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Subscriber tracking system now installed

The Big Spring Herald has just completed installation of a new computer system designed to more effectively track and serve our subscriber base.

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As a result, subscribers will need to renew subscriptions prior to the cancellation date or delivery of the paper will be interrupted until payment is received.

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## Fan donations encouraged to help the needy

The Salvation Army is counting on donations from local residents to make fans available for needy residents.

Citizens can either bring in a monetary donation to the Salvation Army, 811 West Fifth, or drop off a fan. New or working, good-quality used fans will be accepted.

For more information, call the Salvation Army at 267-8239.

## WHAT'S UP...

### TODAY

- American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Hwy 80.
- Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.
- Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

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## Cancer survivors 200 strong to take part in Relay highlight

By ROGER CLINE  
Staff Writer

In the fading light of Friday's West Texas springtime evening, 200 survivors of the world's deadliest disease will walk a quarter of a mile in the fight against cancer.

The Survivor's Walk, in which cancer survivors and their caretakers walk one lap around the Blankenship Field track, has been a foundation of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life since its inception locally eight years ago, said Walk organizer Lawanda Hamm.

"We've got more survivors every year," she said. "This year we've got around 200 survivors to walk. That's the most we've ever had."

Last year's walk featured about 150 survivors who represented the 456 total area cancer survivors.

Survivors who aren't able to actually make the walk can still take part in the event, Hamm said.

"If they're not able to walk, they don't have to," she said. "They can sit under the tent and wait until the survivors all get back. They can get out there and have their picture made with them."

Alternatively, survivors can ride

in a wheelchair during the walk.

"Wheelchairs for the Survivor's Walk are the only wheels that are allowed on the field," Hamm said.

Survivors who take part in the walk each receive a T-shirt commemorating the event, Hamm said.

"We order T-shirts for them," she said. "They come when they sign in. I'll be at the big tent and we have a lot of chairs there for the survivors to sit down while they're waiting."

Gail's Sweet Shoppe always furnishes cookies and punch for them. We have a list of their T-shirt sizes, and we always order extras because there's always someone who fails to

register."

Cancer survivors can show up to take part in the Survivor's Walk even if they haven't registered, Hamm said.

"We've already ordered the T-shirts," she said. "But like I said, we always order extras."

After the Survivor's Walk, the rest of the teams take to the track to settle in for a full night of walking.

The Relay for Life begins at 6:45 Friday with the opening ceremony, followed by the Survivor's Walk at 7 p.m.

For more information contact Hamm at 263-7827.

## Young bowlers primed for trip

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Get out of the way! A bunch of youths are bowling their way to Corpus Christi in June to compete in the Grand Prix Series state youth bowling competition.

The Young American Bowling Alliance in Big Spring will be taking 21 youths to the event set for June 15-16 to compete against thousands of other young bowlers across the state in both teams and singles.

"Every child (who is in YABA) is eligible to go to state," said Louise Booth, league secretary.

Members of the league raise money for the trip every year using bake sales and other fund raisers, and this year received a matching donation from Wal-Mart of \$1,000.

This year, Booth is taking 21 of the 24 members of the league to state; one of the largest groups ever.

Booth, 78, has been an avid bowler since 1960 and active in the YABA through the years as her children, then grandchildren and now great-grandchildren learn the sport.

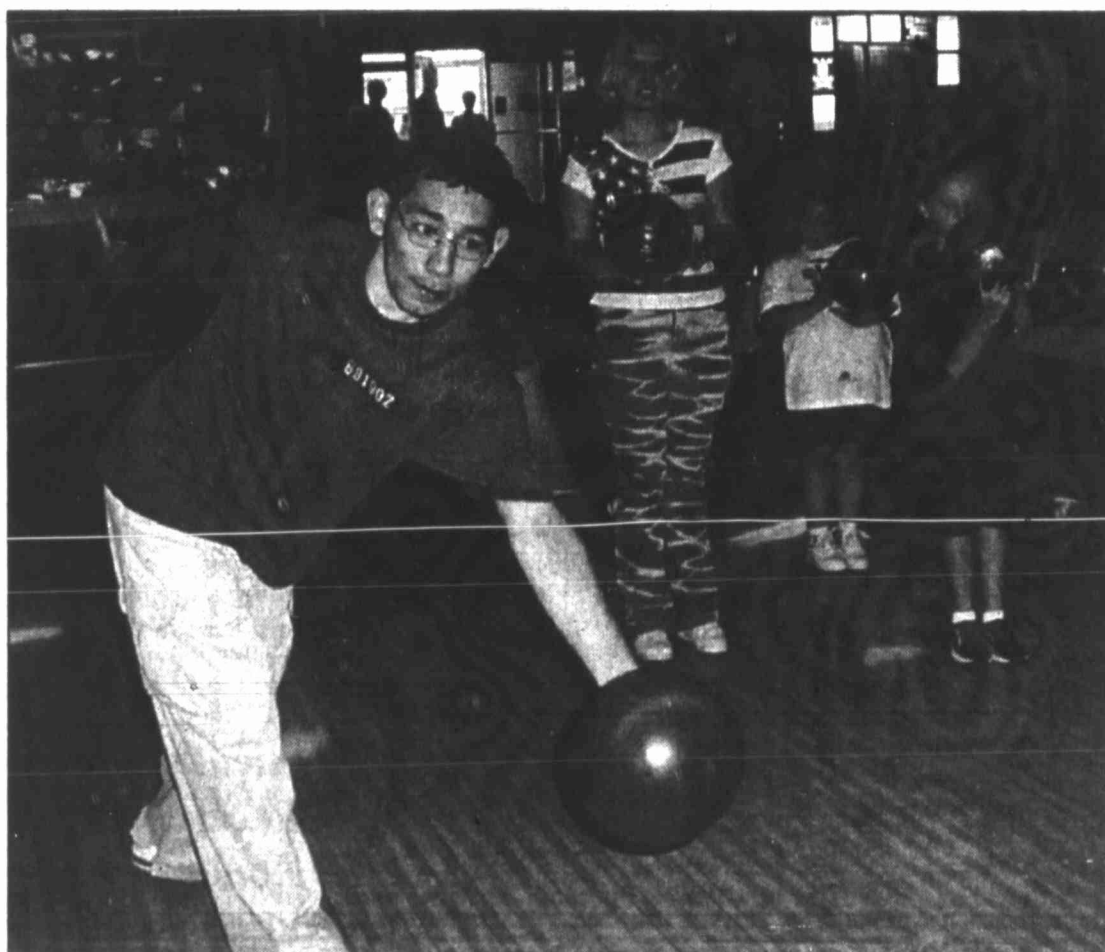
The love of the sport has been passed down from generation to generation for many of the league's members.

"My grandpa got me into it," said 17-year-old Samuel Gonzales.

Gonzales said he enjoys the game.

"It's a competitive game and all I do is win," he boasted, saying he plans to continue even after he has grown past the league.

"I want to keep doing it and become a profession-



Seventeen-year-old Samuel Gonzales gets ready to release the bowling ball while fellow Young American Bowling Alliance League members wait their turn. Also pictured, from left, are 19-year-old Jamie Carey, 7-year-old Janessa Ringener and 9-year-old Jared Ringener. The league will take 21 members to state competition this June.

al," he said. "It's pretty easy and it's a good way to make money."

Nine-year-old Jared Ringener also wants to make the sport his profession, but Jared is following in some large footsteps.

"It's fun and my dad was (a professional bowler)," Jamie Carey, 19, has gone to five state competitions and has been a member of the league for six years.

"This is my last year," she said. "I will be moving out to the big leagues."

The Coahoma senior will be moving on to college next year and although she's not planning a profession in bowling, she does plan to continue with the sport.

"I want to keep doing this because it is fun," she said. "It is a stress reliever."

The YABA consists of players ranging in ages from 4 to 22.

"The kids buy a national card that is \$10.50 and pay \$7 a week for their bowling time and for trophy money," Booth said. "We meet during the winter for 28 weeks."

The league holds several tournaments during the year and provides instructors to teach the youth.

"They become more competitive," Booth said. "They get to be active with children and other people. The kids can receive all kinds of patches through the year."

Anyone interested can

sign up for the league at Bowl-A-Rama, located at 3318 on the east service road of I-20, or call 267-7484. Bowl-A-Rama is currently taking names for the summer adult/junior league.

Boys making the trip include Anthony Booth, Thomas Booth, Ivan Castillo, Mitch Cornnut, Steven Elder, Stephen Ewing, Samuel Gonzales, C.J. Krug, Greg Krug, Dillon Ogle, Jared Ringener, Michael Smith and Brandon Stowers.

Girls are Carey, Jessica Gonzales, Bernadette Hernandez, Cessilee Hernandez, Brandie Phillips, K.C. Rodriguez, Channa Smith and Janessa Ringener.

## Bible classes expand

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

For more than 60 years, the Bible class has been a tradition at Big Spring High School.

Now the program is spreading to area high schools.

During the current academic year, the Rev. Jeff Janca has taught a class at Forsan High School and a survey is out in the Coahoma community to see if residents would support such a class at Coahoma High School.

Funding from the classes comes from the Howard County Bible Class Board which oversees the program and its annual fund-raising drive is under way.

"This past year has shown a phenomenal growth in the Bible classes of Howard County," the Rev. Joel R. Miller, publicity chairman for the board, said. "The teacher in Big Spring, Dr. Bill Welsh, had a spring enrollment of 95 students. This has grown from two small classes two years ago to its present size of four classes. A spin-off of this ministry has resulted in a Bible Club at Big Spring High School."

For its first year, 21 students enrollment in the fall semester of the Bible class at Forsan High School and 19 are enrolled for the spring.

"They (Forsan officials) are inquiring now of a second class plus an advanced Bible class," Miller said.

The classes are funded through private donations, Miller said, including salaries for instructors and

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## BSSH clients need clothes for summer

By VALERIE AVERY  
Special to the Herald

Big Spring State Hospital patients are in desperate need of men's and women's summer clothing.

Many of the patients arrive at Big Spring State Hospital with one outfit, said Gail Zilai, LMSW, Director of the Activity Therapies Department.

Patients select donated clothing at the Fashion Salon in the Activity Therapies Department building for their personal use. The Fashion Salon is set up similar to a clothing store and is an instrumental part of their therapy, teaching them how to shop and select items.

"Each season, we find ourselves short of appropriate clothing," Zilai said. "Right now, we are in need of summer clothing for men and women. We also need size 7 and 7-1/2 women's shoes."

All items can be dropped off at the Community Relations office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The Community Relations office is the first building on the left when entering the hospital's south entrance.

For more information, call BSSH officials at 268-7536.



Elbow Elementary fourth graders Schon Raymond and Jace Sandridge work on the cakes they will present to their moms for Mother's Day. The cake decorating activity was sponsored by HEB.

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OBITUARIES

Harry E. Wood

Funeral service for Harry W. Wood, 74, of Odessa, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, May 10, 2002, at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Robert Scofield officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Mr. Wood died on Tuesday, May 7, at an Odessa hospital.

He was born on April 11, 1928, in Post. He married Anita Bennett on Nov. 22, 1967 in Big Spring. He worked for Union Wire Rope, a division of Armo Steel for 21 years. He served in the U.S. Navy. He was a member of the American Legion and a life time member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He is survived by his wife, Anita Wood of Odessa; daughters, Kathy Coleman of Colony and Nancy Hall of Tom Bean; W.L. Wood of Satellite Beach, Fla.; Bobby Dean Wood of Lubbock; and four grandchildren.

The family will meet with friends from 5 to 8 tonight at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Bethany Christian Church.

Arrangements are under the direction Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Lela Patton Porter

Memorial service for Lela Patton Porter of Vealmoor will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 11, 2002, at the Gail Baptist Church with the Rev. Randy Hardman, pastor of Gail Baptist Church, officiating and assisted by the Rev. Pat Ray, pastor of Fairview Baptist Church, and the Rev. Richard Leverty, pastor of Fairview Baptist Church. Her body was donated to the Texas Tech University Health Science Center.

Mrs. Porter died Saturday, May 4, at Lamesa Health Care Center.

She was born Oct. 31, 1903, and married Clarence "Skeet" Porter on May 14, 1935. He preceded her in death on May 12, 1981. She was a 1924 honors graduate from Simmons College, as it was known then. She taught most grades in elementary and high school in Millersview, Ackerly, Gail and Big Spring including children of Latin American families in the Baccero program in the 1950s. She retired from the public school system in 1969. She was a Sunday School teacher until the age of 92.

She was employed by the Borden Star newspaper and was a member of the Retired Teachers organization in Big Spring.

Survivors include a one daughter and son-in-law, Clarajane and Bob Dyess of Vealmoor; one daughter-in-law, Pat Porter of Vealmoor; 6 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by one son, Pat Porter on June 18, 1992.

The family suggests memorials to Borden County School Memorial Scholarship Fund, Box 116, Gail 79738 or EMS Ambulance Fund, Box 95, Gail 79738.

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

*Paid obituary*

Gerene Duncan

Graveside funeral service for Gerene Duncan, 97, of Big Spring will be at 9 a.m. Friday, May 10, 2002, at Trinity Memorial Park with Dr. David Ring, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Mrs. Duncan died on Wednesday, May 8, 2002, in a local care facility.

She was born on Sept. 24, 1904, in Caddo, Okla., to Walter and Jennie Dawson Craig. She married Hugh Duncan on Jan. 4, 1930, in Big Spring and he preceded her in death on Jan. 28, 2002.

Mrs. Duncan spent most of her early life in Sherman where she graduated from high school and attended Austin College. She taught school for five years at Roscoe and Southmayd, near Sherman. The couple also lived in Midland and Sweetwater.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, the Philathea Sunday School Class, the United Methodist Women, the Modern Women's Forum and the Study Club.

She is survived by her son, Craig Duncan of Big Spring.

The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church, P.O. Drawer 1229, Big Spring 79721-1229.

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

Clyde B. Williams

Clyde B. Williams, 92, of Big Spring died on Tuesday, May 7, 2002, in a local nursing home.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 10, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Herb McPherson, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. He will be assisted by the Rev. Jesse McElreath, pastor of Lake Country Church, Fort Worth. Entombment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park Mausoleum.

Mr. Williams was born on April 24, 1910, in Nimrod, Eastland County and grew up on a farm in the Nimrod

Community. In 1933, he met his future wife, Ruth Croft, at a tent revival in the Cook Community. After dating for two years, they married on May 18, 1935 at Ranger and were 10 days short of celebrating their 67th anniversary. They lived in Ranger and Cisco and hitchhiked to Grandfalls, where Mr. Williams worked in a service station.

During these years their two daughters were born. They made their home in Grandfalls until moving to Wicket in 1947 where Mr. Williams worked in the oil field until 1948, when they transferred him to Wink.

He was a pumper for Gibbons & Heasley Oil company. In November of 1949, the family moved to Big Spring, where he went to work for Welch Auto Supply until 1952. He then went to work for Big Spring Truck Terminal where he worked until retiring in 1984.

After retirement, Mr. Williams did volunteer work at hospitals and Meals on Wheels, where he had volunteered for two years. He played tambourine and sang solos, duets and quartets with the Hot Potato Band for 13 years.

Mr. Williams was a devoted Christian and loved his church, Calvary Baptist, where he served as a deacon from 1977 to the present.

He was a loving husband and father. He adored his wife and always told her she was the most beautiful woman alive. When she would walk in to the care center he would say "There's my beautiful wife." He will be tremendously missed by all his family.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth E. Williams of Big Spring, two daughters and sons-in-law, Darlene and Jesse D. McElreath of Fort Worth and Clydette and Royce Kidd of Boyd; two grandsons, Tommy LaRoy Williams of LaJunta, Colo., and Marcus D. McElreath of Euleus; one granddaughter and her husband, Dana and Mark Norman of Springtown; one great-grandson, Benjamin Jake Norman of Springtown; one sister, Emma Rogers of Henderson and many nieces, nephews and beloved friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two infant sons, Wallace and Benjamin; three brothers and three sisters.

Pallbearers will be Mark Norman, Dana Norman, Marcus McElreath, Tommy LaRoy Williams, Steve Key and Royce Kidd. Junior pallbearer will be Jake Norman. Honorary pallbearers will be Virgil Croft, Buck Turner, Bill Hipp and Ernie McCuistian.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Calvary Baptist Church, 1200 W. Fourth, Big Spring 79720.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

The family expresses sincere thanks to the staff of Comanche Trail Nursing Center and Home Hospice for the loving care they provided for our precious Daddy.

Arrangements are under

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the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelch.com

If Mr. William's could speak to you now, this is what he would say:

Safely Home  
I am home in Heaven, dear ones; Oh, so happy and so bright!

There is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over, every restless tossing passed;

I am now at peace forever, Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly trod the valley of the shade?

Oh! But Jesus' love illumined every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me in that way so hard to tread;

And with Jesus' arm to lean on, could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely, for I love you dearly still.

Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's Will.

There is work still waiting for you, so you must not idly stand;

Do it now, while life remaineth-you shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home.

Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh, the joy to see you come!

*Paid obituary*

Medical students hold ceremony to honor people who donate their bodies to science.

CHICAGO (AP) — Katherine White was usually so busy in her anatomy class that she didn't think about the person the cadaver before her had once been.

But sometimes she'd find herself regarding the body as something more than a collection of organs and systems.

"You'd see the lines on the face and wonder what source of worry could have caused them," White said. "You'd wonder about (her) experiences."

On Wednesday, White and other students at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine gathered to honor those who donated their bodies to help turn medical students into doctors.

"We wanted to commemorate the magnitude of the gift we all received," medical student Jonathan Newman said.

The ceremony, solemn at times, included students' poems and essays. It also marked the first time the students, who worked in groups of five or six, learned the first names of the 36 people whose bodies they began dissecting in October.

One after another they thanked the cadavers for what they gave them.

"She becomes my teacher, my guide," Claude Jarrett said.

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Daniel Reaven told of the gift the woman whose name he learned Wednesday was Eva had given his group of students.

"From this one individual you will learn the secrets of human anatomy that will allow you to capitalize on the investment Eva has made in you," he said. "Her exit marks your entrance, and her last step is your first giant leap."

That the students should end the year with a piece of personal information is no coincidence.

"When they're working on the inside of the body and become fascinated with the heart, lungs, blood vessels, they do lose sight of the cadaver as a person," Dr. Larry Cochard, an assistant professor at the medical school and director of its anatomy laboratory, said before the ceremony.

Some students went so far as to keep the faces of the cadavers covered until the last days of the class when the students studied and dissected the heads and necks.

But at the same time, Newman said, "There are reminders that this was a life ... painted fingernails, tattoos, fake knees that identify the cadaver as very human."

BRIEFS

BIG SPRING RSVP PRESENTS a free ice cream social and "Consumer Awareness" program, on identity theft will be held May 14, 6 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center in Comanche Trail Park. The public is invited free of charge. Speaker will be Nancy Gresham.

The first 100 RSVP Volunteers to arrive at the door will receive a free emergency beacon. For reservations call the RSVP office at 264-2397 by May 13.

THE CAUBLE SCHOOL REUNION will be held May 11 at the Elbow school cafeteria from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A pot luck lunch will be served at noon.

Bring your favorite casserole and dessert. For your comfort you may bring folding chairs.

All ex-students and friends of the school are invited.

FORSAN EX-STUDENTS ASSOCIATION IS attempting to get 911 addresses on former Forsan students.

Please call Boyce Hale at 2267-6957 to receive a newsletter.

JUNE IS PROSTATE CANCER Awareness Month. The Howard-Glasscock Counties Chapter of the American Cancer Society has programs and speakers that are available for anyone interested.

For more information call JoAnn Forest at 267-6286 or Bill Birrell at 263-0659.

THE BIG SPRING EVENING Lions Club will have an adult eyeglass clinic

ic this Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at 409 East Third for needy adults who can't afford glasses.

There are 4,000 pair of glasses in 35 categories. For more information call Bob Noyes at 267-5811.

THE COAHOMA LIONS CLUB has postponed its annual City Wide Garage Sale out of respect for the Relay For Life event.

It will now be held on Saturday, June 1.

If you would like to participate and have a garage sale in Coahoma register at The Little Sooper Market.

Deadline to register is Saturday, May 24. Registration fee is \$15.

MARKETS

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IFCO Systems	35 +03
IBM	81.33 -1.12
Intel Corp	28.22 -76
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Pepsico Inc	65.34 +72
Phillips Petro	60.87 +24
SBC Comms	31.57 -27
Sears Roebuck	52.12 -73
TXU Corp	54.75 +18
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Unocal Corp	38.11 +16
Wal-Mart	53.94 -2.45
Wal-Mart/Mexico	32.65 -34.06
AMCAP	15.6 +48
Europacific	27.36 +36
Prime Rate	4.75 %
Gold	307.9 -309.95
Silver	4.54 -4.6

POLICE

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

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1700 block of South Gregg Street, the 1800 block of South Gregg Street.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1100 block of West Fifth Street, the 2900 block of West Highway 80

• DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT was reported in the 700 block of West 15th Street, the 100 block of East 24th Street

• LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore Street

• THEFT was reported: - In the 100 block of West Ninth Street. About \$500 worth of items were reported stolen from the home.

- In the 1200 block of Mulberry Street. About \$150 damage was reported at the location. Items worth \$470 were reported stolen.

- In the 400 block of South Gregg Street. Beer worth \$72 was reported stolen from the convenience store.

• ASSAULT CLASS C was reported in person at the police station.

Scenic Mountain Rehabilitation Jaco congratulates ho Volunteer Auxiliary KC Steak and Sea

SMMC honor during

HERALD Staff Repor

The annual Mountain Medical Volunteer Awards Luncheon held Monday to recognize their contribution hospital.

During the luncheon new officers were in Joyce Orr will serve group's president. New officers include Daily, president-elect Dell Williams, vice president Evelyn Elrod, secretary and Peggy Plevsurer.

The auxiliary also money during the give to radiology staff at SMMC and receive the recipients during luncheon.

Scholarship recipient for the SMMC Sch Radiologic Technicians were Jeremy Collier Spring, Cody We Stanton, Carla Will of Sweetwater and K Barrera of Big Spring. Award were given unteers to recognize many hours of service Myrl Soles receive 20-year pin while Guthrie and Dc

Murderer for killing

HUNTSVILLE (AP) the final entry in her foster home runaway. Lynn Weeks wrote of a bit lonely but other happy living at Clarksville apartment 19-year-old man befriended her.

That same day, Se 1993, the 14-year-old experience a horrible at the hands of the man took her in, author said.

"She was chewed or ten, raped and sodom then severely beaten, b to death, then wrapped in a rug and dumped old abandoned house," River County District Attorney Val Varley said. Medical examiners confirmed she died of strangulation.

Reginald Reeves, Clarksville, convicted killing her, was sentenced to receive lethal injection Thursday evening.

CLASSES

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the Bibles for each students.

Donations can be made to the Howard County Fund, P.O. Box 494, Spring 79721-0494

Miller said they hope establish a Bible class

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Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
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Lela Porter, 98, died Saturday. Memorial services are 2:00 PM Saturday at Gail Baptist Church.  
Tim Osmulski, 29, died Saturday. Memorial services are 3:00 PM at St. Thomas Catholic Church.

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# Senate sends Bush subsidies hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress is sending President Bush an election-year overhaul of farm programs that guarantees grain and cotton farmers steadier incomes while adding thousands more producers to the federal dole.

Bush has promised to sign the bill, which marks a reversal of the 1996 Freedom to Farm law and is expected to swell agriculture spending by nearly 80 percent over the cost of existing programs.

On Wednesday, the Democratic-controlled Senate gave final approval to the legislation, 64-35, over the objections of Republicans who said it was too expensive and a step backward in policy.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Harkin said the bill will give farmers "stability and predictability."

Bush had complained that more subsidies would cause overproduction, worsening farmers' plight, but the bill will shower billions on farm states that will be battlegrounds in this fall's elections.

"You've got a lot of fairly close races in rural America where this farm bill is the most important thing that comes along every five, six, seven years," said Mary Kay Thatcher, a lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

The bill raises subsidy rates for grain and cotton growers, who have traditionally dominated federal farm programs, and revives a target-price system abolished in 1996 to provide supplemental income. The bill also brings back subsidies for wool and honey producers and provides new payments for milk, peanuts, lentils and dry peas.

There is also an 80 percent increase in spending on land-conservation programs that will benefit livestock

farms and fruit and vegetable growers who historically get little federal cash.

Support for the 1996 Freedom to Farm Act waned after commodity prices plummeted in 1998 and Congress responded with a series of annual bailouts of the farm economy.

The new bill, which essentially continues those bailouts, was originally expected to cost about \$170 billion over the next 10 years, but weaker-than-expected commodity prices are now expected to cause crop subsidies to rise and push the bill's total price tag to \$190 billion.

The bill won't expire for six years, but there will be more battles over farm policy before then. Some senators have pledged to push new limits on the subsidies that individual farms can receive. The new milk subsidies only last three and a half years so there will be another debate then over assistance for dairy farmers.

Senate Republicans derided the bill as a budget-busting return to Depression-era policies that were scrapped in the 1996 law.

"We're stepping backward for farmers in this country," said Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., one of 28 Republicans who joined seven Democrats in voting against the bill.

Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., said the bill would "make farmers increasingly dependent on government subsidies. These policies defy logic and they defy the most basic laws of economics."

Farm-state senators who face tough re-election races, including Arkansas Republican Tim Hutchinson, embraced the legislation.

Sen. Tim Johnson, a South Dakota Democrat who is being challenged this fall by GOP Rep. John Thune, said the bill

## FARM BILL HIGHLIGHTS:

**COST**  
• \$190 billion over 10 years, a 77 percent increase over the cost of continuing existing programs.

**FARM SUBSIDIES**  
• Raises price guarantees, known as loan rates, for corn, wheat, oats, barley and sorghum. Continues fixed annual payments to grain and cotton farms. Creates new target price system, similar to one abolished in 1996, to provide supplemental payments for those farms when prices fall below certain levels. Allows farmers to update planting records used in calculating certain payments.

• Payments would be capped at \$360,000 with a loophole that allows farmers to receive unlimited subsidies under the loan program.

• Establishes new subsidies for dairy farmers as well as producers of lentils, chickpeas, peanuts, honey, wool and mohair. The dairy subsidies are limited to production equivalent of about 135 cows. Continues price support system for sugar using controls on imports.

• Ends a quota system that props up peanut prices. As compensation, farmers and others who own quotas will receive 11 cents a pound annually for five years.

**CONSERVATION**  
• Establishes the Conservation Security Program, at a cost of \$2 billion, to pay crop farmers for improved environmental practices.

• The Conservation Reserve Program, which pays farmers to idle environmentally sensitive land, would be expanded from its current limit of 36.4 million acres to 39.2 million acres.

• The Environmental Quality Incentives Program, which subsidizes manure cleanup and other improvements, would be quadrupled at a cost of \$9 billion over 10 years. A single farm or feedlot could receive as much as \$450,000.

**FOOD LABELING**  
• Meat, fish, peanuts and produce would have to be labeled with their country of origin, starting in the fall of 2004.

• Bans catfish imported from Vietnam from being labeled as catfish.

**FOOD STAMPS**  
• Noncitizens who have lived in the country for at least five years would become eligible for food stamps.  
• Allows low-income families getting off welfare to receive food stamps for an additional five months.

**BIOENERGY**  
• Provides \$405 million to encourage development and use of fuels made from crops.

**RURAL DEVELOPMENT**  
• \$1 billion in new spending for rural development, including \$360 million for water and sewage assistance, and \$240 million for assisting farmer-owned businesses.

**TRADE**  
• \$1.1 billion for trade assistance, including \$650 million for overseas promotion of U.S. food and beverages.



HERALD photo/Roger Cline  
**Scenic Mountain Medical Center Director of Rehabilitation Jacob Brewer, portraying "Pvt. Billy Bob," congratulates hospital volunteers gathered at the Volunteer Auxiliary Annual Awards Luncheon Monday at KC Steak and Seafood.**

## SMMC Auxiliary honors volunteers during luncheon

HERALD Staff Report

The annual Scenic Mountain Medical Center Volunteer Auxiliary Awards Luncheon was held Monday to recognize the many volunteers and their contribution to the hospital.

During the luncheon, new officers were installed. Joyce Orr will serve as the group's president. Other new officers include Betty Daily, president-elect; Ima Dell Williams, vice president; Evelyn Elrod, secretary; and Peggy Plew, treasurer.

The auxiliary also raises money during the year to give to radiology students at SMMC and recognizes the recipients during the luncheon.

Scholarship recipients for the SMMC School of Radiologic Technology were Jeremy Collier of Big Spring, Cody Wells of Stanton, Carla Wilkinson of Sweetwater and Kristen Barrera of Big Spring.

Award were given to volunteers to recongize their many hours of service.

Myrl Soles received her 20-year pin while Allen Guthrie and Dorothy

McQuerry both received 10-year pins.

Those receiving service bars were: 200 hours, Judith Austin; 400 hours, Willie Doss; 500 hours, Bobbie Alexander and Bea Kelley; 750 hours, Glendia Brown, Evelyn Elrod and Mary Rosson; 1,000 hours, Mildred Carlson and Rose Stukel; and 1,250 hours, Betty Daily.

Also receiving bars were: 1,500 hours, Melva Cooper; 1,750 hours, Bill Addy and Wilma Grace; 2,000 hours, Allene Hamilton, Faye Horton and Peggy Plew; 2,250 hours, Betty Addy, Jean Blackburn, Colleen Slaughter and Ima Dell Williams; 2,500 hours, Steve Marie Haynes and Polly McDaniel; and 3,000 hours, Dorothy McQuerry.

Those honored for 4,000 hours were Mildred Buchanan, Josephine Daniels and Mildred Hayworth; 5,000 hours, Ethel Guthrie and Lou Vincent; 6,500 hours, Ruth Manuel; 7,000 hours, Winifred Millwee and Linda Sliger; 8,000 hours, Virginia Davidson; 8,500 hours, Myrl Soles; 11,000 hours, Loma Jean Wynn; 15,000 hours, Lou Hill.

## Murderer to die tonight for killing 14-year-old girl

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — In the final entry in her diary, foster home runaway Jenny Lynn Weeks wrote of being a bit lonely but otherwise happy living at the Clarksville apartment of a 19-year-old man who befriended her.

That same day, Sept. 9, 1993, the 14-year-old would experience a horrible death at the hands of the man who took her in, authorities said.

"She was chewed on, bitten, raped and sodomized, then severely beaten, beaten to death, then wrapped up in a rug and dumped in an old abandoned house," Red River County District Attorney Val Varley said.

Medical examiners determined she died of strangulation.

Reginald Reeves, of Clarksville, convicted of killing her, was set to receive lethal injection Thursday evening.

He would be the 11th Texas prisoner put to death this year. Two more condemned killers are on the execution schedule for next week.

The U.S. Supreme Court refused Wednesday to review Reeves' case or stop the execution and no new appeals immediately were filed.

The last two executions scheduled in Texas — one Tuesday and another last week — were stopped by the high court when 11th-hour appeals cited possible mental retardation of the condemned inmates as reason why they should not be executed. The Supreme Court is considering a Virginia case that questions the constitutionality of executing mentally retarded people and the court stopped the Texas punishments pending the outcome of that case, expected to be decided before July.

## CLASSES

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the Bibles for each of the students.

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Miller said they hope to establish a Bible class at

other area schools.

"We've got a survey out in Coahoma to see if they want it in the school system," Miller said. "They can call the superintendent's office and tell them yes or no."

The telephone number for the Coahoma ISD superintendent's office is 394-4839.

## Defense: Rodriguez should be spared because of abuse

MOUNT VERNON (AP) — The life of prison escapee and convicted killer Michael Rodriguez should be spared because of sexual abuse he suffered as a teenager while attending a Catholic high school, defense attorneys argue.

Rodriguez, 39, was convicted last week of capital murder in the death of Irving patrol officer Aubrey Hawkins.

His lawyers subpoenaed a former Marianist brother who taught more than two

decades ago at San Antonio Central Catholic High School, got him to come to Texas and sought to get him to testify that he had sexually abused Rodriguez.

The retired teacher, Eugene Fitzsimmons, in a hearing outside the presence of the jury, invoked his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination after state District Judge Vic Cunningham ruled he could testify under a pseudonym.

Cunningham also appoint-

ed a lawyer for the 72-year-old former brother in the Society of Mary.

Rodriguez was among seven men who escaped from a South Texas prison and led authorities on a nationwide manhunt before their Colorado capture.

He was serving a life sentence for capital murder in San Antonio, where he was convicted of paying a man \$2,000 to kill his wife so he could collect \$400,000 in life insurance.

Rodriguez graduated from

Central Catholic, a Marianist high school, in 1981.

Fitzsimmons taught at the school from 1960 to 1962 and from 1975 to '80.

The Rev. Timothy Dwyer, provincial superior of the Society of Mary's St. Louis Province, which includes Texas, said Rodriguez's attorneys contacted him about Fitzsimmons several months ago and subpoenaed the province's records for the years he had taught at Central Catholic.

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OUR VIEWS

Help make our Relay for Life another success

The place to be in Big Spring this weekend is Blankenship Field on the Big Spring High School campus. That's the site for the Howard-Glasscock American Cancer Society chapter's annual Relay for Life.

The stadium's football field will be transformed into a huge, colorful campground as runners and walkers take to the track for the 24-hour fundraiser.

Organizers will open the event Friday evening with a brief ceremony and the "survivor's lap" in which anyone who has ever been diagnosed with cancer can participate. More than 200 cancer survivors, from young children to senior citizens, are scheduled to participate in the special lap this year.

The Relay for Life then gets under way with a walker or runner from each team beginning to circle the track. Look, too, for a group of rockers. They won't have guitars and microphones though; they'll keep rocking chairs going — an alternative method for those participants who find it difficult or impossible to maneuver the track.

The teams — a record 82 of them — will continue the relay through mid Saturday afternoon.

Entertainment, food and games are planned throughout the event and many of the teams will be selling food as additional on-site fund-raisers.

Just after dark on Friday, another of the event's emotional moments will come when luminaria are lit circling the track. These are purchased in memory of loved ones.

We encourage each of our readers to become a part of this worthwhile effort — either as a participant, or to attend and cheer on those who'll be trying to eclipse the \$129,500 the Big Spring Relay for Life netted for the Cancer Society last year.

Big Spring's Relay was named first in the state and 10th in the nation for fund-raising among communities of similar size last year.

Let's do that again.

Come be a part of the Relay for Life because it's an event that belongs to each and every one of us.

We can't think of a better way to spend your spare time on Friday and Saturday.

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

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Only alternative to ballots are bullets

Every two years in America, in the springtime, many a young man's and woman's fancy turns to politics.

Though most Americans don't think of it in these terms, our Revolutionary forefathers gave the American people the power to have a peaceful revolution every two years. The people could, if they chose to do it, dump the entire House of Representatives and replace all 435 members with new people. They could dump a third of the Senate. Depending on which state you live in, people could change their legislators and governor — if not this year, then next year. And, of course, every four years we can choose a new president.

Unfortunately for many complacent Americans, the Founding Fathers knew full well that with every freedom and every right there is a corresponding responsibility. We, whether we like it or not, are responsible for the government. A majority of the turnout will place men and women in positions of power — real power that can affect our lives.

For the successful candidate, even if his majority is only one vote, he gets 100 percent of the power for the full term of his office. As we saw in the last presidential election, important events can hinge on a handful of voters.

But this will not be an appeal to you to vote. For one thing, if you are ignorant or have only a selfish interest in what government can give you, I'd prefer that you not vote. If you know nothing about the candidates, stay home and let those who bothered to learn about them make the decision. People who hang around government with their hands out don't deserve the title of citizen. Parasite would be more

appropriate. And like the poor, the parasites will be with us always.

What I am appealing to you to do is participate. That means far more than voting. Pick a candidate and join his or her campaign as a volunteer. You'll find the experience rewarding. Pick a political party and play an active role. Attend the public meetings in your community. Communicate with your election officials. Being a citizen of a free republic is a full-time job.

If you think your duties as a citizen are an imposition, then by all means, emigrate to a dictatorship. You will then have no responsibilities at all — save one, which is to obey. In a smart dictatorship, you will be free to pursue your own interests without a thought as to the quality of government. All you have to do is never criticize it.

Those of us who prefer liberty recognize that freedom is at risk every day of the year. It can be taken away by stealth, one law at a time, one regulation at a

time. Nobody will ever say, "We're going to deprive you of freedom." It is always done in the name of some good — national security, public safety, public health, fairness or fighting crime.

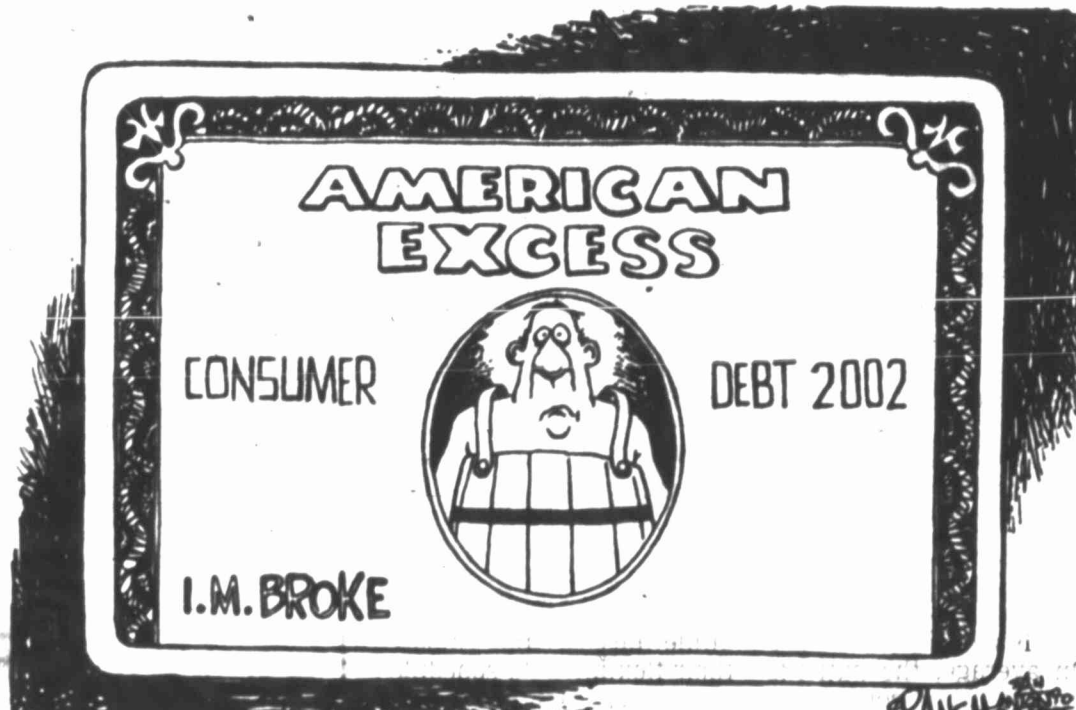
A free republic will last only as long as the people are intelligent, alert and energetic. If we become stupid and lazy, we will end up in some variation of George Orwell's nightmarish dictatorship. You can start by reading the Federalist Papers. That will give you a good idea of what the framers of the Constitution intended.

God surely will not look with favor upon a people who, blessed with freedom, sacrificed it in the pursuit of personal wealth and the satisfaction of their bodily needs. Freedom is a treasure we owe our children, but it has to be preserved before it can be passed on. And remember, the only alternatives to ballots are bullets.

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Welfare reform a policy success story

By all accounts, welfare reform has been one of the few unqualified success stories in modern public policy, despite the dire warnings issued at the time of its enactment. Now that the landmark 1996 welfare reform legislation is up for renewal, the critics are at it again with doom and gloom predictions. But the naysayers are just as wrong this time as they were before.

It's almost embarrassing to look back at what critics predicted when Congress passed welfare reform in 1996. Former Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-N.Y.) — who derided Bill Clinton's support for welfare reform as "boob bait for Bubbas" — said the legislation was "a social risk no sane person would take."

The Urban Institute predicted that the legislation might push an additional 1.1 million more children into poverty and make life more difficult for millions of others.

The National Organization for Women warned that President Bill Clinton made a "big, big mistake" by signing the bill. "I think it's going to dog him," an official for NOW predicted about the legislation that was one of Clinton's few lasting achievements as president. And liberal columnist E.J. Dionne said at the time, "About the only hopeful thing you can say about this welfare bill rushed into law in an election-year spasm of dishonest rhetoric is that it won't work."

Well, it did work — spectacularly so. Now, more than five years later, welfare rolls are down by more than half. But more importantly, welfare recipients who have moved off the dole and into jobs are teaching important lessons to the next generation. Seeing their moms as productive members of the work force will help poor children break the intergenerational dependency that was such a devastating consequence of the old welfare program.

Which brings us to the new "Chicken Littles" in the welfare reform debate. Building on the success of the 1996 legislation, the Bush administration has decided to expand work requirements in its proposed revisions to the welfare law. But some critics of the administration's proposals are once again warning that the sky is falling.

The administration's proposal will require that 70 percent of a state's welfare caseload be involved in "work activities" for 40 hours a week by 2008, up from the current requirement that 50 percent of the caseload engage in 30 hours of work activities. The administration's proposal also mandates that recipients spend 24 hours each week actually in a real job, up from the current requirement of 20 hours.

"Is this a more challenging standard?" asks Dr. Wade Horn, the Health and Human Services assistant secretary who is the administration's point man on welfare reform. "Yes, it's meant to be," Horn says. "But it's not Mission Impossible."

For example, recipients can spend up to three months in any 24-month period in programs that will help prepare them to enter the work force, including drug treatment, rehabilitation and training. The administration's bill will even give credit of up to 16 hours of the 40-hour "work activities" require-

ment for such things as volunteering for an after-school program, coaching a sports team or being a Scouts leader. This new provision encourages welfare parents to spend important and rewarding time with their children.

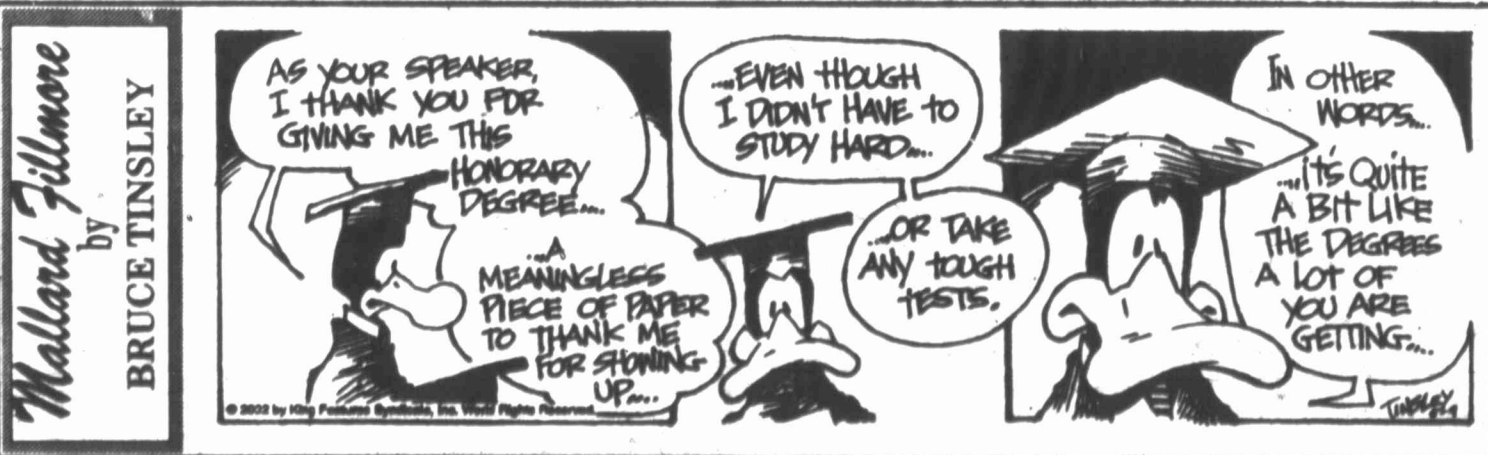
The administration's proposal is a big step forward in the effort to move people off of welfare and into productive roles in our society. For those recipients who take advantage of the child-friendly work activities requirement, it might even help them become better parents in the process.

Yet, for all its merits, the administration's bill has failed to gain much Democratic support in the House. What's more, a bipartisan group in the Senate is now attempting to water down the work requirements and increase funding for child care — even though there are far fewer eligible recipients now that the welfare rolls have declined.

In the weeks ahead, expect plenty of posturing from administration critics as the welfare debate heats up.

They were dead wrong in 1996, but that won't stop them from making the same baseless arguments in this new round of welfare reform.

LINDA CHAVEZ



Nurse

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Thorough hand is the best way this. Wet hands with running water. hands away from water, add soap them together to lather.

Thoroughly so wrists, fingers between fingers least 15 seconds. Rinse and dry with a clean towel. Durable, disposable towels are also because the germs thrown away. For travel situations where available, disposable or a hand gel sanitizer is a good alternative. The alcohol in kills germs on both wipes and available in markets or drug are a good addition picnic basket a glove compartment.

Katie Walker by and consumer agent for the T Cooperative Ex



## Nurses Week and Mother's Day, a coincidence?

The fact that Mother's Day and Nurses Week fall within the same time frame may seem like a coincidence, but I think it's only natural.

Nurses, both male and female, tend to be nurturing, caring and compassionate people.

And just like mothers they tend to be unpleasant business of caring for the sick, wounded and, at times, the emotionally or mentally unstable.

Any nurse can tell you how frustrating it is to deal with a family, friend, guardian, or whomever that doesn't understand what is needed for the well being of their loved one or who becomes an obstacle to the path of that loved one's well being.

Mothers often find them-

selves in similar situations with their children like when my mom tried to explain to me, albeit not too gently and not without objects

flying through the air, that maybe marrying my first husband wasn't such a good idea.

Oh, how I hated it when she was right!

Nurses at least get paid for their frustration, Mother's on the other hand don't always.

There are as many theories of why there is a nurs-



ANDRIA MEDLIN

ing shortage as there are why some mothers run away or abandon their families.

Maybe it's because the multi-tasking and unpleasant business far outweighs the joy necessary for stability.

Maybe they feel unappreciated or maybe, in the case of mothers, the responsibility is just too much for them.

Having served in both roles I can attest to the fact that both are demanding as well as rewarding in many different ways.

As a Mom I have the privilege of raising the best son in the world.

At the age of 9 he is intelligent, clever, polite, respectful and courageous.

And although he is an only child he is surprising-

ly well adjusted and makes friends easily.

And yes, I am a bit biased.

As a licensed vocational nurse working primarily with the elderly, simply providing comfort and having the help and support of a patient's family was reward enough when it was there.

For those moms who do both, like my own mother who has been an LVN at the Big Spring State Hospital now for about 15 years, you have my deepest respect.

To those families who have mom's who are nurses please treat them to something they would really enjoy.

You have no idea how much they really deserve it.



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Neighbors and Newcomers committee members from left, Gus Leonardi, Sue Slattery, Sue Haugh, Pam Brewer and Pat Mirelez prepare invitations for the club's quarterly social and dinner.

From newcomers to Big Spring to established neighbors, everyone is invited to the social that begins at 7 p.m., Thursday, May 16, at the Big Spring Country Club.

The cost for the dinner is \$13 per person and anyone interested should R.S.V.P. by May 11 by contacting Slattery, 264-6035, Irene Medellin, 264-0946 or Pam Brewer, 267-7683.

## Study says patients fasting too long

DALLAS (AP) — Despite liberalized guidelines that shorten fasting times, many patients undergoing elective surgery still are instructed to give up food and liquids for excessive durations, which can have adverse health affects, according to a study by Dallas nurses.

Some patients fasted for 20 or more hours, and suffered from irritability, severe hunger, headaches, dehydration and lowered blood sugar.

"Obviously this isn't good for patients," said Jeannette Crenshaw, co-author of a study published in the May issue of the American Journal of Nursing.

Most of 155 patients interviewed post-surgery said they were told not to ingest anything after 12 a.m. the day of surgery, which the American Society of Anesthesiology no longer believes is necessary for most patients undergoing elective surgery.

In 1999, the ASA released new guidelines allowing clear liquids (such as black coffee, tea, apple juice or carbonated beverages) up to two hours before elective

surgery, a light "breakfast (such as tea and toast) six hours before the procedure, and a heavier meal if the surgery is eight hours away.

Crenshaw said shortened fasts generally do not increase the risk of vomiting during surgery, or the incidence of pulmonary aspiration, a rare and sometimes fatal complication in which stomach contents empty into the lungs.

But many doctors stick with the traditional rule of "nothing by mouth," whether patients were scheduled for early or late surgery.

Nurses and doctors also need to help patients better understand directions to stop eating and drinking before surgery takes place, as well as which routine medications can be taken the morning of surgery, said researchers, who interviewed patients at Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas at the end of 2001 and early this year.

On average, the patients refrained from consuming liquids for 12 hours and solids for 14 hours. One patient had nothing to

drink for as long as 20 hours and two patients went without food for 37 hours.

Diana Mason, a registered nurse and editor-in-chief of the American Journal of Nursing, said often there is a lag between the release of published guidelines on patient care and their implementation.

"Hospitals need to change the status quo and initiate fasting policies that are congruent with, in this case, the ASA recommendations," she said.

Crenshaw said most patients can cope with thirst by brushing their teeth, rinsing their mouth, sucking ice chips or hard candy and chewing gum.

Crenshaw said Presbyterian Hospital is revising its fasting policy to include the ASA guidelines, which apply only to healthy patients undergoing elective surgery.

Some hospitals have feared that relaxing fasting guidelines would impair their flexibility to schedule surgeries, said Dr. Mark Warner, chair of anesthesiology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

## Family focus Washing hands prevents infection

Summer is travel time and picnic time.

Eating out of doors and on the go doesn't diminish the need for good hand washing.



KATIE WALKER

Some diseases are spread when disease-causing organisms on someone's hands get into food that they touch.

Thorough hand washing is the best way to prevent this.

Wet hands with warm, running water. Move hands away from the water, add soap and rub them together to make a lather.

Thoroughly scrub hands, wrists, fingernails and between fingers for at least 15 seconds.

Rinse and dry hands with a clean towel. Durable, disposable paper towels are also a good idea because the germs can be thrown away.

For travel and picnic situations where water isn't available, disposable wipes or a hand gel sanitizer are good alternatives.

The alcohol in the gel kills germs on the hands. Both wipes and gels are available in most supermarkets or drugstores and are a good addition to the picnic basket and the car's glove compartment.

Katie Walker is the family and consumer science agent for the Texas Cooperative Extension.

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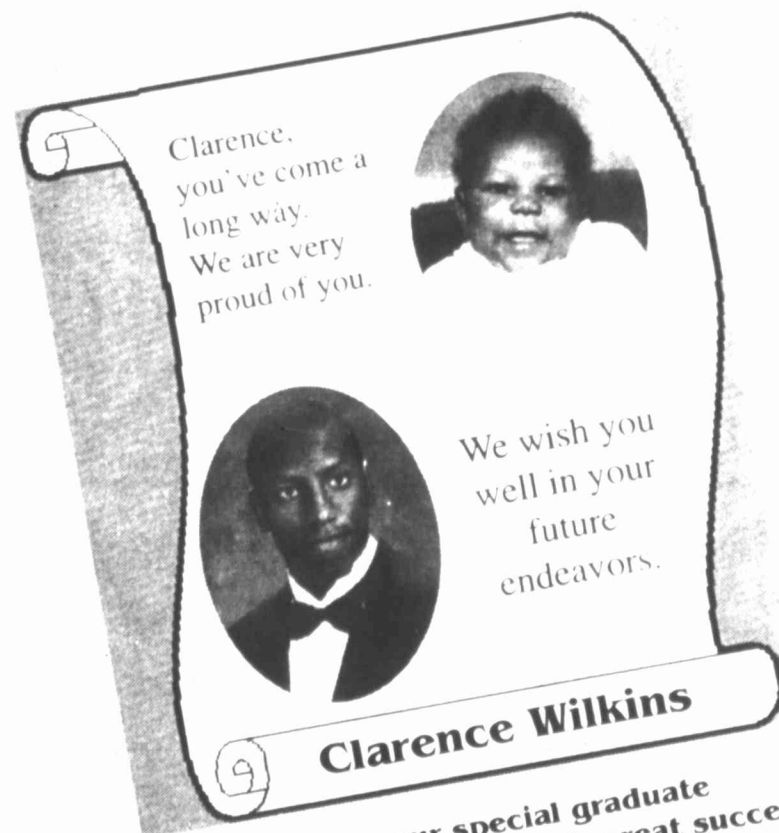
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### IN BRIEF

#### Lady Steers playoff with Dumas set

The Big Spring Lady Steers will take on Dumas' Lady Demons in a one-game Class 4A regional quarterfinal softball playoff at 6 p.m. Friday in Lubbock.

The game will be played at Lubbock High School's softball facility.

The Lady Steers, now 22-9 on the season, advanced to the regional quarterfinal over the weekend with 6-0 and 11-1 area round wins over El Paso Ysleta's Lady Indians.

#### Bulldogettes face Clarendon on Friday

Coahoma's Bulldogettes will play Clarendon's Lady Bulldogs in a one-game Class 2A regional quarterfinal softball playoff at 7 p.m. in Lubbock.

The game will be played at Lubbock Coronado High School's softball facility.

The Bulldogettes reached the regional quarterfinal by beating Grape Creek in the area playoff round.

#### Bulldogs set to open playoffs in baseball

Coahoma's Bulldogs will play their first game in the Class 2A baseball playoffs Saturday, taking on Sonora's Bronchos at 6 p.m. in San Angelo's Colts Stadium in an area round contest.

The Bulldogs, champions of District 3-2A, drew a bye in the first round.

#### Lady Steers banquet slated for Monday

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club will hold its annual athletic banquet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Big Spring Junior High School cafeteria.

Tickets, priced at \$10 each, can be purchased at Athletic Supply, Faye's Flowers and from Kay Cook in the BSHS Athletic Department office.

#### Coahoma schedules athletic banquet

The Coahoma High School Athletic Banquet has been scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday in the elementary school cafeteria.

Serving begins at 6 p.m. with the program to follow at 7.

For more information, or to purchase tickets for the banquet, contact Diana Collum, Diane Herrera, Barbara Hipp, Laura Kemper or Twila Wegner.

#### Forsan All-Sports Banquet on May 16

Forsan High School will hold its annual All-Sports Banquet at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 16, in the school's cafeteria.

The banquet will honor all high school athletes who participated during the 2001-2002 school year.

Tickets, priced at \$10 each, can be purchased at the high school office. To reserve tickets, call 457-2223.

#### Softball tournament set for weekend

The A-1 Embroidery Softball Tournament has been scheduled for Friday through Sunday at Cotton Mize Field in Comanche Trail Park.

Fees for the tournament will be \$115 per team.

Trophies and T-shirts will be awarded to the first-, second- and third-place teams.

For more information, call Bryan Sledge at 264-6673.

## Chicago's Buehrle, rains leave Rangers all wet

ARLINGTON (AP) — In his five years as manager of the Chicago White Sox, Jerry Manuel hasn't had a pitcher quite like Mark Buehrle.

Buehrle became the AL's first six-game winner with seven strong innings Wednesday night, and Kenny Lofton hit a two-run double as the White Sox beat the Texas Rangers 5-3.

"I haven't had anybody as consistent as he is," Manuel said. "He hits his spots, knows the hitters' weaknesses, studies the hitters and makes them hit his pitch. He's a pretty good young pitcher."

Buehrle (6-2) allowed one run and four hits, striking out three and walking two before rain interrupted play in the top of the eighth for 61 minutes.

He works quickly and efficiently,

contributing to his 26-11 career record with the White Sox and the respect of his teammates.

"Any time you can get behind a pitcher who works that fast, it keeps you in the game," Chicago second baseman Tony Graffanino said. "It also keeps you in the dugout longer."

When the game resumed, Manuel went to reliever Bob Howry and Buehrle lost a shot at his first complete game of the season.

"I'd thrown 97 pitches after seven innings," Buehrle said. "When the rain came, I knew I was done."

After starting the season 4-0 with a 1.33 ERA in his first four starts, Buehrle went 1-2 with a 7.31 ERA over his three previous starts.

"This is probably the best I've felt," Buehrle said. "I had confi-

dence in all my pitches. Maybe it was the best I've felt even all of last year."

The Rangers had runners at first and second with one out in the fifth, but Buehrle got Rusty Greer to ground into a double play. Buehrle was perfect over his last two innings.

Magglio Ordonez and Graffanino had two hits each for the White Sox.

Herbert Perry hit a two-run homer off Keith Foulke in the ninth, but Foulke struck out pinch-hitter Hank Blalock with a runner on to end it.

Texas went in front 1-0 in the third when Bill Haselman singled and scored on Michael Young's double into the right-field corner.

Chicago came back with a three-run fifth off Rangers starter Doug

Davis (3-3).

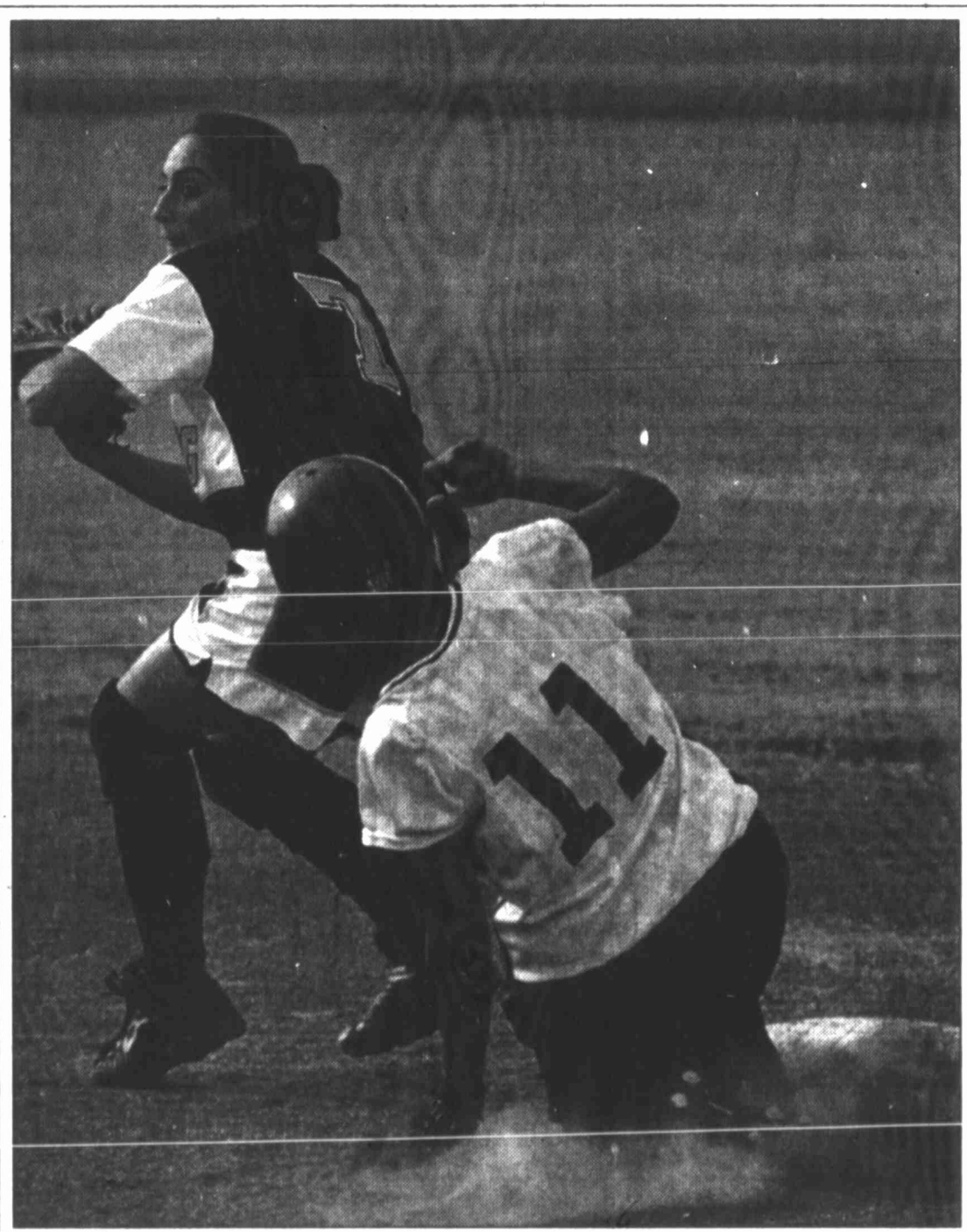
Davis walked Jose Valentin and Sandy Alomar to start the inning, then bobbled Royce Clayton's hunt and threw late to second for an error.

That loaded the bases for Lofton's two-run double, and Graffanino followed with a sacrifice fly to make it 3-1.

Manuel's confidence in Lofton at the top of the order continues to grow.

"He's a guy that every at-bat is a good one," Manuel said. "And when they have to come in on him, he has a great chance at a good swing at it."

Davis gave up three runs and five hits in five-plus innings, his shortest outing of the season. He struck out two and walked three.



Big Spring second baseman Bridget Cain (7) pivots after a throw from shortstop Whitney Hufford forcing El Paso Ysleta's Valerie Perez (11) and prepares to make the throw to first in a double play attempt during the Lady Steers' 6-0 win over the Lady Indians in Game 1 of their Class 4A area playoff series. The Lady Steers, who swept Ysleta, will play Dumas' Lady Demons in a one-game regional quarterfinal game at 6 p.m. Friday in Lubbock.

## Celtics rip Pistons for rare road win

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kenny Anderson understood the significance of Boston's first road victory in this year's NBA playoffs.

"It's big," Anderson said after the Celtics beat the Detroit Pistons 85-77 Wednesday night in Game 2 of their Eastern Conference semifinal.

"Everybody was really focused, and businesslike," he added. "In this series, it's going to be crucial to win on the road, so this gives us confidence."

The Celtics evened the series with their first road playoff win since 1995. Granted, they're in the playoffs for the first time since that year.

"We have had success on the road because our guys tend to play good defense when the game gets tight," Boston coach Jim O'Brien said. "We certainly did not want to go back to Boston down 2-0 because the Pistons are also a very good road team."

The Celtics and Pistons hold hard feelings as they head to Game 3 in the best-of-seven series Friday night in Boston.

After the game, tempers flared when Cliff Robinson and Antoine Walker engaged in face-to-face trash-talking and had to be

separated.

"Antoine was just running his mouth like he likes to do," Robinson said. "He's a front-runner, so he was talking tonight. That's the kind of guy he has always been."

Walker refused to discuss the situation.

Paul Pierce, who led five Celtics in double figures with 22 points, said "teams are not going to be able to push us around."

"It's not like we're a soft team," he said. "We've accepted all the challenges. Teams have tried psych wars with us and it just doesn't work. ... It gets frustrating when you lose on your home court."

It's also frustrating for Detroit that it couldn't stop any of the Celtics' offensive options.

Eric Williams scored 18, Walker had 15 points, Rodney Rogers scored 13 and Anderson added 11.

"I would definitely hate to play us because we provide so many problems defensively," Pierce said.

Pierce said the Celtics are attacking the basket, and not relying on the 3-point shot the way they did against Philadelphia.

"That's fine, I'll drive, it's not like they have Dikembe Mutombo on the inside," Pierce said.

In games tonight, New

Jersey, leading 2-0, is at Charlotte, and Sacramento is at Dallas. The Kings and Mavericks are tied 1-1.

The other series, also tied 1-1, has the defending champion Los Angeles Lakers at San Antonio on Friday night.

The Pistons had a hard time matching up with several Celtics — outside, inside and off the dribble.

"When you combine their 3-point ability with their post ability and their one-on-one ability, it's a hard team to play," Detroit coach Rick Carlisle said.

Jerry Stackhouse led Detroit with 25 points.

Boston held Detroit to 33 percent shooting, its worst performance of the season, and outrebounded the Pistons 53-35.

Robinson was held to two points in the first half after scoring 30 in Game 1, but he helped the Pistons get back into the game briefly in the third quarter. He scored five straight points to cap a 16-4 run that cut Detroit's deficit to 56-54 with 4:10 left in the quarter. Robinson finished 13 points.

Boston regained control by outscoring the Pistons 16-7 for a 72-61 lead early in the final quarter on a 3-pointer by Walker — his first points since late in the first quarter.

## Two AL teams, one wild fan on real streaks

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Boston Red Sox keep winning, the Tampa Bay Devil Rays lost again and one fan in Oakland was on a different kind of streak.

The Red Sox won their season-high eighth straight Wednesday night with a 12-6 victory over the Oakland Athletics. The game was briefly delayed when a completely naked man ran onto the field with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning.

"Oh, my goodness, only in California!" said a smiling Casey Fossum, who was on the mound when the streaker made his move. "I've seen it once before in Anaheim."

The Devil Rays are in the midst of a more conventional streak — a losing streak.

Alfonso Soriano homered twice as Roger Clemens and the New York Yankees beat Tampa Bay 7-2, extending the Devil Rays' skid to 13 games — longest in the majors in more than five years.

"Tonight was very simple. They played much better than we did," manager Hal McRae said. "We were beaten last night and tonight. The other games I thought we were in and we beat ourselves."

In other American League games, it was: Minnesota 3, Kansas City 1; Cleveland 6, Baltimore 2; Chicago 5, Texas 3; Anaheim 3, Detroit 2; and Seattle 5, Toronto 4 in 10 innings.

In National League games, Arizona edged Pittsburgh 4-3, Los Angeles beat Atlanta 3-1, San Francisco defeated New York 8-2, Florida downed San Diego 7-4, St. Louis stopped Chicago 3-2, Philadelphia beat Houston 5-3, Colorado defeated Montreal 5-0 and Cincinnati routed Milwaukee 14-5.

There have been other streakers on major league fields recently — in Kansas City and at Wrigley Field in 2000.

This fan streaked from the third-base seats to right field, where he was apprehended by a half-dozen security officers as players on both teams laughed.

Security officials at the Coliseum said the streaker, whom they did not identify, was taken away in handcuffs and would spend the night in custody.

"Another long game of good baseball topped off by a little entertainment there at the end," Boston manager Grady Little said. "The security here is a little more fleet of foot than at Fenway. They may not have caught him at Fenway."

Tampa Bay's losing streak is the longest in the majors since the Chicago Cubs dropped 14 in a row April 1-20, 1997. It's the longest slide in the AL since the Milwaukee Brewers — now in the NL — lost 14 straight in 1994.

The Devil Rays have been outscored 70-32 and out-

homered 14-6 during the skid, although more than half the games (eight) have been decided by one or two runs.

Clemens (5-2) won his fourth straight decision and earned his 285th career victory.

#### Twins 3, Royals 1

Brad Radke (4-2) came within one out of a shutout and finished with a five-hitter for Minnesota's first complete game this season.

The Twins improved to 16-3 at the Metrodome, the best record after 19 home games in franchise history. The Royals have lost 10 of 12.

#### Indians 6, Orioles 2

Russell Branyan homered for the third straight game and Jim Thome hit a three-run shot for Cleveland off an ailing Scott Erickson (3-3).

Danys Baez (4-3) pitched seven innings of six-hit ball for the Indians, who lost five straight series before taking two of three at Camden Yards.

Erickson allowed five runs and five hits in two-plus innings before being removed.

#### Angels 3, Tigers 2

Troy Glaus opened the bottom of the ninth with a home run off Fernando Rodney (0-2) and Anaheim won for the 10th time in 12 games.

It was Glaus' sixth homer this season and first at Edison Field in 82 at-bats since last Sept. 29. Garret Anderson also homered for the Angels, and Troy Percival (1-1) struck out the side in the top of the ninth.

#### Mariners 5, Blue Jays 4

Ichiro Suzuki dashed home on John Olerud's grounder in the 10th inning at Safeco Field.

Suzuki led off the 10th with his second bunt hit, and he and Bret Boone pulled off a double steal.

Olerud grounded to drawn-in second baseman Joe Lawrence, who threw home. But Suzuki slid and beat catcher Tom Wilson's tag on a close play.

#### Diamondbacks 4, Pirates 3

To Curt Schilling, it's an open-and-shut case: Convinced it affects his performance, he wants the retractable roof at Bank One Bank closed when he pitches.

The Arizona ace didn't get his way, yet still won.

Schilling became baseball's first seven-game winner, overcoming an early homer and leading the Diamondbacks past Pittsburgh.

Schilling (7-1) gave up Craig Wilson's three-run homer in the first inning, and little else.

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**FISHING REPORT**

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for May 8. (Report also available on Web at [www.tdfrshing.com](http://www.tdfrshing.com).)

**CENTRAL**  
**BROWNWOOD:** Water clear; 73 degrees; 4 low; Black bass 10-7 pounds are good on topwaters and crankbaits in 4-15 feet. Striped bass to 7 pounds are excellent on Rat-L-Traps and topwaters in 10-25 feet. White bass to 16 inches are excellent on Rat-L-Traps in 4-10 feet. Crappie to 15 inches are good on live minnows and jigs in 3-10 feet. Channel and blue catfish to 6 pounds are good on live minnows and nightcrawlers in 15-30 feet. Yellow catfish to 15 pounds are good on cutbait and minnows in 15-30 feet.  
**BUCHANAN:** Water clear; 76 degrees; 10:16:37; Black bass are good on white 1/4 oz. spinnerbaits and bluegill 4" Super Tube Heavies over buckbrush in creeks in 5-8 feet and on Pop R's on points. Striped bass to 24 inches are good drifting live bait and trolling 1/2 oz. Curb's stripers jigs, with early morning topwater action on Red Fins and Rat-L-Traps. White bass are fair on Pink Minnows and 2" Lit'l Fishie Shads in 12-20 feet. Crappie are slow. Channel catfish are good on worms, liver and minnows. Flathead and blue catfish are good on live perch.  
**PROCTOR:** Water murky; 63 degrees; 11:57:30; Black bass are slow on Rat-L-Traps and crankbaits. Striped bass are good on white stripers jigs and shad. White bass are good on white or pearl gray stripers jigs and shad. Crappie are slow on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are slow on shrimp and liver. Yellow catfish are slow on shad and perch on trotlines.

**SOUTH**  
**AMISTAD:** Water clear; 71 degrees; 47 low; Black bass are good on waffle worms, jerkbaits, topwaters, and watermelon seed worms. Striped bass are good on slabs and stripers jigs up the Rio Grande. White bass are good on slabs up the Rio Grande. Crappie are fair on live minnows up Devils River. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cheesebait in 5-40 feet. Yellow catfish are good on perch and goldfish.

**WEST**  
**ALAN HENRY:** Water clear; 71 degrees; Black bass to be good on black/blue and green jigs or tubes, soft jerkbaits, minnows, and topwaters during the afternoon. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs.  
**ARROWHEAD:** Water murky (from wind); 66 degrees; 6.5 low; Black bass are fair in shallows. Crappie are good on minnows and pink or white 1/8 oz. jigs suspended at 11-18 feet. White bass to 2 pounds are good on 1/8 oz. chartreuse jigs in shallows. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with perch.  
**COLORADO CITY:** Water clear; 68 degrees; Black bass are very slow. Crappie are very slow. White bass are very slow. Redfish are very slow. Catfish are very slow. Fishing is extremely slow due to a toxic golden algae bloom most fish found in creeks.  
**FT. PHANTOM HILL:** Water clear; 68 degrees; Black bass are fair on crankbaits, spinnerbaits and minnows. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are fair on minnows and jigs. Catfish are good on cutbait and minnows.

**HUBBARD CREEK:** Water lightly stained; 64 degrees; 15.5 low; Black bass are good on dark jigs and plastics in shallows, also on crankbaits, topwaters and spinnerbaits on the main lake. Crappie are excellent on minnows and Road Runners in shallows near docks. White bass are slow on minnows. Striped bass are slow. Catfish are good on deep trotlines or jugs/lures baited with shiners and minnows.  
**NAASWORTHY:** Water lightly stained; 69 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows and spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. Redfish are fair on minnows. White bass and striped bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are good on stinkbait and live bait. Lake is being dredged of 2-feet of silt (3 year project started summer 2000).  
**OAK CREEK:** Water lightly stained; 68 degrees; No boat ramps open. Black bass are fair on minnows. Crappie are good around docks on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with minnows and stinkbait.  
**OH. ME:** Water lightly stained; 70 degrees; 20 low; Black bass are good on live bait, dark green or black jigs and watermelon green plastics. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs in shallows. White bass are fair on minnows and jigs. Smallmouth bass are fair. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with minnows, goldfish and perch.

**POSSUM KINGDOM:** Water lightly stained; 68 degrees; 3.4 low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair. White bass are fair under dock lights on live bait and shad-colored plastics. Striped bass are fair under dock lights and shad-colored plastics. Catfish are good on live bait and stinkbait on upper end of lake.  
**SPENCE:** Water stained; 63 degrees; 8.75 low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair. White bass are fair on minnows. Striped bass are fair on minnows and cutbait. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad and cutbaits. Fishing is generally slow due to a golden algae bloom.  
**STAMFORD:** Water lightly stained; 63 degrees; 3.25 low; Black bass are good on crankbaits and minnows. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass and striped bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad and stinkbait.  
**SWEETWATER:** Water lightly stained; 69 degrees; 17 low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits, spinnerbaits and minnows. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait and cutbait.  
**WHITE RIVER:** Water murky; 67 degrees; 18 low; Black bass fair on minnows and dark crankbaits. Crappie are good near crappie house on minnows and jigs. Walleye are fair on jerkbaits and minnows. Catfish are good on minnows and stinkbait.  
**WICHITA:** Water stained (from wind); 74 degrees; Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair late in the day around the spillway on jigs and minnows. White bass are good on medium minnows and shrimp. Hybrid stripers are fair on large minnows and liver. Channel catfish are fair on worms, goldfish, shrimp and punch-bait.

Especially for kids and their families

**The Mini Page**

By BETTY DEBNAM

**April Showers Bring May Flowers**  
**A Kid's Guide to Flowers**

**The parts of a plant**

The flower produces the seeds that can grow into new plants.

Leaves are the plant's food factory.

The stem holds the leaves and the flower. It is the plant's transportation system.

Roots anchor the plant into the ground. They absorb nutrients (nourishing food) from the soil. Roots may also store food for the plant's future use.

**The parts of a flower**

**Most flowers have:**

- petals that help attract insects to carry pollen from one plant to another.
- a calyx (ka-likes), or covering, at the bottom of the petals. It protects the flower's inner parts.
- stamens, or the male part of the flower. They make the pollen.
- a pistil, or the female part of the flower. It makes the seeds.

In order for a flower to make seeds, pollen from the male part (the stamens) must reach the female part (the pistil). Some flowers have the male and female parts in separate flowers or separate plants. For example, hollies are either male or female. You have to have both to get the beautiful red berries.

The Mini Page thanks the U.S. Botanic Garden of Washington, D.C., for help with this issue.

**Seeds get around**

The wind scatters seeds.

Water carries seeds.

Some plants scatter their own seeds. Cut they pop when the plant's fruit bursts open.

Some seeds are hitchhikers. They cling to a person's clothes or an animal's fur or an insect's body.

Animals carry seeds. The seeds some animals eat pass through their bodies.

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**Gas Goodsport's Report**

**Supersport: Edgar Martinez**

Height: 5-11 Birthdate: 1-2-63 Weight: 175  
College: American College in Puerto Rico

One of the best baseball players to play designated hitter is Edgar Martinez. Now in his 16th season, he has spent his entire career with the Seattle Mariners.

Last year he was named Major League's Designated Hitter of the Year for the 10th time. He had a batting average of .306, hit 23 home runs and played in the All-Star Game. He is the Mariners' all-time hits leader.

Edgar was born in New York City and grew up in Dorado, Puerto Rico. He lives with his wife, Holli, and son, Alexander, in Kirkland, Wash.

Go dot to dot and color.

**Rookie Cookie's Recipe**  
**Green Casserole**

You'll need:

- 3 cups rice, cooked
- 1 (10-ounce) box frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
- 1/2 cup almonds, sliced
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1 egg
- 1 cup milk

What to do:

1. Combine all ingredients, except egg and milk, in a large bowl. Mix well.
2. Combine egg and milk in a medium bowl. Mix well.
3. Stir egg mixture into mixture in large bowl. Mix well.
4. Place in a greased casserole.
5. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 40 to 45 minutes. Serves 8.

**Meet Caroline Rhea**

Actress and comedian Caroline Rhea plays Aunt Hilda on the TV show "Sabrina, the Teenage Witch." Caroline, 38, was born and grew up in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, with two older sisters.

About 13 years ago, she moved to New York to work as a comedian. She worked for a while waiting tables. After her career took off, she performed for many years in comedy clubs in New York and then began performing around the country.

She got her first part in a TV show in 1995, and since then has been in several TV shows and movies.

After living in New York for seven years, she moved to Los Angeles. Her hobbies include yoga and playing golf.

**MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes**

All the following jokes have something in common. Can you guess the common theme or category?

Alan: What do you call two bananas?  
Ed: A pair of slippers!

Tonya: What does a banana do when it sees a monster?  
Louisa: The banana splits!

Pat: What sport do bananas compete in?  
Lisa: Track and peel!

**FLOWERS TRY 'N FIND**

Words and names that remind us of flowers are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: FLOWERS, PLANT, SEEDS, LEAVES, STEM, ROOTS, PETALS, STAMENS, CALYX, INSECTS, LILY, POLLEN, PISTIL, BULBS, COAT, FOOD, GROW, PANSY.

WHAT FLOWERS WILL YOU GROW?

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**Mini Spy ...**

Mini Spy and Alpha Mouse are planting a new flowerbed. See if you can find:

- boat
- submarine
- kite
- alligator
- caterpillar
- mushroom
- peapod
- bell
- star
- trowel
- number 3
- pencil
- word MINI
- ladder
- lion
- arrow

**How Does Your Flower Garden Grow?**

**The lifestyle of plants**

Some plants live longer than others. In the flower boxes at the right, we have listed:

A for Annual  
B for Biennial  
P for Perennial

An annual in its only year.

Annuals live for only one year and produce as many flowers and seeds as they can before they die.

A biennial after two years.

Biennials live for two years. For the first year, they grow only leaves and store food for the next year in large roots. In the second year, they flower, produce seeds, and die.

A perennial after many years.

Perennials can live for many years. They grow flowers after one or more years and produce seeds over their lifetime. Short-lived perennials might live for as long as five years, but some kinds live to be 100 or more years old.

**Can you identify these very popular flowers?**

Pansy	Zinnia	Petunia	French marigold	Geranium
Poppy	Lily of the valley	Baby's breath	Peony	Dahlia
Hyacinth	Tulip	Crocus	Iris	Queen Anne's lace
Black-eyed Susan	Columbine	Purple coneflower	Shasta daisy	Daisy

**Botanical gardens are museums for flowers**

The U.S. Botanic Garden is in Washington, D.C., very near the Capitol Building.

Do you have a botanical garden in your city? Botany is the study of plants. A botanical (buh-TAN-uh-kuhl) garden is a museum for living plants. Some of these gardens are inside glass houses. Others are outside. In these gardens are thousands of plants for people to study and enjoy.

It's Mississippi From A to Z in next week's Mini Page. Learn all about this Deep South state.

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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 "rock and roll" into work this morning. You can reverse trends out of the blue. Others step back. New beginnings become possible through a special overture. Remember what is positive in your life. Do something special. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\* Use the morning to finish off an important matter that impacts a boss or someone you respect a great deal. You understand what is happening with someone. You're personality-plus. Your efforts make a big difference to others this afternoon. Tonight: Make an overture. What you do counts.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* You shine this morning with innovative and dynamic thinking. Listen well to another's sharing. The unexpected occurs, as long as you are willing to step off the beaten path. Take your time

HOROSCOPE

this afternoon as you think through a decision. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\* You have reason to be pleased with yourself. Another's surprising reaction could take you in a totally new direction. Trust what is happening between you and someone else. Afternoon meetings bring only success. Keep focused, even if it is Friday. Tonight: Where the gang is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\* News heads in from a distance. Your abilities take you to a new level. A discussion proves to be most lively if you stay open this morning. Again, someone surprises you. Take charge in the evening if you want to accomplish your long-term desires. Tonight: In the limelight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Listen to a key person in your life. The feedback you receive could be unusually significant. Take a step into unknown territory. Do something very different. Walk through a new door. Though being adventuresome could be scary, it is also worthwhile. Tonight: Try something different.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\* Others surprise you with their desires. Remain sure of yourself anyway. The truth is that you are quite delighted by recent developments. Deal with others on a one-on-one level later on. Think about what someone wants. Tonight: Just for two.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\* Dig into your work. Success follows as a natural result. Stay on top of others' requests. Schedule, network and socialize in the afternoon. Others might not be in the mood to work. Be careful with monetary promises - given or received. Tonight: Out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\* Allow your creativity and playfulness

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to emerge. Good news comes out of the blue. Excitement becomes your middle name, so much so that you could become bored if life becomes too calm in the later afternoon. Tonight: Relax. Don't take on any new projects.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* Your mind floats to a personal matter. Why not handle this issue early on? Otherwise you might not be comfortable at work. Allow your imagination and creativity to emerge in the afternoon when dealing with a child or loved one. Tonight: Your time to roam.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* How you speak your mind makes a big difference in how your message is received. You could beat a new trail in the morning as you try to clear

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out remaining work. If you can, head home early, even if it means bringing additional work home. Tonight: Invite someone home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* Deal with finances carefully. Instincts could help you find a mistake before it becomes costly. Use the afternoon to return messages, and remain more positive about your options. Ask for what you want. Don't hem and haw. Tonight: Keep on asking.

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Euthanasia not an option in question of quality of life

Dear Ann Landers: A few months ago, you printed a letter from a veterinarian who questioned putting a dog to sleep. You replied that when a dog was deaf, arthritic, missing all his teeth and urinating all over the house, it wasn't enjoying life and would appreciate being put out of its misery.

I have a 95-year-old mother who is residing (I can't call it "living") in a nursing home. Mom is deaf, almost blind, arthritic, missing most of her teeth, incontinent and also in constant pain. Every day she asks me, "Why am I still here? Why don't I die?" She has pleaded with me to "do something" to put her out of her misery. She is old, sick, and tired of living.

Our society helps animals find death with dignity, but not humans. How many elderly, sick, tired old people are "living" when they, too, want to be put out of their misery? These people are emotional, physical and financial drains on family members, and they don't want to be alive anymore. Why can't we help them? - Devoted Daughter in Pennsylvania

Dear Devoted Daughter: I believe that terminally ill people should have the option of dying with dignity and not have extraordinary life-saving measures taken to keep them alive. However, euthanasia is not quite the same. It is fraught with legal and ethical implications, and the debate is likely to go on for decades.

Dear Ann Landers: I recently returned from military service in Afghanistan, and since then, my life has been a mess. The problem is my mother-in-law.

I have been married to "Diane" for a year. When I went overseas, she moved in with her mother, who lives in another state. She refuses to move back. Diane's mom has mental health problems, which the family acknowledges but doesn't address. The woman behaves inappropriately and dislikes me intensely.

Now that I have returned, I would like to reconcile with my wife, but it seems impossible. I call Diane every night, but her mother refuses to let me talk to her. How can I make our marriage work if my mother-in-law refuses to butt out? Any suggestions? - Texas Tom

Dear Tom: The problem is not your mother-in-law. It's your wife. Why is she still living in another state? I suggest you pay a visit to Diane in person and ask her to go with you for marriage counseling. If she is serious about salvaging your marriage, she will be willing to do this. If not,

seek counseling on your own, and decide what is best for you. I wish you luck. You'll need it.

Dear Ann Landers: My wedding anniversary is coming up next month, and as a gift, my father gave me two tickets to the opera in downtown Manhattan. I thought it would make a lovely weekend to take my wife to a nice hotel for dinner and dancing and stay overnight. We could then attend the opera the next day.

When I announced my plans to my wife, she became upset. She said she hates the opera and has no intention of going. I do not understand her attitude. I love the opera, and since I am making an entire weekend of fun for my wife, I don't think it is a big deal for her to endure a two-hour performance of Bizet's "Carmen." Part of the problem is she doesn't like my father and refuses to accept this gift graciously. Is it wrong for me to expect her to meet me halfway? What should I do? - New York Blues

Dear N.Y.: It's too bad your wife isn't willing to try the opera. Carmen is one of the classics, and she would probably enjoy it. If she is adamant, make other plans for your anniversary, and ask a friend to accompany you to the opera. This isn't worth World War III.

Dear Ann Landers: As a single woman living alone, I read with interest the letter from "Single and Safe in Virginia," which listed security measures women can take to protect themselves. May I add one more?

Please tell single women to get a dog. I have two beautiful dogs rescued from the animal shelter who protect me every day. They make my life infinitely more fun and save my sanity when I am stressed. The time and energy they require is more than made up by their love and loyalty. - Animal Lover in Pennsylvania

Dear Animal Lover: Adopting a dog from a shelter not only will save the animal's life, it will also enhance your own. Thanks for a great suggestion.

Drugs are everywhere. They're easy to get, easy to use and even easier to get hooked on. If you have questions about drugs, you need Ann Landers' booklet, "The Lowdown on Dope." Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.00 (this includes postage and handling) to: Lowdown, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$6.00.) To find out more about Ann Landers and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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THURSDAY

MAY 9

	KMID (2)	KPEJ (3)	KERA (5)	FAM (6)	KOSA (7)	WFAA (8)	KWES (9)	WTBS (11)	UNI (13)	DISN (14)	NASH (15)	TMC (16)	SHOW (20)	HBO (22)	KMLM (24)	A&E (25)	DISC (26)	TNT (28)	TLC (41)
6:30 PM	News Fortune	King of the Hill Raymond	Cyberchase Zoboomatoo	Witness Dino Home Videos	News (CC) Ent. Tonight	News (CC) Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Friends (CC) Major League	Intrusa	Movie: Zenon: The	Mad TV (CC) Mad TV (CC)	(10) Movie: Lucky	Burns (CC)	Forrester (CC)	Update With John Hagee	The View (CC)	Wild Discovery	Pretender (CC)	Learning Ch.
7:30 PM	Movie: Stuart Little (CC)	Movie: Star Wars	Antiques-UK	Movie: Baby's Day Out	Survivor: Marquesas (CC)	Movie: Stuart Little (CC)	Friends (CC) Friends (CC)	Baseball: Los Angeles	Amigos y Rivales (SS)	Zoqabi (40) Movie:	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Numbers (CC)	Movie: Warden of Red	Movie: The	Debbie Good Biblical Israel	Biography (CC)	Medical Mysteries	NBA Basketball Playoffs:	Medical
8:30 PM	(DVS)	Episode 1-- The Phantom	Frontier (CC)	Whose Line? Whose Line?	CSI: Crime Scn	(DVS)	Will & Grace	Dodgers at Atlanta	Salome	Seventeen Again (CC)	Movie: Flight of the	Movie: Nurse Betty (CC)	Rock (CC) Movie: The	Brothers (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Movie: Point: Lord	Lightning Strikes	Conference Semi. --	Gulag ..
9:30 PM	Primetime Thursday	Menace (CC) (DVS)	..	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Agency (CC)	Prime-time Thursday	ER (CC)	Braves (CC) Movie:	Pica y Se Extendi	Movie: Still	Intruder	..	Gift (CC)	Unfaithful On the Record	..	Edwards Dies (CC)	Medical Mysteries: Giants	Teams TBA NBA Basket-	..
10:30 PM	News Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	News-Lehrer	700 Club (CC)	News (35) Late	News (CC) Nightline	News (35) Tonight	Crocodile Dundee	P. Impacto Noticiero Univ.	Not Quite Human (CC)	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: Whatever It	..	Hookers: 5 Years Later	Hour of Healing	Law & Order (CC)	Medical Mysteries	ball Playoffs: Conference	Medical
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"YOU SHOULDN'T INTERRUPT WHEN SOMEONE IS TALKING, DENNIS."

"PSSST, DAD. WHAT DOES INNER-UP MEAN?"

FAMILY CIRCUS



"My turtle went back in its shell to use the bathroom."

HAGAR



"I DON'T THINK PARTYING ALL NIGHT WITH A BUNCH OF CRAZY PEOPLE IS APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR FOR A MIDDLE-AGED, MARRIED MAN!"

"SHE'S TALKING TO A GUY WHOSE JOB DESCRIPTION IS 'TRADING AND PILLAGING'."

BLONDIE



"I JUST HAD ANOTHER FIGHT WITH REYNOLDS. HE MAKES ME SO MAD!"

"ANOTHER FIGHT? WHY DO YOU KEEP GOING OUT WITH HIM? YOU NEVER HAD ANY FIGHTS WITH JUSTIN?"

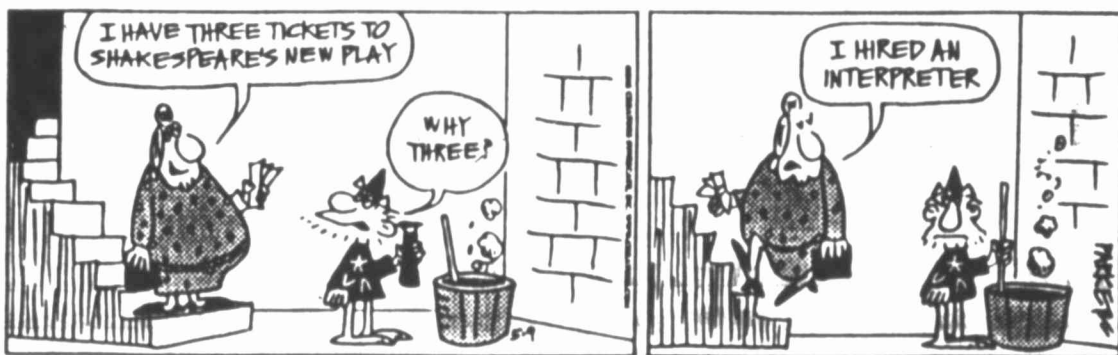
"JUSTIN?!"

"MOM, DON'T YOU REMEMBER? JUSTIN WAS SO BORING!"

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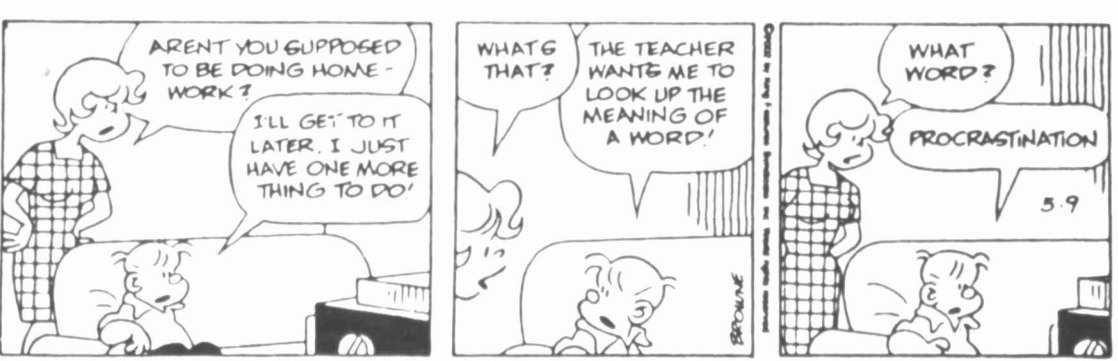
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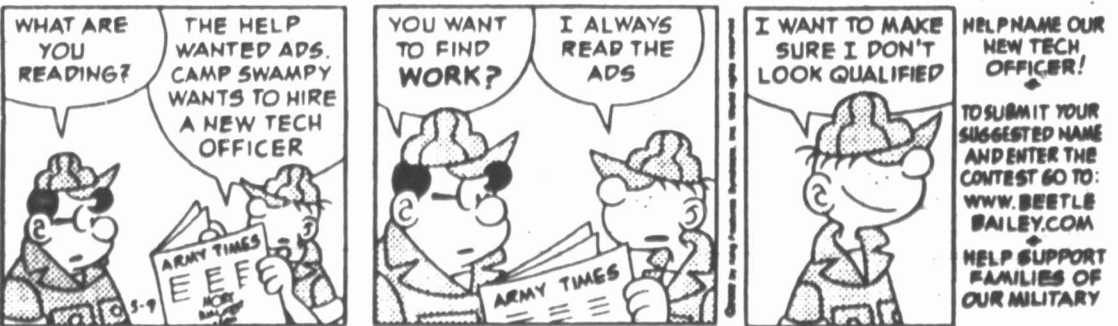
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Thursday, May 9, the 129th day of 2002. There are 236 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Five hundred years ago, on May 9, 1502, Christopher Columbus left Cadiz, Spain, on his fourth and final trip to the Western Hemisphere.

On this date:

In 1913, the 17th amendment to the Constitution, providing for the election of U.S. senators by popular vote rather than selection by state legislatures, was ratified.

In 1926, Americans Richard Byrd and Floyd Bennett became the first men to fly over the North Pole.

In 1936, Italy annexed Ethiopia.

In 1945, U.S. officials announced that a midnight entertainment curfew was being lifted immediately.

In 1960, the Food and Drug Administration approved a pill as safe for birth control use. (The pill, Enovid, was made by G.D. Searle and Co. of Chicago.)

In 1961, Federal Communications Commission chairman Newton N. Minow condemned television programming as a "vast wasteland" in a speech to the National Association of Broadcasters.

In 1974, the House Judiciary Committee opened hearings on whether to recommend the impeachment of President Nixon.

In 1978, the bullet-riddled body of former Italian prime minister Aldo Moro, who'd been abducted by the Red Brigades, was found in an automobile in the center of Rome.

In 1980, 35 motorists were killed when a Liberian freighter rammied the Sunshine Skyway Bridge over Tampa Bay in Florida, causing a 1,400-foot section to collapse.

In 1994, South Africa's

newly elected parliament Today's Birthdays: CBS News correspondent Mike Wallace is 84. Actor-writer Alan Bennett is 68. Actor Albert Finney is 66. Actress-turned-politician Glenda Jackson is 66. Musician Sonny Curtis (Buddy Holly and the Crickets) is 65. Producer-director James L. Brooks is 62. Singer Tommy Roe is 60. Singer-musician Richie Furay (Buffalo Springfield and Poco) is 58. Actress Candice Bergen is 56. Singer Clint Holmes is 56. Actor Anthony Higgins is 55. Singer Billy Joel is 53. Rock singer-musician Tom Petersson (Cheap Trick) is 52.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

WHAT'S NEW by Merle Baker  
Edited by Stanley Newman

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                       | <b>DOWN</b>            | <b>DOWN</b>              | <b>DOWN</b>                   |
| 1 Slender reed                      | 1 Cal. page            | 11 One more time         | 39 Like a squid               |
| 5 Envelope closure                  | 2 Cap projection       | 12 Ricardo neighbor      | 40 Show to be false           |
| 10 Scenery chowers                  | 3 Impertinent          | 13 "Later!"              | 45 CBS icon                   |
| 14 Central feature                  | 4 Mass departure       | 21 Rub out               | 47 Eat rapidly, slangily      |
| 15 Many-headed monster              | 5 Boorish one          | 22 Wire service letters  | 48 Capital of Ghana           |
| 16 Double curve                     | 6 Spacek Oscar role    | 25 It might be passed    | 49 Personal Injuries author   |
| 17 Bandleader Puente                | 7 Take view of         | 26 Elvis' middle name    | 50 Face courageously          |
| 18 Course sections                  | 8 Sp. miss             | 27 Prepare to transplant | 51 Stupifies                  |
| 19 Pink, perhaps                    | 9 Gone by              | 28 Lay up                | 53 Tenn. neighbor             |
| 20 20+ million circulation magazine | 10 In an odious manner | 29 Misstep               | 54 Friends' pronoun           |
| 23 Roll up                          |                        | 30 Handwoven rugs        | 55 Distort                    |
| 24 See 56 Down                      |                        | 33 Austen novel          | 56 With                       |
| 25 Wood for crafts                  |                        | 35 Keen in discernment   | 24 Across, South Pacific star |
| 27 Password preceder                |                        | 36 Arduous journey       | 57 Leafed through             |
| 31 Swiss canton                     |                        | 37 Fr. holy women        | 61 Nose around                |
| 32 Military guard                   |                        |                          |                               |
| 34 "Shall we?" response             |                        |                          |                               |
| 38 Brooklyn Museum offering         |                        |                          |                               |
| 41 Word before deep or high         |                        |                          |                               |
| 42 Far from festive                 |                        |                          |                               |
| 43 "That's amazing!"                |                        |                          |                               |
| 44 More orderly                     |                        |                          |                               |
| 46 Swindles                         |                        |                          |                               |
| 48 Bottled up                       |                        |                          |                               |
| 51 Buggy milieu                     |                        |                          |                               |
| 52 News presentation                |                        |                          |                               |
| 58 Study hastily                    |                        |                          |                               |
| 59 Actor Palminteri                 |                        |                          |                               |
| 60 Those for                        |                        |                          |                               |
| 62 Don't stay put                   |                        |                          |                               |

