WEDNESDAY

June 5, 2002

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT TOMORROW 57°-60° 83°-85°

Inside today...

A special tribute to the Region I, Class 2A champion Coahoma Bulldogettes

Vendors needed during Air Fair

The arts and crafts show and sale scheduled during the Air Fair fundraiser at the Hangar 25 Air Museum on June 15 has room for additional vendors.

Ken and Sue Slattery, chairpersons for the show and sale, are requesting handmade items only.

Hours will be from 9 a.m. through 4 p.m.

For more information on obtaining a booth and participating as an arts and crafts vendor call 264-

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

→ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7,p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

→ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp U42060, Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.

☐ Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

☐ Walk About Town with Tammy Burrow of the Heritage Museum, 10 a.m. museum tour, followed by a tour of the Potton House, lunch and walk about Old Town Big Spring. RSVP by calling 264-6035.

☐ Coffee Club, 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

☐ Kiwanis Club, noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. ☐ Genealogical Society

the Howard County Library. ☐ Masonic Lodge 1340, 7:30 p.m. at 2101

of Big Spring, 7 p.m. at

Lancaster

FRIDAY

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin'

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Sexual assault trial

Juvenile testifies she was forced into vehicle

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Forcible rape or consensu-

That's the question being argued in the trial of 20year-old Josue Johnathan Pena of Big Spring. Pena's trial started Tuesday in Judge Robert Moore III's 118th District Court.

Pena is charged with abducting a 16-year-old girl from Big Spring High School on Dec. 6 and raping

The juvenile, a transfer student from Lamesa High School, had been attending Big Spring High School only three days.

District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson said the evidence and testimony presented Tuesday went a long way towards proving the state's

"We established that there

nesses testified as well." Witnesses testifying Tuesday included the alleged victim as well as Big Spring Police Detective Milton Horton, lead investiwas in fact bodily fluid from gator on the case; Detective the defendant found with Jim Rider, who also worked

the victim," Wilkerson said. on the case; Lynn the first officer to speak "The victim testified to the Glasscock, a nurse that events that transpired on examined the girl after the Dec. 6. and the follow-up of incident; Big Spring police what happened after that crime scene technician Bob assault as far as the medical Moore; Kathy McCord, a examination, and those wit- Lubbock criminologist; the victim's sister-in-law, who dropped her off at Big Spring High School the day of the incident; the victim's brother, who notified the police of the rape; and Officer Chris Mahurin of

with the victim after the incident

The girl was often emotional as she testified, telling Wilkerson that Pena pulled up near her in the rear high school parking lot before exiting his car, exposing his genitals to her, and forcing her into the vehicle.

She testified that she did-

the Big Spring PD, who was See TRIAL, Page 2A

STAYING COOL IN THE POOL-



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody Three-year-old Noble Logan enjoys the sun and water as he sits perched on the shoulders of his uncle, Joseph Noble, at the municipal pool in Comanche Trail Park.

Texas Country Cleanup is opportunity to get rid of batteries, containers

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Automobiles, motorcycles even lawnmowers and pumps. They run fine with

little upkeep, power source and some lubricant. But what do you do with the empty containers and dead batter 105?

Here's the answer: Take them to the Howard County Fair Grounds between 8 a.m. and noon on Thursday. Under a program sponsored by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) called Texas Country Cleanup, the batteries and containers will be handed off and recycled

"They are looking for pes ticide and herbicide containers, motor oil, battery acid, lead, anything that can be harmful to the environment," said David Kight, Howard County Extension agent. "Containers need to be triple rinsed before they are brought to the fair grounds. Any type of oil will be accepted in any container that does not leak."

Most items will be accept

"Tires will not be accepted. But most other items you can think of will be,' said Kight. Those taking advantage of

the program will need to come to the west gate entrance of the fair grounds. Other gates will not be open.

Kight said that the cleanup effort doesn't come around often, nor usually is it near Big Spring.

"They don't select very many communities around the state to do this in. The NRCS only selects a handful of sites across the state, said Kight. "We are fortu

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State park plans annual star gazing party June 15

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Texans already know that the stars at night are bigger and brighter here than any where else.

June amateui astronomers from Midland and Angelo will gather atop Scenic Mountain to point out the wonders of

the universe to anyone who cares to look up.

"We have amateur astronomy clubs from both Park Ranger Ron Alton said, adding that, weather permitting, the telescopes being brought by the astronomers, some with 15inch lenses, should provide quite a show. "It's such a these for astronomers. They really like passing this information on to both the young and old with questions. That's the thing that they like to do is answer ques-

Information provided by Alton says that the night sky June 15 will feature a slim crescent moon allowing good contrast, highlight-

coming," Big Spring State—and mountains. Venus and Jupiter, as well as the four largest moons of the latter planet, should be visible. A blue and gold double

> star called Alberio should be visible, as should the Ring Nebula and the constellations Cygnus the Scorpius Scorpion, Hercules and the Big Dipper. "Globular clus ters" and spiral galaxies will round out the features visible in the sky that night

Alton said that Gene and Connie Hardy, directors of the Blakemore Planetarium in Midland, plan to bring to present a program prior Howard County, the south

Midland and San Angelo ing the shadows of craters to the stargazing party at 9

The sky won't be dark enough to see many of the deep space objects until around 10 p.m

Before the stargazing gets underway, Alton will lead anyone interested on a milelong nature walk along the trails of Scenic Mountain.

"It does have some steepness to it, so it could be limiting to those who are not able to do it, but it won't be too tough since it's only a mile," he said "We point out some of the plants that are used for medicine and things. Three ecological their portable planetarium regions meet here in

Edwards Plateau and the Rolling Plains, so you have a good variety of plants to look at on that trail. It's one of the better spots in the county

Also on the nature walk Alton will point out some century old carvings left by early pioneers

We have some dating back to 1896," he said. "We even know the family that left them. They emigrated from Germany to Stanton. "Scholz" is the last name. That one does have a date of 1896 on it.

Those interested in partic

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Texas A&M Club looking for scholarship recipients, items to be used in auction

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Howard County Aggies are gearing up to give out money and make some

more all with the intent to help local students achieve a Texas A&M degree.

"We anticipate giving out up to \$7,000 scholarships

NIKLASCH to nine eligible recipients

this year," said Neil Tindol, a member of the Howard County A&M Club.

Eligible applicants are students who have been accepted to Texas A&M for the 2002-2003 school year and are residents of Howard

Anyone interested in applying can contact Tindol at the Sierra Animal Clinic

at 263-1198 and make arrangements to pick up an application. The deadline for submitting the application is June 25

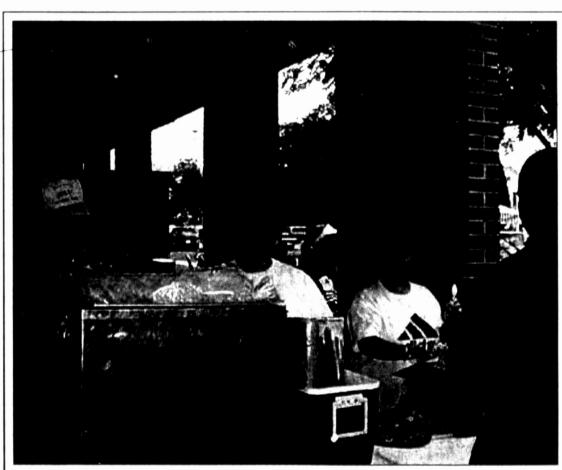
According to Jeanne Niklasch, a member of the Howard County A&M Club, the club may be awarding the largest amount of scholarship money in the last few vears.

"We are really excited about this and are looking forward to this year's auction to see what we will be able to award for the next fall semester (2003)," she

Last year's scholarship auction by the club raised approximately \$32,000. Much of the money was used to endow a second scholarship at the universi-

"It takes \$25,000 to endow a scholarship but once it is endowed it will be there for-

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Big Spring State Hospital volunteers Eva Gomez, Cyneather Woodruff and Elmira Froman dish out Coke floats to patients during patient Summer Fun Day. More than 200 volunteers work year-round to raise money for activities such as Fun Day. Volunteers handed out caps, visors, sunglasses and T-shirts with a patient-designed logo to all of the patients. State hospital employees participated by hosting a picnic.

OBITUARIES

Estill Park

Estill Park, 88, of Big Spring died on Monday, June 3, 2002, in a local hospital. Funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, June 6, 2002,

the Nalley Pickle Rosewood Chapel with the Ken McMeans minister of

College Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park

Mrs. Park was born on Nov. 1. 1913, in Jack County and married Henry Park on March 9, 1935, in Sterling City. He preceded her in death on July 7, 1977. Mrs. Park had been in the Big Spring area since 1925.

She was a member of College Baptist Church. Mrs. Park loved her kids and grandchildren and also loved sewing.

Survivors include four sons and daughters in law, John and Pepita Park of Crystal River, Fla., Fred and Diane Park of Lubbock, Roger and Linda Park of Big Spring, and Steve and Judy Park of Forsan; 10 grandchildren, Greg Park, Bruce Park, Doug Park, Kyle Park, Kelly McDaniel, Lori Speck, Kevin Park, Jenny and Shane Sayles, David Park, and Cade Park; and nine great-grandchil-

She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Eva Nelle Park

The family suggests memorials to the Buckner's Children's Home, P.O. Box 50872, Midland 79710 or to Meals on Wheel, P.O. Box 765, Big Spring 79721-0764.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. tonight at the funeral

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

Joseph Nicholas Siciliano

Joseph Nicholas Siciliano, 45, of Duncanville, formerly of Big Spring, died on June 1, 2002. Joe "Nick" was born on Nov. 14, 1956, in Teaneck, N.J.

Joe moved to Texas in the mid 1970s. He spent several years working in the oil field and was a mechanic in Big Spring.

Joe moved to the Duncanville area in 1992. Joe was a Hamm Radio enthusiast call KD5IVM. He was an active volunteer for Meals on Wheels. Joe was an energetic, adventurous and

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Primitivo "Tbo" Ontiveros Jr., 39, died Sunday. Funeral services are 3.00 PM today at Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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Association and West Texas Press Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas, 79720-9998. POSTMASTER: Send changes of address to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas. opinionated man whom will be sorely missed by friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Patricia Siciliano.

He is survived by his father, Nicholas and stepmother, Paula Siciliano of Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; sister, Kathleen Gurchie of Long Island, N.Y.; and sister, Lisa and niece, Fae Eleanor Davis of Baltimore, M.D. He is also survived by his "adopted" Texas family including Ruby Greenhill and Darla Coker of Big Spring.

Memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, June 7, 2002, at the First Missionary Baptist Church Duncanville, Hustead.

Arrangements are under the direction of David Clayton & Sons of Duncanville.

Paid obituary

CLEANUP A&M CLUB

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ever," Niklasch said. Currently the club is accepting items for the next scholarship auction set for Aug. 10. Items already on the list are: a chance to meet John David Crow, the only Texas A&M Heisman trophy winner, at an A&M football game; an autographed Alabama album, Roll On, with a certificate of authenticity; a famed display of Aggie football cards containing autographs of Crow Bucky Richardson and Kevin Murray with a certifi cate of authenticity; and A&M home feotball game

For more information about the auction or anyone interested in donating items can call Niklasch at 268-9649 or 267-6525

Arrangements are under Continued from Page TA

ipating in the nature walk should wear comfortable tennis shoes or hiking shoes. Those attending the stargazing party are encour aged to bring a flashlight.

The nature walk will start at 8 p.m., and the stargazing will start at 9 p.m. Both events will start at the Big Spring State Park Pavilion. There is no charge for the events other than the \$2 per adult fee to enter the park.

If the weather is cloudy or worse, the stargazing will be rescheduled for July 13,

For more information call the Big Spring State Park at

TRIAL

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n't struggle with Pena because she was "in shock. The girl testified that she hit her head entering the defendant's automobile and blacked out, waking later to discover Pena on top of her in the passenger seat already having intercourse

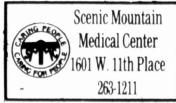
with her. "It burned," she said. "He was just saying, 'Did I like

The juvenile said that Pena proceeded to rape her vaginally, anally and orally. after which she blacked out again. The next thing she remembers is walking about two blocks from her home.

According to witnesses, no semen was discovered on vaginal, anal and oral swabs taken from the victim, but a semen stain identified as coming from Pena was discovered on a sanitary pad

worn by the girl. The defense theory of the case is that the juvenile willingly left school with Pena.

"What I said in my opening statement was that we thought the evidence would



show that (the girl) lied to Mr. Pena about her age, claiming to be almost 18, in fact, 17," said defense attorney Robert Leahy of Odessa. "That she's been inconsistent with her stories, and that the evidence is inconsistent with her claims of

having been forced into any

compromising positions." Wilkerson said the defendant's belief of the girl's age doesn't matter.

"That is not an issue in this case," he said. "His belief is of no concern. Her actual age, the objective age, is what is of concern. I want you to keep in mind there's been absolutely no evidence of any kind of consensual activity between these two parties.

The trial is proceeding well, Leahy said.

"I think it's a very deeply contested trial," he said. "It's a very adversarial proceeding. That's what criminal trials are supposed to be like.

The prosecution rested its case shortly before 10:30 a.m. today.

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nate they have selected Big Spring as a collection site. Usually, people have to drive to Abilene or Lubbock. So it's important to take advantage of this while it is so close.

With trail gone cold, police seek new leads to find little Miami girl

MIAMI(AP) — The six weeks since child welfare officials disclosed that little Rilya Wilson is missing have yielded hand-wringing, political posturing and recommendations Where's Rilya?

Investigators are scratching for leads. They are poring over hundreds of pages of documents. They are interviewing and re-interviewing anyone who might have a clue about the 5year-old girl's whereabouts. And they have doubled the reward to \$50,000 for information leading to her dis-

'The key now is for someone who knows her whereabouts to come forward," said Miami-Dade County police Sgt. Pete Andreu.

Rilya vanished while under state protection and had been gone for 15 months before anyone noticed. The length of time and the conflicting stories surrounding her disappearance have made the case particularly difficult for

investigators One of girl's caretakers claims she gave Rilya to someone who identified herself as a worker with the state Department of Children and Families in January 2001. Agency officials say no one from the

department took her. Police will not discuss specifics of their investigation, but Rilya's caretaker Geralyn Graham and the woman's half-sister, Pamela Graham, failed polygraph tests administered by police.

"There are enough doubtful things that Mrs. Graham was saying that if I

ROUND THE TOWN

BIG SPRING

were in law enforcement I would be asking her a lot of tough questions," said David Lawrence Jr., chairman of a commission set up by Gov. Jeb Bush to recommend changes in the childwelfare department.

Geralyn Graham has at least 33 aliases and a long history of run-ins with the law. In court documents, lawyers have questioned whether she is a con artist or severely mentally impaired.

Graham's attorney Edward Shohat has said his client stands by her original story: that she called DCF several times to ask about Rilya. The agency has said it has no record of such calls.

Investigators also have interviewed Deborah Muskelly, the caseworker accused of falsifying monthly visit reports about Rilya, to ask if she knew anything about the girl's whereabouts

Muskelly told police that she called Graham twice last August and February and was told the gir! was safe at home, Muskelly's attorney, Stephen Verbit, told The Miami Herald.

The search for clues has stretched from Kansas City, Mo., where DNA tests showed Rilya was not the beheaded little girl known as "Precious Doe," to the Bahamas, where Graham has said she was born.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, based Alexandria, Va., said it has passed along at least 20 tips to investigators.

This week the center will send postcards with pictures of Rilva to 17 million households in Florida, reform, but still no answer Georgia and South Carolina to the underlying mystery: in hopes of generating more tips.

Some familiar with

"I don't think that the likelihood is very good that we'll find her alive," said Sara Herald, who served on a governor's commission.

Investigators, at least publicly, hold out hope Rilya will be found OK

"It's a missing-person case until there's something that points this in another way," Andreu said. "We're reviewing leads, talking to people we've already talked to before. Every bit of information and every name is thoroughly reviewed.

Former county clerk sentenced to 10 years in prision

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A former Bexar County courthouse clerk who pleaded guilty to stealing nearly \$5 million from the estates of people with no apparent heirs was sentenced Tuesday to 10 years in prison.

Mel Spillman had earned the nickname "Ferrari Clerk" after pouring much of the money into a \$400,000 home and at least five Ferraris. He earned \$33,000 a year with the county. Prosecutors said Spillman

would fake papers naming



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himself temporary administrator of an estate, stamp them with stolen county seals, and then use those documents to withdraw bank funds and take control of houses and other proper-

"I was stupid and did some greedy things," Spillman said on the witness stand, as he tearfully asked for leniency from the judge. "I've lost everything I've owned, friends, family...I mean, I deserved it."

District Judge Sharon MacRae gave Spillman the two maximum terms of 10 years in prison for forgery and impersonating a public servant. The sentences are to be served concurrently and he will be eligible for parole in five years.

"Taking everything into consideration, your cooperation with the DA's office and making what amends were possible, but also mindful of the betrayal of trust that is involved in this case, I am going to deny your request for probation," the judge told Spillman.

At least five people, including a neighbor and former District Attorney Fred Rodriguez, testified to try to show a more humane side of Spillman, the San Antonio Express-News reported in a story in its online edition Tuesday

Neighbor John Rummell described Spillman as a kind person who once volunteered his home for a neighborhood barbecue party and looked after elderly neighbor Ed Melchoir before his death. First Assistant District

Attorney Michael Bernard reminded Rummell that Spillman had Melchoir's will and pilfered at least \$1.1 million from him. Spillman's sister, Debra

Miller, was given 10 years probation for her role in helping her brother steal from one estate.

Spillman, in a deal with prosecutors, agreed to return some of the stolen money and personal items.

Spillman was charged with defrauding at least 65 estates out of an estimated \$4.9 million. His home and the

Ferraris were seized in a raid last year.

BRIEFS

THE FREEDOM PARAD **E** WILL be held Saturday, July 6. Please call Russ Mul lins at 394-4277 for more inf ormation if you would like to participate in the parade.

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

Contact Arnold Ross, 2916 Colonial Dr., Dickinson 77539-4439, or call 281-534-ARoss14573@aol.com

THE MOBILE MEALS

PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

FORSAN EX-STUDENTS **ASSOCIATION IS attempt**ing to get 911 addresses on former Forsan students.

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

RECORDS

Tuesday's high 91 Tuesday's low 65 Record high 104 in 1933 Record low 54 in 1920 Average high 90 Average low 64 Precip. Tuesday 0.00 Month to date 0.25 Year to date 4.55 Sunrise Thursday 6:39 a.m. Sunset Thursday 8:51 p.m.

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summery of EMS and Fire Department activity

Tuesday 6:30 a.m. — 1000 block of south Lancaster, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical

Center. 8:12 a.m. — 400 block of Highway 50 and 461, traffic accident, patient transported to SMMC

9:45 a.m. — 1200 block of Mulberry, medical call, patient refused service.

10:37 a.m. — 4100 block of Chapparell, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police De partment reported the fol lowing activity from 8 a.m. Tuesday until 8 a.m. today

JUANELL WILCOX,

20, of Andrews was ar rested to hold for the How ard County Sheriff's Office • DAVID CHARLES

REDMON, 56, 807 Creigh ton was arrested on a charge of public intoxica-

 ASSAULT CAUSING **BODILY INJURY** was re ported in the 2000 block of South Gregg Street

 BURGLARY OF A **HABITATION** was re ported in the 1200 block of Harding Street. Someone reportedly entered through an unlocked side door and stole items worth \$300 were reported stolen.

 MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported on South Highway 87. MINOR ACCIDENT

was reported in the 1900 block of North Highway 87, 400 block of East FM 700, the 200 block of South Gregg Street and the 2500 block of South Gregg · DOMESTIC DISTUR

BANCE was reported in the 900 block of South Lan caster Street

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Panel on terrorist attacks overwhelmed by information

WASHINGTON (AP) Faced with tens of thousands of documents and more coming in every day, leaders of a congressional inquiry into the Sept. 11 attacks say they are dealing with much more information than they anticipated.

They said they didn't want that to delay their inquiry. "We're going to get to the bottom of what happened on

Sept. 11, but what we're dealing with right now is still the threat of future terof the Senate intelligence the Senate Intelligence need to change.'

committee said Wednesday on NBC's "Today."

Graham proposed on "The Early Show" on CBS that "we should consider a new system in which we would have one group of people who would be analyzing the information from all the possible sources.'

"We can do this (inquiry) while the war on terrorism is going on because if we don't, we think the mistakes of the past will be revisited," said Sen. Richard

Shelby spoke Tuesday after the House and Senate intelligence committees began an extraordinary ioint inquiry into the intelligence lapses that preceded Sept. 11 and how future terrorist attacks can be prevented.

"I think we're going to find that a lot of things were not done right by the CIA, the FBI, INS" and perhaps other agencies, Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., said. "Some of rorist acts," Sen. Bob Shelby, R-Ala., a strong CIA this is pretty serious" and Graham, D-Fla., chairman critic and vice chairman of "it will suggest ways we

Kyl said the joint committee already has interviewed Minnesota FBI agent Coleen Rowley, who says FBI headquarters ignored her office's pleas in the weeks before Sept. 11 to aggressively investigate Zacarias Moussaoui, now charged as an accomplice in the suicide hijackings that killed more

Rowley is to testify publicly on Thursday before the Senate Judiciary Comm-

than 3,000 people.

No witnesses appeared at Tuesday's closed-door hearing in a tightly guarded American people and our that."

At a news conference afterward, leaders of the

lawmakers agreed on a

series of goals and how they

would conduct the investi-

intelligence panels stressed bipartisan cooperation and promised to look for facts, not scapegoats. Graham said there were three basic goals: "One, to

lay out for the American people what happened prior to and on Sept. 11. Two, what does it mean? And three, then advocate to the

room of the Capitol, where colleagues the necessary reforms."

The House intelligence chairman, Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla., said the joint committee's staff was sifting through millions of words from documents and had interviewed about 200 witnesses.

The good news, Goss said, "is we're getting great cooperation, great access. The bad news is there's lots more information to deal with than we thought when we started.

"But we'll get through

Bush administration wants to fingerprint, photograph thousands more foreign visitors

administration wants to photograph, fingerprint and get detailed information from thousands more foreign visitors to the United States, according to law enforcement officials.

Officials who described the plan Tuesday on condition of not being identified by name said the Justice Department would expand the reach of an already existing law to keep better track of tourists, business travelers, students and temporary workers considered possible security threats.

Justice Department officials declined to comment on the plan, details of which are expected to be announced this week.

Attorney General John Ashcroft

questions about the plan as he made his way to a meeting with House Judiciary Committee Chairman James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis.

Sensenbrenner has been a leading critic of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, an agency within the Justice Department that since Sept. 11 has acknowledged gaps in tracking foreigners in the country.

Sensenbrenner's aides declined to comment on whether the proposal was discussed during the meeting with

Ashcroft has undertaken a number of initiatives since the Sept. 11 attacks to better track foreign visitors.

Foreigners seeking to live in the

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Bush would not respond to a reporter's United States are photographed and fingerprinted and must provide detailed background information to the government. But the same is not required of most visitors.

Ashcroft is seeking to expand a 1998 rule that requires visitors from Libya, Iraq, Sudan and Iran to register with the government and be fingerprinted and photographed.

The rule could be applied to people from as many as 35 countries under the proposal, a law enforcement source said, speaking on condition of anonymity. However, people from any country could be required to register if something in their background brings them to the attention of U.S. officials,

Strong winds also downed

trees around Montague,

about 50 miles southwest of

Wichita Falls.

Study finds students keep school computers running

WASHINGTON (AP) Students might be able to of the survey teach their teachers a thing or two about technolis done in subject areas

When it comes to keeping computers running, many school districts rely on students, according to a study by the National School Boards Foundation.

The group said the survey it commissioned of 90 of the nation's largest school districts also showed that teachers often aren't well trained to use technology in the classroom.

"With increasing pressures to improve student achievement and bridge the digital divide, school leaders need to better integrate technology into the curriculum as a major learning tool," Robin Thurman, director of the NSBF, said in remarks preMost Internet instruction

pared for Tuesday's release

such as history, social studies and science, according to the survey Eighty percent of school leaders say the primary instructional use of the Internet is for research that helps teachers shape lesson plans.

The foundation said new teachers are "unevenly prepared for using technology as a tool for teaching and learning.

Students seem to be putting their computer expertise to good use at their schools, which may not have the resources for technical support, the group said. Some tutor. others run help desks, and still others have earned network and software certifications

Storms lash West Texas with damaging winds

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Spotters reported a tornado Wednesday night about 40 miles north of Abilene near the West Texas town of Stamford. No injuries were reported, but witnesses reported trees uprooted and dead birds littering the

Reports of as much as four inches of rain came from tossed it at least 50 feet, scattered areas of the damaging two cars parked Amarillo Stamford area. About 4.5 at the Lubbock Police reported in its Wednesday

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CHICAGO McDonald's Corp.

apologizes for

agreed to donate \$10 million to Hindu and other groups

to settle lawsuits filed against the chain for mislabeling french fries and hash

McDonald's also posted an

apology on its Web site, acknowledging that mis-

takes were made in commu-

nicating to customers about

the ingredients in the fries and hash browns. The veg-

etable oil used to prepare the fries and hash browns

was not pure, but contained essence of beef for flavoring

"We sincerely apologize for any hardship that these

miscommunications have caused among Hindus, veg-

etarians and others," the

company said in an apology

Seattle attorney Harish Bharti said Tuesday that a judge gave his tentative approval of the deal last

McDonald's spokeswoman

Anna Rozenich said the money the company will be

paying out will go to orga-

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Interstate 27 in Abernathy, 17 miles north of Lubbock. There were other scattered reports of flash flooding on South Plains roads, but no injuries were reported.

Storms lashed the Lubbock area with winds gusting to 80 mph, knocking out electric power to scattered areas of the South

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OUR VIEWS

Pops needs your help with funding

embers of the Big Spring Fourth of July Foundation are still hard at work making plans for this year's Pops in the Park concert and fireworks display at Comanche Trail Park.

With Pops in the Park just less than a month away, the foundation needs financial support to pull off the show

As has been noted before, Pops in the Park does n't just materialize out of thin air. It carries a price tag of more than \$20,000 — money that comes from donations and sponsorships provided by local businesses and individuals.

Heading into its fifth year, Pops in the Park has become nothing short of a tradition — one the entire community anticipates.

Foundation members have received donations from most of the event's major sponsors and are now soliciting contributions from new sources. Those donations — small and large — are what make it possible for the organizing committee to open the gates for all comers free of charge.

'It is the entire community's celebration, noted Tim Blackshear, who serves as the foundation's chairman. "It's an evening to gather with friends and family at the park and join your neighbors in celebrating the fact that we live in the best nation on earth."

While the entire community anticipates the hole iday extravaganza, it must also own it. That means each of us doing our part and making a contribution to make sure Pops in the Park continues to be one of West Texas' premier Fourth of July activities

The Big Spring Herald will again be one of the sponsors for the show. We are proud to be a part of such a spectacular event and want to encourage others in the community to do the same. Help us make sure Big Spring can keep celebrating our nation's birthday in impressive fashion

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The man I could always depend on

y favorite pho-tograph of my father is not a formal portrait It is a black-and-white snapshot taken in front of our pink cinder-block house in

Pensacola, Fla., a picture of Daddy and two of his fishing buddies all proudly holding their catches at waist level. None of the

men is smil-

ing. Fishing

was a serious



business Their poses and white shirts and khaki pants are so identical, the men might have been young singers in an all-boys band. I can't identify for sure the eight fish they have on a string; but they are big, something from salt water, the Gulf of Mexico.

As Father's Day approaches, I marvel at my daddy, as always. He was a very young man in the fish picture, but already seasoned by war and hardship

He was a veteran, a butcher, a husband, the father of two little girls. He was a homeowner, an avid fisherman, a stickler for a neat yard and a clean car.

He was tall, dark and handsome, and the old black-and-white proves that judgment not just a daughter's bias. He was strong.

I don't think I've ever heard him complain. About anything. Not about losing his own father at a tender age. Not about his tough childhood, or low wages, or hard work or his health. He just did, without flinching, whatever it was that fate decided it was time to do

Of his growing-up stories, I love the ones about his grandmother, which are tender, warm. Grandma Nan adored him, gave him money for treats from Mr. Mitchell's rolling store, hitched up Old Kate and took him to town. Everyone needs a Grandma Nan.

Of his World War II stories, I like the "coming home" installment the best, his description of how green April looked in South Georgia after the bleak landscape of wintertime and war. He had survived

to marry the girl he left behind.

Life, in the fish picture, surely must have been looking up, nothing left to conquer but lean times and fatherhood. Piece of cake. The possibilities were endless, the wages steadily rising, the future sunny.

He set about it, one day at a time, taking care of business, until weeks had become years, years became decades and decades a lifetime. He never broke stroke.

I don't think my father has a favorite child, and if he does, it's my older sis-

But he likes me best for some things — as someone to watch baseball with, or talk about the War, about his roses, about seafood or fishing. I know. And I take great pride in

the fact that he'd want to talk to me at all, this smart, worldly man who had seen more of life by the time he was 20 than I'll probably ever see. Sometimes - when I venture a political opinion, or complain about a job — I think what a lot of nerve I have to vent in his pres-

I should be listening, learning.

He is a portrait of stamina, of steadfastness and lovalty. Anyone can be a flash

in the pan. I look again at my precious picture and know certain things, and I know them for certain, even

though I was a mere tod-

dler and nowhere around. I know the day had to be Sunday when the snapshot was snapped; Daddy worked the other six days and would never have slipped off to go fishing on a workday.

I know he would have cleaned his share of those fish and showered the salt spray off of himself and then sat quietly in a brown recliner for a little TV or contemplation.

I know these things because my father was, and is, a man you can depend on — to follow routine, to work when he has to, for as long as he has to. He'll also play a bit when the work is done.

And, best of all, I know that the day the picture was taken, he loved me. I know it. He always could be depended on for that,

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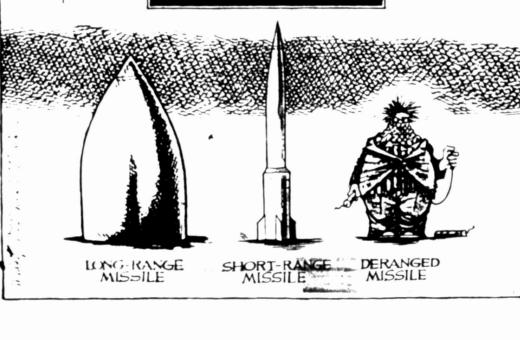
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Odessa's underexposed crater

inally. That big crater just outside Odessa is getting a little respect. State legislator Buddy West is

responsible for passing a bill to create a museum and visitors' center at the site, complete with living quarters for a curator.

For years the crater has been advertised in Chamber of

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literature, on highway signs and by an occasional newspaper or magazine article. But few people ever go there. For one thing, the highway signs don't give good directions. The crater is in an isolated oil patch down a small road 15 miles southwest of Odessa. And who's interested in meteor craters, anyway?

TUMBLEWEED

Tom Rodman is. He's an Odessa attorney who is the major spokesperson for the crater. He has been fascinated with the geological wonder since boyhood because he's interested in things from outer space.

"Flying through the air it's a meteor. When it

comes to rest on the earth, others don't have the same it's a meteorite," says Tom. Odessa's crater is the second largest meteor crater in the world. Arizona has one larger. "Both places or Mars. contribute more meteorites than any other locations in

He says the meteor could have hit the earth fifty thousand years ago. "It weighed about 70 tons

the world.

and was the size of a small car. It impacted the earth with such force and released so much energy that the resulting heat and explosion completely vapor ized the main mass of the meteorite. It had more energy than the atom bomb dropped on Hiroshima. Anything within a few miles would have been

destroyed. It made a crater 500 feet wide and 100 feet deep. The University of Texas excavated the site in the late 30's, thinking a huge chunk of the meteorite might be buried. But only small fragments were found

Limestone rocks form the rim of the depression, which over the years has been filled in with sand and silt. Tom helped construct rock-lined caliche paths around the crater. He spends countless hours at the site and wonders why

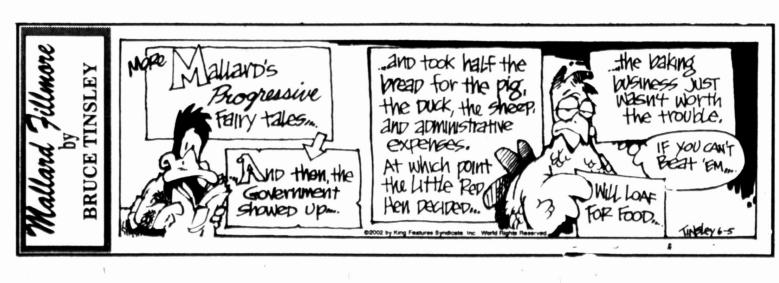
boyish enthusiasm for it as he does. Tom says scientists believe some meteorites came from the moon A small museum was

built at the crater site in 1963 but people were breaking into it and stealing the valuable, irreplaceable meteorites inside. The museum was closed and the collection of meteorites was moved to the Ector County library. The new museum has added more meteorites collected from several sources

The site was discovered in the 1920's when a ranch er found a fist-sized metallic rock, composed mostly of iron and nickel. One astronomer says it came from the core of a planet which had to be about 4 billion years old and several hundred miles in diameter, creating speculation that the planet may have exploded, sending debris into the universe.

"You wonder what it must have been like when it hit. You also wonder what destruction would have occurred had it hit in modern times," says Tom.

Odessa's meteor crater might not be much to look at, but it gives you plenty to think about.



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Two books on Sept. 11 terror attacks among new offerings at county library

n May 30, a ceremony was held at Ground Zero as the last steel beam was removed. The

library has received two books that speak of the horrors that befell the United States on that day. The first is "September

11: A Testimony" a collection of photographs with a brief

descriptive paragraph. As I look at those photos, a chill overtakes my heart. The second book is "September 11, 2001: A Collection of Newspaper Front Pages." The Poynter Institute gath ered newspapers from across the United States and foreign countries and compiled them into a very interesting collection

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Do you like Italian food with a new twist? The Library has received Lidia Bastianich's new cookbook "Lidia's Italian-American Kitchen." In it she focuses the cooking that first confronted her on her arrival in America. Recipes are adapted to American tastes and for ingredients that are readily available

All right, after you have enjoyed the Italian cooking of Lidia's, now you will have to manage your weight! Dr. Fred A. Stutman in "Diet-Step 20/20" describes a quick weight loss program for women that follow an easy to follow healthy diet. The 20/20 is based on 20 grams of fat and 20 grams of fiber. There are no calories to count, no special menus to follow. See if this will be the "keeper" diet change in your life.

Have you ever thought about living in an RV fulltime? "Steeles on Wheels: A Year on the Road" by Mark and Donia Steele will walk you through their decision to do just that. You will

learn about managing your money while on the road, getting along in close quarters, establishing legal residency, big-rig driving skills, living without a phone, and getting your mail. It is a very interesting book.

How many of you watch the "crime" shows on cable TV, read Patricia Cornwell or Kathy Reichs? Jessica Snyder Sachs has written "Corpse," a book that details the struggle to pinpoint the time of death in a homicide or unexplained death of a person. Armed with an array of high-tech devices, forensic pathologist do their best to determine the time of death. However, Mother Nature may still be the fiercest opponent of all. This is the story of what happens to

Additional non-fiction books that we have received are "Warrior Queens: the Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth in WWII" by Daniel Allen Butler; "The Wrong Man" (about the Dr. Sam Sheppard murder case) by James Neff; and "Carry Me Home: The Climactic Battle of the Civil Rights Revolution" by Diane

our bodies when we die.

McWhorter. New mysteries on the shelves include David Baldacci's "The Simple Truth." "Absolute Power" was made into a film starring Clint Eastwood. Baldacci is an excellent writer. Stephen Cannelli is another writer who is known for his television shows; the Rockford Files, the A-Team, the Commish and was lead writer for Adam-12. His newest book is "The Viking Funeral;" both Karen and I have read it and it is a page-turner. Donald Harsfield has written "Code Sixty-One," a rather dark and somber book about modern-day vampires. A new "character" mystery sleuth is Dr. Fenimore. "The Doctor and the Dead Man's Chest" by Robin Hathaway appears to

Your health: Help's on the Web

TURLOCK, Calif. (AP) Your child has an allergy, asthma or diabetes, or maybe is autistic. You do worry when you send him off to school by himself.

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health information.

http://www.medicalert.org. By phone: 1 (888) 525-5176.

Antihistamine Choices

DALLAS (AP) Several new program for young prominently marketed antihistamines, formerly available only by prescription, soon will be available over the counter.

But Dr. Bradley Marple, associate professor of otolaryngology at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, cautions they still should be used carefully

For one thing, they're not for cold or flu sufferers.

"Antihistamines won't give you any relief if you have a stuffy nose or cold,' he says. "They're only effective for relieving aller-

He advises patients, particularly those with chronic allergy or asthma, to check with their doctors about use of these or other medications

Heart Info on the Web

DALLAS (AP) who have had heart attacks, angina pectoris, or

both now can get personal information about their condition through Heart Profilers, a new interactive Web-based feature recently launched by the American Heart Association.

The program takes about 20 minutes to sign into and generate a personalized profile and initial report. Patients can learn about side effects for particular drugs, compare treatments, and download questions for their doctors. Data are encrypted and will not be shared with anyone else without the patient's con-

The Web address is http://www.americanheart.org; click on the Heart Profilers icon.

"The Heart Profilers are the first patient-specific. heart disease decision support tool on the Web," said Dr. Clyde Yancy, associate professor of medicine/cardiology at the University of Texas-Southwestern and an AHA volunteer. "They use the latest clinical research to help heart patients and caregivers make informed decisions relevant to their individual situations.

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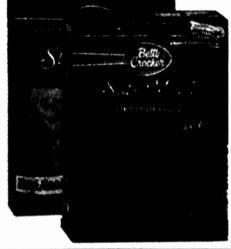
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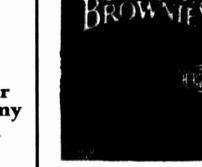
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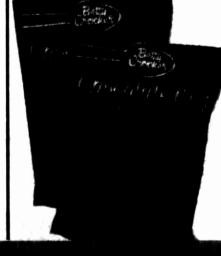
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IN BRIEF

Cowboy Golf Tourney slated for June 13

The annual Cowboy Golf Tournament is scheduled to highlight upcoming Big Spring Rodeo activities next week. The event is slated for June 13 at the Comache Trails Golf Course in City Park.

The Big Spring Rodeo is scheduled to run from June 12 through June 15.

The tournament, a 4man scramble which is open to the general public, will begin at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start.

The entry fee for the event is \$40 per person. The entry fee includes the cost of lunch.

For more information, Eddie contact Blassingame at 263-8421.

Tennis clinic slated for June 10-13

The Big Spring Big Spring tennis Clinic will be held June 10-13 at the Figure 7 Tennis Clinic.

The clinic, which is designed for players 5 to 17 years in age, will run from 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. each day.

Registration for the event is set at \$100 per person. For more information, contact Dennis Smiley at 263-3848 or Sarah Corse at 263-2275

Crisis Fund tourney slated for June 13

The Cowboy Golf Tournament, benefiting the Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund and held in conjunction with the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, has been scheduled for Thursday, June 13, at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Entry fees for the 4-man scramble event are \$40 per player.

Play will begin at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start.

For more information. call Eddie Blassingame at 263-8421.

Country club slates junior golf clinic

The Big Spring Country Club Summer Junior Clinic has been scheduled for June 13-Aug. 1 with lessons at 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A tournament set for Aug. 6-8 will close out the clinic.

Fees are \$150 per youngster and includes range club membership.

For more information, call 267-5354.

Coahoma softball camp set June 10-13

The Coahoma Softball All-Skills Camp has been scheduled for 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, June 10-13, at the Coahoma High School Softball Field.

The camp is open to girls in grades 2 through 9. Fees are \$50 if received by Thursday, June 7, or \$55 after that date.

For more information, call Robby Dickenson at 394-4924 or 270-7924.

Country Club slates junior golf clinic

The Big Spring Country Club Junior Golf Clinic is scheduled for Tuesday through Friday.

The clinic is free to country club members, while non-members will pay a \$25 fee.

Youngsters between the ages of 5 and 9 will have sessions between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., while those 10 and older will attend sessions from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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Schoeneweis stymies Rangers in Angels' shutout win

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) - A little longest outing in his 11 starts this and keep doing the things that I did adjustment went a long way for Scott Schoeneweis, who came within one out of his second career shutout.

The Anaheim Angels left-hander held the Texas Rangers to four singles Tuesday night in a 3-0 victory that gave as much satisfaction to pitching coach Bud Black as it did to Schoeneweis.

After watching Schoeneweis give up five runs over seven innings in a no-decision against Kansas City at Edison Field, Black took him aside and worked with him on his delivery. The result was Schoeneweis'

"It's only one game, but I definitely have been working on some stuff that hopefully will make me more successful and more consistent in the strike zone," he said. "I'm just trying to be more consistent with my arm slot, getting my hand behind the ball and trying to throw it through the catcher's mitt.

"My tendency has been not to do that — throwing side to side, not using the torso and not really getting out in front, which causes the ball to drop and go out of the zone. Hopefully, I can just be consistent

tonight.

A two-out walk in the ninth to Juan Gonzalez on a 3-2 pitch prevented Schoeneweis (4-4) from becoming the first Angels pitcher to throw a complete-game shutout since Brian Cooper's three-hit, 7-0 victory over Oakland on June 30,

Troy Percival made his 436th career appearance, tying Chuck Finley's franchise record, and retired former batterymate Todd Greene on a flyout to the warning track in center for his 11th save.

It was the fourth straight game in against Texas.

which manager Mike Scioscia used his All-Star closer, which is why Schoeneweis was allowed to start the ninth with a pitch count of 110.

"He had a little leash there to try to see if he could nail it down, get the shutout and save Percy,' Scioscia said. "But when he didn't, it was a decision we had to make. Nobody was pulling for Schoney more than I was."

Gonzalez had two singles, Rodriguez doubled land Bill Haselman singled for the other hit off Schoeneweis, who lost four of his previous five career decisions



Here are the Coahoma Little League minors division champion Ackerly Rangers, who fin-Ished the regular season with a 12-0 record. Front row, from left, are: Junior Rogers, Michael Gomez, Johnny Rogers, Oscar Martinez, David Martinez and Albert Ybarra. Second row: Hayden Ware, Tyler Ware, Jesus Gomez, Sean Blagrave and Landon Parker. Standing behind their team are coaches Kyle Ware and Steve Parker.

Williams sisters, Capriati reach French Open semis

thunderous groundstrokes, sizzling serves and loud grunts, Venus and Serena Williams clearly can play on clay.

No surface can mute their games.

This year, they've entered new territory, with both reaching the French Open semifinals for the first time. Now each is one win from another all-sister Grand Slam final.

"I can play a longer point. I can move OK. I used to practice on clay a lot when I was younger, so I do know how to slide," Venus Williams said.

"I always felt like I had the groundstrokes and speed to play well here. More than anything I'm not trying to hit every ball so hard, just keep some in play, move it around, hope

for the best. But Venus at times did hit it hard — very hard — and as usual her 6-foot-1 frame allowed her to track down shot after shot in a 6-4, 6-3 quarterfinal win over Monica Seles. Venus hit a

serve at 118 mph. Serena Williams, meanwhile, hardly worked up a sweat in her black dress, routing 2000 champion Mary Pierce 6-1, 6-1 in 49 French

vice games and setting up a showdown with defending

champion Jennifer Capriati. "I just feel like a clay courter," said Serena, the champion at last month's clay-court Italian Open.

One men's semifinalist is set - No. 20 Albert Costa. The Spaniard won the final 10 games and beat No. 15 Guillermo Canas 7-5, 3-6, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-0 to reach his first Grand Slam semifinal

In a match suspended by darkness, No. 18 Alex Corretja, a finalist last year. led No. 22 Andrei Pavel 7-6 (5), 7-5, 4-5. That match was to resume Wednesday, when the other quarterfinals pit No. 4 Andre Agassi vs. No. 11 Juan Carlos Ferrerro, and No. 10 Sebastien Grosjen vs. No. 2 Marat

Safin. Serena Williams must continue her recent run of victories against Capriati if she is to face her sister again in a repeat of last

year's U.S. Open final. Serena has won four straight matches against Capriati, including three this year. But in their only two Grand Slam meetings, Capriati won both times in the quarters of the Open

remember the past. She has a couple of wins against me, I have a few against her,' Serena said.

Said Capriati: "She's beat en me the last few, but we haven't played in a Grand Slam in a while.

The Williams and Capriati are members of the Who's Who of women's tennis. Clarisa Fernandez belongs in a "Who's She?"

A 20-year-old left-hander who started playing serious ly five years ago, she's the first unseeded player to make the semifinals at Roland Garros

Capriati 12 years ago. The 5-foot-10 1/2 Argentine beat countrywoman Paola Suarez 2-6, 7-6 (5), 6-1 to continue an improbable run that has included wins over No. 4 Kim Clijsters and No. 13 Elena Dementieva.

Her assignment now is to slow down Venus Williams. who will take over the top ranking after the French Open.

And after losing at Roland Garros in the first round a year ago, Venus Williams hasn't dropped a set. The two-time champion at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open is not vulnerable on

Nets underdogs again, but in reach of a title

LOS ANGELES (AP) -Lucious Harris considered the possibility, and his eyes lighted up.

The New Jersey Nets as NBA champions? What once seemed a galaxy away is now a mere four wins from reality

"We came this far, we're not going to lay down," the Nets' guard said. "We have confidence we can win this series. We've been underdogs all season. We're confident, every player.'

tested beginning Wednesday night when they meet the two-time defending champion Los Angeles Lakers in Game 1 of the NBA Finals at Staples Center

Game 2 is Friday night in Los Angeles before the bestof-seven series shifts to New

Kings, the Nets have been one of the league's bottom-feeders through the years.

But times sure have

changed. The Kings, 27-55 four years ago, extended the mighty Lakers to overtime in the deciding game of the Western Conference finals.

While Sacramento's rise has been steady, New Jersey got there in a hurry. In the playoffs for the first time since 1998, the Nets were 26-56 last season.

The turnaround began with the acquisition of Jason Kidd from Phoenix last summer

"What in the world is Phoenix doing?" Lakers star Kobe Bryant said with a laugh Tuesday

What the Suns did was help make a winner of the

"We had players here that had it in them," said Harris, who grew up in Los Angeles but cheered for the Celtics as a kid. "Jason brought it

Going for the 14th championship in franchise history, the Lakers have reached the NBA Finals 26 times.

The Nets, winners of only 19 playoff games since joining the NBA in 1976, including 10 this spring, have advanced past the second round for just the first time. Oddsmakers established the Lakers as 9-1 favorites. "It would probably be one either.

of the biggest upsets in history, I'll say," Harris said. "We've got to play a perfect game, period. We can't have scoring lapses. That's a true champion.

In Shaquille O'Neal and Bryant, the Lakers have the best at their positions inside and outside. If defending Kidd is a challenge, consider what the Nets face.

"The one thing that I feel is we're a much better defensive team than The Nets' confidence will Sacramento and they took the Lakers to seven games,' Nets coach Byron Scott "We've played said. extremely well on the defensive end throughout the playoffs and we're going to

continue to do that. Scott plans to alternate Todd MacCulloch, Aaron Williams and Jason Collins against O'Neal and will Like the Sacramento start Kerry Kittles on Bryant, who Scott called the best all-around player in the

> "I think they like that underdog role, I think they're excited about it, Scott said. "I know we are the biggest underdogs in the history of the NBA Finals, and once our guys heard that, they just started smiling about it."

Scott was a member of three championship teams during his 11 years as a player with the Lakers, where he often played alongside Magic Johnson.

In Kidd, the Nets have a Magiclike player without the Showtime touch. Kidd became the first player in 35 years to get three triple-doubles in a playoff series in the six-game Eastern Conference finals against Boston.

"Jason Kidd, in my mind, was this year's MVP," said O'Neal, who finished third behind San Antonio's Tim Duncan and Kidd in the voting. "It's not going to be easy for us. We've only played this team twice, so we don't know what all their secrets are. We just have to go out and continue what we've been doing.'

The teams split their two regular-season meetings. But O'Neal didn't play in one, Bryant didn't play in the other and the Nets weren't at full strength,

Cardinals quickly gaining ground in NL Central standings against Cincinnati in the last White Sox 2; Anaheim 3, Texas 0; and visiting San Francisco extended

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Here come the St. Louis

Cardinals. Fernando Vina had three hits and Albert Pujols added a two-run homer Tuesday night, helping St. Louis beat the Cincinnati Reds 8-5 for its 18th victory in 24 games.

The Cardinals, a preseason favorite to win the NL pennant. moved within a game of first-place Cincinnati in the NL Central.

"It's good to come into this atmosphere and have a chance to catch up a little bit," said J.D. Drew, who also drove in two runs. "But I think we take everybody with the same intensity.

It took awhile for the Cardinals to get going. Beset by injuries to the pitching staff, they started the season 14-19 and fell five games behind the surprising Reds, who have led

the division since April 16. But St. Louis has won six of eight month, quickly putting the pressure

"You'd like to start mixing in some wins," said Reds third baseman Aaron Boone, who hit a three' run homer. "You feel like a lot of people are saying, 'Well, you can't beat them, and it's a must win and this is a huge series.' I do feel like tomorrow's game is important. This is a team we've got to beat."

In other National League games, it was: San Francisco 3, San Diego 1; Houston 6, Arizona 4; Milwaukee 6, Chicago 5 in 11 innings; Los Angeles 10, Colorado 4; Florida 5, Philadelphia 0; and Pittsburgh 5, Montreal 2. The Mets and Braves were rained out in Atlanta, the first

rainout in Turner Field history. In American League games, it was: Minnesota 23, Cleveland 2; Boston 10, Detroit 5; Toronto 3, Tampa Bay 1: N.Y. Yankees 13, Baltimore 5; Kansas City 3, Chicago

and Oakland 3, Seattle 2, 10 innings.

Jason Simontacchi (4-0) was sharp despite an eight-day layoff, giving up one run and seven hits in 6 1-3 innings to lower his ERA to 2.48. The 28-year-old rookie, who pitched for Italy in the 2000 Olympics, has given St. Louis' injury-depleted rotation an unexpected boost.

"It's hard to describe the lift he's given us," manager Tony La Russa said. "He's been really special and really needed.'

The Reds need Ken Griffey Jr. to start hitting. He singled in five atbats, leaving him 4-for-28 since returning from a torn knee tendon. Griffey is batting .200 with one home run and three RBIs this sea

Glants 3,

Jeff Kent hit a three-run homer off Bobby Jones (3-4) in the first inning,

San Diego's losing streak to a season-high six games.

Kirk Rueter (7-3) improved to 10-2 lifetime against the slumping Padres, who have dropped 15 of 19. Barry Bonds went 0-for-2 with two walks and leads the majors with 67 free passes.

Giants shortstop Rich Aurilia came off the disabled list and doubled twice.

Astros 6,

Diamondbacks 4

Brad Ausmus hit a go-ahead single in the seventh inning, and Lance Berkman added his 19th home run in the eighth as Houston rallied at Bank One Ballpark.

Junior Spivey homered for Arizona, which lost for only the second time in 30 games when leading innings. after six Diamondbacks dropped into a firstplace tie with Los Angeles.

SPORTS EXTRA

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Boston	38	17	691	_
New York	38	21	644	2
Baltimore	26	30	.464	12 1/2
Toronto	22	33	.400	16
Tampa Bay	18	38	.321	20 1/2
Central Division				
	W	Ĺ	Pct	GB
Minnesota	33	25	569	_
Chicago	29	29	500	4
Cleveland	28	29	491	4 1/2
Kansas City	22	33	400	9 1/2
Detroit	21	35	375	11
West Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	36	21	.632	
Anahemi	33	22	600	2
Oakland	28	29	491	8
Texas	23	33	411	12 1/2

Tuesday's Games Boston 10, Detroit 5 Toronto 3, Tampa Bay 1

N Y Yankees 13, Baltimore 5 Minnesota 23, Cleveland 2 Kansas City 3, Chicago White Sox 2 Anaheim 3, Texas 0 Oakland 3, Seattle 2, 10 innings

Today's Games

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Baltimore (Driskill 2.0) at N.Y. Yankees (D Wells 6-2), 6:05 p.m Cleveland (Sabathia 44) at Minnesota (Milton 7.4), 7.05 p.m. Kansas City (Suppan 5-4) at Chicago White

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Kansas City (May 0-3) at Chicago White Sox (Ritchie 3-7), 1.05 p.m. Seattle (Baldwin 4-4) at Oakland (Zito 6-2),

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Atlanta	32	26	552	_
New York	29	28	509	2 1/2
Florida	29	29	500	3
Montreal	28	30	483	4
Philadelphia	23	33	411	8
Central Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	33	24	579	
St Louis	32	25	561	1
Pittsburgh	27	31	466	6 1/2
Houston	26	31	456	7
Chicago	22	35	386	11
Milwaukee	22	36	379	11 1/2
West Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	35	23	603	-
Los Angeles	35	23	603	
San Francisco	33	24	579	1 1/2
Colorado	30	29	508	5 1/2
San Diego	25	34	424	10 1/2

Tuesday's Games Pittsburgh 5, Montreal 2 Florida 5, Philadelphia 0 St Louis 8, Cincinnati 5

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San Francisco 3. San Diego 1 Today's Games Los Angeles (Daal 4.1) at Colorado (Jennings 6.2) 2.05 p.m. San Francisco (Jensen 45) at San Diego

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Florida (Burnett 5.5) at Philadelphia (Wolf 3-3) 5t Louis (W Williams 21) at Cincinnati (Haynes 55), 610 p.m.; Chicago Cubs (Bere 1-8) at Milwaukee (Quevedo 35), 7.05 p.m.

Houston (C Hernandez 5-2) at Arizona (Johnson 9.1), 9.05 p.m. Louis (Kile 3-3) at Cincinnati (Reitsma 3-2). N Y Mets (D'Amico 4-4) at Atlanta (Glavine 9-2), 12 05 p m Florida (Dempster 3.5) at Philadelphia (Duckworth 2.4), 6 05 p m

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NBA PLAYOFFS

NBA FINALS (Best-of-7)
L.A. Lakers vs. New Jersey
Wednesday, June 5

New Jersey at L.A. Lakers, 8 p.m. New Jersey at L.A. Lakers, 8 p.m. Sunday, June 9 L.A. Lakers at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 12 Lakers at New Jersey, 8 p.m., if necessary Monday, June 17

Jersey at Lakers, 8 p.m., if necessary

New Jersey at Lakers, 8 p.m., if necessary NHL PLAYOFFS

STANLEY CUP FINALS	
(Best-of-7)	
Detroit vs. Carolina	
Tuesday, June 4	
Carolina 3, Detroit	2
series 1-0	

OT. Carolina leads Thursday, June 6 Carolina at Detroit, 7 p.m Saturday, June 8 Detroit at Carolina, 7 p.m Monday, June 10

Thursday, June 13 Carolina at Detroit, 7 p.m., if necessary

TRANSACTIONS

American League CLEVELAND INDIANS—Activated CF Milton Bradley from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned OF Jolbert Cabrera to Buffalo of the International

League MINNESOTA TWINS—Activated 2B Luis Rivas from the 15-day disabled list. Designated INF Jay Canizaro for release or assignment.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Activated OF David Justice from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned RHP Jeff Tam to Sacramento of the PCL.

TEXAS RANGERS—Placed RHP Rudy Seanez on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to May 30. Recalled RHP Joaquin Benoît from Oklahoma of the PCL.

National League
CHICAGO CUBS—Activated RHP Kyle
Farnsworth from the 15-day disabled list
Optioned RHP Courtney Duncan to lowe of the

HOUSTON ASTROS—Promoted Doug Swan to director of ballpark entertainment and Kirby Kander to assistant director of ballpark entertainment. Named Brock Jessel production cool

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Activated LHP Terry Mulholland from the 15-day disabled list Placed RHP Bryan Corey on the 15-day disabled

NEW YORK METS—Purchased the contract of F Tony Tarasco. Designated OF:18 Mark Johnson for assignment, PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed RHP Steve Woodard to a minor-league contract ST LOUIS CARDINALS—Placed RHP Garrett

Stephenson on the 15-day disabled list. Called up LHP Bud Smith from Memphis of the PCL SAN DIEGO PADPES—Sant New Jagon Boyd to Portland of the PCL. Purchased the contract of

LHP Jason Pearson from Portland.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Activated SS Rich Ramon Martinez on the 15-day disabled list FOOTBALL

National Football League BUFFALO BILLS—Signed RB Richard Huntley. CHICAGO BEARS—Signed S Damon Moore to a two-year contract.

DENVER BRONCOS-Named Mike Shanahai executive vice president of football operations coach, Joe Ellis executive vice president of business operations, Jim Saccomano vice president of public relations, Bill Harpole vice president of operations, Rick Nichols vice president of ticket operations-business development, and Greg Carney vice president of marketing.

NEW YORK JETS-Promoted Jesse Kave to director of college scouting and Joey Clinkscales to national scout. Named Dick Haley senior personnel scout and Jeff Bauer as a talent scout Signed G Faaesea Mailo. Waived G Core Hannan

NEW YORK GIANTS-Released G Glenn ST. LOUIS RAMS—Signed G Heath Irwin to a

one-year contract.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Signed DT Santana Dotson Agreed to terms with OL Kipp

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Arkansas (34-26) at Clemson (50-14), 6-15

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Lady Steers hoops camp scheduled

BRIEFS

Big Spring Lady Steers basketball coach Jimmy Avery will conduct Lady Steers the 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 eighthgraders.

The camp will provide girls with an opportunity to develop individual basketball skills through one-on-

one and group drills. The camp fee is \$45 which covers all costs for instruction, as well ass a T-shirt and camp picture.

Registration forms should be mailed to Avery at 1600 Thorpe, Big Spring, 79720. In addition, girls interested in taking part can sign up on the first day of camp

For more information concerning the camp, call Avery at 264-3647 or 264-

at 8 a.m.

CGA scholarship

tournament slated

Chicano Association of Big Spring will hold its annual Golf Scholarship Tournament Saturday and Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course

Entry fees for the two-person scramble event are \$60 per player

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

Coahoma schedules **Bulldog Tennis Camp**

The 2002 Coahoma Bulldog Tennis Camp has been scheduled for Monday through Friday, June 24-28.

The camp is for boys and girls between the ages of 8

Fees for the camp are \$40 per player.

For more information, call 394-4355 or 395-4535 or 394-

Parent-child tourney scheduled at BSCC

A Parent-Child Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 8-9, at the Pig Spring Country Club.

Play will be conducted in a trophy division and an open division with a twoperson scramble format.

Shotgun starts are set for 9 a.m. Sa urday and 1 p.m. Sunday.

Entry fees are \$80 in the open div sion and \$30 in the trophy division. Parents may play with more than one child, the second team being allowed to enter at half price.

Fees do not include the cost of cart rental, but private carts are welcomed.

To register or for more information, call the proshop at 267-5354.

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

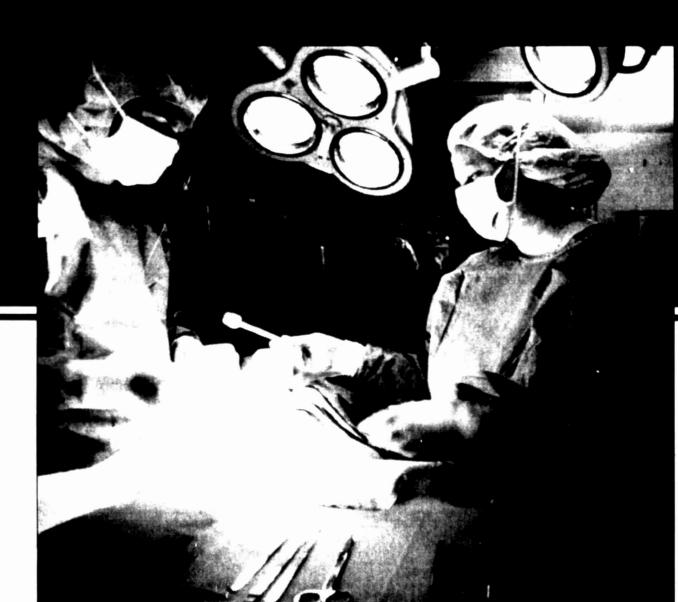
Organizers hope to help defray the thousands of dollars the Wynn family needs to pay for cancer treatments.

Entry fees are set at \$200 per team.

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ed for a hole-in-one. Prizes will also be awarded for longest drive and closest drive to the pin on selected holes

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Just before their bus headed for the state tournament in Austin, members of the Coahoma Bulldogettes softball team posed for a picture. Clockwise from left are, Kara Smith, Elisha Teeler, Andrea Amaro, Miranda Parsons, Karen Sterling, Erin Stovall, Tawna Jacobs, Megan Young, Kristi Hutchison, Ruby Garcia and Natalie Hilario.

Bulldogettes made us proud with a run through playoffs

ball season ended two days earlier than Coahoma's Bulldogettes and their fans had wanted when they suffered a 1-0 loss to Alto's Lady Yellowjackets in a Class 2A semifinal game at the University Interscholastic League (UIL) state championships.

While it marked the fifth time in six seasons Coahoma had reached the state tournament, only one in 1998 — has the season ended the way the Bulldogettes wanted.

But the Bulldogettes' disappointment should be considered anything but a failure.

The Coahoma program has enjoyed nothing but phenomenal success, and that's something that not only the Crossroads Area, but all of West Texas can be proud of.

That trip to the state tournament was not only the Bulldogettes' fifth such trip in the past six years, but the semifinals loss in Austin was the only time this sea-

he 2002 high school soft- son Coahoma lost to a school its

In fact, Coahoma has clearly set the benchmark for small school softball throughout the region having not only made five state tournament appearances, but literally dominating their district gram in 1996.

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The support Coahoma teams since first implementing the pro-receive is literally storied, time and time again giving While the Bulldogettes finished Bulldogettes an advantage over the season with an 18-13 record, it the competition before the first

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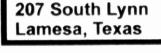
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Special to the Herald

AUSTIN — Inches here or there. That proved to be all the difference.

Coahoma's Bulldogettes (18-13) had no quit but they failed to collect for the key hit and ended the 2002 softball season with a 1-0 Class 2A state semifinal loss in 11 innings to Alto's Lady Yellowjackets (29-4) at the University of Texas at Austin's McCombs Field.

The Bulldogettes got back-to-back hits by junior leadoff hitter Ashley Lang and freshman catcher Ruby Garcia with one out in the top of the 11th inning of the scoreless pitching duel between Alto's Alison Liles and Coahoma's Erin Stovall.

"We were so close but we just didn't get the right breaks" said Stovall, who pitched brilliantly with eight strikeouts and no walks while allowing only eight hits in 10-plus innings of work.

Facing potential disaster, Liles got Karen Sterling and Stovall to fly out, ending the Coahoma threat and opening the door for the Lady Yellowjackets.

Alto scored the only run of the game in the bottom of the inning to end Coahoma's hopes for a second state championship.

Alto's Brittany Thacker, a .580 hitter on the season and cleanup hitter for the Lady Yellowjackets, slammed a sinking line drive past Coahoma center fielder Andrea Amaro to bring home Lakeisha Bruton with the only run of the game. Bruton had reached first base with a single to left field.

"The girls played their hearts out and Alto was solid, we just didn't get anything going, it seemed like when we got a runner on base there were two outs," said Coahoma coach Robby Dickenson following the loss.

While the Bulldogettes had trouble mounting any offense, it was the Coahoma defense that kept them in

the game.

Lang, the Coahoma shortstop, had several key assists and Garcia made the defensive play of the game.

In fact, Garcia came up huge in a key fifth-inning, double play.

Playing in the scoreless game, Alto threatened in the bottom of the fifth when Stephanie Bailey led off with a double that rolled to the left field fence. Katy Pearman then bunted Bailey to third with one out.

Shekeyva Whitaker then hit a grounder that glanced off the glove of Coahoma pitcher Erin Stovall.

The ball was snagged by Coahoma thrid baseman Tara Dickerson who fired to Garcia at the plate.

Garcia blocked the plate, tagged out Bailey then jumped to her feet and caught Whitaker off first. Whitaker was tagged out in the ensuing rundown by Bulldogette first baseman Tawna Jacobs.

Garcia led the Coahoma offense, collecting three of the Bulldogettes' five hits. Megan Young and Lang had the other hits.

Coahoma managed only two walks. one by Young and another by Natalie Hilario, while the Lady Yellowjackets committed only a single error.

Coahoma had runners as far as second base only twice in the game.

The Bulldogettes not only would have liked to have won and advanced to Saturday's championship final, but would have liked to have paid the Lady Yellowjackets back for a 1999 loss that dethroned them as state champions.

Alto beat Coahoma 5-3 in that 1999 state championship game, but then tasted the same fate the next season when they suffered a 2-1 loss to Troy's Lady Trojans in the finals.

The Bulldogettes have been to the state tournament five times with a state championship win in 1998 win over Blooming Grove. The Bulldogettes were second in 1996 and 1999 and semifinalists in 2000.



HERALD photo/Jim Fierro

Coahoma's Erin Stovall displays the form that pitched Coahoma's Bulldogettes to a Region I, Class 2A championship for the fifth time in six years. Stovall won four straight Class 2A playoff games before suffering a 1-0 loss to Alto in 11 innings at the UIL State Softball Tournament in Austin.

It took two days, but Coahoma claimed fifth regional championship

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

ABILENE — Coahoma's Bulldogettes are headed to their fifth appearance in the UIL State Softball Tournament following a 5-2 regional championship win over Comanche's Maidens on Saturday.

Coahoma will join Weimer, Alto and Aubry in the state tournament's Class 2A field and will open the tournament on Thursday. The name of the Bulldogettes opponent and time for their state semifinal at the University of Texas' McCombs Field will not be determined until today.

The Bulldogettes claimed their fifth Region I, Class 2A championship despite a rocky start, nightmarish weather and a delay that forced them to wait until Saturday to finish a game they began at 7 p.m. Friday on the diaof Abilene mond Christian University's Wells Field.

Comanche, which brought a 20-10 record into the regional title game,

seemed to have the upper hand when in the first two innings of play on game with 12 strikeouts but gave up they turned three straight singles — Friday. two of them infield hits — and an — As a result, they were finally able to otal frame. uncommon Bulldogette error into a 2-

And with hard-throwing senior Shauna Bragg in the pitcher's circle, that seemed an almost insurmountable lead.

0 lead in the bottom of the first inning.

That, of course, was before a threatening thunderstorm that prompted a 15-minute delay due to lightning

Umpires put the two teams back on the field, but less than an inning was Bulldogettes to the Class 2A state played before hail, heavy rains and a tornado warning prompted postponement until Saturday.

And Saturday was, as they say, another day.

Bulldogette pitcher Erin Stovall allowed just three more hits and her teammates played air-tight defense after the game resumed with two out in the bottom of the second inning.

More importantly, the Bulldogettes proved to be much more patient at the plate on Saturday than they had been

mount a rally in the fourth inning that rattled Bragg and yielded all five of Coahoma's runs.

"I felt that we'd have to score four or five runs if we were going to win," Bulldogettes head coach Robbie Dickenson said following the victory. "I figured they'd probably score a couple on us and that proved to be exactly the case."

Dickenson, who coached the championship in 1997, said he is convinced having the weather delay might well have proved an advantage for his team.

"There's no question in my mind that the break last night helped us," Dickenson said. "We came back today more focused and responded to the challenge. These girls did what they had to do.'

rally against Bragg, who finished the right.'

four of Coahoma's six hits in that piv-

"We'd scouted her a bunch and the book on her was that she sometimes would get a little shaky when you had her in a jam," Dickenson explained. "We just went up there and were a little more patient. And when she gave us something to hit, we did a good job of driving the ball."

Conversely, Stovall just got stronger as the game progressed.

"Erin has done that all season." Dickenson said of his senior ace. "She tends to get stronger the longer she goes. She sure did today."

The Bulldogettes will take a 20-12 record into the state tournament, and Dickenson admitted that he believed all along that this Coahoma team had the ability to reach Austin.

"We didn't start of the season very well ... we struggled," he explained. "But I told these girls that I believed The Bulldogette boss said he wasn't we had the talent to be a team that surprised by his team's fourth-inning could go to Austin. They've proved me



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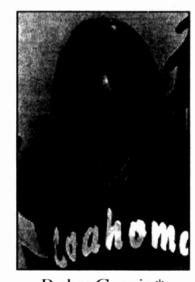
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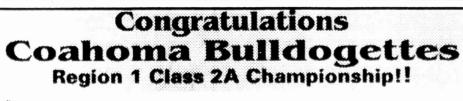


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The third and last stop on our Trail mini-tour was Cambrian Ridge, in Greenville, an hour south of Montgomery. Cambrian Ridge is a complex of three regulation nines. The property again has water everywhere, and Grand National's serpentine nature, but introduces a new element: hills. The Canyon nine is a roller coaster ride of elevated tees and landing areas in the clbow of doglegs, with several carries over catfishroiled water. The Loblolly ninc smoothes out a bit, with generous fair-

floor were the only company.





ince opening for business in the carly '90s, the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail in Alabama has built a reputation as paradise on earth among a certain breed of person: those whose idea of light reading is Golf Digest instead of Dave Pelz's Putting Bible, who absorb their doses of national news via the Golf Channel, who view any reflective surface as an opportunity to examine their swings.

Of course, non-golfers and beginners are welcome along the Trail. A recently renovated Marriott Grand Hotel at Point Clear, on the Gulf of Mexico, has a tricked-up pool for the kiddos and a European-style spa for men and women not set on tackling the course. Every golf hole on the entire Trail was designed with forward tees to accommodate golfers of various abili-

But at its essence, this is hardcore golf, featuring beefy, long layouts with lots of drama. Trail courses, 21 in all, are sited on sprawling tracts of land at eight facilities throughout the state. There's room enough at each facility for backless driving ranges, stately clubhouses and ambitious 'short courses'—don't call them pitch and putts-ideal for settling wagers that run into overtime.

In Scotland, luxury motor coaches carrying CEOs from seaside links to luxury resorts are a common sight. Here it's four dudes in a SUV, clubs stacked to the ceiling. The competition flows thickest during the spring high season,

when hardcore golfers whose home clubs still are encrusted in ice head South en masse for their first golf fix of the year. The crowd "is from out of town, and they're here to play golf" says an assistant pro at one Trail complex.

IF YOU BUILD IT ...

Not surprisingly, the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail sprang from the imagination of a golfer, Dr. David Bronner, CEO of Retirement Systems of Alabama. Officially, Bronner is an appointed money manager for the state's teachers and other public employees. Unofficially, he's Alabama's self-appointed tourist minister, ambassador and one of the main

players in the state's development scene. The idea of building a network of world-class golf courses first occurred to Bronner in the late '80s. An inveterate Big Thinker, Bronner set his sights on enlisting a conspicuous architect, and letters were sent to several of the most prominent names in the business. Most couldn't comprehend what was

being proposed. 'They'd try to correct us: 'Clearly you don't mean you're going to do seven sites at the same time, more than 18 holes at each site," Bronner recalls. "We were trying to do something that had never been done in the world ... it was a matter

of finding someone who thought we were credible.

The most outrageous name on Bronner's wish list got his gist. He found a kindred spirit in legendary architect Robert Trent Jones, Sr., who emerged from semi-retirement to take on the challenge of developing the Trail. By then, Jones' legacy as one of the great golf course architects of all time was secure. But the opportunity to develop all seven original sites (an eighth, Capitol Hill, came online in 2000) proved irresistible to the octogenarian Englishman, who designed or renovated an estimated 500 courses during a seven-decade-long career.

Jones' zeal for the project was obvious in his hands-on approach as well as the quality of the final product. He once was quoted in Business Week as considering the Trail project a once-in-



Above: Grand National Inset: Cambrian Ridge

a-lifetime chance "to paint my Sistine

Jones, who died in 2000 at age 93, designed the Trail to capitalize on Alabama's diverse topography while keeping his foot relentlessly heavy on the gas. "He told me a couple times, 'We're making 'em too hard,'" Bronner recalls of the early give and take between the architect and owner. "I kept telling him, 'No, we're not.' ... Everybody in the country complained about Pete Dye's course at PGA West when it first came online, that it was so difficult. And every time I went there, all I saw were people standing in line with \$200 in their hands. They want punishment."

All 18 original Trail courses were constructed in one frenzied push. The first, Oxmoor Valley in Birmingham, opened in the fall of '92, less than two years from when the idea for the Trail first had occurred to Bronner. The last of the original seven complexes came online within a year. Total price tag: approximately \$140 million.

Acclaim for Jones' handiwork began rolling in soon after the ceremonial first drives were struck. Golf Digest listed both regulation courses at the Grand National complex in Auburn/Opelika among the top four new public cours-

es in the country in 1993. The Links course at Grand National regularly cracks the esteemed publication's annual public top-100 to this day.

The professional golf tours have the Trail on their radar as well. The LPGA tour visits Magnolia Grove, in Mobile, each year. The Buy.com tour held its season-ending Tour Championship at Capitol Hill in September 2001. Plans are in the works for both to return this

72 HOLES, 72 HOURS

My own taste of the Trail comprised 72 holes in three days at three facilities within easy driving distance of Montgomery, Alabama's capital and roughly the state's midpoint. Typical of the entire Trail, each course had qualities in common, yet was distinct from one another, despite their proximity.

The Judge, our first course, is one of three at Capitol Hill in Prattville, on the outskirts of Montgomery. The Judge's elevated first tee box affords views of Montgomery and the Alabama River in the distance, a skinny band of fairway below, glimpses of pleasures to come beyond the steeply sloped first green. It was a grand, and appropriately daunting. way to christen the trip. "When you enter The Judge, you enter The Judge," our starter told us. "We'll bring sandwiches out to you, but you won't see much of anyone else for the rest of your round." Down we plunged

A relentless lattice of difficult golf holes ensued. The Judge is the most recent Trail course to come online and was designed to expand on the most popular features of its predecessors. Namely: their difficulty. The Alabama River's opaque backwaters provide much of the trouble; the number of water carries reached double-digits early on the back nine. Dry corners of the course were guarded by colonies of fire ants. The round was punishing but enjoyable, and blew past in the blink of an eye.

Our resting spot, Legends Hotel, is conveniently close to the local Wal-Mart, which is handy when re-loading a supply of golf balls.

The following morning we drove an hour and 25 minutes due east, through cotton fields, beneath a promising sunrise, to the Grand National golf complex at Auburn/Opelika. Here we received another warm greeting at the bag drop, and mounted the stairs of another stately clubhouse. A trend clearly was develop-

Grand National features two regulation courses, Links and Lake, and a short course. Trent Jones, Sr. is reported to have characterized the property as the best for golf he ever saw.

We played the Links course which, true to its name, was Scottish in character. Six-hundred-acre Lake Saughahatche, in play on 24 of Grand National's 36 regulation holes, is glimpsed for the first time behind the Links course's second hole and reappears intermittently throughout the track. No. 6, a twisty par 5 that plays to a remote corner of the property, was a particular favorite. And the water carry to 18 was as hard, and good, as it gets. Everyone in our group hit the green in regulation, mortals will come to playing Augusta Jones' masterly touch with the blue print and the surveyor's map was felt all weekend long. With amocba-like bunkers and raised, multi-tiered greens. only a true wizard with the flat stick will play much golf here without putting off one of the greens.

But what self-respecting hardcore golfer would back down from that

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Retirement Systems of Alabama CEO Dr. David Bronner was born in Minnesota, and moved to Alabama in his early 20s to attend law school and pursue a PhD. He has been in charge of the state's pension fund for

Framed press clippings on the wall of his downtown Montgomery office describe Bronner as "iconoclast," "pugnacious" and "hard-driving"; his style has made enemies along the way. But the beneficiaries of his skill as a money manager, the state's public employees, are devoted. And Bronner's love for his adopted home, in turn, runs deep. To him the Trail is an investment, but it's also a cause.

The image of Alabama as an intolerant state was born during the Civil Rights struggles of the 1960s and perpetuated in 1990, when that year's PGA Championship was moved from the Shoal Creek Country Club in Birmingham after it was revealed that the club's membership policy barred the door to African-Americans.

But golf also could be the engine of Alabama's renaissance. Or so Bronner believes. "The straw I was grasping for was some mechanism to change the [state's] attitude and perception," Bronner says. The Trail is "an experiment to try to reintroduce Alabamians to the rest of the world, and introduce the rest of the world to Alabama."

True to its mission, the Trail

championship- quality golf shot through with an egalitarian vibe. The target demo is "people who love the game of golf who don't have the connections or the money to play championship golf," Bronner says. "Here's an opportunity to play championship golf that won't bankrupt you ... (The Trail] is as good or better as any topquality public golf courses in the world, but at a reasonable price.

Green fees vary slightly from course to course on the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail, but all are good deals. The steepest green fee in the circuit is \$65 to play The Judge at Capitol Hill during the spring peak season, and the general range is \$35-60 year-round. With steep discounts on same-day replays, a customer would be hard pressed to spend \$100 a day to play 36 holes of stellar golf plus rent a cart at any facility on the

Has the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail, as intended, turned tourist heads toward Alabama? It's hard to calculate a change in something as ephemeral as reputation. Hard numbers are easier to understand, espe cially in Bronner's world.

'We've had a positive return," Bronner says. "But the big impact has been on the state of Alabama. When the Trail started, tourism was less then a \$2 billion a year industry. Now it's a \$6.1 billion industry.

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one of those "maybe we can play this game after all" moments that keep the golf economy humming.

Overall, Grand National seemed more forgiving, less overwhelmingly huge, than The Judge. The back nine features several craggy par fours that were downright cozy. Not that my score reflected any improvement. In the afternoon we played the short course, which featured all the regulation course's quality, sans the option to lay up. A father and son twosome on the horizon and several etiquette-indifferent squirrels chasing gomery and Muscle Shoals, Northwest puts you in easy driving range of 21 fabulous courses on eight magnificent Trail sites.

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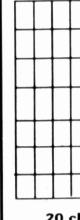
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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Work with others individually to get the results you want. Stay on top of priorities and don't let others, especially coworkers, distract you. If unduly nervous, check in with the doctor soon for a general checkup. Take a bigger perspective. Tonight: Reach for the sky

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Defer to a partner about a loved one. You might not have all the answers. A child or new friend proves to be unpredictable, but recognize how much you enjoy this characteristic in this person Express your docile and easygoing personality. Tonight: Schedule some quality time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov 21) *** You might be more entrenched in your work than you realize. Others might find it hard to distract you. Don't be surprised by what another might resort to in order to get a reaction from you. Schedule a long chat over dinner. Tonight: Out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 Dec. 21) **** Use your imagination with communication, especially when deal-

ing with a partner. You hit the bull's-eye as a result. Others stop to listen when you express your innate ingenuity. Careful, do some work or you might not get done until the wee hours. Tonight: Pace yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 Jan. 19) *** A financial change takes you in a new direction. You need to stick to the basics if you want to solve this problem. A family member does his or her best to work with you. Schedule a fun get-together late in the afternoon when you don't need to worry about time. Tonight: Play

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Excitement seems to follow you. Perhaps you're a force in creating it. Consider it a possibility Get feedback from others Meanwhile, be the whirlwind that you know works, and clear your desk. Remember how close the weekend is. Tonight: Your home is your castle.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** Take your time with financial matters. Unexpected knowledge comes your way. Apply it appropriately. Consider yourself lucky. Follow through on what you feel works. Use the later day to clear your desk and catch up on messages. Tonight: Visit with a friend over a

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parents of overweight children, I would like to provide some additional advice for anyone who is concerned about a child's weight.

The number of children who are "too fat" is appalling. Childhood obesity is now a serious health problem. Children as young as 10 years old are being diagnosed with serious diseases related to obesity. Type II diabetes was formerly known as "adult onset diabetes" because most of those diagnosed were over the age of 40. A few years ago, the medical community stopped using that designation because the disease began occurring in much younger popula-

"Concerned Aunt" should gather some reputable information from the library and suggest that her niece's parents educate themselves on nutrition and health issues related to obesity. She should know that children who are overweight have a much greater chance of being overweight adults than those who are at a healthy weight. It is ignorant and irresponsible for parents to assume their children will "grow out of

The parents should also be aware that Type II diabetes is related to a person's weight, eating habits and physical activity level. Americans are more inactive and consume more calories, in larger proportions, than ever before. Children are not excluded from this disease.

Here are some tips for parents who are concerned about their child's weight:

1. Speak to your child's pediatrician about the problem, and ask for a referral to a registered dietitian. Do not assume that all pediatricians are educated in providing appropriate information on nutrition.

2. Encourage your children to be physically active. Many obese children feel uncomfortable or selfconscious when playing team sports with their peers. Let them choose a sport or activity that they enjoy. You should also play with your children. They can get exercise while enjoying time with you. Limit TV time because it promotes inactivity and overeating.

3. Do not single out your child within the family as being "overweight" or on a 'diet." It is a good idea to keep nutritious snacks on hand and prepare healthy meals for everyone in the family.

4. Do not refer to your child as being fat or overweight. This may make the child feel inadequate and unworthy of your love. It could lead to long-term selfesteem problems and eating disorders.

5. Do not encourage your child to "clean the plate." This will accustom your child to overeating.

6. Encourage your child to eat lots of fresh fruits and vegetables. Limit soft drinks and sugary snacks.

I hope this helps. -ARegistered Dietician in Los Angeles

Dear L.A.: Thank you for your excellent suggestions. Americans are getting more obese every year, and poor eating habits start during childhood. Type II diabetes is becoming a major health hazard for children. Those who want more information on diabetes or would like to assess their risk should contact the American Diabetes Association at 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383) (www.diabetes.org).

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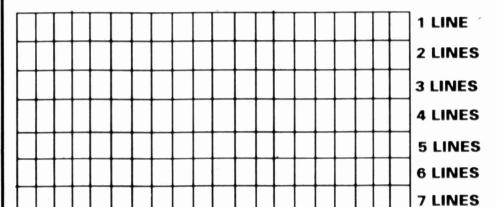
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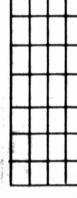
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**** Reach out for those at a distance. Check out gossip behind the scenes and make sure it is real. You could have a lot of strange facts filtering through. Seek out an expert. Others look to you to take a stand. You will, whether you want to or not. Tonight: In the limelight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Work with others individually to get the results you want. Stay on top of priorities and don't let others, especially coworkers, distract you. If unduly nervous, check in with the doctor soon for a general checkup. Take a bigger perspective. Tonight: Reach for the sky.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Defer to a partner about a loved one. You might not have all the answers. A child or new friend proves to be unpredictable, but recognize how much you enjoy this characteristic in this person. Express your docile and easygoing personality. Tonight: Schedule some quality time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** You might be more entrenched in your work than you realize. Others might find it hard to distract you. Don't be surprised by what another might resort to in order to get a reaction from you. Schedule a long chat over dinner. Tonight: Out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Use your imagination with communication, especially when dealing with a partner. You hit the bull's-eye as a result. Others stop to listen when you express your innate ingenuity. Careful, do some work or you might not get done until the wee hours. Tonight: Pace yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** A financial change takes you in a new direction. You need to stick to the basics if you want to solve this problem. A family member does his or her best to work with you. Schedule a fun get-together late in the afternoon when you don't need to worry about time. Tonight: Play

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Excitement seems to follow you. Perhaps you're a force in creating it. Consider it a possibility. Get feedback from others. Meanwhile, be the whirlwind that you know works, and clear your desk. Remember how close the weekend is. Tonight: Your home is your castle.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** Take your time with financial matters. Unexpected knowledge comes your way. Apply it appropriately. Consider yourself lucky. Follow through on what you feel works. Use the later day to clear your desk and catch up on messages. Tonight: Visit with a friend over a drink

BORN TODAY

Actress Sandra Bernhard (1955), tennis pro Bjorn Borg (1956), author Thomas Mann (1875)

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Dietician offers tips on preventing childhood obesity

Dear Ann Landers: This is a response to "Concerned Aunt in California,"

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parents of overweight children, I would like to provide some additional advice for anyone who is concerned about a child's weight.

The number of children who are "too fat" is appalling. Childhood obesity is now a serious health problem. Children as young as 10 years old are being diagnosed with serious diseases related to obesity. Type II diabetes was formerly known as "adult onset diabetes" because most of those diagnosed were over the age of 40. A few years ago, the medical community stopped using that designation because the disease began occurring in much younger popula-

"Concerned Aunt" should gather some reputable information from the library and suggest that her niece's parents educate themselves on nutrition and health issues related to obesity. She should know that children who are overweight have a much greater chance of being overweight adults than those who are at a healthy weight. It is ignorant and irresponsible for parents to assume their children will "grow out of

The parents should also be aware that Type II diabetes is related to a person's weight, eating habits and physical activity level. Americans are more inactive and consume more calories, in larger proportions, than ever before. Children are not excluded from this disease.

Here are some tips for parents who are concerned about their child's weight:

1. Speak to your child's pediatrician about the problem, and ask for a referral to a registered dietitian. Do not assume that all pediatricians are educated in providing appropriate information on nutrition.

2. Encourage your children to be physically active. Many obese children feel uncomfortable or selfconscious when playing team sports with their peers. Let them choose a sport or activity that they enjoy. You should also play with your children. They can get exercise while enjoying time with you. Limit TV time because it promotes inactivity and overeating.

3. Do not single out your child within the family as being "overweight" or on a "diet." It is a good idea to keep nutritious snacks on hand and prepare healthy meals for everyone in the family.

4. Do not refer to your child as being fat or overweight. This may make the child feel inadequate and unworthy of your love. It could lead to long-term selfesteem problems and eating

5. Do not encourage your child to "clean the plate." This will accustom your child to overeating.

6. Encourage your child to eat lots of fresh fruits and vegetables. Limit soft drinks and sugary snacks.

I hope this helps. — A Registered Dietician in Los Angeles

Dear L.A.: Thank you for your excellent suggestions. Americans are getting more obese every year, and poor eating habits start during childhood. Type II diabetes is becoming a major health hazard for children. Those who want more information on diabetes or would like to assess their risk should contact the American Diabetes Association at 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383) (www.diabetes.org).

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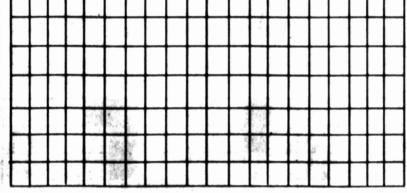
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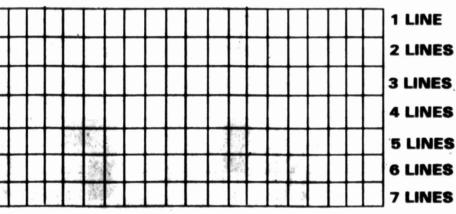
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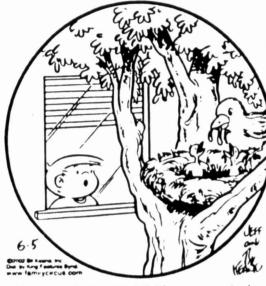
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Today's Highlight in History

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In 1783. Joseph and Jacques Montgolfier publicly demonstrated their hot-air balloon in a 10-Annonay, France

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In 1917, about 10 million In 1999, jazz and pop singer tering for the draft in Angeles at age 73. World War I.

went off the gold standard. In 1940, the Battle of France began during World War II In 1947, Secretary of State

In 1933, the United States

George C. Marshall gave a speech at Harvard University in which he outlined an aid program for Europe that came to be known as "The Marshall Plan.

In 1967, war erupted in the Mideast as Israel raided Egyptian military targets. Syria, Jordan and Iraq entered the conflict. In 1975, Egypt reopened the

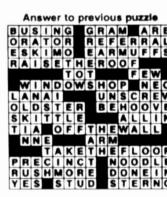
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for Disease Control and Prevention reported that minute flight over five men in Los Angeles all homosexuals come down with a rare kind of pneumonia; they were the first recognized enlisting in the service of a cases of what later became known as AIDS.

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Today's Birthdays:

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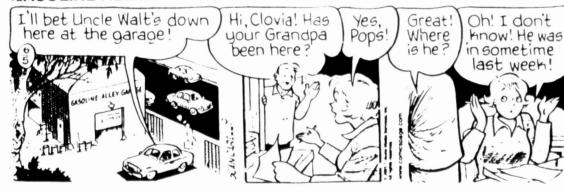






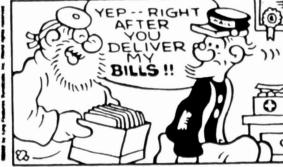


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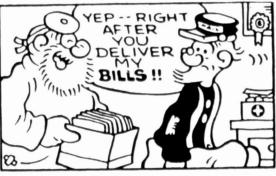
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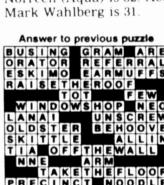
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features some of

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Magic Tree House

Junie B. is a funny kindergartner who keeps landing in trouble. Kids who are

• 3/4 cup peanut butter

• 1 tablespoon vanilla

1. In a large bowl, combine brown sugar, peanut butter, butter or margarine, milk, vanilla and egg. Mix until smooth and creamy. 2. In a medium bowl, combine remaining ingredients. Mix well.

3. Stir dry mixture into creamy mixture. Mix until just blended. 4. Drop by tablespoonfuls several inches apart on an ungreased baking sheet. Flatten slightly with the tines of a fork.

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Mini Jokes Mini

George: "Trolley want a cracker?"

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Words and names that remind us of sumer reading are hidden

in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: BOOKS, SCIENCE, ADVENTURE, DETECTIVE, FANTASY, HUMOR, ANIMAL, POETRY, SPORTS, READ, FUN, WRITE, SERIES, SUMMER, FUNNY, TALES, POPULAR.

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over the summer. See if you can find: • man in the moon

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Jim: What did the parrot say to the trolley car

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

Mary: How did the police know the parrot was

Charlotte: They gave him a pollygraph test!

Luke: What do you get if you cross a parrot

Steve: A bird that can ask the way home if it

telling the truth?

and a duck?

gets lost!

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Mini Spy ...

Height: 6-2 Weight: 185 Birthplace: Omaha, Neb

Andy, who can serve the ball at an amazing 140 miles per hour, turned pro two years ago. He more than \$1,165,000.

tennis because one of his brothers played the sport. Andy lives in Boca Raton, Fla. He likes riding bikes, jet

musical group is Blink-182

Gus Goodsport's neport Supersport: Andy Roddick Birthdate: 8-30-82

Junie B. Jones

talking about.

Freddy the Pig

in Florida.

In "Freddy and

News," Freddy

put out the first

But the town

newspaper

and his farm pals

animal newspape

bosses don't like

start going wrong

that, and things

In this series by Barbara Park,

just discovering chapter books will

understand exactly what Junie B. is

The Freddy Collection by Walter R.

Brooks has been popular for about 60

years. In this classic series, Freddy the

adventures humans might experience.

such as flying a plane or vacationing

Pig and his animal friends have

In "Junie B. Jones Is

a Graduation Girl,"

Junie B. graduates

from kindergarten.

But she spills grape

And neither a white

crayon nor an erase

One of the best new tennis players to make a name in the sport is Andy Roddick. He recently won his second U.S. Men's Clay Court Championship. has won five singles and two doubles titles. So far, he has won

He grew up with two older brothers. He began playing

skiing, playing pingpong, going to the movies and watching sports. His favorite author is J.K. Rowling, and his favorite

Meet Patty Loveless For more than 10 years, Patty



Loveless has been a top country singer She was born in Elkhorn City, Ky., and grew up in Pikeville, Kv., where her father was a coal miner. She was the youngest of seven children. Everyone in her home loved music.

Her father would take her to bluegrass concerts when she was young. She was 12 when she gave her first performance. In the mid-1970s she lived in North Carolina and performed with a

She then decided she preferred country music. She started a solo career and has sold millions of albums.

Patty lives with her husband, music producer Emory Gordy Jr., in Nashville, Tenn.

More Fun Series Books

Here are some more exciting

to read this summer

Captain Underpants

strange. funny series by Dav Pilkey two fourthgraders hypnotize their horrible principal into thinking he is the superhero Captain

In this

By BETTY DEBNAM

Read the Whole Series

In these spoofs on famous detective

Chet Gecko says: "I've always loved

Chet Gecko Mysteries

a gecko in the fourth grade.

food so bad?"

stories, Bruce Hale's tough, wise-

cracking private eye is also a gecko

a good mystery. Like, how do they

plastic packets? And, why is cafeteria

In "The Chameleon

Wore Chartreuse,"

amsel in distress

find Her brother.

Chet says: "She

reen and scaly

She looked like

trouble and she

grasshoppers.

was cute and

Chet helps a

squeeze ketchup into those little

Star Wars Jedi Apprentice

of Star Wars, writing about the

they were young

In "Star Wars Jedi

Apprentice: The

Rising Force" by

Dave Wolverton,

12-year-old Obi-

own anger and fear, or the Jedi

Master will not

accept him as an

Wan Kenobi must

learn to control his

Several authors continue the saga

characters and their adventures when

Underpants. Day Pilkey combines writing and drawings for a comic book-style

and the Wrath of the Wicked Wedgie Woman, the boys create a comic book where their mean teacher is an evil monste And this makes her REALLY mad.

adventure series. His books feature "Flip-O-Rama," where the reader can make the drawings look animated. Thoroughbred

The Thoroughbred series features the adventures of several young people as they ride their special horses. The series was created by Joanna Campbell, and the books are written by several authors. In "Distance



Runner" by 17-year-old Christina feeling the pressure of getting her for the Kentucky Derby. She takes him to California so she and her horse can heal from bac

Next week, The Mini Page is about orphan

Deltora Quest

This series by Emily Rodda centers on the magic land of Deltora, a land full of monsters and heroes. In

the series, the Shadow Lord is plotting to enslave the people of Deltora. A magic belt is the only weapon

In "The Forests of Silence," two young men begin searching to help their friend,

against him, but its magic stones are stolen and hidden. The heroes must find all the stones to defeat the Shadow Lord.

The Amazing Days of **Abby Hayes**

In this series by Anne Mazer, fifth-grader Abby writes in her journal about her adventures and longings. She writes about what



happens in her lively family. She is right in the middle of the family, between a genius younger brother and two older twin

In "Have Wheels, Will Travel," Abby longs for new in-line skates. She has to wea her older sister's castoffs, and they don't fit right. But if Abby wants new skates, she'll have to earn the money to buy them, and learn to save enough for the price.

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Look through your newspaper for several days to find a "series" of stories about one subject

adventures, created by Ben M. Baglio and written by different authors, feature different animals in need at the Animal Ark

Animal Ark

Veterinary Clinic. Mandy Hope helps her parents treat all the different animals who

come to the clinic

dog's owners before it pines away from

Mandy finds a

pregnant golde

at the clinic. She

In "Dog at the Door,"

retriever abandoned

Dragon Slavers' Academy



This series by K.H. McMullan pokes fun at tales of knights and ladies. Students at the academy stumble around on their various quests

In "A Wedding for Wiglaf?" Princess Belcheena is looking for a husband who and victories over two dragons

A Series of Unfortunate **Events**

In this series by Lemony Snicket, three orphans endure "terrible" things that are a lot of fun for readers.



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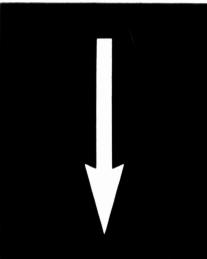
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