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WEATHER

Tonight:

TONIGHT 55°-60° TOMORROW 80°-85°

BSHS choir's final concert slated tonight

The Big Spring High School choir will present its final concert of the 2001-2002 school year tonight at 7:30 in the high school auditorium.

Selected students including the group Rhapsody will perform a collection of religious, patriotic and popular songs.

Admission is $5 for adults and $3 for students and children.

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

❑ Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. at the RSVP offices, 501 Runnels.

❑ American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call 263-2084.

❑ Rackley-Swords 379 Vietnam Vets of America meets at 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.

❑ Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

❑ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

❑ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

❑ Spring City Senior Citizens Country and Western Dance will be 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

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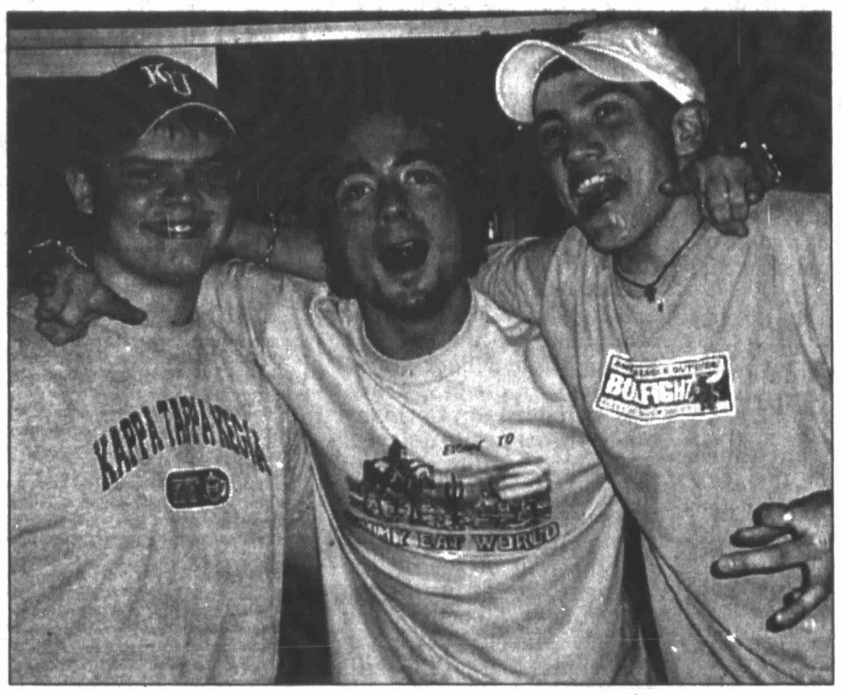
Star Wars fans flock to see Episode II in digital



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Cody Rubio, left, Kyle Britton and Chris Trevino show their support for the short, green Jedi master Yoda of Star Wars by yelling his name. The enthusiastic group chanted Yoda's name and other names of Star Wars' characters in anticipation of the premiere of "Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones," shown early this morning. Around 300 movie fans made the midnight premiere at the Ritz Theater.

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Yoda rules, but you're going to have to see the movie to see why.

Almost 300 people packed the Ritz Theater early this morning for the bleary-eyed, midnight premiere showing of "Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones."

"It looks pretty cool and it's midnight," said Tanner Churchwell, 13. "We're some of the first people to see the movie."

"It's pretty phat," piped in Brandon Stowers, 13, as the two youths waited at least an hour in the theater seats before the movie started.

Thousands of people world-wide lined up for midnight showings to the next installment of the Star Wars saga, but the almost 300 dedicated Big Spring movie fans were a part of an elite group to see the movie from a digital-projection system.

Fernando Vivcanco with Boeing Space and Communications media relations estimates there are less than 100 theaters world-wide that have an installed digital-projection system.

The Ritz Theater has the only screen in Texas with a Boeing digital projection system, Vivcanco said.

"Typically, film is a copy of at least a third generation form of the original," Vivcanco said. "The first show the film begins to degrade."

The film data is encrypted and transmitted by Boeing Digital Cinema to the theater via satellite.

"The satellite dish on top (of the theater) transmits the data to the rack and the picture is stored in the computer," said Kevin Ritz, owner of the Ritz Theater.

Once in the Boeing In-Cinema Equipment, the movie data is decompressed and decrypted. Previews are also sent by satellite the same way. With the click of a mouse and a button, previews can be added to the movie and film is ready for presentation.

The new technology allows an almost picture perfect presentation every time.

"There will never be a film breakage, a misframe, no scratches" Ritz said. "The last presentation will be as clear as the first."

Film or digital, the enthusiastic crowd was ready when the lights

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Marine's mom worries

Massey can remember Vietnam experience

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Marine Pfc. Israel Martinez stands with his mother Anita Massey, a Vietnam veteran. Martinez will be deployed to the Western Pacific in mid-June for six months of duty.

Like so many mothers of sons in the military, Anita Massey of Big Spring is proud of both her boys but also concerned.

She will soon see her 28-year-old son, Marine Pfc. Israel Martinez, off to war. But this week she gets to spend with him, his wife Lucinda and her 4-year-old grandson, Austin Presley.

Martinez is set to be deployed in mid-June for a six-month tour of duty somewhere in the Western Pacific with the 11th Exploratory Marine Unit. If President George W. Bush calls for more Marines to go to Afghanistan, Martinez is sure he will be going.

Massey knows about war. She was a typist in the U.S. Women's Army Corps during Vietnam.

"We were on the fringes of it," Massey said. "We experienced it a little here and there. It was in everyday life. You could hear the gun shots in your sleep. Sometimes we were under mortar shelling."

She was young and wartime was apart of life, Massey said.

"It wasn't until I was with the group that spoke at Goliad School — we were talking with the kids about Vietnam — it all came back to me, the loneliness, missing your family, wanting to see them, talk to them. I didn't want him (Israel) to go," she said.

"I am proud of him," she continued. "At his age and with his wife — he was my baby that never grew up until he went into the Marine Corps."

Martinez, a 1993 Big Spring High School graduate, decided a year ago to make a change in his life.

"I had a family to support," he said. "I wanted my son to be proud of me."

He joined the Marines.

"I wanted something different, a challenge," Martinez said. "Everybody thought I was crazy and then I talked to the recruiter and I really was motivated to do it."

The change wasn't easy.

"It was hard, a definite adjustment," he said. "Most of the recruits were teenagers and were not set in their patterns. Being my age, I was."

Then the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11 occurred. Martinez was taking a flight from Midland back to his base in California.

"It really didn't hit me," he recalled. "It thought of it like a Hollywood movie. We boarded the plane and started heading toward the runway when the pilot told us what happened — airports were closing all over. It still didn't hit me until I got back to school and my gunnery sergeant said because of Sept. 11 we could be called.

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Chamber eyes part of plan

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Master Plan was the topic of discussion at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce board meeting Wednesday.

Debbye ValVerde, chamber director, filled in the rest of the board on what progress has been made on the chamber's portion of the community-wide plan.

"Between now and Tuesday, June 18, which will be the town hall meeting, the organizations and entities which have responsibility in the Community Master Plan have the responsibility to present their portion to their individual boards," Chamber board President Cheryl Sparks said. "The idea is that between now and then we can get the public up to date on what we are accomplishing in the different groups."

A summary of progress on the Master Plan will be presented at the June 18 meeting.

"We will have a comprehensive report that will not have as much detail as what will be provided at the individual entities," Sparks said. "It will give us an opportunity to summarize that information and then start thinking about 'Where do we go from here?'"

ValVerde said she analyzed the chamber's section of the Master Plan and listed ways in which the planned goals have been met.

"I went through and picked what was the chamber part and what we've done since 1999," she said.

Items on ValVerde's list include:

• Community Pride Program — ValVerde listed

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Suicide prevention workshops slated by WTCMHMR officials

By VALERIE AVERY
Special to the Herald

Nearly every person will come in contact with someone with suicidal tendencies at some time in his or her life.

Recognizing these behaviors can be instrumental in saving someone's life, said Janet Payne, LMSW, West Texas Centers for MHMR Mental Health Essential Services Director.

"Many people have been trained to administer first aid to people heaving a heart attack, but very few know emergency first-aid for preventing suicide," she said.

Payne and Shannon Nabors, Director of Critical Care Services and Clinical Training, recently trained as two of 10 people in Texas in the highly touted ASIST program or Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training. The two are now providing the knowledge to educators, community organizations, law enforcement personnel, health professionals and all public servants during several summer workshops.

ASIST's two-day training will be offered in Howard County on Tuesday and Wednesday and again June 4-5, July 8-9 and August 15-16. West Texas Centers for MHMR is partnering with Howard College to offer training in the ASIST method of suicide prevention.

"In 20 years of practice in the mental health field, I have never seen a program that provides more hands-on, skills-building, and real-life impact as this one does," Nabors said. "This program truly offers help to those who are at risk for suicide. It was a learning experience that was one of the most rewarding I have had, and I look forward to sharing it with others."

West Texas Centers for MHMR provides mental health and mental retardation services for more than 2,200 people a month in 23 rural counties in West Texas.

Mental health care is provided at Mental Health Centers in Andrews, Dawson, Gaines, Garza, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum counties.

Depression is the most common mental illness, and depression can lead to suicide, Payne said. West Texas Centers for MHMR employees come in contact with people in the community and their clinics who are at high risk for suicide.

Many people with suicidal tendencies provide some clue of their intentions, Payne said. Hints,

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OBITUARIES

Camilo C. Garza Jr.

Vigil service for Camilo C. Garza Jr., 58, of Big Spring will be 7:30 p.m. today, May 16, 2002, at Myers & Smith Funeral Chapel with Pete Carrillo officiating. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Cemetery.

Mr. Garza died Tuesday, May 14, at a Lubbock hospital following a long illness.

He was born on Aug. 6, 1943, in Violeta. He had lived in Big Spring since 1990 moving here from Beeville. He attended Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. He was a ginner at the Big Spring Gin.

Survivors include his wife, Berlinda Garza of Big Spring; five daughters, Adrienne Garza of Big Spring, Felicia Garza, Maria Garza, Esmeralda Garza and Yolanda Garza, all of Grand Rapids, Mich.; two sons, Jesse Garza of Big Spring and Camilo Garza III of Alive; his mother, Maria Garza of Beeville; five brothers, Raul Garza an Pablo Garza, both of Beeville, Jose Garza of Grand Prairie, Ruben Garza and Guadalupe Garza, both of Robstown; five sisters, Alicia Maldonado of Robstown, Carolina Martinez of Corpus Christi, Diana Caudillo of Fort Worth, Maria Vasquez and Christian Hernandez, both of Beeville; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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

Earnest Key

Earnest Key, 88, of Big Spring, died on Wednesday, May 15, 2002, at his residence. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, May 17, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Entombment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park Mausoleum.

He was born on April 15, 1914, in Boerne and married Dorothy Evelyn Conn on Aug.. 28, 1935, in Brady.

Mr. Key came to Big Spring in 1954 and worked as a heavy equipment operator for W.D. Caldwell and Price Construction until retiring in 1979. He loved working in the yard and gardening, but most of all he loved his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Key of Big Spring; a son and daughter-in-law, Connie and Lou Key of Big Spring; a daughter, Frankie Hazelwood of Big Spring; four grandchildren, Randy Key of San Angelo, Mark Hazelwood of Big Spring, Wally Hazelwood of Stanton and Dottie Shaw of Greenwood; four great-grandchildren, Robin Key of San Angelo, Jason Key of Coahoma, Jonathan Shaw of Greenwood and Tiffany Shaw of Austin; and a brother, Tommy Key of San Angelo.

Pallbearers will be Wally Hazelwood, Mark Hazelwood, Jason Key, John Conn, Jay Shaw, and John Word.

The family suggests memorials to The American Cancer Society, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring 79721.

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

Paid obituary

Greta Wyrick

Funeral service for Greta Wyrick, 38, of San Diego, Calif., is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mrs. Wyrick died today, May 16, 2002.

Callie Reese

Funeral service for Callie Reese, 89, of Big Spring, is pending in Spur via Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mrs. Reese died today, May 16, 2002, at a local nursing home.

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Geneva J. Reagan, 81, died Monday. Graveside services are at 10:00 AM, today at Trinity Memorial Park.

Camilo C. Garza, Jr. 58, died Tuesday. Vigils services are 7:30 pm tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services are 2:00 pm, Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Callie Reese, 89, died Thursday. Services are pending in Spur, TX.

Greta Wyrick, 38, died Thursday. Services are pending.

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Farm Bill Interpretation Program set

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

What does the new farm bill mean for Howard County?

That will be the topic of discussion at a "Farm Bill Interpretation Program" scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The Texas Cooperative Extension has organized the program, which will include experts from Texas A&M University.

"We have known for some time now what the respective House and Senate bills have looked like, but we have been speculating on what compromise the conference committees would produce and what the changes would mean to producers," Howard County Extension Agent David Kight said. "Now we have the details of the bill in place. We've designed this program specifically to help producers and lenders understand the effects of the farm bill."

Kight said Dr. Joe Outlaw, an Extension economist with the Agricultural Food and Policy Center at Texas A&M will conduct the program. Outlaw has been monitoring the farm bill debate and is involved in coordinating the farm bill educational program for producers.

"The program will start with a general overview of the farm bill and its program and crop commodity changes," Kight said. "The overview will be followed by an explanation of the target prices, loan rates, fixed payment rates, counter-cyclical program, base and yield updating and payment limits."

The program will also focus on conservation program changes and their effect on the local farming scene.

Kight added that there will be a chance for area prouducers and interested citizens to ask questions after the presentation.

For more information call David Kight at the Agricultural Extension Office, 264-2236.

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include gestures to suicide attempts are more common than some people believe.

ASIST provides participants with the necessary attitudes, knowledge and skills to recognize and assess the risk of suicidal behaviors.

"The goal of the ASIST training is to improve caregivers' abilities to intervene until either the immediate danger of suicide is reduce or additional assistance or resources can be accessed," Payne said. "ASIST can be compared to CPR. Like the CPR method, the training is designed to provide caregivers with emergency first-aid skills for helping people at risk for suicide."

More than 99 percent of workshop participants recommend the workshop to others, Payne said.

The workshop costs $70 and includes lunch, snacks, CEU's and an ASIST manual and workbook. The workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the East Room at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

To register, call Howard College at (915) 264-5131. For more information on ASIST training, call Payne or Nabors at (915) 263-0007.

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"There were Marines already going and Marines stationed all over the world," he continued. "We were still in school and I didn't think we would be called. Then I went into the Marine Corps state of mind. That its my job. If I have to go then it's my job."

September 11 was also an emotional day for the Marines' mother.

"It was like I couldn't believe it," Massey said. "They did this to us on our own soil. We can't let them get away with it. Seeing all the flags it brought back memories."

Massey's older son, Santos Martinez III, a 1991 Big Spring High School graduate who is in the U.S. Army, was deployed to Germany but his orders were delayed.

"I'm glad he didn't have to go because I would have hated to have both boys go at once," she said.

In this war on terror, the Vietnam veteran wants the government to bring back all the American soldiers this time. Massey is still emotional over the loss of American soldiers left in Vietnam.

"It wasn't right, they sent them over there to fight. They should have got them all home. It's just not right," she said. "This time I just want to get them all home."

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dimmed for a two-hour and half action packed, light sabering adventure.

Sporadic applause, cheers and laughter broke out several times during the presentation from the first preview to the end credits but a short, green muppet stole the show and his name is not Kermit.

"Yoda was off the hood," Stowers said.

"He was that little spice," said Kyle Britton.

Yoda's scene stealing performance brought the largest amount of audience reaction and the movie left some fans wanting more.

"I'll probably see it a number of times," Stowers said.

Ritz said "Star Wars: Episode II" will continue to be shown in digital for the next four weeks until the opening of "Wind Talkers."

Although digital films are currently sparse, Ritz said, he believes he will have enough selections until about August and by then he may be able to expand upon the new technology.

"With the satellite it offers an opportunity to show live pay per view events," he said. "We can show the World Series on the big screen. It's completely changing the business."

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"Bubba Franks Day," promotion of the Texas Trash-Off, the Health Fair and the Ag Expo as examples of how progress on community pride is ongoing.

• Coordinate Community Organizations — "It's ongoing and I feel that it's also part of the round table that we have," ValVerde said, adding that she feels the chamber's efforts in this area need to be enhanced.

• Expand Leadership — Leadership Big Spring, Junior Leadership and Senior Leadership are examples of programs which contribute to expanding leadership, ValVerde said.

• Business Network — Business After Hours, chamber-organized seminars and the Business Membership Directory are examples.

• Monthly noon meeting — "I consider that the Round Table is an example," ValVerde said. "And our board meetings are open so anyone can attend this board meeting."

• Non-member volunteer program — "Most of our non-members are on our mailing list right now and get notices for seminars and upcoming events," ValVerde said. "We have a few non-members in the Downtown Revitalization organization that are very involved and they stay connected and communicate with the chamber."

• Utilize RSVP/coordinate — "We work closely with (the Retired Senior Volunteer Program) on everything," ValVerde said.

• Market plan for auditorium — The auditorium is included in the Big Spring brochure. The chamber promotes cultural events including concerts by the symphony and others and the "Taste of Home Cooking" school at the auditorium.

• Location for tourist information center — Pamphlets and other information is located in the foyer of the Dora Roberts Community Center, which is open 24 hours a day.

• Target tourist audience — The chamber is working with York Research, the Big Spring Heritage Museum, Hangar 25 and the Big Spring State Park to promote tours, ValVerde said.

• Market to existing audience — The chamber and Convention and Visitor's Bureau promote and fund community programs such as the Big Spring Symphony, the rodeo and the fair, ValVerde said.

• Coordinate tourism plan with the city — The chamber is working with the CVB and the city to help promote new and ongoing events, she said.

• Home Rehab/Volunteer Improvement Plan — "I just put RSVP," ValVerde said. "We work closely with RSVP — RSVP provides us with volunteer help when we need packets for conventions, seminars, schools, etc."

• Market community entertainment events — Chamber helps out with CVB grants.

• Investigate entertainment possibilities — Chamber helps out with CVB grants.

• Develop a mentor program — "It was implemented three years ago through Big Spring ISD with Andrea Earl when she was here," ValVerde said. "I think that's still ongoing."

• Seek advice from older people — "We get a survey from Senior Leadership people," she said.

• Maintain contract with Amtrak — Not implemented. "The city keeps us up to date with what's going on with that," she said.

• Develop relations with transportation officials — "I think we're doing good on that with Bill Crooker as the (Transportation) committee chair and Vice-president for Governmental Affairs Virginia Belew," she said.

• Tree planting program — Tree planting in Heart of the City Park is an example. Mel Prather and city workers helped out.

• Anti-litter campaign — Promotion of Keep Texas Beautiful and the Texas Trash-Off are examples of meeting this goal.

• Comprehensive Tourist Attraction Plan — Chamber works closely with hotels and the Texas RV Park who help organize city tours.

• Market the sandhill crane — The chamber held a festival for three years, but now simply has brochures on Howard County birds and promotes sandhill crane viewing ares.

"There are some things that have not been implemented, and maybe some people might have some ideas on what we could do," she said.

Those items not implemented included

• Voter registration/participation.
• Youth participation program.
• Future collection of shopping data.
• Space and sales survey.
• Results available to merchants.
• Develop an Interpretive Center.
• Annual celebration for a cause.

For more information about the Community Master Plan or the upcoming Town Hall Meeting, call ValVerde at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 263-7641.

POLICE

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

• **QUESTIONABLE DEATH** — At about 3:30 this morning, officers were called to the intersection of U.S. Highway 87 and Interstate 20 where they discovered the body of a white female, approximately 30 years of age. Justice of the Peace Bennie Green was called to the scene and pronounced the woman dead at about 4:30 a.m. Green ordered an autopsy, which is scheduled to be performed later today in Lubbock. The cause of death is unknown at this time. Police are continuing to investigate the death.

• **DARRELL WILLIAMS BURKEEN,** 50, address unknown, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **ROBERT EDWARD BAKER JR.,** 28, address unknown, was arrested on charges of evading arrest, unauthorized use of a vehicle and failure to identify/fugitive from justice.

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One West Texas area code stays same after years

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dale Roth remembers picking up the telephone in his Panhandle home more than 60 years ago and finding someone else on the family's party line.

As time passed and more folks in the Pampa area got phones, seven-digit numbers became the norm. In 1947, when Roth was about 13, the state was divided into four area code regions: 915 for West Texas telephones; 214 in the Northeast; 512 in Central and South Texas; and 713 in the Southeast.

Fifteen years later, a geographic split of the Lubbock and Amarillo region gave Roth and fellow telephone customers in the northern part of the Panhandle the 806 area code. And 806 has stood untouched since its creation in 1962.

"Like everything else, the major growth is in the big cities," Roth said.

As Texas grew, new area codes were added. In the 1990s, the proliferation of cellular phones, fax machines, pagers and other devices forced the Public Utility Commission to create about a dozen new codes. Today there are 21; a new area code will be added in July in the Northeast.

New codes have been distributed by dividing regions or cities; turning cities into a doughnut, with the outer ring and the "hole" getting different numbers; or by just assigning them in order of the request, meaning next-door neighbors or homes with two phone lines could have different area codes.

Even stodgy old 915, which encompassed a huge swath of West Texas, will split in 2003, in anticipation of the phone numbers running out in 2004. The PUC recently announced the change.

El Paso will retain 915, while central West Texas (Midland, Odessa, Seminole, Pecos, Fort Stockton, Fort Davis, Alpine) becomes 432 and the eastern part of the region (San Angelo, Brady, Brownwood, Abilene, Snyder) takes on 325.

The Federal Communications Commission authorizes the North American Numbering Plan Administration to act as a third party to determine for telephone companies when numbers in existing area codes are near exhaustion.

Experts say population growth only partly drives the need for new telephone numbers.

Communities with large businesses or corporations, which typically absorb scores of numbers at one location, tend to need new area codes sooner, said the PUC's Terry Hadley.

Frank Colaco, who manages Texas for the numbering plan administration, predicts that the 806 area code will tap out in 2012.

Roy Peden of Kermit says he'll adjust as he did decades ago, though this time he will face an added obstacle because today he is almost blind.

Bush warned by U.S. intelligence before Sept. 11 of a possible bin Laden plot

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush was told a month before Sept. 11 that Osama bin Laden's terrorist network might hijack American airplanes, the White House acknowledged as Congress studies whether the government failed to heed warning signs.

Law enforcement agencies were quietly put on alert, but officials said the president and U.S. intelligence did not know that suicide hijackers were plotting to use planes as missiles, as they did against the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

"There has been long-standing speculation, shared with the president, about the potential of hijackings in the traditional sense," White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said Wednesday night. "We had general threats involving Osama bin Laden around the world and including in the United States."

He said the administration, acting on the information received in early August, notified the "appropriate agencies" that hijackings "in the traditional sense" were possible. The warning was never made public, he said.

The development, first reported by CBS News, comes as congressional investigators intensify their study of whether the government failed to adequately respond to warnings before Sept. 11. It is the first direct link between Bush and intelligence gathered before Sept. 11 about the attacks.

Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., vice chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, said the panel had received the same general warning that "was not specific in its content."

He said on NBC's "Today": "There was a lot of information, I believe and others believe, if it had been acted on properly we may have had a different situation on Sept. 11."

Fleischer would not discuss when or how the information was given to Bush, but a senior administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the president was made aware of the potential for hijackings of U.S. planes during one or more routine intelligence briefings last summer.

The CIA would not confirm what it told Bush, but the agency said the issue of bin Laden's attempting an airline hijacking was among a number of terrorist methods raised to U.S. government officials at the time.

There was no information that suggested hijackers would crash planes into American landmarks and there was no mention of a date, a CIA official said.

The information was based on intelligence obtained by the U.S. government, the official said.

"I will tell you there was, of course, a general awareness of Osama bin Laden and threats around the world, including the United States; and if you recall, last summer we publicly alerted and gave a warning about potential threats on the Arabian peninsula," Fleischer said.

He said Bush never had been told about the potential for suicide hijackers steering the planes toward U.S targets.

Acting on the information the government did have, the administration "notified the appropriate agencies. I think that's one of the reasons that we saw the people who committed the 9-11 attacks used box cutters and plastic knives to get around America's system of protecting against hijackers," he said.

Fleischer said he did not know what agencies were notified, what they were told or what they did in response.

The Associated Press reported earlier this month that FBI headquarters did not act on a memo last July from its Arizona office warning there were a large number of Arabs seeking pilot, security and airport operations training at at least one U.S. flight school and which urged a check of all flight schools to identify more possible Middle Eastern students.

A section of that classified memo also makes a passing reference to bin Laden, speculating that al-Qaida and other such groups could organize such flight training, officials said.

Father who killed infant son set to die tonight

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Ronford Styron was booted out of school for fighting and let go from the military for punching a sergeant.

Court records showed he beat up a neighbor, kicked and shot his own car and brawled with another motorist on the side of a Houston freeway.

When the same kind of aggression was meted out to his 11-month-old son and left the defenseless infant dead almost eight years ago, Styron wound up on death row.

The 32-year-old laborer from Dayton in Liberty County was set for execution this evening.

He would be the 12th Texas inmate put to death this year and second this month. Three more executions are set for May, including one next week.

After a request by Styron's lawyers to the U.S. Supreme Court to review his case was denied in February, Styron himself filed an appeal with the high court. That appeal, which state attorneys said raised issues already rejected by the justices, was turned down earlier this week.

Lee Hollace Styron was one month shy of his first birthday when he died Oct. 28, 1993, at Houston's Texas Children's Hospital, three days after he was brought into an emergency room in Liberty.

When the child's injuries did not match information presented to physicians treating the infant, authorities began investigating. It was just weeks after the Texas law took effect that made accused killers of children under the age of 6 eligible for the death penalty.

"Except somebody who kills hundreds or thousands of people, I don't see how you can get a more heinous offense," Steve Greene, who prosecuted Styron.

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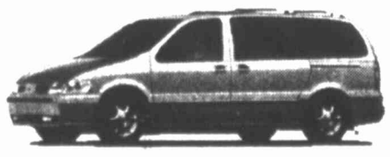
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OTHER VIEWS

Administration after what gun control there is

Brick by brick, the Bush administration is systematically dismantling the protections the country has built over the past several decades against the threat of illegal guns and gun violence. ...

Candidate George W. Bush didn't conceal his opposition to stricter gun controls, though his campaign was embarrassed by NRA boasts that it planned to set up an office in the White House. With Ashcroft at Justice, that has hardly been necessary.

Shortly after taking office, Ashcroft sought to roll back FBI record-keeping of gun sales from 90 days to 24 hours. He said that gun owners' privacy might be compromised, which is but an echo of the NRA line that argues record-keeping amounts to de facto-federal gun registration.

A preliminary review by the General Accounting Office at the time argued that such hasty and unprecedented destruction of government records could allow felons and the mentally ill to obtain guns, and even hamper any audit of the integrity of the system. Since 1998, the background checks by the FBI have blocked tens of thousands of unqualified people from buying guns.

A few months after Sept. 11 — in an astonishing case of zealotry trumping national security — Justice Department officials refused to let the FBI review records of background checks. The FBI was trying to find out if any of the 1,000 people detained after the Sept. 11 attacks had purchased guns. ...

There are more than 200 million guns in circulation in this country. That's an awesome number, enough guns for every adult American and then some. By launching this ill-advised assault on gun control, the Bush administration ignores the will of Congress, the history of the courts and the public's opinion.

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Could foreign students be problem?

Two facts gleaned from the interesting Inside the Beltway potpourri published in The Washington Times:

In 1999, 23 million tourists from 28 foreign countries entered the United States with no visas and no way to check on them. They came under a visa waiver program.

CHARLEY REESE

More than half a million foreign students enter the United States every year, and our famous Immigration and Naturalization Service has no way to keep up with them.

You don't suppose, do you, that these could be part of the problem of homeland security? And we haven't even discussed the tens of thousands of illegal aliens who annually cross the borders, or the millions already here.

When you look at this situation, when you look at all the years that people have been complaining about unchecked immigration only to be branded "racists" or "xenophobes," it makes you wonder if we are really competent to be an independent nation anymore.

If you were writing a kindergarten primer on how to establish and maintain a country, you'd probably include the following:

Protect and conserve your soil and water.

Control your borders.

Educate your people.

This is basic survival stuff. Congress and our recent presidents, however, couldn't organize a two-unit parade. Everything is contaminated for them by their lust for votes and their lust for the money to buy votes at the next election. Heaven forbid any politician should possibly offend any ethnic group that has a self-appointed, radical, loudmouth lobbyist in Washington presuming to speak for it.

The immigration issue has nothing to do with race or ethnicity. It has to do with numbers and with fundamental housekeeping rules. Just as we wouldn't allow strangers to walk into our homes and raid our refrigerators, we should not allow people whose only interest in America is making a buck to come in uninvited.

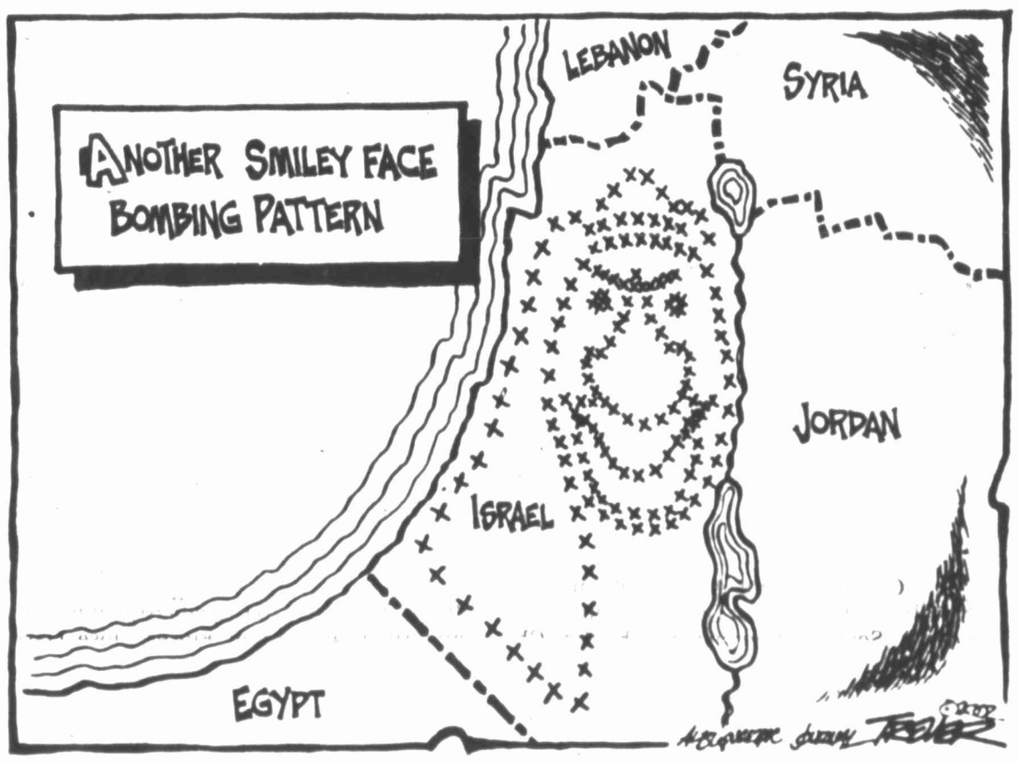
The answer to any supposed labor shortage is simple: a guest-worker program. That way, a Mexican who needs work could sign up with the U.S. government, be assigned a job, be assured of a fair wage and decent living conditions, and when the work was finished, could return to Mexico. The only reason I can see for opposing a guest-worker program is the desire to exploit the labor of the poor Mexican.

Second, employers found using illegal immigrants should be busted and busted hard. Put a few white-collar guys on the hard, hot road with a sling for a few weeks, and I expect the word would trickle down: no proof of citizenship, no work.

Finally, legal immigration should be cut back drastically. This is our country and our choice. Do you really want to live in a miserably crowded, polluted country, or one with plenty of breathing room? People cause pollution.

And, yes, I know about the plight of the poor desperate to get into the United States. It's time to face facts. Overloaded lifeboats sink. And don't buy this pseudo-libertarian gunk that there is plenty of room. Much of the U.S. geography is unlivable. And remember, it takes about 11 acres of farmland to feed one urban teen-ager.

I pray that the American people will become so angry that Congress will be afraid to go home. They and they alone are responsible for the immigration mess. If you don't think crowding is a problem, take a vacation in Calcutta, Hong Kong or Cairo. Spend a couple of weeks breathing diesel exhausts and stepping over people. That's our future if we don't force Congress to curtail immigration.



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Realizing dangers of multiculturalism

To understand exactly how dangerous our capitulation to multiculturalism is to the future of our nation, step inside Samedi Sweets, a cafe in Northern Virginia. National Public Radio reporter Barbara Bradley recently interviewed a group of Palestinian Americans there for the show "All Things Considered."

LINDA CHAVEZ

The conversation was chilling. The sentiments expressed by second- and third-generation Palestinian Americans could have come from the Jenin refugee camp in the West Bank or even from Hamas members.

"The people in the refugee camp, they choose between living like a dog or dying like a human being. They prefer to die like a human being," one man says of the suicide bombers who killed dozens of men, women and children out for pizza, or celebrating a daughter's coming of age, or shopping for food.

Another Palestinian American — this one, a third-year law student — offered this explanation for the wave of attacks by Palestinians against civilians in Israel, taking the violence away from the West Bank, where much of the earlier Intifada took place:

"They got sick of that, and they said, 'Look, if you're going to maintain this war with us, we're going to bring the war to you,'" the young law student says, defending the bombings of nightclubs and supermarkets, where civilians were the only targets.

NPR's Bradley, says of one young man, "If he weren't living in suburban Virginia, he would probably be a suicide bomber."

"It doesn't matter who dies," says the boy himself, "just as long as they're Israeli." The boy's mother blames Israel for turning her son into a hatemonger. "They've made him violent and hate them," she says of her American-born son.

The boy's father offers, "If his time has come, he will die, regardless of where he is. But at least he will die for a cause. I will live the rest of my life being proud of him."

These sentiments are shocking coming from American citizens. They go way beyond expressing support for a Palestinian state or even antagonism toward the policies of Israel — or the U.S. — both of which are acceptable political viewpoints. These Palestinian Americans are expressing views one doesn't expect to find outside the Al Aqsa Martyrs Brigade or among its sympathizers. They express a contempt for the rule of law and an allegiance to an extremist, foreign ideology that is antithetical to American values.

And they are a reflection of our new multicultural America, where young people are taught that one's allegiance to one's ethnic group takes precedence over allegiance to the United States or adherence to democratic values. These young people may have been born in the U.S., but they are Palestinians first and foremost.

What ever happened to old-fashioned American assimilation, where second- and third-generation Americans put aside the animosities and allegiances of their ancestors? Franco Americans had no antipathy toward German Americans; Americans of Serbian descent could live peaceably alongside Croatian Americans; those of Indian descent could be friends with those who came from Pakistan.

The sometimes bitter struggles among their co-ethnics in their homelands evoked no strong sense of identification in those who had left behind such tribal allegiances when they emigrated, and even less sympathy among their children. But times have changed.

The oath of allegiance still requires new citizens "absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty of whom or which [they] have heretofore been a subject or citizen." Tell that to the naturalized American citizens and their U.S.-born children who are gathered in Falls Church, Va., to cheer on their co-ethnic suicide bombers.

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6th Grade-Frank Acosta, Christoper Arista, Holly Bancroft, Tori Bohanon, Shane Bowles, Kristen Brown, Thomas Canales, Megan Casrrillo, Clarissa Carrisalez, Jacob Cerda, Jordan Chesworth, Benjamin Coker, Renita Cotton, Shelby Darden, Abel Diaz, Justin Eason, Marty Evans, Lance Fitzgibbons, Justin Franco, Ariel Fuentes, Eric Galaviz, Alajandra Garcia, Adela Garfias, Sergio Gatica, Julio Gomez, Macee Gonzales, Ashley Granado, Rudy Granado, Cassie Guinn, Jeremiah Hart, Simon Hilario, Leah Hughes, Mark Iturralde, Tristen Jenkins, Tori Johnson, Lindsey Jones, Kady Knox, Whitney Lewis, Larry Luna, Shontel Maples, Elizabeth Martinez, Judy Martinez, Kyle McDaniel-Briga, Vaughn Medina, Daniel Mendoza, Samuel Monoz, Chelsy Nanny, Meredith Nieto, James Obenchain, Paula Pattin, Jennifer Petersen, Dillon Phernetton, Randye Phillippe, Jordan Ramirez, Stephanie Ramirez, Connie Riddle, Bianca Rivera, Severiano Rodriguez, Traci Rodriguez, Michael Rodriquez, Jessie Sanchez, Braden Schaffner, Jonathan Smith, Vasha Stutsman, Amber Torres, Whitney Torres, Dimas Valles, Rachael Villanueva, Jason Walker, Hali West Jonathan Wilson, Bailey Winters, Desiree Yanez, Natasha Yanez, Miguel Zermeno.

7th Grade-Jeremy Beck.

Anderson Kindergarten

Perfect Attendence

Room 2, Mrs. Carrillo-Alexis Gamboa, Alexander Hughes, Tabitha Keaton.

Room 3, Mrs. Bloodworth-Natalie Aguilar, Tyler Avant, Rachel Demeny, Nathan Dossey, Kimberly Jordy, Kenan Lewis, Reyna Magallanes, Andrew Sanders, Brandon Warner.

Room 4, Mrs. Chesworth-Kristen Cansino, Matthew Doporto, Brianna Kight, Matthew Villa.

Room 5, Mrs. Barnes-Dustin Fraley, Christoper Holmes, Baylee Howell, Bianca Lopez, Joshua Truelove.

Room 6, Mrs. Hess-Sandy Barraza, Karla Moreno, Selene Ramirez, Elizabeth Reeh.

Room 10, Mrs. Clawson-Timothy Rios

Room 11, Mrs. Jones-Roland Aguero, Mackenzie Anderson, Charles Green, Taylor Heckler, Brhett Pierce, Ashley Trent, Alejandro Zavala.

Room 14, Mrs. Moss-Sarah Berner, Taylor Brim, Rebecca Cantu, Anthony Cantu, Ryane Colette, Marissa Covarrubias, Shiloh Creswell, Colton Goswick, Meagan Graves, Tate Kennedy, Morgan Scott, Antonio Solis.

Room 15, Mrs. Prichard-Britany Mendoza, Brandon Rivera, Toby Shubert, Brianna Thurman.

Room 16, Mrs. Williamson-Jordan Decker, William Gill, Jesse Hogan, Cassidy Monroe, Andrew Shober.

Room 17, Mrs. Anderson-Ian Acosta, Kalob Burnett, Adrian Juarez, Gilbert Rodriguez.

Room 18, Mrs. Thibeault-Mercedez Estes, Veronica Gomez, Omar Hernandez, Bailey McBride, Austin Mize, Morgan Rodriguez, Kiowa Spears, Joshua Spivey.

Room 19, Mrs. Villarreal-Lucas Escovedo, Savannah Robinson, Jarred Rodriguez, Nina Schaaf, Joshua Valle.

Room 20, Mrs. Galbraith-Jeremiah Andrews, Nicolas Escovedo, Kelsi Guinn, Jose Juarez, Emily McKinley, Tulsi Patel, Drake Worthan.

Room 21, Mrs. Ball-Mariah Alexander, Courtney Herrera, Sagar Patel.

Room 22, Mrs. Wynn-Christian Arista, Hammad Ashraf, Sheldon Clevenger, Jesse Franco, Desiree Guzman, Shatiera McGee, Austin Montoya, Jasmine Rios, Jahnia Willard, Matthew Yanez.

Bauer Magnet Elementary

A Honor Roll

3rd Grade-Nicole Davidson, Loryn Escovedo, Taylor Joy, Quinton Kennemur, Micaela Martinez, Jonathan Molina, Jaycee Newton, David Rios, Brad Schmidt, Judith Treece.

4th Grade-Valerie Colwell, Kylie Goswick, Jonathan Ray, Elyse Salazar, Chelby Salgado, Jessica Smithwick, Jonathan Womack.

5th Grade-Mylia Black, Ashley Estes, Cheyenne Lesser, Krisann Lopez,

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3rd Grade-Shelby Arista, Robert Barraza, Alyssa Byrd, Dane Delatour, Taylor Digby, Victor Garcia, Leslie Jimenez, Wayland Leach, Christoper Mims, Andrew Newton, Austen Newton, Victoria Ontiveros, Savina Ramirez, Bresha Randle, Ryan Rodriguez, Linzi Rodriguez, Stormi Smith, Jessica Womack.

4th Grade-Brantley Cahoon, Cole Campbell, Brenna Hill, Nickolas Jones, Emily Key, Anna Lozano, Daniel New, Phylicia Ochoa, Keely Parnell, Lauren Porras, Matthew Ramirez, Teddy Rios, Severa Rocha, Eddilisa Saldivar, Josh Sanchez, Vinnie Solis, Carla Troncoso, Mary Valencia, Michael Valencia, Mischa Willard, Samantha Williams, Martin Yanez.

5th Grade-Sophia Acosta, Jordan Balios, Jerilyn Bermea, Matthew Carrillo, Chelsea Chavarria, Victoria Granados, Dominique Green, Brandi Herrera, Erika Hilario, Kristin King, Doporto Leos, Amanda Medina, Jesse Medina, Honee Moore, Shelby Petersen, Jacklyn Porras, A.J. Richey, Jay Rodriguez, Joie Salgado, Viviana Troncoso, Ashley Valencia.

Coahoma High School

A Honor Roll

9th Grade-Gene Corse, Chelsea Griffin, Callie Price, Alex Toscano, Chelsea Wood, Lauren Yeater.

10th Grade-Haley Butts, Clinton Haile, Joshua Noble.

11th Grade-Austin Barton, Lauren Green, Kendra Tatum.

12th Grade-Cory Cook, Tara Dickenson, Cody Hogan, Jackie Molina, Monty Rowden, Amanda Smith, Erin Stovall.

A-B Honor Roll

9th Grade-Kimberlee Baugus, Garret Cline, Christine Coker, Sarah Collom, Jerod Flohr, Tyler Fowler, Magun Gutierrez, Megan Jackson, Brandi Kilpatrick, Meagan Kothmann, Ginni Metcalf, Mendy Morgan, Joseph Olvera, Zack Phillips, Tiffany Reid, Travis Roberts, Rebeca Rodriguez, Adam Thomson, Alicia Thurman, Clint Walker.

10th Grade-Grant Bartlett, Trevor Bibb, Garret Cornett, Michell Gutierrez, Miranda Hester, Kristi Hutchison, Beatrice Juarez, K.K. Kellar, Kelby Kemper, Derek Martinez, Natasha Mitchell, Crystal Ortiz, Seana Reilly, Elisha Teeler.

11th Grade-Megan Christian, Chelsea Cornett, Trent DeHoyos, Christina Garza, Jeremey Hart, Toby Jackson, Amanda Jones, Ashley Lang, Maegan Lee, Mindy McNew, Steven Mendez, Cory Mulkey, Natalie Rodgers, Emily Vasquez, Lance Waters.

12th Grade-Matt Barron, Allan Belew, Amy Bollier, Justin Born, Jamie Carey, Matthew Christian, Jennifer Cloud, Jamie Corse, David Davis, K'Ja Fowler, Lupe Garza, Roxanne Gomez, Eric Henry, Anthony Herrera, Cory Hill, Travis Hipp, Manuel Holguin, Blake Jones, Jake Jones, Heather Justice, Chance O'Daniel, Nolan Paige, Desiree Randall, Heather Rich, Rickey Richters, Kynzi Roberts, Brenda Rodriguez, Paul Ruiz, Karen Sterling, Tonya Willard, Rachel Williams, Ashley Woolverton.

Washington Elementary

A Honor Roll

1st Grade -Jose Davila, Matthew Davila, Aaron Farr, Kara Fuentes, Victoria Gomez, Anthony Lewis, Remington Love, Joseph Morelion, Amanda Nieto, Bryanna Raney, Jamie Redwine, Sarah Salazar, Ricky Shubert, Megan Warner.

2nd Grade -Joshua Espinosa, Stepanie Harvell, Rodolfo Hernandez, Sierra Hinojosa, Kristina Skiles, Destiny Storey.

3rd Grade-Ashley Billings, Destiny Currie, Patrick Flores, Kara Hembree, Joshua Kelly, Benjamin Klaassen, Bonifacio Nieto, Alison Platte.

4th Grade-Jacob Dominguez, Bryan Raney.

5th Grade-Britani Coleman, Sara Davila, Ventura Gomez, Carlita Green Brandon Kinard, Ryan Klaassen, Taylor Perry, Shelbi Stewart, Johnny Zambrano.

A-B Honor Roll

1st Grade-Sheniece Ballard, Roy Carrillo, Danielle Cruz, Crystal Fierro, Larissa Gonzales, Gary Goodman, Carl Green, Ashlii Guerra, Jason Guevara, Andrew Hicks, Brandon Leos, Nicole Prather, Laken Rubio, Mark Torres, Brittany Turner, Clarissa Vanpelt, Jessica Vanpelt.

2nd Grade-Lashaunte Anderson, Brittany Barnes, Haleigh Bird, Timothy Evans, Jacob Garcia, Monica Garcia, Jeremy Gutierrez, Denetris Hatcher, Jonathon Hughes, Shahala McDowell, Gabriella Medina, Allison Perez, Kadisha Robinson, Tony Scaggs, John Williams, Jessica Ybarra.

3rd Grade-Ashlie Aaron, Danica Diaz, Thomas Garling, Adrienne Gonzales-Kelle, Kristen Hatcher, Montesha Lara, John Lyons, Ramon Magallanes, Nathaniel Mitchell Moody, Kryslan Mize, Martin Moreno.

4th Grade-Stacy Aguilar, Michelle Berry, Courtney Boyd, Ryan Deel, Chaneel Dykes, Daniel Hembree, Chelsey Huckabee, Desaray Muniz, Landon Rowden, Jacobie Shellman, David Valdes, Justin Villareal.

5th Grade-Jesus Barrientos, Edward Bateman, Ashley Dehoyos, Matthew Deleon, Amaris Diaz, Marcos Garcia, Heather Gentry, Robbie Lee Gonzales, Laurel Kerr, Ronnie Leal, Michael Mathis, Amanda Menezes, Meranda Mills, Justin Murphy, Christopher Norred, Daniel Painter, Holly Platte, Jacqueline Rainer, Megan Simpson, Jeremy Solis, Carl Storey.

Big Spring Junior High

A Honor Roll

7th Grade-Haley Adams, Raul Aguilar, Angela Banks, Deanna Carlisle, Jay Carnes, Christopher Carroll, Austin Cox, Bernadette Flores, Cortney Heinis, Bryan Juan, Mallory Kennedy, Porscha Knowton, Johnathan Lilley, Alyssa Mattson, Megan McCormick, Morgan Metcalf, Taylor Parks, Brady Phillips, Nicolas Portocarrero, Alyssa Rains, Sydnie Robertson, Reinhilde Robinson, Roshan Shroff, Meagan Smith, Ryan Tannehill, Jacob White.

8th Grade-Danielle Barrow, Kelsey Battle, Braden Burchett, Collin Carroll, Becky Cheyne, Christopher Dominguez, James Dunn, Shawna Edwards, Meredith Fillingim, Mitchell Lowery, Rochelle McMeans, Rebecca Murphree, Oscar Natividad, Michael Neel, Jacob Nichols, Kyle Piercefield, Kasey Pointon, Raegan Ritchey, Rosa Rodriguez, Henry Sanchez, Megan Swinney, Ryan Ward, Whitney Weir, Kathryn Weissman, Sarah Wilkinson, Lucia Yanez.

A-B Honor Roll

7th Grade-Katlin Abner, Rosa Alcantar, Chelsea Anderson, Richard Anderson, Robert Andrade, Mustafa Ashraf, Ashley Baker, Paden Black, Nathan Booth, Denielle Burns, Miranda Cassidy, Caleb Choate, Luciann Cruz, Trevor Davila, Marisa De Los Santos, Kendra Dutchover, Amaris Garcia, April Garcia, Julian Garcia, Kassidy Garza, Cindy Gonzales, Manuel Gonzales, Joseph Gutierrez, Marissa Guzman, Ryan Harris, Christina Helsley, Joe Herrera, Sasha Hickman, Brent Holsenbeck, Megan Hughes, Geoffrey Hughey, Colin Hunnicutt, Cecili Islas, April Jaramillo, Victoria Juarez, Angelica Levario, Klym'Daisha Lewis, Nathan Lowe, Natalie Lozano, Brittney Marin, Jacob Martinez, Wendy Mayfield, Jonathan McMeans, Amber Miller, Casey Moore, Nancy Nieto, Royce Perez, Jacob Petowski, Brenna Phernetton, Brinnan Pierce, Tiffany Richards, Bridgette Rodriguez, Brittany Rodriguez, Virginia Bodriguez, Nicholas Ross, Phillip Rubio, Kyle Seber, Myeshia Shorts, Amber Sides, Brittany Simer, Amber Sleight, Edward Spivey, Ashley Stiles, James Tipton, Lance Tissue, Kristina Torres, Jacob Truelove, Briana Valles, Augustus Waddy, Heath Wilkerson, Britni Willborn, Crystal Worley, Jason Worthington, Ethan Wright, Dylan Yarbrough.

8th Grade -Joshua Acuff, Jessica Alvarez, Debrah Apodaca, Ashley Barnett, Vaness Basurto, Kandice Belcher, Beverly Bennett, Elizabeth Bobo, Jessica Bravo, Vera Brumley, William Bryant, Chance Cain, Agustin Cansino, Krista Cheswoth, Zachary Chesworth, Stacey Covington, Paul Diaz, Charles Downing, Kristen Dutchover, Ashton Evans, Amanda Farmer, Robert Finn, Laura Fitzgibbons, Joel Flores, Gloria Garibay, Ashley Gentry, Toni Gonzales, Keri Green, Erin Griffin, Rachel Harwell, Courntey Hecker, Roxie Hernandez, Matthew Hilario, Antonio Ibarra, Chalesa Johnson, Jamie Jordan, Lyndsey Kelly, Veronica Landin, Andrew Lasater, Amber Levario, Billy Marler, Kelci McAdams, Stephanie Mims, David Morales, Abel Morelion, Natasha Neighbors, Jessica New, Paul Nieto, Jessica Olivas, Gabriel Ortiz, Susan Overton, Kimberly Paredez, Jose Ramirez, Stacy Rangel, Anthony Riddle, Stacie Rios, Rosa Rivera, Courtney Rodriguez, Ashley Rosas, Brittany Salazar, Vanessa Sanchez, Joy Seay, Allan Sheedy, Bobby Shubert, Katherine Smith, Alexander Urias, Lorenzo Valbuena, Whitni Walker, Chrissie Walters, Seve Watson, Lorelei Weaver, Kelly Wingert, John Wright, Brittany Yanez.

Coahoma Elementary

A-Honor Roll - 5th 6 Weeks - 2001-2002

First Grade - Wendy Anderson, William Barker, Jake Brown, Dustin Fontana, Rikki Gilbert, Maria Gonzales, Brandi Gutierrez, Olivia Gutierrez, Alex Hill, Julie Jimenez, Tanner Lain, Hunter Lowery, Morgan Luce, Kaleb McAdams, Shelbi Montgomery, Laurel Nix, Alicia Rosas, Chesney Spears, Vivian Springer, Marla Wilson

Second Grade - Jennifer Castilaw, Justin Coker, Jimmy Cruz, Kathleen Evans, Silvia Gonzalez, Robert Guzman, Kaitlyn Hector, Ambra Hill, Mathew Horvatich, Heather Kirby, McKenzie Moore, Jessi Morgan, Haley Pace, Cayla Rodriguez, Coleman Sneed, Calvin Stansel, Mackenzie Stone

Third Grade - Rachel Barbee, Morgan Barker, Robert Barlow, Shae Carroll, Joshua Castilaw, Jessica Gutierrez, Kerianne Howard, Jason Martinez, Shelbie Reid, Cody Riddle, Jacob Robbins, Casey Roberts, Brandi Smith, Andrew Toscano, John Williams, Brent Wright, Matt Wynn

Fourth Grade - Ashley Buske, Elisha Carroll, Alexandra Cordes, Katie Dunn, Kenzie Hunt, Krista Lyons, Jordan Martin, Kalea Neff, Megan Parrish, Kirstyn Pulis, Nicholas Sevey

Fifth Grade - Kelsey Butts, Harrison Chevalier, Megan Conley, Nathan Gomez, Bobby Hodges-Kandel, Ashley Martin, Alexandra Moore, Erika Stiller, Nina Toscano, Rachel Tucker

Sixth Grade - Teryn Bibb, Kayla Gutierrez, Colter Morgan, Justin Rau, William Reilly, Kaleigh Sevey, Jerrod Smith, Kay Spiller, Simon Stolarczyk, Logan Stone, Joshua Thompson

Coahoma Elementary

AB-Honor Roll - 5th 6 Weeks - 2001-2002

First Grade - Jessica Alvarado, Payton Anderson, Samuel Cornutt, Britinie Cortez, Kristen Dees, Tristan Gutierrez, David Jewett, Maeghan Mauzey, Clay Monroe, David Morales, Krista Murphree, Santos Orozco, Janessa Ringener, Rachel Robbins, Tobi Robinson, Daniel Solis

Second Grade - Christian Arnet, Kief Black, Timothy Cravens, Jacob Echavarria, Keveen Gilbert, Alejandro Gonzalez, Minnie Goodblanket, Dustin Gutierrez, Tyler Hammond, Christopher Henry, Vanessa Hernandez, Heather Hildebrand, Brandi Jobe, Jackie Kirkham, Cody Oliver, Kaley Owens, Randy Paige, Brandon Sanders, McKenzie Stolarczyk, Julian Uranga

Third Grade - Jenna Bryan, Tailor Fields, Kyle Gerstenberger, Itzel Gomez, Joanna Gonzales, Aaron Gonzales, Martin Gutierrez, Brayden Iden, Skyler Jobe, Rachel Kennedy, Rusty Martin, Mia Medina, Chanucey Puls, Reagan Reid, Ashley Rodriguez, Kayla Schlipf, Devin Thomason, David Thompson, Ronnie Thompson, Kaelyn Waters, Brooke Zitterkopf

Fourth Grade - Adalderto Calixto, Milton Castillo, Judson Chevalier, K'Leigh Fowler, Kylie Gee, Jacob Grissom, Mark Gutierrez, Raymundo Gutierrez, Kirk Hahn, Jordan Hammond, Corbin Harrison, Chance Hart, Shaun Jernigan, Seth Mansfield, Kourtney McAdams, Hayli McCullough, Ashleigh McFadden, Erik Nino, Jacob Owens, Jennifer Pittman, Reagan Rainey, Jacqueline Ruiz, Lauren Ruiz, Bo Squires, Riley Wood

Fifth Grade - Devin Adamson, Isaac Arguello, Steven Boren, Canyon Daniels, Albert Daylong, Danja Gonzales, Karly Green, Aricka Hart, Kayla Holleman, Richard Hunt, Berkley Iden, Paige Jackson, Kelly Lee, Shelbi Paige, Jovi Paniagua, Jason Pitts, Heather Scoggins, Laci Sterling, Hilari White, Katelyn Wilson

Sixth Grade - Amanda Denton, Jairo Estrella, Randi Gerstenberger, Janice Gonzales, Jolisa Grace, Channel Griffin, Amy Holleman, Madeleine Hopkins, Logan Howard, Casey Kilpatrick, Christopher Mault, Melissa Mills, Regan New, Christie Rich, Regan Rupard, Joshua Schlipf, Heather Sheppard, Steven Stiller, Matthew Tatum, Caylea Wood

Grady Secondary School

A Honor Roll

7th Grade-Emily Krug, Justin Pribyla, Kiersten Russell, Jonathan Tunnell.

9th Grade-Cole Mitchell, Anna Montoya, Lynsey Pinkerton, Aaron Presley, Brianna Pribyla, Gustavo Rodriquez, Kelsey Tubb.

10th Grade-Lauren Hanks, Callie Harryman, Mary Harryman, Trent May, Jason Pribyla, Jessica Spradling, Miranda Spradling.

11th Grade-Erica Bracken, Adell Curry, Daisy DeLucas, Candice Howard, Andres Juarez, Jamie Madison, Eric Tunnell, Mandy Webb.

12th Grade-Audra Cooper, Whitney Hanks, Blythe Long, Michelle Cardwell, Samantha Yates.

A-B Honor Roll

7th Grade-Tyler Swinson, Kelsi Howard

8th Grade-Natalia Hernandez, Alisha Almand, Heather Hale, Patricia Howard.

9th Grade-Nayeli Medina, Ben Hirth, Andrew Villa

10th Grade-Brent Madison, Andrew Swinson, Olga Juarez, Noel Lopez, Whitney Oppegard, Ashton Houston.

11th Grade-Jason Bracken, T Springer, Lee Ann Miller, Colter Tate.

12th Grade-Bryan Creech, Brenda Juarez, Lauren McInturff, Effie Medina, Rabecca Earhart, Jud Oppegard, Brian Petty.

Grady Elementary School

A Honor Roll

2nd Grade-Gerry Adkins, Johnny Hildebrand, Carly Krug, Mary Neufeld, M.J. Price.

3rd Grade-Natasha Enriquez, Victoria Montoya, John Ramirez, Zane Robinson, Carsten Russell, Julia Schuelke, Shane Teague, Johan Wiebe.

4th Grade-Maegan Blocker, Dylan Cox, Sam Harryman, Maxwell Kennady, Tyler Matthews, Nancy Neufeld.

5th Grade-Kaitlyn Blocker, Benjamin Kennady, Justina Klassen, Guillermo Medina, Frank Neufeld, Lauren Robinson, Anita Wiebe.

6th Grade-Ericka Medina, Santos Montoya, Peter Neufeld, Kandace Schuelke, Justin Tubb, Agatha Wiebe.

A-B Honor Roll

2nd Grade-Jayden Hagins-Conner

3rd Grade-Cody Mitchell, Bryley Pinkerton, Josue Rodriquez, Nicolaus Hernandez.

4th Grade-Christian Medina, Aubry Spradling.

5th Grade-Leighton Fields, Alez Lopez, Katelyn McInturff, Carver Tate.

6th Grade-Kenzie Madison, Roy Rodriquez, Tyler Springer, Matthew Webb, Rachel Romine.

Marcy Elementary

First Grade

A Honor Roll — Kayla Aaron, Tiffani Britten, Alex Demeny, Ali Hilger, Jasmine Rockwell, Yaneira Tuitt, Shelbi Cannon, Marissa Islas, Jacklyn Acevedo, Noel Martinez, Ruth Martinez, Candice Drinkard, Julia Wilson, Tiffany Gonzales, Auden Minjarez, Michelle Morgan, Katrina Petrowski, Jesse Soliz

A-B Honor Roll — David Durbin, Alexis Scaggs, Ben Aguero, Sidni Carrasco, Madeline Hale, LeeAnn Holguin, Rona Hurst, Cody Moore, Erin Slate, Nick Sharp, Catalina Trevino, Breanna Baker, Danielle Drury, Belinda Gonzalez, Emily Guerrero, Mariah Horvatich, Chavon Jackson, Shaylee Raymond, Anastasia Ruiz, Lucas Lopez, Donisha McGee, Gabi Ontiveros, Porsha Scott, Jaycee Williams, Johathan Blaine, Gary Eagle, Carlitos Gutierrez, Tristen Ramirez, Landon Carpenter, Sammy Villareal

Second Grade

A Honor Roll — Josh Bigelow, Christopher Blaine, Dustin Crider, Sawyer Roberts, Abraham Sotelo, Stormy Emery, Corey Lopez

A-B Honor Roll — Andrea Cansino, Dominick Cervantes, Justin Cervantes, Kevin Hanson, Antonio Noyola, Crystal Villareal, Andrew Yanez, Eric Fierro, Jezebel Florez, Adolfo Franco, Mallory Greenhill, Colette Reed, Brittany Rudd, Joshua Jumper, Virginia Sellers, John Covarrubias, Larissa Dykes, James Fox, Ashten Galan, Kimberly Gonzalez, Janie Mendez, Cesar Ramos, Rico Villa, Jackie Alvarez, Julian Chavez, John Albert Doporto, Tiffany Gonzales, Renee Rodriguez, Brittney Hilger, Hector Martinez, Alex Rodriguez, Tiara Runels, Jonah Shaw, Willis Smith, Tony Terrazas, April Turner, Seth Yarbar, John Flores, Devin Buck

Third Grade

A Honor Roll — Emily Hicks, Alesha Yanez, Ethan Yeats, Brandon Sanchez, Jesica Rubio

A-B Honor Roll — Anissa Carrillo, William Davis, Kasey Fitzgibbons, Emily Flores, Harold Gimenez, Sabrina Gonzalez, Kionne Lewis, Caleb McMahon, Lupita Sifuentes, Tanekia Stephenson, Cheyenne Turner, Brandi Vaughn, Courtney Long, Benjamina Rios-Rios, Julian Rodriguez, David Guiette, Auston Heiden, Joe Rodriguez, Chris Saucedo, Shae Anderson, Kylé Demeny, Shelbi Sharp, Derek Smith, Cory Puga,

Fourth Grade

A Honor Roll — Allison Fritzler, Sabrina McDonald, Ariel Rockwell, Jessica Shoup, Halee Thomas, Katelyn Villanueva, Jordan Austin, Steven Islas, Travis Waid, Ty Hall, Marcos Sotelo

A-B Honor Roll — Diana Cansino, Brandon Good, Jake Hernandez, Andrea Olivarez, Tim Ward, Whitney Gonzales, Jason Hanks, Brian Kirk, Elexus Pacheco, Samone Foster, Ivan Martinez, Mone' Mindling, Jena Vidana, Arelle Young, Vanessa Covarrubias, Pavel Plakhotny, Stormmie Ward, Jonathan Loya, Ramiro Mier

Fifth Grade

A Honor Roll — Ariel Diaz, Antoinette Garcia, Harvey Gimenez, Zach Stephens, Julia Villa, Daniel Budke

A-B Honor Roll — Janie Delgado, Matt Gonzales, Mary Ramos, Ashley Rangel, Karla Sorola, Jimmy Watson, Joshua Wilson, JoAnn Hirzel, Amber Flores, Oscar Hernandez, Amber Rivera, Vanessa Ramirez, Shelly Marler, Mykel Wagner, Crystal Torres, Geordan Fuller, Kristen Matthews, James Parvin Cory Pierce, Lonnie Jackson, Joe Ramos, Victoria Gonzales, Angel Martinez, Joe Ramos

Biblical names most popular for boys in 2001

WASHINGTON (AP) — It seems most parents turned to the Bible in naming their sons last year. Jacob, Matthew, Michael and Joshua were 2001's most popular names for boys.

Or perhaps last year's new moms and dads just looked to the kid next door. These names, along with the top names chosen for girls, have been in the top 10 for several years.

Emily has been No. 1 for girls each year since 1995. Madison and Hannah, numbers two and three, have been in the top 10 since 1997.

In the past 38 years, Michael has been bumped from the top spot only twice — in 1999 and last year — both times by Jacob.

Rounding out the top 10 names for boys in 2001 were, in order: Christopher, Nicholas, Andrew, Joseph, Daniel and William.

The list for girls continued with Ashley, Alexis, Samantha, Sarah, Abigail, Elizabeth and Jessica.

The list is compiled by the Social Security Administration and based on the number of applications for Social Security cards in the given year.

The list includes names of 2,072,242 boys and 1,985,062 girls.

Names that sound the same but are spelled differently, such as Sarah and Sara or Haley and Hailey are listed separately.

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In Brief

Regional semifinals softball games set

The Big Spring Lady Steers and Coahoma Bulldogettes have now finalized their regional semifinal softball playoff games for Friday.

The Lady Steers will take on Fort Worth Brewer's Lady Bears at 6 p.m. Friday in a Class 4A showdown at Abilene Christian University's softball facility.

Ticket prices will be $3 for adults and $2 for students.

The Bulldogettes will face a familiar Class 2A foe in Eula's Lady Pirates at 7 p.m. Friday in Snyder.

Forsan All-Sports Banquet is tonight

Forsan High School will hold its annual All-Sports Banquet at 7 tonight 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 or reserved by calling 457-2223.

Country club slates two-person low ball

A two-person low ball tournament has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, May 18-19, at the Big Spring Country Club.

Entry fees are $60 per player plus cart fee, but players may bring their own carts.

Play begins with a 1 p.m. shotgun start both days.

To sign up, call the pro shop at 267-5354.

Golfers can also sign up for the Parent-Child Scramble scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 8-9, at the country club.

Fees for that event are $80 in the open division and $30 in the trophy division.

Special Olympics Torch Run slated

Local law enforcement officers and Special Olympics athletes from across Texas will join forces for the 2002 Law Enforcement Torch Run benefiting the Special Olympics Texas Summer Games.

The torch will begin its journey in Area 18 on May 21 in Fort Stockton, will travel to Monahans and then Odessa.

In Big Spring portion of the Torch Run will begin at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, at the Howard County Courthouse.

The Big Spring leg is part of the more than 2,700-mile journey the torch will make across the state, culminating at the opening ceremonies of the summer games scheduled for May 24-26 in Arlington.

Lady Steers hoops camp scheduled

Big Spring Lady Steers head basketball coach Jimmy Avery will conduct the Lady Steers Fundamental Basketball Camp from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. June 10-13 in the Big Spring Junior High School gymnasium.

The camp is open to current first- through eighth-graders.

The camp will provide girls with an opportunity to develop individual basketball skills through one-on-one and group drills in a positive, educational environment.

For more information, call Avery at 264-3647 or 264-0403.

Mickelson has seen both sides of a 63 at Colonial

FORT WORTH (AP) — Phil Mickelson has been on the winning and losing sides of a closing 63 at the Colonial.

Two years ago, Mickelson overcame a seven-stroke deficit with five birdies on the back nine to finish a 7-under final round and win the Colonial. He was two strokes ahead of Stewart Cink and Davis Love III, both faltering down the stretch.

Mickelson struggled at the end last year, blowing the three-stroke lead he took into the final round. Sergio Garcia, who began the day five shots behind, won by two strokes with a 63 for his first PGA Tour victory.

"It's the kind of course that if you're hitting good shots and you can make birdies, but if you're not, it seems like you're struggling for par all of the time," Mickelson said.

The 7,080-yard, par-70 layout is one of Mickelson's favorites. He says the course demands a variety of shots, and golfers must negotiate the wind, trees and difficult greens.

"It takes some creativity," he said. "The course tests a player's entire game."

There is also the history of Hogan's Alley, where only Ben Hogan has won in consecutive years.

The last nine Colonial champions are in the field for the $4.3 million tournament. That includes Ben Crenshaw (1977, 1990) and Tom Watson (1998), who are skipping a seniors event in New Jersey.

Garcia is a defending champion for the first time on the PGA Tour.

"It's always something I've been looking forward to. Finally, I'm here to defend my first title in the States," Garcia said. "I want to try to do what Hogan did."

Garcia, just 21 when he won at Colonial, has since won twice more on the PGA Tour and last month won the Spanish Open for his first victory in his homeland. But that first win gave him a big boost.

"You're more comfortable with yourself, and you become a better player by being in that position over and over again," he said.

Before teeing off for his first practice round this week, Garcia took an extra minute to admire his name on the Wall of Champions. There it was among the likes of Hogan, Sam Snead, Arnold Palmer, Lee Trevino and Jack Nicklaus.

"It's great to be standing there on the first tee and look right and see your name on the wall where the champions are," Garcia said. "That was something special."

The only name on that wall more than twice is Hogan, who won five Colonial titles and twice won back-to-back (1946-47, 1952-53 and 1959). A life-size statue of the Hall of Fame golfer is outside the clubhouse.

Garcia's only win this year was in the season-opening Mercedes Championships.

Super Senior Seasons

Courtesy photo

Here are the Coahoma Bulldogs seniors who enjoyed one of the school's best sports years ever during 2001-2002, winning District 3-2A championships in football, basketball, golf and baseball. Front row, from left, are: Randall Rich, Adam Aguirre, Matt Christian, David Davis, Eddie Gonzales, Anthony Herrera, Manuel Holguin and Adam Villa. Middle row: Eric Barber, Rickey Richters, Paul Ruiz and Matt Barron. Back row: Cody Hogan, Allan Bellew, Chase Ward, Brandon Halle, Travis Hipp and Eric Henry.

Kidd leads Nets to win

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The New Jersey Nets haven't enjoyed this kind of glory since their ABA days.

Instead of Dr. J though, it's J-Kidd in what has become one of the great turnaround seasons in NBA history.

Jason Kidd scored 23 points and made several plays that swung the momentum as the Nets defeated Charlotte 103-95 Wednesday night in Game 5 in the Hornets' last game before moving to New Orleans next season.

The Nets earned their first trip to the Eastern Conference finals since joining the NBA in 1976, and will play the Boston Celtics in a best-of-seven series that will start here on Sunday.

In the West, the Lakers and Kings begin their conference final in Sacramento on Saturday.

The Nets-Celtics series pits a two-time ABA champion in the 1970s against a franchise that has won an NBA-best 16 titles.

"We have answered a lot of questions that were out there since October and the next question is if we are going to beat a talented team in Boston," said Kidd, who also had 13 assists, seven rebounds and five steals. "I think this has been a dream season for us and we do not want it to end."

Before this season, the Nets had made it out of the second round of the playoffs only once (1984) in their first 25 years in the NBA. They made the playoffs once since 1994.

However, everything has changed this year following the offseason trade with Phoenix for fellow All-Star point guard Stephon Marbury.

"I came in with the attitude that on paper we had some talented guys and my job was to get them to play and have confidence in each other," Kidd said.

Kidd did that and the Nets went 52-30 just a year after going 26-56.

The thread most of the season was Kidd's ability to deliver in big games.

It happened again in this series, notably in Game 4 when a one-eyed Kidd scored 24 points a little more than two days after getting 15 stitches to close a gash above his right eye.

"Jason has been like this in big games all season long," Nets coach Byron Scott Wednesday. "He has been the one guy who has done a little of everything for us and tonight was no different. He didn't want to lose this game."

The game featured 14 lead changes and 18 ties, and the key for the Nets again was fourth-quarter defense. New Jersey held Charlotte to one field goal in the final 7:37.

A-Rod ejected, but Rangers win

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Even with all their injuries and without Alex Rodriguez in the late innings, the Texas Rangers kept up their recent spurt.

Michael Young homered, and Ismael Valdes combined with two relievers on a two-hitter that led the Rangers over the Chicago White Sox 5-2 Wednesday night.

Rodriguez was ejected in the seventh inning for bumping umpire Mike DiMuro as he tried to plead his case over a close call after he was called out at first base.

"I made a mistake and I tripped," Rodriguez said. "That's part of being a human being. I feel very bad about the situation."

Crew chief Ed Montague said intent isn't a factor when an ump is bumped.

"He came up to argue the call and he wasn't in control of his body and there was contact made," Montague said.

In other American League games, it was: Tampa Bay 10, New York 7; Seattle 8, Toronto 6; Boston 8, Oakland 2; Anaheim 10, Detroit 1; Minnesota 8, Kansas City 6; and Cleveland 3, Baltimore 1.

In the National League, it was: New York 2, Los Angeles 0; San Diego 2, Montreal 1 in 14 innings; Atlanta 6, San Francisco 1; Arizona 6, Pittsburgh 2; Houston 6, Philadelphia 2; St. Louis 4, Chicago 1; Cincinnati 7, Milwaukee 4; Colorado 7, Florida 2.

At Chicago, the Rangers won for the 12th time in 16 games as Gabe Kapler went 4-for-4.

Valdes (3-4) gave up two runs — one earned — in six innings, and John Rocker and Hideki Irabu followed with hitless relief. Irabu got his 10th save.

Frank Thomas homered in support of Todd Ritchie (3-4) as Chicago lost for the fifth time in six games.

Devil Rays 10, Yankees 7

Chris Gomez hit a three-run homer to cap visiting Tampa Bay's biggest opening inning ever — a six-run first against Orlando Hernandez (4-2), who had been 8-1 against the fifth-year team.

Steve Cox added two homers as the Devil Rays took a 9-0 lead in the fourth and stopped the Yankees' seven-game winning streak. Tampa Bay had lost eight in a row against New York, which got four RBIs from rookie Nick Johnson.

Joe Kennedy (2-3) allowed five runs and six hits in 5 2-3 innings.

Mariners 8, Blue Jays 6

Bret Boone hit a go-ahead, two-run double in the ninth off Kelvin Escobar (1-1) as Seattle overcame a 5-0 deficit and improved to a major-league best 15-3 on the road. John Olerud homered and had three RBIs.

Eric Hinske, Felipe Lopez and Jose Cruz Jr. homered for the Blue Jays, 5-13 at home.

Arthur Rhodes (2-1) pitched a perfect eighth, and Kazuhiro Sasaki got his ninth save.

Red Sox 8, Athletics 2

Derek Lowe (6-1) allowed one run and six hits in eight innings in his first game at Fenway Park since throwing a no-hitter against Tampa Bay on April 27. Boston, 3-0 without injured slugger Manny Ramirez, improved baseball's best record to 27-9.

Consecutive homers by Brian Daubach and Shea Hillenbrand in the first inning gave Lowe a 3-0 lead. Hillenbrand had four hits and three RBIs, and Rickey Henderson hit two RBI doubles.

Erik Hiljus (3-3) gave up four runs — one earned — and six hits in six innings as Oakland lost for the 10th time in 12 games.

Angels 10, Tigers 1

David Eckstein had a homer and three RBIs as visiting Anaheim won its seventh straight, sending Detroit to its seventh loss in a row. The Angels have won 16 of 18.

Aaron Sele (4-2) beat the Tigers for the second time in six days, giving up six hits in seven innings. Mark Redman (0-5) allowed seven runs — four earned — and nine hits in six innings.

Twins 8, Royals 6

Jacque Jones homered twice and had four RBIs as visiting Minnesota won in Tony Pena's debut as Royals manager.

With the score 4-all in the sixth and two on runners on base, he replaced Dan Reichert (1-4) with rookie Brian Shouse, and Jones homered on a 2-0 pitch. Jones also connected off Blake Stein for his third leadoff homer of the season.

Eric Milton (5-3) allowed six runs — five earned — and eight hits in 6 1-3 innings, and Eddie Guardado worked the ninth for his league-leading 14th save.

Indians 3, Orioles 1

Bartolo Colon (5-3) allowed seven hits, including Chris Singleton's homer, in eight innings and Bob Wickman pitched a perfect ninth at Cleveland for his eighth save.

Russell Branyan hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning off Rick Bauer (1-1) as the Indians won for just the eighth time in 27 games.

Mets 2, Dodgers 0

Kazuhisa Ishii lost in the majors for the first time as Jeff D'Amico pitched a two-hitter and led New York past Los Angeles.

Ishii (6-1) gave up one run, four hits and four walks in seven innings.

The Dodgers were blanked for the eighth time, most in the majors, in only 40 games this season. The day before, the Mets' Pedro Astacio pitched a two-hit shutout at Dodger Stadium.

D'Amico (3-3) struck out eight and walked two in his third complete game, all shutouts, in 81 career starts. It was his first shutout since July 20, 2000, when he was with Milwaukee and beat Pittsburgh 6-0.

D'Amico was limited to 10 starts last season because of a bad right arm. He missed all the 1998 season after hurting his right shoulder.

Edgardo Alfonzo doubled and scored on Jay Payton's groundout in the second inning. Mo Vaughn hit his third home run of the season in the eighth.

Diamondbacks 6, Pirates 2

Steve Finley's sixth-inning homer hit a woman in a wheelchair located behind a protective railing at PNC Park. Several fans rushed to assist the woman in the right-field stands before paramedics arrived. She received several stitches in the head but otherwise was not seriously injured.

Luis Gonzalez and Junior Spivey also homered for Arizona. Brian Giles homered for Pittsburgh.

Braves 6, Giants 1

Greg Maddux pitched shutout ball into the ninth inning as Atlanta ended a three-game losing streak.

Maddux gave up five hits and two walks, and left with the bases loaded and no outs in the ninth at Pacific Bell Park. He improved to 23-12 lifetime against San Francisco.

Vinny Castilla homered and drove in three runs.

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FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for May 15. (Report also available on Web as www.txfishing.com.)

CENTRAL

BROWNWOOD: Water clear; 74 degrees; 3 low; Black bass to 6.5 pounds are good on topwaters and spinnerbaits in 4 - 16 feet. Striped bass to 28" are excellent on topwaters and silver spoons in 10 - 25 feet. White bass to 16" are excellent on topwaters and Rat-L-Traps in 5 - 15 feet. Crappie to 14" are good on live minnows and jigs in 3 - 12 feet. Channel and blue catfish to 8 pounds are good on live minnows and nightcrawlers in 10 - 30 feet. Yellow catfish to 18 pounds are good on frozen shad and shrimp in 15 - 35 feet.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 76 degrees; 1016.32'; Black bass are fair on Fat Free Shad crankbaits, watermelon Scremer worms, and watermelon 3/16 oz. Terminator Finesse Jigs with BBB pork trailers on main lake points in 8 - 14 feet. Striped bass are fair to good drifting live bait or trolling in 40 feet, with a brief early morning topwater bite. White bass are fair jigging Pirk Minnows and white grubs, and trolling Shad Raps along 20 foot lake points. Crappie are slow on minnows. Channel catfish are good on liver, minnows or worms in 6 - 12 feet. Flathead and blue catfish are good on trotlines.

PROCTOR: Water murky; 65 degrees; 1159.78; Black bass are fair on Rat-L-Traps and spinnerbaits. Striped bass are good on shad and jigs. White bass are good on shad and jigs. Crappie are slow on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are fair on worms and shad. Yellow catfish are slow on shad and perch on trotlines.

SOUTH

AMISTAD: Water off color; 81 degrees; 47 low; Black bass are good on topwaters, spinnerbaits, and Carolina-rigged soft plastics. Striped bass are fair on slabs and striper jigs up the Rio Grande. White bass are fair 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 slow on perch and goldfish.

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 71 degrees; Black bass to are good on black/blue and green jigs or tubes, soft ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 74 degrees; Black bass are good on black/blue and green jigs or tubes, white soft jerkbaits and minnows around brush in creeks, and topwaters during the afternoon. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs.

ARROWHEAD: Water murky (from wind); 70 degrees; 6.5 low; Black bass are fair in the shallows. Crappie are good on minnows and 1/8 oz. jigs along shallows early and late, suspended in 4 to 12 feet. White bass are good along windy rip-rap banks. Catfish are good on punchbait with rod & reel, and trotlines baited with perch.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 72 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; 71 degrees; Black bass are fair on crankbaits, spinnerbaits and minnows. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are good on minnows and jigs. Catfish are good on cutbait and minnows.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained; 72 degrees; 18 low; Black bass are good on shallow running crankbaits and Carolina-rigged green plastics. Crappie are excellent on minnows and jigs near docks. White bass are slow. Striped bass are slow. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with perch.

NASWORTHY: Water lightly stained; 71 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows and spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. Redfish are fair. White and striped bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are good minnows and perch. Lake is being dredged of 2-feet of silt (3 year project started summer 2000).

OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 72 degrees; No boat ramps open. Black bass are fair. Crappie are good around docks on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with minnows, perch and punchbait.

OH. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 72 degrees; 22 low; Black bass are good on topwaters, Carolina or Texas-rigged pumpkin plastics, and white crankbaits. Crappie are fair in creeks on minnows and jig, and suspended at 20-30 feet under lights at night. White bass are fair on minnows and jigs. Smallmouth bass are fair. Catfish are good on deep trotlines baited with goldfish and perch.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water lightly stained; 70 degrees; 3.1 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. Catfish are good on live bait and stinkbait on upper end of lake.

SPENCE: Water stained; 70 degrees; 56.4 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; 69 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; 65 degrees; 21 low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are very good on minnows, perch and jigs. White bass are good on minnows. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with minnows and liver.

WHITE RIVER: Water murky; 68 degrees; 23 low; Black bass slow. Crappie to 2 pounds are good on minnows and jigs. Walleye are slow. Catfish are good on minnows and liver.

WICHITA: Water stained (from wind); 74 degrees; full at pool; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow late in the day near spillway on jigs and minnows. White bass are fair on medium minnows and shrimp. Hybrid striper are fair on large minnows and liver. Channel catfish are fair on worms, goldfish, shrimp and punchbait.

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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-liks), 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.

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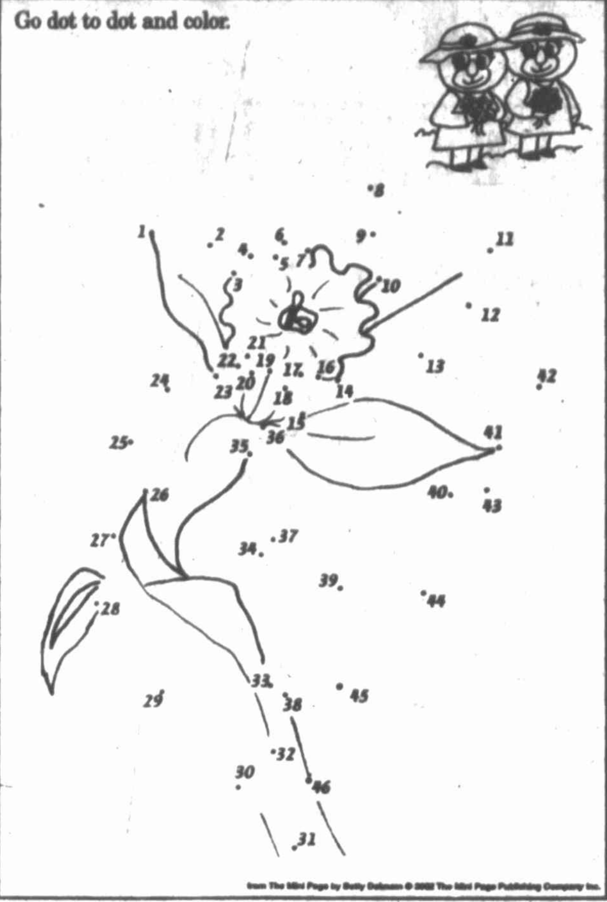

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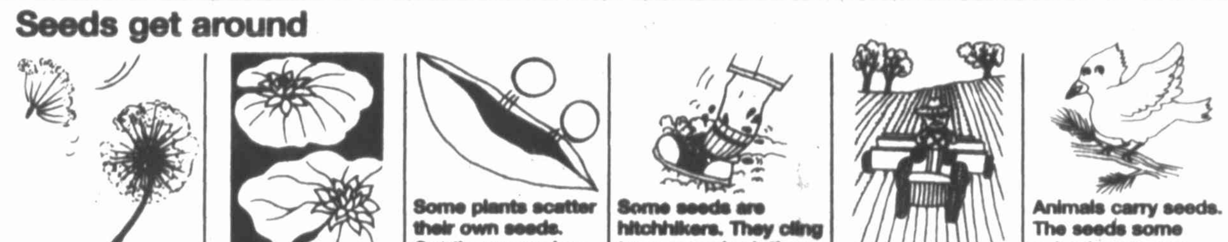

The wind scatters seeds.

Water carries seeds.

Some plants scatter their own seeds. Out 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.

Man carries seeds.

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

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, slivered
- 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.

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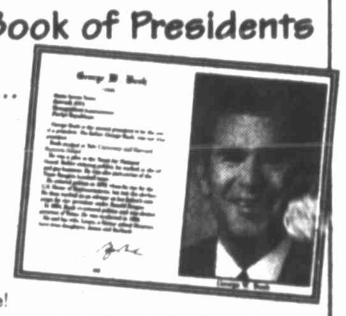

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Gus Goodsport's Report
Supersport: Edgar Martinez

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.

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.

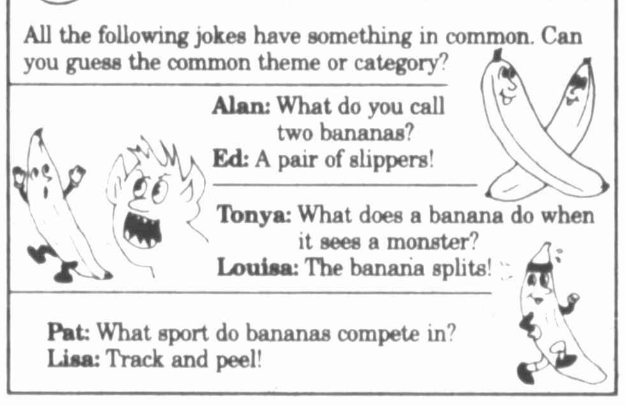
About 13 years ago, she moved to New York to work as a comedian. She worked for a while waiting tables. After her career took off, she performed for many years in comedy clubs in New York and then began performing around the country.

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!

Basset Brown The News Hound's 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.

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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.

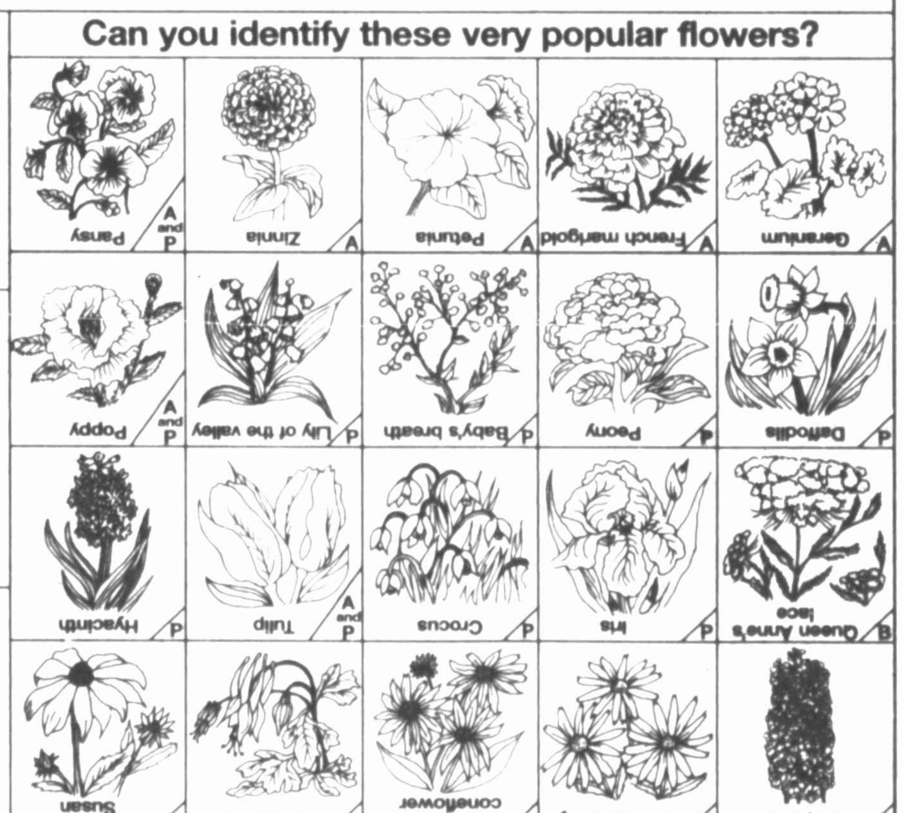
A biennial after two years.

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?



Botanical gardens are museums for flowers

This orchid is one of more than 10,000 at the U.S. Botanic Garden.

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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Tomorrow's workforce is in today's classrooms.

BIG SPRING HERALD

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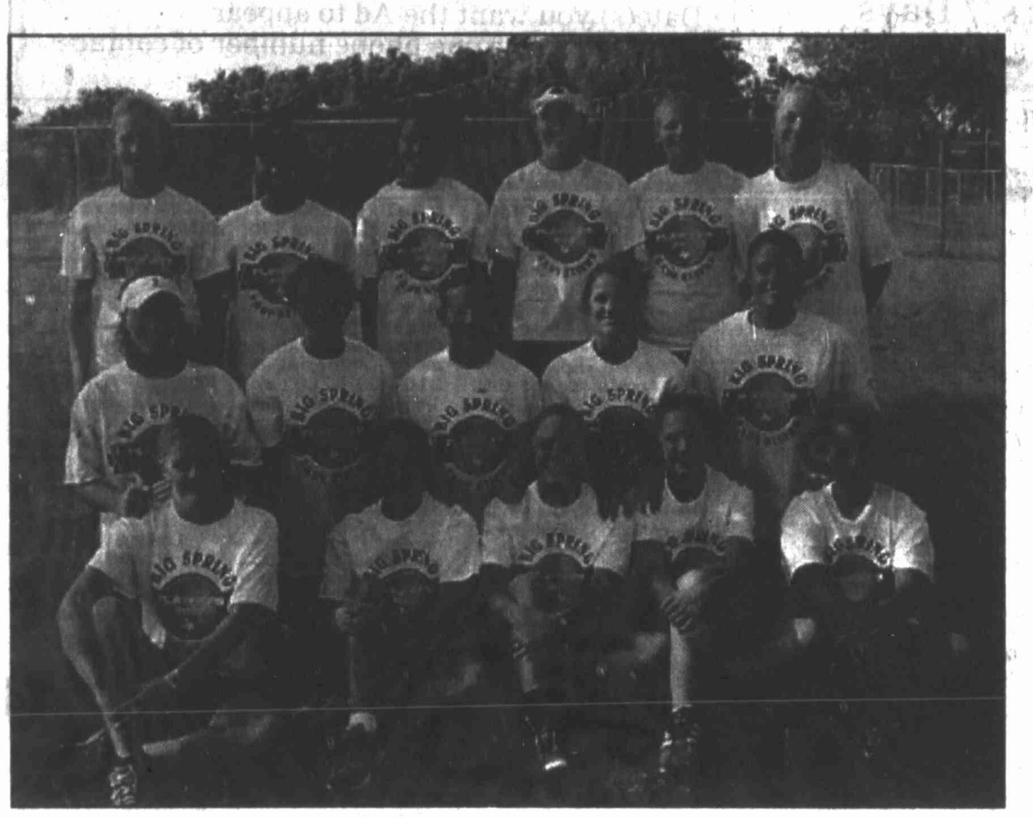

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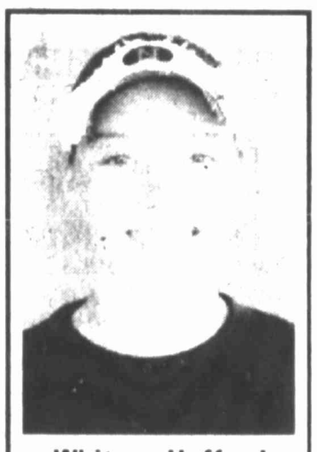
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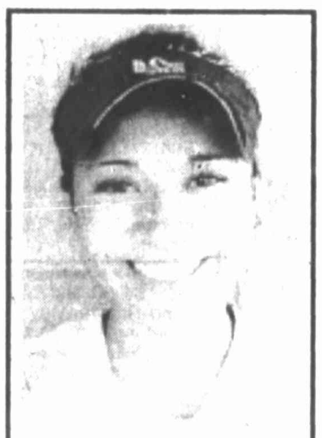
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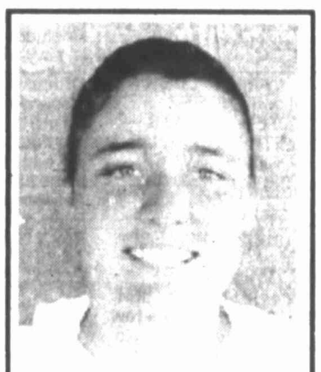
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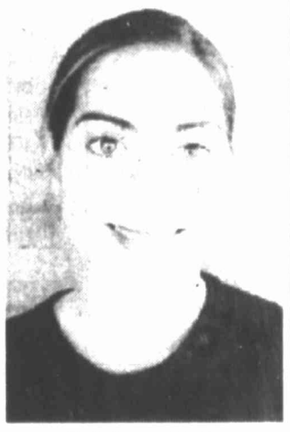
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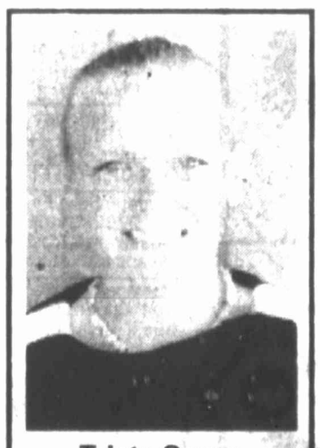
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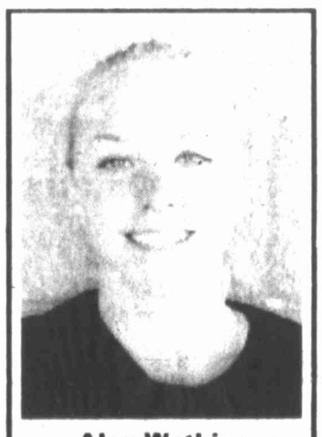
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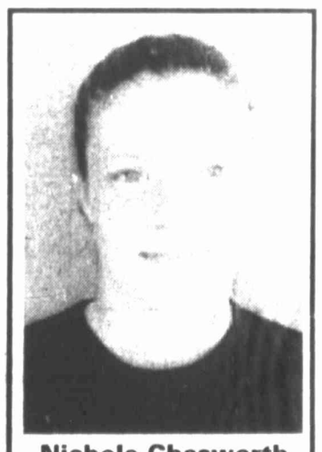
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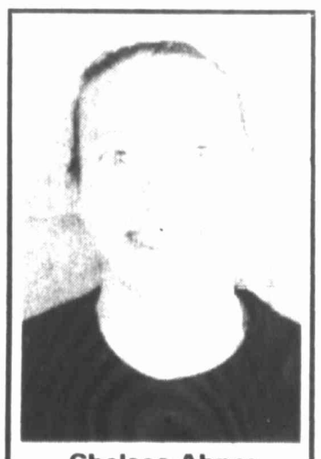
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❑ 3 Family Garage Sale: 2601 Cindy, Sat. 7-?. Baby bed, clothes and boys baby items..

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❑ Backyard Sale, 424 Dallas, Sat. 8:30-12. No Early Sales. Lots of misc. items.

❑ Big Spring Women's Bowling Association is having a Garage Sale: Sat. 18th, 8-5 at 3601 Dixon. Help Support Women's Bowling Assoc. Lots of items.

❑ Cornerstone Youth Fund Raiser: Sat. 7-3. , Cornerstone fellowship hall. Corner of 13th St. and Owens. Fill a Wal-Mart bag $5.00.

❑ East Side Baptist Youth Group Garage Sale, East 6th & Settles, Sat. 8-2. Lots of Good STUFF!!

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❑ Garage Sale, #25 Val Verde, Sat. 8-2. Tools, baby bed, clothes, misc. No Early Sales.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) **** Use your financial savvy to help others feel more secure. Your creativity comes up later in the day when others tap into your energies, whether it is to make fun plans or put the topping on a work project. Make an important meeting. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Do whatever you can early in the morning when you're in the mood to finish off details. Your energy peaks early on, when you get a lot done quickly. Stay upbeat and return all calls. Don't anticipate another's reaction. Tonight: Mosey on home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Deal with financial matters in the p.m. Carefully review a situation that involves your security. Reach out for someone at a distance later in the day. Do needed research and seek out your own information and facts. You'll be surer of yourself as a result. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** You melt away barriers, adding to the present possibilities. Use the a.m. to clear out responsibilities involving others. Others respond strongly to your enthusiasm and energy. Be sensible with another and discuss finances this afternoon. Tonight: Don't put off what you can do now.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Stand back early in the day. Use your sixth sense when dealing with a boss who wants everything done yesterday. This afternoon you get a second wind and become a veritable force to deal with. Network, return calls and don't forget to make plans! Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** Focus on what you want today. You like what you see when you handle a long-overdue relationship. You get results, especially if you use your time in the a.m. In the p.m., you might want to mull around an idea or two, or make an important decision. Tonight: What's wrong with a quiet night at home?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Bosses turn to you to finish off last-minute details. The good news is that you accomplish your goals with plenty of extra time to pursue your own projects. Groups of people prove unusually successful and lucky for you. Network away. Tonight: Wherever the party is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Reach out for others at a distance. If you need an expert, find that person this morning. Do research on the computer. You're able to zero in on a problem with a great deal of ease. Others follow your lead in the afternoon. Tonight: All eyes turn to you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Visualize more of what you want from another, and don't be surprised if you get a strong reaction. Not everyone sees things as you do. Loosen up and relax with someone on the phone in the afternoon. You can do business this way. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Let another carry the ball. Often, you accept too much responsibility. Ease up some and simply relax. You cannot control others, though you sometimes try. Loosen up when dealing with an uptight associate. Praise works better than criticism. Tonight: Make nice.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Realize your limits when dealing with associates at work. Others have made up their minds and know what they want to do. A meeting in the afternoon could be unusually important or successful. Socialize and network away. You make an impact. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Use your imagination when heading in to work. Buy something special for a co-worker who could be a bit down and out. Use the day to complete as much as you can. In fact, you might want to work late, if possible. Tonight: Clear out some errands.

BORN TODAY

Singer Enya (1961), boxer Sugar Ray Leonard (1956), actor Bob Saget (1956)

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Popularity of nude slumber parties has mom baffled

ANN LANDERS

Dear Ann Landers: I hope you can help me with an unusual problem. My teenage daughter was recently invited to a nude slumber party. She assured me there would be no boys present.

I called the mother of the girl and talked to her about this party. While the mother admitted the idea was strange, she said she would be present during the party to supervise. She also said her husband and teenage son would be away for the weekend, so there would be no males present in the house. She assured me that nude slumber parties are all the rage these days.

I have never heard of such a thing and cannot imagine why a bunch of 15- and 16-year-old girls would want to spend 12 hours together stark naked. Any ideas? — Baffled Mom in Burlingame, Calif.

Dear Mom: I'm as baffled as you are. While walking around nude may be an interesting experiment, and sleeping nude has long been popular, I cannot imagine the appeal of doing either with a bunch of other girls in close quarters.

As long as you trust the mother of these girls to supervise for the duration of the party, I see no harm in it. Meanwhile, ask your daughter why she finds this such an attractive idea. You might learn something.

Dear Ann Landers: I read the letter from "Out of Gas in Grand Rapids, Mich.," whose wife doesn't drive. He said he had to take her everywhere. I have a different explanation for her behavior. I suspect this woman is an alcoholic.

The love of my life steadfastly refused to learn to drive. Too late, I discovered she was a secret drinker who consumed a great deal of alcohol by noon. She was afraid to get behind the wheel of a car. Refusing to drive also gave her an excuse to stay home, surrender to her depression and drink herself to death. Like "Out of Gas," I avoided confrontations because I did not want to fight over something I foolishly considered trivial. Now, she is gone.

The woman who wrote to you doesn't need a bus pass, she needs an intervention. For her sake, he MUST confront her. I did not confront my wife, and I grieve to this day. — Missed the Signs in Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Memphis: Thank you for providing an alternative explanation for the woman's behavior. The man's letter was less about his wife's driving and more about her insistence on oversleeping and making him late for work. However, if there is indeed more going on, I hope he will discuss it with her and take the necessary steps.

Dear Ann Landers: You recently printed a letter from "Lost in Washington, D.C., But Still Hopeful." She was in her 40s and despaired of ever finding Mr. Right. You heard from a great many readers and printed their responses. Most said she should stop looking and learn to enjoy her life as it is. I agree.

My husband left me after 20 years of marriage to "find himself." When he walked out the door, I discovered how much I enjoyed life without him. I have two cockatoos who I have trained to say, "I love you!" as soon as I come through the door. Believe me, Ann, it sounds a lot better than, "You're late! Where's my dinner?" — Happier Now in Virginia

Dear Virginia: I'd say you "traded up." Congratulations.

Gem of the Day (credit writer Will Stanton): Getting a dog is like getting married. It teaches you to be less self-centered, to accept sudden, surprising outbursts of affection, and not to be upset by a few scratches on your car.

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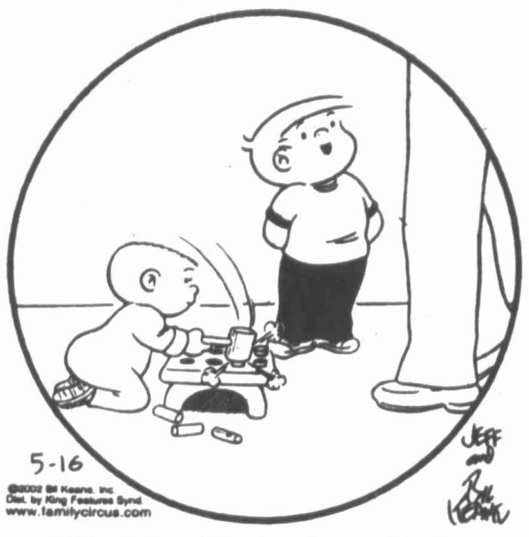

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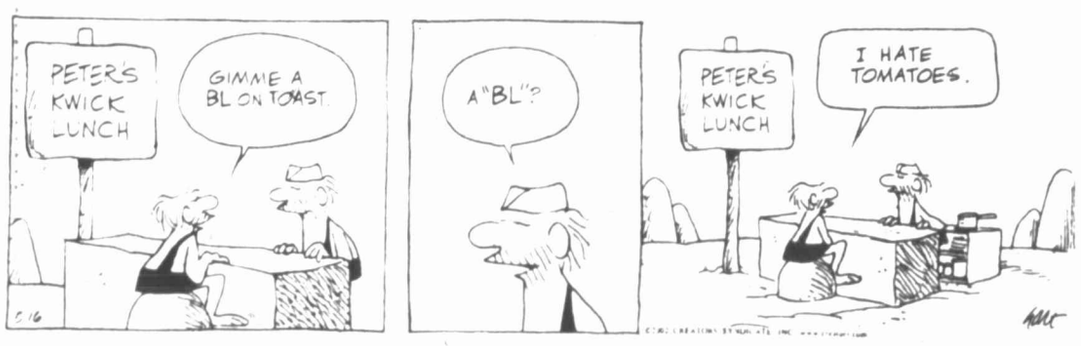

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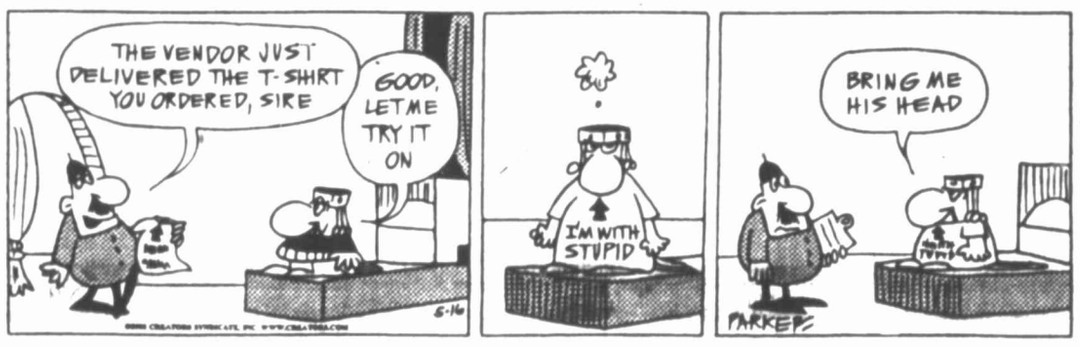

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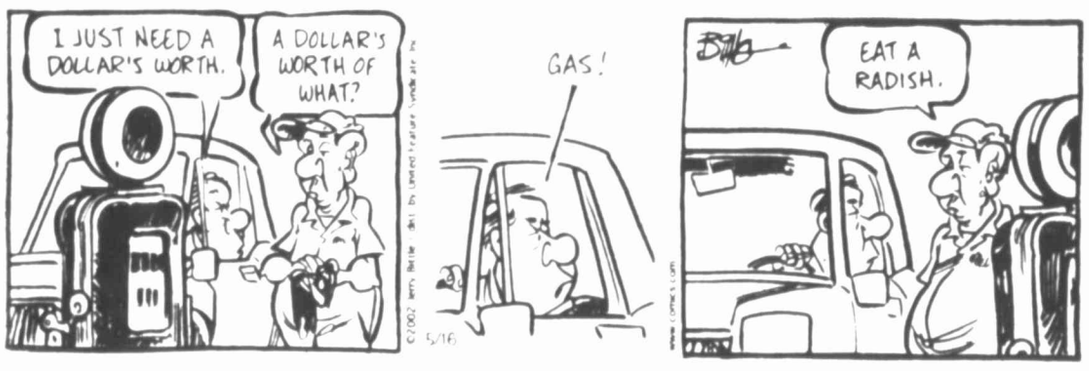

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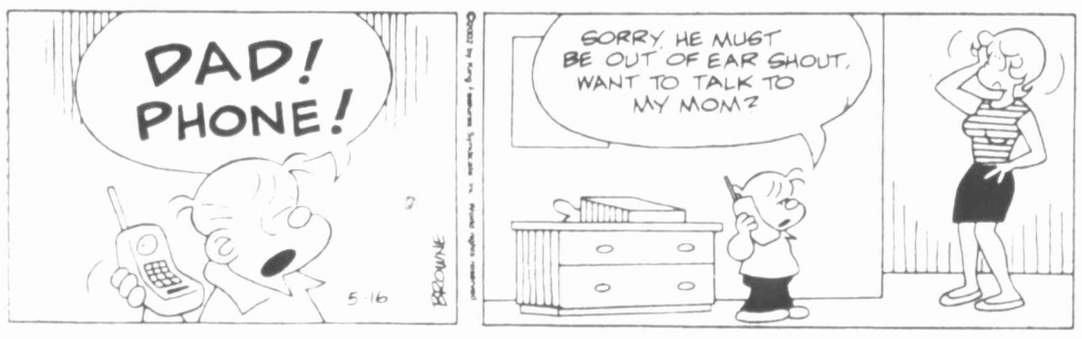

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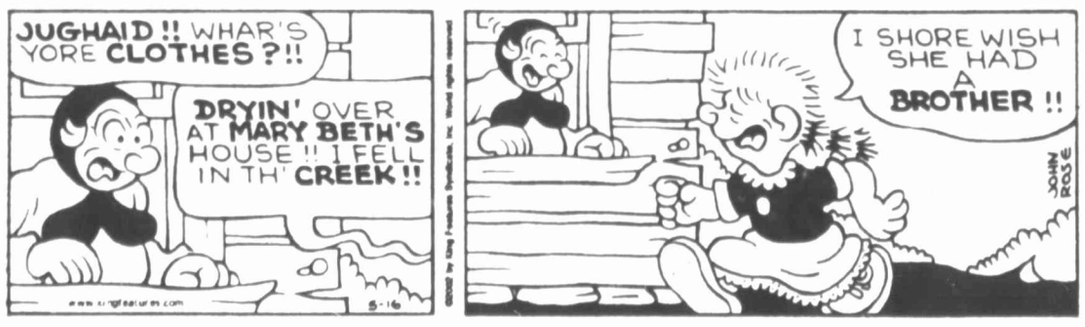

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, May 16, the 136th day of 2002. There are 229 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 16, 1929, the first Academy Awards were presented during a banquet at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel. The movie "Wings" won "best production" while Emil Jannings and Janet Gaynor were named best actor and best actress.

On this date:

In 1770, Marie Antoinette, age 14, married the future King Louis XVI of France, who was 15.

In 1866, Congress authorized minting of the five-cent piece.

In 1868, the Senate failed by one vote to convict President Andrew Johnson as it took its first ballot on one of 11 articles of impeachment against him.

In 1920, Joan of Arc was canonized in Rome.

In 1946, the musical "Annie Get Your Gun" opened on Broadway.

In 1960, a Big Four summit conference in Paris collapsed on its opening day as the Soviet Union leveled spy charges against the United States in the wake of the U-2 incident.

In 1965, the musical play "The Roar of the Greasepaint, the Smell of the Crowd" opened on Broadway.

In 1975, Japanese climber Junko Tabei became the first woman to reach the summit of Mount Everest.

In 1977, five people were killed when a New York Airways helicopter, idling atop the Pan Am Building in midtown Manhattan, toppled over, sending a huge rotor blade flying.

In 1991, Queen Elizabeth II became the first British monarch to address the U.S. Congress.

Ten years ago: The space shuttle Endeavour completed its maiden voyage with a safe landing in the California desert. Actress Marlene Dietrich, who had died in Paris at age 90, was buried in Berlin.

Today's Birthdays: Author Studs Terkel is 90. Actor George Gaynes is 85. Actor Harry Carey Jr. is 81. Jazz musician Billy Cobham is 58. Actor Pierce Brosnan is 49. Actress Debra Winger is 47. Soviet gymnast Olga Korbut is 47. Actress Mare Winningham is 43. Singer Janet Jackson is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ralph Tresvant (New Edition) is 34. Actress Tracey Gold is 33. Tennis player Gabriela Sabatini is 32. Country singer Rick Trevino is 31. Actor David Boreanaz is 31. Musician Simon Katz (Jamiroquai) is 31.

Answer to previous puzzle

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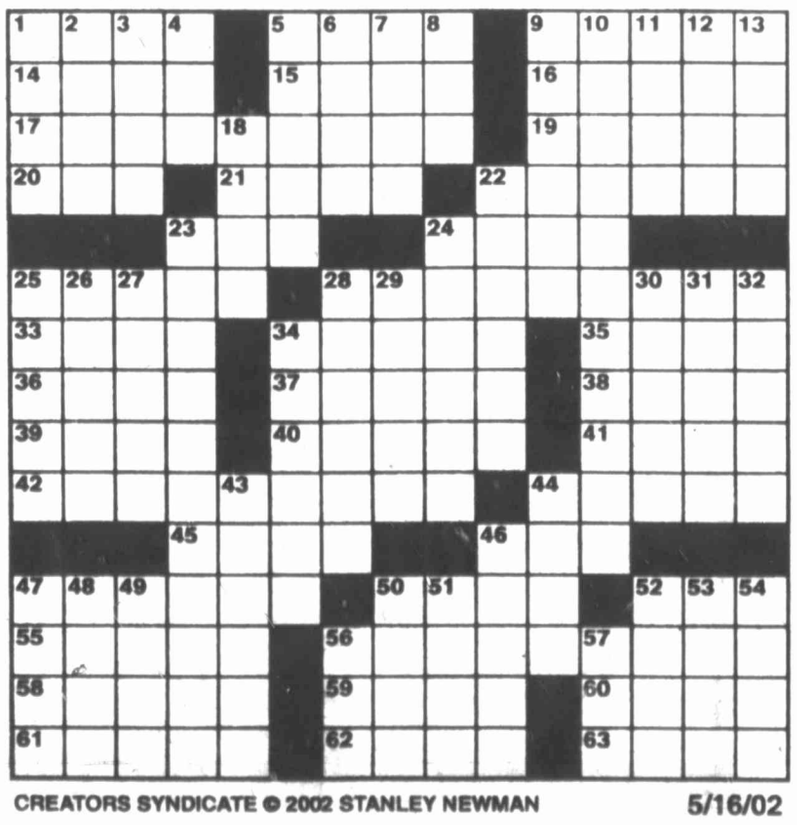
ACROSS
1 Carveable gem
5 56 Down output
9 More skillful
14 Victim in Genesis
15 Take a shine to
16 Designer Ashley
17 "Who did you vote for in 2000?"
19 Head honcho
20 Where swine recline
21 From scratch
22 Subway collection
23 Barrister's wear
24 Stein and Stiller
25 Tastiness
28 Graceful plunges
33 Singer Pinza
34 Dreads
35 Skirt type
36 Biloxi is on one
37 Compadre
38 Asked on bended knee
39 Part of UAE
40 Copious flow
41 "Of course!"
42 Cast back, as light
44 Donne and Bradstreet
45 Memo phrase
46 Cacophony
47 Apt to babble
50 Angler's purchase
52 Hardwood tree
55 Indian corn
56 "Who's your favorite comedian?"
58 Judge's directive
59 Lose energy
60 Barely made, as a living
61 Approaches
62 Frame of mind
63 Wide note

DOWN
1 Cupboard containers
2 Lie next to
3 Refuse to obey
4 Santa subordinate
5 Trolley sound
6 Capitol Hill helper
7 Distort
8 __ *Alibi* (Selleck film)
9 Candy bar nut
10 "Who's your favorite toon?"
11 Garage job
12 Oscar role for Julia
13 Joplin compositions
18 Neet rival
22 Stretching muscle
23 "Who's your favorite newsman?"
24 Intruded, with "in"
25 Popeye creator
26 Clear sky color
27 Rice dish
28 Certain Mideastemer
29 Forfeit
30 *Antiques Roadshow* estimate
31 Put to strenuous use
32 Slaw, fries, etc.
34 Pale imitation
43 Joins a contest
44 Gyro bread
46 Cut into cubes
47 "Let's go!"
48 Loser in a fable
49 Musical cowritten by Elton John
50 Con __ (vigorously)
51 Hendrix hairdo
52 "Puppy Love" singer
53 Appear
54 Stevenson fiend
56 S&L convenience
57 NFL official



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