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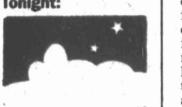
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☐ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin'

☐ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin'

☐ 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. All area seniors are invited.

#### **SATURDAY**

☐ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

☐ The Potton House. 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A onetime admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.

☐ Dance 8:30 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Everyone welcome.

#### SUNDAY

☐ Howard County Memorial Day Ceremony, 2 p.m., Trinity Memorial Park. Everyone is invited.

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# Unveiling public misconceptions surrounding mental illness

By VALERIE AVERY

Special to the Herald

An emotional weakness or bad parenting does not cause mental illness, and most people living with the disease are not dangerous and respond well to treatment. "Sensational stories in the

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media often exaggerate or don't portray a realistic image of mental illness," said West Texas Centers for MHMR CEO Shelley Smith,

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"Until recently, these sources of information have not provided the full picture of the nature and impacts of mental illness," she said. "Movies, such as 'A Beautiful Mind' begin to provide a more complete

"The public believes all See MYTHS, Page 2

people living with mental illnesses are dangerous," Smith said. "But people with mental disabilities actually are more at risk for being taken advantage of by the public instead of being

harmful to others.' In a recent survey conducted by the National Mental Health Association, the following mistaken beliefs were reported on the causes of mental illness:

#### MYTHS OF THE DISEASE

A survey revealed these common yet mistaken beliefs on the causes of mental illness:

- 71 percent thought mental illness was caused by emotional weakness.
- 65 percent believed bad parenting caused mental ill-
- 35 percent felt mental illness was caused by sinful or immoral behavior.
- 43 percent thought people bring on their mental ill-

# In pursuit of something special

## Lawmakers carry torch so athletes can compete

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Big Spring police officers took off in pursuit down Fourth Street Wednesday,

but it wasn't criminals they were after. The pursuit they are on is to bring joy to hearts and smiles to the faces of hundreds of Special LIEDECKE Olympians.



"Seeing those Special Olympians' faces light up when you enter the stadium is why I do it," said Det. Lupe Liedecke. "That's what this is all about."

Liedecke, Cpl. Gilbert Barazza and officer Matt Coates carried the Special Olympics torch out of Big headed Spring, Arlington, where the Olympics are to begin on Friday. Officer Robert Williams participated as far as the edge of town — other duties called. Also making a portion of the run were Special Olympians Robert Edwards and Stacy Wells.

The group accepted the torch from fellow officers during brief ceremonies at Howard Courthouse

Law enforcement officers raise funds each year to make it possible for the Special Olympics to be

"It's a good cause, helping our Big Spring athletes with their competitions,' said Liedecke. "They really



Thumbs up! Athlete Robert Edwards, left, and Big Spring Police Cpl. Gilbert Barazza hold the torch that law enforcement personnel are taking to Arlington for the 2002 Texas Special Olympics Summer Games, Standing behind them during brief ceremonies at the Howard County Courthouse Wednesday are police officer Matt Coates, left, and Midland Police Det. Richard Candelaria, Area 18 coordinator for the torch run.

look forward to it.

"We raise money throughout the year, take everything to Arlington and present it to them," she said.

Bringing the torch to Big Spring were officers from Fort Stockton, Monahans, Odessa and Midland. The group was to be joined by officers in Abilene in their run along Interstate 20. On Friday, law enforcement groups from will converge on UT Arlington Stadium from the north, south, east

and west. "They'll be coming in

from all over. They cover ways we can raise more 2,700 miles," said Joni Cox, funds next year," Smith development director for Area 18.

As a large group of Special Olympians from Howard County cheered and clapped, Big Spring Police Chief Lonnie Smith presented a check for \$2,000 to Cox and Midland Police Det. Richard Candelaria, Texas Law Enforcement Special Olympics and the Area 18 torch run coordina-

"We're already looking at See **TORCH**, Page 2

Mayor Pro Tem Greg Biddison welcomed the Olympians and torch bear ers to the city and Special Olympian Rita Rea thanked the officers for their efforts.

Rea is one of about 45 to 60 athletes from Howard County who participate in various Special Olympic Regional Director for events during the year. Local athletes will not be participating in the games

# Garden City graduation ceremonies are tonight

**HERALD Staff Report** 

Boyd Don Batla and Collene Nicole Cox are the top students for the Garden City High School 2002 graduating class.

Batla, the son of Garry and Darla Batla, has been named valedictorian.

A member of the football and basketball team all four years, Batla was named first team all-district quarterback and defensive back and to the Texas High School Coaches Association



senior year.

salutatorian is Collene Cox,

all-state football team his The 2002 graduating class the daughter of Kenneth vice-president and Beta and Karen Cox. Cox was honorable men-

tion all-district in basketball her junior year and second team all-district her senior year and recognized as Who's Who Among American High School Students.

During her senior year she won district and qualified for region in tennis.

She serves as class secretary, National Honor Society treasurer, Business Professionals of America Club president.

Garden City High School will hold graduation ceremonies at 7 tonight at Ruth Cook Auditorium, 240 Bearkat Lane. The 2002 Garden City

High School graduates are Rachaell Lynn Alvarado, Robert Lee Alvarado, Batla, Sofia Bocanegra, Ruben Claudia R. Briseno, Chavira, Lindsey Nicole Chudej, Matthew James

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with a GPA of 96.45.

## Memorial services set Sunday at Trinity Park When: 2 p.m. Sunday

Where: Trinity Memorial Park, five miles south of Big Spring on U.S. Highway 87

**HERALD Staff Report** 

Crossroads area residents are invited to the annual Howard County Memorial Day Ceremony on Sunday - a short program honoring the memory of service men and women.

The ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. on the grounds of Memorial Park, five miles south of Big Spring on U.S. Highway 87.

Guest speaker will be Ben Bancroft, local attorney and former major, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

The All Veterans Council of Howard County and the VA Medical Center will be sponsoring the event. Each local veterans organization will lay a wreath at the main flagpole in honor of all Howard County veter-

This will be the 18th year the ceremonies have been held at Trinity Memorial.

"Previously, these groups were going down to the memorial at the courthouse and holding ceremonies there," said Phillip Welch, Trinity Memorial Park manager. "It started with an attempt by the VA and everyone to hold it all together at the cemetery. We've held it here ever since. Traditionally, cemeteries do something for Memorial Day, a service to recognize those killed in action or who have died and who were veterans. It's what Memorial Day is all about

"We have been privileged to have worked with these groups for a number of years now," said Welch.

Groups making wreath presentations will include the Vietnam Veterans, Disabled American Veterans, Daughters of the American Revolution, VFW, American Legion, Ex-POWs and Gold Star Mothers.

Pastor of the day will be the Rev. Dennis Teeters of First Baptist Church. Master of ceremonies will be Leo Welch, former commander of VFW Post 2013.

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# Woods, Nichols are top students at Sands High School

**HERALD Staff Report** 

Brandi Shae Woods of Ackerly is the top graduate for the Sands High School 2002 graduating class.

Graduation ceremonies will begin at 8 p.m. Friday at the school's auditorium, 101 Mustang Ave. with 18 students scheduled to receive their high school

diplomas. As the 2002 class valedictorian. Woods, the daughter of Phil and Karen Woods of Ackerly, graduates with a



grade point average of 97.02. She plans to attend Midland College and pursue a career as a physician's assistant. During her high school

career. Woods has served as varsity basketball captain, student council president, class president, National Honor Society's vice president and on the student advisory committee. She has participated in numerous extracurricular

activities including cheerleading, track, tennis, golf, cross-country University Interscholastic League one-act play. Chance Nichols has been named as the 2002 class

salutatorian and graduates

Nichols, the son of Terry and Dorothy Nichols of Ackerly, plans to attend Angelo State University and later Parker College of Chiropractic.

Earning a number of honors for the high school athletic activities, Nicholas was named to the all-state academic football team. The senior's other honors for football includes being named to the first team all-

district safety, second team all-district quarter-

back and honorable mention all-region defensive

Nichols also as named to the all-state academic basketball team and was honorable mention all-district.

During his career in UIL competition. academic Nichols placed first in district for Lincoln-Douglas Debate, third in regional and was a state finalist.

He also served as National Honor Society president,

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- 71 percent thought mental illness was caused by emotional weakness.
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- 35 percent felt mental illness was caused by sinful or immoral behavior.
- 43 percent thought people bring on their mental illness in some way.

"Some of the misconceptions are that family behavior, not biology, are at the root of a person's mental illness," Smith said. Mental illness is linked to

brain chemistry, stress, genetics and abuse of legal and illegal drugs and is treatable.

"People can recover from mental illness with the right support and rehabilitation," Smith said.

Appropriate medications and therapies can help persons with mental illness live with their disease. Mental health advocates stress that mental illness is no different from other illnesses, such as cancer, diabetes and heart disease.

Scientific evidence supports our role in providing intensive care through community MHMR centers.

West Texas Centers for MHMR provides care for approximately 1,500 people with mental illness in any given month.

"Mental illness is all around us." Smith said. "Most community members don't have to look far to see someone close to them or related to them who has a mental illness. It is, and always has been, an integral part of our families and communities.

'Acceptance of mental illness begins at home with family members and neighbors," she said. "A better understanding of the illness and the effective treatment for it help reduce stigma and make seeking help a normal, acceptable thing to

For assistance for mental Campbell, Texas Centers for MHMR at Davis Grigg, Steven Chase 15 mental health centers in Bodine Aubrey the 23 rural counties served by West Texas Centers for West Texas Centers for

MHMR is the designated Gilberto local mental health and Hernandez mental retardation authority providing services to Anacleto Lee Casas, Jose 2,200 people a month with mental illness and mental Carlos Manuel Plata Diaz. retardation. West Centers serves Andrews Borden, Crane, Dawson, Fisher. Gaines, Garza. Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels Terrell, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum counties

May is National Mental Health Month.

#### **TORCH**

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this weekend in Arlington. but were pleased to cheer the torch through Big Spring. "We appreciate all of the

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officers who take part in ally it's done the other this," said Kaye Wylie, who heads up the Howard County Special Olympics delegation and is a coach for the team. "It's really wonderful what they do.'

## **VETERANS**

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Music will be provided by Stan Hanes, First Baptist Church music minister. The program will last about 30 minutes.

Boys Scouts of the Buffalo Trail Council will be placing miniature American flags on veterans graves at Trinity Memorial Park on Saturday and will remove them on Tuesday.

#### **GRADS**

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Cmerek, Tyler Douglas Coats, Cox and Justin Scott Crowley

Also graduating are Curtis Alan Eggemeyer, Yvonne Escamilla, Matthew Paul Frysak, Adnaloy Gamboa, Kendall Reed Goodwin, Darren Scott Hillger, Ashley Nicole Hirt, Anthony Lloyd Hoelscher, Lori Amber Judith Hoelscher, Alma Lopez, Rosa Elena Najera, Neufeld, Heinrich K. Amanda Olivo, Travis J. Pelzel, Kayla Gail Roberts, Kristina Nicole Scott, Jose Antonio Talamantes Jr., Angela Berenice Tenorio, Maria de Jesus Tenorio,

#### **SANDS**

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student advisory committee and senior class vice-president and the Celebration of Educational Excellence award and the Optimist Club award.

Students graduating with honors are: Amber Gay Barkoswky, Jacob Wayne Gerardo health issues, call West Alejandro Flores, Jackson (915) 263-0007 or any of the Nichols, Stacey Lynn Lavne Foster, Tinsey Brook Grigg, April Suzanne Kennemer and Jaci Nichole Ybarra.

Other gradutes are Cruz Ibarra, Martinez, Veronica Martinez, Luis Martinez Flores and

#### Chandra Levy's parents distraught, in seclusion after death confirmed

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) The parents of Chandra Levy remained secluded in their home Wednesday after learning that a body found in a Washington, D.C., park was that of their long-missing daughter.

Dr. Robert and Susan Levy were said to be distraught and did not immediately plan to appear in public.

"Two parents have just received the most horrifying news that any parent could ever get," family spokeswoman Judy Smith said outside the family's home Wednesday afternoon. "Certainly no parent ever thinks that they would bury their child. You know, usu-

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way."

Washington Police Chief Charles H. Ramsey said he told a family lawyer that dental records confirmed the identity of the skeletal remains, found not far from Chandra's apartment in the Capitol.

Outside the family's onestory brick home, a crowd of reporters massed on the sidewalk and a wall of satellite trucks lined the street. It was a replay of last summer, when Chandra's disappearance — and her romantic links to the area's longtime Democratic congressman, Gary Condit gripped the nation.

A friend had been at the Levy house Wednesday morning and left just before the remains were identified. "They held out so much hope, and they've been so strong. It's just devastating to them," Donna Raley said.

Neighbor Joanne Tittle's eyes were red and puffy from crying. "My gut instinct was hopeful," she said. "I hoped she was in a foreign county or something.'

Ribbons that lined neighborhood trees and lamp posts a year ago were tattered and faded.

Condit, who lost re-election in March after his political support crumbled amid the scandal, was in Washington Wednesday. His offices referred all calls to his Los Angeles attorney, Mark Geragos.

"Congressman Condit and his family want to express their heartfelt sorrow and condolences to the Levy family. The Levy family will remain in our prayers," the lawyer said.

Gov. Gray Davis said Wednesday he and his wife were "deeply grieved. ... I hope the Levys find some sense of closure from today's event." Levy had worked as an intern in Davis' office before moving to Washington for an internship with the federal Bureau of Prisons.

Geragos said Levy's death seems to parallel the cases of two other missing girls in Washington and supports Condit's belief that a serial killer may be respon-

#### New way of attacking cancer improves symptoms

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - A once-a-day pill that slows cancer by jamming its internal growth signals shows encouraging benefits in terminally ill lung cancer patients, quickly easing symptoms for many

Research released Saturday showed that the drug, called Iressa, can shrink tumors in some patients who have failed all other therapy. But perhaps even more important for these patients, it relieves cancer symptoms in onethird or more of cases.

The drug, not yet approved for routine use, is one of the new class of socalled targeted therapies

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that works by specifically interfering with cancer rather than all fast-growing tissue, as standard chemotherapy does. As a result, it carries far fewer side effects, and patients often can safely take it for months or even years.

#### BRIEFS

**DISABLED AMERICAN** VETERANS BARBECUE fundraiser will be held at Comanche Trail Park 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, June 1.

Burgers, hot dogs, fixings, dessert. Advance tickets are \$5 and are available at L&M Auto, Goliad and FM 700. For more information call 263-5163.

FREEDOM PARADE WILL be held Saturday, July 6. Please call Russ Mullins at 394-4277 for more information if you would like to participate in the parade.

USS Sperry (AS-12)Submarine Tender Crewmembers from 1942-1982. Oct. 10-12 at the Victorian Condo/Hotel in Galveston.

Contact Arnold Ross, 2916 Colonial Dr., Dickinson - on a charge of criminal 77539-4439, or call 281-534-E-mail ARoss14573@aol.com

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

JoAnn Forest at 267-6286 or Bill Birrell at 263-0659.

Care Center

2002 Summer Program. For more information call 263-

ASSOCIATION IS attempting to get 911 addresses on former Forsan students.

newsletter

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JOINTLY sponsored by Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. Paul Lutheran Church will be held from June 2 to June 6 at St. Paul Lutheran Church located at 810

Children ages 3-12 are invited to attend our Godzwerkus Circus School VBS program form 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. For more information call the church office of Immaculate Heart of Mary at 267-4124 or St. Paul Lutheran Church at 267-7163.

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**QUIN.** 38, of 602 N.W. Sev enth St. was arrested on charges of public intoxica tion and theft less than \$50. BRAULIO BENTAN-

CUR, 30, of 801 Willia was arrested on a Wharton County warrant SNOOKIE DARLENE **POE**, 27, of 2911 W. High

way 80 No. 111 was arrested on a charge of false state ment for property or credit · ASSAULT CLASS C was reported in the 1500 block of Lincoln

· DOMESTIC DISTUR BANCE was reported in the 1000 block of North Main Street, the 800 block of Willia Street and the 900 block of Willia Street. · DISTURBANCE or

FIGHT was reported in the

2000 block of South Goliad

and the 800 block of East 10th Street. MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 500 block of East FM 700, the 1200 block of East 11th Place, the 1600 block of

East 11th Place and the 2200 block of Cecilia Street LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 1600

block of Cardinal Street. • BURGLARY OF A VE HICLE was reported in the 800 block of South Owens. Someone reportedly broke a window of a brown 1996 Mazda causing \$300 damage before stealing a black CD case containing 25 to 30 compact discs worth \$250

 THEFT was reported: At H-E-B Grocery Store in the 2000 block of South



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\$33 was reported stolen. - At Wal-Mart in the 200 block of West FM 700. A baseball cap worth \$6.96 was reported stolen and later recovered.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:

 In the 600 block of McEwen Street. A window worth \$30 was reported bro ken at the home. - In person at the police

station. A blue 1992 Pontiac reportedly sustained \$400 damage in the incident. In the 700 block of West

Seventh Street. A green 1993 Saturn reportedly sus tained \$500 damage in the incident. - At Goliad Elementary

School in the 2000 block of South Goliad. A safety glass door at the school reportedly sustained \$300 damage in the incident. - In the 1000 block of

North Main Street. Some one reportedly broke a win dow at the residence before inflicting \$2,494 damage to household goods.

## FIRE/EMS

The following is a summery of EMS and Fire Department activity

10:51 a.m. — 3200 block of Parkway, medical call, one patient transported to VA Medical Center. 10:53 a.m. — 1700 block of

Lancaster, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 12:28 p.m. — 3200 block of Parkway, medical call, one

patient transported to SMMC. 2:11 p.m. — 3300 block of Fordham, medical call, one

patient transported to SMMC 4:01 p.m. — 1800 block of Hwy 87, medical call, one patient transported to

SMMC. 6:58 p.m. — 500 block of W. Hwy 87, medical call, service refused

7:08 p.m. - 400 block of

Haven, medical call, one patient transported to **SMMC** 8:43 p.m. - 2500 block of Hunter, medical call, one

patient transported to

**SMMC** 

11:59 p.m. - 900 block of Willa, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

#### RECORDS

Wednesday's high 87 Wednesday's low 67 Record high 104 in 1953 Record low 42 in 1930 Average high 87 Average low 60 Precip. Wednesday 0.00 Month to date 0.00 Year to date 4.30 Sunrise Friday 6:43 a.m. Sunset Friday 8:43 p.m.



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Thursday, I

Big Spring, Is where my raised us

Mom taught respect For no less expect. She is like a rose

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#### READERS CORNER

Big Spring, Texas Is where my parents raised us Mom taught us how to

respect For no less did she expect. She is like a beautiful

My brothers, sisters, and I are really close. My mother knew only

one man She knew she wore a wedding band.

Fresh tortillas, rice, and Oh boy, sometimes she

could be really mean. Not because she wanted

But, because she wanted us to be true I could not have asked for a better role model

Even though she didn't like to cuddle She showed us so much

I swear she was sent from up above

She is like a guardian angel always trying to feed all. Pray for us is what she

mostly does To her we are all a great

I don't know what I

would do The day I couldn't be with you Please God take good care

Without her I would be tore.

There's no one like Victoria Escovedo Beside her, I never feel

I love you so much. Mother By the way, I love you

too, father. Mary Ann Escovedo

A Heart A heart that has never known love is like a flower that has

never felt the gentle warmth of the morning sun. A heart that has never

known the sweetness of

is like a bird that has no song to sing. A heart that has known

love is like a sky void of all color A heart that has never

known love

isn't really a heart, but just an empty vessel for God gave us hearts so we could love others for love is truly a priceless gift to have and share.

Grow and Be Fruitful A tree, it seems to me Is a perfect example of

Lana F. Anguiano



**Five Generations** 

The family of Ofella Flores gives thanks to God for their five generations who all live in Big Spring. From left are Ofelia Flores, Oralia Tovias, Susie Avalos Lorenza Ontiveros and Juan Ontiveros.

What God meant it to be. Without a protest. A whimper or complaint It don't try to be Something it can't. A tree grows where it's

planted Can't ramble and roam Wherever birth is That's a living trees home.

It brings forth Blossoms, leaves and fruit.

It keeps growing upward

It puts down root. Patiently waiting. Each day much the same, For a bath, and a drink,

Of Heaven's pure rain.,

It stands firm in storms Its branches held high To God in the sky. Perhaps it's praising The God of all things For nourishing care that Each season brings. A lesson we might learn, Yes, you and me Grow and fruitful as God meant us to be. Martha Anderson Peugh

Cool Water On his bed he lay, by the he said, "I'm so thirsty

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window, and tired

I would like a cool drink from the well out back in the yard."

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Just take the old dipper with you I'll lie here and rest for a spell.

and wait for a drink of cold water when you come back

from the well.

I went to the well for the water.

and when I returned to his side,

he looked like he was only a-sleeping but while I was gone he had died.

I took me a dipper of because he'd been thirsty

and tired I sprinkled his lips with cool water

from the well, out back in the vard. Bernice Reed Jones

**Knott Reunion 2002** The 1957 graduating class of Knott High School held their 45th reunion on Friday night May 17, at Gale's Garden Room. It was exactly on the same date and night 45 years Nine of the 10 students

that graduated attended. They were:

Woodie Long and wife, Alice, Joan Allred Blagrave and husband, Derwood, Helen Smith Rowe and husband, Richard, Elaudio Rodriguez and wife, Gloria, J. T. Boney and wife, Linda, Doyle Railsback and wife, Mary, Joyce Railsback Nichols and husband, Willie, Flossy Ann Williams Alexander and Bruce Parker.

Class members reminisced as they shared high school and senior trip pictures. Mrs. Nichols read the class history and it brought back many fond and funny memories of classmates and teachers.

All classmates live in Howard Country with the exception of Helen Rowe, who lives in Commerce.

They plan to have another reunion in two years and were pleased that no one of the 10 that graduated had passed away after 45 years.

# There may be a cure for the summertime babysitting blues

For those of us with children summer is fast approaching and although it should be a time of vacationing and fun family time it can also be a time of added stress.

Summer also brings with it the ghastly brain disease that effects the vocal cords and psyche of many children and causes them to repeatedly regurgatate the dreaded mantra, "I'm booored, there's nothing to doooo!"

In severe cases the child will begin to emit a high-pitched nasal whine that is sometimes enough to drive Mom or Dad to the placebo doctor.

On the other hand some children will be deprived of sleeping late, once a summertime staple, dren. because they will be attending daycare.

However, for those who can't . afford daycare or choose to hire a babysitter, finding someone reliable can be like finding a plausable story line in the new Star Wars movie.

Traditionally, baby-sitting is often thought of as an easy afterschool or summer job, but many

baby sitters don't take into account the responsibilities of caring for someone else's chil-

who will be spending eight hours

or more with your child it would probably be a good idea to get

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references whether you are paying them or not. And ideally the would be sitter should be CPR certified and know how to administer first aid. Realistically, this probably is not going to be the case, but

there are some things the baby sitter must know and be prepared for. When interviewing someone for

the job of caring for your child the following should be considered, does he or she know how to read a label on a medicine bottle and how to give the correct amount of medicine whether its a prescription medicine or an overthe-counter medicine such as Tylenol or Benadryl

when to call 911 and what information should be given (name and address, condition of the child, a list of any medications the child is on, allergies if any, and the child's age, height and weight).

Ask what experience the candidate has with children, is there a criminal record, how does she interact with the child and does she know how to get in touch with you

A set of house rules should be established, whether the sitter is an adolescent or an adult, such as telephone time, friends dropping by, television, feeding and cleaning the child, etc.

What is expected from the baby sitter should be discussed including and especially issues of disci-Does the person know how and pline. Let them know what is and your child is placed in.

isn't allowed and how to deal with tempers and conflicts and when they should call you.

For older children or for parents who are able to spend part of the day with their child there are other alternatives for summertime activities that range from affordable to fairly expensive including 4H activities, the YMCA, and Kid's College offered by Howard College.

Some places of employment are becoming much more family friendly and may even offer discounts on a certain daycare or may offer flex time off or job

Juggling a job and family is difficult to say the least, but help is out there and great consideration should be given to what situation

#### Massive bloodstream infections on the rise, study says, but infections are less deadly

ATLANTA (AP) - Sepsis, organs by rampant inflamthe bloodstream infection that destroys the body's organs by causing massive inflammation, is increasing at a rapid rate in the United States, according to a 20vear study released Tuesday.

The rate of sepsis infections rose an average of 16 percent a year from 1979 to costs each year in the 1999, the latest year for which statistics are available, said the study by Emory University and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The total increase for the two-decade period was 329 percent.

Researchers said the rise is probably because doctors are becoming more adept at diagnosing the infections, and because overuse of antibiotics is creating drugresistant germs, making the infections harder to fight.

Sepsis sets off a chemical reaction that cripples the body's ability to break up kills 30 percent to 40 per-

mation.

It can be a complication of trauma, surgery or many illnesses

Patients can be treated with antibiotics and fluids. but the infection still kills about 225,000 Americans a year. It accounts for about \$15 billion in health care United States, the study

The good news: Sepsis is becoming less deadly as doctors learn to recognize it more quickly.

The infection killed patients about 17 percent of the time in 1999, compared with 29 percent in 1979, the study said.

Last year, the federal government approved the first drug — Eli Lilly & Co.'s Xigris — to treat sepsis infections directly, by slowing the clotting and inflammation.

In severe cases, sepsis blood clots, choking off cent of the people it strikes,

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but Xigris cuts the chances to about 25 percent, the researchers said, making early diagnosis even more critical.

"If you wait even four to eight hours to begin antibiotic therapy, the mortality from sepsis worsens considerably," said Dr. Greg Martin, an Emory lung expert.

The study was compiled from a 20-year analysis of hospital discharge reports. The results were presented at the annual conference of the American Thoracic Society, taking place this week in Atlanta.

#### Tropical Salsa (makes four serv

ings) 1 cup (246 g) finely diced fresh

pineapple 1 large ripe mango,

peeled. and finely diced

tomatillos 1 small jalapeno chile

1/4 cup (40 g) minced red

#### This cool salsa has a tropical flare 2 tablespoons (8 g)

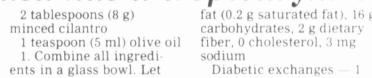


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minced cilantro before serving.

1/2 cup (66 g) finely diced

pepper, seeded and minced grated zest and juice of 1



stand at room temperature for at least 15 minutes consumer science agent for

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carbohydrate (fruit), 1/2 fat Katie Walker is the family

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#### OUR VIEWS

# Graduation is a time for new beginnings

t is once again graduation time. A couple of weeks ago, Howard College and SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf undertook the annual ritual. Garden City holds ceremonies tonight while Big Spring, Sands and Stanton high school seniors will receive their diplomas on Friday night.

Grady seniors will walk the stage on Saturday and Forsan and Coahoma will honor their graduates on Friday, May 31.

We are proud of each of them.

But this season brings to mind more than caps, gowns and "Pomp and Circumstance." It is often said, but it is true: Graduation is not just the end of another school year. It is a once-in-a-lifetime chance for a new beginning.

For some, it is the opportunity to take on the responsibility of a job and a more independent life. For others, it is the end of one season of school and the move on to another level of education or training.

For the high school graduate, this is definitely a turning point. Many of them will look back in 10 years or even 20, and say, "What if I had ...?" or "Why didn't I ....?"

That is why we urge all of our area high school seniors to take this time seriously. Yes, It is a busy time, but you absolutely must take time to stop and really think about where you are going. The decisions you make today will affect you for years to come, perhaps for a lifetime.

Congratulations to all our area graduates! You have accomplished something which you and your family can be proud.

Now is the chance for you to set the stage for your future. Be sure your decisions are made with the long term in mind.

While you may not like the idea of more books, more studying or even just one more test, the fact is that today, education beyond high school is usually essential to getting a good job.

That does not mean the traditional college education is your only answer. In fact, there are many options, but be sure you check them out and make your plans as soon as possible.

You will be glad you did, and our community, your home, will be the better for it.

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# We don't owe Israel anything at a

resident Bush continues to delude himself that Israel's prime minister, Ariel Sharon, is interested in peace. Mr. Sharon has no intention of ever seriously negotiating with

Palestinians. First it was the violence, then it was Yasser Arafat, and now Mr. Sharon says he won't negotiate until the

CHARLEY REESE

Palestinian Authority cleans up corruption and becomes more democratic presumably according to his definition.

That's arrogant hogwash. of course. If democracy and no corruption were the conditions for negotiations, there wouldn't be a single treaty between any nations on the face of the earth. Sharon intends to just drag things out, as the Israelis have done for more than 10 years, and in the meantime take more Palestinian land and squeeze and harass the Palestinians even more. Americans should wake

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up to reality. Support might have been justified when Israel claimed it wanted peace and no Arab country was willing to talk. But the sole obstacle to peace in the Middle East for the past decade has been Israel. Israel could have had peace with the Palestinians, with the Lebanese and with the Syrians 10 years ago. The offer was there. Withdraw from occupied territories and you can have peace. The Israelis said no, although they disguised the "no" with all kinds of sophistry.

Why should we support a country that is preventing peace? Israel has no right to any of the territory it occupies — not the Bekaa farms, not the Golan Heights, not East Jerusalem, not the West Bank and not the Gaza Strip. The Israelis occupy all that territory in violation of international law.

What's worse, Israel gets away with it because the United States acts as Israel's bodyguard, preventing other nations and the United Nations from taking actions that would force Israel to comply with international law. Israel is not a strategic ally. Israel is a huge strategic liability.

The president's and Congress' foolish support of Israel's illegal acts is not in the nation's interest. It's not, to use the words of the late Walter Winchell, in your interest, Mr. and Mrs. America. It was certainly not in the interest of those who perished in the World Trade Center, at the Pentagon and in the plane that ditched in Pennsylvania.

I hope you don't believe the fairy tale that we were attacked because of our wealth or freedom or because somebody sitting in a distant cave (with hundreds of millions of dollars in various banks, by the way) was jealous. That's disinformation. We were attacked and will be attacked as long as we support Israel's aggression and occupation of other people and their lands.

Personally, I am deeply angered that people I love might die one day just because a bunch of politicians have their hands in the pockets of the Israeli lobby. That is a sordid, stupid and useless reason for any American to die. But never doubt the inexorable truth of the old saying "The friend of my enemy is

my enemy. It is insane to allow Israel

to make its enemies our enemies. Except for the wrong we have done the Iragis, the United States had no bilateral quarrels with any Arab or Muslim nation. The hostility we find in those areas is 100 percent directly attributable to our policy of favoring Israel at the expense of the Arabs.

We have no special relationship with Israel. That's more disinformation to hide the fact that our politicians have just sold out. How can you have a special relationship with a country that takes billions of your tax dollars, attacks your Navy ships, blows up your diplomatic facilities and spies on you? Ask yourself: What has Israel ever done for the United States?

**Unless President Bush** finds the gumption to force Israel to the peace table with a definitive, time-precise plan to withdraw from occupied Arab territories. he will eventually go down as a failed president. American policy should protect American values, not the land-grabbing of Zionist fanatics.

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# We're informed. Are we better off now?

Americans summer if we'd been warned that a major terror ist attack on U.S. soil was imminent? A lot of Monday

quarterbacks in the nation's capital seem to think so. Democrats

have spent the last week pointing fin gers at President Bush and the White House



warn us of the Sept. 11 attack. "They certainly were not forthcoming about the general threat environment that they were facing in July and August," huffed former Clinton White House chief of staff John Podesta to the New York Times

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Sen. Hillary Clinton was even more pointed: Holding up a newspaper with the headline "Bush Knew, Clinton asked, "The president knew what?" Then she called on the president to 'come before the American people at the earliest possible time to answer the questions so many New

Yorkers and Americans are asking.

But no one in his or her right mind believes that President Bush knew that terrorists were going to fly airplanes into the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

What President Bush did know - as did every president before him for at least the last 20 years — is that one day terrorists would attack Americans on U.S. soil. But he didn't know when, where or how the attack would take place. Without that information. it was impossible to foil the plot that killed 3,000 Americans

So what should the president have done in August 2001 after he was warned that intelligence sources thought an attack against American interests was likely in the not too distant future?

If the president had gone public with the information, he probably would have been rebuked by the very same people who are raising a fuss now because he didn't speak out sooner. Remember, last August,

many partisan Democrats were still suggesting that President Bush was the illegitimate occupant of the White House who had "stolen" the election. Had President Bush raised the terrorism issue, he would

have been accused of fear mongering or trying to win popularity by invoking 'national security

Imagine that George W. Bush had gone on the air last summer to suggest that a man named Osama bin Laden and his al Qaeda network were planning to attack the United States. Would Hill Democrats have been prepared to have the FBI start hauling in Arab men with suspected ties to terrorist groups for questioning? Would they have been willing to see illegal immigrants from the Middle East detained and, perhaps, deported?

Would they have been willing to appropriate more funds for better airport security, at the expense of, say, day care? Would they have authorized new wire tap laws that made it easier to intercept calls from suspected terrorists? Would they have been willing to freeze assets of Islamic "charity" front groups that fund terrorists? I doubt it.

And what would the public's response have been? Half the population those who voted for President Bush or generally supported what he'd done in his first several months in office — would have been scared by the president's warning. But they

couldn't have done much. The other half, those who opposed the president, would probably have ignored the warning, or worse, turned it into a new reason to demonize Bush.

That's not to say that nothing could have been done to prevent the Sept. 11 attacks. The United States could have been better prepared to fight terrorism, but the preparation would have had to have started a long time ago — certainly before George W. Bush took office, maybe even before Bill Clinton became president.

What's more, it would have required a commitment from the American people that just wasn't there until the terrorist threat became a reality

Even now, not quite nine months after planes hit the World Trade Center and Pentagon, and with American troops still fighting in Afghanistan, life has pretty much gone back to normal in the country

Vice-president Cheney warned this weekend, "The prospects of a future attack on the U.S. are almost a certainty. It could happen tomorrow, it could happen next week, it could happen next year, but they will keep trying." Are we better off now that we've been properly warned?



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#### Indiana town haunted by low hum

KOKOMO, Ind. (AP) - It started as a low hum, barely noticeable. But within months, the endless throbbing was like a corkscrew twisting into Diane Anton's temple.

The walls of her home vibrated. Her bed shook. Bouts of nausea, short-term memory loss and hand tremors followed.

"The noise was so penetrating and invasive," she said. "It was just not getting better."

So Anton quit her job, abandoned her \$180,000 house and fled. She was the first person driven out of the city by what's come to be known as "the Kokomo hum." But she may not be the last.

As many as 90 people in this industrial, central Indiana city of about 47,000 have complained about a low-frequency hum over the past three years, City Attorney Ken Ferries said.

While most residents don't hear a thing, beyond the typical sounds of the city's factories and busy roads, the City Council approved a \$100,000 study of the mysterious noise, often described as the constant idle of tractor trailer's diesel engine.

"We decided, rather than sit on our duffs and talk about it, let's try to do something," Ferries said. The city intends to request proposals for the study by the end of the month.

Those who suffer the hum, and have had years to educate themselves about low-frequency sound, say it's about time.

They point to evidence, grounded in science, that exposure to consistent, lowfrequency noise can cause vibroacoustic disease. It has symptoms that mirror the ailments those in Kokomo are complaining about - nausea, headaches and dizziness, to name a

Unidentified sounds that bother a handful of people have popped up in communities around the world, but because so few are affected, the issue hasn't received much attention.

In Taos, N.M., a small town in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, some residents were bothered by a mysterious noise in the early 1990s. They, too, described the sound as a diesel truck idling in the distance, and said it caused sleeplessness, dizziness and a host of other symptoms.

On the Puerto Rican island of Vieques, people have long complained of health problems caused by low-frequency sound coming from a U.S. Navy bombing range. The Navy has discounted those claims, and continues bombing in the area.

Some in Kokomo claim city government knows the noise comes from an industrial source but believe officials are in cahoots with local industry and refuse to make companies fix the problem.

Others view a wider conspiracy, that the federal government is well aware of low-frequency sound problems but ignores them to appease large corporations.

"It's just like every other major environmental issue. It all comes down to money," Anton said.

Ferries, the city attorney, said such claims are ridiculous. Kokomo's investment in research shows officials are taking it seriously, he

Kathie Sickles, who lives near Kokomo, spends most of her free time trying to educate people about the She packages research papers and other sound studies in bright-colored plastic folders and hands them out to City Council members. She makes flyers for the public, "SOUND POLLUTION CAN HURT YOU!," filled with Internet addresses and lists of symptoms associated with exposure to

low-frequency sound. "People need to know this is going on," said Sickles, who formed a group called Our Environment. "People are getting sick and nothing's being done."



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## Mississippi From A to Z



Mississippi, a state in the Deep South, is the 31st most-populated state, with about 3 million people.

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WAR, BLUES, CATFISH, DELTA, ELVIS, LAKES, GULFPORT,

Mini Spy and her friends are visiting the Longwood Mansion in

Natchez, Miss. See if you can find: • muffin • squirrel • fish • say

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Bill: What lemon buys things at an

Sally: The pitcher!

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African-Americans have played an important part in

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After the Civil War, laws separated, or segregated, black and white people in areas such as restaurants and rest rooms. In the 1960s, Mississippi was at the center of the civil rights movement, which fought segregation.

Today more than one-third of the

population is African-American

The Blues, a form of music that led to jazz, country and rock, was born in

the Mississippi Delta region. It sprang from the music of slaves working in the fields. Many great blues musicians have been from the state.

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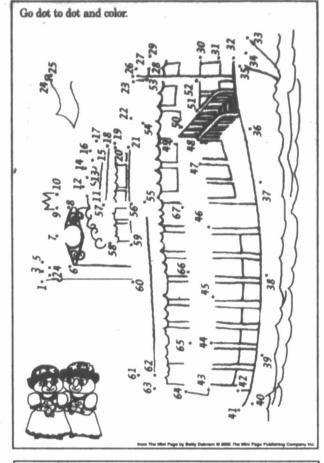
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The Mississippi Delta, covering the western part of the state, has some of the richest soil in the country. It was deposited for centuries by the floodwaters of the Mississippi



Elvis Presley grew up in Tupelo. His rock 'n' roll music was inspired by Mississippi blues.

More than 200 different species of Fish are in Mississippi waters and the Gulf of Mexico. They include largemouth bass, shrimp, crab and





#### Rookie Cookie's Recipe Easy Cheesy Cake

• 1 box lemon cake mix • 1 (2-pound) carton ricotta cheese

• 4 eggs • <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup sugar

 1 teaspoon vanilla What to do:

1. Prepare lemon cake mix following directions on box, but do not bake.

2. Pour batter into a greased 9-by-13-inch pan. 3. Combine remaining ingredients in a large bowl

4. Pour cheese mixture evenly over batter.

5. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 1 hour. When cool, cut into squares.

Gus Goodsport's Report **Kids! You're Supersport: Todd Stottlemyre** Height: 6-3 Birthdate: 5-20-65 Weight: 195 College: U. of Nevada-Las Vegas A Kid's Guide to the White Todd Stottlemyre has been a Major League **House** is a terrific behind-the-scene: pitcher since 1988. He now plays for the Arizona Written with the cooperation of the

Diamondbacks. Before that he played for the Toronto Blue Jays, the Oakland Athletics, the St. Louis Cardinals and the Texas Rangers. His best year was 1991 when he won 15 games for the Blue Jays. He won 14 games in 1995, 1996 and 1998. His lowest earned run average was 3.74 in 1998.

Todd was born in Sunnyside, Wash. He volunteers with several charities, including the Leukemia Society, the Make-A Wish Foundation and the United Way. He has a daughter, Rachel, 6. He likes playing golf and fishing. His father, Mel, is a pitching coach for the New York Yankees.

#### Meet Norah Jones



Norah Jones sings and plays the piano. Her first album came out in

Norah, 23, was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and moved to Grapevine, Texas, when she was 4. At age 5, she started singing in her

church choir. At 7 she started piano lessons. She also plays the saxophone. Her first performance was when she was 16. Norah studied at a performing arts high school in Dallas and went on to study piano at the University of

When she was 20, she moved to New York and joined a band before starting a solo career. She has a half-sister.

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In the 1830s, "King Cotton" turned Mississippi into one of the wealthiest states in the United States. Slave labor, the invention of the cotton gin and the rich soil of the Mississippi Delta allowed landowners to make big profits and build beautiful plantation homes, some of which are



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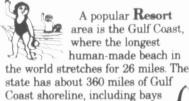
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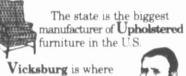


paper are big industries.

The **Stennis** NASA Space Center in Bay St. Louis is the biggest rocket-testing complex in the United States.

and inlets.

Temperatures in the winter average around the high 50s, summers in the mid-90s.



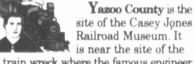
U.S. Gen. Ulysses Grant laid siege for 47 days. The city finally surrendered on July 4, 1863.

This was a turning point in the war, because with Vicksburg's capture, Union troops gained control of the Mississippi River.



Many world-famous Writers have come from Mississippi, including William Faulkner, Tennessee Williams and mystery writer John Grisham.

BiloXi is a top area for fishers and seafood packers and canners. It gets its name from the Biloxi Indians who lived near the Gulf Coast. It is also the site of a major Air Force base.



Railroad Museum. It is near the site of the train wreck where the famous engineer gave his life to save his crew.

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#### **Bulldogettes to play** Comanche on Friday

Coahoma's Bulldogettes will seek a return to the Class 2A state baseball tournament following a one-year hiatus at 7 p.m. Friday when they face Comanche's Lady Indians in the Region I championship game at Abilene Christian University's Wells Field.

The Bulldogettes (18-12) reached the regional title game with a 5-2 win over Eula's Lady Pirates, while the Lady Indians (19-8) advanced with a 12-0 win over Colorado City's Lady Wolves.

#### Ragball tournament slated for weekend

A ragball tournament has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Entry fees are \$10 per player. Teams must have a minimum of 10 players and no more than 15.

Players must be 13 or older and register between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. on Saturday.

For more information, call Jason Canales at 268-

#### CGA scholarship tournament slated

The Chicano Golf Association of Big Spring will hold its annual Golf Scholarship Tournament Saturday and Sunday, June 8-9, at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Entry fees for the twoperson scramble event are \$60 per player. Mulley Mulligans are \$10 both days. Fees do not include

Teams will be flighted round.

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

#### 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.

Avery and his staff will provide camp instruction. Campers will be divided into appropriate age groups.

The camp fee is \$45 and will cover instruction, a camp T-shirt, a camp photograph and certificate.

Send applications and fees to Avery in care of Big Spring High School, 707 11th Place, Big Spring, 79720.

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

#### Wynn benefit scramble set July 13

A four-man scramble with proceeds to benefit the Matt Wynn family of Coahoma will be held July 13 at Comanche Trails Golf Course.

Entry is \$200 a team. A 2002 F-150 Ford supercab will be presented for a hole-in-one. Prizes will also be awarded for longest drive and closest

to the pin. There will be two flights.

For more information or for tee times, call Denise Coates at 393-5584.

# Rogers ends another losing skid for Rangers with 6-5 win

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - Kenny Rogers has been the one pitcher this season the Texas Rangers could rely on for a streak-stopping start.

Rogers pitched seven strong innings and Mike Lamb hit a threerun homer Wednesday to lead the Rangers to a 6-5 victory over the Minnesota Twins, ending their five-

"We needed this win pretty bad," said Rogers, now 5-2 with a 3.10 ERA. "You want to be the guy who can go out there and stop it."

Rogers gave up six hits, three runs, two walks and struck out two for Texas, which lost six of its first seven on a 12-game roadtrip.

Mientkiewicz, who returned after a six-game absence because of a badly sore wrist, had trouble keeping up. "He looked like he was throwing

250 mph," Mientkiewicz said. After giving up a two-run single to Denny Hocking that pulled the Twins to 4-3, Rogers retired 10 of the last 11 batters he faced.

"Kenny Rogers is a good pitcher," Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said. "He's tough on anybody. He can make a lot of people have some tough at-bats."

Minnesota starter Kyle Lohse (3-3) completed six innings, allowing seven hits, four runs and a walk

Twins first baseman Doug while striking out five. After giving up consecutive one-out singles in the fourth inning, Lohse made his one mistake to Lamb on an 0-2

"I battled pretty hard," Lohse said. "That's going to happen." A precautionary day off for Rafael Palmeiro opened up a spot for Lamb in the Texas lineup, and the

Rangers' substitute first baseman responded with a big game at the

"I'm not known for hitting home runs, so when I do it I like the feeling," said Lamb, who tied a career high with three RBIs. "You never want to have a losing streak, and we

needed every run we scored today.' Herbert Perry led off the Texas ninth with a single against Eddie Guardado, who picked up Lamb's bunt and tried to get Perry at second base. The throw went into center field, and Bill Haselman was walked intentionally one out later to load the bases for Rusty Greer, who drove in a pair of runs with a single to make it 6-3.

Hideki Irabu struggled to get his 11th save in 12 chances and had a 12-inning scoreless streak stopped by the Twins.

Denny Hocking, who's 9-for-24 in his last six games, singled and scored on Cristian Guzman's triple.

## Lady Steers earn honors on 4-4A team By JOHN A. MOSELEY season, while Hufford, a Managing Editor

After both

teams advanced to the Class 4A regional semifinals, some might have expected Andrews' Lady Mustangs and Big Spring's Lady Steers to dominate the ballots of coaches who selected the All-District 4-4A Softball Team.

And to some extent, the league champion Lady Mustangs and runners-up Lady Steers did just that. However, the all-district first team also included several Snyder players, as well as a sprinkling of standouts from third-place finisher San Angelo Lake View as well as Frenship and Levelland.

Andrews did lead the way, however, as a trio of Lady Mustangs seniors — Sonya Figueroa, Candice Minatra and Nikki Baeza — topped the superlatives list when they shared Most Valuable Player honors. Andrews' Eddie Bane was also his peers' choice for Coach of the Year.

Big Spring garnered its share of the top awards, however, as senior second baseman Bridget Cain, who finished the season with a .429 batting average, was picked as Defensive Player of the Year.

Lady Steers freshman pitcher Alex Watkins, who fashioned a 1.07 ERA and batted at a .488 clip, was selected as the league's Newcomer of the Year.

Offensive Player of the Year honors were shared by Frenship junior Amanda Milan and Lake View senior Jennifer Hill.

Ironically, Snyder's Lady Tigers, despite missing the playoffs, placed the same number of players on the all-district first team — five

as Andrews. The Lady Mustangs were represented by sophomore first baseman Sara Badgett, sophomore second baseman Kacie Lightfoot, junior outfielder Holly Hicks, freshman designated hitter Kendra Corbin and sophomore pitcher Amy Burnett.

The Lady Tigers fivesome included junior shortstop Shelly Fisk, junior third baseman Dara Chambers, junior outfielder Chaelyn Robinson, sophomore designated hitter Missy Masquez and senior catcher Vanessa Freeman.

Big Spring placed a trio of players – Leina Braxton, Nicole Chesworth and Erica Stewart — on the first team. Braxton, a sophomore outfielder, batted .438 on the season, while Chesworth, a senior outfielder, batted at a .357 clip. Stewart, the Lady Steers' sophomore catcher, boasted a .432 batting aver-

In addition, four Lady Steers players - Laura Olague, Whitney Hufford, Trista Casey and Jamie Long — were selected for the second team, while senior center fielder Tracy Padilla was an honorable mention selection.

Olague, a sophomore first baseman, batted .327 on the

sophomore shortstop, hit at a .405 clip.

Casey, the Lady Steers' senior third baseman, batted .362 on the year and classmate Long, the designated hitter in the Big Spring lineup, batted at a .276 clip.

In addition to Andrews', Big Spring's and Snyder's first-team selections, the top team included Levelland junior outfielder Ana Salazar; Lake View's Allison Hill, a freshman utility player, and Josie Jungman, a senior pitcher; and Frenship's Kellee Reichelt, a junior outfielder, and Courtney Countryman, a sophomore utility player.

The remainder of the second team included Andrews' Mandy Waldron and Angie Davila; Snyder's Valerie Hernandez, Leticia (Boogie) Martinez and Ashley Martinez; Frenship's Christin English, Jamie Robertson and Christina Day; Levelland's Christian Bencomo and Jacqie Madison; and Plainview's Leonela Almanza.

#### 2002 DISTRICT 4-4A ALL-DISTRICT SOFTBALL TEAM

**SUPERLATIVES** 

FIRST TEAM

First base: Sara Badgett, Soph

Second base: Kacie Lightfoot, Shortstop: Shelley Fisk, Jr.

Third base: Dara Chambers, Jr.

Outflelders: Chaelyn Robinson Ir., Snyder; Ana Salazar, Jr. Levelland; Leina Braxton, Soph., Big Spring; Nicole Chesworth, Sr., Big Spring; Kellee Reichelt, Jr. Frenship; Holly Hicks, Jr., Andrews. Utility: Allison Hill, Fresh., Lake

View; Courtney Countryman, Soph., Frenship. Designated hitters: Kendra Corbin, Fresh., Andrews; Missy Vasquez, Soph., Snyder, Pitchers: Amy Burnett, Soph.

Andrews; Josie Jungman, Sr., Lake Catchers: Vanessa Freeman, Sr., Snyder; Erlca Stewart, Soph.,

**SECOND TEAM** First base: Laura Olague, Soph., Big Spring.

Big Spring.

Second base: Hernandez, Jr., Snyder Shortstop: Mandy Waldron, Soph., Andrews; Whitney Hufford,

Soph., Big Spring. Third base: Trista Casey, Sr., Big Spring; Christin English, Soph., Frenship.

Outfleiders: Leticia (Boogie) Martinez, Sr., Snyder; Jamie Robertson, Jr., Frenship; Christian Bencomo, Sr., Levelland; Leonela Almanza, Sr., Frenship

Utility: Cristi Clift, Sr., Frenship. Designated hitter: Jamle Long, Sr., Big Spring.

Pitchers: Ashley Martinez, Soph., Snyder; Jacqie Madison, Jr., Levelland; Christina Day, Sr., Catcher: Angle Davila, Sr.,

Andrews. **HONORABLE MENTION** 

(Big Spring only) Outfielder: Tracy Padilla, Sr.



Coahoma High School senior Kristy Kinard, flanked by her parents, Gary and Barbara Kinard, signs her letter of intent to be on the Howard College rodeo team in the fall. Coahoma principal Frank Riney looks on.

# Aggies get revenge knocking off Texas

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Texas A&M got a little bit of revenge on Texas, and ruined Justin Simmons' perfect

The Aggies scored five runs on seven hits, chasing Simmons (14-1) in just 2 2-3 innings as they beat the top-seeded Longhorns 8-4 in a first-round Big 12 tournament game that went into the early hours of Thursday.

Simmons, a sophomore, won all 14 of his starts during the regular season, including a 5-1 complete game victory over the Aggies (35-22) last weekend. Texas (43-15) went on to sweep A&M for the first time in eight years and wrapped up the regular-season

In other first-round games Wednesday in Arlington, Texas Tech beat Kansas State 5-4 in 12 innings to extend its record conference winning streak to 16 games. Nebraska won its ninth straight game with an 11-9 win over Baylor, and Oklahoma defeated Oklahoma State 11-3.

The tournament consists of separate fourteam double-elimination brackets that will determine the two teams that will play in Sunday's championship game

Baylor plays Kansas State in an elimination game Thursday, and Texas Tech takes on Nebraska in the winner's game of one of the brackets. In the other bracket, top-seeded Texas faces an elimination game against Oklahoma State and Oklahoma plays Texas

Kyle Parcus (5-4) got the victory for Texas A&M over Texas, striking out a career-high

10 batters in his complete-game victory. The Aggies took the early lead on Travis Wong's 3-run homer in the first inning. Dustin Majewski's sixth homer cut the lead to 3-2 in the second. But A&M's Justin Pouk lined an opposite-field 2-run single and scored on Neal Stephenson's RBI double, sending Simmons to the showers with two outs in the third inning.

The Longhorns got a pair of runs in the sixth on J.D. Reininger's RBI double and Jeff Ontiveros' sacrifice fly, but could get no closer. The Aggies added a pair of insurance runs in the eighth.

#### Texas Tech 5, Kansas St. 4

Bryon Smith hit game-tying homer in the 11th inning and won the game with a sacrifice fly in the 12th as Texas Tech came from behind three times to beat Kansas State.

Texas Tech loaded the bases with one out in the 12th against Mitch Walter (3-3) on two singles and a hit batter before Smith's fly ball to left field.

The Red Raiders (41-16) broke the conference winning streak of 15 in a row they had shared with the 2000 Nebraska team. Kansas State (28-24) had won five in a row. Steve Rowe (9-2), the fourth Tech pitcher,

allowed one run and five hits over 3 2-3

#### **BIG XII TOURNEY**

innings for the victory

Kansas State took a 4-3 lead in the 11th when Jeremy Rogers scored from third on Rowe's wild pitch. But Smith homered in the bottom of the inning to force another

Ty Soto's two-run single in the eighth gave Kansas State a 3-1 lead, but Texas Tech rallied to tie the game at three on Brown's two-run double in the bottom of the inning. After Pat Maloney's 11th homer put Kansas State ahead 1-0 in the first, Willie Durazo had an RBI groundout in the bottom

#### Nebraska 11,

of the inning to tie the game.

**Baylor 9** 

Matt Hopper went 4-for-5 with a homer and Daniel Bruce drove in three runs for

the Cornhuskers Nebraska (40-17) had a pair of four-run innings, and never trailed after the four-run second when Bruce had a two-run single. Baylor (34-23) has lost six straight games to damage its NCAA tournament hopes

Bruce and Hopper, whose homer came in the fifth, had RBI singles in a four-run sixth for Nebraska that made it 10-5.

Aaron Marsden (8-1) won his seventh straight decision despite giving up six runs, and five hits over six innings. Steve Hale worked the final 2 1-3 innings, allowing just one hit, for his second save.

Jared Theodorakos (3-6), the first of four Baylor pitchers, allowed 10 runs on 10 hits over 5 1-3 innings. He struck out four and walked three.

Ross Bennett hit a three-run pinch homer in the seventh when the Bears pulled within 10-9. But Drew Anderson added an RBI single in the eighth for Nebraska.

David Murphy went 3-for-4 for Baylor with a solo homer.

#### Oklahoma 11, **Oklahoma State 3**

Spencer Wyman and Reggie Willits each hit homers to lead the Sooners.

Oklahoma (34-23) trailed 3-2 in the sixth inning when Wyman hit a two-run homer that put the Sooners ahead to stay. Willits' three-run homer keyed a six-run seventh.

Oklahoma State (37-20) took an early 2-1 lead over Oklahoma on Daylon Monette's RBI double in the third, followed by Rob Watson's score on a passed ball. After Charlie Frasier's RBI single in the

3-2 Cowboys lead. David Purcey (5-4) pitched six innings to pick up the win for Oklahoma. Scott Baker (6-3) was the loser.

bottom of the fifth tied the game at 2-2,

Monette hit a solo homer in the sixth for a

Most Valuable Players: Sonya Figueroa, Sr., Andrews; Candice Minatra, Sr., Andrews; Nikki Baeza, Sr., Andrews. Offensive Players of Year: Amanda Milan, Jr., Vista Pro Jennifer Hill, Sr., San Angelo Lake Rodney: 557-Gary: 264-8 Defensive Player of Year: Bridget Cain, Sr., Big Spring. Newcomer of Year: Watkins, Fresh., Big Spring. Coach of Year: Eddie Bane Andrews.





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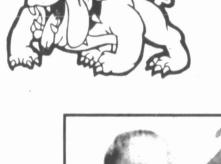
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for result. Another clearly feels the same way as you do. Tonight: Accept a party

You have many fine ideas, perhaps too many. It invitation GEMINI (May 21: June 20) appears as if you grab these concepts out of thin air. \*\*\* Dig into work, espe-Your imagination flows cially if confusion surwith ease this year. In fact, rounds a major decision. Think in terms of success you often might have difficulty staying anchored or and making a difference. in the "here and now." You Stay on top of personal matmake money through your ters. Deal with a monetary indulgence and make a natural talents. In fact, you hit a financial peak this decision logically, not emoyear, with a promotion or tionally, Tonight: Get some raise being likely. If you errands done. are single, romance will CANCER (June 21-July knock on your door in the 22) \*\*\*\* Your imagination summer. You might want to make more of a commit-

mixed with an innate ingenuity makes you a star when dealing with an emoyou have in a long time. If tional matter. Listen carefully to a child or loved one tionship will benefit from who cares enormously about you. Your efforts come back in multiples. Tonight: Play and play some more. After all, this is a long weekend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\* Family matters gain in importance. You might need to discuss a personal matter with a close partner or loved one. Play it lowkey. Your sharing will mean a lot to someone. Choose your words with care. and someone responds. Tonight: Rest up.

weekend. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* Use your innate skills to clear out work. Confusion could cause a problem for many, but not for you. Aim for greater communication and clarity among those you work with. Groups and meetings work better than you antici-

You will need all the energy

you can muster up this

pated. Tonight: At a favorite spot, with favorite

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* You're able to make a difference with a child or a bewildered associate. Avoid any financial risks, but take an emotional leap. Know that anything could be possible if you just relax. Work provides opportunities for gain and acknowledgment. Tonight: Treat another

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\* You still might not be seeing an emotional matter clearly. Carefully consider options involving someone. If you listen to a detached observer, you'll get a glimpse of what might be going on with a domestic personal matter. Tonight: Out, celebrating Memorial Day weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\* Sit back and listen. If you don't need to give an opinion, all the better, because confusion surrounds conversations. Relate to someone by listening to his or her sharing. Develop a different perspective because of this key associate. Tonight: Agree to another's request

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\* Knowing your immediate goals for today, as well as the near future,

could help give you direction during confusion. Be careful with financial commitments right now. You might be getting yourself into more than you can handle. Tonight: Where the gang is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\* Recognize another's limits when dealing with a work-related Someone could be confused by how you state your case. Loosen up with others. Remember, some of your associates could be a bit flaky, as they are thinking about summer. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\* Take off early, as you might want to get a head start on this weekend's events. Last-minute details in your day-to-day life could slow your exit. Handle as much as you can before splitting. Another appreciates your efficiency. Tonight: Take off

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#### Mom's discovery leads to distubing assumption

Dear Ann Landers: Last week, while cleaning my 19-year-old daughter's bedroom, came across material that made me

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had an abortion. I was devastated. I believe in a woman's right to choose, but this was my grandchild, Ann. I am grieving for the loss and have been unable to talk to my daughter

I wish she had come to me when she learned she was pregnant, but there is nothing I can do about it now. Should I bring up the subject? I am so sad, I cannot get over it. Please tell me what to do. — Mom in

Dear Mom: You may be mistaken about vour daughter's pregnancy. Finding material in her bedroom indicates research, nothing more. You owe it to her to find out the truth before you make assumptions.

Talk to her with an open heart, and let her know how you feel. If it turns out she did indeed have an abortion, you can be sure she did not come to that decision easily. She is probably hurting, too, and wants desperately to contide in her mother. You can both benefit from comforting each other and moving forward. Please try.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a 15-year-old girl. When my sister and I were born, my parents set up college accounts with our parents named as trustees. My parents divorced seven years ago, and my mother discovered that Dad had gone into those accounts and withdrawn half the balances. He opened new savings accounts for my sister and me, listing himself as the sole trustee.

My sister recently discovered that her account has no money in it. When I asked Dad to see my balance statement, he was evasive and said I was "too young to understand." He would not let me withdraw any money from the account. I'm pretty sure he has spent all of it.

My mother cannot possibly afford to pay for all our college expenses. How can I approach Dad about what's going on without hurting his feelings? Is there any way I can get the money back? - Loving Daughter in North Carolina

Dear Daughter: Don't be so worried about hurting Dad's feelings. He should be

honest with you about the money so you can prepare for your future.

If the funds are gone, there is no way you can get them back. Ask your father point-blank if there is money left in the account and how much. Tell him you need to know so you can start saving for college as soon as possible. Meanwhile, be prepared to check out student loans and scholarships at state universities. Lack of money is no reason to miss out on a college education.

Dear Ann Landers: You derful safety tips for single women living alone. One of them, however, bothered me a lot. The writer said to keep the door locked, and use the peephole or a chain on the door to check out visitors. Please tell your readers that chains will not protect them

I am 5 feet 4 inches tall and weigh 95 pounds. During an emergency, I had to break into my own apartment through the back door. The chain was still attached, and I managed to rip it out of the wall with barely any effort. A reasonably strong person would have no trouble forcing his way through that door

Chains give the illusion of safety, but provide very little. Tell folks to keep the door shut and use the peephole. Period. - Careful in Quebec

Dear Quebec Chains are not always stundy enough to prevent intituders from entering. Sliding bolts work better, but they also are no guarantee. A peephole is the safest way to check who is at your door. If you cannot make out the visitor's identity, ask the person to stand where he or she can be seen. If the visitor refuses, do not open the door

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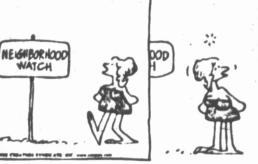
"Jugglin" is a whole lot easier WITH JUST ONE BALL, JOEY."

#### **FAMILY CIRCUS**



"Okay, PJ, here's a story - one time when I was little ...

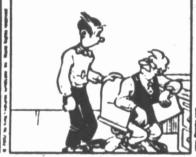
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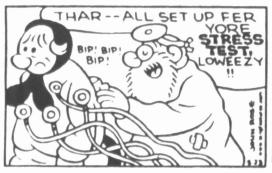
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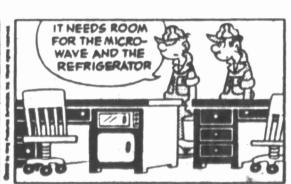
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#### **BEETLE BAILEY**





#### THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, May 23, the 143rd day of 2002. There are 222 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 23, 1960, Israel announced it had captured former Nazi official Adolf Eichmann in Argentina. (Eichmann was tried in Israel, found guilty of crimes against humanity, and hanged in 1962.) On this date:

In 1430, Joan of Arc was the captured by Burgundians, who sold her to the English.

England's King Henry VIII to Catherine of Aragon was declared null and void.

In 1701, Capt. William Kidd was hanged in London after he was convicted of piracy and murder.

In 1788, South Carolina ratify the U.S. Constitution. World War I. In 1934, bank robbers

Bonnie Parker and Clyde

Barrow were shot to death in a police ambush in Bienville Parish, La.

D. Rockefeller died'in Ormond Beach, Fla. In 1940, Tommy Dorsey

and His Orchestra, the Pied Pipers and featured soloist Frank Sinatra recorded "I'll Never Smile Again" in New York for RCA. In 1945, Nazi official

Heinrich Himmler committed suicide while imprisoned in Luneburg, Germany. In 1977, the U.S. Supreme

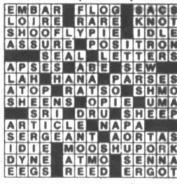
Court refused to hear the appeals of former Nixon White House aides H.R. In 1533, the marriage of Haldeman and John Ehrlichman and former Attorney General John N. Mitchell in connection with their Watergate convictions

Ten years ago: The United States and four former Soviet republics signed an became the eighth state to agreement in Lisbon, Portugal, to implement the

In 1915, Italy declared war START missile-reduction on Austria-Hungary in treaty that had been agreed to by the Soviet Union prior to its dissolution.

Today's Birthdays: Bandleader Artie Shaw is 92. Actress Betty Garrett is 83. Pianist Alicia de In 1937, industrialist John Larrocha is 79. Bluegrass singer Mac Wiseman is 77. Singer Rosemary Clooney is 74. Actor Nigel Davenport is 74. Actress Barbara Barrie is 71. Actress Joan Collins is 69. Actor Charles Kimbrough is 66. Rhythmand-blues singer General Johnson (Chairmen of the Board) is 59. Actress Lauren Chapin is 57. Country singer Misty Morgan is 57

#### Answer to previous puzzle



#### Newsday Crossword MUSICAL QUESTIONS by Sally R. Stein

- 1 Pygmalion playwright
- of the Night
- 14 Swearing-in
- 15 Facing the
- 16 Film role for
- Shirley
- 17 mater
- for "image"
- kinfolk
- musical
- question of '56
- (1786 uprising)
- 26 Damon
- 29 More soiled
- as tea
- question of '25
- 43 Plunders
- 48 Popular cruise
- 49 Sandburg and
- Spenser
- 53 Toy on a string
- 58 George Eliot
- 59 Guitarist Atkins

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(nonanalytic)

12 Charlotte \_\_, VI

13 Aswan High

22 Civil War

foe

27 Musical

admiral

24 Cold capital

26 Frequent 007

discemment

woman of film

28 Three-faced

29 "New Look"

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Edited by Stanley Newman 37 Start of

#### **ACROSS**

- 5 Poitier, in In the Heat
- 10 Reach across
- pitcher

- 18 Word form
- 19 Colombian
- 20 Etiquette expert 21 With 51 Across,
- Rebellion
- 25 Actress Metcalf
- Wayans' brother
- 30 Judge's need 31 Wickerwork
- wood 33 Prepares,
- 34 Musical
- 35 Quickly 40 Less healthy
- 42 Hindu teachers
- 47 Apple variety
- destination
- 51 See 21 Across
- 57 For the asking
- character

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60 Partner of pride 9 Police informer 10 Don't

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- and gluttony **61** Speechify
- 62 Med. school
- course 63 Paramedics:
- Abbr.
- 64 Nostrils 65 Actor Benicio

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- DOWN
- 1 Hand cleaner 2 Circle of light
- 3 Cash sources 4 With 36 Down,
- musical question of '65
- 5 Former UN
- member
- scratch

8 Combo

- 6 Needing to

- 7 Rap-music fans

- Stoops to Conquer

36 See 4 Down

- 31 Temple U. athletes
- old-style 45 Least ruddy of
- Langerhans
- 47 Actress Witherspoon et

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41 Uses for support

44 Warning sound,

38 Stage prompt

39 Guess: Abbr.

43 Fund-raising

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- 49 Of a global
- extreme 50 Roundish
- 52 Turkish money 54 Cry of dread
- 55 Date-book capacity
- 56 Football great Graham

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