





# Big Spring Cowboy Reunion & Rodeo

JUNE 12, 13, 14 & 15

## Scheduled Performers

### Bull Riding:

Boyd Dyal - Pittsburg, Tx.  
Travis Sullivan - Winston, NM  
*(Rides Copperhead, NFR Bull)*  
Joe Smith  
*(Rides Red Alert, NFR Bull)*  
Philip Elkin - Weatherford, Tx  
Felipe Aragon - Tone, NM  
Cody Spells - Doucette, Tx  
*(Rides Copperhead)*  
Chad Klein - Clinton, La  
Joseph Branson - Burleson, Tx  
*(Rides Red Alert)*

### Calf Roping:

Terry Kitchens - Mullin, Tx  
Jerome Schneeberger  
Ponca City, OK  
Trent Walls - Stephenville, Tx  
Carter Edmonson - McCauley, Tx  
Neal Felton - Mtn Home, Tx  
Charley Russell - Shamrock, Tx  
Rusty Seawalt - Del Rio, Tx

### Steer Wrestling

Chad Biesemeyer - Stephenville, Tx  
Bob Lumms - Folsom, La  
Sid Steiner - Bastrop, Tx  
Mickey Gee - Wichita Falls, Tx  
Chad Hagan - Leesville, La  
Jeff Corbello - Iowa, La  
Ote Berry - Checotah, Ok

### Barrel Racing

Tammy Key - Ledbetter, Tx  
Jennifer Wilson - Perry, Miss.  
Marlene McRae - Rehak, Colo  
Lisa Ogden - Gail, Tx  
Kappy Allen - Austin  
*(world champ 2000)*  
Kay Blandford - Southerland Springs, Tx  
Jimmy Kay Davis - Gonzales, Tx  
Cody Himes - Stanton, Tx  
Kim Hughes - Ackerly, Tx



## Scheduled Performers In Contention For Championship



### Bareback Bronc

James Boudreaux - Cuero, Tx  
William Pittman - Florence, Miss  
Darren Clark - Denton, Tx  
Chad Klein - Clinton, Iowa  
Scott Johnson - Gustine, Tx



### Saddle Bronc:

Bobby Griswold - Gary, Ok  
Rance-Bray - Dumas, Tx  
Jeremy Diffe - Hatfield, Ark  
*(Rides Rid to Win, NFR Horse)*  
Johnny Polack - Dublin, Tx  
Brent Francis - Goodwill, OK  
*(Rides Ginger Snap, NFR Bronc)*  
Dan Ettbauer - Goodwill, Ok  
Scott Johnson - Gustine, Tx  
Coke Hopping\* - Memphis, Tx  
*(Rides Rid to Win)*  
John Hagood\* - Waxahachie  
*(Rides Ginger Snap)*  
\*Rides Saturday



Saturday night, these local competitors will rope:

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**FINAL EVENT WINNERS**

<b>Bareback Bronc</b>	<b>Score</b>
James Boudreaux, Cuero, TX	83
<b>Calf Roping</b>	<b>Score</b>
Cody Owens, Rankin, TX	8.7
<b>Saddle Bronc Riding</b>	<b>Score</b>
Brett Franks, Goodwill, OK	81
<b>Steer Wrestling</b>	<b>Score</b>
Byron Walker, Ennis, TX	9.0
<b>Barrel Racing</b>	<b>Score</b>
Kay Blandford, Sutherland Sprgs	16.88
<b>Bull Riding</b>	<b>Score</b>
Doug Kvanvig, Dalhart, TX	86

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# 69th Annual Big Spring Rodeo ends on a high note

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

It's a good thing Kay Blandford knows patience is a virtue. She had plenty of opportunity to exercise it last week.

The Sutherland Springs cowgirls wait through three days and a major storm before finally getting the chance to run the barrels at the 69th Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion & Rodeo. When the opportunity arose, she was equal to the challenge, turning in a blazing time of 16.88 seconds to win the barrel racing competition and a check for just under \$900.

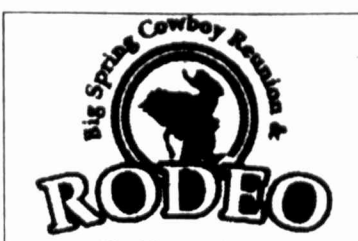
In all, Big Spring Rodeo officials handed out more than \$30,000 in prize money

during the 4-day event.

Blandford's run, which came in front of a large crowd in the Rodeo Bowl, eclipsed Kay Ledbetter's time of 17.12 seconds which had withstood three days of assaults.

Not every barrel racer had reason to smile, however. Ackerly's standout Kim Hughes sent more than a few gasps through the crowd when her horse stumbled and went down while attempting to round the final barrel. Both Hughes and her mount were uninjured in the fall.

Cuero cowboy James Boudreau claimed top honors in the bareback riding event. He finished with a final score of 83 — four bet-



**Final Event Winners**

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Calf Roping	Cody Owens, Rankin, TX	87
Saddle Bronc Riding	Brett Franks, Goodwell, OK	81
Steer Wrestling	Byron Walker, Ennis, TX	90
Barrel Racing	Kay Blandford, Sutherland Spgs	16.88
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ter than Dustin Murray of Corrales, NM. and Chuck Logue of New Braunfels. For his win, Boudreau pocketed \$1,040.

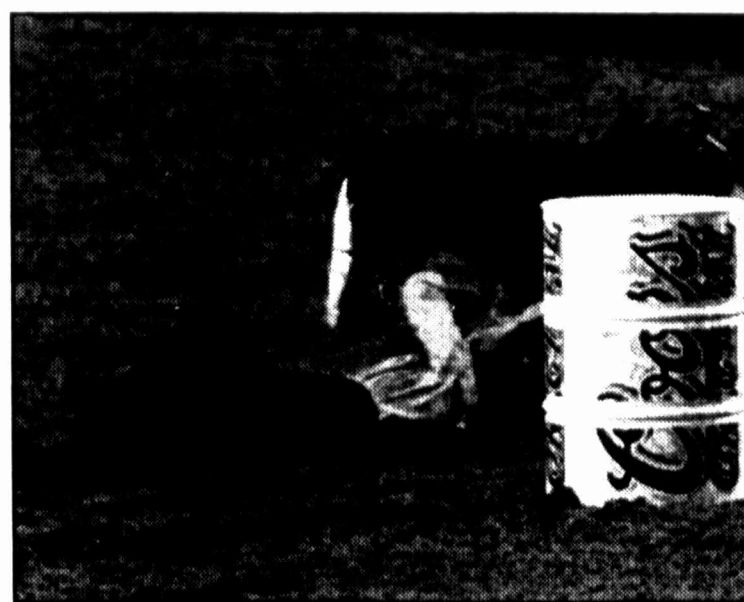
Rankin's Cody Owens brought Skooter Bell's calf

roping title hopes to an end Saturday. He turned in a run of 8.7 seconds — four-tenths of a second faster than the number Bell put up during Wednesday's slack competition.

No one was able to stop Brett Franks, however. The Oklahoma cowboy saw his 81 score in the saddle bronc riding stand up. Australian Lance Kelly was biggest threat, turning in a mark of 77 on Friday.

Dalhart's Doug Kvanvig took the 2002 Big Spring Rodeo bullriding crown. His score of 86 was two higher than Jeff Boudreau of Durant, OK.

Bradley Dunn of Big Spring won Saturday's final round of Mutton Bustin'.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells  
Ackerly's Kim Hughes reaches for her horse after falling during the final round of barrel racing Saturday night. Both Hughes and her horse were uninjured.

# READY FOR THE NEXT STEP

## Big Spring star ready to prove NJCAA title is just the beginning

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

As a freshman at Big Spring High School in 1997, Ashlie Simmons found her game. The rest of the collegiate world has been paying the price for it ever since.

Simmons recently etched her name into the National Junior College Athletic Association history books. In May, the former Lady Steers' standout helped guide McLennan Community College to the NJCAA national golf championship in Shawnee, OK. In so doing, she became the first Big Spring golfer ever to nail down the NJCAA individual title.

"It was a wonderful feeling doing that," said Simmons, a three-time district medalist during her prep career at BSHS. "I was really overjoyed when I found out I had won."

Winning the junior college title was anything but easy, however. High winds plagued the tournament for two days, inflating scores and playing havoc with tee shots.

"The wind was really high on Wednesday and Thursday, getting up to about 40 miles an hour at times," said Simmons, the daughter of Janet McMahan and "Snuffy" Simmons. "All the scores were high on Thursday so it was hard."

Simmons fires a 79 in the opening round of the national tournament and found herself down three strokes.

The following day, she found her stride, shooting a 72 and moving into a two-way tie for the lead.

"I was the only player to shoot in the 70s on the final day. That just goes to show you how the game of golf is," she said.

The winds blew in the ensuing day, pushing all the scores into the 80s. Despite the win, Simmons managed to pencil in an 81 and remain tied for the individual lead.

The tie melted away faster than a snowball in Miami in the final round. Simmons shot a 74 over the final 18 holes of the tournament and claimed a 10-stroke victory.

Anchored by Simmons' play, McLennan edged out several junior college powers for the overall team championships — ending a two-year run of finishing as the NJCAA runner-up.

"That was our goal all year long," she said of her team's play. "We were just sick and tired of finishing second. We finished second the past two years and we didn't want to do that again."

Of course, the schedule McLennan faced last season also helped. Through the season, the McLennan squad competed against Division I powers such as Notre Dame, Texas A&M, Ohio State and several Big 12 squads.

The Juco crown — and her strong play during the spring — turned more than a few of the larger college's attention her way. After graduating from McLennan in May, Simmons was presented with a full scholarship to Texas A&M-Corpus Christi



Herald photo/Tommy Wells  
Former Big Spring High School standout Ashlie Simmons practices her putting skills on the greens at the Big Spring Country Club. Simmons won the NJCAA national title in May.

— a Division I program under the control of coach Ian Freret.

"I think I'm ready for the next level," she said. "At McLennan we didn't see any of the smaller schools until we got to the national tournament. We played with the big boys and girls and that put us on a level few other junior college are. I feel like I can be competitive at the next level."

"I've already played against most of the them," she added.

Simmons said the choice of TAMU-CC was a logical one for her. The school offers one of the top marine studies departments

in the state — a priority for her in her efforts to earn a degree in marine biology.

Not bad for a West Texas girl who was more concerned with hitting curves than correcting hooks and slices.

"I didn't play golf until I got into high school," said Simmons, who was a three-time district medalist while at BSHS. "I played softball most of the time, then when I went to high school, I tried golf and found out I could do it."

"I like playing the game," she said. "It's taken me pretty far so far and I think there are only more good things to come."

## HC's DeGeer takes sixth in College NFR All-Around

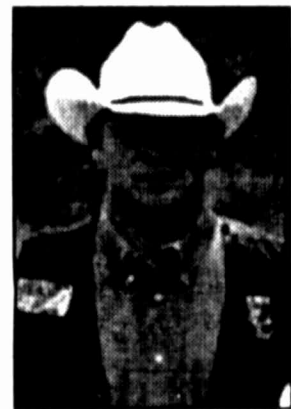
By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Howard College rodeo standout Jake DeGeer highlighted a solid performance by the Hawks this past week at the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyo. DeGeer placed sixth in the men's All-Around standings and helped Howard College finished 21st in the overall team standings.

DeGeer, en route to amassing 100 of his team 195 points, placed in the top 45 in the nation in both steer wrestling and calf roping. Two-time all-around champion Cody Demers of Southern Idaho won the men's title and led his school to the CNFR crown.

Behind Demers, Southern Idaho racked up 602.5 points, and easily outdistanced Walla Walla Community College (532.5), Oklahoma State (460) and Chadron (Neb.) State (370)



DeGeer

for the top spot. The top Texas squad at the event was Hill College of Hillsboro, Texas. They took fifth with 342.5 points.

In the women's bracket, the Texas A&M Lady Aggies emerged victorious. Led by goat-tying runnerup Kelsey Cox, the Lady Aggies won the women's crown with 420 points. UNLV was second.

DeGeer trip to the CNFR got off to a strong start. He won the first round of the calf roping with a time of 7.6 seconds. He slipped to 43 rd overall in the next two rounds, though. In the second round he did not receive a time, and then was hit hard by penalties in his final run, notching a time of 25.9.

He placed 40th in the final steer wrestling standings. After recording a mark of 4.9 in the opening round, he failed to post a time in his final two chances.

Bray Armes overshadowed DeGeer in the steer wrestling event. After recording times of 4.7, 5.3 and 7.3, respectively, he wound up 11th.

Howard College had two teams members place among the nation's Top 40 team roping squads. Trey Hale and Kyle Logsdon of Odessa took 29th overall while Colby Schneeman and his partner from Tarleton State University, placed 35th.

The Hawks' Chris Herrin finished 29th in the bull riding competition. He scored a 66 on the first day of competition.

Demers, who was second in bareback riding and 11th in saddle broncs, finished with 345 points in the all-around men's race, ahead of Samuel MacKenzie of Walla Walla, who had 315.

In the all-around cowgirl race, UNLV's Jonlyn Vaccaro racked up 230 points for a comfortable victory. Gloria Bingham of Southern Utah was a distant second with 95, followed by Lacey Hoffman of Weber State with 55.

## HC star gunning for Miss Texas Rodeo honors

Howard College barrel racer Jessica Goodwin is competing in the 2002 Miss Rodeo Texas pageant this week in San Antonio Texas. Goodwin, a Merkel graduate, is the reigning West Texas Fair and Rodeo queen. In the Alamo City, she will be undergoing three days of interviews and modeling activities.

Miss Texas Rodeo officials are expected to announce the winner of the pageant Thursday.

Herald File Photo  
Coahoma standout Erin Stovall starred in the Inaugural West Texas All-Star Softball Classic Saturday in Abilene. The Bulldogette ace struck out five in the affair.



## Big Country rallies for 6-4 win over Permian Basin

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Coahoma's Erin Stovall gave the fans at Abilene Christian University their money's worth Saturday. Of course, so did former Bulldogettes Erin Evans and Karen Sterling and former Big Spring stars Bridget Cain, Nicole Chesworth and Trista Casey.

The six Crossroads standouts turned in solid efforts for the Permian Basin squad during a 6-4 loss to an Abilene-area team in the inaugural West Texas All-Star Softball Classic.

Stovall, who helped lead Coahoma to the Class 2A state

tournament this past season, struck out five batters in four innings.

Stovall and Chesworth combined to hold the Big Country squad scores through the first six innings of action.

Evans and Sterling powered an early offensive onslaught that gave the Permian Basin stars an early lead. Both Coahoma players had key hits that spurred the team to a seemingly comfortable 3-0 lead after six innings.

Sterling, along with Chesworth, had key doubles.

The Big Country came roaring back in the seventh. They scored three times in the home half of

the inning to knot the game at 3-3. Their last run came via a throwing error to first on a line drive back to the mound.

The Big Country all-stars added three more in the eighth, upping their lead to 6-4.

The Permian Basin squad, which stranded seven baserunners, threatened to steal Abilene's thunder in the ninth. They cut the Big Country's lead to 6-4 with one out.

Tragedy struck from there, though. With one runner on and the tying run at the plate, the Permian Basin squad grounded into a game-ending 5-3-1 double play.

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MONDAY

JUNE 17

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6 PM	News Fortune	King of the Hill Raymond	Cyberbase Zoltanatos	Home Videos Home Videos	News Ent. Tonight	News (CC) Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Friends (CC) Home Imp	El Juego de la Vida	Movie: Up, Up and Away	Real TV (CC) Real TV (CC)	(15) Movie: Boesman & Coen (CC)	..	Away (CC)	Update With John Hagee	Law & Order (CC)	An Animal's World	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Case Reopened (CC)
7 PM	Stanley Cup Playoffs	Movie: American Pie (CC)	Antiques Roadshow	State of Grace	King of the Hill	Stanley Cup Playoffs	Fear Factor (CC)	Movie: Major League (CC) (DVS)	Salomé (SS)	(CC) Total in	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Lena (CC)	Movie: Bobbie's Girl (CC)	..	Israel Update Sam Peak	TVography (CC)	Inside the Kill Box: Fighting	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Code Blue
8 PM	Finals Game 7	..	American South by Star	Home Videos Home Videos	Raymond Becker (CC)	Finals Game 7	NBA Basketball Playoffs	..	El Privilegio de Anar	Tune (CC) Movie: The	WWE Raw (CC)	Movie: Scream 3 (CC)	..	Queer as Folk (CC)	..	..	Watergate-Leg	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Born Against the Odds
9 PM	Hurricanes at Red Wings	Cops (CC) Blind Date	Making the Grade (CC)	Whose Line? Whose Line?	48 Hours (CC)	Hurricanes at Red Wings	Finals Game 6 - Nets at	(15) Movie: Vegas	Cristina	Pool Point (CC)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
10 PM	News Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	..	706 Club (CC)	News 11: Late	News 11: Late	Lakers News	Vacation	P. Impacto Noticiero Univ	Even Stevens Boy Work	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Crocodile Dundee in	Lady Chatterley Red Shoe	Divine Secrets Movie: Dinner	Hour of Healing	Law & Order (CC)	Inside the Kill Box: Fighting	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Code Blue
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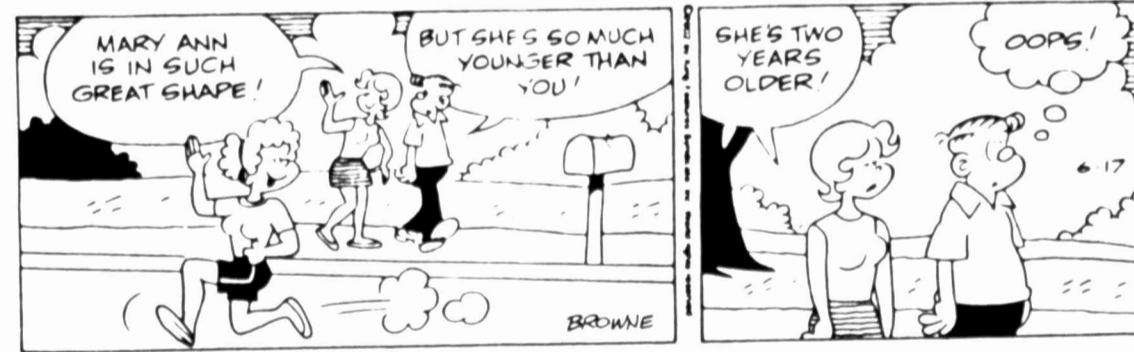
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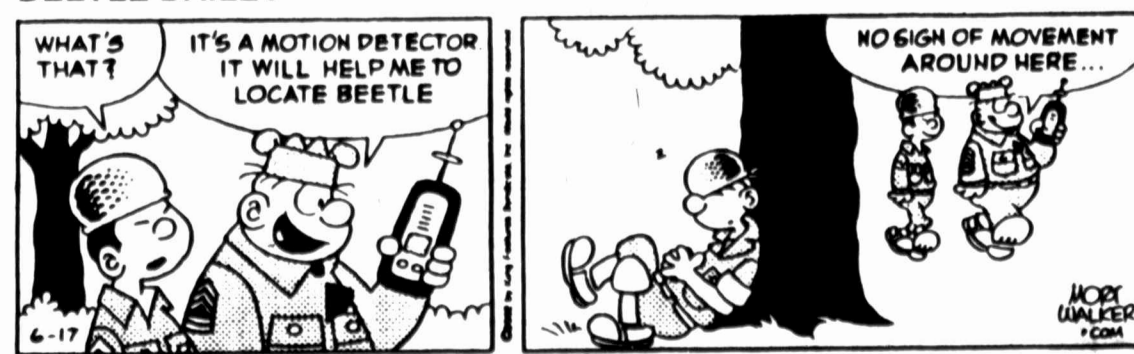
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Monday, June 17, the 168th day of 2002. There are 197 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Thirty years ago, on June 17, 1972, President Nixon's eventual downfall began with the arrest of five burglars inside Democratic national headquarters in Washington D.C.'s Watergate complex.

In 1775, the Revolutionary War Battle of Bunker Hill took place near Boston.

In 1856, in Philadelphia, the Republican Party opened its first convention.

In 1885, the Statue of Liberty arrived in New York City aboard the French ship Isere.

In 1928, Amelia Earhart embarked on a trans-Atlantic flight from Newfoundland to Wales - the first by a woman.

In 1940, France asked Germany for terms of surrender in World War II.

In 1948, a United Air Lines DC-6 crashed near Mount Carmel, Pa., killing all 43 people on board.

In 1963, the Supreme Court struck down rules requiring the recitation of the Lord's Prayer or reading of biblical verses in public schools.

In 1969, the raunchy musical review "Oh! Calcutta!" opened in New York.

In 1971, the United States and Japan signed a treaty under which the United States would return control of the island of Okinawa.

In 1991, the remains of President Zachary Taylor were briefly exhumed in Louisville, Kentucky, to test a theory that Taylor had died of arsenic poisoning. The results showed his death was from natural causes.

Ten years ago: President George H.W. Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin signed a breakthrough arms-reduction agreement. Addressing the U.S. Congress, Yeltsin

pledged to find any American prisoners of war still being held in Russia. Two German relief workers, the last of Western hostages held in Lebanon, were released.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Peter Lupus is 70. Singer Barry Manilow is 56. Comedian Joe Piscopo is 51. Actor Mark Linn-Baker is 48. Actor Jon Gries is 45. Actor Greg Kinnear is 38. Olympic gold-medal speed skater Dan Jansen is 37. Actor Jason Patric is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Kevin Thornton is 33. Tennis player Venus Williams is 22. Actor-rapper Herculeez is 17.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

A MATTER OF TIME by Sally R. Stein  
Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS
- 1 Bend out of shape
- 5 Misplaces
- 10 \_\_\_-Dick (Melville novel)
- 14 State with confidence
- 15 Stood up
- 16 Notion
- 17 Corner of the diamond
- 19 Standard
- 20 Trim, as branches
- 21 Jazz documentarian
- 23 Show elasticity
- 26 Record-book datum
- 27 "\_\_\_ a Lady" (Tom Jones tune)
- 29 Ultimatum ender
- 33 Snack
- 37 Charitable contribution
- 39 Little
- 40 Butter substitute
- 41 Chlorophyll maker
- 43 Hertz competitor
- 44 Neighboring planet
- 46 Sandwich cookie
- 47 Zilch
- 48 Houston baseballers
- 50 Scarlett O'Hara's home
- 52 Courage, so to speak
- 54 Camelot, to Arthur
- 59 Rocky star
- 63 Short time
- 64 Tiny amount
- 65 One who woolgathers
- 68 Menageries
- 69 Color of money
- 70 Smeltery refuse
- 71 Shade trees
- 72 Thumbs-up votes
- 73 "Auld Lang \_\_\_"
- 10 American Revolution soldier
- 11 Aroma
- 12 Swiss capital
- 13 Sweet potatoes
- 18 Butterfly catchers
- 22 Prevents from entering
- 24 Fellow
- 25 Conversation starter
- 28 Quick-witted
- 30 Molten rock
- 31 Coasted
- 32 Actress Lanchester
- 33 Bright star
- 34 Cheers for a bullfighter
- 35 Mailed away
- 36 Sand-filled timer
- 38 Walk on tiptoes
- 42 Actress Spelling
- 45 James Brown's music
- 49 Old-fashioned
- 51 Poker-pot starter
- 53 Trap
- 55 Lawn material
- 56 In an indistinct manner
- 57 Where the buoys are
- 58 Join forces
- 59 42 regular, e.g.
- 60 Hammer or chisel
- 61 Molecule part
- 62 Hurricane centers
- 66 Barely passing grade
- 67 Hospital professionals: Abbr.

