TUESDAY

May 22, 2001

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT TOMORROW 50°-55° 80°-85°

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... WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus room.

Sit and Be Fit Aerobics, 10 a.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria. People 50 and older are invited to participate.

Beginning line dance class, 10:30-11:30a.m., free to beginners. Contact Margarita Durand-Hollis at the Dance Gallery.

Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

☐ Big Spring Duplicate Bridge Club, meets every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club.

☐ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens

☐ Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxialry, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

THURSDAY Gideons

International, Big Spring Camp No. U4206O, Herman's Restaurant, 7

☐ The Senior Citizens Center will host an Arts and Crafts session each Thursday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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College trustees approve Conway's return to classroom By LYNDEL MOODY decided to become a full- at Howard College 20 years Trustee Marie Ethridge was Johnston Construction and

19-year veteran College administrator will return to the classroom after trustees approved her change in position CONWAY Monday.

Linda Conway, vice-presi-

dent of instruction, has

time English instructor replacing Susan King, who retired this year, trustees learned during the meeting.

"I love it (teaching)," Conway said. "That is the bottom line. I have taught at least one class nearly every semester. There is something so energizing about

"All I want to do is read great literature and sit around and talk about it," she continued.

Conway began her career

ago as a speech and journalism teacher before accepting an administrative position after that first year. She has held her current position for the past two years.

According to the college's president, Dr. Cheri Sparks, a national search is under way to fill Conway's position and administrators hope to bring a recommendation for her replacement at the June board meeting.

Prior to the meeting's newly-appointed

administered the oath of office. Ethridge, a Coahoma resident and a 32-year veteran teacher, is taking over the position from her late husband, Rob, who died in March.

In other business, board members approved Templeton Construction of San Angelo as the construction manager at risk for the school's auditorium project.

Templeton was awarded the project over three other companies

Johnston Construction and Lee George Construction, both of Big Spring.

Sparks told trustees the companies were evaluated and ranked on price, experience, safety, financials and references and Templeton had the highest ranking. The district's lawyer is currently negotiating with Templeton.

Architect Phil Furgueron said Templeton constructed the Museum of Fine Arts in San Angelo and said the

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Skate park to be ready June 15

Staff Writer

It may not look like it now, but in a matter of a few weeks - June 15 to be exact - Big Spring will be sporting a new skate park complete with rollerblades, skateboards and bicycles.

According to YMCA director Pete Thiry, a 12man inmate crew from the Wilderness Camp is providing labor for the project, while the YMCA, in cooperation with the city of Big Spring, has purchased materials.

'The inmates are doing a great job and, needless to say, this is saving the YMCA a lot of money," said Thiry. "This is money that will be put back into the development of this pro-A portion of the park is

being left unpaved and will be designated for bicycle enthusiasts. Bumps and jumps made of dirt will be built in that area. The YMCA has contracted

with American Ramp Company of Joplin Mo. to build the skate park's initial five obstacles to be placed on a concrete slab.

"The YMCA is planning to add additional obstacles as funds become available," said Thiry. "Members of the skate park committee



Pete Thiery, executive director of the YMCA, points out the bike hills currently under construction at the skate park. The park is expected to be completed by June 15 and will include obstacles for rollerblades, skateboards and bicycles.

plan to sell billboard adver- will be \$400 for the first tional funds for that pur- renewal fee.

The billboard signs will be 4x6 hand-painted signs that will be displayed yearround at the park. Costs for advertising on the signs

tising space to raise addi- year with a \$300 annual

Members of that committee include Howard College President Cheryl Sparks, Sam Stephens, Jeremy Robertson and Daryl Newberry.

The skate park is is expected to be open nine hours per day Monday through Saturday

A supervisor will be on duty during hours of operation to ensure a safe and structured environment is

Local welfare programs top \$9 million mark

From staff and wire reports

More than \$9 million was spent on major welfare programs in Howard County last year, according to the year 2000 annual report issued by Barbara Evans, regional administrator for the Texas Department of **Human Services**.

The state spent a total of \$9,101,681 during the past fiscal year for those programs in Howard County, but how much would be spent on those programs locally in the future could change drastically, depending on the fate of bills currently being considered by the Texas Legislature.

worth Food stamps \$2,322,960 were issued for the fiscal year which ended Aug. 31, while Temporary Assistance Families (TANF) totaled \$385.493.

Food stamps are funded entirely by the federal government, however, state officials defermine eligibility of clients and issues the Lone Star Card.

The state and federal governments share in the cost of TANF to families where needy children are deprived of support because of the absence or disability of one or both parents. "Nursing home costs of

approximately \$4,465,428 were paid for elderly and disabled residents," Evans said. "Community Care for Aged and Disabled spent \$1,753,758 for Medicaid related services and there was \$174,042 spent for non-Medicaid related services."

County welfare programs were announced as state lawmakers consider a bill that would restructure the state's Medicaid program, with much of it moving from the Texas Department of Health to the Health and Services

Commission. After final approval, the bill will go back to the Senate, where the measure is sponsored by Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo.

According to Associated Press reports, the legislation also would consolidate the administrative tasks of Medicaid that are spread among several state agencies.

sponsor House Garnet Coleman, Houston, said the state

could save \$105.2 million in the next two years by eliminating repetitive paperwork, streamlining staff and services and gaining better control of the budget process.

"These are the types of things that I think will make a big difference,' Coleman said. Not everyone agrees.

"There are still a lot of things in this particular piece of legislation that I do not like," Rep. Arlene Wohlgemuth, R-Burleson, told the Associated Press.

In a marathon House session that begin Monday and stretched into the early hours this morning, much of the debate centered around a provision that

See WELFARE, Page 2

Council may increase fees for pool use **HERALD Staff Report**

An ordinance increasing rates at the city swimming pool, selection of a mayor pro tem and public hearings make up the bulk of items before Big Spring City Council tonight.

The council will convene

Council members will consider raising rates at the swimming pool from \$1.50 to \$3 per person when the pool reopens on May 28 for "Splash Day." One reason cited for the proposed increase is the need to pay for improvements at the facility which was was

closed last year for repair. In addition to refurbishing the pool, the city has added slides, an umbrella fountain and other features.

Council members are also expected to elect a mayor pro tem. The current mayor pro tem is councilman Oscar Garcia.

A resolution in support of the Ports-to-Plains route designation is expected to be approved, as are contracts for backhoe leases, bids for long distance telephone and Plexar service, telephone equipment and a used forklift.

Other business includes removal of southbound oneway signs at 10th to 11th on Runnels; removal of yield signs on 12th yielding to Young; placing a stop sign on northbound Young Street yielding to 12th; placing a stop sign on 11th Place yielding to Runnels; and placing a stop sign on Caylor, yielding to E. Eighth Street.

Also the council will consider a donating seized property to the Crossroads Housing Corporation. Five public hearings are

to be the first order of business. They are: · Rezoning from parking

to heavy commercial, block 6, lots 7-10, Boydston

See COUNCIL, Page 2

Veterans home schedules public open house for May 30

By CARL GRAHAM

Staff Writer

The Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez **Texas State Veterans Home** will have a public open house from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, to give local residents a chance to view the facility now that it is occupied.

"We are honored at the privilege of having Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen coming and reading a proclamation making May 30 as Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez **Texas State Veterans Home** said Michelle Day," Rodriquez, the facility's activities director. "We would like to invite the public out and tour the facility. When we had the ribbon cutting and open house in February we didn't have any residents, so we would

like them to see it now that

we have residents."

Two months ago, on March 19, the Lamun-Lusk-Texas State Sanchez Veterans Home was just receiving its second resident. Now the home's residents

number an even dozen and

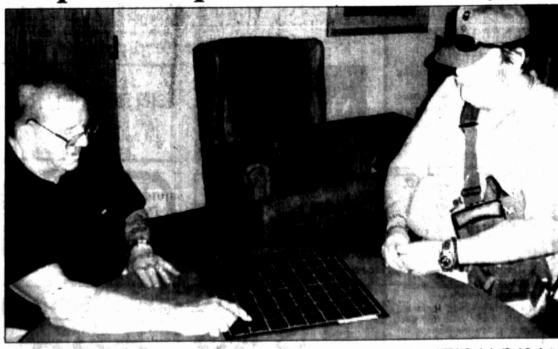
two to three are added each

The home's population is currently made up of 10 veterans of World War II, a Korean War veteran and

one Vietnam War veteran. The home now employs around 30 and is in the process of interviewing licensed vocational nurses (LVNs) this week.

Until now the facility has been staffed by registered nurses (RNs), but now has enough residents to add LVNs to the staff, officials

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Vietnam veteran Edward Alkin (right) plays a friendly game of checkers with James Stiles at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. The home which has 160 beds now houses 12 veterans.

for any suggestions that will

help improve the construc-

Three areas of the audito-

rium building will be visit-

ed before the construction

begins, Furqueron said,

including a waterproofing

drilling to check the stabili-

The \$1.5 million project

will include adding almost

3,000 square feet to the exist-

ing building, but the addi-

tion will cause the loss of

seven parking spaces in the

north parking lot area. The

inside of the building will

In the district's other con-

Furqueron told board mem-

bers the dorm construction

at the SouthWest Collegiate

Institute for the Deaf is

dorms and made a small

punch list, no major items,'

he said. "The construction

is substantially complete.

We are mostly waiting on

some paperwork from the

Trustees postponed the

\$22,500 purchase of a manu-

factured home and a \$3,000

purchase for a storage

building owned by Greg and

The home and storage

building are located at the

college's rodeo arena prop-

erty. Kernick, who is the

college's rodeo director, and

his family will be moving to

Sparks said the college

would like to purchase the

home to replace an old trail-

er used to house the person

who provides security and

Harold Davis, board secre-

tary, voiced his concern

that the district might be

able to purchase the two

properties for less money

than the appraisal value if

the properties were on the

The board gave approval

for administrators to seek a

real estate agent's advice

and to offer the Kernicks as

much as the original

amount depending on the

Sparks told board mem-

bers the district's appropria-

tions bill is going fairly well

through the legislation and

the officials estimate a 16.6

percent increase in funding

due to increased contact

A deal to purchase a bus

from Vernon Regional

College for as much as

\$28,000 fell through because

Vernon officials decided not

to sell the vehicle. Sparks

would be used to transport

large groups of students to

The board also approved a

faculty position for the

Industrial Production pro-

gram in San Angelo.

WELFARE

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health care services.

lion.

would establish a pilot pro-

gram expanding women's

Rep. Phil King, R-

Weatherford, tacked on an

amendment that would

allow the program only to

be available to females over

age 18, lowering the bill's

savings by about \$20 mil-

The provision avoids "this

program being used as a

cash cow to distribute con-

traceptives to minors," King

told board members.

findings of their research.

upkeep for the arena.

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construction company.

Rhonda Kernick.

another location.

"We walked through the

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OBITUARIES

Tull Ray Louder Funeral service for Tull

Ray Louder, 83, of Stanton, will be 10 a.m., Thursday, May 24, 2001, at First Baptist Church with the Rev. David Harp officiating. Mr. Louder died Monday,

May 21, in a local hospital. He was born Aug. 22

1918, in Rockwall County and married Helen Ruth Range on Dec. 22, 1945, in Dallas. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was captured on Corregidor on May 6, 1942, and released in Japan during September of 1945. He owned and operated Stanton Electric for 30 years. He was a member of First Baptist Church. He was an American Ex-POW, a Mason and a longtime athletic booster club supporter. He was also an exboard member of the Stanton Independent School District and oversaw the operation of he Martin County Country Club for many years.

Survivors include his wife Helen Ruth Louder of Stanton; three sons, Gene Louder and Jim Louder, both of Stanton and Ray Louder of Odessa; two sisters, Margie Griffin of Stanton and Mildred Adams of Milwaukee, Ore.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandsons.

The family suggests memorials to American POW Permian Basin Chapter, 3419 Baumann, Midland 79703.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

COUNCIL

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· Rezoning from parking two-family dwelling, block 1, lots 1-6, Amended and Strayhorn Addition.

Rezoning from parking to heighborhood service, block 26, lots 7-12, Amended Cole and Strayhorn Addition. · Rezoning from parking

to multiple family dwelling, block 31, lots 1-6, amended College Heights Addition.

 Rezoning from parking to retail district, block 7, lots 7-12; block 8, lots 1-3; block 9, lots 7-12, amended College Heights Addition.

During regular business, the council will consider approving the rezoning changes on second reading.

HOME

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The first female resident to enter the home was Irene Chick, an Army nurse during World War II. She moved into the home last week.

"I have had an interesting life," said Chick, who was a registered nurse for 43 years. "I really enjoyed my



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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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POSTMASTER: Send changes o address to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas. time in the nursing field, working in several states Wyoming, Wisconsin, New Mexico and

She said she served in China and India during the war and was a first lieutenant when she was discharged after three years of military service.

She found out about the veterans home through her daughter.

"She heard that they were building several homes for the veterans and began checking it out," said Chick. "She found out I was eligible and began the paperwork process. I had Hodgkin's Disease which is a type of cancer but I am now considered cancer-free after going through chemotherapy.

Chick has been impressed by her new surroundings.

"This is a very well-organized establishment," she said. "I would heartily recommend it to anyone. It costs a little more but it's worth the extra for the individualized care you get."

Edward Aikin was the first Vietnam veteran to become a resident. He served in the Army in 1968 and 1969, spending a tour close to the demilitarized zone. He was there during the Tet offensive and still suffers from post-traumatic stress syndrome.

Aikin said he was proud to serve his country and would do it over again if he had the chance.

"I volunteered instead of waiting to be drafted," said Aikin. "I consider myself a very lucky guy to have survived over there. My job was as a combat engineer, but anytime they needed an extra rifle they would get us to help out."

He said he would have probably made the Army a career had it not been for the assignment he received just weeks after returning from Vietnam.

"Less than a month after returning from 'Nam I had an assignment to go to Korea," said Aikin. "This time I was near Seoul. It was during peacetime but I had already decided to get out. I wish now I had stayed in and made it a career.

Aikin was discharged in late 1971 and returned home to try his hand in construction work around Abilene. He found out that he wasn't cut out for that type work and then trained to be a security guard. He said he served at several places including four years as a guard at Angola State Prison in Louisiana. He also spent time in Mississippi and in Alabama in various correctional facilities.

The 50-year-old veteran is glad to be where he is now.

"It was a long wait getting in but I am glad to be here,' said Aikin. "I would recommend this facility to any veteran that needs help. They have been good to me and I have gotten the help I needed. I know that I will probably be here until I die, but one wish I have is that I will be able to go to Washington to see the Vietnam Wall before I die.'

Rodriquez said that two local line dancing groups, the "Sizzling Seniors" and the "Big Spring Stompers," will entertain those attending the May 30 open house. Refreshments will be served throughout the event.

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firm will be asked to review

his plans of the auditorium

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problem, checking for hazsaid. ardous substances such as The program would be black mold and seeking a funded by millions funneled geotechnical firm for core to the state through a federal Medicaid waiver the governor must request.

> The additional funding would allow Texas to provide health services, including birth control, to more women than are currently eligible. Routine exams and screening for early detection of diseases such as diabetes, cervical and breast cancer and anemia also would be included.

> An estimated 1 million of the state's 1.5 million uninsured women would be eli-

If granted, the waiver would allow the state to get \$9 in federal money for every \$1 in state money spent on women's health care. An exact total amount was not immediately known.

Coleman said the program would save the state money by preventing unwanted births paid for by taxpayers. In 1997, it cost the state \$6,300 per Medicaid child birth and newborn care, a total of \$458 million. It would cost about \$200 per patient, or \$200 million, to provide screening and birth control to 1 million women, according to department of health statistics.

The pilot program would be available to women who earn up to 185 percent of the federal poverty level, or \$15,891.

The House also tacked on a provision prohibiting the state from recognizing same-sex civil unions, such created those Vermont.

The amendment by Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, passed on a voice vote after Rep. Glen Maxey, who's openly gay, asked that there not be a record vote that could be used against some members in elections.

"I. believe that an Rep. The Big Spring Police HOY Chisum and Rep. Wohlgemuth and other people who have led on this issue believe as strongly as they can," said Maxey, D-Austin. "And I, as a gay man, believe as deeply as I can that it is no business of the government and of this state who I chose to love.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TODAY

Caregivers Night Out, Trustees asked adminismeets every fourth Tuesday trators to find another availevery other month from 6 able bus and will consider-7:30 p.m. at Community the purchase during their Care Hospice. next meeting. The bus

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 8 a.m. Monday through 8 a.m. today:

 STANLEY WILSON HATCH, 37, of 2813 W. 21st. was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

TANEZ, 22, of Odessa, was arrested on local warrants. CIMMARON PARKER,

17. of 1610 Midway, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and unlawful carry of a weapon. BURGLARY OF A

BUILDING was reported in the 1400 block of Wood. CLASS C ASSAULT

section of Randolph and Fairchild Streets. CLASS C

600 block of Douglas. UNAUTHORIZED **CARRY OF WEAPON** was

 DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCE was reported in

 DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 1300 block of Sycamore.

Department reported the following weekend summary for the weekend ending Monday, May 21, at · ASSAULT, 1

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the 600 block of Douglas.

VIOLENCE, 3 **HABITATION**, 1

PICK 3: 9,4,6 CASH 5: 4,28,7,37,18

· BURGLARY OF A

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PASS, 1 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, 1 FELON IN POSSES-

SION OF FIREARM,1 FRAUD, 1 HARASSMENT, 2

 MISSING PERSON, 1 • RUNAWAY, 1

 CONVENIENCE STORE, 9 GAS, 9 BEER, 0 **INCIDENTS. 13**

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ARRESTS, 15 ACCIDENTS, 4 MAJOR, 0 MINOR, 4

FIRE/EMS

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

9:34 a.m. — 3700 block of East 11th, trauma call, service refused. 11:31 a.m. - 900 block of

Goliad, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 4:16 p.m. - 900 block of

Goliad, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC. 7:52 p.m. - 1900 block of

North Hwy 87, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC. 9:17 p.m. - 700 block of East 17th, medical call, one

patient transported to

SMMC. RECORDS

Monday's high 70. Monday's low 46 Th . asebi Precip. Monday 0.00 Record high 107 in 1953 Record low 47 in 1931 Average high 88 Average low 60 Month to date 0.67 Year to date 4.35 Sunrise Wednesday6:43 a.m. Sunset Wednesday 8:42 p.m.

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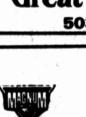
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Water bill passes without a drop of funding

AUSTIN (AP) — When Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown first envisioned his plan to pay for future water projects in Texas, it included millions in sales taxes on domestic water and sewer use and even a surcharge on bottled water.

Texas' future depends on water, Brown said, and people should be ready to pay

A few months later, most of those ideas have drowned in the political reality of a Legislature that had no intention of passing any major new taxes this session.

"I realize that in a redistricting year when everyone has to run (for re-election), it's going to be difficult to establish those seeds of funding," said Brown, a Republican from Lake Jackson. "That's the reality of it," he said.

Yet Brown's plan is mov-

House lawmakers on Monday gave tentative

approval to creating an infrastructure fund to pay for future projects. The bill also would create a Texas Water Advisory Council to set priority projects.

The bill had already the passed Senate. Lawmakers say they will meet over the next few days to negotiate small differences in their plans.

Regional planners across Texas predict the state's water needs will reach a critical stage over the next 50 years.

A recent survey of 16 regional water plans showed Texas' population is expected to double and water use is expected to rise 18 percent by 2050.

The report said the state will need seven new major reservoirs and other projects to help meet demand. billion.

Paying for it is the hard part. The Legislature stuck a dry tongue at the prospect of committing any money toward Brown's plan.

Brown's tax plans trickled to almost nothing before the bill ever got out of the Senate. Only a 5-cents-perbottle surcharge on bottled water managed to survive. But even that sank quick-

ly in the House, where it was removed in committee. House lawmakers never would have seriously entertained Brown's funding ideas, said Rep. Ron Lewis, D-Mauriceville.

"We recognize something needs to be done, but what we felt was that by taxing just one part, we were not being fair to the whole process," said Lewis.

Lewis wants the regional planning groups to think of ways to pay for projects.

he cost is as high as \$17 The groups will be expected to have some ideas in time for the 2003 session, he said.

"If the regional planning groups come back and say the state has all the responsibility, we'll have to come up with the money," Lewis said. "I don't think that will happen. I think they'll come up with some plans on their own to raise the money, some of it on the local level in the regions and some on

the state level." The infrastructure fund isn't totally dry of money. Lawmakers have proposed a constitutional amendment to provide the Texas Water Development Board the authority to issue \$2 billion in bonds for water projects.

If passed by lawmakers this week and ultimately approved by Texas voters, the first \$50 million in proceeds from those bonds would go to the water projects fund, Brown said.

Senate pushes toward passage of an 11-year, \$1.35 trillion tax cut

Senate Republicans say a delay in final passage forced by Democrats won't thwart their drive to get an 11-year, \$1.35 trillion tax Bush by the end of the week.

"The people that do not want a tax bill are trying to use every delaying tactic they can," said Senate Finance Committee Chairman Charles Grassley, R-Iowa. "It's not going to happen. We're going to persevere."

The Senate planned to resume votes on amendments Tuesday, with final passage possible during the day. Talks then would begin with the House on ultimate bill. Republican leaders had insisted on getting the Senate bill finished Monday night, but after five hours of roll-call votes on 16 amendments it became clear Democrats were in no mood to cooper-

"There is a lot of frustration out there," said Sen. John Breaux, D-La., a supporter of the bill.

Yet amendments to derail or substantially change the legislation, which is supported by a pivotal group of Democratic moderates, were unsuccessful. The bill features the core of Bush's original tax cut plan, including across-the-board income tax cuts, but has elements designed to get a majority in a Senate divided between 50 Democrats and 50 Republicans.

"We have to reach a compromise that is sustainable by 51 votes," said Sen. Max Baucus of Montana, a key co-sponsor and ranking

WASHINGTON (AP) - Democrat on the Finance Committee. "I think we have a good bill. It has a lot of give and take."

Still, Republican conservatives said they will push cut package to President in a House-Senate conference committee to accelerate the bill's income tax cuts, which aren't fully phased in until 2007, and to slash the top 39.6 percent income tax rate more deeply than the 36 percent called for in the Senate measure.

> "I think we need to try to find a way to make that occur sooner," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.

> Administration officials concede that Bush's proposed 33 percent top rate, included in the House bill. is unlikely to survive in the final bill, but they want other core elements of his plan — estate tax repeal. doubling of the \$500 child credit and marriage penalty relief — to occur much sooner than under the Senate bill. They question tax breaks added by the Senate for education, retirement savings and other needs.

"To accommodate individual senators, additional items were added which dilute and delay some of the president's proposals," said Mark Weinberger, assistant treasury secretary for tax policy. "We hope the conference committee will address that."

Another key issue for the final negotiations is whether to provide \$100 billion in upfront economic stimulus through rebate checks, as the Bush administration wants, or by lowering withholding from

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make money. 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

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**** Your enthusiasm returns as you stop problems with resourceful ideas. Friends and associates happily brainstorm and become energized by your enthusiasm. Use a change in plans or a miscommunication to buy yourself the time to do something you really want to do. Tonight: At a favorite

spot with favorite people. TAURUS (April 20-May

**** Listen to feedback and know that anything can change -- and quickly. A boss or associate is delighted with your moneymaking idea. Don't get personal and professional issues twisted together. You'll be happier. Tonight: Do your own thing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *****A call delights and energizes you. Anything is possible, as long as you go with the flow. Don't try to buck a difficult or controlling personality in your life. Reach past your immediate horizons. Network

both in person and on the How bout a good old-fash-Internet. Tonight: Anything is possible.

CANCER (June 21-July

*** Share an interesting insight with a partner who appreciates your revelations and can work with them. Keep important information quiet for now. Someone reveals frustrations. Call it an early workday if you are unusually tired. Slow down otherwise. Tonight: Put on your answering machine and read a good book.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** Your focus will make or break your success. If distracted, you could miss

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** You succeed if you are willing to allow others to have input. Be realistic. You cannot be so controlwithin a personal relationsnip by anowing more free dom to both of you. Try to make your professional life more of what you dream. Tonight: A must show.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov.

**** Let others run the show, but say no when your finances get involved. Your perspective changes a great deal if you see how others handle similar problems. Work with family members who are innovative and creative. Tonight: ioned date? SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Stop pushing so hard, and you'll find that others will work with you. Sometimes your strength can be intimidating to others. Unexpected news tosses your plans in a new direction. Remember -- you like excitement. Sort through potential invitations. Tonight: Go along with someone's plans.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** An even pace gets you far with someone. Others respect the fact that when you do business, you mean what you say. Your followthrough, though, sometimes costs you a lot. Be willing to say that enough is enough. A change of pace and scenery does you a lot of good. Tonight: Take a walk after dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

**** Sometimes, what others do is perfect. At other times you simply annoy ling. Establish greater flow them. Ask questions and get to the bottom of the

issue. A friend might be two-faced. Be careful. Express your joyful and playful sides. Tonight: Be your naughty self.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March

*** Follow your instincts about what is important. Sometimes you don't honor what you know and feel. Understand another's grievance, but don't think you have to make everyone happy. Tonight: Put your feet up and relax.

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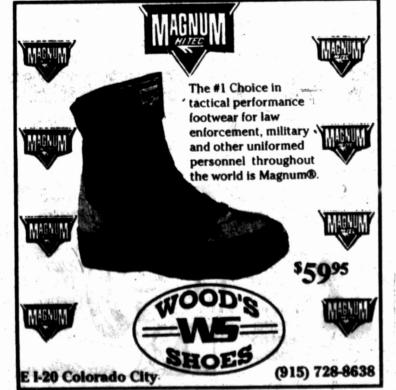
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OUR VIEWS

Pace doesn't slow down in Big Spring

goes out with a splash — the Splash-In at the city pool, in fact but the recent pace that has included such events as the MS Walk, Health Fair, Big Spring Kennel Club Dog Show, Christmas in April, Denim & Diamonds and the Relay for Life doesn't let up any in June.

Every Saturday in June, for instance, Big Spring State Park will be holding its Nature Walks and Sunset Tales program. These are entertaining events that allow visitors to become more acquainted with nature and the state park itself.

Big Spring Model Aircraft Association will have its annual show and fun fly-in on June 16 at the old Howard County Airport. Winds this past weekend played havoc with the association's Kid's Day event. Here's hoping for more favorable flying weather in June.

The first of two rodeos in June gets under way on the 13th with the 68th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. One of the biggest and possibly the best rodeos in West Texas, the event runs through the 16th. 31 9W

Organizers of the Hangar 25 Air Museum Air Fair will be hoping to get a little help on that date from rodeo personalities as well. Last year, the Air Fair's celebrity cake auction was a huge success, with Miss Rodeo Texas helping out. This year, the Air Fair will feature the auction again, plus numerous displays, snacks, burgers and the like, and lots of activities for children.

On June 28, the annual 4-H Junior Rodeo will get under way here. A miniature version of the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, its youth performers are no less enthusiastic. The rodeo runs through July 1.

On the final weekend of the month, the first Heart of the City Festival will be held. Organizers are planning on several entertaining activities.

From there, of course, it's on to Big Spring's annual Independence Day gala with Pops in the Park on July 3.

But for now will close out a busy May with Splash Day and Memorial Day services on Monday, then head into June.

We hope you'll take advantage of some of the many entertaining and worthwhile events your community is offering in the near future.

Your Views

TO THE EDITOR: The Howard College Student Trainers would like to thank the following individuals and businesses that contributed to the Trainers vs Athletic Staff softball game to benefit the Everett Blackburn Scholarship Fund. A total of \$1,032.00 was raised for this event

The Trainers edged the Athletic Staff by a score of 12-11.

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Laura

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Energy plan assumes we can have it all

By CALVIN WOODWARD **Guest Columnist**

Ask not what you can do for your country's energy shortage.

Concepts like sacrifice, rationing, austerity maybe turn down the air conditioning or even give up the SUV — are missing in President Bush's plan to deal with the crunch. They're missing in Democratic plans, too.

Conservation," says Bush, "does not mean doing without.'

Bush's blueprint relies on more energy supplies and a basket of enticements for greater energy efficiency. In his speech introducing it, he called conservation "the result of millions of good choices made across our land on a daily basis," and asked for no hard choices in particular.

Rozanne Weissman, speaking for the Alliance to Save Energy, was not surprised. "Americans do not want

sacrifice and deprivation.' she said. "This administration

doesn't want to look like the Jimmy Carter administration — telling people to turn their thermostats down and then not getting re-elected.'

Congressional Democrats have proposed a variety of steps to shelter Americans from sky-high costs.

Like Bush, they don't question the idea that peo-

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ple can continue to have it

"Democrats do not advocate energy policies that will require rationing or reductions in our standard of living," says the House Democrats' energy plan.

People must be helped with energy "without having to make large and painful lifestyle changes."

Some Americans are ready to be enlisted in a national effort, if anyone should ask.

'I would try to be a good citizen and work harder,' said Tom Mitchell, 58, in Pasadena, Calif., the state hit hardest.

"The president has to get the people to conserve by putting in rationing like we did in the 1970s," Albert Furtek, 80, said in Springfield, Mass.

But leaders want no part of that decade's gloom, not to mention Carter's ill fate in the election that followed.

Vice President Dick Cheney, architect of the Bush energy plan, has protested "the impulse to begin telling Americans that we live too well and to recall the '70s phrase that we've got to do more with less.'

He said: "The aim here is efficiency, not austerity.'

April 18, 1977: Tonight I want to have an unpleasant talk with you about a problem that is unprecedented in our history," President Carter began in an address to the nation about the energy crisis

Like Bush and Congress now, he proposed rewards for energy efficiency. But he also introduced penalties for waste, and took on the culture of consumption.

'We must not be selfish or timid," he said. He called for "equal sacrifices from every region, every class of people and every interest group.

"This difficult effort will be the moral equivalent of war," he said.

He demanded "strict conservation," promised to tax people for the "luxury" of driving gas-guzzlers and said, "Ours is the most wasteful nation on Earth." Carter this week said the energy problem now is not nearly as serious as it was then.

The nation is actually more dependent on foreign oil now than in the 1970s. But supplies so far are more stable, and shortages are generally not considered a crisis, yet, outside California.

Selfishness, wastefulness, limits — these are far from Bush's vocabulary. Although Cheney did not like the phrase as it was used in the 1970s, Bush said it is possible now, through technology, "to do more with less.'

Still, hard choices loom. Opening a portion of the **Arctic National Wildlife** Refuge to drilling, as he

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wants, would mean sacrificing some wilderness.

Keeping it off limits to the oil industry, as many Democrats want, would mean sacrificing a potential energy source.

Bush imposed an energy diet on federal facilities in California early this month. ordering them to cut power use as much as they could. Steps include raising thermostats to 78 degrees for the summer, closing off spare space and turning off escalators when energy shortages in the state are critical.

As for the public, Weissman said Americans can do commonsensical things to cut waste, things "our mothers told us growing up." Sacrificial conservation — vacationing closer to home, for example, to save on gas — might not be needed nationally, if people can afford the prices.

"We're not asking people, 'Don't buy more stuff," she said, but rather to consider whether every light in the house has to be on when everyone is in one room.

Sitting in her idling 1995 Isuzu Rodeo while waiting to take her cousin into downtown Chicago, Cyd Rogers, 30, said it's costing her \$38 to fill up about every four days. Pump prices are driving her "insane."

But she won't get rid of her thirsty SUV. "Once you get used to driving this, you can't switch back to a

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Adapting to the age of the Internet

osabeth Moss Kanter of Harvard **Business School** has made herself the country's foremost high prophet of change. In books such as "The Change Masters'

(Simon & Schuster, 1985), "The Challenge of Organizational Change" (Free Press, 1992), 'Creating the Future'

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(Summit Books, 1988). and now "Evolve!" (Harvard

Business School Press. 2001), she offers enthusiasm and insight to those who might otherwise be lost in befuddlement.

This latest work is a primer on how a person or a business can adapt to the Internet age. After surveying companies in the New Economy, some in the Old, and some struggling to straddle the two, Kanter came up with these imperatives:

 "Treat strategy development as improvisational theater." In other words,

CEOs are encouraged to turn their people loose to experiment in ways that are free of predicted results or pressures.

Citing Sun Microsystems and the Reuters Greenhouse Fund, an early investor in unknown germinators, including the founders of Yahoo! when they were still operating in a Stanford dormitory, Kanter stresses that this method is the only way to achieve the kind of wild innovation necessary to stay abreast of the Web world.

— "Nurture networks of partners." This strategy is essential to e-commerce, says Kanter. She notes that Amazon.com is a master of the form. Amazon bought PlanetAll for address books and calendars; Junglee for technology; LiveBid for auctions; and Back to Basics Toys and Tool Crib of the North in order to expand into all these prod-

"Reconstruct the orga nization as a community.' The craze for decentralization that dominated the last 20 years is over. Internet companies must have evergreater integration, not only to manage internal systems, but also to present

a single face to the customer. People in the company must think of themselves as members, not employees. They must be flexible and interchangeable, as well as willing to disclose knowledge readily often to colleagues they have never met.

A heightened sense of community based on common purposes and interests and "a range of shared understandings transcending specific fields" is required. Everything depends upon "voluntary collaboration." This can occur only in a community where barriers of bureaucracy have been dismantled.

- "Win the battle to attract and retain the best talent." Kanter points to Abuzz in Cambridge, Mass. as especially adept at keeping its people. They are allowed to work any time of day or night that suits them as long as they never, ever, miss a deadline. If they want to bring their dogs to the office, that's fine. Or if they need to sleep over on a couch during a hectic project, that's OK too. People at Abuzz feel they have constant opportunities to "stretch" themselves.

Even so, dot.com-ers are always on the move. Kanter observes that they live like medieval guildsmen who "take their craft from place to place and bring their friends with them." They also may return in time, so a company is wise to have occasional reunions with departed people to make sure they stay connected to that community. "E-culture is superficial

in good ways," writes Kanter. "Internet time requires fast, cryptic communication among strangers who cannot take time to interpret subtleties or build deep relationships based on intimate knowledge." Thus, there is no time either for office politics. That's a help. But e-commerce demands

a high level of collaboration, and, ironically, it's exactly this that the Internet, if mishandled, can undermine.

Unless offline communities, far from the Web, bring people together in ways that truly nourish and strengthen them, Kanter warns, "the Internet could become an isolating force, and children could grow up without the very skills that the Internet requires to run.









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There will be a Lady Steers booster club meet ing at 7 tonight 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 call Debbie Churchwell at 267-7530.

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. Enrollment is limited, registration is on a first come basis.

Splash Week is being offered in cooperation with The Rotary Club of Big Spring. This is the third year that the Rotary Club is supporting this community service project. For more information please call the YMCA at 267-8234.

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 YMCA's 150th the anniversary.

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

Chicano golfers will old annual tourn

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

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

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

Steer boys' hoops camp slated for June

The Big Spring Steers' coaching staff will be hosting a boys' basketball camp beginning June 4-7 for players completing first through eighth grade.

The cost if \$45 and each camper will receive a free t-shirt and certificate.

The camp will run from 1-4:30 p.m. daily at the Steer Gym.

For more information contact Brian Ellington at 264-3648.

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. For more information

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down 2-0 in playoffs after 88-8 "We're feeling real good about this out from that point on." better than it had in

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - So much for the great playoff showdown between the past two NBA champi-

The Los Angeles Lakers are doing the same thing to mighty San Antonio that they did to Portland and Sacramento.

In a game slowed to the pace the Spurs love, with Shaquille O'Neal having a miserable offensive night and Kobe Bryant a mere mortal, the Lakers still won 88-81 Monday night.

That makes 17 victories in a row, nine in the playoffs. It's the best postseason run since the Lakers went 11-0 in 1989 before being swept by Detroit after Magic Johnson and Byron Scott were hurt.

ourselves," Bryant said.

Los Angeles headed home with a 2-0 lead in the Western Conference finals and can make it a clean sweep into the finals with victories at the Staples Center Friday night and Sunday.

Coach Phil Jackson wasn't around to see the latest triumph. He was thrown out after drawing two technicals in a five-minute span in the third quarter. His departure wound up being the turning point.

"In some ways that really took the chains off ourselves," Derek Fisher said. "Our coach was gone and everything seemed to be going their way. So we just decided at that point to let it all go and just play

After that the Lakers' shots fell, the Spurs' shots clanged off the rim.

"Sometimes it's a simple game," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "It comes down to being able to put the ball in the hole. We just could not get a shot to fall.'

The Lakers, down by 14 points in the first half, overcame a career playoff-high 40 points by Tim Duncan, thanks to strong contributions from their role players, especially Fisher, who was 4-for-4 from 3-point range and scored 16 points.

Bryant followed his 45-point performance in Game 1 with 28 points, including a 3-pointer with 1:10 to play that put Los Angeles ahead 85-78 after San Antonio had played far

better than it had in the Lakers' 104 90 romp in Game 1.

Duncan grabbed 15 rebounds for the Spurs, while Antonio Daniels added 24 points, a career playoff high. Both were perfect from the foul line - Daniels 12-for-12 and

Duncan 9-for-9. But Duncan's twin tower, David Robinson, struggled though a foulplagued night trying to guard O'Neal. Robinson, who drew his third and fourth fouls in a one-second span in the third quarter, had seven points and nine rebounds in 27 minutes.

"With the two of us in there, it puts pressure on them," Robinson said. "With one of us out there, it puts a lot of pressure on Tim.'

The Gollad sixth grade physical education department held their Track and Field Day, Friday, May 4 and Thursday May 10 at Blankenship Field. The sixth period track team won the girls division with 149 points. Front left: Courtney Hickman, Veronica Beltran, Amber Sides, Maria DeLosSantos, Katy Abner, Tiffany Richards and Christina Heisley. Back: Morgan Metcalf, April Garcia, Denielle Burns, Erica Dominguez, Chelcie Olivas and Bridgette Rodgriguez.

SEC gets record eight teams into tournament

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The road to the College World Series will be cluttered with Southeastern Conference teams. The SEC had a tourna-

ment-record eight teams selected Monday by the NCAA's Division I college baseball committee. Defending champion Louisiana State, Auburn, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Mississippi State, South Carolina and Tennessee are all in this year's 64-team tournament, which starts Friday.

"It takes a lot of guts from the committee to do that,' Mississippi coach Mike

Bianco said. Next with five teams was the Big 12, with Nebraska, looking to make its first trip to the College World Series, Baylor, Oklahoma State, Texas and Texas Tech.

"The committee has no

limits on the number of teams we can take from a conference," committee chairman Wally Groff said. "We just want to get the best teams in there.

Cal State-Fullerton, selected as the top seed for the tournament, beat Southern California 11-5 for the national championship when it was the No. 1 seed in 1995.

"In selecting the No. 1 seeds, we had 18 teams on the board to choose from, Groff said. "We discussed the merits of all the teams and put in secret ballots to

choose the top seeds.' Cal State-Fullerton (41-15) was the top seed despite Miami being ranked No. 1 in all three national polls this week. The Titans swept a three-game series with the Hurricanes this season, and Groff said Cal State-Fullerton's 27-11 non-conferthe country in terms of win-

ning percentage.

The Titans will play host to Temple, making its first tournament appearance since 1984, on Friday in the first round of the doubleelimination tournament that leads to the College World Series in Omaha, Neb. Texas Tech and Arizona State also will play in the regional at Cal State-Fullerton, where the Titans

were 22-9 this season. The other seeded teams are Miami (44-12), Southern California (39-17), Stanford (42-14), Tulane (50-10),(41-18),East Georgia Carolina (44-11)

Nebraska (45-14). Groff said the committee spent 12 hours Sunday at the NCAA's headquarters in Indianapolis determining the field.

"It seems like it gets tougher every year," said Groff, the athletic director ence record was the best in at Texas A&M. "It was a challenge for us."

Houston franchise part of realignment for 2002 NFL season ROSEMONT. Ill. (AP) - move to the NFC. It could be

The new shape of the NFL week. It probably will look a lot like the old NFL, prior to the merger more than three decades ago.

Team owners begin their regular spring meeting Tuesday with one major addition — realignment for the arrival of the new Houston franchise in 2002. As usual, the owners are waiting until the last minute: June 1 is the deadline for having the new 32team, eight-division alignment set.

It shouldn't be too big a problem.

The last realignment, in 1970, was difficult because three teams had to move from the NFL to the AFL in an era when there was less harmony. This change. based primarily on geography, shouldn't, be as contenflous

"We know we're moving and we don't have a prob-Tampa Bay iem moving. coach Tony Dungy said. "We'll play where they tell us to play.

Four of the eight new divisions are pretty well set, including the NFC Central, which Dungy's Bucs will leave. That leaves the old "Frostbite pre-merger Division" of Chicago, Minnesota, Green Bay and Detroit.

Also likely to stay relatively intact are the NFC East (Dallas, the New York Giants, Washington and Philadelphia), the AFC East (Miami, the New York Jets, New England and Buffalo) and the AFC West (Kansas City, Oakland, Denver and probably San Diego), a throwback to old AFL days.

A fifth division, the AFC Central, will look very much the same: Cincinnati, Cleveland and Pittsburgh will be together with either Indianapolis, Houston, Baltimore or Tennessee.

The biggest change could involve the Chargers or Seahawks.

Because Houston, an original AFL city, has been promised a spot in the AFC, one AFC team will have to

San Diego, but it's most will be determined this likely Seattle, on the premise that the Seahawks played a year in the NFC before switching over in 1977

Under the plan most likely to be adopted, the Seahawks would go to the NFC West with San Francisco, St. Louis and Arizona. The Cardinals aren't happy about losing Dallas, their only annual sellout, but don't seem to have much choice: The Cowboys and the other NFC East teams all have far more clout than Arizona owner Bill Bidwill, whose team is a consistent loser

and has moved cities twice. The other two divisions fall into place geographical-

Carolina and Atlanta, geographic anomalies in the NFC West, are likely to form the NFC South with New Orleans and Tampa Bay. The AFC South will include Jacksonville and whichever team from among the Colts, Texans, Ravens and Titans doesn't go into the Central.

The new scheduling format ensures that every team meets every other team in the league at least once every four years. There will be six division games — home-and-home plus games against one division from the AFC and one from the NFC on a rotating basis.

There are about a dozen variations of the basic plan still under consideration. The owners probably will eliminate some Tuesday, go on to other business and take the final vote Thursday.

A 75 percent vote is needed - 24 of 32 teams — with commissioner Paul Tagliabue holding proxies surrendered by the Rams, Oilers (now Titans) and Browns (now Ravens) when they moved, plus expansion Houston.

Tagliabue has said he hasn't decided what to do with the extra votes, but may cast them or give them back to the teams.

Bonds hot, Giants not; Rockies' Walker oust Dodgers

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The San Francisco Giants aren't exactly prospering from all the home runs Barry Bonds keeps hitting.

Bonds tied a major league record with his eighth homer in five games and became the quickest player in history to 23 homers in a The Arizona season. Diamondbacks shrugged it off, thanks to homers from Greg Colbrunn and Reggie Sanders along with Curt Schilling's six-hitter to beat the Giants 4-2 Monday

night. It was San Francisco's fourth loss during Bonds'

five-game run. The only victory came Saturday, when he homered three times in a 6-3 win over the Atlanta Braves. The next day, Bonds had two homers, but the Braves combined for five and beat the Giants 11-6.

Bonds' surge has impressed everyone, but it hasn't intimidated anyone. "He's swinging the bat as

well as I've ever seen him,' Schilling said of Bonds. "He was 1-for-4, but the two balls he hit when he flew out just missed. They were real close.

Bonds' eighth homer in five days equaled the mark set by Frank Howard, who did it twice in 1968 with Washington. It also broke the National League record held by Jim Bottomley (1929), Johnny Bench (1972) and Mike Schmidt (1979), who each had seven in a

five-game stretch. The seventh solo shot of his home run binge also gave Bonds 23 homers in San Francisco's 44 games this season. Mark McGwire was the previous fastest.

recording his 23rd in St. Louis' 47th game during his record-setting 70-homer season in 1998.

But Arizona won to take a half-game lead over Los Angeles in the NL West. Colbrunn homered lead-

ing off the second inning for a 1-0 edge. Bonds tied it in the fourth, but the Diamondbacks took a 3-1 lead on Sanders' fifth-inning two-run shot.

"It's always good to get off to a good start with our rivalry team and put some runs on the scoreboard, especially for Schilling,' Sanders said.

Also, it was Colorado 6. Los Angeles 3; Atlanta 5, Florida 3; San Diego 7, Houston 5; and New York 6, Montreal 3.

Rockies 6. Dodgers 3 Todd Walker hit a pair of two-run doubles. Walker's first double highlighted a three-run first inning. He doubled again in the eighth after Larry Walker doubled and Todd Helton reached on catcher Paul Lo Duca's interference.

On Saturday, Walker's wife Katie gave birth to their first child, daughter Riley.

"There's really no correlation to having a baby on Saturday and playing well tonight, but, yeah, it feels great," Walker said.

Adrian Beltre had three hits and scored all three Dodgers runs at Coors Field.

Braves 5, Marlins 3

Andruw Jones had two home runs and four RBIs and Tom Glavine scattered five hits over seven innings at Miami.

Jones hit his 11th and 12th

home runs, the 11th multihomer game of his career. and helped the Braves win for the fifth time in seven games. He hit a solo shot in the first inning off Matt Clement (2-4), then added a two-run shot in the sixth. He also had an RBI single in the third.

Padres 7,

Astros 6 Ryan Klesko hit two threerun home runs and a triple and drove in six runs. Klesko's six RBIs equaled

his career high. Adam Eaton (6-2) got his fourth straight victory, going 6 2-3 innings, striking out a season-high 10 to equal his career best, while walk

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Dear Ann Landers: We behavior. When they got in run wild in a store, especially where many of the shoppers are elderly and fragile. I'll bet he is divorced and stuck with his kids for the day and doesn't know how to handle them. He needs a few sessions with a specialist on anger management." What do you say, Ann? -- Upstate New York

Dear Upstate: Obviously, that father doesn't know how to control his children and finds it easier to let them run wild. Your decision to let him rant and not risk a confrontation was right on. Nutty characters can be dangerous. The manager of the store should have been called at once.

Dear Ann Landers: This is in response to the letter from "Sue in San Diego." She said her brothers brought their dogs to a holiday gathering, even though the hostess had asked them not to. The dogs made a mess in the bedroom. You were right when you said people should respect the wishes of the host, but if my dog isn't welcome, I will not go there.

My dog is like a child to me. I would never go anywhere without him. Not only that, but if someone comes to my home for a visit. I refuse to put my dog in a cage or outside the house. This is his home, too, and I will not make him uncomfortable because someone objects. If a guest chooses to stay away because my dog comes first, too bad.

As for that carpet, what's the big deal? A little stain remover and carpet deodorizer will take care of the problem. -- Animal Lover in the West

Dear Animal Lover: Your point is well taken. However, I hope you understand that the owner of a dog who makes a mess should clean it up immediately without having to be told. This comes under the heading of "good manners." Get it?

Dear Ann Landers ... recently married an almostperfect woman. She is petite, gorgeous, wonderful. and the one I have waited my entire life for. I want to be with her forever. The problem is she snores so loud I cannot get a good night's sleep. I can't understand how such a racket can come out of a 110-pound beauty queen. I don't want to embarrass her, but I don't know what to do about it. Can you help? --Sleep-Deprived in Texas

Dear Sleep-Deprived: Your snoring beauty queen should have a complete physical and visit a steepdisorder clinic to rule out sleep appea or other problems. Snoring can mask a serious illness. If her problem is strictly nasal, surgical procedures can help. No hospitalization is required. Her physician can recommend a specialist who will know how to put an end to the problem.

Dear Ann Landers: I have an aunt, "Paula," whom I rarely see or speak to since she lives-far away. Aunt Paula had a baby about a year ago, and I recently had my first child. Both children are boys. Out of the blue, Aunt Paula sent me a huge box filled with handme-down baby clothes and other used baby items. The clothes were in terrible condition - frayed, worn, with stains everywhere. They were so awful, I wouldn't dream of using them. In fact, I wouldn't even donate them to charity. I would be too embarrassed.

My husband and I can well afford to buy our baby new clothes. I don't want any more hand-me-downs from Aunt Paula, but I don't know how to put an end to her "generosity" without creating hard feelings. I know she is trying to be nice. Please tell me how to handle this. -- Mrs. Clean from California

Dear Mrs. Clean: It sounds as if Aunt Paula is a few bricks short of a load. Accept her gifts with grace. Say, "Thank you, Aunt Paula. How thoughtful of you," then toss them in the trash. She need never

know Gem of the Day (credit author Brendan Francis): It is useless to try to hold people to what they say while they are madly in love. drunk or running for office.

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Today's Highlight in History:

On May 22, 1947, the "Truman Doctrine" was enacted as Congress appropriated military and economic aid for Greece and Turkey.

On this date:

In 1761, the first life insurance policy in the United States was issued, in Philadelphia.

In 1813, composer Richard Wagner was born in Leipzig, Germany.

In 1868, the "Great Train Robbery" took place near Marshfield, Ind., as seven members of the Reno gang made off with \$96,000 in loot.

In 1939, Adolf Hitler and

Germany and Italy to a military alliance. In 1969, the lunar module

nine miles of the moon's surface in a dress rehearsal for the first lunar landing. In 1972, the island nation

of Ceylon became the republic of Sri Lanka.

In 1979, Canadians voted in parliamentary elections that put the Progressive Conservatives in power, ending the 11-year tenure of Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau. In 1990, after years of con-

Yemen and pro-Soviet South Yemen merged to form a single nation, the Republic of Yemen. In 1990, boxer Rocky

flict, pro-Western North

Graziano died in New York at age 71

In 1992, after a reign lasting nearly 30 years, Johnny Carson hosted NBC's "Tonight Show" for the last time.

Ten years ago: Sonia Benito Mussolini signed a Gandhi, the Italian-born

"Pact of Steel" committing wife of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, was designated to lead his Congress Party through of Apollo 10 flew to within national elections, one day after his assassination. However, Mrs. Gandhi turned down the position.

> Today's Birthdays: Movie reviewer Judith Crist is 79. Singer Charles Aznavour is Actor Michael Constantine is Conductor Peter Nero is 67. Actor-director Richard Benjamin is 63. Actor Frank Converse is 63. Actor Michael Sarrazin is 61. Former CNN anchor Bernard Shaw is 61.



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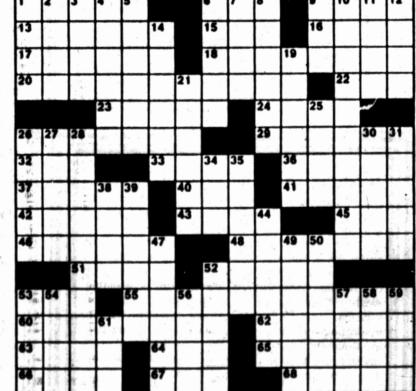
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