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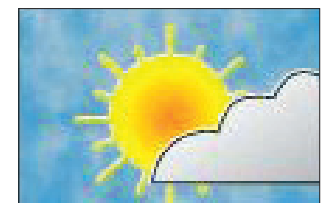


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Lightning sparks state park fire

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

A lightning strike is believed to be responsible for a fire that burned about seven acres of Big Spring State Park Wednesday evening.

No injuries or property damage was reported in the blaze.

Park Ranger Ron Alton said lightning caught a stand of juniper trees

in the western end of the park on fire around 7 p.m., but thanks to recent rain, high humidity and quick response time by the local fire department, damage was limited to a small area.

"The city fire department had the fire out around 9 p.m.," Alton said. "Less than seven acres were burned. With all the rain we've had lately, that definitely slowed it down some."

No park structures were threatened, although the fire did come within 200 yards of a housing area immediately west of the facility, Alton said.

Although the park has seen its share of fires in the past, this is only the second time in the last eight or nine years that lightning has caused one, Alton said.

The good news, beside the lack of damage and injuries, is that the

burned area should come back better than ever, he added.

"It was like the firefighters were saying, as you see in other fires, this area will come back even greener than before," he said.

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

Fall festival scheduled for weekend

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

Food, music and fun are on the schedule when Sacred Heart Church hosts its annual fall festival this weekend.

The annual festival, which raises funds for church operations, will be held Friday and Saturday at the church, located at 508 N. Ayleford.

What: Sacred Heart Catholic Church Fall Festival

Where: 508 N. Ayleford.

When: 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday

The kitchen will open its doors at 11 a.m. Friday, serving Mexican food, including asado, guiso and gordita plates. To-go orders can be placed by calling 264-7010.

But good food is only part of what the festival offers, organizers promise.

Game booths and Bingo will start at 6 p.m. and several Tejano bands are scheduled to perform during the festival's two-day run.

"We'll have a dunking booth, baseball and football toss, darts and a Coke toss, aside from other games, as well as face



Sisto Herrera, the drummer for the musical group Sierra, performs with his bandmates during the Sacred Heart Catholic Church's 2008 Fall Festival. This year's festival will be held Friday and Saturday at the church, located at 508 N. Ayleford.

Ticket deadline nears for luncheon

Herald Staff Report

Friday is the deadline to purchase tickets for the upcoming United Way of Big Spring and Howard County campaign kickoff.

Motivational and inspirational humorist Suzie Humphreys will be the keynote speaker at the 64th annual campaign kickoff, planned Tuesday at Garrett Hall.

Tickets, priced at \$12 each, are on sale now and available at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and various businesses in Howard County. The event will begin at 11:30 a.m. and end by 1 p.m.

Humphreys is a well-known



Humphreys

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Family still grieving over missing son

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

The fruitless search for 40-year-old Arlin Bynum has turned up only a few credible leads while his family has been left with plenty of emptiness to deal with.

Bynum, a Big Spring resident, was last seen Aug. 14, 2003. His mother, Mary Hartford, said it's been a challenge for her and her family to move forward over the years without knowing what happened to him.

"We have been completely devastated by his disappearance six years ago. He was always the life of all family gatherings and he loved and adored his family much more than words can tell," said Hartford. "He was a complete people person and no one was a stranger to him. He would gladly give you the shirt off his back and anything else he had."

"His being gone has left a very large hole in hearts of both family and friends.

We always assumed that everyone he met loved him but evidently someone did not as shown by his sudden disappearance."



Bynum

Spring. According to police reports, witnesses claim he left the establishment late in the evening, supposedly accompanied by a man who has never been identified. Bynum's truck was later found near the bar.

Bynum is described as a white male with short, bleached-blond hair, approximately 165 pounds with blue eyes. He has multiple tattoos and was last seen wearing a white Harley-Davidson tank-top, blue shorts and sandals.

Although the six-year anniversary of his disappearance is here, Hartford said it seems like just yesterday her son was with her.

"I miss him calling me every day and saying, 'Hello beautiful,' as soon as I answered the phone," said Hartford. "He would walk up behind me and give me a great big bear hug for no reason. We miss all of the motorcycle rides we took together or when we met him at work or other places and he would always tell everyone that we were his mom and dad."

While local law enforcement has acted on a number of tips since Bynum's disappearance — including the June 2008 raid on a farm house north of Big Spring that allegedly turned up illegal weapons, but no trace of the missing man — his fate is still unknown.

According to Hartford, the family will

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IOC board mulls 2 new sports for 2016 Olympics

STEPHEN WILSON

AP Sports Writer

BERLIN — International Olympic Committee leaders met Thursday to decide which two sports to recommend for inclusion in the 2016 Summer Games.

The IOC executive board was considering a list of seven sports: base-

ball, golf, karate, roller sports, rugby, softball and squash.

The 15-member board was scheduled to vote by secret ballot to cut the field to two sports, which will be submitted for ratification by the full 106-member IOC assembly in Copenhagen in October.

Golf and rugby sevens — a faster

version of the more established 15-a-side game — were considered the favorites, but IOC members said there was no overwhelming consensus going into the meeting and anything was possible. Softball appeared to have the best outside shot at making the cut.

“We hope to be able to make a unan-

imous decision, but it will be hard to find a common denominator,” executive board member Gerhard Heberg said.

The board planned to vote over several rounds, with the sport receiving the fewest votes eliminated each

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Progress report

Romo-to-Roy gets first live test tonight

JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — Tony Romo and Roy Williams began practicing together in June to kick-start their development as quarterback and No. 1 receiver. The first real progress report comes tonight.

Romo and Williams won't be on the field for long when the Dallas Cowboys face the Oakland Raiders in the preseason opener, but it should be long enough for No. 9 to start getting used to looking for No. 11 — instead of No. 81, the departed Terrell Owens.

“We just want to be productive,” Williams said. “We might not score, but we might drive it down and

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AP photo/Edward A. Ornelas/San Antonio Express-News
Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Roy Williams flips safety Courtney Brown off his back on a pass play during an NFL training camp practice Sunday at the Alamodome in San Antonio. Dallas faces Oakland in a preseason game at 9 p.m. tonight.

Ellis faces former team in exhibition

JOSH DUBOW

AP Sports Writer

NAPA, Calif. — When Al Davis was recruiting Greg Ellis to Oakland following his release by the Dallas Cowboys in June, he made sure Ellis knew he'd have a chance for revenge against his former team.

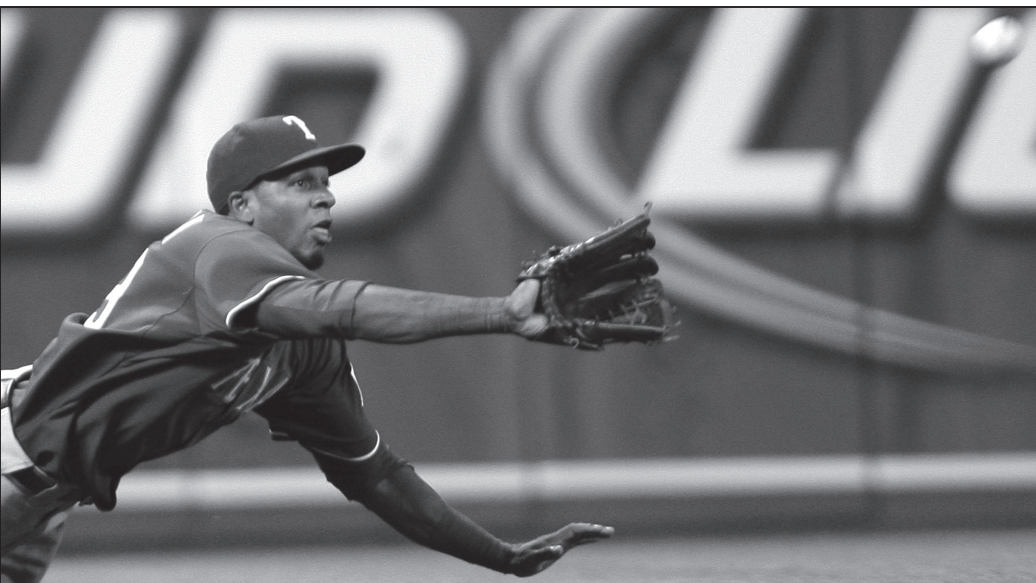
“That's the game that Al Davis told me about when he first called me,” Ellis recalled. “He said, ‘Greg, guess where we're going to be on Thanksgiving.’ I said, ‘Where?.’ He said, ‘We're going to be in Dallas playing your Dallas Cowboys.’”

Ellis gets a warmup act against his former teammates on tonight, in the exhibition opener for both teams.

Ellis will likely play briefly in his Raiders' debut, but the game does give him the opportunity for a reunion.

“It will be a good chance to see Greg, I don't know how much he will play but it will be good to see him,” Cowboys linebacker Bradie James said. “It will definitely be

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AP photo/Mark Duncan
Texas Rangers left fielder Julio Borbon makes a diving catch to take a hit away from Cleveland Indians outfielder Shin-Soo Choo in the ninth inning of an AL baseball game Wednesday. The Rangers beat the Indians 5-0.

Rangers rookie Hunter tosses gem in 5-0 victory

CLEVELAND (AP) — Tommy Hunter had complete confidence in his pitches and the Texas Rangers' scouting report.

The rookie right-hander turned the shutout tables on the Cleveland Indians by pitching into the eighth inning to lead Texas to a 5-0 victory Wednesday night.

Hunter (5-2) faced Cleveland for the first time, but said he was well prepared and just followed the game plan.

“They gave me a sheet of paper that said they didn't hit off-speed stuff that well, so we went with that,” said Hunter, who gave up six

hits and struck out five without a walk over a career-high 7 2-3 innings. “Then we attacked with the fastball when we got behind in the count. It was all about preparation. I just tried to do what I was told.”

Josh Hamilton had three hits and drove in two runs for Texas, which remained 1½ games behind Boston in the AL wild card. The Rangers bounced back from a 5-0 loss to Cleveland on Tuesday with their league-leading eighth shutout.

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Sports in brief

Coahoma Bulldogs host Post in scrimmage to raise funds for THSCA

The Coahoma Bulldogs football team will be doing more than just getting ready for the upcoming season when they host the Post Antelopes in a scrimmage Saturday.

The two teams are also playing to raise money for the Texas High School Coaches Association's benevolence fund. The fund was created to assist Texas high school athletes and coaches with special needs or hardships.

To date, 130 schools have participated in the program and have raised more than \$45,000.

The junior varsity squads will scrimmage at 10 a.m. Saturday with the varsity to take the field at 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted at the gate.

Forsan junior high football players can pick up equipment Aug. 22

All prospective Forsan junior high football players need to pick up their equipment Saturday, Aug. 22 at the Forsan fieldhouse.

Eighth graders can get their equipment from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. with seventh graders to follow from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

All incoming seventh graders and any new eighth graders will need a physical before school starts.

Prospective Big Spring junior high volleyball players must have physicals

All incoming seventh grade girls wanting to play volleyball must have a physical on file before the

first day of school if they want the opportunity to try out.

Try outs for volleyball occur on the first day of school. Anyone without a physical will not be allowed to try out.

Contact the athletic offices at 264-3662 with an inquiry.

Crossroads Youth Football signups slated for this month

The Crossroads Youth Football Association has begun signups for football players and cheerleaders at the Big Spring Mall.

Registration is scheduled for Saturday and then again Aug. 22 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Late registration for football only will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 29.

For more information, call Jeff Vidal at 816-6871.

Coahoma flag football league holding signups this month

The Coahoma NFL Flag Football League will hold signups on every Saturday for the rest of August from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day at the Coahoma Community Center.

This if for children ages 9-11 as of Sept. 1 in Coahoma, Big Spring, Forsan and all surrounding areas. It is a co-ed league and both boys and girls are encouraged to register.

Cost is \$45 per child and includes an NFL jersey. There will be no fundraiser.

Call 213-4193 with any questions.

Big Spring Youth Soccer Association registration continues all week

Registration for the Big Spring Youth Soccer Association will continue throughout the week — Monday through Friday — from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. each day. The final day to sign up is Saturday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Cost for registration is \$65 for the first child and \$5 less for each additional child. The cost includes the full uniform.

Boys and girls who are between the ages 4-11 are eligible to play.

For more information, call Isaac Miramontes at 935-9056.

BSCC schedules Over 80 Scramble to benefit Big Spring Shrine Club

The Big Spring Country Club will have an Over 80 Scramble, meaning the combined ages of each two-person team must be 80 or older Saturday and Sunday to benefit the Big Spring Shrine Club.

Entry fees are \$60 per player, plus golf cart rental. Private carts are welcomed, however.

Entry fees include barbecue on the course both days.

Practice rounds are available Friday.

Play will begin with a shotgun start on both days, and the field will be flighted by first-round scores. The number of flights will depend on the number of entries.

For more information, or to enter a team, call the pro shop at 267-5354.

Obituaries

Francene Walker Minchew

Francene Walker Minchew, 74, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2009, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Ken McMeans, pastor of College Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Salem Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Francene was born Oct. 5, 1934, in Howard County to Frances and Alex Walker Jr. She retired from Civil Service, having worked at Webb Air Force Base and then the Veterans Administration Medical Center. She was a lifetime resident of Howard County and a member of College Baptist Church.

Francene is survived by one daughter, Charlene and her husband, Jeff Land, of Big Spring; one sister, Linda Merritt of Kennett, Mo.; one brother, Wayne Walker of Big Spring; her mother, Frances Walker of Midland; and three grandchildren, Nathan Land, Katie Land and Cassidy Land, all of Big Spring.

Francene was preceded in death by her father, Alex Walker Jr., Jan. 15, 2000.

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

Paid obituary

Ruben 'Rubio' Rodriguez

Ruben "Rubio" Rodriguez, 55, of Big Spring died Saturday, June 27, 2009, at Ward Memorial Hospital in Monahans. A memorial mass will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15, 2009, at Myers & Smith Chapel.

He was born April 25, 1954, in Alpine to Charlie and Clara (Gallego) Rodriguez. He spent countless hours on the road as a truck driver. He worked for Price construction for 20 years.

He is survived by his wife, Gracie Rodriguez of Big Spring; two daughters, Clarissa Fenlon and husband, Eric, of San Antonio, and Priscilla Pitts of Alpine; two sons, Rudy Sotelo and wife, Roxanne, of Monahans, and Roger Sotelo and wife, America, of Odessa; three brothers, Jose Rodriguez and wife, Marlene, and Chano Rodriguez and wife, Lupe, all of Alpine, and Robert Rodriguez and wife, Deborah, of Pleasant Hill, Calif.; three sisters, Ofelia Ward of Houston, Hortencia Osorio of Snowflake, Ariz., and Celia Ramon and husband, Antonio, of Brackettville; and nine grandchildren.

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

Roberta Shive

Roberta Shive, 93, formerly of Big Spring died Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2009, in Amarillo. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Take Note

• West Texas Centers for MHMR invites the public to a reception from 10 a.m. until noon Friday at the Alsup Building board room, 409 Rannels, for Janet Payne, retiring mental health director.

• American Legion Post 506 will hold a fish fry Saturday at 3203 W. Highway 80. Free delivery will be available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. by calling 263-2084. Serving at the post will be held from noon until 2 p.m. Carry-outs will be available. Plates are \$10 each.

• If you are considering homeschooling as an option for your family but aren't really sure how to begin or what is involved, there will be a homeschooling informational meeting Tuesday, Aug. 18. Several local families with the Big Spring Christian Home Educators support group will be available to answer questions about and share information regarding homeschooling in Texas. Free to the public, the meeting will be from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Christ's Community Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. For more information, send e-mails to dnhlong@hotmail.com

• Former students of Gay Hill Common School near Luther will be having a reunion and time capsule dig at the remains of the school house at 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17. Bring your shovels, metal detectors, etc. Organizers have planned the event in conjunction with the Big Spring High School 2009 Homecoming. More than 50 former students have been contacted and many are planning to attend.

• A benefit fund for stroke victim Rocky Dunlap has been established at Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union, 1110 Benton St. Dunlap has been employed for the past several years as a principal with Big Spring Independent School District.

• 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.

Police blotter

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

- ERNEST CLARK, 69, transient, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- JOE MARTINEZ, 22, of 1425 E. Sixth St. Apt. 39, was arrested Wednesday on a local warrant.
- JOSE GOMEZ, 26, of 1204 E. 15th St., was arrested Thursday on two local warrants.
- ALEXANDER QUINTANA, 28, of 610 N.W. Seventh St., was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of marijuana.
- ANGEL MARTINEZ, 37, of 3613 Hamilton, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- THEFT was reported in the 400 block of Birdwell Lane.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1300 block of Lincoln.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 400 block of Pennsylvania.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 1900 block of Highway 87.

Sheriff

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 93 inmates at the time of this report.
- ERNEST CLARK, 69, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - JOSE ALFRADO GOMEZ, 26, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on contempt charges for failure to appear and failure to change address.
 - ANGEL CIRILO MARTINEZ, 18, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
 - JOE MARTINEZ, 22, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief.
 - TRAVIS ALLEN MELTON, 29, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of assault Class C — family violence.
 - ALEXANDER QUINTANA, 28, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana — two ounces or less.
 - JUANA SALDANA, 60, was arrested Thursday by the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
 - JARRON VANDERBILT, 25, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 6500 block of Ratliff Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of W. Marcy. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of Bluebonnet. One person was transported to SMMC.
- GRASS FIRE was reported in the area of the Big Spring State Park.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY






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

SUNDAY

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

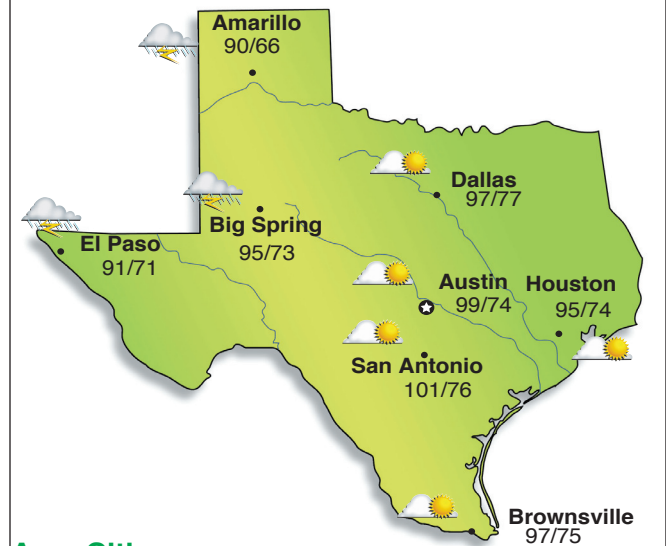
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Fri 8/14	Sat 8/15	Sun 8/16	Mon 8/17	Tue 8/18
 95/73 A mix of clouds and sun with the chance of an isolated thunderstorm in the	 94/74 Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm.	 94/72 A few clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	 94/71 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	 92/70 Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.
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Amarillo	90	66	t-storm	Livingston	96	71	pt sunny
Austin	99	74	pt sunny	Longview	93	74	pt sunny
Beaumont	93	73	mst sunny	Lubbock	92	70	t-storm
Brownsville	97	75	pt sunny	Lufkin	96	73	pt sunny
Brownwood	97	72	pt sunny	Midland	94	75	t-storm
Corpus Christi	97	78	pt sunny	Raymondville	101	76	pt sunny
Corsicana	96	74	pt sunny	Rosenberg	96	73	pt sunny
Dallas	97	77	pt sunny	San Antonio	101	76	pt sunny
Del Rio	101	80	t-storm	San Marcos	99	74	pt sunny
El Paso	91	71	t-storm	Sulphur Springs	94	74	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	94	73	t-storm	Sweetwater	94	73	pt sunny
Gainesville	95	75	pt sunny	Tyler	93	72	pt sunny
Greenville	94	72	pt sunny	Weatherford	97	74	pt sunny
Houston	95	74	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	97	74	pt sunny

Bulletin Board

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

TODAY

- 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, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Friends of the Library meets at noon in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
- Big Spring Main Street meets at noon in the Railroad Museum located at Second and Main streets.
- American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.
- The Prospector's Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at 606 E. Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. For more information contact Lola Lamb at 263-3340.
- Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-2005 for more information.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 14 - 22 - 43 - 49 - 53 - 54.
Number matching six of six: 0.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 1 - 9 - 11 - 34 - 37.
Number matching five of five: 1. Prize: \$22,038

Winning ticket purchased in: North Richland Hills.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3 - 7 - 6 - 5. Sum It Up: 21.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3 - 9 - 9. Sum It Up: 21.

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Another big catch



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From left, Harley Lee, 6, Chance Edwards, 11, and Alyssa Stapp, 10, hold up a 15-pound yellow catfish they pulled out of Comanche Trail Lake Aug. 2. The trio used a Zebco pole and reel with night crawlers as bait. William Stapp and Heather Fonda are the proud parents.

RANGERS

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"Tommy was tough," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "He had everything going, a good changeup, fastball, and was spotting it."

Hunter shut down a Cleveland offense that hit .304 while averaging 6.4 runs in winning 12 of its previous 17 games, but was shut out for the fifth time this season. The right-hander has allowed three runs or fewer in eight of his nine starts. Since July 3, the 23-year-old is 5-1 with a 1.84 ERA in seven starts.

"I was very impressed by him,"

Indians manager Eric Wedge said. "He threw his fastball where he wanted. Early in the game he was utilizing his breaking ball and then he mixed in his changeup later."

C.J. Wilson came on in the eighth after Grady Sizemore singled for his third hit and went to second as right fielder Hamilton bobbled the ball for an error.

The left-hander struck out Asdrubal Cabrera to end the inning, then worked a perfect ninth, striking out two more.

"Hunter threw everything but the kitchen sink to Sizemore," Washington said.

Hunter said he took that at-bat as a challenge since Sizemore had already singled twice.

ELLIS

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tough to see him in a different color jersey. We'll get a chance to 'chop it up' with him as we say. In other words, talk to him and it will be fine."

Ellis spent 11 seasons with Dallas before being released by the Cowboys. He had 20½ sacks in a part-time role the past two seasons, but will go back to being an every-down player with the Raiders following the trade of Derrick Burgess to New England.

He wants the chance to prove he still has plenty left in the tank after being let go by the team that bypassed Randy Moss to draft him eighth overall back in 1998.

"As far as having a chip on your shoulder, I think, every year you come into a camp, you've got to have that," Ellis said. "You have to have that little extra umphh, if you will. Because you've got to

prove yourself all over again. What you did last year is in the record books. Now it's a new season. Whether if I was in Dallas, whether I was here, doesn't matter. I got to come here and do it again."

Ellis played outside linebacker the past two seasons in Dallas' 3-4 system but will start at left defensive end for Oakland.

That is the position he played while with the Cowboys before being moved by former coach Bill Parcells at the end of the 2006 season. Ellis was the NFL's Comeback Player of the Year in 2007, making the Pro Bowl for the only time in his career. Ellis had been at odds with the Cowboys for several years.

He was finally released by the team on June 2 in a move Dallas owner Jerry Jones said was based more on performance than pay.

"There wasn't any bad blood between myself and Jerry or the Cowboys,"

Ellis said. "Jerry told me, 'Greg, as soon as we know for sure what we're going to do, we're going to execute that move.' And they did."

Ellis has had at least 7½ sacks in seven of his 11 NFL seasons and has started all but six of the 162 games he has played in during his career.

The Raiders need a dependable pass rusher, considering no one on the team had more than five sacks a year ago. That's a big reason why Davis targeted Ellis.

"I was happy because he expressed a lot of interest in me, a strong interest, and it's always good to be wanted, as opposed to have to go out there and hunt for a job," Ellis said. "It's a different story. I'm blessed that somebody actually wanted me to be a part of their team."

Most of the Raiders starters will play only one quarter Thursday, although first-round pick Darrius Heyward-Bey could play the entire first half at receiver.

COWBOYS

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kick a field goal. That's productive. Just don't turn the ball over. That's one thing that, if we want to be in the playoffs and want to win the Super Bowl, you can't turn the ball over."

Williams is downplaying this on-field season debut. It's understandable considering all the criticism since Dallas sent a bundle of picks to get him from Detroit last season, tacked on a \$45 million contract extension, then dumped T.O. to make him Romo's top target.

Williams caught only 16 passes for 160 yards and no touchdowns in the seven games he played with Romo last season. But there should be a big difference now that he's the main man and they've had an offseason to get their timing down.

"It don't matter what we say or how we play, it's going to be criticized either way," Williams said. "If he's 0-for-3, 'They shouldn't have traded for this guy, they should've left him in Detroit.' If he's 3-for-3, then, you know, it's 'Whatever.' ... It's not about me and Tony, it's about this offense, moving the football down the field."

Injured cornerbacks Terence Newman (groin), Mike Jenkins (ankle) and rookie Michael Hawkins (knee) are being held out.

Other guys being rested include fullback Deon Anderson (knee), running back Alonzo Coleman (knee) and rookie linebacker Stephen Hodge (knee).

Training camp has been incredibly smooth for the Cowboys, with no controversies or major injuries and only one position battle, a starting cornerback job that's not much of a battle because both will play on third downs anyway.

Instead, there's been plenty of

"I wanted that out," Hunter said. "That's the first time since I've been up here that I've used four pitches in one at-bat. I threw four quality pitches. He fought one off and got another hit. That's why he's a great hitter."

Hamilton's two-run double off Fausto Carmona (2-7) gave Texas a 2-0 lead in the third. Carmona hit one batter and walked another during the rally.

"Ham's at-bat turned the game for us, gave us a cushion," Washington said.

Hamilton is 6 for 10 in his career against Carmona and said he does feel comfortable against him.

"Every pitch he throws moves so much that you can't try to pull him," Hamilton said. "He threw a sinker

away and I went with it.

"Against guys with nasty stuff, I keep my focus. I look at it as a challenge. I guess I've got work to do against some of those other guys."

Hank Blalock lined a run-scoring single off Rafael Perez in the eighth. Omar Vizquel followed with an RBI on a squeeze bunt against Jensen Lewis, and Elvis Andrus' RBI single made it 5-0.

Carmona allowed two runs and five hits over six innings. He dropped to 0-4 in four home starts against Texas. The right-hander has a 2.65 ERA in three no-decisions since being recalled from the minors on July 31. A 19-game winner in 2007, he went 1-2 with an 11.57 ERA in five previous outings before being demoted June 5.

mer and signed with the Raiders. On his way out of town, Ellis accused DeMarcus Ware of hiding on the sideline to force Ellis onto the field, a strange barb considering Ware hardly ever missed any snaps.

"It will definitely be tough to see him in a different color jersey," linebacker Bradie James said. "We'll get a chance to 'chop it up' with him, as we say. In other words talk to him and it will be fine."

One quirk about this game is that the teams will meet again this season, at Thanksgiving. Phillips said that will hardly be a consideration.

"We're playing so many people the first preseason game it's a little tougher to gauge I would think, either side, who's going to do what in the regular season," Phillips said. "Plus, unless you play them the first game of the regular season, personnel and all those things have changed by that time."

OLYMPICS

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time until two winners emerged.

The board was also considering a series of proposals for the 2012 London Olympics, including the addition of women's boxing, mixed doubles in ten-

nis and more 50-meter events in swimming. Boxing is the only summer Olympic sport without female competitors.

Leaders of the seven sports bidding for 2016 inclusion made presentations to the IOC board in June in Lausanne, Switzerland, and have continued to lobby extensively. The attributes of each bidding sport were contained in a report by the IOC program commission which was being reviewed by the board Thursday before the vote.

Golf was played at the 1900 Paris Olympics and 1904 St. Louis Games. The sport's backers say bringing the game back into the Olympics would help it develop worldwide, noting many governments only fund Olympic sports.

Tiger Woods and other top players have indicated they would play in the Olympics if golf gets the nod from the IOC.

"Golf is a truly global sport and it should have been in the Olympics a while ago," Woods said Tuesday. "If it does get in, it would be great for golf and some of the other small countries that are now emerging in golf."

Rugby, which was last played at the 1924 Olympics in the full format, hopes to return in the short-format 7-a-side version for both men and women.

Softball and baseball are seeking a return after being voted off the program for the 2012 London Games. Attempted reinstatements were rejected by the IOC in 2006.

"We hope it's not 'three strikes and you're out,'" said International Softball Federation president Don Porter.

Softball, a women's event which debuted at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, has focused on spreading the sport among youth and women in the Muslim world and Africa, and staying free of doping scandals. It has offered to organize a men's Olympic tournament as well if readmitted by the IOC.

Baseball — which has failed to bring top players to the Olympics due to a scheduling clash with the U.S. major leagues — is offering a shortened five-day, eight-team format intended to ensure the participation of big-name stars.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Partnership Defense

South dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠72	♥10854	♦AK863	♣1052
EAST			
♠10854	♥A9	♦Q109742	♣J
WEST			
♠6	♥K6542	♦J	♣K98763
SOUTH			
♠AKQJ93	♥J107	♦5	♣AQ4

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♠ Pass 1NT Pass
 3♠ Pass 4♠

Opening lead — jack of diamonds.

At the outset of play, a defender often finds himself in the dark, trying to guess how to proceed. Once the play begins, however, much of the guesswork can frequently be eliminated if the defenders communicate properly with each other.

Here is a case in point. South reached four spades as shown, and West led his singleton diamond, taken by dummy's ace. Since it was not likely that he would ever reach dummy again, South continued with the diamond king and discarded a club. East in the meantime had followed to the A-K of diamonds with first the seven and then the deuce.

West ruffed the second diamond but was at a loss as to what to do next. Forced to lead away from one of his kings, and influenced by South's club discard, he shifted to a club, and that was that. Declarer took the jack with the queen, drew trumps and conceded two heart tricks to make the contract.

Of course, if West had shifted to a heart at trick three, the defense would have collected the A-K of hearts and a heart ruff, and West's king of clubs would eventually have put South down two. The question, therefore, is whether there was any way for West to know he should shift to a heart at trick three.

The answer is yes, but it wasn't West who was at fault. The blame lay entirely with East, who gave his partner no help whatsoever on the first two tricks. When the second diamond was led from dummy, East knew full well that his partner would ruff. He should therefore have availed himself of the opportunity to steer West in the right direction by means of a suit-preference signal.

Instead of following mechanically with the deuce at trick two, East should have played a much higher card — preferably the queen. West could hardly have mistaken this vociferous signal as anything but a request to shift to the higher-ranking side suit — namely, hearts — and the defenders would have enjoyed a much more satisfying ending.

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

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News in brief

Firefighter struck by exploding ammo

MORGAN'S POINT RESORT (AP) — A Central Texas firefighter escaped serious injury when he was struck by ammunition that exploded during a house fire.

Investigators searched for the cause of Thursday's fire at Morgan's Point Resort, in Bell County.

Morgan's Point Resort Fire Chief Bill Richards says one woman from the home was treated at the scene for smoke inhalation.

Richards told KWTX-TV that ammunition stored inside the structure started to discharge during the blaze. Richards says a firefighter, wearing heavy gear, was hit in the chest by a bullet, but avoided serious injury.

Morgan's Point Resort is a town of about 4,000, located along Belton Lake.

Rap video gets officers, city manager in trouble

TAFT (AP) — Two police officers and a city manager of a southeast Texas town are in trouble for their role in a rap video.

Taft Police Chief Paul Rivera has recommend two officers be fired for their help with making the video, featured on YouTube, about "Swagn."

Swagn involves vehicles weaving in and out along streets.

The rappers refer to drugs and flash hand signals in the nearly 4-minute video, which says its presented by 1 Heartbeat Records. The profanity-laced video also shows adults and a few children dancing, Taft landmarks like the water tower and school stadium, decked-out cars and big trucks winding down streets and at least one police car. An officer is shown shaking his head.

The Taft City Council on Tuesday voted to issue a written reprimand to City Manager Flo Saucedo for giving permission for the video shoot.

Saucedo has said she thinks the video shows "cultural diversity."

City Councilman Ronnie Segovia says the video portrays an image that Taft is trying to overcome.

"I'm not going to condone anything like that in our community," Segovia said. "We have already had a lot of people from Taft that have been caught with drugs. To have this come about puts a damper on our community."

Segovia told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times on Wednesday that he does not think "we should have had this video pop out like that."

Video producer Israel Lopez has said there is no reason for city officials to be upset. "There was

nothing in the video to be mad about," Lopez said. Taft is a town of about 3,400, located 15 miles north of Corpus Christi.

Midland County deputies investigated for rifle incident

ROUND ROCK (AP) — Some Midland County sheriff's deputies in the Austin area for training are being investigated over a waitress allegedly posing with a firearm by their patrol cars.

Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter confirms the matter is under investigation.

A spokesman for Round Rock police did not immediately return a call Thursday from The Associated Press.

Police late Monday received a 911 call about a suspicious incident outside a Twin Peaks restaurant, which advertises as a place with a "fun, friendly and sometimes flirty atmosphere!"

KWES-TV reported the caller said "something strange" was going on.

A police report obtained by KXAN-TV indicates a waitress was in the parking lot with five deputies and she was holding one of their rifles. The deputies allegedly were photographing the woman displaying the weapon.

Boy, 11, fatally shot in Houston accident

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston police say an 11-year-old boy died after being shot in the head in what appears to have been an accident at his home.

The name of the victim was not immediately released Thursday.

Detective J.T. Barringer says police believe the boy and two siblings, ages 14 and 10, were looking for a phone in a bedroom Wednesday night when a backpack that contained a pistol was moved.

The gun went off. Police say the victim was dead at the scene.

Barringer says the gun apparently belonged to the boy's mother.

3 dead in attack on head of northern Mexico prison

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) — Gunmen attacked a vehicle carrying a prison director in the northern Mexico state of Chihuahua, killing three bodyguards and wounding two more seriously, authorities said.

Prison director Gerardo Hernandez was unharmed in the attack late Tuesday, but has been replaced in the post for his own safety, Chihuahua

state Public Safety Secretary Victor Valencia said. He started the job in June.

Valencia said the two surviving guards were in serious condition at local hospitals. The attack occurred in the state capital, also known as Chihuahua.

In the border city of Nuevo Laredo, city police found a bullet-ridden sport utility vehicle belonging to the federal Communications and Transportation Department crashed into a post on a street. There was blood on the seats, and four department employees identified as cargo inspectors were reported missing.

Nuevo Laredo, across the border from Laredo, Texas, is a major shipping route and drug traffickers frequently use it to smuggle drugs.

Southwest seeks to buy Frontier at auction Thursday

DALLAS (AP) — Southwest Airlines is getting its chance to take over bankrupt Frontier Airlines.

A bankruptcy court auction was scheduled Thursday.

Dallas-based Southwest on Monday offer \$170 million to take Frontier out of bankruptcy protection.

Regional jet operator Republic Airways Holdings Inc. previously offered \$108.8 million.

Southwest seeks to expand in Denver, where Frontier is based.

Republic will benefit from Southwest's bid even if it loses at auction. Republic would get roughly \$20 million as an unsecured creditor in Frontier's bankruptcy.

U.S., Mexico officials to promise shared help

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The U.S. heads of Homeland Security and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives plan to sign a letter of intent with the attorney general of Mexico again pledging cooperation and shared intelligence in the battle against drug cartels and other border violence.

Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, Mexican Attorney General Eduardo Medina Mora and ATF's acting director, Kenneth Melson, will meet in San Antonio on Thursday at a border security conference.

The letter of intent isn't as weighty as some previous agreements but was being used by officials to again pledge cooperation to stop escalating cartel-related violence.

LUNCHEON

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and respected motivational speaker. In 2002, she was inducted into The Speaker Hall of Fame at organization's national convention in Orlando and was awarded "The Council of Peers Award of Excellence." In 2004, she was inducted into the Texas Radio Hall of Fame and, as Humpherys said ... "All that for a D minus student!

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In addition to the Chamber office, which also houses the United Way office, tickets can

be purchased at Alon, State National Bank, Western Bank, Big Spring Gin, or by contacting Jeanie Coor at uway@apex2000.net

Reservations may be made by calling 267-5201.

Garrett Hall is located at the First United Methodist Church in Big Spring, at the corner of Third and Scurry.

Information about Suzie Humphreys taken from her Web site at <http://suziehumphreys.com/>

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
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 Ruben "Rubio" Rodriguez, 55, died Saturday, June 27, 2009. A Memorial Mass will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 15, 2009, at Myers & Smith Chapel.
 Francene Walker Minchew, 74, died Tuesday. Funeral Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Salem Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

FESTIVAL

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painting and balloons," said Arthur Olague, one of the festival organizers.

"It'll be pretty much the same kind of activities that we always offer."

Unlike past festivals, no tickets for food and games have to be purchased beforehand, Olague said.

Hours for the festival are 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and 6 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, he added.

For more information, contact the church office at 714-4930.

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

BYNUM

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be unable to close this chapter in their lives until Arlin is brought home.

"One can't attempt to understand the grief and sorrow this family has gone through these last six years. It simply has to be lived to be believed and understood," said Hartford. "Someone out there knows. Eventually those responsible will be found and we can bring Arlin home for a proper burial — and perhaps some amount of closure for the family."

And while it's fairly easy to dwell on the loss of Bynum, Hartford said

it's her memories of her son — even plans they had made prior to his disappearance — that keep her hopeful the mystery will eventually come to an end.

"The Big Bend area of Texas was his favorite on earth, and we were planning on going there the October prior to his disappearance," she said. "He always spoke

of the Terlingua Chili Cook Off as something spectacular. We always thought that he would be around to take care of us in our old age but that wasn't to be. He is missed dearly and will always be in our hearts".

Anyone with information regarding the disappearance of Bynum is encouraged

to call Big Spring Area Crimestoppers at 263-TIPS (8477) or 263-TIPS. No caller-ID is ever used, and callers may remain anonymous if they so choose. Information regarding Bynum's disappearance — as well as any other crime — could yield a reward up to \$1,000.

The family of Bynum is also offering a \$10,000

reward for information regarding his whereabouts.

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Garage Sales

CHURCH INSIDE/OUTSIDE Sale for Youth Mission Trip. Saturday 9am-? First Christian Church at 911 Goliad.

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GARAGE SALE: 1306 Lexington, Friday & Saturday 9:00-? A little bit of everything.

GARAGE SALE: 1313 Dixie, Saturday 8-? Armoire, furniture, coke refrigerator, pack a bag of clothes for \$3.00, teen girls clothes, household items, lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE: 2103 Morrison Drive, Friday & Saturday 9am-4pm. Lots of Misc. China and Silver.

GARAGE SALE: 2801 Apache Drive, Saturday 8-1. Too much to list. A little of everything.

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Garage Sales

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OUR VIEW

Friday deadline for United Way luncheon tickets

Tomorrow is the day, the last day to get your tickets for Tuesday's kick off luncheon for the 2009 United Way of Big Spring and Howard County fund-raising campaign — the 65th annual drive.

The luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall, and feature motivational and inspirational humorist Suzie Humphreys, who will deliver the event's keynote address.

This year's campaign slogan, "United Way — Now More Than Ever," should resonate with all of us, because at a time when many in our community find themselves challenged, it is the United Way's fund that helps the 14 local member agencies provide services to those in need.

Agencies that receive funds from the United Way are the American Red Cross, West Texas Division; Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America; CASA of West Texas, Council on Aging; Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center; Howard County Humane Society; Isaiah 58; Northside Community Center; Salvation Army, Victim Services; Westside Community Center; Westside Day Care Center; Girl Scouts; and YMCA of Big Spring.

There's little doubt to anyone in this community, we believe, that those 14 agencies do tremendous work, and it's important that we all help the United Way meet its campaign goals. In doing so, we'll help those agencies better serve the public.

In other words, the United Way's campaign can only be successful if we all do our part, and continue to open our hearts to the less fortunate.

As we noted the other day, we're convinced you will, and making sure you're at the kick off luncheon is a good start.

So, we'll plan to see as many of you as can pack into Garrett Hall to help get the ball rolling.

Tomorrow is the last day to purchase tickets for the luncheon. They're priced at \$12 and can be purchased at the United Way office, located in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce building, Alon, State National Bank, Western Bank, Big Spring Gin, or by contacting Jeannie Coor at 267-5201 or by e-mail at uway@apex2000.net.

And remember, don't forget to open both your heart and your pocket book when a United Way representative visits during the campaign.

Once again, none of us needs to give until it hurts — just give what you honestly can afford.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We make a sound investment, Lord, when we invest time with you.

Amen

Empires don't come cheap

Giving up empire is a painful business. It was calamitous for the Romans, Greeks, Persians, Egyptians, Trojans, Japanese, Aztecs and countless other world hegemony. Some, like the Mongols, Dutch, Turks and Swedes, took it in better grace, but the Brits, French and Russians are still grappling with the emotional trauma of loss. The United States remains in denial.

You can see it all in the federal budget.

Although the United States has no particular need to be at war with anyone and we are unthreatened on the world scene, over half our government expenditures go for war and its preparation.

Startlingly, while we understandably employ 30,000 workers in the State Department to foster good international relations, we also employ 27,000 in the Pentagon just for advertising, recruitment and public relations to foster our fetish for world domination.

The public is far ahead of the government in disdaining this obsession. We've had enough of war even though the corporate media try hard to make it seem heroic. Nonetheless it's gotten difficult to find young people who want to play. At our granddaughter's high school graduation last month, out of around 500 grads, only three were

headed to the military. Times change.

Thus the armed services have likewise had to change. The biggest shift is into mercenaries. With 130,000 troops now serving in Iraq, we also have 130,000 paid civilians, many from other lands. But while the Bangladeshi dishwashers and garbage haulers come cheap, the Yankee truck drivers and macho security guards make big bucks. And so we're paying through the nose to protect our overseas corporate interests. We're lucky we can borrow it.

But finding the necessary soldiers to feed this habit has become a strain, though the worst does appear to be over. Casualties have fallen drastically as withdrawal from Iraq looms, and the blessed recession has driven increasingly desperate young men and women into the welcoming arms of recruiters. Further, while the press is now allowed to photograph returning caskets, it hasn't yet got around to depicting the maimed and the blind. Maybe just as well.

Recruiting techniques have also improved. Offering speedy citizenship to nervous immigrants has proved popular, as has expanding waivers for applicants guilty of various felonies and moral turpitude. Education requirements have been let sag as well, though this is a bit risky because soldiering has gotten to be a pretty high tech game.

Congress has done its part as well by granting recruiters access to the personal information of all 17-year-olds, but it also made matters worse by upgrad-

ing the GI Bill. Now more troops are passing up reenlistment just to go to college. You can't win.

Still, those aforementioned 27,000 Pentagon flacks are earning their keep. They invent online action video games, one of them among the 10 most popular in the country. It's a great recruiting tool for the young "shoot-'em-up" crowd. Then, in a Philadelphia mall, the Army has rented a whole 14,500-square-foot store to create a video arcade, complete with the chance to simulate shooting "bad (dark skinned) guys" with almost-real army guns. This little experiment has understandably drawn pickets and protesters, especially Muslims, so as we said, running an empire is never a picnic.

And as usual, money remains tighter on the other end of the soldier pipeline.

The number of veterans waiting for one form of processing or another at the VA just reached a nice round million. Oodles are homeless too, or broke, or mentally disabled, or hospitalized, or suffering from politically embarrassing (and thus unrecognized) ailments like those from Agent Orange or depleted uranium. Suicide is also common among both active and discharged members.

Yes, all empires have endured these hardships, and I guess somebody's got to do it. It's just our turn.

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WILLIAM A. COLLINS



Give me some free money

Tired of complaining about President Barack Obama's free money for people who behaved irresponsibly economics, I have now decided to request some dough for myself.

I plan on writing my congressman, faxing my senator and sending the White House a text message demanding a bailout plan for reasonably responsible double-income families with two car payments and a mortgage.

By buying things that we could more or less afford at the time we needed them, my wife and I missed out on huge government payouts for doing things we had to do anyway.

We didn't buy a house or car to stimulate the economy, we bought them because we needed a place to sleep and a way to get to work.

We purchased the house (actually a condo) more than two years ago with no tax credit or any other sort of government assistance.

We bought my wife's car (a 1-year-old Ford Taurus) after the

death of her previous car.

My vehicle, however, was a sadder story as I bought a fuel-efficient Saturn Ion at the height of inflated gas prices when everyone was scrambling to find cars that got good mileage. I paid a premium for the car and, once again, got not cash from the government.

Call it bad timing or my not realizing that if Democrats got into the White House and controlled Congress there would be free money under the guise of economic stimulus.

Had I planned better, we could have gotten an \$8,000 housing tax credit and \$4,500 for the clunker we traded in when we bought my wife's car.

Of course, bitterness aside that none of Uncle Sam's dough made it into my bank account, if Obama had just left well enough alone, the economy would have sorted itself out.

Much like my wife and I did, people would have bought homes and vehicles when they actually needed them — one of the key components of a free market economy.

Incentivizing these purchases with tax dollars simply robs sales from the future and puts them into the present.

The same thing happens in my store if we run a sale.

We might have a better weekend than average, but a certain percentage of those sales were just borrowing from the next week.

Obama may have appeared to jump start the economy, but, really, he just ran a sale that caused people to trade in old cars a little sooner than they would have.

Government, be it a Republican led one or one helmed by a Democrat, never chooses to simply leave things alone.

Had George Bush let the banks fail and had Obama let the auto companies fail, eventually, better companies would rise from the ashes.

That's economic reality.

Instead, we continue to prop up diseased industries letting failures succeed on the public dime and making the public feel like everything is going great while we push doom off another day or two.

President Obama needs the courage to do nothing. Stop wasting taxpayer dollars and start realizing that the economy would be just fine if he simply left it alone.

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DANIEL KLINE

News in brief

China says it might appeal

WTO ruling on movie, music imports

BEIJING (AP) — China said Thursday it might appeal a World Trade Organization ruling that told Beijing to ease restrictions on imported movies, music and books in its latest trade dispute with Washington.

The Commerce Ministry insisted Beijing does not hamper imports of media products, despite Wednesday's decision by a WTO panel of experts that it violates free-trade rules by forcing such products to be routed through Chinese state-owned companies.

"The Chinese side will conscientiously assess the expert group's ruling and does not rule out the possibility of an appeal," ministry spokesman Yao Jian said in a written statement. "The channels for China's import market for published materials, movies and music are completely unimpeded," the statement said.

The case is sensitive for Beijing because the communist government sees its control over content of movies, music, books and other media as a tool to protect its political power. The government is trying to build up China's state-owned film studios and other media to promote the ruling party's views at home and abroad.

The dispute is one of a series between the United States and China, the world's largest and third-largest economies, over access to each other's markets for goods ranging from tires to poultry. The United States is the world's biggest exporter of movies, pop music and other cultural goods and sees increased sales as a way to narrow its multi-billion-dollar trade deficit with China.

Cash for Clunkers also helps consumers buy SUVs, trucks and crossovers too

WASHINGTON (AP) — Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood, the nation's top car salesman in recent weeks, has cited the Obama administration's best-seller list of mostly smaller, fuel-saving cars like the Ford Focus to describe the success of the Cash for Clunkers rebate program.

But what LaHood and other administration officials usually don't mention is that some trucks and sport-utility vehicles that get less than 20 miles per gallon, like the Ford F-150 truck and one version of the Cadillac SRX Crossover, also are being purchased with the new government subsidies. Both are bulky vehicles weighing more than 6,000 pounds when loaded that boast at least 248 horsepower.

Just how many consumers used the federal rebates to buy these larger, not-so-green vehicles is unclear. The Obama administration has declined so far to release detailed records of purchases under

the program being compiled by the Transportation Department, listing every clunker deal requesting rebates. The Associated Press requested the data July 31.

The Transportation Department distributes regular summaries of sales from the clunkers program and has used the electronic sales information from dealers to bolster arguments that Americans are dumping gas guzzlers for gas savers. But its failure to release detailed records means the public can't verify those claims.

July foreclosures rose 7 percent from June; lenders slow to modify loans

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of U.S. households on the verge of losing their homes rose 7 percent from June to July, as the escalating foreclosure crisis continued to outpace government efforts to limit the damage.

Foreclosure filings were up 32 percent from the same month last year, RealtyTrac Inc. said Thursday. More than 360,000 households, or one in every 355 homes, received a foreclosure-related notice, such as a notice of default or trustee's sale. That's the highest monthly level since the foreclosure-listing firm began publishing the data more than four years ago.

Banks repossessed more than 87,000 homes in July, up from about 79,000 homes a month earlier.

Nevada had the nation's highest foreclosure rate for the 31st-straight month, followed by California, Arizona, Florida and Utah. Rounding out the top 10 were Idaho, Georgia, Illinois, Colorado and Oregon. Among cities, Las Vegas had the highest rate, followed by the California cities of Stockton and Modesto.

Analysis: Did Bush administration use prosecutors vs. political enemies?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Years after President George W. Bush fired nine U.S. attorneys, lawmakers are still searching for answers. But they seem to be asking the wrong questions.

In keeping the controversy alive, Democrats have muddied the discussion: Did political adviser Karl Rove fire a prosecutor so his friend could get the job? Did the White House cut a deal with a senator and agree to fire a prosecutor in exchange for putting a judge on the bench? Did political operatives second-guess decisions about what cases prosecutors were filing?

Those are the questions House Judiciary Committee Democrats focused on this week after releasing thousands of pages of e-mails and transcripts of their interviews with Rove and former White House counsel Harriet Miers.

But politics in the Justice Department is nothing

new. The real question is whether the Bush administration took it a step further and illegally used prosecutors to go after political enemies.

The Justice Department has a unique pedigree. It is a governmental descendent of the mythological Lady Justice, who carried a sword to fight evil and blindly balanced fairness. But it also has political DNA, inherited from a long line of presidents who used the department to champion civil rights, break up companies and fight communists and terrorists as the White House saw fit.

Rep. Kennedy says family spending 'special time together' with his ailing dad

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Patrick Kennedy says there's been an unexpected bright side to his father's grim battle with terminal brain cancer because the family has been able to spend more time with the stricken senator in recent months.

The congressman and son of Sen. Edward M. Kennedy said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press on Wednesday that he considers it a great gift his father has survived longer than his doctors have expected.

"It's been a chance for us to bond and be together and share a special time together that we would never have had together had he been taken from us," said Kennedy, D-R.I.

"That's a big gift. (It) let us have the chance to tell him how much we love him. And him to be there to hear it."

Kennedy said he's spent most days this summer with his father sitting on the porch of their ocean-side home in Hyannis Port, Mass., sharing old stories about family, friends and politics.

'No civilian casualties' order protects Afghans but frustrates, slows Marines

DAHANEH, Afghanistan (AP) — The British jet called in by the U.S. Marines had the Taliban position in sight, but the pilot refused to fire, a decision that frustrated Marines on the ground but one in line with new orders by the top U.S. commander to protect civilians.

The Marines themselves didn't attack militants shooting at them Wednesday because women and children were in the compound, an approach meant to avoid civilian casualties at all costs.

"They did that on purpose," sniper platoon leader 1st Lt. Joseph Cull, 28, of Delafield, Wisconsin, said of the Taliban. "They are trying to bait us."

Gen. Stanley McChrystal, the top U.S. and NATO commander in Afghanistan, has made protecting Afghan civilians his top priority. The approach is a shift away from a military mindset whose traditional first response has been to kill as many militants as possible.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

As Mars transits intellectual Gemini, he comes into a lucky position with the planet of good fortune, Jupiter. The aspect indicates an influx of new ideas, especially ones that utilize cutting-edge technology. Helpful solutions will enliven the scene. Remember, just because an idea happens to be helpful doesn't mean that it can't be loads of fun!

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Ideas come easily to you. It doesn't matter if they are good or bad; it only matters that you have a lot of them. Expect that many of your ideas won't work. The ones that do will be spectacular.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). If you start to feel somewhat tight, that's a sign that it's time to give; present your knowledge and talent to others. Hand over some of your material items, too. The more you give, the happier — and wealthier — you'll be.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You haven't heard from a dear friend in a while, but the silence isn't really about you. Apply this idea to potential clients or romantic interests. Think the best of others and assume that's what they're doing, too.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Aesthetics will matter more to you now and making an extra effort in this regard will improve your mood. Set

an atmosphere with lighting, music and scent to put yourself in a pleasant and receptive state.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Bask in sunshine both literally and figuratively. When the sun's rays touch your skin, your heart will be warmed as well. And when positive thoughts fill your mind, your situation improves in an instant.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You are true to the one you love, and yet that doesn't mean you have to do and be everything that person wants of you. An autonomous gesture will keep relationships fair and balanced.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The one who enjoys pushing your buttons will have a bit of fun with you. You at least can appreciate that this person is familiar enough with you to know where your buttons are — it's a special kind of intimacy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). People can be so nosy. On the bright side, you can take the slight invasions of your space or privacy as interest. You're an attractive person and this is just one of the side effects.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You may be worried about what people are thinking and that is a healthy, honest reaction to the events of the day. Let it go, though. Continue on with your head held high, knowing that you're doing well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Even though you know someone well, it's still challenging to communicate your heart. You're probably getting lost in the words, which you don't really need

anyway. Just being near will say a lot.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). What you have been wanting for a while will show up. You may not feel the same way when you see the thing right in front of you, but you can be extremely pleased with your power to create your reality.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Part of your day will be spent waiting. This allows you to talk with someone you normally wouldn't have the occasion to get to know. In retrospect, you'll be glad for the delay.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (AUGUST 13). You are popular this year for both the work you do and the warmth you spread. You'll bond with a fellow happy soul this month. September shows you making money as a direct result of your hospitable attitude. You'll achieve at a high level in November. Family closeness grows through 2010. Libra and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 19, 4, 22, 30 and 15.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "My neighbor recently had a birthday party for her son and invited only the boys in the neighborhood. My daughter wasn't invited. She's a 4-year-old Scorpio and she couldn't understand. The birthday party was outside and she sat at the window and watched until I couldn't take it anymore and I drove her to the pizza parlor. Prior to this, we knew it was the little boy's birthday and we picked out a present for him. Now my daughter wants to give him the present, but I think it would be inappropriate

and awkward. What should I do? I'm a Libra."

Your attention to etiquette and sensitivity to everyone's feelings is so typical of your Libran sun sign. Let your Scorpio daughter give the present if she wants to. The water signs, which are Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces, are among the most sensitive of the zodiac, especially when it comes to things like parties and invites, and contributing her gift will help her process this whole incident — withholding it is confusing to her. Her intention is pure, and so is yours. The gift is likely to be received in the spirit it is given.

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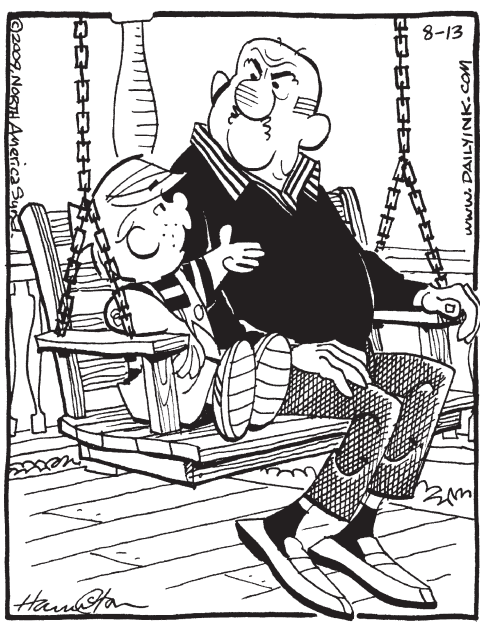
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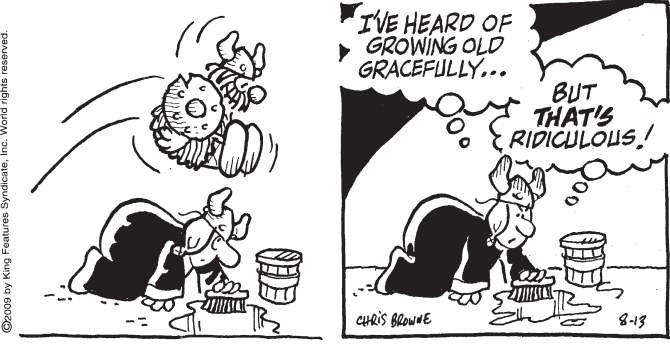


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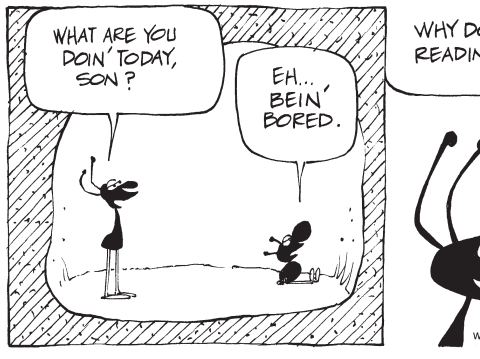
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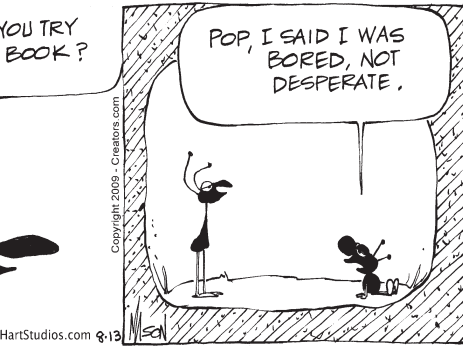
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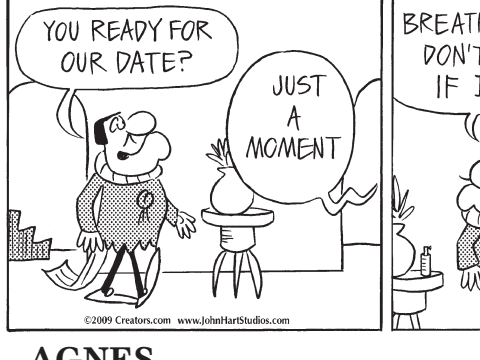
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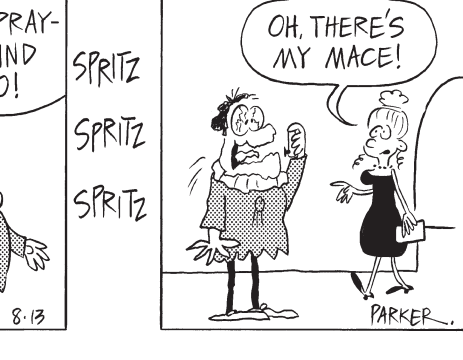
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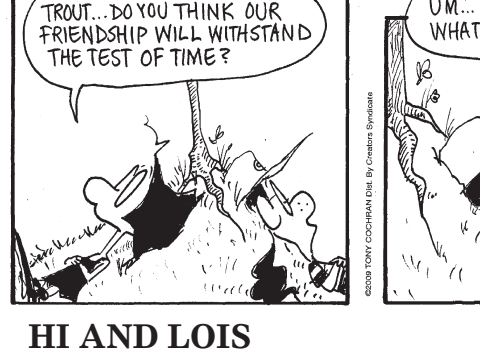
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Aug. 13, the 225th day of 2009. There are 140 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 13, 1961, Berlin was divided as East Germany sealed off the border between the city's eastern and western sectors and began building a wall in order to halt the flight of refugees.

On this date:

In 1521, Spanish conqueror Hernando Cortez captured Tenochtitlan, present-day Mexico City, from the Aztecs.

In 1624, King Louis XIII of France appointed Cardinal Richelieu his first minister.

In 1704, the Battle of Blenheim was fought during the War of the Spanish Succession, resulting in a victory for English-led forces over French and Bavarian soldiers.

In 1846, the American flag was raised for the first time in Los Angeles.

In 1910, Florence Nightingale,

Answer to previous puzzle

founder of modern nursing, died in London at age 90.

In 1932, Adolf Hitler rejected the post of vice chancellor of Germany, saying he was prepared to hold out "for all or nothing."

In 1934, the satirical comic strip "Li'l Abner," created by Al Capp, made its debut.

In 1960, the first two-way telephone conversation by satellite took place with the help of Echo 1.

In 1981, in a ceremony at his California ranch, President Ronald Reagan signed a historic package of tax and budget reductions.

In 1989, searchers in Ethiopia found the wreckage of a plane which had disappeared almost a week earlier while carrying Texas Congressman Mickey Leland and 14 other people — there were no survivors.

Today's Birthdays: Former Cuban President Fidel Castro is 83. Actor Pat Harrington is 80. Former U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders is 76. Actor Kevin Tighe is 65. Actress Gretchen Corbett is 62. Opera singer Kathleen Battle is 61. High wire aerialist Philippe Petit is 60. Hockey Hall of Famer Bobby Clarke is 60.

Comedian-writer Tom Davis is 57. Golf Hall of Famer Betsy King is 54. Movie director Paul Greengrass is 54. Actor Danny Bonaduce is 50. TV host/weatherman Sam Champion (TV: "Good Morning America") is 48. Actress Quinn Cummings is 42. Actress Seana Kofoed is 39. Country singer Andy Griggs is 36. Country musician Mike Melancon (Emerson Drive) is 31. Actress Kathryn Fiore is 30. Pop-rock singer James Morrison is 25.

Thought for Today: "It is always too late, or too little, or both. And that is the road to disaster." — David Lloyd George, English statesman (1863-1945).

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Newsday Crossword

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- 1 One of two equal parts
 - 5 Scotch companion
 - 9 Seagirt spot
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 - 15 Acrimonious
 - 16 Private-thoughts place
 - 17 Enthusiasm
 - 18 Dance with a queen
 - 19 Leading nobleman
 - 20 British
 - 21 In particular: Abbr.
 - 22 Jujitsu relative
 - 23 Mare morsel
 - 25 Fish in cans
 - 27 Less than a blockbuster
 - 30 Burger garnish
 - 31 Intended
 - 32 TV-remote button
 - 33 Crime fighter
 - 37 Lasting mark
 - 38 Takes the bait
 - 39 Confront
 - 40 Bingo relative
 - 41 Grandson of Adam
 - 42 Bits of progress
 - 43 "I can help it!"
 - 45 Sartre play
 - 46 Tardy student's need
 - 49 Sushi-bar choice
 - 50 Lower
 - 51 Personality pieces
- DOWN**
- 1 Lack of clarity
 - 2 Two-dimensional calculation
 - 3 One who's not upright
 - 4 Be too eager
 - 5 Fla. city
 - 6 Water pushers of a sort
 - 7 Disappears
 - 8 Source of bills
 - 9 Emphatic assent
 - 10 Pit-of-stomach sensations
 - 11 Like salsa music
 - 12 Wear down
 - 13 Bloopers in books
 - 22 First Zodiac sign
 - 24 Succor
 - 26 Throws in, in a way
 - 27 Sunbathe
 - 28 "Eek!" elicitors
 - 29 Mideast sultanate
 - 32 '60s skirts
 - 34 Tailless cat
 - 35 Play beginning
 - 36 Tree house
 - 38 Software versions
 - 42 Female rabbit
 - 44 Wagner works
 - 45 Scottish monster, affectionately
 - 46 Certain priests
 - 47 Higher than
 - 48 Piglike mammal
 - 52 High-priced
 - 54 "Cool!"
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Don't ignore symptoms of a 'mini-stroke'

Full-blown stroke often preceded by one or more 'warning strokes'

When people think about a stroke, symptoms such as paralysis of limbs or an entire side of the body and loss of motor coordination come to mind. But a stroke doesn't always happen this way. In fact, when a person experiences milder symptoms, it's easier to explain them away because they don't necessarily point to a health emergency. But dismissing symptoms due to uncertainty can be dangerous.



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Strokes are the third-leading cause of death, behind heart disease and cancer, and a leading cause of disability in the United States, according to the American Stroke Association. A stroke is an interruption of blood to the brain, either from a blood clot or the rupturing of a blood vessel, which results in a certain area of the brain not receiving

the critical oxygen and nutrients it needs to function properly.

One type of stroke is a transient ischemic attack (TIA), a stroke-like event that can be just as serious. Often called a "mini-stroke," a TIA has similar signs, with symptoms that don't last as long. A TIA occurs when a blood clot briefly blocks an artery that supplies blood to the brain. TIA symptoms may include:

- Severe, sudden headache
- Weakness, numbness or paralysis of the face, arms or legs on one side of the body
- Difficulty walking, and/or loss of balance or coordination
- Dizziness
- Vision problems, such as blurred or double vision
- Confusion or trouble speaking clearly or understanding communication

A TIA should be considered a warning sign. It has the same symptoms as a stroke, but TIA symptoms are temporary and produce no lasting damage to the brain. However, it's important not to take a TIA lightly; it's a strong predictor of a possible

full-scale stroke which could be just a matter of days, weeks or months away. According to the American Stroke Association, more than one third of individuals who suffer a TIA will later have a stroke.

A recent industry study found that the associated risks and long-term effects of a mini-stroke differ according to gender. The February 2009 study, a collaboration among University of Alabama at Birmingham, Yale University and the Duke University Stroke Center, found that men are more likely to have a stroke or heart-related problems after a TIA event.

What makes a TIA even more dangerous is that an astonishing number of people do not realize they are experiencing a mini-stroke and do not seek immediate medical care. A 2006 study by the American Heart Association found that less than half of people who suffer symptoms of a mini-stroke seek medical attention promptly, and only 10 percent go to the emergency room. Notably, 20 percent of patients incorrectly

identified their symptoms as stress, fatigue, eye problems, or a migraine.

If you experience any of the TIA symptoms – even briefly – it's important to seek immediate medical attention. If you're not sure, call your doctor or go to the emergency room. Time is critical in treating a possible stroke – and preventing a possible future stroke.

Your doctor can administer several tests to diagnose TIA and determine your future risk of stroke. This includes a review of your medical history, a physical and neurological exam, blood tests and various diagnostic tests. Diagnostic tests may include imaging tests (such as a CT scan or MRI, which take a picture of the brain), electrical tests which examine brain waves or study how the brain handles various sensory information: hearing, touch or vision; and finally, blood tests (an ultrasound or arteriogram, which give an idea of blood flow and the condition of your arteries).

TIA is a threat to your health – but also an opportunity to learn and

What's your stroke risk?

Some risk factors for a stroke can be controlled and others are beyond our control. Unchangeable risk factors include age, heredity and gender – as well as a prior stroke, TIA or heart attack. For each decade over age 55, your chance of stroke doubles and your risk is also greater if a family member has had a stroke. Also, African Americans are more likely to die from a stroke.

Stroke is more common in men than in women yet more women die from a stroke than men. Finally, a prior stroke, heart attack or TIA is a strong indicator that cannot be ignored. According to the American Stroke Association, a TIA increases the risk of stroke tenfold.

Other, lesser-known stroke risks include geography (more strokes occur in the Southeast), economic factors (low income individuals more often suffer strokes), and drug or alcohol use.

Risk factors include

- High blood pressure
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blends, such as lemon pepper or chili powder, include salt when you don't expect it, so check the list of ingredients or make sure the sodium listed on the Nutrition Facts panel is near zero. Try fresh onion and garlic, and garlic or onion powder (not the garlic or onion salts), too. And remember that flavoring without salt can also include lemon or lime juice, flavored vinegar, or even a hint of a flavorful oil (toasted sesame, walnut, pumpkin seed).



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Class of 1959

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. Anyone with information should contact Pat Rogers Anderson at 267-6143 or by e-mail at pja01@suddenlink.net

- Carol Aston
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- Kennemur
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- Rosie Hinojos
- Jerry Hinson
- Judy Jennings Allen
- David Leppert
- Glenda Mahoney
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- Hodnett, Don
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- Johnson, Norma (Michaels)
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- Williams, Gay (Garcia)
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Class of 1969

The BSHS classes of 1968 and 1969 will be having a reunion Sept. 18-19. Below is a listing of names from the class of 1969 we cannot find addresses for. If you have this information, contact Shelane Roberts, Class of 1969 at (432) 267-2798 or 267-6013.

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Class of 1979

Big Spring High School Class of 1979 is having its 30-Year Reunion Sept. 18-19. We are still missing information on several classmates. Please contact Cheryl Carter Joy at joycheryl79@hotmail.com (432) 267-7755 or Debbye Salazar Valverde at debbye@bigspringchamber.com if you have any information on any of the following people:

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- Terri Beard
- James Bedford
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- Anthony Wright
- Mark Young

Class of 1989

The Big Spring High School Class of 1989 is looking for members to attend a 20-year reunion in September. Contact Christy Alexander Brown at (972) 567-8037 or Irma Moreno Garcia at (432) 816-5321 with your updated information.

Class of 1999

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.

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