

## State hospital's VSC recognizes Lexeen Weaver with Jack Y. Smith Award

### Volunteer Council taps state hospital's top volunteers

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

Espousing the benefits of animal-assisted therapy, Big Spring State Hospital superintendent Ed Moughon on Thursday asked the facility's volunteers to help fund construction of a new building.

"In my lifetime, I've seen numerous advances in the treatment of the mentally ill," Moughon said at the Volunteer Services Council Luncheon. "But we still have patients in a 'black cloud.' When they can't experience emotions, their suffering and torture is beyond

words." Caring for and interacting with animals, Moughon said, helps patients experience emotions in a safe environment. Although such a therapy program is now operating successfully at the hospital, Moughon said it lacks sufficient space.

Therapist Corey Marr, who developed the animal-assisted therapy program, showed a slide presentation to the gathered volunteers, staff and guests. He and other staff introduced the group to some of the hospital's working pets, which include five dogs, a cat, two turtles and an iguana.

Buddy, a favorite of patients, is a mixed-breed dog the hospital adopted from the Big Spring Humane Society.

"This is not a fad or trend,"



Edna Faye Smith (left) presents Lexeen Weaver with the Jack Y. Smith Award for work on behalf of the Big Spring State Hospital by a volunteer.

said Marr. "We can achieve prescribed therapeutic goals."

Volunteers are looking at the possibility of raising funds to help construct a facility to house the animal-therapy program on the hospital's campus.

Volunteers came together for a number of honors, including service hour pins and special awards.

One-hundred-hour pins went to Sara Caddell, Penny Hill, Ruth Nanny, A.J. Scott, Myrlene Scott and Ruth Stephenson. Jobeth Corwin, Betty Lee, Peggy Marshall and Ruth Stephenson were given 500-hour bars.

Fifteen-hundred-hour bars went to Robin Hallman and Bernadette Martinez. Salem Baptist Church and Lou Vincent were presented 3,000-

hour bars.

A 3,500-hour bar went to Bill Wallace, and Katy Brandon received a 5,000-hour bar. Lexeen Weaver received a 5,500-hour bar, and Faye Wallace received a 7,000-hour bar. A 7,500-hour bar went to Hazel Duggan, and Murlene Williams received a 15,000-hour bar.

The Jack Y. Smith Award was given to Lexeen Weaver, a volunteer in the MHMR system for more than 20 years. She is currently serving as volunteer council chairperson.

It was noted at the event that state awards were recently presented to two members of the volunteer council. Ruth Stephenson received "Rookie of the Year," and Don Newsom was named Regional Volunteer of the Year.



## SEIZE THE DAY

Big Spring High School valedictorian Josna Adusumilli told more than 4,500 persons gathered in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum that Thursday night's graduation was a new beginning and that it was up to her fellow graduates to seize the day. A total of 208 seniors were listed on the graduation list from the school district.

HERALD photos/Jonathan Garrett



## Pat DeAnda honored by Texas LULAC

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
News Editor

Big Spring City Council member Pat DeAnda was among 10 Hispanic women to be honored today during the Mujeres Que Pueden Luncheon at the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) State Convention in Odessa.

The luncheon was set for noon at the Odessa Holiday Inn Centre.

DeAnda, who has twice served on the city council, was first elected as the District 1 council seat in 1987 and served two terms in that position. She returned to the council as the District 2 representative in 1994 and is currently facing challenger Oscar Garcia in a May 31 run-off in her bid for reelection.

DeAnda, a 25-year veteran educator, was a charter member of the local LULAC chapter.

DeAnda, who LULAC officials site as the organization's local spokeswoman, and the other honorees were recognized for their contributions to both the organization and the Hispanic community.

## Locals conditions 'tremendous' for cotton planting

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Recent rains have delivered one-half of the normal annual rainfall amount to the Texas High Plains area and the 30-county area serviced by Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG) Inc., meaning the 1997 cotton crop should have favorable moisture conditions for quite a while.

According to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the range of planted acres in the PCG service area varies from a low of 2 percent in Crosby County to a high of 75 percent in Castro County.

Overall, about 10 percent to 20 percent of the available acreage in the 30-county PCG area has been planted, a number that is expected to rise with any significant period of warm weather.

In Howard County, 40 percent (80,000 acres) of an estimated 200,000 acres have been planted because of good moisture and

good planting conditions. Only about 130,000 of the available acres last year were planted.

According to local agricultural officials, the ideal soil temperature for planting cotton is around 70 degrees.

As a result of last year's drought, nearby Martin County only benefited from a final count of 50,000 planted acres last year, but has already planted 45 percent of its 130,000 plantable acres for 1997.

Martin County Extension Agent Stephen Zoeller is excited about the prospects of the 1997 crop.

"The outlook is tremendous this year compared to what it was last year," Zoeller said.

Glasscock County Extension Agent David Kight said producers in that county have planted nearly 85 percent (102,000 acres) of its 120,000 cotton acres.

If there is one constant problem among producers this planting season, it is waiting for soil temperatures to rise following the rains that have soaked the

High Plains area this month. Dryland cotton producers are especially thrilled about current planting conditions simply because of the lean times that have hit the area the past few years as a result of severe drought conditions.

One problem cotton producers hope to not have on their minds for very long, despite a recent Texas Supreme Court decision, is that of a workable boll weevil eradication program.

State Sen. Robert Duncan has introduced a bill (SB 1814) in direct response to the court's decision declaring the current eradication program unconstitutional.

Duncan's bill addresses several concerns mentioned by the court in its decision.

Provisions of the bill include: •Control of the program being under the umbrella of the Texas Department of Agriculture.

•Elimination of the power to destroy the cotton crops of farmers who fail to pay fees, instead allowing for a lien to be

placed against those crops. •Specifying that farmers delinquent on payments can not be sued for past-due assessment collections, and that farmers will not be refunded for past assessment payments.

•Establishment of an advisory committee in each regional eradication zone.

According to PCG officials, weekly boll weevil trap catches indicate weevils are continuing to emerge from overwintering habitats in increasing numbers, which are expected to continue rising through the peak emergence period around the June 1 or so.

The latest boll weevil trapline figures, according to PCG for the week of May 12 through May 16) show that in the surrounding area, 608 weevils were caught in Howard County; Martin County, 161 weevils caught; Borden County, 25 weevils caught; Dawson County, 2,187 weevils caught; and Midland County, 39 weevils caught.

## Closing of Golden Corral ordered from North Carolina

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
News Editor

The Golden Corral Restaurant in Big Spring has closed, providing a surprise for not only its customers, but for its 25 employees as well.

According to Billy Sawyer, the restaurant's manager, he received an E-mail message from Golden Corral's corporate offices Wednesday informing him that he was to close the business at 10 that evening.

"Yeah, it came as a surprise ... none of us had any idea this was coming," Sawyer said Thursday, dismissing suggestions that the opening of Furr's Cafeteria had in some way factored in the corporate decision.

"Business has been good and we've had a wonderful 13-year run here in Big Spring," he added, noting that some of the restaurant's employees would

have a chance to take jobs with Golden Corral locations in Midland and Odessa, "but the rest will probably spread out and find jobs here."

Sawyer said he was waiting for his superiors who had flown in from Golden Corral's Raleigh, N.C., corporate offices to arrive late Thursday afternoon.

Calls to the restaurant this morning were unanswered. In addition, efforts to reach Golden Corral officials in North Carolina also went unreturned.

Dennis Walker, former employee of the restaurant, said his former coworkers had been shaken by the closing.

"It really surprised all of them," Walker said. "I'd been coming up here almost every day to visit my friends and drink coffee. They didn't get any warning ... none of them had a chance to look for another job or anything."

## WEATHER



Tonight, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows 60-65. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs 90-95. Sunday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs from near 90 to the mid 90s. Memorial day, partly cloudy.

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## Memorial Day activities, Huey dedication tops Ticket

HERALD Staff Report

Looking for something to do this weekend? Here's your ticket to weekend activities in and around Big Spring.

This feature is published each Friday and will include a variety of activities. It is limited to activities of a general nature, community fund-raisers, community functions, free performances, etc. It is not available to commercial ventures.

To submit your activity, send it to "Weekend Ticket," Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431,

## WEEKEND TICKET

Big Spring, 79721.

If you wish, you may fax your listing to 264-7205 or bring it by the Herald offices at 710 Scurry. No information will be taken over the phone.

• Spring City Senior Center dance, tonight, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Spring City Senior Center. Music will be provided by CW & Co. All senior citizens in the area are invited.

• Morgan Park dedication, 10 a.m. today, at 900 Father Delaney St. A barbecue luncheon will follow the dedication ceremony at 11:30 a.m.  
• Blood drive, 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. today, at the Big Spring Care Center. The drive staged by United Blood Services is being held in response to a critical need of O-negative blood.  
• Heritage Museum, today

from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., 510 Scurry. For additional information, contact the museum at 267-8255.

• Fund-raising garage sale, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. today and 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, at the East Side Baptist Church. The sale is being sponsored by the church's Young People's department.  
• Family Night Out, 7 p.m. tonight, East Side Baptist Church, East 6th and Settles.

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OBITUARIES

Terrell V. Thompson

Terrell V. Thompson, 70, Big Spring, died Wednesday, May 21, 1997, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Graveside service will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 24, 1997, at Mount Olive Memorial Park with Rev. Monroe Teeter, interim pastor of East Fourth Street Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Terrell was born on May 23, 1926, in Big Spring. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving in World War II in the Pacific Theater. He was a Baptist and a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He began work in 1943 for Cosden Pipe Line as a pipeliner, retiring from Fina on Dec. 31, 1987.

He is survived by: one son, Bobby Thompson of New Braunfels; three daughters, Terrie Lou Bradley and Toni Carol Thompson, both of Sand Springs, and Susan Thompson, Big Spring; his mother, Nellie Thompson of Big Spring; a brother, Perry Thompson of Portland, Ore.; three sisters, Leta Kirby of Big Spring, Francine Jansch of Big Spring, and Carol Aziz of El Paso; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Jackie Allen Thompson, and his father, Dilworth Thompson.

Pallbearers are J.D. Thomas, Darrell Burris, Gregory K. Hubbard, William Hayes, Ronnie Moser and Bob Daily.

The family suggests memorials to their favorite charity or East Fourth Street Baptist

Church Building Fund

**Belen Arguello**  
Rosary for Belen Arguello, 74, Big Spring, will be 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 24, 1997, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Coahoma with Rev. Jerry McCarthy, pastor of Immaculate Heart and St. Joseph's Catholic Church, officiating. Burial will be in Coahoma Cemetery.



Mr. Arguello died Thursday, May 22, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

He was born on Dec. 9, 1922, in Mexico. He married Narsisa Padron on Feb. 4, 1945, in Big Spring. He had lived in Howard County for over 50 years. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and Society of St. Joseph's. Mr. Arguello had worked as a general laborer for the railroad for 30 years.

He is survived by: his wife, Narsisa Arguello, Coahoma; three daughters, Frances Del Bosque, Abilene, Alice Mendez, Ozona, and Lydia Arguello, Coahoma; three sons, Santos Arguello, Coahoma, Daniel Arguello and Tomas Arguello, both of Big Spring; four brothers; four sisters; 22 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

James T. "Randy" Randle

Service for James T. "Randy" Randle, 69, Big Spring, will be 4 p.m. Saturday, May 24, 1997, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Chaplain Dean Thomas, of the VA Medical Center, officiating. Graveside service with military honors will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio.

Mr. Randle died Wednesday, May 21, at the VA Hospital.

He was born on June 22, 1927, in Scurry County. He married Erma Mosier on Sept. 9, 1988. She preceded him in death on March 26, 1997. He was a veteran of the US Army, retiring after 20 years of service.

He is survived by: one son, A.J. Randle, Longview; one brother, Bill Randle, Lake Isabella, Calif.; three sisters, Lucille O'Brian, Cleburne, Sara Skelton, Tyler, and Jean Steadman, Big Spring; and four grandsons.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Paz Ontiveros Garcia

Service for Paz Ontiveros Garcia is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

He died Thursday, May 22, 1997.

Ruby Sisson

Funeral service for Ruby Sisson, 95, Andrews, will be 2 p.m. today at the United Pentecostal Church in Andrews with Rev. Bill Stroud, Odessa, and Rev. Robert Blakeney, Andrews, officiating. Burial will be in Andrews Old Cemetery.

Mrs. Sisson died Wednesday, May 21, 1997, at Permian

General Hospital in Andrews. She was born on Dec. 6, 1901, in McLennan. She married David Franklin Sisson on Feb. 6, 1925, in Colorado City. He preceded her in death on Dec. 21, 1981. She was a retired sales clerk.

Survivors include: one daughter, Patsy Miller, Andrews; one step son, David Sisson, Big Spring; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of McNett Funeral Home, Inc., Andrews.

E.R. "Shorty" Thompson

Service for E.R. "Shorty" Thompson, 80, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

He died Friday, May 23, 1997, in a local hospital.

BRIEFS

**BAKER'S CHAPEL WILL SELL** barbecue lunches Saturday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. For one meat, potato salad and red beans, cost is \$5. For two meats, \$6. Choice of meats include brisket, pork ribs, chicken or sausage. Pick up a meal at 911 N. Lancaster, or call 267-7158 for delivery.

Accident kills Pecos man

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

A 53-year-old Pecos man was killed late Thursday night when he was struck by two vehicles as he was trying to cross Interstate 20 near the intersection of Highway 350.

According to reports filed by Department of Public Safety trooper Miles Tollison, Paz Ontivero Garcia of Pecos was attempting to cross the interstate when he was struck by an eastbound 1982 pickup driven by George Ferguson. That impact threw Garcia into the inside eastbound lane where he was struck by a 1996 18-wheeler driven by Hubert Turner of Douglasville, Ga.

Garcia was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident by Justice of the Peace China Long.

Neither of the two vehicles' drivers were injured in the accident.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

TICKET

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An evening of inspirational music featuring The Joy Quartet from Pensacola (Fla.) Christian College.

The 13th annual Howard County Memorial Day Ceremony, 2 p.m. Sunday, Trinity Memorial Park, 5 miles south of Big Spring on U.S. Highway 87. The All Veterans Council of Howard County and the VA Medical Center in Big Spring are co-sponsors for the event.

The annual Memorial Day Couples golf tournament, 8 a.m. Monday, Comanche Trail Golf Course. The tournament is held by the Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association.

Mount the Huey Dedication, 11 a.m. Monday, at the Howard County Vietnam Memorial. Members of the Big Spring Harley Owners Group will parade from The Harley-Davidson Shop, 908 W. Third, to the memorial beginning at 9 a.m.

SPRINGBOARD

TODAY

Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

MARKETS

July cotton 72.40 cents a pound, down 21 points; June crude oil 21.88, up 2 points; Cash hogs steady at 75 cents higher at 59.25; slaughter steers at 66; June lean hog futures 81.02, down 35 points; June live cattle futures 65.25, down 7 points.

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the city jail on bond after being arrested on local warrants.

JOE CHAVEZ, 27, of 538 Westover, No. 143, was arrested for driving without a license. He was later released with no charges being filed.

BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 200 block of Circle.

BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 1300 block of Mulberry.

SUSPICIOUS INVESTIGATIONS in the 800 block of Highland, 1500 block of Bluebird, 1600 block of Cardinal, 200 block of E. 10th, the intersection of 18th and Gregg, 600 block of W. Sixth, 1300 block of Dixie, 700 block of Lorilla, 3900 block of W. Highway 80 and at Comanche Trail Park.

DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES in the 1400 block of Benton, 1000 block of Howell, 1500 block of Kentucky Way and the 700 block of W. I-20.

FORGERY was reported in the 400 block of S. Main.

CIVIL STANDBY in the 100 block of Airbase Road.

911 CALL HANG-UPS in the 400 block of Edwards, 1000 block of E. 15th, 1100 block of E. Sixth and 300 block of N. Gregg.

MINOR AUTO ACCIDENTS in the 1400 block of Donley, 1000 block of Birdwell, 500 block of Westover and at the intersection of Goliad and E. Marcy.

WELFARE CONCERN in the 4200 block of Hamilton.

JUVENILE COMPLAINTS in the 1000 block of Settles, 800 block of W. Marcy, 1400 block of Tucson and at the intersection of Fourth and Owens.

CRIMINAL TRESPASSING in the 200 block of W. Marcy.

DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 3200 block of W. Eighth.

LOUD PARTY/NOISE in the 1000 block of NW Second, 800 block of State and at West Fifth and Presidio.

ASSISTED MOTORISTS in the 2100 block of Gregg.

POLICE

Big Spring Police Department officials reported the following activity during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. Friday:

TWO PEOPLE WERE treated and released from Scenic Mountain Medical Center for injuries an automobile accident at the intersection of Sycamore and Victory Thursday night.

Reports indicate a 1988 automobile, driven by Michael Thomas Marquez, 18, of 1005 NW Second, was southbound in the 800 block of Victory and a 1991 automobile, driven by Dominga Nunez Rivera, 46, of 1200 Sycamore, was westbound on Sycamore when the two vehicles collided.

Rivera and an 8-year-old passenger, Tory Scaggs, were taken to the hospital by ambulance.

AMANDA BROWN, 17, of 4112 Parkway was transferred to the Howard County Jail where she is being held in lieu of \$4,000 bond on six counts of burglary of a vehicle.

CHRISTOPHER D. MINTER, 25, of 714 Lorilla was arrested on local warrants.

TOMIKA DOUGLAS, 20, of 1300 Mobile was arrested on local warrants. She was later released on bond.

DANIEL LEE COSBY, 28, of 120 Airbase Road, No. 265, was arrested on a Taylor County warrant.

BILLY DEWAYNE WALLER, 27, of 803 Pine was arrested for public intoxication.

STEVE BELVIN, 38, of 2607 Barksdale was released from

SHERIFF

Howard County Sheriff's Department officials reported the following activity during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. Friday:

LUPE HINOJOS, 23, of 100 NW Third was arrested on warrants for revocation of probation and burglary of a building. No bond has been set.

MANUEL ARMENDARIZ JR., 23, of 804 Magnolia was released from the Howard County Jail on \$500 bond. He was arrested Wednesday for driving with license invalid.

A THEFT was reported on Farm to Market 669.

A DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was investigated on Highway 350 North.

RECKLESS DRIVING was reported on Midway Road.

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Edith Clawson, 73, died Wednesday. Graveside services 4 PM, Friday at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Mark S. Hines, 34, died Tuesday. Services 11 AM Saturday, Myers & Smith Chapel. Belen Arguello, 74, died Thursday. Rosary 7 PM, Friday, Myers & Smith Chapel with funeral mass 2 PM Saturday, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Coahoma, with interment at Coahoma Cemetery. Terrell V. Thompson died Wednesday. Graveside services 2PM Saturday, Mt. Olive Memorial Park. James T. "Randy" Randle died Wednesday. Services 4 PM Saturday Myers & Smith Chapel with military graveside 1 PM Tuesday Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio. Paz Ontiveros Garcia, died Thursday. Services pending. E.R. "Shorty" Thompson, 80, died Friday. Services pending.

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# Committee moves closer to property tax compromise

AUSTIN (AP) — A House-Senate committee has moved closer to a compromise in its effort to resolve differences between two vastly different plans meant to lower local school property taxes.

The committee, which abruptly ended a meeting Tuesday and canceled a meeting Wednesday, considered a compromise proposal on a statewide business property tax Thursday but did not vote on it. The tax, approved by the House but rejected by the Senate, is a major sticking point between the plans.

"I think you see the potential for it,"

Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, chairman of the committee, said of the compromise idea.

The proposal would leave all property subject to local school taxes for maintenance and operation and for school debt. In addition, business property would face a limited statewide tax for maintenance and operation.

That would reduce, but not eliminate, the number of school districts required to share their tax revenues with other districts that have little business property to tax, according to Rep. Scott Hochberg, D-Houston, a

member of the committee who helped draft the proposed compromise.

Under the House bill, school districts would no longer tax business property for school operation and maintenance. Instead, the state would tax business property and redistribute the money to the state's 1,044 school districts.

The Senate rejected that idea. Senators said it would replace the current Robin Hood system, in which 91 school districts share their tax revenue, with a much larger Robin Hood system, forcing all districts to share their business property tax income.

The Senate left the taxing authority with local districts but changed parts of the system to force cuts to the tax rates.

Both plans would allow local districts to continue taxing residential property for maintenance and operation and all property for school debt. The compromise does not change that.

Under example figures not backed by either the House or Senate, the average residential school property tax of \$1.40 per \$100 in property value would be cut by about 50 cents if the House and Senate could agree to a 35-cent statewide business property tax,

\$2.1 billion in new and expanded state taxes and the use of \$1 billion left over from the last state budget.

Business property would see lower cuts under that scenario, which lawmakers called only an example of the proposal's potential for cutting taxes.

School districts with the highest current school property tax rates would get the largest cuts, according to an initial fiscal analysis.

The compromise idea moves the committee forward, but does not address all the differences between the plans approved by the House the Senate.

## TEXAS BRIEFS

### The ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Fungus ruins Valley's cantaloupe crop

MCALLEN — Damp, cloudy cool weather is being blamed for an infestation of gummy stem blight that has caused as much as \$5 million damage to the cantaloupe crop in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Valley growers usually plant about 5,800 acres in cantaloupes. Grower Bob Peterson at Rio Grande City in adjacent Starr County said about 70 percent of his 1,400 acres of cantaloupes are ruined because of the yellow fungus.

"We've grown them (melons) for 30 years and we've only lost money once. This will be the second time," Peterson said. Bill Robertson of nearby Pharr abandoned his 550 acres of cantaloupes.

#### Judge rules city can seize and bulldoze homes

HURST — A judge has ruled that the city of Hurst can seize and bulldoze 10 houses for mall expansion before resolution of a lawsuit accusing the city of overstepping its condemnation powers.

"In the opinion of the court under the statutes of the state of Texas, the defendants are entitled to immediate possession of the property," state District Judge Fred Davis ruled Thursday.

At issue in the lawsuit is whether cities can use their power of eminent domain for private development projects. The case has been described as perhaps the first case in which a city forced out homeowners for a shopping mall project.

"The homes will be destroyed before the trial, which is a tragedy for everyone," said attorney Glenn Sodd, who represents the property owners. "If we win, the city doesn't have the property. Even though we may get paid, my folks will have lost their homes."

If the homeowners win their lawsuit, a jury would decide how much they should receive in damages. If they lose, they will be paid the price set by an independent panel.

#### Troopers to be out in force this holiday weekend

AUSTIN — All available state troopers will be on patrol watching for drunken drivers, speeding and safety belt violations this holiday weekend, which authorities estimate could include at least 32 traffic deaths.

"Preventing traffic deaths is just as important as preventing any other tragedy in our state," Col. Dudley M. Thomas, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said Thursday.

The 78-hour Memorial Day holiday reporting period begins at 6 p.m. tonight and continues through midnight Monday. Last year, DPS officials estimated that 35 people would die over the three-day holiday, but the number was actually 50.

Those fatalities were part of a "very bad year," which recorded 3,738 people killed on Texas roadways, Thomas said. That was a 17.8 percent increase over 1995, when 3,172 traffic fatalities were recorded.

#### Bill against minors who smoke faces tough fight

AUSTIN — In a legislative session that sized up early as being filled with anti-tobacco sentiment, two of three major bills against the tobacco industry are dead or considered gutted.

The third and perhaps most sweeping — a bill imposing criminal penalties on minors who smoke — has just barely escaped a near-death experience but remains on a hit list.

Late Wednesday, the Texas House appeared ready approve the bill after soundly defeating two tobacco industry-backed amendments offered by Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa.

But Chisum, after watching his amendments go up in smoke, used a parliamentary tactic, known as a point of order, to kill debate on the bill. Such a move this late in the session, which ends June 2, often means the death of a measure.

The bill was returned to the House State Affairs Committee, where it was approved unanimously, and could be back before the full House as early as today.

## Air Force relieved Kelly Flinn case concluded

WASHINGTON (AP) — No one emerged happy from the rush of events that led to the forced departure from the Air Force of 1st Lt. Kelly Flinn, a pioneer female bomber pilot who admitted to lying and disobeying an order.

At the Pentagon on Thursday there was a sense of relief that a public relations nightmare had ended and grim satisfaction that Flinn had been denied the honorable discharge she wanted.

Perhaps Gen. Ronald Fogleman, the gruff Air Force chief of staff, summed it up best when asked in a Pentagon corridor if he was happy with the outcome.

"I can live with it," he said.

In the Flinn camp at Minot Air Force Base, N.D., there was exhaustion at the conclusion of a protracted legal battle that brought to light Flinn's adulterous affair and could have put her in a military prison.

"Lieutenant Flinn recognized that no one was ultimately going to win in a trial," said her brother

Don Flinn Jr. On Capitol Hill, there was bewilderment at a military justice system that seemed stuck in the morals and mores of a bygone era.

The Air Force never succeeded in portraying the case to the public the way the service's top brass saw it: An officer simply had lied about her adulterous relationship and disobeyed a direct order to break off contact with the man, a civilian who was married to an Air Force enlistee.

Instead the Air Force appeared to be bringing the full weight of military justice to bear on a confused, lovesick young woman who had earned her wings as the service's first B-52 bomber pilot.

At a time when military sex scandals were breaking out all over, the Air Force appeared to be stuck enforcing arcane and outdated laws barring adultery that have no counterpart in the civilian world.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, demonstrated earlier this week both the Air Force's public rela-

tions failure and the confusion on Capitol Hill about the Flinn case. Why, Harkin demanded of Fogleman, was the Air Force going after Flinn for adultery and not the more serious offenses such as lying and disobedience?

An exasperated Fogleman said the Air Force was pressing those other charges but that no one seemed to be paying attention.

Technically, Flinn got a "general discharge under honorable conditions," a significant step down from an honorable discharge but far from the nine years, six months she might have spent in prison had she received the maximum penalty at court-martial.

The general discharge will be more than just a blot on Flinn's resume. She forfeited her pension and veterans' benefits, such as medical care. She also must pay back \$18,000 for part of the cost of her Air Force Academy education.

Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall, the first woman to serve

in the post, vehemently denied that military women were receiving harsher treatment for adultery than men.

Widnall said it "is extremely important to me that we hold men and women to the same standards of officership in the Air Force, and clearly we have done that."

Asked if she thought the Air Force had won, Widnall said she did not look at the case that way. "This has been a very difficult case," Widnall said. "I'm satisfied that the resolution we reached in this case is fair."

While Flinn received bouquets, donations and letters of support from around the country, almost completely lost in the flurry was the other military woman in this case, Airman Gayla Zigo. In a letter to Widnall, Zigo wrote that Flinn appeared to be using her superior rank to muscle in on her marriage.

"I am tired of Lieutenant Flinn acting as if she is the victim, when she is the one who committed the crimes," Zigo wrote.

## Kabila eliminates prime minister post in Congo

KINSHASA, Congo (AP) — Laurent Kabila consolidated power in his own hands today, scrapping the post of prime minister and snubbing the man who led years of peaceful protests against dictator Mobutu Sese Seko.

The move by the self-proclaimed president angered longtime opposition leader Etienne Tshisekedi, who had hoped to be named prime minister, a job from which he was twice ousted by Mobutu.

"For me, he is not the president," Tshisekedi said today, as his supporters marched through Kinshasa's streets in protest. "He is the candidate for president."

The statement was bound to make Kabila's first weeks as leader of the vast, struggling land more difficult, and underscored the disappointment of some who hoped for an inclusive government from the man who toppled Mobutu.

Tshisekedi blamed Kabila's aides for the breakdown in communications, and said he wanted to meet the former rebel leader face-to-face.

"It's not because I want power. It's because I've been fighting the Mobutu regime for 17

years," he said. The marchers denounced Kabila as another dictator.

"We cannot fill a hole by creating another hole," said protester Papi Kongolo. "We are going to struggle for our liberty, even if our blood is shed."

Mobutu, who last week fled the country he had ruled for nearly 32 years, flew into the Moroccan capital of Rabat today.

Propped up by his wife and accompanied by 56 followers, he left the west African country of

Togo in the presidential jet of Togo's leader, an old friend. His eventual destination for life in exile was thought to be France.

Six days after declaring himself president, Kabila named a partial list of Cabinet ministers today, most of them from his rebel alliance that rolled across the country in an eight-month rebellion. He included some other political groups, but refused to take Tshisekedi, the popular opposition leader.

The new information minister, Raphael Ghenda, said

Kabila would rule without a vice president or a prime minister and would also retain control of the military.

Seven of the 13 Cabinet ministers chosen came from Kabila's Alliance of Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Congo, and the rest came from other political groups, including two from Tshisekedi's party.

"We were open to any tendency except Mobutu's followers, those who terrorized and oppressed our people," said Gaetan Kakudji.

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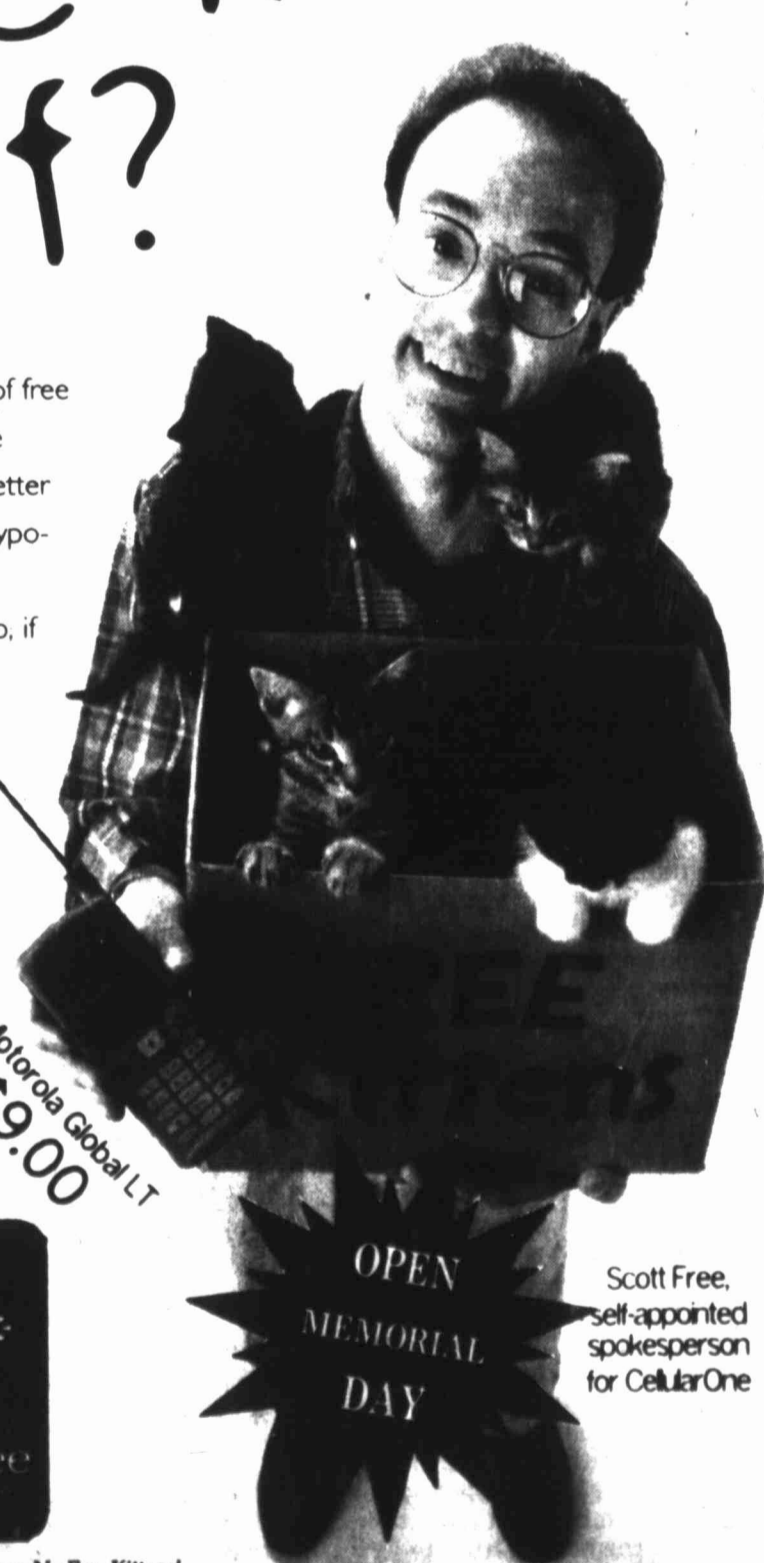


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Quote of the Day

"No wise man ever wished to be younger."  
-Jonathan Swift

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each Friday, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

- We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.
- This week we salute:
  - RELAY FOR LIFE participants and contributors on their efforts, which raised \$60,000 to assist in the fight against cancer.
  - MARCH FOR JESUS organizers and participants.
  - NEWSPAPER IN EDUCATION program participants, including sponsors and teachers, for joining with this newspaper in the fight against illiteracy.
  - EL PUEBLO magazine, for its efforts to raise monies for United Way agencies and the Relay for Life through its puzzle book.
  - BIG SPRING'S PIZZA INN, for their earning of the Momentum Award from their national company.
  - COAHOMA'S BULLDOGS, on defeating Tahoka 3-0 to continue their trek in the state baseball playoffs.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

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Easy's not the word for retriever named 'Eazy'

Whoever first termed a blissfully care free existence as "a dog's life" needs to consult with a certain 15-month-old Labrador retriever in Jamestown, N.C., named Eazy.

Life, you see, proved to be anything but easy for Eazy last weekend.

Seems Michael John Kirkpatrick put his pet on a 50-foot-long lead and attached it to a trailer Friday, never envisioning the adventure the dog would have when thieves stole the vehicle.

Eazy ran for awhile, trying to keep up with the trailer, but when sheriff's deputies corralled the trailer, he was nowhere to be found.

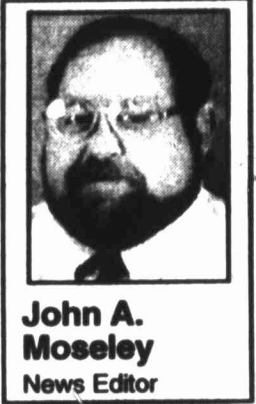
"I knew (Eazy) was dead if they pulled him that far," Kirkpatrick said. "The lead was still behind the trailer ... but the dog wasn't in the collar."

The Kirkpatricks backtracked and found their pet in the street. Eazy underwent surgery to repair a broken hind leg. He also suffered pulled tendons in his neck and deep cuts to his front leg.

The two thieves arrested by deputies have been charged with larceny and cruelty to animals.

And Eazy? Apparently he's back home and on the mend, looking forward to a quiet and slower-paced Memorial Day weekend.

Yes, once again the week's wild and wacky offerings on The Associated Press wire report were again highlighted with animal stories.



John A. Moseley  
News Editor

Of course, most of the critters reaching the news wires were not your run-of-the-mill household pets.

Instead, they were more akin to the llamas in Carbon, Pa.

Llamas, most of us are already aware, are found in the Andes and in most zoos. However, they most assuredly are not usually seen rural Pennsylvania polling stations.

That is until Republican Jay Ober and Democrat Paul Reed decided against using their respective party symbols in their runs for office, and instead went with llamas.

The animals were paraded from poll to poll on election day Tuesday hearing signs for Ober, who was running for country judge, and Reed, a candidate for Hempfield Township supervisor.

Shamrock and Oreo got a warm reception at most of their stops, but in Carbon they were shooed away by polling supervisor Jackie Houser.

Elaine Overly, owner of Shamrock, a 350-pound male, said the llamas are tranquil and unlikely to stampee or hurt anyone, but Houser was adamant.

Although county elections officials knew of no law forbidding llamas at the polls, Overly said it was all for the best. The llamas were tired of just standing around anyway.

That lack of enthusiasm may have hurt Ober and Reed, because neither won his race.

ers to wear old-style striped uniforms and live in tents, is excited by his latest innovation in prison security.

"All the inmates are going to know they are on candid dog camera," Arpaio said.

Thursday the dogs started patrolling the fences surrounding the larger of two tent cities at the county jail, which house 1,000 of the complex's 1,600 inmates.

The dogs are trained to aim their cameras at attempted escapes, contraband violations, fighting and assaults on guards, according to Arpaio.

Small, wide-angle cameras and microphones are strapped to their collars, beaming images and audio back to monitors.

"They also have antennas behind their ears so they can pick up conversations and gather intelligence," Arpaio said, adding, "It's a great idea."

a New York steak house.

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals found that the market was violating the law regarding slaughterhouses.

The company was given a summons for cruelty to animals and the 6-month-old female calf, nicknamed "Elsie" by cops, was confiscated along with three ewes and a ram.

All four animals have been taken to a farm in upstate New York, where they will be used in therapy for abused children.

And finally, the juvenile delinquent who kept pulling a fire alarm at Islander Middle School in Mercer Island, Wash., turns out to be a classroom's pet iguana.

Iggy, who was allowed to roam around the biology classroom, has been confined to quarters after being accused of reporting false fires.

After the first alarm, a school administrator suspected Iggy may have snagged the classroom fire-alarm pull chain with his tail.

The iguana's cage was moved away from the wall, but apparently not far enough.

Seventh-grader Katrina Spauhurst was outside planting pansies with her horticulture classmates when a second alarm sounded Tuesday.

"We ran in and we knew it was the iguana. We saw it hanging by its hands on the fire alarm," Spauhurst said. "I think he needs something to hang on."

Then again, he just might think it's some kind of game — he pulls the chain and everyone leaves.

That's probably great fun for an iguana.

New York police — specifically those in the Bronx — might be interested in Arpaio's dogs, especially if they're any good at herding cattle.

Officers were definitely out of their element Wednesday when called on to try and rope a calf after it broke loose from a truck amid the Bronx high-rises.

The calf was being unloaded at a poultry market (they really must do things different in New York) when it escaped and hoofed it across four lanes of traffic.

A worker chased the animal into a back yard and tried to wrestle it to the ground, but the calf broke free and ran into another yard where police — yelling "Stop, cow, stop!" — succeeded in getting a lasso around it.

The escape attempt probably saved the calf from a date with

Interested in more novel ideas?

Well, in Arizona it seems German shepherds wearing cameras and microphones are the latest security measure being used on jail inmates.

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, who has forced prison-

John A. Moseley is news editor of the Herald. His column appears on Fridays.

Houseguests and Ish the fish ...

Dr. Seuss might have written this story. The rhyme would be better if he had.

Ish the Fish was her fondest wish/Now Ish the Fish is Hish — tory.

Every year about this time I buy a goldfish. At least one. The woman at Wet Pets gives me and my niece Chelsey a stern lecture about how to treat fish — and mineral-tainted well water. The fish travels home looking healthy and happy in its own plastic bag. Chelsey coos to it in her best baby talk, holding the bag up high to make eye contact.

At the store we buy the recommended water treatment with electrolytes and protective slime coating, canisters with flakes of food, fake coral reefs adorned with glitter. We buy



Rheta Johnson  
Syndicated Columnist

finely ground gravel the color of Easter eggs and glass bowls in which to put it all.

The 88-cent goldfish costs about \$25.

Once home, I measure. I pour. I let the plastic fish bag float in the larger container for 30 minutes. We feed the fish, but not too much. We've been warned. We watch the new fish explore uncharted territory.

Then we turn our backs. Next thing we know, the fresh fish is floating somewhere near the top of the tank, its Nehi belly bloated, one beady eye staring back at us. Dead as Do.

Last year this same time Otis passed away and floated up. Chelsey named her goldfish after the elevator because he seemed to go up and down a lot.

We left for a few hours, came home and found Otis at the mezzanine level, never to rise or fall again.

A newspaper friend of mine has a story about a crusty copy editor who late one night, his inch-long cigarette ash threatening to set fire to the pile of raw copy, joined his colleagues'

conversation about a sick cat.

"I never let my kid have any pet that can't be flushed down the toilet when it dies," he said.

He didn't know Chelsey. Elaborate fish funerals were part of our spring ritual for a while.

But eventually even Chelsey grew bored with high-church huzzahs for pets that had been with us only a night or two. Her imagination flagged when describing fish that swam only a few laps before croaking.

After all, what kind of eulogy is "Otis, we hardly knew thee"?

These days we matter-of-factly tote the bowl and belly-up fish to the edge of the river that runs through the yard. There we perform a quick burial at sea.

Nobody is happy about it, but nobody cries, either. While I swear never to buy another goldfish, Chelsey theorizes that maybe there wasn't enough light in the room where we kept the bowl. Maybe if we put

a lamp over the next one...

The 1997 model lasted less time than most. Ish the Fish was with us 24 hours. As I type, he is awaiting burial, floating next to several flakes of food in an aquarium big enough for Moby Dick. I swear I can smell him.

Admitting that my home is a fish killing field invites letters from those who love fish and know how to take care of them. That's fine. I welcome your suggestions.

All I want is one goldfish

that will survive my watch and make the trip to Kentucky where it becomes my sister's problem. She has a way with pets.

Next year I plan to buy the requisite goldfish on the outskirts of Louisville, my niece's home. The fish can remain in its travel Baggie until we reach her house.

If that doesn't work, we're climbing up the evolutionary ladder one rung to hamsters.



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In ancient Rome, the public baths were open to anyone for a small fee — except small children, who were encouraged to come in for free.

At one time, people believed wearing a live spider or caterpillar as an amulet was a good cure for a cough.

Do you have a good story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 235.

Friday, May 23, 1997

## Snively honored by retired teachers

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

When Dr. Laurence Snively arrived in Big Spring 20 years ago, he had already lived an interesting life.

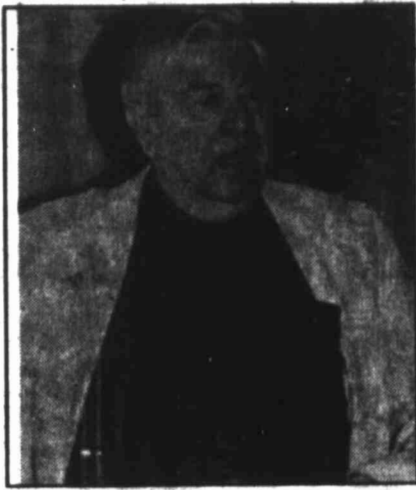
He has since lived another one.

The Colorado City born educator was a consultant to the VA Medical Center for 10 years. He has done extensive work in educational, aptitude and psychological testing.

When he retired again, Snively had time to pursue his other interests — the Prospector's Club, Lion's Club, Retired Senior Volunteer Program and the Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association.

Retired teachers came together in Snively's honor recently, "roasting" him during a reception at his new home, Marcy House. In nearly a decade of working with the group, he helped them achieve 13,000 hours of volunteerism in one year.

But hard work is nothing new for Snively, who received his bachelor's and master's degrees at Texas Tech University before moving on to the University of Colorado for a doctorate in education.



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In the photo at right, retired teacher Gypsy Gulley serves Laurence Snively a piece of cake at a reception Wednesday in his honor. Above, Wayne Bonner roasted Snively.

Snively went to work for Mansfield (Pa.) University. This was a long way from his first job in education, as band director at Post. While serving as psychology professor, dean of students and therapist to the Pennsylvania school's student body, Snively began to see the benefit of testing students.

"When I arrived there, they were having problems with the student athletes," Snively said. "Too many were failing their



When Snively moved to Big

classes. Through testing, Snively discovered each troubled athlete's individual needs and helped them adjust their schedules to improve their grades.

"Some of them were taking way too many hours, more than they could handle," Snively said. "There were some other problems that we had to deal with, and we did. The next

year, they did much better." Another time, Snively was approached by a student who, although very intelligent, could not settle on a major. Through aptitude testing, Snively discovered the young man had a high score on engineering aptitude. The student later completed an engineering degree and worked for NASA.

Spring, he began working as a consultant to the VA Medical Center in Big Spring. There he saw a different side of psychological testing.

"I was testing the alcoholics and the mental patients, to recommend treatments," Snively said. "We would find out how much brain damage there had been from the alcohol."

"Some I could help. Some I couldn't." Please see SNIVELY, page A6

## CHURCH NEWS

### East Side Baptist Church

The Joy Quartet from Pensacola Christian College will present a program of inspirational music 7 p.m. Friday, at East Side Baptist Church, 1108 E. Sixth.

The Quartet's program will feature music with a message and a multimedia presentation about the college.

Located on the sunny Gulf Coast of Northwest Florida, Pensacola Christian College offers a wide variety of programs on the undergraduate and graduate levels.

The Joy Quartet is one of eight traveling groups representing the college during the summer months. The ensembles will hold services in over 700 churches and schools throughout the United States and Canada.

There is no admission charge for this program.

The youth of East Side Baptist Church are having a garage sale at the Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 24. All money raised from the garage sale will be used to send the young people to camp this summer.

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## CLUB NEWS

### SMMC Volunteers

Monday, May 5, the SMMC Volunteers met at KC Steakhouse for their annual awards luncheon. There were 41 members present and 16 guests. Kenneth Randall, hospital administrator, gave the welcome, president Joyce Orr gave the president's report, and Amber Rich, volunteer director, presented the hour bars and special awards.

Lynda Sliger received the "Volunteer of the Month" award for March, because she is always willing to work.

April "Volunteer of the Month" went to Steve Marie Haynes for her dedicated work on the ICU desk. Jacque Thomas was awarded the Kate Irons award because for five years she has done almost every job at the hospital so willingly.

Five radiology students were presented scholarships. They were: Cay Gober, Jaime Falkner, Brandie Belew, Paul Decker, and Keith Monger.

Jacque Thomas installed the new officers for next year, giving pink carnations to each. Joyce Orr will be president, Myrl Soles - president elect, Loma Jean Wynn - vice president, Bobbie Thomas - secretary, and Muriel Prokschl - treasurer.

Joyce Orr, president of the SMMC Volunteers, and Virginia Davidson will be attending the TAHA Convention in Houston, June 1-4. Amber Rich, director of volunteers, will also be attending.

SMMC welcomes new members and volunteers to its many opportunities for service in our community. For information, call Amber Rich at SMMC.

### Big Spring Art Association

The Big Spring Art



In the left photo, from left to right are honored Scenic Mountain Medical Center volunteers Loma Jean Wynn (6,000 hours), Steve-Marie Haynes (April volunteer of the month), Jo Reynolds (11,100 hours), and Lou Hill (8,900 hours). In the right photo are Virginia Davidson and Amber Rich, who will be attending the TAHA convention in Houston.

Association's Area Art Show was held May 12-17. Artists from San Angelo, Midland, Odessa, Andrews, Roscoe and Big Spring entered art work. Juror and judge for the show was Charles Pruitt of Midland.

Sheree Moates was show chairman, and Kay Smith and Judy Gibbs were cochairmen.

Sheree Moates won best of show for her oil painting "Everlasting Love."

In the watercolor division first place Irene Crawford, second place, Betty Conley, third place, Carole Berry and honorable mention to Judy Gibbs, Kay Smith and Mary E. Jones.

Winners in oil/acrylic division were first Helen Colments, second place, Carole Berry, third, Linda Culf and honorable mention, Sheree Moates, Irene Crawford, Estelle Howard and Madien Blair.

In the pastel division winners were first place Mary Kay Gwinn, second Mary Kay Gwinn, third place Reba Bailey and honorable mention Irene Crawford.

In the sculpture division first place was awarded to Gilbert Silva, second place, Sarah Johnson, third to Sarah Johnson and honorable mention to Linda Rupard.

Winners in mixed media were first place Sheree Moates,

second place, George De Luna, third place Judy Gibbs and honorable mention to George De Luna, Gloria Cisneros and Billy Joe Jay

### Elbow Family and Community Education Club

The Elbow Family and Community Education Club met on Thursday, May 15, in the home of Olnee Menges. President Myrl Soles conducted. Olnee Menges presented the devotional, Mark 12:29-30, Virginia Younger gave the thought for the day, "Mothers are the most instinctive philosophers." Roll call was answered by eight members sharing an idea about "A project I need to finish."

Deputy Ed Covington of the Howard County Sheriff Department presented a lesson on safety. He emphasized the importance of using caution and checking the validity of phone solicitors. Do not pledge or send money until you know the company is a legal concern. He pointed out many safety factors we need to be aware of around our homes also.

Personal safety while walking is important too. Submission to an attacker may prevent injury

or save your life.

Summer meetings for the club will be lunching together at the senior citizens center on the first and third Thursday of June, July and August at 11:30 a.m.

### Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association

Members of the Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association met in the Cactus Room at Howard College on May 19.

An outstanding program was presented by the "Bauer School Fifth Grade Select Choir" and directed by Susan Dawes.

During the meeting, Doris Mason was honored. Doris has served as treasurer from the past 20 years of the local unit. Mrs. Billye Grisham presented Doris with a plaque.

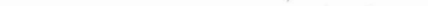
Don Green read a tribute in Doris' honor, which was written by Jean Warren. Doris was presented a money gift designed by Gypsy Gulley.

### 1948 Hyperion Club

The 1948 Hyperion Club observed their final meeting of

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## Learning important in religious belief

How does a person become a Christian? If we are honest, most of us probably did not accept Christ on the basis of "reason and intelligence" to begin with, but rather, it was an emotional experience.

If we had a loving parent or parents, we were loved from an early age, and those who loved us shared the love of Jesus with us.

I can well remember even to this day, my mother sitting at my bedside when I was a child and singing to me, "Jesus loves me, this I know." I heard the song and I felt the love. Emotion was, and still is, an important part of my spiritual journey with Christ. It probably is the same for you.

Perhaps a parent did not bring you to Christ, but a caring, loving friend did. We know Him through them, because of love.

Yet as we grow older, we want to know more about Jesus. Along with love, our intelligence becomes important.

I'm not sure if just knowing a lot about faith will make us better Christians by itself, of course.

The Bible says that evil ones may know a lot and even believe objectively in who Jesus is, but unless Jesus is the one you love, and put your faith in as your Lord, you can know everything there is to know about Him and yet that still won't make you a Christian or a "good" Christian.

But one thing is certain: God gave us our minds to use and to think with, and if you love Jesus you will probably be drawn to learn more about Him.

If you love painting, football, music, hunting, or anything else in life, you try to increase your knowledge about it; the

same thing holds true for our Christian faith.

Some folks limit their Christian experience to the emotional.

For them religion is like a big, joyous, golly-gee-whizz party. I suppose I don't mistrust emotion in religion like that so much as I believe it is only one part of a greater whole. I believe religion ought to be exciting. But it can be as exciting what Jesus reveals to our minds and intellects as much as to our emotions.

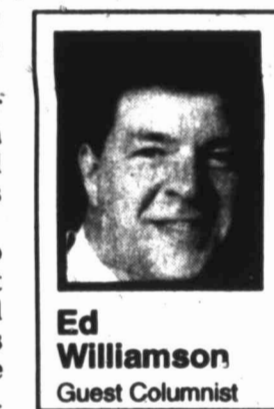
God needs people who will think, and think deeply. We mustn't go overboard on that, of course, any more than on the emotional side.

Founder of we-Methodists John Wesley set the tone for our way of thinking 200 years ago when he said that Methodists ought to bring together knowledge with vital emotional spirituality, or "piety," as he called it in the language of the 1700s. This is the "dynamic duo" of Christian life.

Learn about Jesus. Join a church group on Sunday mornings which is learning together about the Christian life. Share the love and friendship with others in your group, but learn.

It will strengthen your faith, and it will open your eyes to new miracles God has waiting for you.

Let other Christians see you where you think as well as celebrate - in church!



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### See the renovations

Open house is scheduled from 3 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 1 at the Big Spring Humane Society, located on the north service road of Interstate 20 across from McMahon/Wrinkle Airpark.

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## THE LAST WORD

There are minds that resemble those convex or concave mirrors, which represent objects just as they receive them, but never receive them as they really are.

Joseph Joubert

If at first you don't succeed, don't take any more chances.

Kin Hubbard

You can't go very far if you don't begin very near.

J. Krishnamurti



Offense takes vacation in Bulls' victory

CHICAGO (AP) — "Yuck!" Steve Kerr's reaction pretty well summed up the lowest scoring playoff game since the NBA went to the 24-second clock more than 40 years ago. For the Chicago Bulls, ugly was OK. They won 75-68 — that's right 75-68 — for a 2-0 lead in the Eastern Conference finals. For the Miami Heat, it was another night of frustration, another chance missed. Even when the Bulls played poorly, as they did Thursday night, the Heat couldn't win. Miami is now 0-8 all-time against Chicago in the playoffs. "There was no flow to the game the entire way," said Kerr, who spent most of the game on the bench, giving him the same perspective as most fans who watched sloppy basketball, tight physical defense and one missed shot after another. "The fans really ought to get their money back. I feel sorry for them," Kerr offered. "No question, the style of play the first two games is kind of making everybody look bad." The series goes to Miami for Games 3 and 4 Saturday and Monday, and the Heat are looking for a lift from their home-court. "If we can get the same kind of shots in Miami, I'll be satisfied. We got a lot of real good looks. We cut it to one and had six or seven opportunities, good shots, and just didn't make them. Both teams are working real hard defensively," Miami coach Pat Riley said. The Heat made only six second-half field goals in an 84-77 loss in the opener. On Thursday night, they shot just 34 percent — missing 23 of 66 attempts from 3-point range. The Bulls hit just 36 percent for the second straight game, but still managed to win in the final quarter as Michael Jordan — only 4-of-15 from the field for

the game — made 10 straight free throws. Chicago, shooting for its fifth title of the 90s, has now won nine playoff games in 10 tries so far this year. "We played ugly against Atlanta. We played ugly against Washington. It isn't the competition. It's just us. Except for our defense. Our defense has won games," said Jordan, who scored 23 points with 15 of them coming at the free throw line. "Our offense has kept people in the stands. Defense has been winning championships for us in the past." The 143 combined points were two fewer than the previous postseason low set by Syracuse and Fort Wayne in 1955, the first year of the 24-second clock. "I'm going to just sum it up for you: They have given us so many opportunities to win, it's ridiculous," said Alonzo Mourning, who had 14 points for the Heat. "And we just haven't taken advantage of it at all. "But I'm not discouraged because I feel that we've been playing relatively well at home." But Mourning was frustrated by Jordan's frequent visits to the line in the closing minutes, especially after the tough defense played by Heat guard Washon Lenard. "We're doing a great job on him the whole game and then, the fourth quarter comes. ... I mean, come on, man. Goodness gracious," Mourning said. "How many times did he go to the line in the last four minutes? It was about ... a lot." Jordan admitted he played awful. And his assessment of his performance and the one by Scottie Pippen, who also scored 23 was this: Please see BULLS, page 2B

SW Texas rallies to down Raiders

LUBBOCK (AP) — Brad Eubanks' single in the top of the 11th inning scored Chad Spear as Southwest Texas Tech shocked top-seeded Texas Tech 7-6 in the opening round of the NCAA Central Baseball Regional. Southwest Texas (37-24) advances in the double-elimination tournament to play Nevada at 3 p.m. Friday. The Red Raiders were to play Southwest Missouri State in an elimination game at 11 a.m. Friday. The Big 12 champion Red Raiders (46-13) scored four runs in the first inning and led 6-1 after two. They also squandered bases-loaded opportunities in the eighth and 10th innings. Southwest Texas, champions of the Southland Conference tournament, chipped away at the Tech lead with a pair of runs in the sixth inning and three more in the seventh. Tech's Brad Ralston (3-3) retired two batters to start the 11th but walked Spear. Bobcats pitcher Scott Linebrink reached base when Tech third baseman Brandon Buckley booted a grounder, and Spear moved to second. Eubanks followed with the game-winning hit. The Red Raiders' Keith Ginter got a one-out walk in the bottom of the 11th. Shane Langen then laid down a sacrifice bunt but reached base on. Please see TECH, page 2B

McMillan pitching paces Bulldogs

Coahoma claims 3-0 area playoff win over Tahoka

By STEVE REAGAN Staff Writer SNYDER — The further the Coahoma Bulldogs go in the 1997 baseball playoffs, the more they'll rub shoulders with the ghosts of the 1995 team. The Bulldogs invited further comparison with 1995's state semifinalist team Thursday when they rode strong pitching and excellent defense to a 3-0 victory over Tahoka in a Class 2A area playoff at Moffett Field. The Bulldogs will face either Wellington or Abernathy in the Class 2A regional semifinals at a time and site to be determined. Those two teams play Saturday in Amarillo. The Bulldogs (19-7) followed basically the same script they used last week in their playoff opener against Albany: Get strong pitching from McMillan, excellent defense from everybody else and just enough offense to win. Comparisons between the two teams may be premature at this point, but that didn't stop many observers from doing so. Third baseman Marshall Wright started for both squads, and as far as he's concerned, there's no comparison. "This team is better," Wright said. "We hit the ball better, we play better defense, and we have a lot more experience than that team. The only thing missing is (Brandon McGuire's) 93 mph fastball, but Mike (McMillan) has done a great job in his place." McGuire, the Bulldog's all-state pitcher who led his team to the state tournament in 1995, is gone, but McMillan (13-1) is putting up some McGuire-like numbers in the playoffs. Thursday, he fired a two-hitter, striking out 11, walking four and allowing only one runner as far as third base. So far in the 1997 playoffs, opponents are batting a meager .111 (5-for-45) against the Coahoma senior. His efforts ruined a fine pitching performance by Tahoka's Matt Garcia, who struck out seven and walked only one while allowing five hits. Tahoka, the runner-up from District 5-2A, ended its season with a 10-9 record. "Playing behind Mike reminds me a lot of playing self quickly with the defensive play of the game. Waiting to pitch to Matt Chancy, he faked a throw toward third base, then wheeled and fired the ball to first base in time to pick off Bailey. McMillan then fanned Chancy to end the game. If there was a downside to the Bulldogs' win, it could be found in the bats, which have struggled the past two games. Coahoma entered the playoffs hitting at a team clip of .355, but that average has slipped to .239 in the postseason. But first baseman Rodney Gressett was quick to put those numbers in perspective. "I don't know what the problem was. I couldn't find anything to hit, and I was swinging at trash," Gressett said. "But as far as my personal stats are concerned, they don't mean anything as long as we keep winning." Gressett's comments were echoed by head coach Trey Morgan, also a veteran of the '95 team. "Mike pitched very well, and defensively, we were just outstanding today," Morgan said. "We just played the way we've played all year. I don't know about comparisons (to 1995), but I still like the results."

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Coahoma players celebrate their 3-0 victory over Tahoka Thursday in Snyder. HERALD photo/John H. Walker

House OKs stadium bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas House agreed with Senate changes and forwarded to Gov. George W. Bush a bill that would allow cities and counties to use local tax money to finance sports or civic venues. The legislation, approved Thursday on an 88-56 vote, would allow local voters to decide whether to raise taxes or implement new fees to finance community venues such as sports stadiums. Voters could choose among a variety of options, ranging from raising sales and rental-car taxes to charging a tax on admission to the venue. Under current law, only sales taxes may be used for economic development projects. "I'm glad it's over," said bill author Rep. Kim Brimer, R-Kennedale. "This is still a local-option bill. This is not a statewide tax bill. This gives Texans the flexibility they need to accomplish their goals." The vote wasn't close, but the debate was long because of objections by Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, to the option of a 2 percent hotel occupancy tax and the Houston area's inability to vote again on taxes for Astrohome renovations and a downtown baseball park. "I don't abdicate my responsibility to the (Senate)," Turner said. In the Senate, legislators added a provision — that would be in effect until November 1998 — preventing cities from negotiating with a sports team already under contract with another Texas city.

Gonzalez hits two out as Rangers down A's

He can get fooled by a pitch and still hit it out. He does so many great things and still makes it look so effortless.

-John Wetteland  
Texas Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — Juan Gonzalez is heating up for the Texas Rangers. That should send chills to the rest of the American League. The Rangers designated hitter, who missed the first 24 games of the season with a torn ligament in his left thumb, homered in his first two at-bats and drove in five runs as Texas stretched its lead in the AL West to two games with a 10-7 victory Thursday afternoon over the Oakland Athletics. "He's amazing, so smooth and strong," said Rangers closer John Wetteland, who pitched a perfect ninth for his 11th save. "He can get fooled by a pitch and still hit it out. He does so many great things and still makes it look so effortless."

Gonzalez hit a three-run homer in the first inning off Willie Adams and added a solo shot in the third, his seventh, for his 21st career multi-homer game. Gonzalez added an RBI double in the fourth off Mike Oquist (0-1) to break a 6-6 tie.

"He has a knack for driving in runs," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "That's his job. He bats fourth in the lineup and he's the MVP. He's that type of player. The whole thing becomes a confidence factor for the team." Gonzalez was 5-for-23 in his previous six games and he blamed the slump on a lack of patience at the plate. He had been seeing a steady diet of breaking balls and off-speed pitches and, out of frustration, offered at pitches out of the strike zone. "I was more patient, waiting

to swing at strikes," Gonzalez said. "Hitting with men on base, that's my job. I was just happy to get some good pitches to swing at, and I was able to stay back and get good swings. Before I was just jumping at the ball." Gonzalez is now tied Lee Stevens for the team lead with 26 RBIs. Jason Giambi hit a grand slam and Geronimo Berroa homered for the A's and Damon Buford and Ivan Rodriguez also hit Texas home runs. Texas starter John Burkett (3-3) struggled through five innings, allowing six runs and nine hits, but the Rangers bullpen slammed the door, giving up one run and four hits over the final four innings.

Woods four back as Faxon takes lead at Colonial

Tourney leader escapes penalty to grab early lead at tourney FORT WORTH (AP) — Tiger Woods' quest for a PGA Tour "triple" is off to an uncertain start, but he insists he likes his chances entering today's second round of the MasterCard Colonial. "I feel I'm in good shape," the 21-year-old sensation said Thursday after a 3-under-par 67 left him four shots behind leader Brad Faxon and also trailing a dozen others. "Any score under par is a good score here. ... I feel I'm

right there for the weekend." With victories in the Masters and the Byron Nelson Classic in his last two outings, he could become the first player since Nick Price to win three times in consecutive starts. That was in 1993, when Woods was winning his third U.S. Junior Amateur championship and a year before he won the first of three U.S. Amateur titles. But Faxon, after flirting with a 2-stroke penalty, plundered the proud old Colonial Country Club course, firing a bogey-free, 7-under-par 63 for a 1-shot lead. Thinking his tee time was 11:45, he came within seconds of duplicating Wednesday's misadventure when he showed up half a minute late to the

first tee box. "Add two," a PGA official said then. Thursday, Faxon's caddy rescued him. "We gotta go," John Burke said. "We're off at 11:40." Faxon glanced at his watch. It was 11:38. He raced up a hill and escaped the penalty. "How stupid is that?" he said with a laugh. "Attacking the soft, vulnerable greens and seizing on a rare day without Texas winds, Faxon carved up 'Hogan's Alley' and took a stroke lead over Justin Leonard, Paul Goydos and Jim Furyk at 64. Another shot back at 66 were David Duval, Brian Henninger and Bob Tway. While Faxon was tying the tournament record for the low

opening round, a total of 52 players were breaking par for only the second time in Colonial's 51-year history. But the story was, as usual, Woods, who has won three times in eight appearances this year and is the leading money winner with \$1,290,350. "I didn't really play all that well," he said. "I drove it well, but my iron shots weren't good. I had to be cautious with my putting because I had a lot of 20-30 footers. "I'm happy just to get in with a 67." Although Tiger had the lion's share of a crowd estimated at 45,000, his gallery was neither as large nor as loud as those at the Nelson. But his followers were every bit as adoring, cheering his every shot. He

responded with his familiar toothy smile. "When I was growing up watching tournaments on TV, I saw players do that and I thought that was really neat," he said. "I want to do what I can to make people feel good." Neither Woods nor his colleagues expected the brutal assault on Colonial to continue. "I think you'll see a harder golf course as the week goes on," Faxon predicted. Said Tiger: "If the wind starts blowing, I think you'll see some scores back up." But probably Texan Justin Leonard said it best. "There's some weather moping in," Leonard said, "but for all you people who aren't from Texas, that doesn't mean anything. So just be patient."

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This is an unusual year, when you will constantly make adjustments. How you view situations and events will change considerably, because of more open talks and sharing. Be willing to talk about your fears and vulnerabilities. There is an increased tendency toward confusion and misunderstandings. Be as direct as you can be. If you are single, romance is likely. You will grow and see partnership matters in a new way. If attached, your openness will help a relationship blossom. You will need to work on financial matters. CAPRICORN is a pal in hard times.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
What you perceived as a given, might not be. Loosen up about responsibilities. Someone cancels plans, or there is confusion about getting together. Make phone calls, and confirm meetings. Your sense of humor pleases a friend. Tonight: It's a

late-night dinner.\*\*\*  
**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
Opt for a day trip. You need a breath of fresh air. A parent or boss could cause a last-minute upset. Do yourself a favor, and let the answering machine do its work. Catch up on news with a friend. Tonight: Check out a new place.\*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
Sudden news startles you and causes you to regroup. You can deal with it, but be more direct. A change in weekend plans turns out for the better. Share your deeper feelings with a close friend. Relax, and don't push yourself. Tonight: Dine with buddies.\*\*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
A money matter throws you off, but you can handle it. A loved one saves the day. Use this holiday weekend to get out and party. Others are thrilled to catch up with you. A new acquaintance has an impact on your life. Tonight: Attend a barbecue.\*\*\*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
An older relative has another idea about what needs to happen. Listen, but do not allow

yourself to be pulled in emotionally. Complete important projects. Relax with an old friend later in the day, or invite him to pitch in. Tonight: Make it slow and easy.\*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
A partner's words are confusing. Creative energy is high, so you find solutions. Remember the jovial nature of the first summer weekend. Do something special with a loved one. A new relationship, if you are open, could blossom. Tonight: Get into the party spirit.\*\*\*

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
Opting to stay close to home sounds like the right decision. You might have pushed too hard for your own good. A partner is difficult about a child. Don't take unusual risks, especially with joint assets. Bring over only those close to you. Tonight: The party is at your place.\*\*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
You are very busy, full of get-up-and-go. There are a lot of last-minute changes on the home front. Plans could change. A dear friend has another idea about what to do.

Fun comes in the form of hanging out and just talking. Tonight: Nothing beats old friends.\*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
Be careful with unexpected costs. Someone might drop the ball in your lap. The decision rests on whether you can afford this drain. Be realistic about the situation. Make time to get a project done before the celebrations begin. Tonight: It's your treat.\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
A loved one jolts you with news that will cost you in some way. Discussions ease tensions and bring a sense of renewal. It is as you like it. A relationship builds in strength because of new understandings. Love abounds. Tonight: The party begins.\*\*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
What occurs eases pressure and allows for more continuity. You might be so unpredictable that your family doesn't know which way to go. Your good cheer helps discharge tension. Later on, initiate a talk. Your

vulnerability helps another. Tonight: Go behind the scenes.\*\*\*

**FISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
Emphasize what you want. Because of a new development, you need to regroup. Emphasize camaraderie, and visit friends. Perhaps you'll kick off the barbecue circuit! You love the holiday weekend. Tonight: Be where the party is.\*\*\*

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Engine snafus keep drivers off Indy track

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jim Guthrie looked sadly at the front end of his race car.

"It's kind of tough to be a race car driver without an engine," Guthrie said, staring at the open space where the Oldsmobile Aurora engine should have been.

Guthrie and his rookie teammates, Sam Schmidt and Claude Bourbonnais, were the only drivers among the 35 starters in the Indianapolis 500-fied unable to take part in the final practice on Thursday.

"Our backup engines were being rebuilt at the shop in Chicago and they just didn't get them back in time because of a problem with the (engine) dyno," he said. "It hurts not to get out there today. You really want to just make sure your race setup is right."

With lots of questions remaining about the reliability of the Aurora and Nissan, Infiniti engines introduced this year by the Indy Racing League, nobody wanted to push too hard in practice.

Of the 32 drivers who made it onto the 2.5-mile Indianapolis Motor Speedway oval for the two-hour session, Tony Stewart, last year's pole-sitter, led the way with a lap of 215.502 mph.

Rookie Greg Ray was the only other driver to get above 213 mph, turning a lap of 214.807.

That's considerably different from last year, when the new IRL teams were still using turbocharged engines and warming up at close to 210 mph.

The practice got off to a slow start. It took 10 minutes before anyone even got up to 200, and nobody reached 210 during the first hour. There were no yellow flags except for mechanical problems and debris on the track.

"Everybody was just trying to get their work done and not do anything stupid," said Arie Luyendyk, whose four-lap average of 218.263 won the pole on May 10. "Today isn't the day to go for it. That's Sunday."

The traditional "Carburetion Day" practice is the only time the cars are allowed on the track in the six days between the end of qualifications and the start of Sunday's race.

Most of the drivers just went out long enough to make sure everything on their new G Force or Dallara cars — the only models in this year's race — was on tight and working.

"This is the day you make sure everything is right," said Stewart, who will start from the middle of the front row. "We had some problems with my helmet buffeting a little bit in traffic. Once we got that straightened out, we just made sure everything felt right."

"We're ready for Sunday. The key is to just go out there and run consistent laps and save a little for the end."

Meanwhile, Guthrie and his teammates with Blueprint Racing were hoping to find a way to check out their cars before the race.

"We've been trying to figure out a way to take the cars and test somewhere else," said co-owner Ed Rachanski. "But I don't know if we can get it done."

"We'll be OK for the race, though. Blueprint is kind of known for pulling good things out of tough situations."

Office harpies sink claws into contented co-worker

DEAR ABBY: I work in an office with many other women. Over the years, the happier in life I have become, the more jealous and petty these women have become toward me.

Abby, I come to work on time, do my job, try to be pleasant to everyone and go home. I adore my bosses, and I cannot understand the serpent's tongues of my co-workers.

Another woman in the office has mentioned the meanness of some of the people we work with, so it isn't just my own perceptions. I am not a confrontational person and I do not wish to return ugliness for ugliness, so I don't know how to defend myself against these sharp-tongued women.

Sometimes the nastiness is very subtle — it can be a smirk or the tone of voice — and there isn't any obvious thing to address.

My job pays extremely well and I have been here for many years. I have many benefits and prefer not to leave. Have you any suggestions? — "LOIS" IN SANTA ANA, CALIF.

DEAR "LOIS": Yes. Keep your private life completely separate from your professional life. Give these women nothing to fuel their jealousy. When something good happens to you, do not discuss it at the office. Be pleasant, but restrict your conversation to subjects that are work-related only. If you do this, they will have to find someone else to be the target of their sniping.

DEAR ABBY: This letter is to offer advice rather than to seek it. It's directed toward people who are planning to relocate after they retire. I would suggest to them that they live in the area in which they are planning to move for at least one year before making a final

decision, and to make sure they are paying a fair market price before they buy.

My wife and I bought a home in Florida, thinking it would be the ideal place to retire. There is considerable development going on in the area. While it is a nice community, we have found it is not really what we wanted. We would like to sell our home and move.

Abby, the home we purchased has been on the market with a nationally known real estate company for two years. During that period we have had only one offer and it was for a price well below that for which it listed. (The house is listed at \$20,000 less than what we paid for it three years ago.) If it does sell, after the commissions are paid, we will realize a loss of more than \$25,000.

I would urge those contemplating retirement to avoid buying until they are absolutely sure. I guarantee it will save them a lot of time, money, frustration and disappointment. — SADDER AND WISER IN FLORIDA

DEAR SADDER AND WISER: Thanks for sharing your expensive lesson with my readers, and for the reminder that a prudent investor carefully sizes up the market before investing in anything.

DEAR ABBY: Among the letters you printed about transsexuals using the ladies room was one from a woman who noticed the shoes on the person in the stall next to hers were pointed the "wrong" way, and she was outraged.

That letter made me laugh because a couple of years ago my bladder, for all intents and purposes, ceased functioning and I had a urostomy operation. In plain English, that means I now have a tube inside attached to a bag outside, and when I go to the ladies room to empty it, my shoes also point the "wrong way" and I occasionally wonder if anyone ever notices.

"People shouldn't jump to conclusions — especially about things that are none of their business. Please do not use my name if you print this. — THE GIRL NEXT DOOR

DEAR GIRL NEXT DOOR: Most people are not privy to this kind of information, so thank you for speaking out. You were 100 percent on target when you stated that people shouldn't jump to conclusions.

DEAR ABBY: I never thought I'd ever have a chance at a great lover. However, at 65 I've been lucky enough to meet him. He is trustworthy in all

things, not just sex; he wants to please and provide happiness in my life; he's able to control his own sexuality and bring us ultimately to even higher heights. By the way, my guy is in his late 70s.

P.S. I completely agree with your definition of a lousy lover. Been there — had that! — SEXY LADY IN ARLINGTON, TEXAS

DEAR ABBY: A lover who looks a woman in the eyes and tells her how beautiful she is and how much he loves her is a good lover. But what really makes it or breaks it, in my opinion, is if after all the afterglow fades — can you talk to each other? I am only 28 years old, but I am sophisticated enough to know that sex is only a bonus. A good friendship is a lifetime commitment. I have a man who talks with me. We have a wonderful sex life, but it has more to do with how happy we are — not how technically proficient we are. Abby, feel free to edit this and you are welcome to print my name. I want my Edward to know that he's a good lover because he cares. — NORMA JEAN BARON, PLAINSBORO, N.J.

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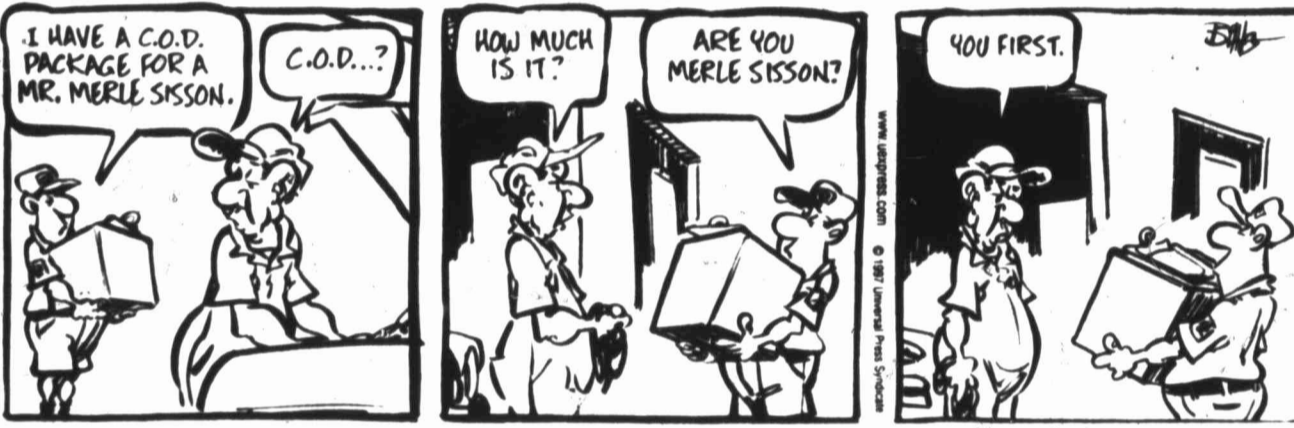
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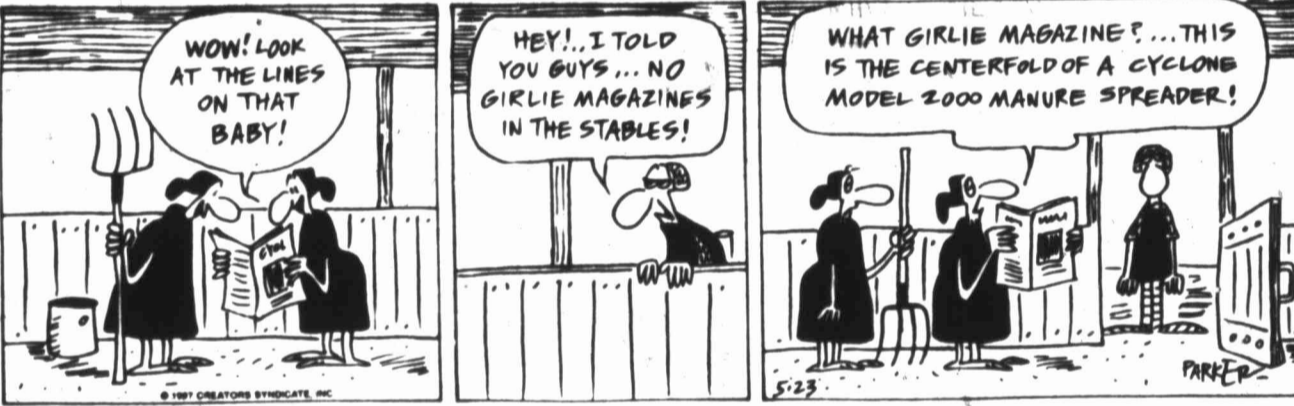
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days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On May 23, 1934, bank robbers Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow were shot to death in a police ambush as they were driving a stolen Ford Deluxe along a road in Bienville Parish, La. On this date:

In 1430, Joan of Arc was captured by the Burgundians, who sold her to the English. In 1533, the marriage of England's King Henry VIII to Catherine of Aragon was declared null and void. In 1701, Captain William Kidd was hanged in London after he was convicted of piracy and murder. In 1788, South Carolina became the eighth state to ratify the U. S. Constitution. In 1873, Canada's North West Mounted Police force was established. In 1895, the New York Public Library had its origins with an agreement combining the city's existing Astor and Lenox libraries. In 1915, Italy declared war on Austria-Hungary in World War I. In 1937, industrialist John D. Rockefeller died in Ormond Beach, Fla. In 1940, Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra, the Pied Pipers and featured soloist Frank Sinatra recorded "I'll Never Smile Again" in New York for RCA.

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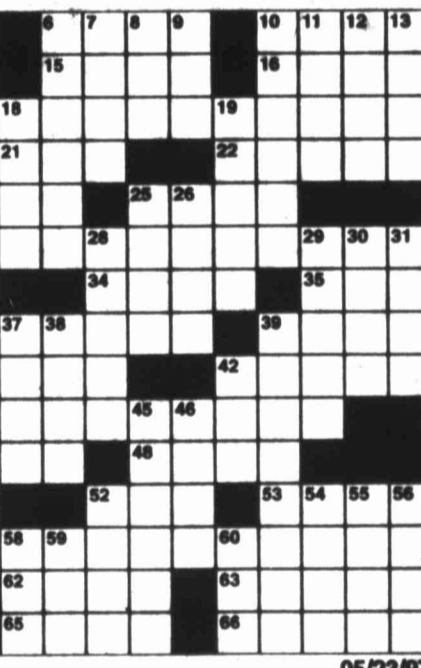


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THE Daily Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Metal fastener
- 6 City on the Arno
- 10 Federal agent
- 14 Far East native
- 15 Serves superbly
- 16 Cartoonist Goldberg
- 17 Elvis hit
- 20 Market
- 21 Dispose of
- 22 Tom, of 'The Seven Year Itch'
- 23 Singer Redding
- 25 Swiss river
- 27 Elvis hit
- 32 Feel in one's -
- 34 Bearing
- 35 Rec room
- 36 Noted name in cars
- 37 Spigot
- 39 Tie
- 40 Seine
- 41 Samoan seaport
- 42 Praises
- 43 Elvis hit
- 47 "Hawkeye" portrayer
- 48 Places
- 49 Omni, for one
- 52 Feel poorly
- 53 Chore
- 57 Elvis hit
- 61 British composer
- 62 Blissful place
- 63 Parsley plant
- 64 Suds
- 65 Spring period
- 66 Silly ones



by Kenneth Witte 05/23/97

Thursday's Puzzle solved:



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