. Ensign has said the affair began during a rocky time in his marriage in December 2007 and continued until August 2008.

Ensign described the Hamptons as "close friends." The couples were neighbors and their children went to school together.

Nokia Siemens in \$650 million deal for Nortel Networks

HELSINKI (AP) — Nokia Siemens Networks said Saturday it will buy Canadian-based Nortel Networks in a \$650 million (\$65 million) deal.

"Nokia Siemens Networks has taken a significant step towards strengthening its leadership in Long Term Evolution, or LTE, next generation wireless technology and expanding its market presence in North America," Nokia Siemens said.

Toronto-based Nortel Networks Corp. has been operating under bankruptcy protection since January.

The deal means that more than 2,500 Nortel employees, mostly in Canada and the United States, will be transferred to Nokia Siemens Networks, Nokia Siemens said. Canada's government-owned export credit agency, Export Development Canada, will support the transaction with a \$300 million loan commitment, it said.

Nokia Siemens Networks, a joint venture of Nokia Corp. and German Siemens AG., is based in Espoo just outside Helsinki. Nokia Siemens Networks employs 60,000 people worldwide.



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ROCKFORD, Ill. (AP) — Tank cars loaded with thousands of gallons of highly flammable ethanol exploded in flames as a freight train derailed, killing one person and forcing evacuations of hundreds of nearby homes.

Five tank cars continued burning Saturday morning and officials said they would wait for the "very dangerous" inferno to burn out by itself.

Rockford Fire Chief Derek Bergsten said 74 of the train's 114 cars were filled with ethanol, or ethyl alcohol.

At the height of the fire Friday night, 14 rail cars were ablaze, said Canadian National Railway Company spokesman Patrick Waldron.

Eighteen cars, all containing ethanol, left the tracks in the derailment about 9 p.m. Friday, Waldron said.

The cause of the derailment had not been



Scott Morgan/Rockford Register Star
Firefighters responded to a train derailment and fire in Rockford, Ill. Friday, evening. One person was killed in the accident, which caused the evacuation of nearby residents.

determined. Reports that it was caused by a washout of the tracks following heavy rain were "not a certainty and this remains under investigation," Waldron

said. Officials evacuated the area on the edge of Rockford, about 80 miles northwest of Chicago, Friday night amid concerns about air pollu-

tion. Winnebago County Coroner Sue Fiduccia said early Saturday the death was that of a female who was in a car waiting for the train to

pass a crossing near the derailment site.

Bergsten said three other people ran from the car when it was bombarded with flying railroad ties and they were severely burned by flaming ethanol. They were taken to OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center in serious to critical condition, and one was transferred to Stroger Hospital in Chicago, he said.

Two crewmen on the eastbound Canadian National train escaped injury, Waldron said. The engine crew was able to pull 64 cars away from the scene.

Witnesses told the *Rockford Register-Star* that cars on the Chicago-bound train began hydroplaning in standing water as it approached the crossing. Some of them left the tracks moments before two of them exploded.

Parts of northern Illinois may have gotten as much as 4 inches of rain Friday, said meteorologist Gino Izzio of the National Weather Service. Chicago's O'Hare International Airport, 40 to 50 miles east of Rockford, measured 3.6 inches, a record for the date.

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Witnesses report fierce clashes on Tehran streets

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Associated Press Writers

TEHRAN, Iran — Police beat protesters and fired tear gas and water cannons at thousands who rallied Saturday in open defiance of Iran's clerical government, sharply escalating the most serious internal conflict since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

Eyewitnesses described fierce clashes near Revolution Square in central Tehran after some 3,000 protesters, many wearing black, chanted "Death to the dictator!" and "Death to dictatorship!" Police fired tear gas, water cannons and guns but it was not immediately clear if they were firing live ammunition.

English-language state TV confirmed that police had used batons and other non-lethal weapons against what it called unauthorized demonstrations.

The witnesses told The Associated Press that between 50 and 60 protesters were seriously beaten by police and pro-government militia and taken to Imam Khomeini hospital in central Tehran. People could be seen dragging away comrades bloodied by baton strikes.

Some protesters appeared to be fighting back, setting fire to militia members' motorcycles in streets near Freedom Square, witnesses said.

Helicopters hovered over central Tehran. Ambulance sirens echoed through the streets and black smoke rose over the city.

Tehran University was cordoned off by police and militia while students inside the university chanted "death to the dictator!" witnesses said. Police and militia barred people from entering Freedom Street, which runs from Freedom Square to Revolution Square, to prevent a massive gathering, the witnesses said.

Amateur video showed dozens of Iranians running down a street after police fired tear gas at them. Shouts of "Allahu Akbar!" — "God is Great" — could be heard on the video, which could not be independently verified.

The English-language state channel said a blast at the Tehran shrine of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini had killed one person and wounded two but the report could not be independently confirmed due to government restrictions on independent reporting. The shrine is about 12 miles (20 kilometers) south of central Tehran.

Hundreds of thousands of supporters of reformist presidential candidate Mir Hossein Mousavi took to the streets for four consecutive days this week demanding the government cancel and rerun June 12 elections that ended with a declaration of overwhelming victory for hardline President Mah-

moud Ahmadinejad. Mousavi says he won and Ahmadinejad stole the election through widespread fraud.

Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei sided firmly with Ahmadinejad on Friday, saying the vote reflected popular will and ordering opposition leaders to end street protests or be held responsible for any "bloodshed and chaos" to come.

The statement effectively closed the door to Mousavi's demand for a new election, ratcheting up the possibility of a violent confrontation.

Police had clashed with protesters around Tehran immediately after the vote, and gunfire from a militia compound left at least seven dead, but the full force of the state remained in check until Saturday.

Web sites run by Mousavi supporters had said he planned to post a message, but there was no statement by the time of the planned street protests at 4 p.m. (7:30 a.m. EDT, 1130 GMT). Some pro-reform Web sites called for people to take to the streets.

Iranian authorities have placed strict limits on the ability of foreign media to cover recent events, banning reporting from the street and allowing only phone interviews and information from officials sources such as state TV.

The government has blocked Web sites such as BBC Farsi, Facebook, Twitter and several pro-Mousavi sites that are conduits for Iranians to tell the world about protests and violence.

Text messaging has not been working in Iran since last week, and cell phone service in Tehran is frequently down.

sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

2	5		6					
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3	4	1		7	2			
	3	8		4				2
		6		3		9		
7				2		4	6	
			3	8		1	9	6
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				7		3	5	

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

It Takes Two to Tango

East dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠	10 7 2		
♥	Q J 2		
♦	A Q 8 2		
♣	A 10 3		

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

SOUTH

♠ J
♥ A K 9 7 6
♦ K J 6 5 4 3
♣ 6

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♥ 1♠ 2♦
2♠ 4NT 5♠ 6♥
Dble

Opening lead — king of spades.

Expert players don't always play expertly. They make mistakes, just like anyone else, but the big difference is that they err far less frequently than ordinary mortals. What's more — and this part is not fair — they seem to get more publicity for their bad bids and plays than they do for their good ones.

Take this deal, for instance, played many years ago in an intercity match between Los Angeles and Houston. With a Houston pair sitting North-South and a Los Angeles pair East-West, the bidding went as shown. The slam reached was cer-

tainly sound enough, though six diamonds would have been a better contract.

West led the king of spades, East playing the four, and continued with the ace, South ruffing. Declarer drew trumps, claimed the balance and chalked up 1,210 points for making six hearts doubled.

Of course, the slam should have been defeated. West had two chances to beat the contract and muffed them both!

First of all, the opening lead should have been a diamond. East, the player not on lead, had doubled six hearts, which called for an unusual lead in accordance with the slam-doubling convention. The only side suit that had been bid by North-South was diamonds, so this was the unusual lead being requested.

If West had led a diamond, East would have ruffed, returned a spade and then gotten another ruff to defeat the slam two tricks — 300 points.

Even after West led the king of spades, he still could have saved the day by switching to a diamond. But he blithely ignored East's play of a low spade on the king — which clearly told West to stop playing spades — and continued with the suit. After that it was curtains.

The moral, if there is one, is that bridge is a partnership game, and you can't afford to ignore warning signals from your own partner. Once, maybe there's some excuse for, but twice, never!

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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B2640006500	1	S/2 of Lts 10& 11, Bk 5, Cedar Crest Addn.	711 San Antonio	\$5,230		4639	1129/696
B2950001500	2	Lt 15, Bk 17, College Park Estates #2	n/a	\$5,250		4761	1139/712
B2950001600	3	Lt 16, Bk 17, College Park Estates #2	n/a	\$5,250		4761	1139/712
B2950001700	4	Lt 17, Bk 17, College Park Estates #2	n/a	\$7,320		4761	1139/712
B2950001800	5	Lt 18, Bk 17, College Park Estates #2	n/a	\$6,728		4761	1139/712
B2950001900	6	Lt 19, Bk 17, College Park Estates #2	n/a	\$5,850		4761	1139/712
51432005100	7	A tract of land out of the SW/4 of Sc 32, Bk 32, T1N	1203 Hilltop	\$11,764		4903	1084/75
B2880042000	8	Lot 2, Block 39, Cole & Strayhorn Addition	1102 E. 15th	\$2,000		4916	1139/715
51444004700	9	A 3.5 acre tract out of Section 44, Block 32, T1N	1623 E. 3	\$12,250		5038	1114/297
F4890123900	10	Lots 12-15, Blk 58, Original Town of Forsan	309-311 E 1st, Forsan	\$400		5180	1129/700
F4890126100	11	Lots 12-20, Blk 59, Original Town of Forsan	203-211 E 1st, Forsan	\$900		5180	1129/698
B3770001600	12	Lt 2, Bk 2, Highland Park Addn	1203 Sycamore	\$5,133		5358	1114/294
B4020008200	13	W/5' of Lt 11 and all of Lt 12, Bk 10, Jones Valley Addn.	910 W 6th	\$3,905		5398	1129/704
B2280008800	14	Lt 12, Bk 8, Government Heights to Bauer Addn.	610 N San Antonio	\$710		5493	1114/304
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Perry vetoes 37 bills

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry vetoed 37 pieces of legislation Friday from the recently concluded legislative session, including bills allowing for the early release of rehabilitated prisoners and an expansion of full-day pre-kindergarten.

Though no more vetoes were expected, Perry has until Sunday to sign or veto legislation passed during the session, which concluded June 1.

"I am proud of the accomplishments lawmakers made this session and thankful for their solid leadership," Perry said in a statement. "However, there was some legislation that, in its final form, would have done more harm than good to our citizens. After thoroughly and thoughtfully reviewing all legislation, I am confident that the final outcome of all bills passed will move Texas in the right direction, equipping our state to answer future challenges and providing better opportunities for all Texans."

Also Friday, Perry signed a slightly scaled-back state budget after making \$289 million in line-item veto cuts. Most of the cuts were aimed at spending for legislation that was not adopted, including an expansion of the Children's Health Insurance Program.

He said lawmakers did a "commendable job" of crafting a two-year budget that reduces state spending for the second time since World War II. Lawmakers were able to address a budget shortfall with the help of more than \$12 billion in aid from the federal economic stimulus package.

In an online statement, Perry said he vetoed the plan to help schools offer full-day pre-kindergarten because it would have limited eligibility to districts where third-grade students have scored above the state average on the reading portion of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills for the past three years.

"With limited state resources dedicated to pre-kindergarten, grant money should be directed to districts with the greatest academic need. State funding should also be directed to programs demonstrating the most efficiency, thereby benefiting the largest number of Texas students," the statement said. He directed that the \$25 million set aside for expanding pre-kindergarten be used to expand the number of students served by the existing grant program.

"The Legislature erred in creating yet another expensive, pre-kindergarten program," said Michael Quinn Sullivan, president of the conservative watchdog group Texans for Fiscal Responsibility. "Governor Perry was right to veto this legislation, which would have been costly today, more costly tomorrow, and duplicative of efforts already available."

Jobless rate up to 7.1 percent

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's unemployment rate jumped to 7.1 percent in May, according to figures released by the Texas Workforce Commission on Friday.

The number is up from a revised 6.6 percent jobless rate in April, which means an even tighter job market for would-be Texas workers.

The May figure reflects the widespread job losses most employers reported for the month.

"The Texas unemployment rate continued to follow the national unemployment rate's upward trend," said Texas Workforce Commission Chairman Tom Pauken.

Still, the state's unemployment rate remains well below the national 9.4 percent jobless rate.

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The Lubbock area experienced the lowest unemployment rate at 4.6, not seasonally adjusted. While the highest rate was in the Beaumont-Port Arthur area.

Unemployment rates are adjusted for seasonal trends in hiring and firing, which

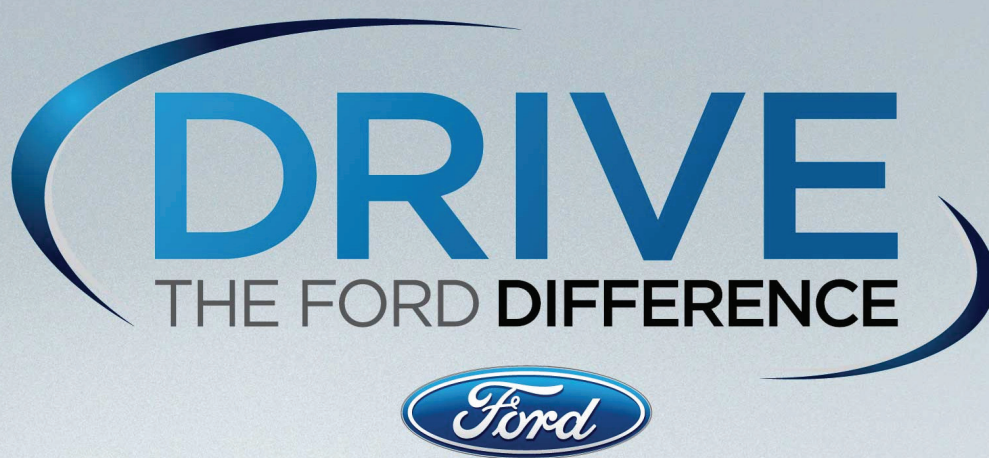
most economists believe gives a better picture of the job market.

Without the seasonal adjustment, the Texas unemployment rate dropped to 6.9 percent in May from 6.4 percent in April and 4.5 percent a year ago.

Following are the preliminary May jobless rates for local areas in Texas, with revised April numbers in parentheses. The local figures are not seasonally adjusted.

- Abilene 5.2 (4.8)
- Amarillo 4.7 (4.1)
- Austin-Round Rock 6.1 (5.8)
- Beaumont-Port Arthur 9.1 (8.2)
- Brownsville-Harlingen 9.0 (8.4)
- College Station-Bryan 4.9 (4.5)
- Corpus Christi 6.6 (5.9)
- Dallas-Plano-Irving 7.2 (6.6)
- El Paso 8.3 (7.6)
- Fort Worth-Arlington 7.1 (6.6)
- Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown 6.9 (6.3)
- Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood 6.1 (5.6)
- Laredo 7.8 (7.2)
- Longview 6.9 (6.2)
- Lubbock 4.6 (4.2)
- McAllen-Edinburg-Mission 9.4 (8.9)
- Midland 5.2 (4.5)
- Odessa 7.8 (6.6)
- San Angelo 5.8 (5.5)
- San Antonio 5.8 (5.4)
- Sherman-Denison 7.4 (6.9)
- Tyler 7.0 (6.4)
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To: Traci L. Campbell, Respondent, Greeting:
The petition of Merrill C. Campbell, Petitioner, has filed in the District Court of Howard County, Texas on 02/06/2009, against Traci L. Campbell, Respondent, numbered 46361, and entitled IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF MERRILL C. CAMPBELL vs. TRACI L. CAMPBELL. This case requests divorce.
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PROPOSED TPDES Permit No. WQ0004872000
APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas 79721, which proposes to operate Colorado River MWD Big Spring Water Reclamation Plant, a water reclamation facility, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a new permit, proposed Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0004872000, to authorize the discharge of reverse osmosis concentrate at a daily average flow not to exceed 525,000 gallons per day via Outfall 001. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on November 14, 2008.
The facility is located west of the Big Spring Wastewater Treatment Plant on the north side of Eleventh Place, approximately 800 feet east of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 700 and Eleventh Place, and approximately 0.6 mile south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 700 and Eleventh Place, and approximately 0.6 mile south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 700 and Interstate Highway 20 in the city of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. The effluent is discharged to Beals Creek; thence to the Colorado River Below Lake J.B. Thomas, in Segment No. 1412 of the Colorado River Basin. The unclassified receiving waters have limited aquatic life use for Beals Creek. The designated uses for Segment No. 1412 are high aquatic life use and contact recreation.
In accordance with 30 TAC 307.5 and the TCEQ implementation procedures (January 2003) for the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards, an antidegradation review of the receiving waters was performed. A Tier 1 antidegradation review has preliminarily determined that existing water quality uses will not be impaired by this permit action. Numerical and narrative criteria to protect existing uses will be maintained. A Tier 2 review is not required since no intermediate, high or exceptional aquatic life use water bodies have been identified in the discharge route. Existing uses will be maintained and protected. The preliminary determination can be reexamined and may be modified if new information is received.
The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must

operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the Colorado River Municipal Water District Office, 400 East 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas.
PUBLIC COMMENT/ PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.
OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.
TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/ activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposal facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.
Following the close of all applicable

comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.
The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.
MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/ or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/ or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.
All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.
AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687.4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.state.tx.us. Further information may also be obtained from Colorado River Municipal Water District at the address stated above or by calling Mr. John W. Grant at (432)267-6341.
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To: Asaah Fomede, Respondent, Greeting:
The petition of Janet Ngoock, Petitioner, has filed in the District Court of Howard County, Texas on 11/24/2009, against Asaah Fomede, Respondent, numbered 46255, and entitled IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF JANET NGOOCK vs. ASAAH FOMEDE This case requests divorce.
The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you.
Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Big Spring, Texas this the 06/01/2009.
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Claims may be presented in care of FAYE LYNNE MORRIS to the estate addressed as follows:
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U.S. House impeaches Texas judge

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House on Friday impeached a federal judge imprisoned for lying about sexual assaults of two women in the first such vote since impeaching former President Bill Clinton a decade ago.

The impeachment of U.S. District Judge Samuel Kent of Texas sets up a trial in the Senate. Kent is the first federal judge impeached in 20 years.

The House approved four articles of impeachment against Kent accusing him of sexually assaulting two female employees and lying to judicial investigators and Justice Department officials. All four articles passed unanimously.

“The conduct at issue here is both shocking and shameful,” Michigan Democratic Rep. John Conyers, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, said at the start of the debate.

Kent, 59, entered a federal prison in Massachusetts on Monday to serve a



AP file photo
U.S. District Judge Samuel Kent leaves a Houston courthouse earlier this year. The U.S. House of Representatives voted Friday to impeach Kent, the first federal judge in 20 years to face such action.

33-month sentence. He pleaded guilty last month to lying to judicial investigators about

sexual assaults of two female employees.

Kent is refusing to resign until next year

so he can continue to draw his \$174,000 a year salary. If he is convicted of the impeachment charges in the Senate, he will be forced off the bench.

When contacted for comment, Kent’s lawyer, Dick DeGuerin, cited an earlier statement in which he said Kent’s troubles might be enough for impeachment in the House but would not have produced a conviction in the Senate.

Texas Rep. Lamar Smith, the top Republican on the House Judiciary Committee, said he was not unsympathetic to Kent, who has said he has suffered depression since his first wife’s death and had problems with alcohol abuse.

But Smith said Kent does not have the right to continue as a federal judge and collect his salary.

“It is now time for justice: justice for the American people who have been exploited by a judge who violated his oath of office,” Smith said.

Rep. Alcee Hastings, D-Florida, sat in the chamber early in the debate. Hastings was acquitted of bribery charges as a federal judge, but later impeached by the House in 1988.

The Senate convicted him on similar impeachment charges.

The House voted in 1998 to impeach Clinton for obstructing justice and lying under oath about his sexual affair

with Monica Lewinsky, but the Senate early the following year found him not guilty on his impeachment charges.

The next step is for the Senate to appoint a special trial committee.

After doing pretrial work it will submit a full report to the Senate. Jim Manley, spokesman for Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said the pretrial work can last weeks or months.



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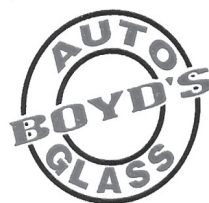
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