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# 2-year-old injured in accident 

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer
A two-year-old girl was transported to the emergency room
at Scenic Mountain Medical Center Wednesday evening after an accident in the 1700 block of S. Johnson. According to Big Spring Police Lt. Terry Chamness, the approximately $7: 12$ p.m. after approximately $7: 12$ p.m. atter
the child's father accidentally

girl with the fami-
ly's ly's car. just gotten hack from the store," said
Chamness. father was backing the car out of the
driveway and mother. The mother tried to
stop him but it was too late. The child suffered scrapes to the face and legs and was transported to the emergency room at Scenic Mountain. The doc-
tors there determined she didn't have any broken bones, but n 't have any broken bones, but
they were unable to determine if she suffered any internal injuries. She was later transferred to the children's hospital ferred to the
in Lubbock."
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in ubbbock." Chamness said the transfer situation. was necessary because the local press time, and decined to pro care for children in this type of involved in the accident.

## "They simply don't have the

 facilities at Scenic Mountain Medical Center that they have in Lubbock," said Chamness. That's why she was trans-Chamness said the condition Chamness said the condition
of the child was not available at

## Gun found at school

Criminal intent ruled out, says CISD superintendent By STEVE REAGAN Stạf Writer COAHOMA - Coahoma Independent
District officials are discounting malicious intent after a firearm was found in a student's car earlier this week. cISD Jerry Johnson said the firearm - which
was unloaded - was found in the student's car parked in a school disrict lot. The gun was not building. Thomas Lewis, an omployee witheranheer Masonry, works on what will soon be the Gerald Marie Wallace Pavilion, located adjacent to the Heritage Museum. The pavilion, which will be used to host museum events and be avaliable to the com-
munity to rent, is expected to be completed in time for the museum's annual Legends and Legacies presentation, slated for June 19.

## Museum pavilion under construction

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer
Ther " ment museum" may evoke closed-in spaces, but the Big Spring Heritage Museum will be able to Heritage Museum will be able to
take its act outdoors soon, as work on a new pavilion wraps up this summer.
"The idea actually started out as a
gazebo," Nancy Raney, director of from the late Leland Wallace and the museum, said with a laugh. the Dora Roberts Foundation "But as we moved forward with the according to Raney. idea, we started asking ourselves "They have both been so gener how we were going to hold our ous. We simply couldn't have done annual Legends and Legacies pro- this without them," she said.
ram in a gazebo."
The pavilion - named the Gerald Marie Wallace Pavilion - was made possible through funding

Raney said the pavilion will be utilized by the museum for various

Staff Writer
Area businesses and health care providers planning to reserve a booth at the 2007 Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Health Fair better think fast, as a pair of headlines approa
Friday and next week. Friday will be the las Friday will be the last wanting to reserve a booth for the annual booth for the annual
event at the current $\$ 80$
"Apparently, it was left See CISD, Page 3A

## Health Fair booth

 prices to increaseover from a spring break hunting trip," Johnson said. "We found a
firearm, but no ammunifirearm, but no ammuni-
tion." tion." Johnson would not comJohnson would not com-
ment on whether the student would face disciplinary action from the school district. "We will follow board policy in this matter, and hat's all I'll say right Johnson added, howe er, that it was apparent

## Business After Hours

 Mark your calendar for the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours event slated for mid-April. "A ShowCase of Airpark businesses" will e hosted by the McMahon-Wrinkle Airport and Industrial Park me reception is set from 5 p.m. to 7 Rickabaugh Drive West. There will be door prizes and retresh ments. Merchants are invited to bring their business cards for exchange. Business After Hours is a program designed to encourage networking andshowcase sponsors. There is no charge to attend and the public is welcome.

## RATTLESNAKE ROUNDUP

The American Business Club
(AMBUCS) of Big Spring will hold its 44th Annual Rattlesnake Roundup Saturday and Sunday at the Howard County Fairbarns.
Protessional snake handlers will educate and entertain the public
The event includes a free arts and cratts Hours will be 10 both days. and noon to be $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to 6 p.m. Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.
Admission is $\$ 5$ for adults Admission is $\$ 5$ for adults and $\$ 3$ for
children age 4-11 and can be pid
door.
Proceeds will benefit ongoing AMBUCS projects.

The date is set for the Third Annual "Spring Clean Community-Wide Flea Market" set for 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Big Spring Mall parking lot. Keep Big Spring Beautiful invites every-
one to be involved - all clubs, organizations, businesses and individuals. Pick up an application for booth space at the Mall office or the Chamber of Commerce, 215 W . Third. Prices for $10 \times 10$ spaces are $\$ 25,12 \times 12$ spaces are $\$ 45$ and $24 \times 12$ spaces are $\$ 65$ Call $263-8235$ or 263-7641 for more
information. Mail applications and to: Keep Big Spring Beautiful, P.O. Box 1350, Big Spring 79721

## Community flea market



## Obituaries

## Olena Franklin

Olena Franklin, 87, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, March 21,2007 , at the Home Hospice facility in
Odessa. Graveside funeral services will be held at 3 Odessa. Graveside funeral services will be held at 3
p.m. Friday, March 23, 2007, at the Hawley Cemetery in Hawley.
in Hawley.
The family will receive friends Thursday, March 22 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at thefuneral home. She was born June 27, 1919, in Jones County an married Klyce T. Franklin in Hawley. He preceded her in death May 6, 1989.
Olena came to Big Spring in 1960 from Hawley. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.
Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law and Julie Franklin of Loco Hills, N.M.; one daughter Jill Franklin of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren; and nine reat grandchildren.
She was also preceded in death by a son, Randy ranklin; a gra.
The family suggests memorials be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater West Texas Chapter 4400 N . Big Spring, Suite C-32, Midland 79705 or to Home Hospice, 111 E. 7th St., Suite A, Big Spring Ar
Arrangements are under the direction of NalleySpring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

## Weather

Tonight...Mostly cloudy with showers and thunder torms likely. Locally heavy rainfall possible after midnight. Lows around 60 . Southeast winds 10 to 15
mph . Chance of precipitation 60 percent. Friday Cloudy with show 60 percen ikely. Some thunderstorms may produce large hai and damaging winds in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 70s. South winds 10 to 15 mph . Chance of pre Friday night... Most.
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fall mainly after midnight. Lows in the mid 50 s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph . Chance of precipitation 70 percent.
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chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s.
Sunday...Partly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of howers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 70s.
 Monday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50 s. Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s. Tuesday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50 s. Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.

## Take Note

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH will have Stations of the Cross Friday at .m. A fish fry will follow in the church hall. Plates

CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP IS COL LECTING INFANT CAR SEATS AND CARRIERS These are given to new mothers who cannot afford them. To donate your old or new car seats and carri-
ers, call Karen Allen at $263-3517$ or leave a message at ers, call Karen Allen at $263-3517$ or leave a message at are appreciated

ROAD TO RECOVERY, sponsored by the merican Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to driv cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This require just a few hours commitment each month. To volun Koger at 267-7809.

- NEW LIFE MINISTRIES Church of God In Christ is holding a soup kitchen every second and fourth uesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 204 N.W. 10th. The
- THE PET PATROL helps locate lost pets and owners of found pets. To volunteer or for more informa tion, call Melanie Gambrell at 267-PETS (7387).
- ODYSSEY HOSPICE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS to work in the office and perform patient services. Fo
- THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM that delivers meals to the elderly and homebound needs volunteer to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per weel dell 90 meals are or 10 meals, you are needed. About 8 recipients within the city limits of Big Spring If you can volunteer, please call $263-4016$ before p.m.
- LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST TEXAS is accept ing appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking divorce, custody and child support issues, social secu rity cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal docu 5630 or $432-686-0647$
- BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES are in critical need of foster families. For more inforles, call the Children's Protective Services officecat les, cal


## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the folowing activity between $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Wednesday and $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$ - GRAYSON S. WEGNER, 18, of 8607 Gail Highway was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving unde the influence by a minor.

- UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE was reported in the 100 block of Marcy
in the 1100 block of Lame
in the 1600 block of Sycamore
- POSSESSION/DELIVERY OF DRUG PARA PHERNALIA was reported in the 1000 block of - AGGRAVATED ASSAULT was reported in the 500 block of Goliad.


## Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the fol owing activity:
icials with the Howard County Jai eported having 58 inmates at the time of this report - DEANNE MARIE THOMPSON, 33, was arreste Wednesday by the HCSO on charges of bondsman of bond for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less,
driving while intoxicated - second offense, disregarding a red light and a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated. - FREDDIE RAMOS, 21 ,
by the HCSO on a bench warrant. - MICHAEL ANTHONY JUAREZ, 21, was trans ferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSSD on
charge of violation of parole -administrative release violator. $\cdot$ ERIC WAYNE CEVALLOS, 24 , was on charges of the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of criminal mischief, assault Class C/family vioience, terroristic the

- LONNIE RAY GRAY JR., 27, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of burglary of a building.


## Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergenc Medical Services reported the following activity: - MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N Highway 87. One person was transported to th VAMC.

- MiEDICAL was reported in the 1500 block ucson. One person was transported to SMMC - MEDICAL was reported in the 1400 block -Mgind One person, was transported to SMMC. - TRABMA - person was transported to SMMC. - TRAEMA was reported in the 1700 block of ohnson. One person was transported to SMMC.


## Support Groups

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smokin

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 night, no smoking meeting the 9 p.m. Open birthday month at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$


## SUNDAY

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


## MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

- The National Alliance for the Mentally Il (NAMI) support group meets from 3 p.m. to $4: 30$ p.m. in th Howard County Library, 500 S . Main. Anyone who ha a mental illness or has a friend or family with menta 268-3835 for more information.

Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m and closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative grou meets at 213 Oircle. Call Lucy at $264-1213$ for mor information.


## SIGN UPFORA One Scooter Glven Away Each Month E.

## Bulletin Board

## If you have Items for the Bulletin board,

## editoreblgspringherald.com

TODAY

- League of Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 6 p.m. in the board room of the YMCA. For more information, contact Patton at 71441485 or $263-6351$ or $816-6962$. 221 Main. Meal served. Meeting at 7 p.m.


## FRIDAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Call $267-1037$ or 267 7281 for more information
- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant - Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in
the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Spring City Senior Citizens Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featur
ing Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area senior ing Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area senior are invited.

SATURDAY

- AMBUCS Ra
SATURDAY Rattlesnake Roundup, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Howard County Fairbarns. Admission is $\$ 5 \mathrm{fo}$ adults and $\$ 3$ for children age 4-11. There is also


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## MONDAY

- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at $5: 3$ p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or $263-0391$ or $263-1758$. - Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 175 Big Spring, 911 Goliad. A different program is offere every week. Enter through the south side door off 10th Street. Call $263-2786$ for more information 606 E. Third. 606 E. Third

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

- The Powwow Committee of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church annex, 809 Robert Downing at 2633255 for information.


## CKBDNESDAY

 - Optimist Club meCollege Cactus Room. Mountain Medical meets at 10:30 a.m. at Scenic Aerobics Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chai attend. Call 268-4721.

- Downtown Lions Club Spring Country Club - Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant
- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479.
-The Prospector's Club meets at $7: 30$ p.m. at 606 E Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. Fo more information contact Lola Lamb at


## Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:
Ninning numbers drawn: 4-12-14-29-50-52
umber matching six of six: 0 .
Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night Winning numbers drawn: 7-8-22-23-25
Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday nigh
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday
night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-4-1


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Four condemned prisoners lose appeals HOUSTON（AP）－Four condemned Texas inmates Appeals，the state＇s highest criminal court，including a Harris County man convicted of a shooting rampage where five people were killed．
Coy Wayne Wesbrook，49，was convicted and sen－ tenced to die for the November 1997 killing spree at an partment complex just east of Houston．
－Michael Rich orse their appeals included： －Michael －Cleve Foster，43，convicted of the abduction，rape and fatal shooting of a woman in Fort Worth． ing of a gun shop owner during a robbery in Belle ing of a gun shop owner during a robbery in Bellaire，

West Texas Hospital to end
health care services
ABILENE（AP）－A hospital will not appeal a deci－ not provide health care services after March 30．
In early February，three members of Congress focused on the hospital after a patient death in January．Hospital staff called 911 when the
complications in the patient＇s spinal surgery． complications in the patients spinal surgery
Sens．Max Baucus，D－Mont．，and Chuck Gr Iowa，and Rep．Pete Stark，D．Calif．，asked the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to re－examine Medicare payments made to West Texas Hospital． CMS already was in the process of surveying the hos－ pital following a pat
Reporter－News reports．
The hospital said in 30 ，it will relinquish its Medicare certification as an acute care hospital．
Family says women＇s abduction was a hoax DALLAS（AP）－Two young women whose three－day disappearance prompted a police and volunteer search curfew after a night of partying，family members said． Sasha Abney，20，and her cousin Bryshada Ward， 17 left their homes in Terrell，about 30 miles east of Dallas on Friday night，saying they were going to a movie at a Mesquite theater．
The cousins didn＇t resurface until Tuesday night

## HEALTH

Continued from Pase ia deadline to sign up will be the following Friday March 30．The booths include a skirted table，
two chairs，a trash can and a sign with the ven dor＇s name．＂
Valverde said this year＇s health fair，sched uled for April 14 and car rying the theme＂Good
Health－Now and for Our Future，＂will focus a great deal on screenings and other preventive tests to help keep people
healthy，now and in the future．
＂It＇s so important that people know what＇s hap． pening with their bodies，
said Valverde．＂These tests and screenings can be very important in catching problems early，
before they become major before they become major
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Long lines for screen－ ings that may have been discouraging for area res－ idents attending the 2006
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according to Valverde． ＂We had lines so long
west in the Central Texas town of K ＂We found out this was a hoax，＂Sasha Abney＇s father，Richard Abney，said at a news conference Wednesday evening．
＂They missed their curfew，got in deeper and deeper and decided they were going to drive south．They ran
out of money and ran out of gas，and they were afraid to call us．We are apologizing to everyone．＂
Mesquite police Lt．Bill Artesi said the department was closing its case．
The women＇s parents grew concerned when they did－ n ＇t get home by midnight Friday．One of the women Saturday morning and screamed，＂Please help！＂ Police tracked the phone call to an area of Dallas where a nearby resident said she had heard a woman＇s screams about the same time．Police and volunteers with dogs to search a wood home Tuesday afternoon．
Tuesday night，Ward hit Sasha Abney in the head witt her shoe to cause a minor injury and lend credibility to their story，Richard Abney said．
Richard Abney said the cousins，one a high school student and the other in college，would be punished． He said their behavior was out of character people out there were trying to help．＂

Ex－boyfriend charged in death of missing Texas A\＆M student HOUSTON（AP）－A murder charge was filed against the ex－boyfriend of a missing Texas A\＆M stu－ dent after he led investigators to a trash container where he allegedly put her body，authorities said． murder Wednesday in the death of Tynesha Stewart said Lt．John Denholm of the Harris County Sheriff＇s Office homicide division．
Stewart，a 19－year－old college freshman，was last seen with Shepherd on March 15 while she was home for spring break visiting her mother body because the trash bin hafficult to find Stewart＇s body because the trash bin has been hauled off at least ＂We are exploring whether it＇s even possible to search for her remains at this point，＂Denholm said． ＂It＇s the literal needle in the haystack
Shepherd had allowed investigators to search his car
and apartment and had been cooperative during inter－ view
sald．
Shapherd met with community activist Quanell X on
Wednesday．Denholm said Quanell X then arranged a meeting with Shepherd and Harris County authorities un the activist＇s car．
He told me，with the investigator in the car，where to go．He led us all the way，and when he stood before
the dumpster，he broke down，and he said，＇This is where I put her，＇＂said Quanell X．

## George P．Bush selected

for Navy reserves class
FORT WORTH（AP）－George P．Bush，the son of for－ mer Florida Gov．Jeb Bush and nephew of President Bush，has been selected as one of 15 prospective
ensigns for the intelligence unit of the Navy reserves． He and the other members of the Class of 2007 will be sworn in this year，Lt．Cmdr．Bill Schroeder of the Navy Reserve Intelligence Command in Fort Worth said Wednesday．They will go through a two－week offi－ cer indoctrination school，a year of Navy basic intelli－ gence training and be assigned to
ligence units close to their homes．
Navy intelligence officers collect and analyze infor－ mation and provide guidance to help war fighters make decisions critical on the battlefield，Schroeder said．
Bush，a 30 －year－old graduate of the University of Texas school of Law，will get no special treatment，he
＂He will be held to the same standards as all of his other shipmates，＂Schroeder said．＂He will go through the same training．He will have the same duties and responsibilities and have to display the same commit－ ment as the rest of his shipmates．

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you couldn＇t see the end
of them last year，＂said Valverde．＂This＂year， we＇ll have more than one booth doing screenings for the more popular tests，so we＇re hoping we
can cut down on the wait times．＂
ValVerde sald athose who believe screenings aren＇t necessary may
want to think again． want to think again． ＂Last year we had a gen－ the prostate screening，＂ said Valverde．＂The test came back positive，and really gave him a head start on treating the prob－
lem．We＇ll be doing the lem．We ill be doing the this year．So if you think these screenings aren＇t worth the time or trouble， that man is living proof they can save a life．＂
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slated for the fair are slated pressure，choles－
bloo terol，glucose，pulse／oxy－ gen，weight，fluoride
treats for kids and DNA kits for kids．
＂We＇re also going to come several speakers
coming in to make pre－ sentations，＂＂make pre－ ValVerde．＂Kim Shafer，
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car．＂
Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263－7331， reporter＠bigspringher ald．com．

Chamber office at 263－7641
or visit 215 W．Third Street．
Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263 － t citydesk＠bigspringher． at citydesk＠bigspringher
shows and gatherings， but its service to the com－ munity won＇t stop there． ＂We＇ll use it for events at the museum，like the Legends and Legacies
presentation，which is presentation，which is tation，＂said Raney． ＂However，we＇re also going to make it available the public to rent．＂ ed to be completed by ed to be
mid－June．
Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263. 7331 ext． 232 or by e－mail at citydesk＠bigspringher－
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## Our Views

## Local Scouts still needing financial help

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main in the feeling.... Less tranising day currently under way by the Friends of Scouting, and if you have not yet respond-
all to help support the young men involved ed to the call to help support the young men involved
in our connnunity's Boy Scout troups, we're urging in our connununity's Boy Scout troups, we're urging
you to do so now.
We have oft noted in this space that good causes We have oft noted in this space that good causes run out of them. Sometimes, however, some stick out
like a sore thumb, so to speak, demanding our attenlike a sore thumb, so to speak, demanding our atten-
tign. We believe that is the case with the Friends of tion. We believe that
Scotiting fund drive.
It's important to remember that while the Scouts
receive some funding from the receive some funding from the United Way of Big
Spring and Howard County, it isn't nearly enough Spring and Howard
needed by the more than 60 young men and their 200
Scout leaders involved in our area's 44 scouting Scout leaders involved in our area's 44 Scouting
units. units.
We should all be interested in helping fill the gap. One need only look at he scout oath - On my
honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake and morally straight + to know that mentally awake and morally straight $-\perp$ to know that
the influence made by Boy Scouts in any community is immeasurable.
After all, if the
After all, if the youth in our community are pre-
sented with strong moral values, a sense of family sented with strong moral values, a sense of family
and the appreciation of helping others, it makes sense that our entire community will grow in the same direction.
In other words, we all benefit.
And that's why we're askit
And that's why we're asking our readers to consider helping the 650 or so young men in our area who
are a part of Scouting. There are three primary ways we influence our
youth - character building, physical and mental fitness and citizenship training, ", "notes Hayes Stripling,
financial chairman for Friends of Scouting. "This fess and citizenship training, notes Hayes stripling,
francial
program prepares your Friends of scouting. "his their Scout oath.
This year's drive continues through Saturday,
March 31. To make a donation, send them to March 31. To make a donation, send them to
Stripling at 613 Edwards in. Big Spring, or to the Boy Remember, making a contributior to help the boys
Remember young men of our community continue their involvement in scouting is, nothing short of an mestenet th the o ommuntry sture

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## A Small Prayer



## Don't ask, don't tell, don't think it

Marine Gen. Peter Pace has violated a cardina correct culture: stating
our country, and deserve Gen Pace's praise, not his condemna-
tion. Prejudice should not dictate policy."
But
But Pace did not show disrespec for or demean the sacrifice of homosexual service members. In
fact, he said he supported the pol fact, he said he supported the poli-
cy, which allows homosexuals to cy, which allows homosexuals to
serve, and that it does not make "a judgment about individual acts." In his support for the policy, it's obvious he believes homosexuals can and do make valua Contrary to SLDN's stateme the policy is not grounded in prej udice against homosexuals, or even morality, for that matterdoes not make "a judgment abou
individual acts." It is based priindividual acts." It is based pri-
marily on national security concerns, which experts evidently believe would be compromised by permitting homosexual behavior Pandering politicians expressed their indignation as well. Similar Pelosi implied that Pace was cha lenging the patriotism of homose ual service members, which he manifestly was not
Congressman Marty Meehan, D
Mass., who introduce Mass., who introduced legislatio to repeal "'s ont ask, don't tell," minority in both the civilian and military populations. Assuming for purposes of argument that Meehan's dubious assertion is
true, it is completely irrelevant. true, it is completely irrelevan positions based on the polls. Certain values, such as opposition to homosexual "marriage," in the words of Pope Benedict XVI and I'm not
Meehan also said the military's
policy discriminates against homo sexuals. But it doesn't bar homosexual orientation and, actually, tacitly condones it. It only forbids homosexual conduct. Many, many laws discriminate against certain
behaviors
tion, Pace should have offered his
would be a similar uproar? Or would he have been celebrated as a man
But that's not quite what he said
in an interview with the Chicago in an interview with the Chicago ask, don't tell" policy, which essentially provides that as long as homosexual conduct, their orienta tion will be irrelevant and certain ly not disqualifying.
homosexual acts between individ als are immoral and that we
should not condone immoral act But he was clear that he was
expressing his personal views "as
an individual " an individual.
After activist groups and politi
cians went ballistic over Pace's remarks, he said he regretted emphasizing his personal views
and that he should have "focuse more on the policy." But he refused to apologize.
The advocacy group
Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN) issued a statement on its website that, "Gen. insensitive and disrespectful to the 65,000 lesbian and gay troops
now serving in the armed forces Our men and women in uniform make tremendous sacrifices for
personal views on the morality of conduct instead of confining his remarks to the military policy is one thing. But that's Pace's hanging is really about. Pace's hanging offense is having passed moral judgment on homo-
sexual behavior and those engag. sexual behavior and in in Certain opins are strictly forbidden in our society, whether you utter them in uniform or civvies, in public or in

private.
If Pace's unpardonable $\sin$ is If Pace's unpardonable $\sin$ is
being judgmental, aren't many of his accusers guilty of the very same thing? Are they not passing moral judgment on and demeaning him for passing moral judgm on homosexual behavior? others, while demanding "tolerance," want to silence and demonize those who disapprove of homosexual behavior. For them, it's not just "don't ask, don't tel
It's "don't tell, and don't even It's "don't tell, and ds."
Pace is right not to apologize for the content of his remarks, which would be insincere. While I'm cer tainly not trying to be offensive and people are free to disagree,
Pace's moral position on this ha Pace's moral position on this ha
been affirmed by virtually every reen affirmed and society throughout history, and by "Nature's Law," upon which this country was founded. He has just as much right to express it as his critics have to express their ing for a target against whom to direct their wrath, they should consider Sen. Hillary Clinton, who, with characteristic courage
and forthrightness, declined to and forthrightness, declined to
answer whether "homosexuality was immoral, saying that was for "others to conclude." Like Gen. Pace, perhaps?
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## Can Northeast Republicans recover?

HNew Enyland Republican? Perhaps you
can reminisce about the early 20th century - when the Gopked up. locked up.
Quick quiz: In Franklin Roosevelt
1936 electoral tri1936 electoral tri-
umph, only two stat umph, only
went to his
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Republican opponent
Alf Landon. Which Aff Landon.
were they?

## Answer: V

and Maine.
New England was
once the Republica
heartland, all right

swept over it, starting is Massachusetts during the ' 50 s and finishing the job in Maine by the 1990s. The party has seen similar, If less dramatic, slippage in the Northwest, Rockies and Midwest. once mighty GOP delegation survive in Washington, and they're worried. Voters last year dismissed four of the region's five Republican representatives, leaving only the miracle of
hristopher Shays standing in the One victim of the anti
Republican surge was Charles Bass of New Hampshire. A "visceral" hatred for Bush was the ing otherwise likable Republicans, he told me.
Bush was indeed a problem for
Republicans in New England. But
the itching question remains: Is
he a problem or The Problem? If Bush is The Problem, then relief is at hand in January 2009, when he leaves office. But if he's only
emblematic of a party that no longer speaks the socially liberal and fiscally conservative dialect of the GOP past, then Republicans in this region are going to be lonely. Bass insists that 2006 was an England Republicans. But he did concede, "The Northeast is an area where there is a lot of missionary work to be done." Bass now heads the Republican Main Street Partnership, which is trying to move the party to the center.
The 2008 election could prove problematic for two New England Republicans facing re-election, Sens. John Sununu of New Hampshire and Susan Collins of Maine. Both are doing their bes to put distance b
selves and Bush.
Collins does have a high approval rating, but then again, so did Lincoln Chafee, a Rhode Island Republican who recently lost his Senate seat. "People would tell me," Lincoln Cheir windows and tell me," Lincoin Chafee vote for you, but it wasn't your fault."'
Andrew Smith, a political scientist and pollster at the University Bush and the Irag agrees that Bush and the Iraq war are tempo-
rary sources of local anger. But he rary sources of local anger. But he
notes that other more permanent demographic changes don't bode well for Republicans in this neck

Most newcomers to New
Hampshire, one of the last Republican holdouts, are highly educated people who work in high tech, finance and similar profes-
sions. They are solidly Democrati sions. They are solidly Democratic
or independents. And the old GOP stock - the Republicans-sincebirth - are dying or moving to
Arizona.
The region still elects
Republican governors who campaign on the wings of moderation One of them, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, is running for the GOP presiden tial nomination out of his head quarters in Boston. That's promisdisowning half the things he said to get elected in Massachusetts. After the November thumping Republicans had the opportunity to rebrand themselves by electing Lamar Alexander, a moderate
whip. They instead chose the retro Trent Lott of Mississippi, a former majority leader. Oh well. Republicans won't get their Northeast groove back until they can relate to voters who don't care if the couple next door is gay but shocking. Can they find their inner Nelson Rockefeller? If they do, Chris Shays will be the first to thank them.
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# Making HISTORY: 

The midsize BLS is first station wagon for Cadillac By MARK PHELAN Detroit Free Press extremely popular in
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thinks GENEVA, Switzerland thinks the BLS wagon - To boost its European sales, Cadillac will intro-
duce a midsize luxury staoventually account Bidsize luxury sta- BLS sales. The luxury duce a midsize luxury sta-
tion wagon late this year.
bedans sold 1,300 BLS
sed 3,000 total $\begin{array}{ll}\text { The BLS is the first sta- } & \text { sedans out of } 3,000 \text { total } \\ \text { sales in Europe last year. }\end{array}$ tion wagon in Cadillac's "Cadillac is in Europe 104-year history and will for the long haul," GM be built in Sweden along- Vice Chairman Bob Lutz
side the BLS sedan, which said at the Geneva auto side the BLS sedan, which said at the Geneva auto
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## House committee approves proposed $\$ 150.1$ billion budget

$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { AUSTIN (AP) } & \text { The } & \text { session with Comptroller } & 50 \text { percent } & \text { with the } & \text { with funding requests for } \\ \text { House budget-writing } \\ \text { committee approved a } & \text { Susan Combs' estimate } & \text { other half picked up local- } & \text { new programs, instead of } \\ \text { that they had } \$ 14.3 \text { billion } & \text { ly }- \text { in the first year of } & \text { bracing for certain cuts, }\end{array}$ committee approved a proposed $\$ 150.1$ billion spending plan for the
coming coming two years
Wednesday, much of it accounting for growth in
Texas public education Texas public education
and health and human and heal
services.
The budget proposal
now moves to the full now moves to the full
House, where it's expected to be debated next
week. Then the Senate week. Then the Senate
gets a crack at it. The House Appropria-
tions Committee voted 24 tions Committee voted 2
2 in favor of the bill.
2 in favor of the bill. bud-
"We passed a good bat," said Republican Rep.
Warren Chisum of Warren Chisum of
Pampa, chairman of the committee. "We're proud
of what we did." of what we did."
Two Houston Democrats
voted against the plan.
Rep. Sylvester Turner, Rep. Sylvester Turner,
another
Houston another Houston
Democrat, chose not to vote after voicing con-
cerns about college cerns about college
tuition rates and chil-
dren's health insurance dren's health insurance funding.
The proposed budget includes state money and federal money allotted to
Texas. The state general revenue portion of the
$\$ 150.1$ billion total proposal amounts to $\$ 75.5$ billion.
The overall proposal is a
3.8 percent increase over 3.8 percent increase over
the $\$ 144.7$ billion budget the $\$ 144.7$ billion budget
from the $2006-07$ biennifrom the $2006-07$ bienni-
um. The $2008-09$ proposal
does not include $\$ 14$ bildoes not include $\$ 14$ bil-
lion for school property tax cuts approved as part
of a school funding plan of a school funding plan
last year. That's included last year. That's included
in another bill this sesin another bin this
sion, House spending
The plan and property tax relief money would boost total spending for the coming two years to nearly $\$ 165$ billion.
Approving a state bud-
get is the only thing the get is the only thing the
Legislature must do in its regular session, which ends May 28.
that they had $\$ 14.3$ billion in new mone
year cycle.
But some of that was already allotted for tax cuts and expected education and other spending to maintain existing services.
Still, proposing shelling out proposing shelling out up programs. For instance, $\$ 50$ mil lion is to be put toward high school dropout reduction efforts in the House plan, said Rep. Dan Branch, a Dallas
Republican who was heavily involved in craft ing the education provision, the largest
the budget pie.
With Texas' new school With Texas' new school funde's system, the grams to cover the gap. The House plan education spending is ris- less tis the, there was approved in committee ing and should be close to agencies came forward additional state money for

Lawmakers entered the
pubsice and higher educa-
tion over the 2006 -07 budtion over the $2006-07$ bud-
get, before the school property tax cuts.
It increases health human services spending by $\$ 2.5$ billion over the previous budget. Some of that covers growth in the number of Medicaid
cases. The plan also maps out $\$ 590$ million in new money for criminal justice, including prison inmate population growth and homeland and border security.
There's a proposed $\$ 300$ There's a proposed $\$ 300$ parks spending in the House plan. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has pressed for a bigger budget, but legislators have voiced
disappointment after a disappointment after a
state audit found that the agency fails to accurately estimate and justify estimate an
repair costs.

Chisum said the agency
needs better financial needs better financial controls, but that a parks
funding increase was nec"essary, ${ }^{\text {We're }}$ probably no going to give them all the money they ask for. At
the end of the day, we are the end of the day, we are going to do a

## Some budget unknown

are lingering. touthe ongoing Texas dal ends up requirin more money in the bud get, "we will deal with it when we know wha we re deali
Then, there's a pending class-action lawsuit in East Texas over health
care for poor children care for poor children
The so-called Frew case is The so-called Frew case is to spend more on Medicaid programs. A decision is expected late this spring.

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10th Grade: Megan Conley, Aricka Hart, Alex Moore and Laci Sterling.
11th Grade: Colter Morgan and Logan Ston. 12th Grade: Kayla Hall, Martinez, Callie Paige, Dakota Teaff, Briana
Thurman, Ryan Walker, Thurman, Ryan Walker,
Jeremy Winn and Dustin Jeremy Winn and Dustin
Wright.
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { "A-B" Honor Roll } \\ \text { Ninth } & \text { Grade: } \\ \text { M.J. }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Ninth } & \text { Grade: M.J. } \\ \text { Castillo, } \\ \text { Blake Cates, }\end{array}$ Judson Chevalier, Alex
Crabtree, Kylie Gee Shasta Hector, Sonya
Herrera, Krista Lyons Herrera, Krista Lyons,
Kourtney
McAdams, Heather Newton and Jake
Josh Paniagua, Megan Parrish, Reagan Rainey, Russiz, Lauren Ruiz, Heather Sloan and Trevor
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Camryn Herrera, Berkley Iden, Kelly Lee, Ashley Martin, Amanda Medina,
Michael Mendoza, Shelbi Paige, Hilari White,
Katelyn Wilson and Brandy Winters. 11th Grade: Teryn Bibb,
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Gerstenberger Janice Gonzales, Chris
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Regan New, William Reilly, Reagan
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Cory Clanton, Justin Jason Gonzales, Juan
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Heather Kirby, McKenzie Paul Salazar and Coleman Sneed. Eighth Grade: Joshua
Castilaw,
Martin Gutierrez, Brayden Iden, Jason Martinez, Reagan
Reid, Shelbie Reid, Austin

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 First Grade: CanyonAtkinson, Trey Bingham, Nickolas Chen, Tanner Dodson, Brighton Feaster, Sydnie Gilbert, Diana
Gonzalez, Cassie Grant, Tucker Greni, Jori
Hanlan, McKinna Hector, Harmony Humble and Tanner Jett.
Elizabeth Trevor Kernick, Juare Jak Massey, Tyler McFall,
Mason Moore, Makayla Mason Moore, Makayla
Overton, Britney Payte Troy Perryman, Brynlea $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Troy Perryman, Brynlea } \\ \text { Rhodes, } & \text { Victoria } \\ \text { Sanderson, } & \text { Preslie }\end{array}$ Sanderson, Preslie
Smithie, Chloe' Starr, Christine Tovar, Braidon Walker
Williams. Second Grade: Haley Arguello, Adam Brito,
Annie
Chandler Annie Chandler,
Carolynn Clark, Garrett Deatherage, Kaleb Denton, Shawna Faucett,
Makinsy
Grant Stephanie Gutierrez, Jetly
Hobdy, Tyler Martin, Hobdy, Tyler Martin,
Kody Phernetton, Megan Kody Phernetton, Megan
Shifflett, Austin Sosa, Thomas Wilson, Brayden Worley and Landyn
Young.
Third Grade: Makaila Arnold, Julia Castilaw Arnold, Julia Castilaw, Dominguez, William Franks, Quentin Gaston, Kenneth Hagins, Hannah Hobdy, Taylor Mendez Jessica Privett, Tara Robinson, Christopher
Smith, Hannah Tucker Smith, Hannah Tucke
and Tyler Witkowski Fourth Grade Brandon Biddison, Alexandra Gibbs, Braxton
Iden, Namen McCullough, Kelli Schaedel and Christian VanWey.
Fifth Grade: Richard Adamson, Shayla Martin, Briana McCallay, Joshua
Metcalf, Savannah Neff Metcalf, Savannah Neff,
Devin Ruiz, Tyler Shacklefo
Sixth Grade: Wendy Andersen, Shea Campbel and Shelbi Montgomery. First Grade: Gabrielle Arguello, Dakota Backes Landon Barber-Grant Dustin Fontana, Brandie

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Farmer, Lane Goodman,
Gary Hernandez, Ned
Hildebrand and Nicholas
Loveless.
Emily Marsh, Hannah
Marsh, Brice Martin,
Tiffany Olivares, Walker
Rawls, Kameron
Rodriquez, Joshua Smith,
Jaedan Stanislaus,
Jaydian Vargas, Anthony
Velasquez and Katie
Williams.
Second Grade: Taylor
Anderson, Alexander
Biddison,
Campos, Francisco Cantu,
Ginger Coates, Eric
Coker, Jasmine
Criz,
Santana Cruz, Janeice
Cuellar, Ashley Ferguson Cuellar, Ashley Ferguson
and Zachary Fuentes and Zachary Fuentes.
Trinity Gonzalez, Brianna Grant, Madison
Grant, Evalena Gutierre Grant, Evalena Gutierrez,
Darren Hernandez, Harren Hernandez, Humble, Sonny JacksonPrince, Jose Juarez, Erin Lowery, $\quad$ Megan
Magallanes and Carli Martinez.
Ana Mejia, Brandy Mier, Dylan $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nalley, } \\ & \text { Thomas } \\ & \text { Ortiz, } \\ & \text { Isaac }\end{aligned}, ~$ Perez, John Porras, Hunter Seymore, Clayton Stewart, Isiaiah Villareal and Margarito Yanez.
Third Grade: Kelsey Lauren Cevallos, Tanner Christie, Dalton Cosby, $\begin{array}{lr}\text { Jesse } & \text { Cuellar, } \\ \text { Christopher } & \text { Edge, }\end{array}$ Christopher $\quad \begin{gathered}\text { Edge, } \\ \text { Skydra-Lynn } \\ \text { Farmer, }\end{gathered}$ Brandi Gammons, Kaylee
Hill and Amber Hinojos. Bailey Kennedy Andrew Martinez, Crystal $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Andrew Martinez, } \\ \text { McCutchan, } & \text { Taylee } \\ \text { Miller, Brody } & \text { Mills, }\end{array}$ Miller, Brody Mills,

Dylan Nutter, Destiney | Patterson, | Marisa |
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Sanchez, Aimee Solis, Sanchez, Aimee Solis,
Elissa Thompson and Blake Zitterkopf.

## Fourth Grade: Sierrah

 Armstrong,Ashlynn
Emily Campos, Brandon Clark, Cruz, Whitney Dodson, Donald Ewing, Erin
Fontana, Kelsey Fontana, Kelsey
Arturo Gonzales, Christopher Hughes,
Alexis Jackson, Katie King, Tomi McPherson, Victor Paniagua, Garett
Parrish, Morgan Pierce Terra Rinard, Reagan Roberts, Kayla Sanders, Aloura Scott, Alysha $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Swinney, } & \text { Noah } \\ \text { Wagenman, }\end{array}$ Wagenman, Zakary and Kaeli Yager. Fifth Grade: Clanton, Tyler Frazier Gabriel Hewtty, Kayla Jernigan, Amanda King, Miranda McNew, David Mejia, Caige Miller, Loren Moore, Nicole Pruiett, Jerry Sloan, Grady Smith, Eron Urias and Timothy Wilson. Sixth Grade: Jessica Anderson, Devin Payton Jasmin Callejas, Breanna Corbett, Brittnie Cortez,
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Sloan, Robert Sloan, Robert Stevenson,
Nathan Vidal, Kolby

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Keisha Roman, Tiffany Strong, Kaleb Willey and Kody Willis. 11th Grade Anderson, Grade: Tyler Beauchamp, Hannah
Sarah Bethke, John Broughton,
Brianna Brown Olivi Brianna Brown, Olivia Cansino, Christian
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Third Grade: Nicholas and Sam Yzaguirre. Fourth Grade: JC
Gomez, Colten Hughes and Johan Schmith. Sixth Grade: Angelic
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Booth, Courtney Boyd, Christopher Brooks, Lauren Bryant, Caitlin Carlisle, Deanna Carlisle and Malle Carrasco.
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Fourth Six-Weeks
"A" Honor Roll
First Grade: Hayley
Allen, Zak Baker, Nolan Allen, Zak Baker, Nolan
Dominguez,
Claire Hendrickson
Palmer, Isaiah Rios, Wilson, Emily Bacon, Elyssa Hernandez and Avree Tubb.
Second Grade: Jonathon
Byrd, Keegan Byrd, Keegan Carrillo, Seth Hamby, Jack
Waddell, Sarah Boyd, Brantz Burchett, Nina Ian Gonzales, Addie Jimenez, Ricky Prater, Wash, Hunter Wigington and Makenzie Word.
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## Car of Tomorrow is already here today

## By JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer
Tomorrow is finally here in NASCAR, which begins the most radical ontrack experiment in the sport's history this weekend at Bristol Motor Speedway.
The Car of Tomorrow, a NASCAR-developed vehicle that spent seven years in development, will
make its long-awaited debut at one of the most rough-and-tumble tracks in NASCAR.
Some like it, others loathe it. Either way, it's not going away any time soon.
Designed to improve safety, reduce team costs and improve competition, the COT will race Sunday at Bristol in the first of 16 events this season. It's scheduled to be phased in by 2009, but NASCAR officials are hoping teams fall so in love
with the car that they'll ask to use it full time next season.

## Right now, opinion is split.

Two-time champion Tony Stewart has blasted the car, and used his national radio show to call it a "basket of junk that drives like an old green

## IN BRIEF

Big Spring sotiball schedule The Big Spring
High school sottalal Sports Editor One day after the Big Spring trict softball game postponed because of a problem with the umpires, the Lady Steers traveled back to Plainview and fell one run short of coming back in a $4-3$ loss.
Starting pitcher Kelly Sage went the distance for the Lady Steers and despite giving up zero earned runs, she was tagged for the loss. In the first five innings of play, Sage sent the Lady

By STEPHEN HAWKINS AP Sports Writer
SAN ANTONIO Some Texas A\&M stu Some Texas A\&M stu
dents wore paper bags dents wore paper bags
over their heads during Acie Law's freshman sea son, embarrassed to be rooting for a team that
didn't win a conference didn't
game.
Now, Aggies fans are decked out in maroon shirts, eager to be part of
what Law and his teamwhat Law and his team mates are doing.
For Memphis (32-3), the
No. 2 seed in the NCAA South Regional, that means once again playing in front of a partisan crowd despite have a bet ter seed.
imagined playing in hever imagined playing in San 16 with the opportunity to go to the Elite Eigh after what I experienced by freshman year," Law
said Wednesday. "Coach said Wednesday. Coach came in and he changed
all our mindsets. He told us we were going to win and not take as long as people thought."
That's exactly what the Aggies have done under from that 0-16 record in the Big 12 to the NCAA round of 16 and a school record 27 victories only three seasons later.
And Texas A\&M won't be far from home Thursday night for it first regional semifinal game since 1980. The game will be in the Alamodome, only about a 2 1/2-hou
campus.
When the Aggies fin ished their open practice the players greeted an shook hands with fans,
many who chanted name. A crowd of more than Thursday, is expected A\&M colors. If the Aggies (27-6) win, there might not be anothe
times and faced only four batters the second inning our defense in the sixth inning. The second inning was the difference in the game. Six errors by the Lady Steers defense allowed Plainview to cross the
plate and score all four of its runs. Despite clamping Plainview down the rest of the way, Sage only faced 13 batters - one over the minimum, the Lady Steers offense could not generate enough pow
plete the come back.
"Kelly pitched a great game for
s tonight and it's a shame she got the loss," Lady Steers assis-
tant coach John Sparks
made too many mistakes and put ourselves in a hole that we just couldn't recover from. It's a tough way to open district, but
the way she shut them down the way she shut them down -
three up and three down in all of those innings, that was impres those in
sive."
The
The Lady Steers are now 10-14 on the
play. play. They will return to the dia-
mond when the Lady Steers host Hobbs High School at the Big Spring Softball Complex at 4 p.m. Friday.
Brenna

## Aggies go from 0-16 to Sweet 16



Texas A\&M's guard Acle Law (1) drives to the basket mast photo/Tom Foox/Donles Mominise Nown Temple (14) and Darrel Mitchell (22) in the NCAA Tournament last season. Law and the
Agples are looking to make the Eilte 8 tonight at 7 p.m. Aggles are looking to make the Ellte 8 tonight at 7 p.m.
regional final this week- ing four years ago.
but it won't be the ulti endional final this week-
"It may be able to help Texas won a regional you get over a couple of
final in the same build- tough spots in the games,

## Memphis ready

for challenge against A\&M

By STEPHEN HAWKINS AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO
SAN ANTONIO - John is again realizes Memphis is again at a disadvantage despite having a better seed When the Tigers play Texas A\&M in the South Regional semifinal Thursday night, most of the fans will be rooing for the Aggies, wout a chpus is only about a 2 1/2-hour
drive from the Alamodome. While Calipari would prefer playing in front of the Tigers own partisan crowd, he also knows the other side of that situation. "The most pressure I've
ever felt as a coach, not even close,
Massachusetts)
was (at
playing Boston College on a neutral court. We had 75 percent of the fans. We were supposed
to win," Calipari said. "I'm to win," Calipari said. "I'm
talking Kentucky in the Final Four, Elite Eight games, Chicago Bulls in the playoffs, the most pressure
I've ever felt was that game." Memphis (32-3), a No. 2
seed, is in the NCA of 16 for the second straight year. The Tigers' 24 -game winning streak is the nation's longest, with the
last loss coming Dec. 20 at last loss coming Dec. 20 at Arizona before their undeConference USA. Texas A\&M hasn't been this far in the tournament
since 1980. But in three sea since 1980 . But in three sea-
sons under Billy Gillispie, the Aggies have gone from an 0-16 record in the Big 12 and a school-record 27 victories. and talking to Coach before I got to campus, he said See tigers, Page 4B


## Mavericks win and beat up Cavaliers

the Cleveland Cavaliers beaten and LeBron James beat up. The best game on the NBA schedule Wednesday night went to the Mavericks forced James into a painful night and topped the Cavaliers $98-90$ in a matchup of title contenders.
At the other end of the NBA standings are the Boston Celtics who are so bad that their coach saying that he wasn't trying to lose Dirk Nowitzki scored 23 points for the Mavs, who have the NBA' best record at $56-11$, have won four straight and are $3-0$ on a six-game ver Detroit, the other top team in the Eastern Conference.
East, it's about us East, it's about us getting better getting ready
No such concerns for the Celtics who are headed to the draft lottery But Doc Rivers said they weren't rying to improve their positio Wednesday when he kept his tarters on the bench while Bosto blew an 18-point lead in a $92-84$ los
to the Charlotte Bobcats, th

## Greg Oden and Kevin Durant

 weepstakes."I was not throwing the game, or anything like that," Rivers said. Honestly, I got to the point early in the fourth quarter and I turned to the coaches and said to them, 'We are either going to win or lose with this group.'"
One night
One night after overcoming a 10 point deficit to beat Cleveland in straight points while Paul Pierce was out with an injury.
"(These are) some big wins, no question," said Raymond Felton who had 19 points, five assists and rolling, see what happens at the end of the season. Try to see if we Dan slide into that last spot." Dallas and Cleveland have much bigger goals. And the Mavs look closer to achieving theirs, with a
deeper team that can handle a poor shooting night from Nowitzki because of players like Josh Howard, Jason Terry and Jerry aThiouse.
plus games with not going to win 50 plus games with just Josh Howard
and Dirk Nowitzki," James said
"They have great players in Devin
Harris, (Jerry Stackhouse and
J.T., and their bigs are very active." James had a tough night shooting and got roughed up as well. He fin shed with 31 points but was 12 -for 8 shooting as he singlehandedly ried to put his team back in it. Worse, he banged his head on the loor after getting spun around by
Howard while going for a loose ball. He was slow to get up but stayed in the game
James also took an elbow from
Nowitzki with 1:39 left and fell to the floor
"I'm definitely not feeling 100 per cent, James said.
In other Texas scores around the
Spurs 90, Pacers 72
At San Antonio, Tim Duncan scored 27 points to lead the Spurs
over slumping Indiana.
The Spurs, who have clinched a playoff spot, snapped a two-game osing streak that came after they Iked won a season-high 13 in a row. Ike Diogu scored 14 points for the Pacers, who fell apart after point and have lost two in a row

## NASCAR

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Oldsmobile station wagon with the wood panel trim on But teammate Denny Hamlin isn't as aware of the difference.
"It really doesn't drive that much different, to tel
you the truth," he said. "Once I belt in and get buck
NASCAR has heard the comments and criticism, and isn't surprised by any of it "It's just part of the competitive nature," said Robin are certain people who complain about every rule and regulation, every procedure, even the way the qualify ing draw goes. In the 27 years I've been here, there' always someone who complains about something." That won't likely change after Bristol, a track that produces exciting - but crash-filled - racing. It nakes the .533 -mile bullring a quizzical choice for the is on the track, it's destined to bump and bang its way around its tiny confines.
"It's a bumpy, rough track and when you finish 500 laps there, you feel like you've been In the ring with Mike Tyson - the young bad Mike Tyson," said Dale
Earnhardt Jr. "The track is so rough, it will beat you up even when you're running alone, like a hammer to your organs. But you throw in 42 other cars, and it's like a cage match.
"You can't go anywhere or make a move without unning into something or someone.
So regardless of what happens on Sunday, no one will be able to get an accurate read on the COT. And
that should carry over into Martinsville Speedway hext week, leaving Phoenix next month as the first real test for the COT
"On the short tracks, you will probably not see any change," Pemberton said. "I'm pretty sure this week end we'll see great racing at Bristol like you always do. It won't be until you get to Phoenix, Darlington and Dover, therison."
Brandon Thomas, who helped develop the COT prototype while at Joe Gibbs Racing, believes NASCAR
was smart to roll out the car at Bristol and Martinsville.
"The first two races we're going to run are very, very
low on the aerodynamic supremacy scale", said low on the aerodynamic supremacy scale," said
Thomas, crew chief for Tony Raines. "By rolling it ou at the places they've decided to, you're going to see minimal amount of impact when a crash happens and a splitter gets ripped off. You're looking at doing a sí nificant amount of damage to your car, but not really

## STEERS

Continued from page 1 B tying the game. The tying run failed to cross the plate and the
Lady Steers were left wondering what might have been without all of the errors taking place on the long bus ride home. "I'm excited about the way we played the game fter the second inning,
Jennifer Reyes, head coach of the Lady Steers, told her team after the disappointing loss. "We fought back and held our ground out there. That hows us that we're capa-
ble of playing very competitive softball", The next district game

High School, Tuesday at 6 H.gh School, Tuesday at 6
p.m. at the Spring
Softball Complex.
affecting the way it's going to drive.
That means the only initial changes fans might even notice on the COT are aesthetic - particularly with he adjustable rear wing and front splitter. The flat splitter is located under the nose of the car The can be adjusted to change the front downforce. like what you'd see on a street car, can be altered to effect aerodynamics.
Because both pieces are adjustable, NASCAR said
teams will no longer have to build track-specific race eams will no longer have to build track-specific race cars because the COT can be tinkered with
straight from a short track to a superspeedway The new car also makes several advancements safety, with a larger driver's compartment, centerlocated seat and energy absorbing materials through "The most vehicle.
"The most important thing about the Car of "I feel more comfortable sitting in one since it has more room." NASCAR predicts the racing will be better with
COT, and it should equalize the field a good bit. A handful of super teams have emerged over the last decade, as three car owners have combined to win the
last six titles. It's left everyone else struggling to keep up, and the COT might give the mid-levels a fighting "Whance. you're chasing what the bigger teams are doing," said Petty Enterprises vice president Robbie Loomis "They're able to react and respond to things quicker..
where in a smaller team, seems like you're always one tep behind whatever the latest, greatest thing is.

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or," Gillispie said. "W earned that last weekend, and everybody is
coming here for a reason Everyone is coming here to win." the Final Four hasn't been when its NCAA run included four straight victories in Texas. The Tigers' 24 -game winning streak is the nation's ongest, the last loss Dec. undefeated run through Conference USA
The Aggies were in the same position for their second-round game last weekend as Memphis is in now. They had to beat Louisville at Rupp Arena just more than an hourlong drive from the "Tardinals' campus. "To do that, they deserve the opportunity" John Calipari said, "It's a disadvantage (for us), there's no question." Memphis was a N seed last March and got to a regional final, and lost
$50-45$ to UCLA Oakland. "If you're not sturdy, into the cheerleaders and you're going to have a pompom in your hand
pretty fast," Calipari said.

Memphis forward ha early foul trouble and was limited to only two point in 21 minutes. He stil watches that tape, a phys ical game in which the whistles.
"I felt like if I stayed in that game, we wouldn have lost," Dorsey said. When Calipari ques this year's NCAA opener this year's NCAA opene
against North Texas Dorsey promised his coach, "I'm going to get us there, we're going to get to the Final Four." To get to Atlanta which is at least in the
same region of the coun try as Memphis - the Tigers first have to win twice in San Antonio. Memphis leading scorer Chris Douglas-Roberts (15.4 points a game), who sprained his ankle in Sunday's in New Orleans took part in a private practice Wednesday. Calipari said he could play. When Douglas-Roberts missed three
games in Jtraight because of a sprained right ankle, Memphis won all of them by at
least 13 points. But that least 13 points. But that was against UAB, Carolina and Tulsa.

How to Capture a Knave


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## Tennessee plans to slow Buckeyes

By JAIME ARON AP Sports Writer SAN ANTONIO Tenersee's Bruce Pearl to frame his a talker upcoming game against Ohio State in worn-ou coachspeak.
So when he essentially says "it's not Greg Oden, it's the rest of the Buckeyes" that he's - focused on containing Thursday night, at least give him the benefit of the doubt and listen to his explanation
ground. The Volunteers faced Ohio State in Oden's 10th game of the season, back in January, when Oden was adjusting to the coling a brace on the surgically repaired right wris that delayed the start of his college career.
Those things were sup down. Instead first monster game: 24 points, 15 rebounds, per fect from the foul line ( 6 -for-6), four assists, three blocks and a steal in 36 minutes.
Yet the Buckeyes, play ing at home, still needed what was then a careerhigh in points from freshman point guard Mike Conley and a 3 -pointer from Ron Lewis with 11.2 seconds left to Volunteers 68-66
Ohio State (32 lost since, a run of 19 in row it takes into a semifi nal against Tennessee (24 10) in the NCAA tourn ment's South Regional. studying his team's near miss in Columbus and
most of the other 18 games in the Buckeyes run. After concluding -"He's unlike anybody I've ever gone up against," Pearl said - he set his sights on everyone white.

## And the part t <br> him the most?

 "They'vent? yet," Pearl said. "They've not had that breay game that we all know they're capable of." Buckeyes coach Thad Matta was flattered by the notion his top-seeded team has gotten within championship by merely grinding out games. However, he agrees that his team can do whatever it takes to win, as opposed to being a juggernaut that goes out and does thingsits way, daring others to stop it.
"The thing I love about this team is we've shown that we can play a lot of different ways," Matta ples - not including the overtime win against Xavier in the second round that kept Ohio State in the tournament. "So I hope he's right and
tomorrow night is a big tomorrow night is a big The last time these teams met, Pearl threw a full-court press at the Buckeyes and rattled them into 20 turnovers, in the Oden era.
Ohio State has fixed that flaw, making Pearl wish he hadn't exposed it so long ago.
"We played our cards, we showed our hand," he
said. "We're a tough
matchup - the first time So I don't know that our
game in Columbus is real ly necessarily going to help us much here." Perhaps the worst new for the Vols is that Oden feels like he let the Buckeyes down in their
last game, when he knocked over a Xavier player, sending him to the foul line with 10 seconds left for two shots that could've won it.
Oden also fouled out for Oden also fouled out for
the first time on that play which kept him on the which kept him on in overtime. "I was a little down on
myself, but these last coun myself, but these last cou-
ple of days I've beeple of days I've been
working on my game, hit ting shots, hitting free throws," Oden said. "I hope things will be better 'for me."
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Tennessee's leading scor er Chris Lofton, who missed a crucial free throw in the previous game against Ohio State.
How crucial was it? Teammates have teasing. ly called him "Buckeye" ever since.

## "It's a joke," he said.

 "And they tease me a lot. But it's just for my owngood." good." Revenge isn't as impor-
tant to Lofton as a chance to make the regional finals. The winner of this game will play the Texas A\&M-Memphis winner on Saturday for a spot in the
Final Four Final Four.
This is the opportunity of a lifetime," Lofton said. Teammate Bradshaw said the nar row loss to Ohio State "gives you confidence because you

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we're going to win, we're going to do great things and it won't take us long," said junior Joseph Jones, who wasn't part of
that $0-16$ team. "We have been riding that since then. It's been fun." The Aggies now get a chance to do what rexas same building, earn a spot in the Final Four by winning twice in front of their own fans.
Except, Gillispie knows it won't be that easy. it being the greates home-court the greatest the history advantage in the history of college basketball," Gillispie said.
"But we have to play against a really tolented well-coached team, and that's going to determine the outcome of the game not the crowd." ${ }_{30,000}$ crowd of more than 30,000 is expected
Thursday, mostly in A\&M maroon. If the Aggies ( 27 6) win, there might not be another color visible for the regional final on Saturday.
Texas A\&M was in the
same position for its secsame position for its sec
ond-round game las weekend as Memphis is in now. The Aggies had to beat Louisville at Rupp Arena in downtown Lexington, just more than
an hourlong drive from the Cardinals' campus. That's even more reason for the Aggies to be cau tious.
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motivated by what happened against UCLA, when the 6-foot-9 Memphis forward had early foul trouble and was imited to only two points in 21 minutes. He still watches that tape.
Calipari said he expects another physical game against Texas A\&M, which ranks second nationally in field-goal percent) and has allowed fewer than 60 points a game. "If you're not sturdy, you're going to be pushed into the cheerleaders and youreom in your hand pretty fast," Calipari said. Memphis hasn't been to he Final Four since 1985 when its NCAA he Final Four since 1985, sure they can beat Texas
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would love to play would love to play Tennessee, but play Ohio State." This past football season, Army moved a "home" football game against the Texas A\&M Aggies to the Alamodome. About 60,000 people, near
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