

MONDAY

May 21, 2001

WEATHER

Tonight:



PARTLY CLOUDY

TONIGHT 40°-45° TOMORROW 73°-77°

BSHS Bible class seeks donations from the public

Big Spring High School Bible Class, possibly the oldest on-going public school Bible program in Texas, is needing financial support from the community. Because the course is a Bible class, but is taught as a humanities course, the school district does not pay an instructor's salary or other expenses. Financial support comes through donations from the public. Donations may be sent to Joe De La Garza, treasurer, Howard County Bible Study Board, First Bank of West Texas, at either 1810 East FM 700, Big Spring, 79720 or P.O. Box 140, Coahoma, 79511. For further information, contact De La Garza at 394-4256.

WHAT'S UP...

- TODAY**
- Big Spring Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. 1607 East Third.
 - DAV Chapter 47, 6:30 p.m., VA Medical Center, room 212.
 - The Howard County Democratic Party will meet at 7 p.m., at the Howard County Court House in the Justice of the Peace Courtroom.
 - Christian Singles Fellowship, 7-9 p.m. First United Methodist Church Youth Hall. All singles in the community are welcome to come for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.
- TUESDAY**
- Intermediate Line Dance class, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.
 - Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
- WEDNESDAY**
- Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus room.
 - Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 10 a.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

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Free computer courses offered at Howard County Library

By **CARL GRAHAM**
Staff Writer

School is almost out for the summer and anyone wishing to stay busy can do so by taking free computer classes being offered in June at the Howard County Library.



McCRIGHT
New librarian Hollis

McCrigh said the classes would be offered from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m. Three different classes will be offered. For those having no experience with computers at all, the Basic Computers I class will be offered. This class will help beginners become familiar with computer terms, use of a mouse, navigating the desktop and other general topics. There is no prerequisite required to attend. Individuals with a little more computer knowledge

may take the Basic Computers II course. It is a more in-depth look on using a personal computer. The prerequisite for this class is Basic Computers I or the ability to type. Basic Internet will also be taught. This class will give instructions on accessing the Internet with Internet Explorer; searching the Internet, setting up an e-mail account and sending and receiving e-mails. The prerequisite is some basic computer skills.

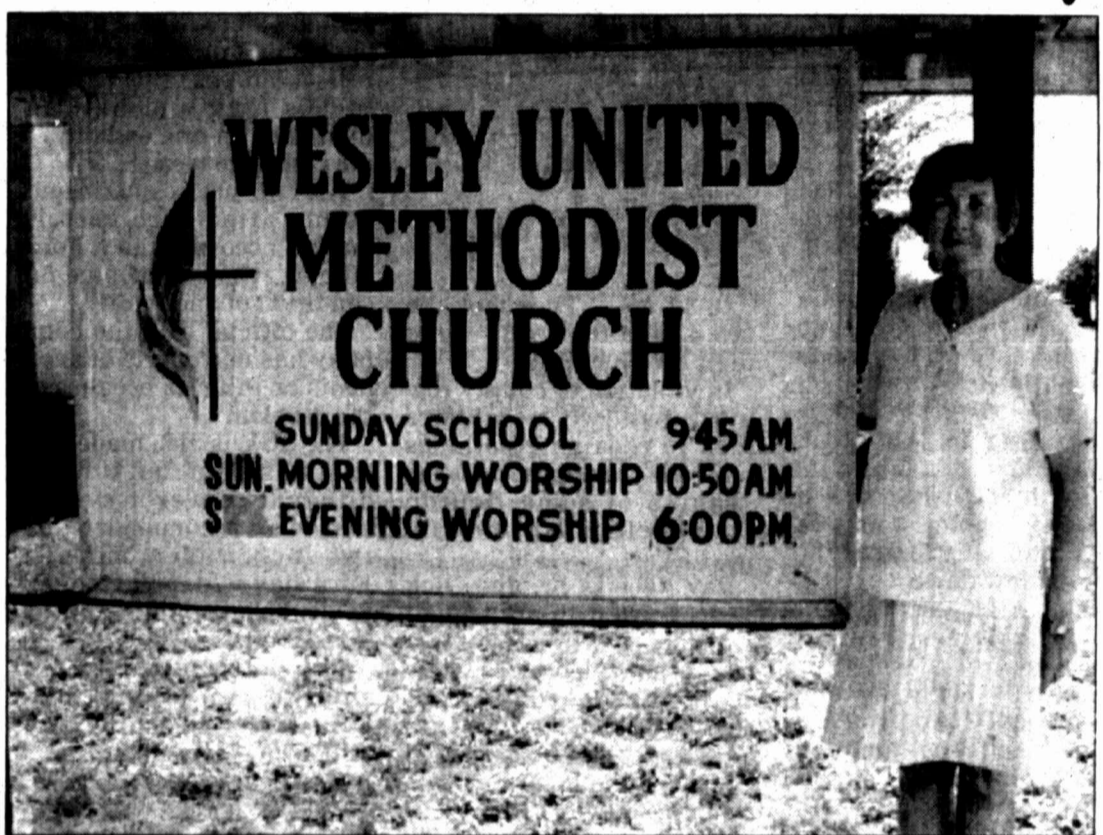
The classes are limited to the first 12 that sign up. Register by coming to the circulation desk at the library or by calling the library at 264-2262 and asking for Patty Wright or Gloria Hopkins. "We have offered similar classes once before and will be starting them up again," said Wright. "We are targeting the senior citizens who are afraid to get on a computer because they feel they will break it. These classes are free of charge and only

last a couple of hours so the only thing it will cost is your time." Wright said there would also be a self-paced computer lab every day from 2 until 4 p.m. on the same day of the classes for anyone who wishes to have extra time. The schedule of classes, with the first one beginning on June 5 at 9:30 is: Basic Computer I, Tuesday, June 5 and June 19; Basic Computers II, See **COURSES**, Page 2

Wesley will hold final service Sunday

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

A 70-year-old local church will hold one last Sunday service before shutting its doors permanently. Lack of membership and financial funds have caused the members of Wesley Methodist Church located at 1206 Owens to close the church on Sunday. "We don't have enough people coming to keep the church open," said Nila Allen, a member of the church since the 1940s. "We don't have enough money to pay the minister's salary and the bills." According to Allen, the church will hold a closing ceremony on Sunday and invites all past members, friends and the community to participate. The ceremony will begin at 10:45 a.m. "I have seen it grow, add on and change," Allen said, who is the second oldest member of the congregation. "It is difficult." A covered dish social will be held in the church's Memorial Hall following the closing ceremony. The oldest member of the congregation, Pauline Hart Garrison, who is in her 90s, is planning to come to the event, Allen said. In its 70-year existence, Wesley Methodist has seen



Nila Allen, a member of Wesley Methodist Church since the 1940s, is researching the history of the church for publication but will not have the work finished before the church closes permanently. The 70-year-old church will hold one last service on Sunday and invites all past members, friends and the community.

30 pastors grace the pulpit from the first minister, W.M. Whatley until the current minister, Ricky Carstensen. The congregation began meeting in the basement of the Nazarene church where they met in worship in 1930. Later, the members

would meet at South Ward Elementary school until the church building was built, Allen said. The first church was built on two lots donated by Dora Roberts and constructed by the members. Construction on the first building ended on a

Wednesday afternoon and that night the members met in a prayer meeting with many sitting on boxes and nail kegs, Allen said. During the first year, the building was jacked up and a basement was dug by

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Grant to provide bullet-proof vests for PD

By **CARL GRAHAM**
Staff Writer

Thanks to a \$1,539 grant through the Bureau of Justice assistance program, the Big Spring Police Department will now be able to purchase up to 10 new bullet-proof vests.



SMITH

"This is the second year in a row we have submitted a grant for the vests," said Police Chief Lonnie Smith. "We put the money up front and they reimburse us up to 50 percent of the cost so in essence it's a 50-50 grant with the city's general fund paying for the other matching funds from the grant." The bulletproof vest program was first established by the Bulletproof Vest Grant Partnership Act of 1998, according to Smith. "It's a very good program," said Smith. "It's one of the better ones that the government has and it allows departments to get vests that might otherwise not be able to purchase them due to the cost."

Smith said that the vests cost anywhere from \$360 to \$400 each which means the department would only have to come up with anywhere from \$180 to \$200 apiece. Smith said that the vests are anywhere from three-eighths to one-half inch thick. He said the department has the option of using the funds to purchase stab-resistant vests. Smith said none of the grant monies would be used to purchase those type vests, though. U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm (R-Fort Worth) was pleased to help furnish the tools needed by local enforcement officers to perform their

assigned jobs. "Law enforcement officers across Texas are called upon every day to protect you and me," said Gramm. "They put their lives on the line to protect our lives, our livelihood and our property. These funds will give cities and counties the tools they need in order to protect those officers." Gramm added it was good to see Texas dollars returned to help save lives. "I am pleased that some of the tax dollars sent by Texans to Washington are being returned to help save lives among law officers here in Texas," he said.

Strong winds setback for area cotton farmers

By **CARL GRAHAM**
Staff Writer

Area cotton producers were hit by another setback after a cold front blew into the area early this morning dropping temperatures by as much as 40 degrees in some locations.



KIGHT

"First of all it dries out what moisture you may have in order to plant," said Kight. "And the ones that were in the process of planting or who have already planted may find themselves in a situation where they have to replant due to the high winds." Kight said the drying out caused by the cold front and blowing dust makes for needing a good rain even more necessary. "We are going to be needing a good, measurable rain in the next 10 to 12 days," said Kight. "With the drying from the winds and the extremely hot weather we have been experiencing, it puts us in a situation where we have to have some good rains. Not only would that return the needed moisture but also keep the topsoil

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Jobs

Unemployment rate falls again; center ready to help employers

By **CARL GRAHAM**
Staff Writer

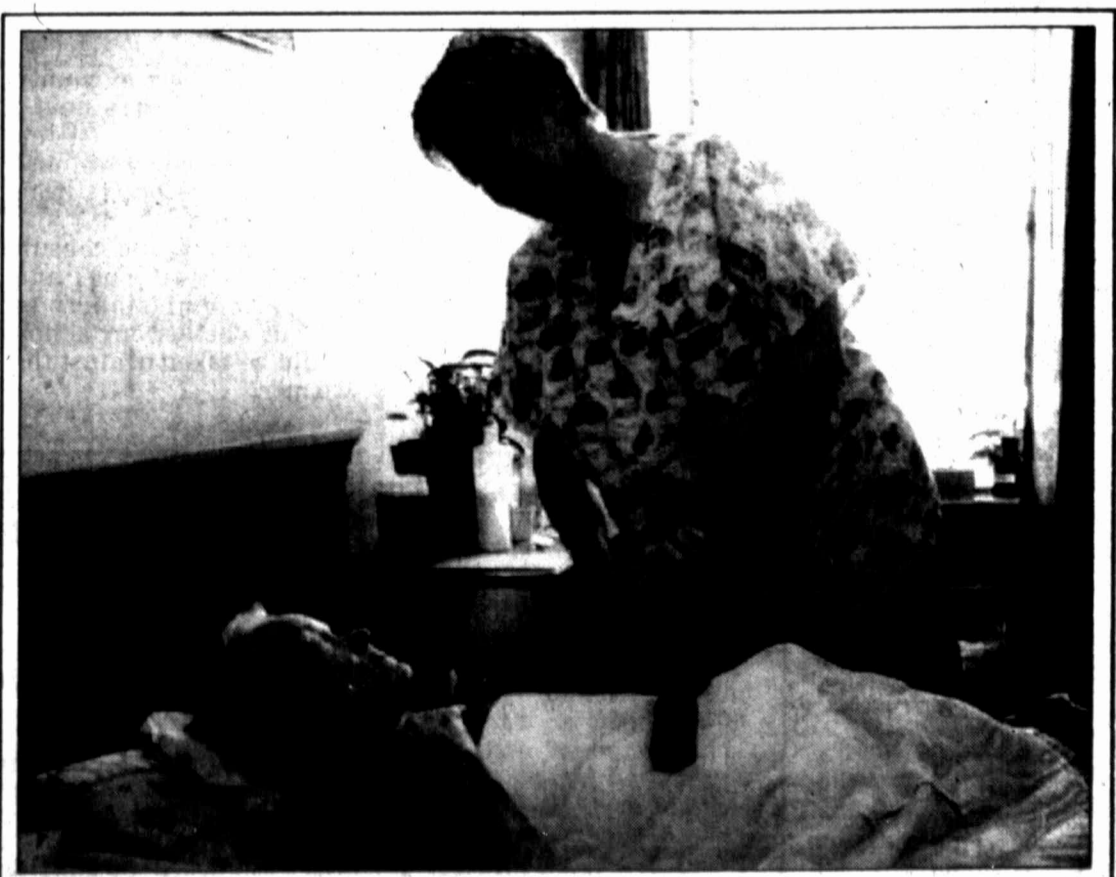
The unemployment rate for Howard County continues to decline with April coming in at a 3.5 percent, which was just a little less than the 3.7 percent recorded last month. Virginia Belew, manager for the Texas Workforce Center in Big Spring, said the drop would probably be temporary. "This kind of drop for Howard County is expected to be just temporary," said Belew. "In the last few weeks our office has registered summer and seasonal workers to assist employers looking for temporary workers."



BELEW

Figures reported a year ago showed the county with an unemployment rate of 4.3 percent. Midland reported a 3.2 percent rate while Glasscock County continues to report low unemployment rates at 2.3 percent. Borden County was slightly higher at 2.5 percent. Martin County registered a 3.6 percent rate of unemployment for April. The highest rate reported was Loving County, which has a jobless rate of 12.5 percent. "Employers continue to call in job orders and therefore it is very important for people looking for work to register at this office," said Belew. "In an effort to alleviate some of the difficulty that comes in working to recruit applicants during

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World War II veteran Irene Chick gets her pulse checked by Sherry Jones, a registered nurse at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas Veterans Home. Chick was the first female resident at the home, which now houses a dozen residents.

OBITUARIES

Jean McGuire

Jean McGuire, 72, of Big Spring, died on Saturday, May 19, 2001, at her residence. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, May 22, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. E l w i n Collom, Home Hospice Chaplain, and the Rev. Melvin Daves, Baptist minister, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



She was born on April 12, 1929, in Iredell. She married Monty McGuire on March 26, 1949, in Seminole. She had lived in Big Spring since 1967 and was a member of the Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Survivors include her husband, Monty McGuire of Big Spring; a daughter and son-in-law, Beverly and Mike Hull of Big Spring; a daughter, Susie Perry of Joaquin; one brother, George Ellis Daves of Austin; two sisters-in-law, Nina Daves of Austin and Ruby Jewel Daves of Sterling City; four grandchildren, Blake Hull of Amarillo, Lindsay Hull of Bremerston, Wash., Misty Wilson of Snyder and Jaron Perry of Joaquin; two great-grandchildren, Colter Smith and Justin Wilson, both of Snyder; a foster-daughter, Bobbie McIlwain of Uvalde; two foster-grandchildren, Regina Williams of Uvalde and Stephen Williams of Jacksonville, Fla.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Jesse Don McGuire, seven brothers and two sisters.

The family suggests memorials to Home Hospice, 600 S. Gregg St., Big Spring 79720.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. today.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Adam Michael Amos

Graveside service for Adam Michael Amos, infant son of Dorie and Randall Amos of Big Spring, will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 22, 2001, at Trinity Memorial Park.

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(915) 267-6331
www.npwelch.com
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Adam Michael Amos, infant, died Saturday. Graveside services are 10:00 AM Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Park with the Rev. Randy Gee, pastor of Crestview Baptist Church, officiating.

Adam was born and died on Saturday, May 19, at Shannon Women and Children's Hospital in San Angelo.

Survivors include two sisters, Tera and Jessica Amos both of Big Spring; grandparents, Pauline and Bert Hillger of Big Spring, Irene Knighting of Pomeroy, Ohio and Randy Amos of Dallas; and great-grandparents, Glen and Viola Hillger of Big Spring.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

WINDS

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from blowing as much." Kight said the cotton crop situation had been good just a couple of months ago. In fact, some producers were predicting one of the best crops in several years.

"I think we can still have some good crops produced in this area," said Kight. "It's just going to depend on what happens the next week or two because should we go with no measurable precipitation it starts to become critical for the producers. We need the winds to subside and not have the extreme heat we had for a while."

According to Dan Koch, meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Midland, cooler temperatures are in the forecast for the next few days.

"The high winds and blowing dust we have been experiencing the last 24 hours will begin to subside," said Koch. "Big Spring will see temperatures tonight drop to between 40 to 45 and calm skies."

"It should be a great day to get out and work in the yard or whatever tomorrow with a high of only 75 with a gradual warming trend and temperatures back up to around 90 by the end of the week. Unfortunately, no rain is in the forecast for the next week with less than 10 percent chance."

JOB

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this period of low unemployment, effective June 4 our office hours will be extended through until 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. We will maintain our current hours on Fridays. Individuals do not have to come to the office to register as they can do it by Internet at www.twc.state.tx.us.

"Employers may contact me or Lydia Perez to find out how we can help them expand their applicant pool and recruit more employees," said Belew. "We are here to help employers find suitable applicants and we will go out of our way to accomplish that goal for our employers."

CHURCH

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members of the church. During the basement construction a funeral was held in the church, she said. Some boards fell through to the basement and members had to step around the broken boards to keep from falling through while a member braced the floor.

A historical pamphlet detailing the history of the church from 1930 until 1980 states that the Rev. Ansil Lynn, a pastor of the church, began the Bible Class at the high school.

A 1930s Big Spring High School newspaper, *The Corral*, contains an article offering a new course in Bible open to any high school student and to be taught by Lynn.

In the early 1960s, the con-

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gregation grew to around 460 members, Allen said. Loss in congregation and the financial burden to keep the church opened has caused the members to vote to close church.

Allen is developing an historical book of the church she plans to eventually publish, but she will not finish before the church officially closes.

The building and parsonage will return to the Methodist Church after the church closes, Allen said.

COURSES

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Wednesday, June 6 and June 20
Basic Internet
Thursday, June 7 and June 21

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'Pothole Heroes' acted illegally, officials say

DALLAS — They took the law — and the road — into their own hands.

In violation of county regulations, two neighbors took to repairing potholes on their own, much to the chagrin of some Denton County officials, who said it's illegal.

Ray Roberts Sr. and Dick Tedrow went to an asphalt plant in Denton two days last week, filled up buckets with 1,300 pounds of asphalt, loaded them into Tedrow's truck, and filled and fixed the holes on some Denton County roads.

"They (the Denton County road crew) came out two months ago and painted orange circles around the potholes but never came back," Roberts said in Sunday's editions of *The Dallas Morning News*. "I have very little faith in the road department to do anything."

But officials say what Roberts and Tedrow did is illegal.

"It's illegal for anybody to work on county roads without our permission," said Kelly Zwinggi, Denton County's public works director. "We don't know what kind of asphalt they used, and we don't know if the job was done right, according to our policies and regulations."

In fiscal 2000, the county roads and bridges department spent \$35,000 on materials for pothole patching, but already in this fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30, the department has spent \$60,000.

Since the beginning of the year, the department has received 113 requests from residents about pothole repair — nearly one a day — a much greater number than normal, Zwinggi said.

Zwinggi said the bad potholes are the result of a rough winter and a wet spring.

In his six years of county work, Zwinggi has never heard of residents filling potholes on their own, and he discourages others from following suit.

He said he would consult the county's attorney and county commissioners to find out whether any action should be taken against the two men.

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Ford recalls 2002 Explorers with cut tire tread

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tires that may accidentally have been cut by a narrow assembly line are causing Ford Motor Co. to recall 50,000 brand new Explorers. It's the second recall of a 3-month-old redesigned model that was scrutinized to prevent such problems after last year's Firestone tire recall.

Included in the recall are 50,000 four-door Explorers built at Ford's plant in Louisville, Ky.

When the sport utility vehicles were loaded too far to the right on the conveyor belt, it left cuts five to nine inches long and half an inch deep in one or both of the right tire treads.

The cuts are cosmetic and do not affect tire performance, according to a Ford official, who commented on condition of anonymity.

The official said the company has no reports of accidents or injuries because of the problem.

The SUV is also made at a St. Louis plant, but it had a different conveyor system that could accommodate the two-inch wider models. Ford has widened its conveyor belt in Louisville by three inches.

The automaker began shipping the SUVs in mid-February and many may still be on dealer lots.

BRIEFS

THE SECOND "MAMMOTH" GARAGE SALE by the Archeology and History Society (of Howard and Borden Counties) will be held Saturday, June 2, beginning at 8 a.m. Among the wide variety of items for sale will be computers and burritos. Vendors are welcome. The location is downtown, next to the Railroad Plaza, at 105 West First Street. If you have donations to this non-profit event or if you need vendor information please call 267-4946.

FORSAN ISD KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP If you have a child that will be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2001, and will attend Elbow Elementary School, please preregister your child as soon as possible for the 2001-2002 school year. You may preregister Monday-Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the Elbow Elementary Office.

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A CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION HISTORICAL book of the Big Spring Independent School district will be on sale at the BSISD administration building. The 56-page book features the history of public schooling in Big Spring and is on sale for \$10. The book includes the history of sports programs, clubs and organizations, along with notable graduates and memorable faculty and staff. Copies of the book can also be purchased at the Heritage Museum.

JUNE IS PROSTATE CANCER Awareness month. Interested groups or organizations can contact Bill Birrell at 263-0659 for information on programs or an 18 minute tape narrated by Sydney Poitier.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TODAY

•TOPS Club (take off pounds sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian Church, 21st and Goliad.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Bereavement Support Group meets from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Community Care Hospice.

•Encourager's support group (all widows and widowers are invited) will meet Monday May 21, at 6 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels (enter through the north door). Bring a covered dish. Terry Johansen will be our speaker.

TUESDAY

•Caregivers Night Out, meets every fourth Tuesday every other month from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at Community Care Hospice.

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

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IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities between noon Saturday through 8 a.m. today:

•RUBEN ROJAS, 26, no address given, was arrested on local warrants.

•MICHAEL DOUGHTY, 36, no address given, was arrested on charges of fraudulent use of prescription form.

•MICHAEL RICHARD, 44, no address given, was arrested on a charge of possession of an illicit beverage.

•WILLIAM NUEFELD, 44, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

•CYNTHIA MCGUIRE, 44, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

•DARNELL RANDALL, 45, of Ft. Worth, was arrested on charges of public intoxication and revoking parole.

•MICHELLE NIETO, 17, of 2507 Kelly Circle, was arrested on local warrants.

•MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ, 29, of 1805 Wason, was arrested on charges of possession of a firearm by a felon and terroristic threats.

•JUAN FLORES, 21, no address given, was arrested and held for INS.

•VICTOR FLORES, 21, no address given, was arrested and held for INS.

•OSWALDO PERFECTO, 20, no address given, was arrested and held for INS.

•ENRIQUE CHARLES VELA, 45, of 2200 Alabama, was arrested on a charge of displaying a fictitious motor vehicle inspection sticker.

•RANDY ULRICH, 25, of 207 NW 12th was arrested on charges of burglary of a habitation and a Howard County warrant.

•THEFT was reported in the 1200 block of E. 3rd and in the 200 block of W. Marcy.

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS:

12:39 p.m. — 3800 block of Hamilton, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 95
Sunday's low 52
Precip. Sunday 0.00
Record high 106 in 1953
Record low 43 in 1967
Average high 88
Average low 61
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Cheney says price caps, pressure on OPEC won't solve crisis

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Dick Cheney is offering few encouraging words for Democrats seeking immediate relief for California's energy crisis.

"They got into trouble in California over a period of years, and it's going to take two or three years to get out of it," Cheney said Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation." "There are going to be blackouts this summer."

Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., said she was appalled that President Bush is not considering price caps or investigating companies she said are charging exorbitant prices for electricity.

She noted that both Cheney and Bush are former oil industry executives.

"It's really rather stunning because those of us who are living through this have suggested many things," Boxer said on CBS. "So

the vice president sits very coolly, and I admire his cool, but he really sounds like an oilman, not a vice president charged with helping the people."

If dairy farmers sought as much profit as oil companies — in some cases, 1,600 percent — a gallon of milk would cost \$190, she said.

But Cheney, chief architect of the administration energy plan released last week, said capping prices would not increase energy supplies or reduce demand.

"We get politicians who want to go out and blame somebody and allege there is some kind of conspiracy, whether it's the oil companies or whoever it might be, instead of dealing with the real issues," Cheney told NBC's "Meet the Press."

He criticized California Gov. Gray Davis, a Democrat, for what he called a "harebrained scheme" to use the state's budget surplus to

buy power.

For the short term, the administration has approved Davis' request to expedite permits for new power plants and has ordered federal facilities in California to reduce energy consumption this summer by 10 percent.

Cheney said the answer to long-term price stability lies in building more oil refineries in the United States and in reviewing a system whereby different states require different blends of fuel — some mixed with the corn additive ethanol, for example — to meet clean air standards.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Congress should look into at least temporarily suspending the 18.4-cent-a-gallon federal gasoline tax.

Cheney said, however, that would pose problems for the highway trust fund, which relies on that tax to build and maintain the

nation's transportation infrastructure.

Describing himself as a "pretty good environmentalist," Cheney also responded to criticism by some environmental groups that he did not meet with them before issuing the energy plan because he is beholden to energy producers who gave millions of dollars to the Bush election campaign.

"I couldn't begin to sit down with all of those various groups. I didn't have time," he said.

Environmental Protection Agency chief Christie Whitman, who appeared on three Sunday talk shows, said the administration is doing everything within its power to help California, "while still protecting the public health" from toxic emissions under the Clean Air Act.

Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham said on "Fox News Sunday" that price caps would

only hurt California in the long run.

"There are peak problems right now because California hasn't brought any new supply into place in 10 years, no new facilities, and so they've got an imbalance, but the way to solve it isn't price caps. That'll only make matters worse," Abraham said.

He also said instability in the Middle East should motivate the United States to increase domestic production, including exploring for fuel in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska.

"We're not going to beg" the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries to release their oil, Abraham told Fox and CNN's "Late Edition."

Cheney said he has spoken with Saudi leaders but has sought price stability rather than lower prices, which he said would only shoot up again.

Rylander says she's ready for redistricting duties

AUSTIN (AP) — When Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander completes counting the state's money this session, she will likely be moving on to another challenge: helping to redraw the legislative voting boundaries.

With the legislative redistricting plans caught up in partisan gridlock at the Capitol, the job probably will move to the Legislative Redistricting Board.

As one of four Republicans on the five-member panel, Rylander says the duty is among the reasons she decided to seek

re-election as the state's chief money manager.

"I think that is probably one of the most important duties I will have in public service, and I will fulfill it fairly," Rylander said Sunday.

All sides seem to concede that the 31-member Senate won't pass its redistricting bill this session, which ends May 28.

Sen. Jeff Wentworth, the Republican chairman of the Senate Redistricting Committee, lacks the votes needed to bring the bill up for debate.

There has been talk of

delaying the redistricting board's work for three months after the session ends, but Rylander said she disagrees.

"I don't think they should wait three months, she commented.

"My personal opinion is that if it's going to come to the Legislative Redistricting Board that we ought to get on with it. I think Texans want to know as soon as possible," Rylander said.

And as lawmakers spar over various plans floating around the State House, Rylander said she's purposefully held off on studying

any proposals.

"I have not spent time on anybody's plan. I've been counting money," she said a few minutes after announcing lawmakers will have \$18 million less than expected to spend in the next state budget.

"I have no preconceived notions," Rylander said of the redistricting process. "I will very independently be acting in my role as comptroller on the Legislative Redistricting Board and will certainly gear up as necessary when and if that comes to us and it looks like it will."

Education can greatly improve one's sex life

Dear Ann Landers: I've read several letters in your column about men, women and sex. There was the man who listed rules for women to "guarantee" an end to their sex lives. Then there was the married man who financed a trip to Hawaii from the "Sorry, I've got a headache" fund. The killer finish was from the late bloomer who waited until she was 29 to have sex. After the novelty wore off, she decided sex was "highly overrated."



ANN LANDERS

I am a 60-year-old woman and have been single most of my life. I've had a great deal of experience with sex and can tell you that if a woman isn't interested, it is because her partner doesn't have a clue about how to satisfy her. Most men get points for just trying, but that's not enough. How do I know? I was lucky enough to have sex with a man who really did know what he was doing. After that, I was spoiled. No other man ever came close. I'm not complaining — just reminiscing.

Please tell both men and women to read some books on anatomy and sexual fulfillment. Then hopefully they will apply what they learn to their partners and pay close attention to the response. The rewards may change their minds about sex. — J.S. Out East

Dear J.S.: You are right. Anyone interested in improving his or her sex life should start with the local library and bookstore. Thanks for the suggestion.

Dear Ann Landers: Eighteen years ago, I divorced my husband because he had an affair with his secretary, whom he later married. Our son, "Greg," was an infant at the time, and I made sure he visited his father on a regular basis. When Greg turned 17, he asked me to let him go live with his father. Although this broke my heart, I thought it would be best to say yes.

Now, a year later, I found out that Greg is calling his stepmother "Mom." (He used to call her by her given name.) When I told Greg I was terribly hurt by this, he brushed it off and replied, "I call her Mom because her other kids do." When I complained to his father, he said, "It's Greg's call."

I am upset and angry about this turn of events. Should I tell Greg he can't live there anymore? I feel as if I am losing him. I need your advice. — Crying in Ohio

Dear Ohio: Quit crying and face reality. You are not losing him. Greg feels comfortable where he is, and you deserve high marks for letting him be there. Apparently, he wants to call his stepmother "Mom," and even though this is painful for you, accept it with grace. His explanation makes sense to me.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, May 21,

Speak your mind this year. You have many great ideas. Start acting on them. Your creativity surges to unprecedented levels, and your charisma soars as well. If you are single, your attractiveness and energy draw many to you. Check someone out before you get involved. If you are attached, schedule that dream trip just for the two of you. You need more time together. TAURUS understands you and makes a great confidant.

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)

**** Expenses go haywire. Frustrations build. You want to do a lot, but there's so little time! Write down a list of dreams, and prioritize which ones you would like to realize. Visualize where you want to be in the next five years. Consider your destiny. Tonight: No time like the present to start structuring a life plan.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Though you might be beaming ear to ear right now, you might also be confused about what is really going on with someone in charge. Given time, you will sort through what is happening here. Meanwhile, simply give that usual 100 percent. Tonight: Go for what you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Keep an eye on confusing information, and know that much could change if you give yourself time. Research important matters for yourself if you want answers. Say little right now, though you know something is out of sync. Trust your judgment. Tonight: Withdraw into your imagination.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Although a partner means well, the message often gets confused. Your humor turns a touchy situation into a winning one. Schedule a meeting and draw others toward you. Listen carefully to a friend who has plenty of suggestions. Tonight: Where the gang is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Something that you found to be easy manages to confuse others. Just relax. Do not allow yourself to get uptight about it. A lot of the information you get might not be exact. Use your sense of humor to crack through any tension. Let others express their ideas. Tonight: Work late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Dig in and do your own research. You might be slightly confused by what you hear. If you can, walk away from gossip or opinions. Work with the tried and true. Test out a great idea on someone. Schedule an overdue checkup with the doctor or dentist. Tonight: Rent a movie on

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Others dominate. You cannot get around a key partner or associate. Seek answers. Avoid a risk, no matter how good it seems. Answers appear when you become a skeptic. A child tests your boundaries and limits. Don't let the wool get pulled over your eyes. Tonight: Spend time with a favorite person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Others run with the ball. Don't try to catch up or regain control. Review others' ideas, though be somewhat cynical. What seems like a great idea involving a family member could easily fall apart. Stay light and easy when dealing with others who might already be tense. Tonight: Go along with plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Go into work and don't get into an endless conversation about the pros and cons of a situation. Clarity might be difficult to achieve, as others also seem to have difficulty sorting through facts and wishful thinking. Concentrate on work and on getting the job done. Tonight: Go for a brisk walk.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** You might not be clear about someone's role in your finances. Establish stronger boundaries if necessary. Is there a loved one who wants to take chances

with your money? Indulge this person, but do not grant him financial control. Express your love in a different way. Tonight: Do something you enjoy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You might be thrilled about a personal matter. Ground your happiness in reality. Deal with domestic and real estate matters. As a result, you'll gain. Build stronger foundations, and the unexpected won't shake you up as much. Tonight: Head on home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** What you think you hear and what is said could be considerably different. Keep asking questions and affirm communication. Cut a tendency to daydream or indulge in wishful thinking. Make key calls later in the afternoon. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

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EDITORIAL

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OUR VIEWS

Keep a cool head in the summer heat

Let's see if we've got this straight. Last week, it bumped around 100 degrees during the day, although it was fairly calm. Fairly calm, that is, compared to Sunday and this morning, when the winds howled and the dust blew. Now it's near noon on Monday and calming down to what looks like a peaceful, cool evening. What's that the forecast says — 40 to 45 degrees tonight, low 70s on Tuesday?

We all know what they say about the weather in West Texas, so we won't repeat it here. Suffice to say, it's true.

Here's another update: The forecast calls for temperatures to be back in the 90s by the weekend.

It was last week's scorching days and the forecast of warmer weather ahead that causes us to be mindful of the fact that we need to be careful this time of year. Too often — and once is too often — we read about a child or an animal left in a vehicle with the windows rolled up in the summer heat. Most of the time, the driver just meant to "run into the store for a minute" or didn't think it was really that hot. But each year, experts warn that even on mildly warm days, the temperature in an automobile can rise rapidly.

Children and pets have no defense against the heat. They can't climb out of the vehicle or roll the window down and sometimes can't cry for help.

It is never worth the chance to just "run into the store" and leave a child or pet unattended in warm weather. The groceries, the dress, the gift can all be replaced. The child or pet can't be.

For that reason, also make sure that if your pet lives outdoors, you leave plenty of water around and in easy access. In high temperature, and particularly on windy days, it doesn't take long for water in a bowl to evaporate. Check it daily.

We need to think about ourselves, as well. Those working out in the sun should drink water frequently, wear light-colored clothing, a cap, and avoid becoming overheated.

It's also important to keep an eye out for each other as summer approaches. Check on your loved ones, particularly the elderly, and make sure they are able to open windows and have a fan.

Warmer weather means barbecues, fun at the lake and good times. But there are dangers. Be aware of them, and be safe.

OTHER VIEWS

In order that we might better serve your needs, we offer several ways in which you may contact us:

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- By fax at 264-7205
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Step on it before it starts crawling

A bizarre example of "fair and balanced" media coverage was the Summit of the Americas trade meeting in Quebec, Canada, in April. The first night of the trade summit, ABC spent four minutes covering the minimal violence created by a tiny fraction of demonstrators, whereupon Peter Jennings came on and asked his correspondent: "What are these people protesting? Or are they just looking for a fight?" The correspondent replied comprehensively, "They're against capitalism." So much for that argument.



MOLLY IVINS

In this era of ur-capitalism, when free trade is equated with democracy, raising questions about the specifics of trade agreements, or even pointing out the downside of NAFTA, has become a media solecism, akin to wearing white shoes after Labor Day. It's Just Not Done. But the newbies are behind the curve again: It's actually quite chic among your forward-thinking multinational corporations to encourage labor and environmental protections in new trade agreements. Haven't heard that? Neither have the media: They're still stuck on the old Tom Friedman script — Globalization is Good and anyone who questions it is Bad, or as The Wall Street

Journal so happily put it, "Luddite whackos." Bill Greider analyzed this new-found corporate respect for Luddite whackos in a Nation article in late March: "The only whiff of sincerity is they sincerely want fast track legislation with minimum cost to their bottom lines," explained Daniel Seligman of the Sierra Club. The corporations have run up against the formidable political coalition stalling further trade agreements and are anxious to get around it. Hence, the sudden discovery that if corporations can insist on protective clauses for intellectual property rights and investor security, it's quite difficult to argue against protective clauses for the environment and labor. Save the whales and the workers!

It's interesting to see who gets it and who doesn't on this issue. When NAFTA was signed in 1993, we were told it would create 200,000 jobs in the first year alone. According to a recent study by the Economic Policy Institute, NAFTA has eliminated 766,030 actual and potential U.S. jobs. In 1993, the United States had a trade surplus with Mexico of \$1.7 billion. By 1996, it was more than \$17.5 billion. The trade deficit with Canada increased from \$10.8 to \$22.8 billion. By 2000, the deficit with both countries had increased by 378 percent to \$62.8 billion. As Jim Hightower said in his newsletter, "Corporate chieftains routinely use the back-door exit to Mexico as a threat to abandon workers and communities here

unless the workers accept major pay cuts, give up health and pension benefits, speed up the work line and put in more hours."

On the other hand, The New York Times ran a long, touching front-page story this week about the closing of a cotton factory in Alabama and the devastating effects on the town and its people. One worker explained: "People came to work sick, people gave their all to keep it open, to keep up production. They thought it was their protection." More than halfway into this long story comes one mention that NAFTA "was a death knell for working people like the cotton millers in Jacksonville."

One common side effect is the downward pressure on wages, as factory workers are forced into the low-paying service jobs. This in turn contributes to rising income inequality, another subject about which the American media do not talk. They're too busy with the Robert Blake story.

If you still think Chapter 11 means bankruptcy, you are not up on your trade treaties. The new and more horrible Chapter 11 (not the bankruptcy law Congress just finished screwing up) is about government by corporations. As Greider says, "Chapter 11 is the smoking gun" that proves we have given up national sovereignty for corporate rule. The evidence is in and becomes clearer by the day.

Chapter 11 of NAFTA established a new system of private arbitration for foreign investors to bring injury claims against gov-

ernments. Under the rules, foreign investors in any country can bring suit against the government and demand compensation if the profit-making potential of their venture has been injured by a government decision "tantamount to expropriation." For starters this gives foreign-based companies more rights than domestic businesses operating in their own countries.

"In Mexico," Greider reports, "a U.S. waste disposal company, Metalclad, was awarded \$16.7 million in damages after the state of San Luis Potosi blocked its waste site in the village of Guadalcazar. Local residents complained the Mexican government was not enforcing environmental standards and that the project threatened their water supply. Metalclad's victory established that NAFTA's dispute mechanism reaches to subnational governments, including municipalities."

No one knows how many of these cases have been filed because there is no requirement to inform the public. The contesting parties, Greider reports, choose the judges who will arbitrate, choose which issues and legal principles are to apply, and also decide whether the public has access to the proceeding. It is assumed these disputes are none of the public's business, even though public laws are under attack and taxpayers' money will pay the fines.

If I hated lawyers as much as George W. Bush hates lawyers, I'd step on that before it starts crawling.



Your money: It's your obligation to protect it

By JOHN CUNNIF
Guest Columnist

Seldom in financial history has the public been so trained to forsake its own research efforts, judgments and instincts, and instead rely on the opinions of those who claim expertise.

Experts tell you where the economy is headed, which stocks to buy and which mutual funds to join. They claim to uncover inside information and let you in on deep corporate "secrets" hidden from ordinary folks.

They write books, appear on talk shows, conduct seminars and may even phone you at the dinner hour. They seem to be everywhere, experts in the ways of marketing — but less expert in fulfilling their promises.

"Few, if any, investors or economists forecast the great speedup in economic growth during late 1999 and early 2000," says H. Bradley Perry of David L. Babson & Co., investment managers.

The experts failed to spot the abrupt business slowdown that occurred last

year, he says. It was a surprise, but good research should have seen it coming. Same with the big bull market. And the recession in May 1990 that preceded the expansion? It wasn't discovered until well into summer.

This isn't meant so much to denigrate the efforts of those referred to as experts, some of whom supply informed guidance and advice, but to express wonderment at how readily investors defer to others.

Such deference can lead to trouble. It inevitably leads to trouble, as in the late and unlamented market burst of the past year.

Brokerage house research, for example, is not always designed to provide accurate information on which companies to invest in, which to avoid. Just as likely, it is designed to promote a company's stock.

Critics, including Arthur Levitt, former Securities and Exchange Commission chairman, warn of the inherent conflicts of interest within brokerage houses that cause research to be subservient to revenues.

Investment banking, the financing of corporations, is a big revenue producer for securities firms, causing the stock analyst, as Levitt put it, to walk a tightrope rather than disrupt a banking relationship.

The stock analyst, he says, must balance an obligation to assess a company's performance and prospects while at the same time avoiding comments that might upset his or her employer's investment banking client.

What happens too often, judging from research by Thomson Financial/First Call, is that the analyst's recommendation is to rate the stock a "buy." Of 28,000 recommendations examined, only 1 percent advised selling.

This, says Scott Cleland of the Precursor Group, an independent research organization, strongly suggests that "it is not in the interest of most investment research to warn investors in advance of problems."

Precursor published a "white paper" this month stating that the firms producing most investment

research "are rife with potential financial conflicts of interest," one of which is to keep the client company happy. A happy client, Precursor suggests, is one whose story is accepted by the analyst. And companies, it says, are "highly sophisticated in managing their story through public relations and lobbying firms."

Not all stock recommendations come through brokerage firms; there is no shortage of independent advisers, notably Standard & Poor's and Value Line, but often at a price small investors aren't willing to pay.

But that problem too can be resolved. How?

Simply by using the facilities of a good public library, many of which in response to rising demand began subscribing to independent advisory services during the 1990s.

There in the quiet of the reading room you can assess the value of the research of others, judge it, possibly combine it with your own homework, and arrive at your own decision.

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IN I

Chicano & hold annual
The Chicano Association annual golf tournament Trail G Saturday June 8-9. The \$60 fee for both will be Saturday. For more call 264-2366

Lady Steer club meet
There will be Steers boosting at 7 p.m. the Athlete Center. This will be meeting of will be electors for next. For more contact Churchwell

Baseball banquet
The banquet has been set for 7 p.m. today at the high cafeteria. Tickets are \$10/plate for all high school players and coaches. Meals will be for all baseball

YMCA offer swim lessons
Families with age four and register for level swim lessons at Splash Water YMCA. Free beginner swim lessons offered Tuesday, Saturday, May 22 and June 2. For more call the YMCA

Lady Steer camp set for
Registration accepted for Steers Basketball Conference June 4-7 in High School Sessions at 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and start to accommodate schedules. The camp is open to through eight. The cost includes T-shirt, cate. For more call Avery at

Big Spring World's Largest
Big Spring host the first World's Largest a.m. Saturday Old Settler's. The event will be a 5K walk that will be the YMCA anniversary. The fee is \$5 and \$5 for children 12. For more contact Angie 8234.

ON TV

Radio Baseball
7: p.m. — Padres at Home KBST 1490 A

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NBA PLAYOFFS 7:30 p.m. — Conference Finals Los Angeles Lakers at Antonio Spurs BASEBALL 7 p.m. — Padres at Home FXS, Ch. 29. HOCKEY 6 p.m. — at Colorado ESPN, Ch. 30

IN BRIEF

Chicano golfers will hold annual tourney

The Chicano Golf Association will hold its annual golf scholarship tournament at Comanche Trail Golf Course Saturday and Sunday, June 8-9.

The \$60 fee covers green fee for both days. There will be a barbecue Saturday.

For more information call 264-2366 or 263-4044.

Lady Steers booster club meeting Tuesday

There will be a Lady Steers booster club meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Athletic Training Center.

This will be the final meeting of the year. We will be electing new officers for next year.

For more information contact Debbie Churchwell at 267-7530.

Baseball booster banquet slated

The baseball banquet has been scheduled for 7 p.m. today at the junior high cafeteria.

Tickets are \$5/plate for booster club families and \$10/plate for non-members. The banquet is for all high school baseball players and their families. Meals will be provided for all baseball players.

YMCA offers free swim lessons

Families with children age four and older can register for free beginner level swim lessons during Splash Week at the YMCA.

Free beginner level swim lessons will be offered Tuesday through Saturday, May 29 through June 2.

For more information call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Lady Steers hoops camp set for June

Registration is being accepted for the Lady Steers Fundamental Basketball Camp set for June 4-7 in Big Spring High School's Steer Gym. Sessions are from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., but campers can arrive at 8 a.m. and stay until noon to accommodate work schedules.

The camp costs \$45 and is open to current first through eighth graders. The cost includes instruction, T-shirt and certificate.

For more information call Avery at 264-0403.

Big Spring YMCA World's Largest Run

Big Spring YMCA will host the first-ever YMCA World's Largest Run at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 2 at Old Settler's Pavilion.

The event is a synchronized 5K run and fun walk that will celebrate the YMCA's 150th anniversary.

The fee is \$15 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-12. For more information contact Angie Diaz at 267-8234.

ON THE AIR

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BASEBALL
7 p.m. — San Diego Padres at Houston Astros, KBST 1490 A.M.

Television

NBA PLAYOFFS
7:30 p.m. — Western Conference Finals, Lqs Angeles Lakers at San Antonio Spurs, TNT, Ch. 28.

BASEBALL

7 p.m. — San Diego Padres at Houston Astros, FXS, Ch. 29.

HOCKEY

6 p.m. — St. Louis Blues at Colorado Avalanche, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Cornhuskers whip A&M to win third straight baseball title

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Dan Johnson and his Nebraska teammates struggled in the weekend before the Big 12 baseball tournament. The Cornhuskers lost two of three to Iowa State and Johnson had a poor series at the plate.

That's history now. With Johnson leading the way, Nebraska won its third straight Big 12 tournament title by beating Texas A&M, 7-4 on Sunday.

Johnson hit two, two-run homers to finish with five during the tour-

namment. The Cornhuskers (45-14) won all four of their games to become the first Big 12 school to win the regular-season and postseason titles.

"We played at Iowa State previously and I couldn't see the ball," Johnson said. "It was something about that park and I didn't like the hitter's eye and I just couldn't focus. Then we come to this park and it is just beautiful. The ball looks good and I can see real well."

Johnson, who also had two

homers in a victory over Oklahoma State on Saturday, was 3-for-4 Sunday with three runs scored and four RBIs.

Texas A&M (33-27) led 1-0 in the first inning, 2-1 in the third and tied the score at 3 in the fifth, but each time the Cornhuskers had an answer.

An RBI double by Jeff Blevins in the bottom of the first tied the score for the Cornhuskers. After A&M scored in the third on an RBI double by Jeff Freeman, Johnson homered

to right to give the Huskers a 3-2 lead.

Texas A&M scored in the fifth on an RBI single by Freeman before Johnson came through again in the bottom half of the inning with his 24th homer, this one to center field.

Texas A&M pulled within 5-4 on a homer by David Evans in the seventh inning, but Nebraska scored two runs with two out in the bottom half. Josh Hesse had an RBI single and the other run scored on a passed ball.

Lady Steers dominate 4-4A picks

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring High School's Dan Arista was named Coach of the Year, sophomore Christina Gwyn was Most Valuable Player and senior Amy Jackson was named the top defensive player as the 2001 4-4A All-District Team was announced today.

The Lady Steers also placed three other players on the first team, three on the second team and two earned honorable mention.

Arista guided the Lady Steers to an impressive 22-6 season record and the 4-4A championship.

Gwyn was equally effective from the plate and the pitcher's mound. She carried a .512 batting average with 22 runs batted in, three home runs, 16 singles, two doubles and a triple. From the hill, Gwyn had a 10-0 district record/ She gave up just 19 hits in 61 innings and had an earned run average of .34.

The sophomore recorded 129 strike outs and earned a

shutout five times this season.

Jackson — the only senior to win post-season honors on the Lady Steers' young squad — had a batting average of .422, batted in 11 runs and slapped 14 singles, two doubles and as many triples and one homer.

Named to the first team from Big Spring were second baseman Bridget Cain, catcher Erica Stewart and outfielder Leina Braxton.

Cain, a junior, hit a torrid .463 with 15 RBIs, 16 singles and three doubles. Stewart, a freshman, batted .477 with seven RBIs and 21 singles. Braxton, another freshman, carried a .432 average with 15 RBIs, 14 singles and two doubles.

Freshmen from Big Spring were also prominent on the second team. They included Laura Olague, first baseman who hit .350 with 15 RBIs, nine singles, four doubles and one triple; and Whitney Hufford, short stop who cracked the bag for a .391 average with eight



HERALD photos/Jim Fierro
Big Spring High School sophomore Christina Gwyn, above, was named the 4-4A Most Valuable Player and senior teammate Amy Jackson, below, all, was selected Defensive Player of the Year as all-district teams were announced today.

RBIs, 10 singles, seven doubles and a triple. Also named to the second team for Coach Arista's Lady Steers was Trista Casey, a junior, who had a batting average of .200 with eight RBIs, six singles and three doubles.

Junior Tracy Padilla and freshman Kim Wrightsil received honorable mention all-district.

Snyder senior Cameron Mackey was the Offensive Player of the Year while the Lady Tigers' Ashley Martinez, a freshman, was Newcomer of the Year.

The rest

Others on the first team were: Andrews, Courtney Pool, sr., pitcher; Lindsey James, sr., outfield; Candice Minatra, jr., outfield. Lake View: Josie Jungman, jr., pitcher; Traci Harp, sr., catcher; Jennifer Hill, jr., third

base. Frenship: Kristina Day, jr., pitcher; Amanda Milam, so., catcher; Cristi Clift, jr., short stop.

Snyder: Whitney Webb, sr., outfield; Jennifer Newman, sr., first base; Shelley Fisk, so., short stop.

Levelland: Lindsey Marshall, so., catcher.

Others on the second team were:

Plainview: Vanessa Rodriguez, so., pitcher; Alesha Robertson, so., utility.

Levelland: Carina Metsgar, sr., pitcher; Christian Bencomo, jr., outfield.

Estacado: Jannie Urruttia, so., pitcher.

Frenship: Marcie Jones, sr., first base.

Andrews: Mandy Waldron, fr., short stop; Farrah Lightfoot, so., second base; Nikki Baeza, jr., third base.

Lake View: Carnotta Baker, jr., outfield.

Snyder: Kira Diaz, so., third base; Vanessa Freeman, jr., catcher.

Estacado: Annette Garcia, so., short stop.

Spurs look to avoid going down 2-0 to calm, confident Lakers

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The San Antonio Spurs worked all season to earn the home-court advantage throughout the NBA playoffs, only to lose it on one miserable night against the Los Angeles Lakers.

Another lackluster San Antonio effort Monday night in Game 2 of the Western Conference finals would put the Lakers up 2-0 with the best-of-seven series shifting to Los Angeles.

What was supposed to be a clash of titans could turn into another Lakers' sweep.

After watching video Sunday of their 104-90 home-court loss in Game 1, the Spurs were more inclined than ever to blame themselves for the loss.

"We were doing things on offense that I've never seen

us do," Sean Elliott said. "That's unexplainable. We played a very sloppy game. Mentally, it was really bad. You look at the film and it was much worse than I anticipated, and I knew being in it and going through it that it wasn't going to be good."

None of the Spurs could explain why they came out so flat in a game of that magnitude.

"We worked hard to get the home-court advantage and to come out and lay an egg like that was very disappointing for all of us," coach Gregg Popovich said.

"We know full well how important the game is on Monday.

"You have to play very, very well at this point in the playoffs if you want to get a

win, no matter who you're playing, and we happen to be playing the hottest team in the league."

The Lakers are calm, confident and as together as they've ever been. They've won 16 in a row, and are coming off a 45-point night by Kobe Bryant.

"It was an incredible performance," San Antonio's Tim Duncan said. "He did whatever he wanted to do, and he did it all over the place."

The Spurs plan to play rougher in Game 2 after Bryant scored 10 times on layups or dunks.

"We want to protect the basket," Danny Ferry said. "Obviously, him making 10 layups, we didn't protect the basket very well. I think we can be more physical in gen-

eral and I think that's something we're going to need to do, not to the point where we're hating guys, but good aggressive basketball. I don't think we played that way yesterday."

Those who ought to know compared Bryant's performance to Michael Jordan.

"It was very similar," San Antonio reserve guard and former Jordan teammate Steve Kerr said.

"That's what Michael always used to do. A team starts to come back and make a run, especially in their home building, the fans get behind them, then all of a sudden 'Bam,' he just sucks the life out of the place."

"That's what Kobe was doing last night," Kerr added.

Varitek, Red Sox hope to make a bang at Yankee Stadium

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Jason Varitek and the Boston Red Sox hope to make a bang at Yankee Stadium, too.

Varitek hit three homers and drove in seven runs Sunday, leading the Red Sox over the Kansas City Royals 10-3.

"Kansas City has been tough for us all last year and this year," Varitek said. "For us to come away winning this series and winning today is just big for us, period."

The AL East-leading Red

Sox continue their road trip with a three-game series at New York, starting Tuesday night against the second-place Yankees.

Boston makes a stop Monday in New Jersey to play its Double-A Trenton affiliate.

"I think that's one bus I might miss," Red Sox center fielder Carl Everett joked.

Everett twice missed the team bus in spring training, irking Boston manager Jimmy Williams.

In other AL games, Seattle stopped New York 6-2, Cleveland took Anaheim 9-6,

Oakland beat Chicago 6-2, Texas topped Toronto 3-2, Baltimore beat Minnesota 3-2 and Tampa Bay downed Detroit 10-2.

Varitek went 4-for-4 in setting career highs for home runs and RBIs.

Varitek hit a solo homer in the second inning, a three-run shot in the fourth and a two-run drive in the eighth. He had gone 108 at-bats without a home run.

Varitek became the first Boston player to homer three times in a game since Trot Nixon did it in 1999.

Mariners 6, Yankees 2

Bret Boone hit a three-run double off wild Roger Clemens and Seattle salvaged the wrapup of a three-game series at Safeco Field.

Aaron Sele improved to 6-0, matching the best start of his career.

But Clemens, who pitched a one-hitter at Seattle last October in the ALCS, walked the bases loaded in the first inning. Boone doubled, giving him a team-leading 43 RBIs.

Rangers 3, Blue Jays 2. Pat Mahomes won as a

Garcia wins first PGA event

FORT WORTH (AP) — It wasn't just the fact Sergio Garcia stormed to his first PGA Tour win that was memorable at the Colonial. Just as noteworthy was the way Phil Mickelson collapsed again in the final round.

For the second time in three weeks, Mickelson took a three-stroke lead into Sunday, to lose by two strokes.

"There seems to be a mental block on Sundays for me on the backside," said Mickelson, the defending champion. "I used to be able to finish it pretty easily. I've really struggled the last four or five times I've had a shot at it. It's going to be a while before I can get over that mental hurdle."

That's not good news for Mickelson with the U.S. Open only four weeks away.

Even though Mickelson faltered badly, Garcia earned this victory. Garcia, who started the final round five strokes back, shot a 7-under-par 63, including a 6-under 29 on the front nine.

Garcia, the 21-year-old Spaniard who has become so popular on the PGA Tour, finished at 13-under 267. He was two strokes ahead of Brian Gay and Mickelson, who missed three short putts en route to a 70 and lost while playing in the last group for third time this year.

"I don't know what to say other than I didn't see the line," Mickelson said. "I missed three ... and they all hurt."

Mickelson finished in the top three for a PGA-best seventh time this season.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Conference Finals

(Best-of-7)

Saturday, May 19

L.A. Lakers 104, San Antonio 90, L.A. Lakers lead series 1-0

Monday, May 21

L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 22

Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 24

Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 25

San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 8p.m.

Saturday, May 26

Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 27

San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 4:30 p.m.

starter for the first time since 1994, helping pitch Texas past visiting Toronto.

Mahomes went five innings, and Juan Moreno, Mark Petkovsek, Mike Venafro and Jeff Zimmerman teamed on three-hit relief.

Before the game, Rangers owner Tom Hicks assured All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez that he won't be traded before June 2. That's the date Rodriguez becomes a 10-year veteran with five seasons with his current team, meaning he can veto any trades.

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