

MONDAY

June 11, 2001

WEATHER

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Chamber's taking orders for pictures

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting orders for the group photo taken during at Big Spring Day in Austin.

The 8 x 10 photos feature the group of Big Spring citizens in attendance, along with Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff, Sen. Robert Duncan and Rep. David Counts.

The photos are \$5 each. Orders will be taken through June 25. For more information, call Debbye Valverde at the chamber, 263-7641.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Big Spring Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. 1607 East Third.

□ Big Spring Commandery No. 31 meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 221 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.

□ Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of the Beauceant meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 221 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.

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. People 50 and older are invited to participate.

□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Terry Hansen.

□ 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 Center.

□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

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PRCA's best expected for 68th Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Area rodeo enthusiasts have grown to expect some of the most talented cowboys and cowgirls in the business when Big Spring holds its annual rodeo.

Don't expect that to be any different this time around when the 68th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo begins at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

According to third genera-

tion rodeo board member Skipper Driver, the list of talented competitors scheduled to compete this week runs deep.

"From the bareback riding to the barrel racers we have a list of competitors who have been to or won at the National Finals Rodeo (NFR) at Las Vegas," said Driver. "We have bull riders like No. 4-ranked Tyler Fowler from Theodore, Ala.; Shane Drury of Weatherford, Okla.; and Felipe Arrogan."

Other favorites with the fans that will be here to compete will be No. 1-ranked saddle bronc rider Billy Etbauer of Edmond, Okla., a four-time world champion in the event, having won titles in 1992, 96, 99 and 2000.

"Etbauer is always a favorite with the local fans," said Driver. "He has a brother, Robert Etbauer, who is consistently at the top in that category, as well as Bret Franks of Goodwell, Okla., is also a

top-notch performer."

Calf ropers like No. 4-ranked Clay Cerny of Eagle Lake will perform here this year, as will No. 15-ranked Justin Maass of Giddings. Trent Walls of Stephenville, also ranked in the PRCA's Top 20, will be competing in the calf roping event. Others scheduled to appear are Carter Edmunson, Neel Felter and Jeff Yates, as well as past world champion Steve Duhon.

The barrel racing event will also have a great field

of competitors.

"This field of barrel racers as it good as I have seen in some time," said Driver. "World champion barrel racer Kappy Allen and NFR competitors Jo Ann Middleton, Kay Blanchard and Janice Stover will all be here making for some strong competition in that event."

Bullfighters Rob Smets and Lance Brittan are among the best in their field

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Hangar 25 book signing set

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

A best selling author will be signing copies of his soon to be released book at the Hangar 25 Air Museum Air Fair and Fly-In set for Saturday.

Tom Alexander, author of "The Stars Were Big & Bright" will be in Big Spring to sign copies of the second volume of his series about abandoned World War II air fields in Texas.

"He (Alexander) was here doing research a couple of times," said Susan Lewis, Hangar 25 Air Museum coordinator. "He went all over town and interviewed some private individuals."

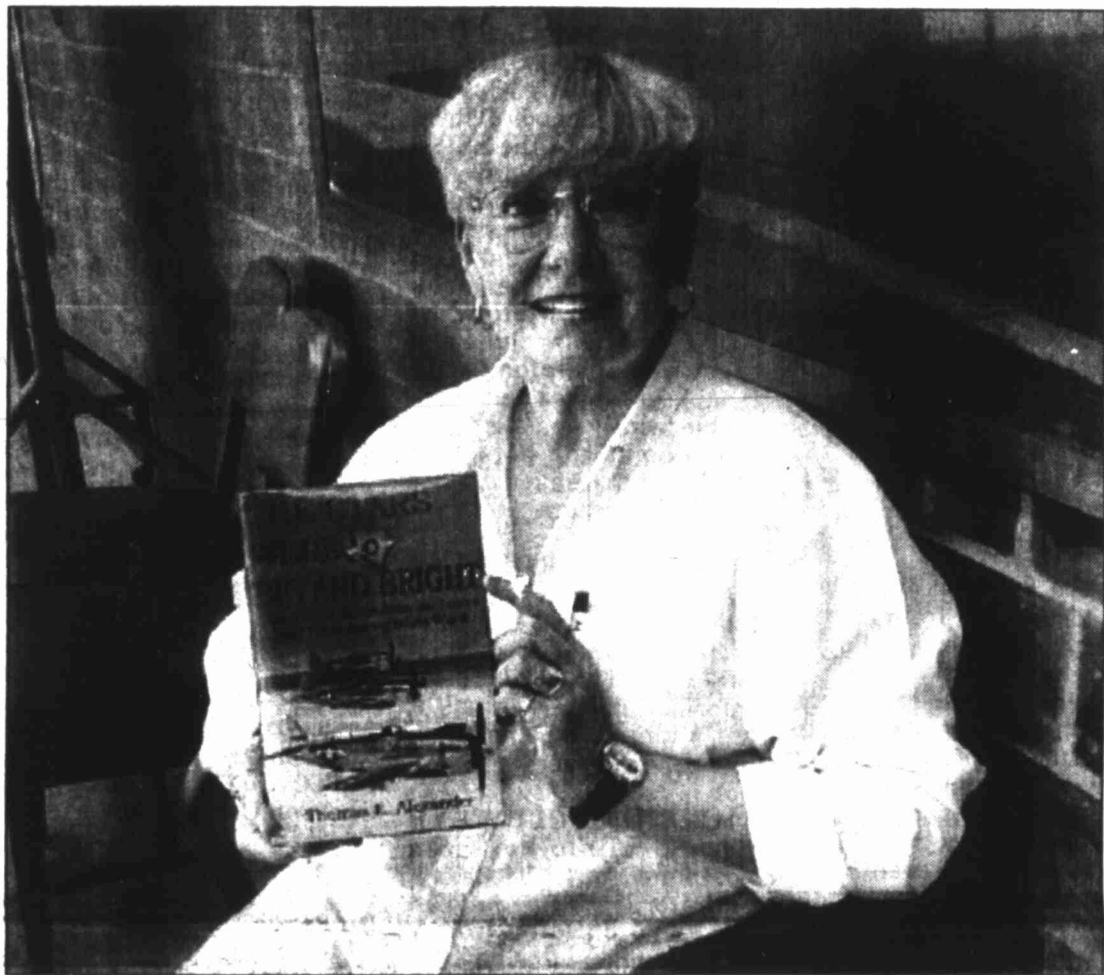
Alexander's new book is expected to be released just a few days before the Air Fair and Fly-In, and he will be available to sign copies from noon until 2 p.m.

The book is a pictorial, oral and factual history of Army Air Corps bases in Texas. The state had at one time as many as 65 of the bases.

According to Lewis, the chapter on Big Spring contains vintage photographs and detailed data about the base the author collected from the museum and private individuals.

"We are really excited about this book because it will have a feature on the air base," she said.

The author will be bringing copies of his new book for the book signing, Lewis said.



Gloria McDonald of Hangar 25 Museum displays a copy of Tom Alexander's book "The Stars Were Big and Bright" volume one. Alexander will be at Hangar 25 Air Fair and Fly-In on Saturday to sign copies of the second in his series on Army Air Corps bases in Texas. The new book features some pictures of Hangar 25 taken by McDonald.

Volume I of the series was published in June of 2000 and moved onto the best seller lists across the state. It also received the San Antonio Conservation Society book citation for 2001.

Alexander's career began

in the Air Force where he served in the Strategic Air Command. Upon retiring from Neiman Marcus as executive vice president of marketing, he owned and operated a cattle ranch in Earth and Comanche counties.

He currently lives in Fredericksburg. Thousands are expected to come to the Air Fair and Fly-In, one of the largest fundraisers for the Hangar 25 Air Museum. Activities

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Council to make final decision on pool fees

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

The days of \$1.50 swimming may be soon coming to an end. That's because the final decision on doubling the rates at Comanche Trail Swimming Pool will come during Tuesday's meeting of the Big Spring City Council.

Council members had voted on May 8 to raise

rates from \$1.50 to \$3 at the newly renovated pool. Second reading of the ordinance is on Tuesday's agenda.

It is unlikely, that if the ordinance is approved rates will go up immediately. City officials have indicated they would probably post notice at the pool for a few days or a week prior to the fee increase.

The pool was closed last year but reopened on

Memorial Day after extensive renovation and improvements.

The swimming pool isn't the only water-related issue the council will deal with on Tuesday. Also on the agenda is a proposal to accept a cash donation for the installation of a fountain in Comanche Trail Lake.

Local citizen Charles Beil raised \$10,000 in donations to fund the project. He wants to use the funds to

place a lighted fountain in the lake, behind Dora Roberts Civic Center.

Citizens will have an opportunity to comment on the proposal during a public hearing at the start of Tuesday's meeting. Though a majority of people speaking on the subject at a recent council session were in favor, there has been some opposition.

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Humane Society members plan 'Pet Adoptathon 2001' event

By APRIL L. WARD
Staff Writer

Uniting thousands of cats and dogs with caring owners will be the goal of Pet Adoptathon 2001 scheduled for June 22-24.

Members of the the Big Spring Humane Society along with animal welfare organizations from Midland and Odessa will meet at PetSmart in Midland to offer animals at special prices.

Big Spring Humane Society manager Fran Turrentine said the event will be a major project.

"It turns into a great adoptathon featuring 30 to 40 animals because everyone brings over as many animals as they can," said Turrentine, who noted that people can find all different kinds of animals from pure bloods to mixed breeds during the adoptathon.

"It's quite an extravaganza," she said. "The manager of PetSmart highlights an animal every hour and parades them through the store."

While animals will be in abundance, peace and quiet will be in short supply.

"It's kind of like a little circus," Turrentine said. "The animals are in cages all around the store, so there sure will be a lot of barking. It's really exciting because of the adoptions, but it's exhausting work."

The Big Spring Humane Society has no shortage of adoptable animals. In fact, they have approximately 125 dogs and 70 cats. While many people are eager to claim a kitten or puppy, the shelter has a hard time finding home for its larger inhabitants.

"Our major problem is our larger dogs," Turrentine said. "They're sweet, but most people are looking for a small dog they can keep in the house or travel with."

However, the shelter recently found a home for one of their oldest animals. A Lamesa family recently purchased a blind, older cocker spaniel.

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Fran Turrentine, Big Spring Humane Society shelter manager, grooms Faith, a Border Collie mix that will be one of the many animals going to Midland on June 22-24 for Pet Adoptathon 2001.

HC Four earn All-State academic accolades

HERALD Staff Report

The Texas All-State Academic Team recently recognized more than 79 students from community colleges across Texas, including four Howard College students: Amy Christie and Lochie Musgrove of Big Spring, and Elaine Galeener and Derrick Ard of San Angelo.

"It was an honor to see our students recognized for their academic achievements," said Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks, president of Howard College, who attended the

celebration. The Texas All-State Academic team is sponsored by the Texas Association of Community Colleges and Phi Theta Kappa International, a worldwide honor society for two-year college students. Seventy-nine students were selected as the best from more than 50 community colleges statewide.

"We are proud to recognize the excellence of our students," Sparks said. "The competition both statewide and across the nation is tough. These students represent the best of the best among community college students."

Musgrove received several honors during the Spring Awards Convocation ceremony at Howard College, including the American Legion Award. She was also named to the honor roll, was a Recognized Diplomat,

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COUNCIL

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In other business, the council will look to upgrade the city government's telephone system. Bids are expected to be awarded for telephone service and equipment, as well as wedgewater tiles for the wastewater treatment plant. Bids will be sought for health insurance and a self-contained mower for the parks department.

Items on second reading include donation of seized property to the Crossroads Housing Corporation, zoning ordinance amendments, backhoe leases and a resolution in support of the Ports-to-Plains route designation.

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"She loves to romp and play ball, and she is a really sweet dog," Turrentine said. "But, she has cataracts in both eyes."

With Adoptathon 2001 approaching, Turrentine said that any volunteers to help with the event at Petsmart are welcome. Additional information can be found by contacting the Big Spring Humane society.

"Most of our animals are here from neglect or were litters of animals that were not spayed or neutered," she said. "But with Adoptathon, we are hoping to find good homes for as many of them as we can."

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outstanding Phi Theta Kappa member, and was named to Who's Who in American Junior Colleges.

Additionally, she also was an officer of both Student Government Association and PTK. She has been involved at Howard College as a Diplomat, an M&M mentor at Elbow Elementary, Student Government Association secretary-treasurer, member of the Ag Judging Team, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, and recently selected to the 2000-2001 Who's Who. Musgrove will continue her education at Tarleton State University majoring in agriculture.

Christie, a dental hygiene graduate, was president of the Howard College chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, and received the Outstanding Member Award for the Student American Dental Hygiene Organization. She was named the PTK Outstanding Club member. Who's Who in American Junior Colleges and has been on the honor roll while at Howard College.

Galeener, who was named to the First Team of the Texas All-State Academic Team, received the Accounting Departmental

Award, and was named to the dean's list, Who's Who of American Junior College Students, honor roll (she has maintained a 4.0 all her semesters). She plans to pursue an accounting degree in Florida.

Ard received the Presidential Award for Howard College San Angelo. He was also editor of the Hawk Newsletter, SGA president, a member of the Computer Information Systems advisory board, and named to the National Dean's List. He graduated from Howard College San Angelo in May.

The sixth annual Texas All-State Academic team celebration is a statewide recognition affiliated with the national USA Today-Phi Theta Kappa International All-American Team, which was named in April in the USA Today newspaper. The celebration was underwritten by the University of Texas System, Abell-Hangar Foundation in Midland, the Tyler Junior College Foundation, Follett Corporation and Hudson Printing of Longview.

Community colleges enroll 44 percent of the nation's undergraduate students, and 46 percent of all first-time freshmen, according to the American Association of Community Colleges in Washington D.C. And Texas statistics indicate that community college students who transfer to universities perform as well or better than students who begin their studies at universities.

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for the day-long event will be located in front of the hangar at the McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark.

Events include airplane and helicopter rides, face painting, airplane static displays, tractor displays and children's rides through the day. Food booth will be open during the event.

The Big Spring Model Aircraft Association will be offering a demonstration flights of model aircraft with a buddy box flight and the Shriner mini-car demonstration and show.

A celebrity cake auction will begin at 2:15 p.m. Miss Rodeo Texas, Courtney Warden, will display the cakes and Scott Emerson be will the auctioneer. The Air Fair and Fly-In will begin at 9 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. All money raised from the event will be used for Hangar 25 Air Museum.

RODEO

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and barrelman Rick Young, known as the "Ragin' Cajun," has also been recognized several times as the best in specialty.

Mike Mathis of Lufkin will once again be astride his horse as he keeps on top of all the activities during the rodeo. Mathis was the alternate announcer at the 1994 National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas.

"I would like to invite everyone out to this year's rodeo," said Driver. "It is shaping up to be one of best ever and you don't want to miss any of the action. It is good wholesome entertainment for the whole family." Performances at 8 nightly through Saturday. Tickets can be purchased in advance at \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under the age of 12. Tickets at the gate will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for children under 12.

Advance tickets are available at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Big Spring Banking Center, Citizens Credit Union, First Bank of West Texas at both Coahoma and Big Spring facilities, State National Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, H-E-B Grocery and Ward's Western Wear.

BRIEFS

AMERICAN LEGION POST 506, Barbecue, June 16, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. \$6 per plate. Carry out available. Delivery from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3203 W. Hwy 80, 263-2084.

SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

BIG SPRING DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB, meets Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club. New members are welcome. \$4 fee. Contact Janell Davis at 267-2656 for more information.

ATTENTION BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL Class of 1981. I am looking for classmates from the class of 1981. Please e-mail or call with your mailing address. Dee Earhart Thani Atheni@aol.com or 214-340-0645.

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.

THE LIONS CLUB EYE GLASS clinic has been postponed until Saturday, June 16. It will be held in the bingo building from 9 a.m. til noon on that date.

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.

•Encourager's support group (all widows and widowers are invited) will meet

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Monday June 18, at 6 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels (enter through the north door). Bring a covered dish. Barbara Brumley 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.

WEDNESDAY

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•HOME HOSPICE and Canterbury are sponsoring a new grief support group. It will meet the second Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m. in the community room at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. Call Home Hospice at 264-7599 or come by 600 South Gregg for further details.

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THURSDAY

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from noon Saturday until 8 a.m. today:

• **BOBBY LYNN BRUMLEY**, 38, was arrested for local warrants.

• **JONATHAN RUBIO**, 17, was arrested for local warrants.

• **CINDY PAYNE**, 41, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **BILLY AIVARADO**, 22, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

• **TORYN COOPER**, 17, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended.

• **AARON TY BECK-WORTH**, 18, was arrested on a charge of consumption of alcohol—minor.

• **TRAVIS COKER**, 32, was arrested on a charge of driving occupational violation.

• **LEROY MODKINS**, 48, was arrested on a charge of revocation of parole.

• **ROCKY ZARRAGA**, 20, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence.

• **PHILLIP PRICE**, 38, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **RICHARD THURMAN**, 40, was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

• **LESLIE MCCURTAIN**, 41, was arrested on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2200 block of Cecilia, in the 600 block of Ridelea, in the 1400 block of Lincoln Ave., in the 400 block of S. Bell St., in the 4200 block of Parkway Drive, in the 1500 block of S. Main, in the area of Mulberry and Drake, in the 1500 block of Owens, in the 1600 block of E. 17th, in the 500 block of Elgin, in the 1200 block of Lindbergh.

• **DRAG RACING/RECKLESS DRIVING** was reported in the 800 block of S. Aylesford and in the 1500 block of State.

• **INTOXICATED SUBJECT/DRIVER** was reported in the 1700 block of Purdue St.

• **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 500 block of Westover.

SHERIFF

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

• **AMY LYNN CHRISTIAN**, 38, was arrested on a charge of theft of more \$50 but less than \$500. (BSPD)

• **PAULA RENEE ARNOLD FRIDAY**, 32, was arrested for a local warrant on theft of more than \$50 but less than \$500 and for a Ward County warrant for burglary of a building.

• **STEVEN DALE NALL**, 30, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid. (BSPD)

• **PANCHO HERNANDEZ**, 69, was arrested for a local warrant on judgment/sentence for driving while intoxicated, third offense.

• **MANUEL CUELLAR**, 28, was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. (BSPD)

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1300 block of Oil Mill Road.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 16000 block of North County Road, in the 3800 block of Rice Road and in the 5700 block of Cedar Road.

• **INTOXICATED SUBJECT/DRIVER** was reported in the area of Mile Marker 170 and 171.

FIRE/EMS

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

5:06 a.m. — 500 Westover, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

11:12 a.m. — 1900 N. Hwy 87, medical call, one patient transported VA Medical Center.

1:48 p.m. — 22 miles N. on Hwy 350, traffic accident, service refused.

3:07 p.m. — 400 block of Gregg, traffic accident, service refused.

7:32 p.m. — 2000 Virginia, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

8:57 p.m. — 4100 block of Dixon, medical call, one patient transported to VA Medical Center.

RECORDS

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Record high 108 in 1917
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Death toll is at least 17 in Southeast Texas from Allison's deluge

HOUSTON (AP) — Amid predictions that damages would reach \$1 billion, flood waters from Tropical Storm Allison were receding after killing at least 17 people in Texas and leaving much of downtown in the nation's fourth-largest city without power and closed Monday.

"It's terrible," Deyanira Barragan said through tears as she and her 9-month-old daughter fled their deluged apartment complex.

Theirs was among an estimated 20,000 Houston-area residences inundated after some 3 feet of rain fell since the slow-moving stubborn storm sloshed ashore in Southeast Texas last week. Flood watches and warnings finally came down Sunday and the weather began clearing with little additional rain in the forecasts.

Most of the fatalities were drownings. Water reached rooftops in some neighborhoods near bayous that overflowed from the torrential rains. Other victims were found in cars that became trapped in quickly rising waters. Others were electrocuted.

More than a dozen people had been reported missing, although Houston police expected many were in shelters and likely would wind up safe.

"The loss of property pales compared to human lives," Gov. Rick Perry said after flying over the hardest-hit areas Sunday. "This is a tragedy of very large proportion."

Perry declared 28 counties of Southeast Texas a state disaster area and President Bush followed with a federal declaration. With basements of down-

town buildings flooded and electrical transformers in those basements knocked out, Mayor Lee Brown urged downtown businesses to give their workers the day off.

"I'm asking employers to consider (Monday) a day of recovery, to let downtown get back on track, back on its feet, to take the day off, to take care of their own problems or to help friends or neighbors," Brown said. "We've made some progress and there's much more to be done."

Among buildings shut Monday were city and county courts, the federal courthouse, Federal Reserve office building and Houston's three major performing arts centers: Jones Hall, Wortham Theater and Alley Theater. Brown said 105 vaults containing electric transformers were flooded, causing the widespread power outages.

The Texas Medical Center, Houston's world-famous collection of hospitals south of downtown, was crippled with power outages because emergency generators were flooded. Hardest hit was Memorial Hermann Hospital, where all 540 patients were evacuated and services halted for the first time since opening in 1925.

Underground parking lots also were filled with water, he said. One woman drowned when she went to rescue her car and an elevator opened and water rushed in.

Much of the city had dried out and traffic had improved on most of the freeways that had been clogged by water and stalled and abandoned cars and trucks.

Retribution: McVeigh executed for Oklahoma City bombing

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (AP) — The government executed Timothy McVeigh so despised he was executed by chemical injection today, taking his life in exchange for the 168 lives lost when he blew up the Oklahoma City federal building six years ago. He died silently, with his eyes open.

Instead of making an oral statement, McVeigh, 33, issued a copy of the 1875 poem "Invictus," which concludes with the lines: "I am the master of my fate; I am the captain of my soul."

He was pronounced dead at 7:14 a.m. by Warden Harley Lappin, becoming the first federal prisoner executed in 38 years.

In Oklahoma City, about 300 survivors and victims' relatives gathered to watch a closed-circuit TV broadcast of the execution, sent from Terre Haute in a feed encrypted to guard against interception. Others embraced each other at the memorial marking the bombing site.

The lethal injection was administered to McVeigh's right leg. McVeigh made eye contact with his four witnesses, then with the 10 media witnesses, then squinted toward the tinted window shielding the 10 victims' witnesses from his view.

McVeigh looked pale as he awaited death. His hair was cropped short. A white was pulled up to his chest as he lay on the gurney.

When the first drug was administered, he let out a couple of deep breaths, then a fluttery breath. His head moved back, his gaze fixed on the ceiling, and his eyes were glassy.

In Oklahoma City, Kathleen Treanor, whose 4-year-old daughter, Ashley, and her husband's parents died in the bombing,

watched the execution on closed-circuit TV. Afterward, she held up a picture of her daughter and said: "I thought of her every step of the way." She said there was no display of emotion in the room as the execution took place.

She said some of the victims were chuckling that they knew McVeigh was dead before the hordes of media outside did.

Janice Smith, whose brother Lanny Scroggins died in the bombing, prayed with her children at the Oklahoma City National Memorial, then left after getting word that McVeigh was dead.

"It's over," she said. "We don't have to continue with him anymore."

The day before McVeigh's execution, his attorneys said that he was sorry for those who suffered but that he didn't regret detonating a massive bomb at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

"He never, I think, has been the type of guy to tell people what he thinks that they want to hear," attorney Robert Nigh said. "I think that he tries to be honest about his true feeling of sympathy and empathy without being inaccurate about them."

The U.S. Bureau of Prisons' 50-page protocol for the execution outlined every detail, including the words the warden must say to the U.S. marshal before the injection began: "We are ready."

Before that, McVeigh had four minutes to make a statement.

Among those allowed to witness were 10 victims' representatives, 10 news media members, including one from The Associated Press, and McVeigh's personal witnesses — Nigh, defense attorney Nathan Chambers, former defense

team member Cate McCauley and Buffalo News reporter Lou Michel, who co-wrote a recent book on the bomber.

No members of McVeigh's family traveled to Terre Haute, at his request.

Defiant to the end, McVeigh had told those close to him in his final days that he still considered himself the victor in his one-man war against a government he labeled a bully for its disastrous raids at Waco, Texas, and Ruby Ridge in Idaho.

Prison officials said the decorated Gulf War veteran spent Sunday writing letters, sleeping, watching television and meeting with Nigh and Chambers.

McVeigh was served his final requested meal at 1 p.m. EDT Sunday, eating two pints of mint-chocolate chip ice cream.

Less than 24 hours before his death, McVeigh's mood had been upbeat, his attorneys said.

"He continues to be affable," Chambers said. "He continues to be rational in his discourse. He maintains his sense of humor."

McVeigh was transferred from his 8-by-10-foot cell to an isolation cell near the death chamber Sunday.

"He was able to look up in the sky and see the moon for the first time in a number of years," Nigh said. McVeigh, he added, slept a few hours Saturday night and planned to do the same before the execution.

McVeigh was born in Pendleton, N.Y., near Buffalo, in 1968 and raised Roman Catholic in a middle-class environment. At a young age, he developed a keen interest in guns from his grandfather.

As he grew up, he developed a distrust of the government, yet he joined the

Army and went on to serve in the Gulf War. He returned more disillusioned with the United States, viewing its treatment of the Iraqi people as that of a schoolyard bully.

Drifting across the country and taking on an increasingly survivalist mentality, he stewed over what he saw as government encroachment on the right to bear arms. The federal raids at the Branch Davidian compound at Waco and the cabin of white separatist Randy Weaver at Ruby Ridge brought his hatred to a head.

He decided it was time for actions, not words.

McVeigh set his sights on the Oklahoma City federal building. He packed a Ryder truck with explosives, lit the fuses, parked it outside the federal building and walked away without looking back.

He was condemned to die for the deaths of eight federal law enforcement agents buried in the rubble, but jurors in the death penalty phase of his 1997 trial labeled him responsible for all 168 deaths.

McVeigh's original execution date was May 16, but it was delayed after the FBI revealed it had withheld more than 4,500 documents from the defense during McVeigh's trial. The Justice Department said nothing in the documents cast doubt on the bomber's guilt.

Defense attorneys sought an additional delay but were turned down. McVeigh then decided to halt all appeals.

Officials at the Terre Haute prison — which houses the remaining 19 federal death row inmates — must prepare for another execution. Drug kingpin and convicted murderer Juan Raul Garza is scheduled to die June 19.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, June 12. Your birthday year starts off on a high note, and you'll soon be moving in the direction you want. Your recent efforts to improve your relationships must be working. Old friendships continue to be steadfast, and new ones introduce you to subjects that have not interested you before. You could become restless in the fall if you wish for more excitement in your life. The beginning of 2002 could find you letting go of the familiar and trying out the new and avant-garde. Appreciate and use your many talents this year. Look to AQUARIUS for goal-setting help.

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) **** You're close to the time when you can move forward, but you're not there yet. If you can't do anything about a situation, don't just stew about it. You can relax in ways that others cannot. Try physical activity. Take a tip from a Taurus and plant those flowers. Tonight: Prepare for the future by listing your goals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Go over the numbers in your checkbook to make sure your balance is really in the black. If there's a little extra, you might want to take a friend to lunch or purchase a gift for an occasion. Follow up on a good idea. Tonight: Plenty of good conversation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** If you said it before, you might have to say it again. And if you did it before, guess what? You'll have to do it again. Getting where you want to go will not be easy, but you're up to the challenge. Don't rush things. Everything comes to those who wait. Tonight: You need comfort.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** What seems to go smoothly early can cause tension later on. This could be an up-and-down day. In the end, everything works out. Talking things over with a friend helps. Tonight: Take advantage of time alone.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** You seem to be able to handle things that would upset another person. Maybe that's because you have someone special on your side. If you have to go over something from last week, don't procrastinate. Tonight: Count your blessings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** It's a good time to avoid arguments. If there is another way around a situation, take it. When change occurs, you'll be glad you outwitted the competition. Alone, you can make progress on a project that is important to you. Tonight: Relax!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Creativity requires effort. Don't put aside some-

thing you know you do well just because you've hit a snag. Take time to develop an idea. You might not be giving yourself enough credit. Tonight: Let someone who cares encourage you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** If you see a situation brewing that you don't think you will like, look into it. But taking action too soon often sets up opposition. You need all the facts to make a stand. If you have to speak, being diplomatic will get you further. Tonight: Consider other possibilities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** If you wonder why others can't see a solution as easily as you can, it's because you're looking at things with a broad mind. Answers come easily when you consider all the possibilities. Believe that everything will work itself out eventually. Tonight: Keep your mind busy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** Working too hard and getting nowhere does not provide satisfaction. While you dislike putting things off until another time, you might have to do that now. Switch gears and give your attention to something else. You have to see progress. Tonight: Opposites attract.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** If you woke up in a state of high anxiety, know that it will dissipate as the day wears on. You have a way with words now. Use

that talent and energy to get your point across. Bring someone into the picture who otherwise might be overlooked. Tonight: Something moves ahead.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Take advantage of a surge in intuition. You should have a gut feeling about whom you can approach today. Could it be someone you'd like to know better? Something out of the norm for you can have favorable results. Tonight: Chocolate satisfies.

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OUR VIEWS

Get ready to attend the rodeo

Tradition. Perhaps no better term applies to the sport of rodeo, and that's especially true in this community where we anxiously await Wednesday's opening performance of the 68th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo.

The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo is the oldest continually running rodeo in the nation, and doesn't take a back seat to any when it comes to the talent that arrives each year to compete.

Many of the top competitors from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) and Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) will display their talents during the event's four-day run through Saturday, each performance beginning at 8 p.m. in the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

In fact, every event that will be staged during the rodeo — bull riding, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding, steer wrestling, calf roping and barrel racing — will feature competitors who have either appeared at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, several of them having won world championships in the past.

On top of that, former world champion bull fighters Lance Britton and Rob Smets will be on hand to protect cowboys during the bull riding competition, working with Rick Young, who has on several occasions been named the winner of the Coors "Man in the Can" award winner as the sport's top barrel man.

The rodeo will again feature the Mutton Bustin' competition featuring local youngsters displaying their rodeo skills. Other features will include the specialty acts provided by Leon and Vickie Adams and the Santa Rosa Riding Club.

Advance tickets for the rodeo are priced at \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12, while tickets at the gate will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for children.

The rodeo officially begins at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday when the annual rodeo parade lines up at 10th and Main and snakes its way through downtown Big Spring.

But prior to the rodeo, local fans will have a chance to get meet and greet several stars during an autograph party at the Wells Fargo Bank Community Room beginning at 3 p.m. Wednesday.

The opening night's performance will be followed by a teen dance, while Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will perform for dances following Friday and Saturday night performances, and even local golfers can get involved during Thursday morning's Cowboy Golf Tournament at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Simply put, the 68th Cowboys Reunion and Rodeo will once again provide something for virtually everyone.

So shine up those boots, dust off that hat, pull on your favorite jeans and join us at the Rodeo Bowl. We bet you'll be glad you did.

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President Bush's tax cut is hopeless hash

Boy, does this have a familiar ring. George W. Bush comes up with a terrible idea, and by the time it becomes law it's such a hopeless hash you can't even tell what it was supposed to do in the first place. That's the governor I know — ask us in Texas about charter schools, ending social promotion and other dandy Bush schemes.



MOLLY IVINS

The Bush tax cut, centerpiece of his presidential campaign and signature issue, is so bad Jane Bryant Quinn, the business columnist who is not normally given to overexcitement, calls it "a contemptible piece of consumer fraud." Time magazine's headline is "Stupid Tax Tricks." And the best the people who voted for it can say is, "Don't worry, we'll take it all back."

This was supposed to be a huge tax break for the rich, a simple albeit awful idea. The biggest break for the rich was to be the repeal of the estate tax: Quinn says of its final form, "Laughter is the right response." The whole bill is loaded with phase-ins, phase-outs and

then, poof, suddenly everything disappears. If you are real rich, you need to die before 2011, when things go back to the way they are now. It's like a giant game of snakes and ladders. The rich get theirs in the form of a larger drop in their top rate than anyone else gets. Congress is getting most of the blame for this mish-mash, but it has the unmistakable Bush hallmark — loyal legislative minions try to carry out one of Bush's unworkable ideas and in the process create a disaster. The problem with Bush's tax cut, in addition to its basic unfairness, is simply that it was disingenuous and dishonest to begin with. By back-loading a 10-year plan — i.e., phasing it in so that most of the actual tax relief doesn't appear for years — Bush was able to hide the true cost of the thing, which is now estimated at \$4 trillion when it takes full effect.

That is, frankly, nuts. The Bush tax cut was supposed to "simplify" the tax code. Follow this bouncing ball: Bush made much of the "marriage penalty," which affects only those couples who earn about the same amount of money. The new tax cut they get is also going to married couples who aren't so penalized, but only if they are already in one of the higher tax brackets. Couples get no relief before

2005, then they get a higher standard deduction phased in through 2009, and then they lose it all in 2010. Got that? The college tuition deduction, for some unfathomable reason, lasts for only four years, disappearing in 2006. Some of the oddities in the bill appear to have landed there because of an artificial deadline: The Bushies wanted a tax cut before Memorial Day, so the House and Senate conferees had a 48-hour marathon session. The Memorial Day deadline was apparently set because more pessimistic projections about the budget surplus are expected in late June.

A well-known rule of legislating is that strange things always happen when committees work round-the-clock. According to Time, even the richies may turn out to have a problem with this bill because of the alternative minimum tax, or AMT.

The AMT, which mostly affects those making over \$100,000 a year, is set to be reduced — but only until 2005, at which point it will expand to 5.6 million people. By 2011, it will affect an estimated 35 million people.

As Robert Reischauer, former director of the Congressional Budget Office, pointed out in a New York Times essay, the only way to pay for these

tax cuts is by tapping into the Social Security and Medicare surpluses at exactly the same time the baby boomers start to retire — hence the prediction that most of these tax cuts will be rescinded, especially those that phase in later.

The Democrats' contribution to this beauty is the rebate, which is 5 percent of the first \$6,000 of taxable incomes for single people, or \$300 maximum (\$600 for couples). The people who really need the money because the baby needs shoes will not be getting a rebate because they don't pay enough in income taxes to qualify. And those who don't need the money desperately are apt to save it, thus cutting down on the likelihood that the windfall will provide economic stimulus.

Both parties can take the blame for the fact that this thing is actually 20 percent more costly than the original tax cut plan, which, if you will recall, was so huge, sensible people like Jim Jeffords refused to vote for it.

The Dems were supposed to have cut it by 25 percent, but according to Citizens for Tax Justice, when the bill is finally phased-in it's one-fifth larger than the original proposal.

So it doesn't take a weatherman to see that we're looking at huge deficits and lower services.

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And then there were five... or three

Despite protestations to the contrary, sources tell us that Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., will be dumped as minority leader. Of more significance is the fact that the GOP is going to replace him with an individual in President G.W. Bush's own image: a conservative with a moderate demeanor. In short, far from court-ing the remaining Republican moderates, the prevailing view among Senate Republicans is that with the departure of Sen. Jim Jeffords, I-Vt., from the party, there are fewer moderates left to court. Therefore, the logic goes, Republicans have already lost the Senate, so why not clean house and relegate the remaining five moderates to the sidelines? Those five are Sen. John



JACK ANDERSON

McCain, R-Ariz., Sen. Lincoln Chafee, R-R.I., Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, and Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa. True, Specter has been appointed to an ill-defined leadership position by Sen. Lott, but this is merely imagery without substance.

The president and his advisers actually believe they lost Jeffords because he was not sufficiently pampered, so the White House outreach campaign is in full swing. The president phoned McCain and invited him over for dinner, and he has made clear his intention to listen to McCain and his fellow moderates.

But listening is lip service in this scenario, because the president's agenda will remain unaltered.

Bush will, however, concede defeat where concession is simply an acknowledgment of fact. So if the McCain-Feingold campaign-finance legislation, the McCain-Kennedy patients' bill of rights legislation, or the McCain-Lieberman gun-

control legislation pass with 67-percent veto-proof majorities in both houses of Congress, Bush will sign them. If not, he won't.

Bush is determined not to make the error his father made of failing to properly court the party's right wing. That and G.W. Bush's own philosophy explain why he has governed as though he had won by a landslide that gave him a conservative mandate. And, sources assure us, that view has not changed.

The big test will come in the area of judicial appointments. Bush has said his two favorite Supreme Court justices are Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas, the two most conservative members on the bench.

Conservatives expect him to be true to those words, not only with regard to Supreme Court nominations, but also with regard to all other federal court nominations.

The problem will be for him to get such nominations past a Democratic-controlled Senate Judiciary Committee.

Once again, the plan is to put up people with strong conservative credentials and moderate demeanors.

This is why we have predicted that Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, will be nominated to succeed Chief Justice William Rehnquist. Because Hatch, like Attorney General John Ashcroft, hails from the Senate, it will be easier for him to pass muster in that collegial body.

It's like the football coach used to say: "If the play works, run it again, and keep running it until it doesn't work." The problem for the president is to figure out when moderate demeanors will no longer be mistaken for moderate politics.

And as for keeping the five true Republican moderate senators happy? We may soon be saying "And then there were three," because Chafee and McCain may bolt, leaving the others to be shunted aside. In any event, 44 Republican senators are not about to change their agenda to satisfy five — or three — moderates.

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Annual Coahoma ragball tournament
There will be a ragball tournament Friday and Saturday, July 6-7. For more information contact Rocky New at 394-4041.

Senior Class to hold ragball tournament
There will be a ragball tournament sponsored by the Big Spring High School Senior Class beginning Friday and Saturday, July 13-14. The entry fee is \$100. For more information contact Brittany Bryant at 267-1011.

Estes wins St. Jude now heads to Open
MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The St. Jude Classic was a weekend for renewal for Bob Estes. Estes won only his second PGA Tour event Sunday, and his first in 162 tournaments. Estes nearly let his victory slip away. He led by a stroke as the final round began and watched John Daly tie him at 18 under through five holes. But Daly, who shot a 73, bogeyed four of the next six holes to fall back and tie for fifth. Despite the victory, history doesn't bode well for Estes' chances at the U.S. Open. No one has won a PGA Tour event and then gone on to victory in the Open the next week, a streak that covers decades.

Gordon's win Hendrick's 100th
BROOKLYN, Mich. (AP) — Jeff Gordon is back on top in NASCAR. Gordon moved to the head of the Winston Cup standings by overcoming a series of obstacles Sunday in the Kmart 400 and giving Hendrick Motorsports its 100th win. It was the second consecutive win for Gordon, who took a 26-point lead over Dale Jarrett by beating Ricky Rudd with a pass on the final lap. Gordon proved that at Michigan International Speedway with gutsy driving to overcome a bad final pit stop, two restarts and an intense duel with Rudd.

John McKay dies of kidney failure
TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Win or lose, John McKay always was good for a one-liner. The football coach, remembered for his quick wit as well as the success he had at Southern Cal and in the NFL, died Sunday. He was 77. McKay won four national titles and popularized the "T" formation before leaving USC to become the first coach of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. McKay, who had been at St. Joseph's Hospital since last month, died of kidney failure due to complications from diabetes. In addition to a reputation for being an innovative coach, McKay was known for his humor. Once asked about the pressure of coaching at Southern California, he responded: "I'll never be hung in effigy. Before every season I send my men out to buy up all the rope in Los Angeles."

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7 p.m. — College World Series, Game 7, Georgia vs. Tennessee, ESPN, Ch. 30.
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6 p.m. — Atlanta Braves at Toronto Blue Jays, TBS, Ch. 11.
9 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Los Angeles Dodgers, FXS, Ch. 29.

Lakers take 2-1 lead in NBA Finals with 96-91 win

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Shaquille O'Neal fouled out, Kobe Bryant lost his outside touch and Allen Iverson was standing at the free-throw line with a chance to tie Game 3. The momentum in the NBA Finals was turning Philadelphia's way with just over two minutes remaining Sunday, and a raucous and rude crowd was all set to erupt. Surely, this would be the moment when the series turned the 76ers' way. One clang later, that opportunity was lost. Iverson's foul shot hit the back of the rim and bounced harmlessly away, and the 76ers squandered what turned out to be their only chance to tie the game.

Robert Horry scored seven points the rest of the way, and the Los Angeles Lakers pulled out a 96-91 victory Sunday night for a 2-1 lead in the finals. "We have players that make critical plays. We're very pleased with the way we respond to pressure and the way we respond to difficult things. There's no playoffs that doesn't have critical moments," Lakers coach Phil Jackson said. Iverson's missed foul shot was one critical moment, and the next one came with 47 seconds left when Horry was left open and swished a 3-pointer for a 92-88 lead. Iverson missed a 3-pointer with 38 seconds left, and Raja Bell missed one six seconds later, but Tyrone Lue fouled Iverson on a 3-point

attempt, and he made all three free throws to cut the Lakers' lead to 92-91 with 27.6 seconds left. Horry made two from the line with 21.3 left for a 94-91 lead, and Iverson then drove to the basket and had to attempt a high-arching shot over the outstretched arm of Bryant. It missed, Horry was fouled on the rebound and made both shots to wrap up the victory. "I knew that guys were going to come in here, play well, hit shots. We wanted to win this, and we had to get it," O'Neal said. "Now the next game is Wednesday, and we're going to try to do the same thing." Bryant scored 32 points, half of them in the second quarter when he gave the Lakers the lead for good, O'Neal had 30, and Horry scored 12

of his 15 in the fourth quarter. Iverson had 35 points for Philadelphia, including 14 in the fourth quarter, while Mutombo added 23 points and 12 rebounds and Eric Snow scored 14. O'Neal, who also had 12 rebounds and four blocks, drew his sixth foul with 2:21 left for backing over Mutombo. It came with the Lakers leading by just two points. "I didn't think the best defensive player in the game would be flopping like that. It's a shame that the referees buy into that," O'Neal said. "I wish he'd stand up and play me like a man instead of flopping and crying every time I back him down. It's just a shame, and you can quote me on that. And underline it three times."

Jones wants to finish 100,000-seat Cowboys stadium within 3-5 years

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are looking for a new home and owner Jerry Jones wants that search to be on a fast track. Although officials in the Dallas suburb of Irving say they want to retain the Cowboys' current home at Texas Stadium, Jones has widened the search to include other parts of the Dallas-Fort Worth area. His goal is a completion of a 100,000-seat stadium, costing up to \$500 million, within three to five years of hiring an architectural firm. Other economically viable locations for the stadium are Arlington, Dallas, Grand Prairie and an undisclosed Denton County jurisdiction. Jones said multiple locations within each area would suit the club's needs. "We'd sit down and look at each city's situation and see if we can realistically get there with each of those places," Jones told The Dallas Morning News in Monday's editions. "It would be all very open and very visible for all of our fan base and for the decision-makers to look at." Cowboys' presentations planned by February 2002 would include stadium models and costs, giving interested cities an indication of their financial commitment, Jones said. "We've retained designers and general contractors who have built stadiums and have given us estimates," said Jones. "We've also continued to work on feasibility studies and estimates on the economic projects around the stadium. "It's time to put our teeth into the building of a new stadium because of where we are with our lease," he said. "Because of potential interest in several areas in the metroplex, it's time for us to make a decision on what we're going to do." In recent months, the Cowboys' focus on a stadium has intensified because the lease at Texas Stadium expires from 2006 to 2008. A disagreement between the city of Irving and the club concerning language in the contract had led to ambiguity about when it expires, Jones



Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, pictured here during a press conference just days after purchasing the team, says he wants to complete construction of a new 100,000-seat stadium within the next three to five years.

and become more detailed as the club and prospective cities negotiate. "Who becomes a player is really a function of where the cities are at in terms of (their) balance sheet," said Reid Rector, executive vice president of economic development for the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce.

Astros defeat Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Houston Astros and Texas Rangers finally have some regular-season history between them, and it could be the kind that starts a memorable rivalry. The Houston Astros won two of the three games over the weekend, with both victories coming on homers in their last at-bat. Pinch-hitter Orlando Merced's three-run shot with two outs in the ninth Sunday led to a 6-5 victory in the deciding game. It was an exciting conclusion as the Astros blew a 3-2 lead in the bottom of the eighth before Texas lost a 4-3 lead in the top of the ninth. Houston took a 6-4 lead into the bottom of the ninth, and with two outs Ivan Rodriguez homered to make it a one-run game. But Mike Jackson struck out Alex Rodriguez to finish it. Jackson got his third save in four days, including one in a 6-5, 11-inning victory Friday night. Moises Alou had the game-winning honors with a homer to start the 11th. The Rangers won the middle game 16-4 behind five homers, tying their season-best in runs and homers. The two losses, however, dropped Texas to 20-40, the worst record in franchise history after 60 games. The Rangers are 28 games behind Seattle in the AL West. It's the most any team has trailed after 60 games since the 1953 Detroit Tigers were 31 1/2 behind the New York Yankees.

Mariners win for 16th time in 17 games, ripping Padres

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A day after the end of their 15-game winning streak, the Seattle Mariners started a new spurt. John Olerud, Ichiro Suzuki and Al Martin homered as Seattle won for the 16th time in 17 games, routing the San Diego Padres 8-1 Sunday. John Halama (5-4) scattered seven hits in seven shutout innings to complete an 11-1 homestand. "Team-wise, it's great," Halama said. "Eleven of 12 games at home. It's unbelievable. We lost yesterday, but our mood hasn't changed." At 48-13, the Mariners matched the 1939 New York Yankees for the second-best 61-game record since 1900 behind the 1912 New York Giants (50-11). Suzuki got his 100th hit with his home run, and the seven-time batting champion from Japan is on pace to finish with 266 hits, which would be a major league record. In other interleague games, it Atlanta 12, Kansas City 5; Houston 6, Texas 5; Pittsburgh 11, Minnesota 8; Chicago White Sox 3, Chicago Cubs 1; Boston 5, Philadelphia 4; Cincinnati 9, Cleveland 3; Florida 7, Toronto 2; Detroit 3; Baltimore 3, Montreal 2; New York Mets 10, Tampa Bay 0; Oakland 6, San Francisco 2; Anaheim 6, Los Angeles 5; and Milwaukee 8, Detroit 3. In the one National League game, Colorado routed St. Louis 12-3. The Padres' Carlton Loewer (0-1) made his first major league appearance since Sept. 20, 1999, and allowed six runs and six hits in 2 1-

3 innings. **Rockies 12, Cardinals 3** Mike Hampton hit his third home run in four at-bats and improved his record to 9-2 in Colorado's 12-3 rout of St. Louis. Hampton hit his fifth homer of the season, the most by a pitcher since Bob Gibson in 1972. Hampton, hitting .297 this season with 10 RBIs, put the Rockies ahead for good in the third when he broke a 1-1 tie with a 449-foot home run against Dustin Hermanson (5-5). Todd Helton later homered twice for the Rockies. Hampton gave up three runs and seven hits in 5 2/3 innings, winning his fourth straight start at Coors Field. He is 5-0 with a 2.88 ERA at Coors Field and has a 2.98 ERA overall. Helton, who leads the NL with 68 RBIs, hit a two-run homer off Mike Timlin in the sixth inning and a solo shot off Gene Stechschulte in the eighth, giving him two multi-homer games this season and 18 in his career. Neifi Perez went 3-for-5 with a homer and two RBIs, and Jeff Cirillo had two RBIs as the Rockies won for the sixth time in eight games. Albert Pujols homered for the third time in as many games as St. Louis lost for the fifth time in six games. **Braves 4, Yankees 1** Greg Maddux (6-5) allowed one run and seven hits in 6 2/3 innings

to defeat Mike Mussina (5-7), who gave up four runs — three earned — and six hits in eight innings in losing his third straight start. Atlanta closed within three games of NL East-leading Philadelphia — its closest margin since May 2. **Diamondbacks 12, Royals 5** Luis Gonzalez and Erubiel Durazo hit three-run homers, and the Diamondbacks tied a team record for runs in an inning with an eight-run fourth that put it ahead 12-1. **Pirates 11, Twins 8** Brian Giles singled to open a seven-run eighth inning and capped the rally with a two-run triple. Minnesota took an 8-1 lead after the second inning and was ahead 8-4 in the eighth. Jason Kendall had a go-ahead infield single, making a winner off Scott Sauerbeck (1-2). **White Sox 3, Cubs 1** Chris Singleton hit a solo homer as the White Sox won for the 13th time in 16 games, taking two of three in the Crosstown Series. Kip Wells (3-2) outpitched Jon Lieber (6-4). **Red Sox 5, Phillies 4** Dante Bichette, taking over as cleanup hitter because Manny Ramirez was sick, went 3-for-4 with a home run. Philadelphia led 3-1 in the eighth before Carl Everett homered off Robert Person. Troy O'Leary hit a tying double off Rhee

Cormier (3-1), and Troy O'Leary added another RBI double to make a winner of Hideo Nomo (6-3). **Reds 9, Indians 3** Rookie Chris Reitsma (3-5), backed by a 9-0 lead, allowed three runs and nine hits in 7 2/3 innings to beat Jaret Wright (2-1) and get his first win since April 14. **Marlins 7, Blue Jays 2** Alex Gonzalez hit a three-run double and Derek Lee had a two-run triple as Brad Penny (5-1) defeated Esteban Loaiza (5-6). **Orioles 3, Expos 2** Jason Johnson (6-3) came within an out of his first complete game in the majors, taking a four-hitter into the ninth before fading. Javier Vazquez (5-7) pitched a six-hitter for Montreal. **Mets 10, Devil Rays 0** Kevin Appier (4-5) allowed four hits in seven innings and struck out nine, and Mark Johnson and Joe McEwing hit two-run homers. Albie Lopez (3-8) lost his seventh straight decision. **Athletics 6, Giants 2** Eric Chavez and Jeremy Giambi hit consecutive homers against Livan Hernandez (4-9) in a three-run eighth. Mark Mulder (8-3) allowed two runs and five hits in 7 2/3 innings.

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DENNIS THE MENACE

"LIKE JOEY'S HAIR, MOM? I USED YOUR STYLIN' GEL ON IT."

FAMILY CIRCUS

Billy's version of Bill Keane thinking of a cartoon for Father's Day.

HAGAR

"I KNOW THIS GUY... HE LOOKS FEEROUS, BUT YOU FEED HIM HELL GO AWAY..."

BLONDIE

"I'M SORRY I SAID ALL THOSE MEAN THINGS ABOUT YOUR CHOICE FOR OUR NEXT MAYOR."

"NOT A PROBLEM. THINK NOTHING OF IT."

"HEY, EVERYONE'S ENTITLED TO HIS OWN OPINION."

B.C.

"I'D LIKE TO TRY ON SOME PLEATED SLACKS IN A SIZE 5."

"HERE YOU ARE, WOULD YOU LIKE A MOMENT ALONE WITH THEM?"

"WHAT FOR?"

"TO SAY GOODBYE TO THE PLEATS BEFORE YOU'RE HEARD ON 'WOMEN'S WEAR'."

GEECH

"WHAT'S THE SPECIAL TODAY?"

"THE SAME THING IT WAS YESTERDAY."

"YOU WERE CLOSED YESTERDAY."

"IT WAS LEFT OVER FROM SATURDAY."

WIZARD OF ID

"THIS YOUNG MAN WON THE SIR RODNEY LOOK-ALIKE CONTEST!"

"WHAT DID I WIN?"

"YOU HAVE A CHOICE BETWEEN THERAPY OR PLASTIC SURGERY."

HI AND LOIS

"WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF NOW?"

"TINY MICRO-ORGANISMS! THEY'RE EVERYWHERE I SAW IT ON TV!"

"GO TO SLEEP! THEY'RE NOT GOING TO HURT YOU, I PROMISE!"

GASOLINE ALLEY

"saved..."

"...by a wing..."

"...and a prayer!"

SNUFFY SMITH

"BENNY GOOGLE'S PAYIN' ME TWO DOLLARS TO MOW HIS LAWN, UNCLE SNUFFY!!"

"CHEAPSKATE JES' LIKE HIS OL' UNCLE!!"

"FER A LAWN THIS SIZE HE SHOULD PAY YA BY THE HOUR!!"

BETLE BAILY

"Y'KNOW, BETLE DOESN'T HAVE A CARE IN THE WORLD."

"BUT HE SURE SEEMS TO ENJOY OTHER PEOPLE'S CARES!"

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Monday, June 11, the 162nd day of 2001. There are 203 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

- On June 11, 1776, the Continental Congress formed a committee to draft a Declaration of Independence from Britain.
- On this date: In 1509, England's King Henry VIII married Catherine of Aragon.
- In 1770, Capt. James Cook, commander of the British ship Endeavour, discovered the Great Barrier Reef off Australia by running onto it.
- In 1942, the United States and the Soviet Union signed a lend-lease agreement to aid the Soviet war effort in World War II.
- In 1947, the government announced the end of household and institutional sugar rationing, to take effect the next day.
- In 1963, Buddhist monk Quang Duc immolated himself on a Saigon street to protest the government of South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem.
- In 1970, the United States presence in Libya came to an end as the last detachment left Wheelus Air Base.
- In 1978, Joseph Freeman Jr. became the first black priest ordained in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
- In 1979, actor John Wayne died at age 72.
- In 1985, Karen Ann Quinlan, the comatose patient whose case prompted a historic right-to-die court decision, died in Morris Plains, N.J., at age 31.
- In 1986, a divided Supreme Court struck down a Pennsylvania abortion law, while reaffirming its 1973 decision establishing a constitutional right to abortion.
- Ten years ago: President Bush authorized \$1.5 billion

inf agricultural credit guarantees for the Soviet Union. Actress Julia Roberts and actor Kiefer Sutherland called off their wedding three days before it was to have taken place.

Today's Birthdays: Opera singer Rise Stevens is 88. Actor-producer Richard Todd is 82. Author William Styron is 78. Actor Gene Wilder is 66. Actor Chad Everett is 64. Comedian Johnny Brown is 64. Former auto racer Jackie Stewart is 62. Country singer Wilma Burgess is 62. Singer Joey Dee is 61. Actress Adrienne Barbeau is 56.

Newsday Crossword

BOUQUET by Shirley Soloway
Edited by Stanley Newman

ACROSS

- 1 Congregation's response
- 8 Attempt
- 8 Mamas' bandmates
- 12 Put in the hold
- 14 '20s cars
- 16 Sun-dried brick
- 17 French cheese
- 18 Actress Chase
- 19 Flower part
- 20 Light beyond the spectrum
- 23 School group: Abbr.
- 24 Year divisions: Abbr.
- 25 "'em, 'flower"
- 26 Frequent Hepburn co-star
- 28 Egyptian monetary unit
- 30 Calif. school
- 33 Hyannis entree
- 36 Sounds of hesitation
- 37 Wild hog
- 38 "Fiddling" (Beatles tune)
- 39 Goller Ernie
- 40 Judicial assertions
- 41 Vima of film
- 42 Before, poetically
- 43 Made a request
- 44 On ___ (without a contract)
- 45 Largest amount: George Washington biographer
- 48 Newman
- 50 Rather
- 51 Took a chair

DOWN

- 1 Photo book
- 2 Thomas of That Girl
- 3 Prepares for publication
- 4 At no time, in verse
- 5 Game-show material
- 6 Historical objects
- 7 ___ Ono
- 8 Lasagna or linguini
- 9 Summer drink
- 10 Baloney
- 11 Blind as ___
- 12 Actress Ward
- 15 People who use shakers
- 21 Out of the way
- 22 Makes a goof
- 27 Picasso style
- 28 Law enforcers'
- 29 Electronic communication method
- 31 Past the deadline
- 32 Romanian city
- 33 Mineo et al.
- 34 Poker token
- 35 Fingerbow liquid
- 39 Delecting
- 40 Intimidate
- 42 Austen novel
- 46 Pastoral poems
- 47 Dead Sea fortress
- 49 Paradises
- 51 Boutique
- 52 Cast member
- 53 ___ Foolish "Things"
- 54 On the summit
- 55 Venus de ___
- 57 Any minute now
- 58 Italian ___ (frozen treat)
- 60 Ignited

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