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#### Junior rodeo opens Thursday at Rodeo Bowl

The annual Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo, sanctioned by the High Plains Junior Rodeo Association, returns to the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl this weekend and promises to bring excitement to the young contestants and fans alike.

The rodeo is set to begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday with subsequent performances at 7 p.m. Friday and 6 p.m. on

Saturday. Events include team roping, calf roping, barrels, bull riding, bareback, saddle bronc goat

tying and pole bending. The junior rodeo usually attracts 225 to 250 contestants ages 19 and younger, and includes contestants from West Texas and eastern New Mexico. Contestants will compete in three age categories: 9 to 12, 13 to 15

and 16 to 19. The rodeo is sponsored by the Howard County 4-H club and all proceeds benefit 'the youth involved in 4-H's varied activities. The rodeo is the biggest fund-raiser for the 4H program.

Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. Children 6 and under will admitted free. Advance tickets are available at the Howard County Extension Office, but plenty of tickets will be available at the gate.

#### WHAT'S UP...

**TODAY** 

☐ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

#### **THURSDAY** Gideons

International, Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at , Herman's Restaurant at

Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for people 55 and over.

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## Police may file perjury charges against woman who claimed abuse

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

A woman who told Big Spring Police her husband hit her in the face with a hammer now claiming she lied. "Basically

it was a false

report," said SWEATT

Big Spring Police Sgt. Roger Sweatt. "We're planning on writing

false report or for perjury."

The assault reportedly occurred June According to police reports, the woman claimed her husband hit her in the head with an object believed to be a hammer, causing severe facial injuries.

"She is claiming that she wasn't struck with a hammer, basically it was an accidental-type thing, but she was mad at this guy and decided to file on him," Sweatt said. "That's what

numerous hours that went into this between the patrol officer and the detective working it and everything else, so we're going to look

at filing on her.

Charges against the woman could range from ments saying this is what felony aggravated perjury to misdemeanor perjury or filing a false report, Sweatt

"If we go aggravated perjury it will be a felony," he said. "If we go filing a false report or just perjury, it will

look at it and see which one then we may drop it down we think is the best charge.

The police have solid evidence the woman contradicted herself, Sweatt said.

"We have notarized state-

happened, and then she came in and said, 'No, that's not what happened I lied." he said. "I'll probably just write it up and present it to Cline at 263-7331 ext. 232 or the district attorney and see what he thinks. If he wants \_\_johnmoseley@bigspringher to take it, we'll present it ald.com.

it up and filing on her for she's claiming. There was be a misdemeanor. We'll that way, and if he doesn't, and go to the county attorney and see if he wants to pursue it as either a regular perjury or as filing a false report.

> Those with information about this case can call the Big Spring Police Department at 264-2550.

Contact staff writer Roger e-mail

## Piecing together Shattered Dreams

## Victims Services thanks volunteers for popular alcohol abuse program

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

When a local agency wanted to thank volunteers for months of participation in a large project, they knew just where to start their stomach.

The four member staff of Victim Services treated participants who helped plan and carry out the "Shattered Dreams" program to a lunch Tuesday.

"It takes everyone being on the same page," said Linda Perez, coordinator of the project. "We can't do it without teamwork and the community

Staff members took the opportunity to hand out hard work.

'Shattered Dreams" is a program developed by the Texas Alcohol Commission high school juniors and to teach area high school students the consequences of drinking and driving.

"The past two years we have been a wonderful follow the events from the response from the community, parents schools coming together as we make a stand against teenage drinking and driving." said Shan Thomas, Victim Services executive director.

"It takes everyone being on the same

page. We can't do it with-

out

**PEREZ** 

teamwork and the community."

involves the coordination of a number various community entities including law enforcement and emercertificates of appreciation gency response agencies, to the volunteers for their school districts, area businesses, students, parents and community volunteers

The program begins as seniors led to a mock drunk driving accident where fellow classmates lay "dead" or "injured." The students arrival of the first law enforcement officers on the scene through the evacuation of the injured victims and the removal of the mangled cars.

During the rest of the day, The two-day event a student is called out of the



Howard County Sheriff's Sgt. Cliff McCartney fills his plate during an appreciation luncheon for volunteers involved with the "Shattered Dreams" program.

classroom every 15 minutes to represent that a person dinated the event for the dies in a drunk driving past two years, first in 2001 accident every quarter-

The first day ends with the trial of the alleged drunk driver in front of a shown the second day in a community wide presenta-

Victim Services has coorat Big Spring High School and this year in a combined effort with Coahoma and Forsan High Schools.

Perez said that since the school assembly. The inception of the program in events are filmed and Howard County, the community has been very supportive and responsive. "The first time we pre- See DREAMS, Page 3A

sented the project it was with a demo," Perez said. "We had the police, the sheriff's department, fire department, Big Spring High School. The community was invited to view the

"I will never forget the (Big Spring Police) Chief (Lonnie Smith) stood up

## Council looks at ways to clean up the city

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Are you ready for a betterlooking Big Spring? The Big Spring City

Council discussed ways to guide the community to that destination at its meeting Tuesday evening. Topics of discussion

ranged from stricter ordinances and enforcement against littering and illegal dumping to ordinances banning the practice of parking vehicles or keeping indoor furniture in the front yard. During the discussion, the

council members agreed that stricter penalties, including community service time, are needed to combat littering.

"I'm thrilled to death because we had absolute unanimity as far as litter is fine, but we also want comconcerned and the fact that munity service," McEwen



**McEWEN** 

**HORTON** we want our litter ordinances improved and also the litter ordinances that we have right now, we want

them enforced," said Mayor

Russ McEwen. The council directed Municipal Judge Tim Green to crack down on littering.

"We indicated to the municipal judge that when they come before him, if he wants to fine them, that's

said. "We want people out picking up trash. If you are a litterer in our community, we want you to know that part of the penance for littering is you're going to get to go out and pick up litter on Saturday morning, or Saturday morning and afternoon.

Judge Green said he would comply with the request, and added that he also plans to require that part of community service sentences for any offense include trash cleanup.

McEwen said that City Attorney Jean Shotts will be working on drafting tighter city ordinances against litter and eyesore property.

"I found it interesting that we were told tonight that if someone has a sofa in their front yard, we really don't have an ordinance that says

## BEAUTIFYING BIG SPRING

Measures the council is considering:

- · Stricter penalties for littering, to include community service trash cleanup.
- . Banning front yard parking in areas with curb-and-gutter streets.
- Controlling eyesore properties containing sofas, high weeds or trash within sight of the street.
- Encouraging more community pride in keeping the city clean.

mayor said. "I don't think that anybody thinks that job.' that's the proper thing to yard. That's not your living room. We're looking at tightening up some ordi-

they can't do that," the nances so that Code Enforcement can do a better

Front yard parking was have in someone's front also a major topic of concern at the meeting.

## Records show driver had lengthy history of traffic offenses

DALLAS (AP) authorities tried to determine why a bus loaded with vouths on the way to a church camp swerved off Interstate 20 into a bridge support column, more information surfaced about the

carrier's insurance needs. Driver Ernest Sheldon Carter and four of his passengers were killed and at least 36 others from the Metro Church of Garland were injured Monday morning in the accident near Terrell, about 20 miles east

driver's record and the bus

of the Dallas city limits.

Three people were in critical condition Wednesday and nine others remained hospitalized.

The Dallas Morning News reported that Green's Transportation, contracted by the church for the trip, did not have the \$5 million in insurance required of interstate motor carriers.

Carter, 51, had at least eight citations since January 1999 for speeding, driving the wrong way and no insurance, according to the newspaper's Wednesday

Nonetheless, Green's was operating and Carter still had a valid commercial driver's license on Monday when his bus went off I-20 and into a concrete pillar, killing Carter and four pas-

The impact about 9:20 a.m. ripped open the front of the bus where Carter sat and sheared away most of the bus's left side. Killed along with Carter were Michelle Michael Chaney, 14; Freeman, 12; Lindsay Kimmons, 16; and Amanda

Maxwell, 13.

The bus was less than an hour into a six-hour trip that was to take church youth and adult chaperones to a church camp at Louisiana Tech in Ruston,

The Dallas medical examiner's office ruled on Tuesday that no drugs or alcohol were detected in the body of Carter. An autopsy found no pre-existing medical condition.

Lisa Block, a spokeswoman for the Texas Public Department of

Safety, said the agency is looking at all possibilities, including fatigue.

"It's a really complicated investigation. It's like a puzzle we're trying to put together, and we're not speculating as to what may have caused it because there are so many different possibilities," Block said. haven't ruled out anything. Maybe there was fault in the bus, maybe there was something in the driver. It could be any number of things, and we don't want to speculate.'

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Ralph Wayne Davis Sr.

Funeral service for Ralph Wayne Davis Sr., 67, of El Paso, formerly of Coahoma, will be 10 a.m. Thursday, June 26, 2002, at Hillcrest Funeral Home in El Paso. Burial will be at Restlawn Memorial Park

Survivors include his Martha Jayne (Jaynie) Jones Davis; children, Ralph W. Davis Jr., John Clay Davis, Chris Lyndsy Hayes, Candyce Leigh Gott-Floro, Cherly Layne Frey-Hanna; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hillcrest Funeral Home in El Paso.

#### Francis Willis LeVier

Francis Willis LeVier, 82, of Big Spring, died on Monday, June 24, 2002, at a

local nursing h o m e Funeral ser vice will be Thursday June 27, at the Nalley



Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Jimmy Watson, pastor of First Christian Church, officiating. Interment will be at Trinity Memorial Park

He was born on Nov. 29, 1919, in Gibsonbury, Ohio and married Dolores United Methodist Church. Thompson on July 12, 1947, in Wichita, Kan.

in 1961 from Lafayette, La. with B.J. Services. He until she married Linus M retired in 1982 from Tucker on Jan. 27, 1943. Ormond and Overton in Then they moved to Big

of First Christian Church. Force base. When her hus-Mr. LeVier was a member—band joined the service she Degree Mason and had just War II ended she and Linus in NASA's history, "You received his 50 year pin. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II and received the EAME Campaign Medal and Five Bronze Stars.

Survivors include his wife, Dolores LeVier of Big Spring; one son, Roger Lynn LeVier of Pearland; two daughters and sons-inlaw, Frances Kay and Leon Hobbs of Big Spring and Amy Dee and Chuck Schultz of Midland; five grandchildren, Michele Schooley, Nicholas LeVier, Kimberly Ward, Derek Hobbs, Bryan Charles Huff and Maria Huff, three great-grandchidlren, Ryan Allen Ward, Zachery Schooley and Garrett

#### MYERS & SMITH **FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

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Natalia M. Armendariz, died Tuesday. Vigil services are 7:00 PM tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Funeral services are 2:00 PM, Thursday at St. Thomas Church.

Frances L. Tucker, 80, died Tuesday. Graveside services are 10:00 AM Friday at Trinity Memorial Park



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Schooley; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Derek Hobbs, Bryan Huff, Nicholas LeVier, Ladd Smith, John Gibson and Alan Kernodle. All coffee buddies are considered honorary pallbearers.

The family suggests memorials to First Christian Church, Isaiah 58 Fund, 911 Goliad, Big Spring 79720.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home

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

#### Frances L. **Tucker**

Frances L. Tucker, 80, of Big Spring, passed away on Tuesday, June 25, 2002, at 2:17 p.m. at

Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a lengthy illness Graveside service will be 10 a.m. Friday, June



28, at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. David Ring, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiat-

Frances was born on Aug. 25, 1921, in Gordon. She was a member of First

Frances began her career

as a government employee Willis came to Big Spring in Fort Worth with the Federal Housing Authority Spring and at that time she He was a lifelong member—was employed at Webb Air moved back to Big Spring and she began work for the Farmers Administration in 1946 and transferred to Webb in December 1953. During her 21 1/2 years she has worked for 13 different colonels in maintenance and supply, material and logistics head-

> 1974 after working a total of 30 years of dedicated duty. She leaves behind a loving husband of 59 years, Linus Tucker of Big Spring.

> quarters. She retired in

Memorials are suggested to the First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1229, Big Spring 79721

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

#### Natalia Armendariz

A vigil service for Natalia Armendariz, 95, of Big Spring will be 7:30 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Thursday, June 27, 2002, at St. Thomas Church. Burial will be in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Amendariz died Tuesday, June 25, at a local nursing home.

She married Faustino Armendariz in 1937 and he preceded her in death on Dec. 26, 1974. She was Catholic. She first moved to Big spring in 1963 and later to Corpus Christi and returned to Big Spring

three years ago. Survivors include two daughters, Mildred Puente of Big Spring and Maria Gamez of Wisconsin; three sons, Guillermo Armendariz of Corpus Faustino Christi, Armendariz' Pennsylvania and Rodrigo Armendariz of Antonio; two sisters, Manuela Zuniga of Le Feria and Cecelia Garcia of

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

McAllen; 16 grandchildren:

and 23 great-grandchildren.

#### Genia Hopkins

Funeral service for Genia Hopkins, 66, of Stanton is pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home. Mrs. Hopkins died Wednesday, June 26, 2002, at a Stanton hospital.

#### Minnie Mae Hooper

Funeral service for Minnie Mae Hooper, 84, of Big Spring is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mrs. Hooper died Wednesday, June 26, 2002, at a Sterling City nursing home.

#### NASA grounds shuttle fleet due to fuel line cracks

WASHINGTON (AP) NASA's quick decision to ground the space shuttle fleet while engineers search for the cause of tiny cracks in the rocket engine fuel lines was applauded by experts who said it shows the agency is putting safety above schedule

Even though grounding the fleet cripples the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's efforts to keep its tight schedule for building and supplying the international space station, officials said there was no hesitation in taking the action, even though it is not clear the cracks represent a risk.

"These days, the value of safety is higher in the NASA culture than it has ever been," frequent space agency critic Keith Cowing said Tuesday.

Cowing, the editor of didn't want to be the guy who stood up and said, 'We shouldn't fly.' There's been a slow-motion change in that culture, and that's good."

NASA engineers said they aren't even sure the problem is a threat to safety. They found minuscule cracks in the metal liner of fuel lines that carry supercold hydrogen to the main rocket engines

The cause of the cracks and the extent of threat they represent are unanswered questions, said NASA spokesman James Hartsfield, but that, alone, is enough now to ground the fleet.

"When there is something that we don't understand, it is a safety concern for that reason," Hartsfield said. "We need to get answers."

James Oberg, a veteran space engineer, author and NASA watchdog, applauded the decision to ground the shuttles. Ignoring such a cautious, careful approach, he said, contributed to the 1986 explosion of space shuttle Challenger that killed seven astronauts, and to the loss in 1999 of three unmanned spacecraft sent to Mars, he said.

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## BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

"This is the safety attitude from Apollo that some program managers forgot prior to Challenger," Oberg said. Apollo was the NASA program that landed American astronauts on the moon.

Grounding the fleet to find the answers "is a refreshing reminder that there is a backbone of integrity within mission operations that is critical to success in space," Oberg said.

Hartsfield said NASA engineers are just beginning to search for solutions to the fuel-line cracks, and it could be weeks before the shuttle fleet is cleared to fly

That means possible delays for missions scheduled for July, August and October. The October flight is critical since it involves resupplying the international space station and rotating crew members from the orbiting laboratory

The fuel-line problem – a single, tiny crack in the lining of one of 12 fuel lines was discovered during a routine inspection of space shuttle Atlantis. NASA engineers checked the fuel lines on space shuttle Discovery and found more cracks. That was enough to ground the fleet of four space shuttles.

#### BRIEFS

ARE YOU PREGNANT? DO you have a baby? WIC serves pregnant and breastfeeding women and children younger than 5.

To see if you or your child qualifies for free food, nutritional counseling and of Scurry Lodge 706. AF & moved back to her home in NASA Watch, a watchdog medical screening, contact AM, Snyder, He was a 32 Fort Worth. After World Web site said that earlier your nearest WIC clinic of call 263-9777

> 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. BIG

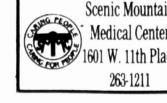
FORSAN EX-STUDENTS ASSOCIATION IS attempting to get 911 addresses on former Forsan students.

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

**BIG SPRING AND SUR-**ROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers of the children in the community who have been abused and neglected.

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## **TEXAS LOTTERY**

PICK 3 Afternoon: 9,9,4 CASH 5: 14,16,22,31,34

County are requesting Gold donations of books in good condition for their book sale in September. Donations can be taken to the Howard County Library Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Friends of the Library is a non-profit organization which provides supplemental support for the Howard County Library, outside of the budget furnished by Howard County.

#### RECORDS

Tuesday's high 100 Tuesday's low 72 Record high 110 in 1994 Record low 59 in 1982 Average high 94 Average low 69 Precip. Tuesday 0.03 Month to date 0.34 Year to date 4.64 Sunrise Thursday 6:42 a.m. Sunset Thursday 8:56 p.m.

## FIRE/EMS

The following is a summery of EMS and Fire Department activity: TUESDAY 6:01 a.m. 1600 block of

Sunset, trauma call, service refused. 8:51 a.m. — 3200 block of Parkway, medical call, one patient transported to

Center 9:08 a.m. — 600 block of Tulane, medical call, one patient transported to

Scenic Mountain Medical

**SMMC** 12:35 p.m. - 300 block of West Fifth, medical call, one patient transported to **SMMC** 

Pennsylvania, medical call, one patient transported to **SMMC** 7:11 p.m. - 1900 block of

1:23 p.m. - 1200 block of

Simler, structure fire, smoke scare

#### MARKETS

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Scenic Mountain Medical Center 1601 W. 11th Place

322.6 - 324.75 4.84 - 4.91**POLICE** 

Tuesday until 8 a.m. today: ROSALINDA PEREZ **NIETO**, 31, of 1112 Wood was arrested on two local warrants.

The Big Spring Police De

partment reported the fol-

lowing activity from 8 a.m.

· PABLO ALONZO DE-HOYOS, 19, of 910 N. Run nels was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence by a minor.

 LOLITA ALVAREZ SALAZAR, 32, of 801 Lor illa was arrested on a How ard County warrant.

 ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 900 block of Willia Street.

• THEFT was reported in the 2600 block of Scurry Street. Items worth \$30 were reported stolen in the incident; \$30 damage was also reported

• FORGERY was reported in person at the po lice station

• FIREWORKS was reported in the 1400 block of Virginia Avenue and the 1500 block of West Second Street DOMESTIC DISTUR-

**BANCE** was reported in the 1400 block of Ryon Street CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 800

block of East Interstate 20. Someone reportedly broke the glass in the front door of the convenience store, causing \$236 damage. The Big Spring Police re

ported the following activ ity over the weekend: AGGRAVATED AS-

SAULT: 1 VIOLENCE: 3 ASSAULT: 8

• BURGLARY OF A **HABITATION**: 2 • BURGLARY OF A MO -TOR VEHICLE: 2 CRIMINAL MIS-CHIEF: 3

 DEADLY CONDUCT: 1 DRIVING WITH AN INVALID LICENSE: 2 EVADING ARREST OR DETENTION: 1

• THEFT: 26 - Convenience Store Thefts: 21

Beer thefts: 5 Gasoline drive-offs: 15

• INCIDENTS: 21 • ARRESTS: 22

• ACCIDENTS: 3 - Minor: 3

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Special to the Her WESTBROOK

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of Westbrook. M was a student a College from 200 a cheerleader in 2001 school year.

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**HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody** Big Spring crime scene technician Wayne Jones, left, and Ricky Mitchem, co-owner of Mitchem and Son's Inc., fill their plates the during an appreciation luncheon for volunteers involved with the "Shattered Dreams" program. The program, sponsored by Victim Services, is designed to teach teenagers the consequences of drinking and driving and requires the involvement of a number of community entities.

## Two killed in vehicle rollover

Special to the Herald

WESTBROOK — Two people were killed and a former Howard College cheerleader injured in a one-vehicle rollover on County Road 220 near here early Tuesday morning.

Dakota Dawson, 12, of Westbrook, and Morrow, 25, of Alpine were pronounced dead at the scene by Colorado City Justice of the Peace Kay Richmond, around 4:50 a.m.

injured Dawson's sister, 20-year-old Megan Brook Dawson of Westbrook and the driver of the 1996 Ford pickup, 22year-old Russell Whitesides of Westbrook. Ms. Dawson was a student at Howard College from 2000-2002, and a cheerleader in the 2000-2001 school year.

According to Department of Public Safety Trooper Terry Snyder, the pickup overturned several times after failing to negotiate a curve. The vehicle came to at 10 a.m. Friday in the rest upside down, landing on Dakota Dawson, Morrow was under the passenger side door, said Mitchell County Sheriff Patrick Toombs. The accident

3 a.m., Snyder said. None of the occupants were wearing a seatbelt, Snyder added

occurred between 2 a.m. and

Ms. Dawson apparently ran barefoot two to four miles to a Chevron Oil Company office where she broke a window to get to a phone and call 911 for help. She was admitted to Mitchell County Hospital in Colorado City for observation and injuries to her feet.

Whitesides was released after being treated at the hospital.

Funeral service for Dakota Dawson will be held First Baptist Church in Colorado City with Rev. Paul Smith and Rev. Bob Manning officiating. Burial will follow in the Westbrook Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral

Dakota Dawson is survived by his parents, Larry Don and Ranee Dawson of Westbrook.

In addition to his sister,

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral

Note: Bob Campbell, editor of the Colorado City Record, contributed to this story.

#### WHAT'S UP

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

☐ Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

☐ Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

#### **FRIDAY**

☐ Signal Mt. Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

☐ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin' Iron. ☐ ABC Club meets at

noon at the Brandin' Iron. ☐ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

→ Spring City Senior Citizens Country and Western Dance will be 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

#### **CLEAN**

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Councilwoman Stephanie Horton said that for some of her constituents with unpaved streets, the front lawn is the best parking place they have available.

McEwen suggested making a ban on front yard parking apply only to residences on curb-and-gutter streets and Horton agreed that that was an acceptable solution.

"He did that compromise to comply with what I was saying that it should be paved at least before you have to not park in the yard," she said. "I think that's a good deal not to park if you have curb and gutter. But if you still have friction to get up on the grass, no.

Horton continued to press for paving Big Spring's

unpaved streets.

"I still wish that we would look back into Jones Valley, look into the west side, over there on Lorilla Street and Willow Street, and see if we can do something with those streets, so that people won't have this problem," she said. "First we've got to take some pride, going in and doing something ourselves. We've got to take that pride, then we can sure enough start telling them don't park on the yard because you can park on the street."

The council asked Green to bring a progress report on community service trash cleanup to the next council meeting scheduled for July 9. The council also decided to discuss the front yard parking issue further at the next meeting.

In other business, the

· Rejected a bid for a decant basin transfer pump the pool. Walker and Green at the Water Treatment Plant. The total probable cost of the project was about \$376,000, while the city had only \$290,000 available for the project.

 Approved specifications and authorized bid advertising for an oil and gas lease McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. The measure passed by a 5-1 vote with Councilman Greg Biddison voting against. Biddison said he is against new oil drilling at the airpark because it would present an eyesore and interfere with and said 'let's do it,'" she the industrial park aspects of the facility.

an oil field out there or an pitch in their support and industrial park?" he said.

· Took notice of an amendment to the Howard County budget. The \$11,000 increase to buy a scanning system for filing at the district a street that you need some office would come from a projected budget excess and from the sale of county

· Approved on first read-

ing of a resolution urging the Texas Legislature to amend Article 11, Section 11 of the Texas Constitution. The law says that city officials such as council members who declare they are running for another elected office automatically resign their old post. The requested amendment would exempt cities with a population of less than 50,000 from

· Approved on first read ing of a resolution authorizing a three year agreement with West, Davis and Co. for audit services.

 Approved on first read ing of a resolution amending the city's representatives for the TexPool Local Government Investment Pool. The amendment will name Finance Director Peggy Walker and Assistant Finance Director Debbie Green, as well as McEwen, as city representatives to were appointed to their positions earlier this year following the retirement of longtime Finance Director Tom Ferguson.

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#### **DREAMS**

students.

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continued. Perez added all the enti-"Are we trying to develop—ties—were just as eager to help, as well as parents and

"We had everybody give Appraisal District's 2002 us a 110 percent working out there and getting the job done," she said.

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OUR VIEWS

## Fireworks: Let's abide by the law

t's almost the holiday season and everyone is making plans. A day in the park, Pops in the Park, parades, bands and a lot more. As usual, several fireworks stands are already operating on the outskirts of Big Spring. Despite the heat and dry weather, they seem to be doing a good business. We're pleased to see that, but we think some reminders are in order.

We're not opposed to using fireworks, but we are opposed to setting them off irresponsibly. If you plan on using fireworks during the holiday period, take precautions. Most obvious of these are the city ordinance against the setting off of fireworks and the county ban on skyrockets with sticks and missiles with fins.

First, make sure you comply with all laws and the county's temporary ban. To do otherwise teaches your children that it's not necessary to observe the law.

We hope that a sense of community pride and respect for the property and rights of others is enough to deter anyone from breaking the law. Remember, too, there is a fine of about \$500, plus confiscation of the fireworks for those who are caught

Second, remember that while the popping of fireworks is permissible outside the city limits, the county is also under a burn ban. That means vegetation is extremely dry and the conditions are high for fires to start and spread quickly. So

Third, gain permission from the landowner if you ignite fireworks out in the county. Some owners won't mind, but others will. Make sure you know the area well and don't set off fireworks near structures or high grass. Have a bucket of water nearby for safety's sake, and bag up your trash before you leave.

Fourth, never pick up a firework that fails to ignite without first splashing water over it or smothering it with dirt. The most common injury associated with fireworks occurs when someone thought a firecracker was out and picked it up.

Fifth, never shoot off fireworks alone, and, for obvious reasons, never allow children to shoot off fireworks unsupervised.

Fireworks can be dangerous and some are very powerful. If used in the wrong way, there can be lifelong consequences.

Have a great holiday season over the next few days, but please, be smart — for you and yours, and for all of us.

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## The porch is a very important room

ISHTRAP HOL-LOW, Miss. — I was trolling for columns in Florida when I first saw Cross Creek, fabled home of writer Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings.

There was the orange grove, or remnants of it, the fruit that drew Marjorie to Florida. There was the little board-andbatten house itself, actually two humble dwellings

cobbled

GRIMSLEY **JOHNSON** 

together to make a home. It had a screened porch to die for. I came back to Mississippi and added one just like it across the front of my shabby old cabin. That was years ago, and I've never regretted it.

A house needs a porch like a face needs a nose. A porch should be used, and not for decorative purposes A good porch is worth

more than any room in the house, except the kitchen. Marjorie Rawlings' porch

had a table where she

wrote her remarkable and ageless stories. As a result, you can almost hear the frogs and other swamp critters in her prose.

When she grew exhausted, there was a twin bed on which to flop. I think she owed her literary success to that strategic pairing of porch furniture.

I don't work on my porch, don't want to taint it. The porch is where I come when the day is done, whether the work is done or not.

My porch is often a stage,

and entertainment unfolds. Scott Reid once built a birdhouse on the porch, a fine bit of performance art. Jack Simms, retired Associated Press veteran, recently regaled me with war stories into the night. Joe Cumming, back in the spring, on this very porch became a credible Henry Higgins. That same night, Eddie Thomas played and sang the blues; every cent I'd ever spent on this porch and place was repaid.

A porch is no better than the people who spend time on it.

There's porch entertainment, and then there's the eating.

I have an old table on the porch that comfortably, and

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often, seats 10. At various times it has held Edwin Gray's catfish, Jeanette Latiolais' gumbo, L.O. Bishop's barbecue, and potato salad from a dozen different kitchens. It's a workhorse.

I don't condone expensive new houses that have no porches. Where do their inhabitants gather to shell butter beans, make ice cream, swap jokes, watch the lightning bugs, worry about things that can't be helped? And where did they roost this spring to listen to the intoxicating cicadas, which won't come back for 13 years?

Last night was still. A quick and inconsequential rain left the road a trail of steam. The only sound was sunflowers growing.

I sat on the porch and heard the radio news, much more user-friendly than the TV variety. You don't have to consider the new hairdos of the announcers, for one thing. The visual teasing of stories is absent.

There are no trailers jetting by at the bottom of the screen to confuse you with Montana headlines when the featured story is set in Maine. Just the facts, ma'am

After the news I watched for the lightning bug show, which evidently comes around with less frequency than even the cicada festival. One night long ago a million lightning bugs lit up the hay field, and I've never gotten over it. That show was a megawatt miracle, not just the normal complement of a dozen bugs or so flitting about the vard.

Next thing I knew an hour had passed on the porch, then two. But the time wasn't wasted. I had solved another of life's mysteries. I now know the reason that modern construction so often ignores the usable, practical porch in favor of small concrete slabs, decorative indentations or modern decks.

If everyone had an oldfashioned porch, not much would get done in this country of ours. Progress would come to a halt. Industry and commerce would suffer. A good porch drains ambition from a body, wrings it dry. The oil of aiming-to drops onto the porch floor, a pool of philosophical goo that can't be cashed at any bank.

Long periods of cushioned contemplation are not on the road to success.

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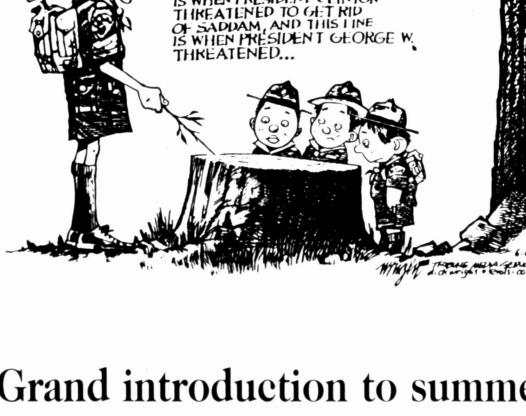
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## Grand introduction to summer

've been to the Cherokee Rose before. It's a bed and breakfast just outside Rusk. I stayed in the Chicken Room on my first visit there. It's big and roomy and has all

kinds of chicken images on cups, posters, towels, bedspreads and dishes. Pictures of chickens hang on the almost hear those chick ens clucking



The second time I stayed there was at the beginning of summer. This time I was with my wife and our grandson Jackson, who had just finished fifth grade the day before. Now the Cherokee Rose is in the country and Jackson is a city boy who lives in Dallas. I promised him we would do all kinds of country stuff on this

trip. We did. When we arrived at the Cherokee Rose, owner Suzann McCarty showed us

to the Texas suite. Everything in it is Texan. The bedspread in the big bedroom has red, white and blue shapes of the state quilted into it. The shower curtain in the bathroom is a Texas Flag. Antique country paraphernalia hangs on the walls along with various saying and expressions about cowboys and the west.

When we got all settled in, Suzann and her helper, Ronnie McElroy, took us to the garden. Jackson picked a respectable sized pan of peppers, squash and cucumbers. The big prize was a fresh strawberry which he said was the best he had ever eaten. Next we looked at a bluebird nest with some brand new baby birds in it. Ronnie had been watching the nest for a few days and the eggs had just hatched.

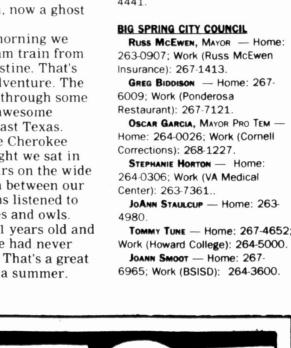
The Cherokee Rose has a pond with catfish, bass and turtles in it. Jackson got to throw catfish feed in the water and see the fish come up and get it. The water swished around as the cat fish, some weighing as much as 15 pounds, came up and sucked up that food

like a vacuum cleaner would. The turtles had better manners, taking just one morsel at a time. The place has a hen house where a rooster named Henry takes care of his flock of hens. Jackson gathered eggs and fed the chickens, letting them eat out of his hands That evening we went

into town for supper, then walked across the longest footbridge in the world, a Rusk landmark. The footbridge was built over an area that flooded often. It carried foot traffic between Rusk and New Birmingham, now a ghost town. The next morning we

rode the steam train from Rusk to Palestine. That's always an adventure. The train passes through some of the most awesome scenery in East Texas.

Back at the Cherokee Rose that night we sat in rocking chairs on the wide porch and in between our conversations listened to frogs, coyotes and owls. Jackson is 11 years old and did things he had never done before. That's a great way to start a summer.



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## Web site lets credit card holders check to see if numbers stolen

WASHINGTON (AP) - An antifraud education group that tipped federal authorities to a major Internet credit card scheme has opened a Web site that will let Americans check to see if their card numbers are in the hands of

The database of stolen credit numbers card numbers, which became available on the Web late Tuesday, was created over the last seven weeks and has already identified nearly 100,000 credit card numbers, the group said.

The group, CardCops, collected the information from Internet chat rooms where thieves have been checking whether stolen card numbers are still good to use or have been deactivated.

The group alerted the Secret Service to the scheme and turned over its database to investigators. It then decided to create the Web site so Americans can check their active Internet card thieves disnumbers and possibly prevent covered in the database provided

fraudulent charges.

"We're creating a situation where Joe Consumer can check his card on the Internet to see if it's been possibly abused," said Dan Clements, founder of CardCops.

Cardholders can check their by going http://www.Cardcops.com and typing in the number. If it comes back positive, cardholders should alert their financial institution.

CardCops say they have secured the database, and as an extra precaution it is asking cardholders who check their numbers not to enter the expiration date that is ordinarily required to complete a purchase.

Secret Service Special Agent Donald Masters of the Los Angeles High Tech Crimes Task Force said his team is in the preliminary stages of investigating the most

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by CardCops

He would not discuss the investigation's progress or other details, but Masters praised Clements for alerting authorities. "We need the general public to

be aware of this kind of stuff." Masters said Many card numbers are stolen

by hackers who break into databases of Web commerce sites. Another method is for con artists to trick unsuspecting computer users into providing card num-

bers. The goal of the new Web site is to cut down the time between the theft of a card number and the cardholder's discovery of fraudulent charges made by the thieves, possibly saving money for consumers and companies.

"Consumers usually get their statements two months or three months after it's compromised," Clement said. "During that 60 to 90 days, that card has floated around the Internet. They're the ones who are out on a limb.

Clements said the thieves use Internet chat rooms which are separate from the World Wide Web and largely unregulated — to verify that the cards are valid.

This is done by posting the number and expiration date into the public room, where an automated program charges a small amount to the card to see if it is a valid card. The program is built and maintained by fellow thieves.

The small amount charged is not likely to tip off cardholders, Clements said, and the charge comes from an unrelated merchant who is not privy to the scam.

Clements has been monitoring several of these rooms, which scroll constantly with new card numbers, and recording card numbers entered by the thieves. To help authorities, Clements also collects the Internet address of the thief who submitted the card.

CardCops offers information and tools to protect electronic commerce companies from credit card fraud. It has more than 1,000 paying members, mostly small and medium-size merchants.

Stolen credit card numbers and identity theft affect up to 700,000 Americans each year, the Justice Department says. In 2000, credit card companies Visa and Mastercard reported that fraud losses topped \$1 billion.

## Transportation secretary says solution to help Amtrak 'very close'

WASHINGTON (AP) -The original Wednesday deadline for shutting down Amtrak arrived with the trains still running and administration officials and lawmakers trying to solve the railroad's fiscal problems.

Amtrak announced Tuesday it would keep running at least through the beginning of Independence Day holiday weekend, but would face a severe fiscal crunch around July 4.

Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta, meanwhile, said a solution was "very, very close." Administration sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, spending bill now being said the discussions centered on offering Amtrak loan guarantees to allow the railroad to borrow money.

Amtrak President David Gunn has said the passenger railroad needs \$200 million to keep operating through Sept. 30, the end of the current fiscal year.

60,000 riders a day, about close its doors now, when 35,000 of them in the the terrorist threats and Northeast Corridor. An attack warnings come Amtrak shutdown would impact not only its riders sponsible.

but also several commuter lines, which either run on Amtrak-owned tracks and tunnels or are operated by Amtrak.

Pete Sklannik, chief operating officer of Virginia Railway Express, said Gunn advised the commuter agencies to make contingency plans that could take effect July 12.

"If I had \$200 million, I'd loan it to Amtrak right now," Sklannik said. "The riding public is going to be caught in the middle of all this, and it's just not right."

Lawmakers of both parties, meanwhile, are trying to include \$205 million for Amtrak in a supplemental negotiated by the Senate, House and Bush administration

"Amtrak has a vital home land security role," said Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., the Senate Appropriations Committee chairman. "The railroad is a viable alternative to highways and air-Amtrak trains carry about ways. To allow Amtrak to almost daily, would be irre-

members — both Republicans and Democrats — have signed letters in support of the money. Fifty senators half the chamber — signed one letter, according to Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., the Commerce

Committee chairman. In a separate letter, House

Chairman Don Young, R-Alaska, said: "I'm willing to request for a loan guaranconsider a direct appropriatee. tion under certain condi-

Amtrak Vice Chairman Michael Dukakis said an easier solution would be for the Federal Railroad Administration, part of the

Key senators and House Transportation Committee Transportation Department, to make up the remainder. to sign off on Amtrak's

> Gunn said Mineta proposed a loan guarantee to help Amtrak get about \$100 million - half the amount it says it needs — along with a series of "self-help-type actions" Amtrak could take

One of many options broached by Mineta, Gunn said, was to mortgage Chicago's Union Station, which Amtrak owns. Gunn said Amtrak officials reviewed that suggestion and others but quickly ruled them out as impractical or not helpful.

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## **BEALLS HOURS**

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## Threatened town spared from flames for yet another day

SHOW LOW, Ariz. (AP) With the worst wildfire in Arizona history gaining ground, firefighters fought back with flames, helicopters and bulldozers to try to fend off a galloping blaze that has burned 375,000 acres and destroyed at least 390 homes.

After witnessing the destruction by air Tuesday, President Bush declared the region a disaster area and told evacuees at a high school in Eagar that people across America are pulling for them.

"They understand that a lot of you are living in tents when you'd rather be in your own bed," Bush said. They cry for you and they hurt with you.

Some of the 30,000 people who evacuated cities and towns threatened by flames wept and rejoiced Tuesday as they learned the fate of their homes.

Some worried whether their houses still stood. Some had had it with the shelters where they have been forced to seek refuge. Many were sick and tired of waiting.

"I can't get any sleep in the dorms because there are people drinking and kids screaming," said Heber-Overgaard resident Shirley Lagrosa, who was at a shelter at an area high school "Being here makes you feel numb and depressed. It's just too much.

Weary residents anxiously lined up for an opportunity to phone for information to find out if their houses had survived.

At the shelter in Eagar, Lois Trimble exulted in learning that her Pinedale house had been spared.

"Oh, praise God! Our house is still there!" she said in tears as she hugged friends and strangers. "I put

#### Volunteers, merchants reach out to help residents displaced by wildfires

ing and drying.

her son, Bobby.

She also picked up a

A table inside the middle

school's gymnasium is now

covered in handwritten

notes offering everything

from complimentary flat

tire repairs to medical ser-

vices, free fishing at the

trout pond, temporary

Merchants have donated

diapers, dentists have

given denture cream, tooth-

paste and toothbrushes.

The bowling alley in town

stepped up to help out,'

said Payson Mayor Ken

Murphy, who has pushed

aside his regular duties to

help oversee the shelter.

Each morning and night,

he steps up to a micro-

phone to run down the lat-

est list of services available

the rural communities. We

know if it was us, they

would help the same way,'

said Murphy, adding that

he only wished he could do

"We wish we could give

them answers about what's

going on with their homes,

but we have no answers.

It's just heartbreaking.

They're watching their

Firefighters were able to

scorch a half-mile barrier of

forest and meadow at

Cottonwood Canyon on

Tuesday to deprive the blaze

of fuel and thwart its march

to make a stand," said Paul

"This was our best place

dreams go up in smoke."

"We have a kinship with

"The people have really

cut rates to \$1.

to evacuees.

memberships at the gym-

even tickets to a musical.

coupon for a haircut for

PAYSON, Ariz. (AP) The Smith family was dining at a local pizza joint when an employee overheard them talking about the fire that drove them from home a week ago.

Minutes later, the woman returned with the check they had already paid. This one, she told them, was on the house

"Everybody's just been so wonderful," Amy Smith said later at the middle school that serves as a shelter and gathering spot for hundreds of evacuees. "It means a lot to know people are so caring.'

It is one of the few bright spots in a nightmare that grows more grim by the day: From Payson to Phoenix, perfect strangers are opening their homes, businesses and hearts to those uprooted by the inferno roaring through eastern Arizona.

The Smiths are staying at a motel here in Payson after fleeing their Pinedale home last week with little more than two days of clothing and a few keep-

On Tuesday, with her 8vear-old son in tow, Amy headed to the Rim Country Middle School shelter in search of directions to a Laundromat. What she got was even better: A handful of vouchers for free wash-

angels outside the house when I first built it because I was afraid of people stealing things. I just knew the angel would watch over us." Since Sunday evening, the

fire had stood at the outskirts of Show Low, a town of 7,700 in eastern Arizona.

Schmidtke, spokesman with the Bureau of Land Management.

In a single week, the blaze had charred 586 square miles — an area larger than Los Angeles — and there is no containment in sight. Smoke has spread across the Southwest and was seen as far south as Las Cruces,

It is by far the biggest and most damaging blaze of a fire season that has shown no signs of getting better.

On the western edge of Show Low, bulldozers dug a 90-foot-wide scar in the ground and crews set fires to burn their way back to the larger blaze, depriving it of new fuel as helicopters dumped thousands of gallons of water and retardant on flames.

Firefighters trying to spare the town from disaster cut down trees close to homes, removed firewood and moved propane tanks from homes. Sprinklers watered down houses close to the fire line to prevent stray embers from igniting.

'We're still ready," said Phoenix Fire Capt. John Brunacini. "We're like ducks on water, calm on top but our feet are going underneath.'

The wildfire, formed by two smaller blazes that merged Sunday, is the largest in Arizona history and one of the worst the West has ever seen. A lost hiker started one fire trying to signal for help. The other fire is believed to have been ignited by humans, but the cause has not been determined.

The fire has done more damage than the Los Alamos, N.M., blaze that destroyed about 220 homes and businesses two years

#### NEWS BRIEFS

#### FBI searches home of researcher

FREDERICK, Md. (AP) - A researcher who may have had access to anthrax while doing work for the Army base at Fort Detrick allowed the FBI to search his home in hopes of removing himself from possible suspicion, a law enforcement official said.

The search was not unusual in the FBI's quest to find a suspect in last year's deadly anthrax letter attacks, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"This was a consensual search for which the only qualification was potential access to anthrax," the official It was unclear whether the researcher was a federal

worker at Fort Detrick or a worker under contract with the Army base. No arrests were made at the conclusion of Tuesday's

search at Detrick Plaza Apartments, a civilian complex that shares a barbed-wire fence with the Army post. Fort Detrick, which also is home to the U.S. Army

Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases, has anthrax samples. The FBI is conducting voluntary lie detector tests at the base.

#### Tribe given 30 days to close casino

LUFKIN (AP) - The Alabama-Coushatta Indian tribe must close its casino near Livingston within 30 days, U.S. District Judge John Hannah Jr. ruled Tuesday.

Hannah said the casino is illegal under the Native American Restoration Act of 1987, under which the tribe agreed that in return for federal recognition it would not sponsor any gambling activities that were otherwise illegal in the state of Texas.

"This decision is wrong," said tribal Chairman Kevin Battise. The tribe's reservation is in Polk County, about 75 miles northeast of Houston, on a tract of about seven square miles.

"This decision means that Texans can spend billions on the Texas state lottery, but that they can't spend a dime at our tribal gaming enterprise," Battise said.

"This decision means that Texans can gamble across state lines, but that they cannot gamble on our sovereign, federal Indian reservation. ... This decision means that in Texas, even in the new millennium, Native Americans are still not a part of the American dream.

#### Jail inmate escapes from clinic

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - The search continued Wednesday for an armed Bexar County Jail escapee who fled from a medical clinic where he was being treated, then allegedly tied up and robbed a woman at her home.

Jail officials said Jimmy Ray Gorman removed his orange prison suit and squeezed his 6-foot-4, 245-pound body through a first-floor window Tuesday afternoon at University Health Center Downtown in San Antonio. A detention officer was waiting outside the room, unaware

Gorman, 35, had claimed to need crutches and a leg brace, but they were found on the floor at the clinic.

Police said after Gorman fled from the clinic, he stole a white flatbed truck.

Two hours later, Gorman allegedly raided a trailer

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Tyler (976.493 TYL R). It is thoroughly researched and very well written. There are chapters on the natural environment, the Indian cultures, and both the Spanish and the Anglo approach to the

Another particular interest of mine is the military history of Texas. In Rod Timanus' book "An Illustrated History of Texas Forts" (355.7097 TIM R) you will read about the various periods of fort building. Just think, for your summer vacation you could visit all the forts!

From the sleek cheetah and the lion to the hyena and jackal, large carnivores reign supreme in Africa.

In "African Predators" (599.7096 MIL G) Martin Harvey's award winning photographs coupled with prose by Gus Mills lead you on a journey into the wilds of Africa.

Did you know that for the brown hyena, ostrich eggs are a particular delicacy while an aardwolf can consume up to 250,000 termites in a night?

Silly me, I just thought they ate meat. This is a terrific book, check it out.

Have you ever thought about Herod who sentenced Jesus to the cross? The Library has just received a biography of him, "Herod: King of the Jews and Friend of the Romans" (933.0509 RIC P) by Peter Richardson. Given Herod's

prominence in Christian accounts, Richardson 's detailed historical analysis is sure to generate considerable interest.

He writes of the complex character that has often been merely demonized, and is very helpful in appreciating Herod's "piety" toward both Judaism and Rome.

While Richardson 's portrait of Herod is not always flattering, it is a compelling portraval of a skilled politician who was remarkably adept at making a place for himself and his people in a dangerous world.

Are you a crafty person? Several new craft books have arrived. "Fantastic Gel Candles" (745.593 MIL M) by Marcianne Miller will give you a jumpstart on Christmas gifts.

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"More Costumes for the

Stage" by Sheila Jackson. It is full of easy to fashion costumes for pilgrims, medieval times, and animal and bird heads (don't you just love papier mache?)

As a history major, I am incurably nosy about how people lived in any time period. "Bridal Fashions: Victorian Era" (392.5028 FEL D) by Hobby House Press is absolutely fascinat-

It is full of illustrations of fashions worn in the late 1800's and early 1900's. Corset covers, chemises, petticoats, nightgowns all are shown in some detail.

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Wedding dresses, tea gowns, morning gowns are also shown. I can remember my granny telling me that for "pin" money, she made collars and shirtwaists, which in modern terms, is a blouse.

This is a great historical aid in teaching about different time periods.

When the soldiers came home from Viet Nam, they were not the only ones to feel the wrath and confusion of the public sentiment.

The nurses came home to emptiness that until now, and this book, has never been revealed.

Ms. Van Devanter, in "Home Before Morning: The Story of an Army Nurse in Vietnam (959.7043 DEV L) opens her heart and soul to the brutal reality of how nurses functioned in the Viet Nam War.

It is a deep and painful experience, and these nurses placed others first in all situations, both emotionally and physically

While much has been said about the men who fought in Viet Nam, until this book, little was acknowledged about the sacrifice these nurses made for their country.

It is disturbing to see how this population was overlooked and under-supported upon their return to

civilian life after the war. Howard County is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday to Friday and from

10 until 5 on Saturday. Summer Reading Program is going on! Activities are from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The Library is located at 500 Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260.

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Hollis McCright is the Library Director for the Howard County Library.

## Woman came to retire, instead builds acclaimed arts complex

NAPLES, Fla. (AP) -When Myra Janco Daniels was 8 years old she bought her first painting — a small piece by American landscape artist Andrew Wyeth with \$50 she borrowed from her grandmother.

The experience prompted a lifelong love affair with the arts and taught her a lesson in economics.

She had to pay her grandmother back.

"I think the arts have always been in my blood," says Daniels, who came to sleepy Southwest Florida in the 1980s from Chicago to retire from the hectic pace of the advertising business.

She found a small community with no live music, no museum, no theater or dance. "I was depressed, slightly," she says.

She went to work, eventually inspiring 189,000 people to contribute to her dream an arts complex with an acclaimed Philharmonic center and museum.

"A community without the arts is a community without soul," she says. Daniels is chairman and

CEO of the Naples Philharmonic Center for the Arts, a \$100 million business she built. And she hasn't stopped

The Philharmonic hall opened in 1989 with a budget near \$2 million — a figure that has soared to more than 10 times that amount. The orchestra is under the world-class batons of pops conductor Erich Kunzel and classical conductor Christopher Seaman, both

Two years ago, a \$10 million glass-domed Museum of Art was added to the complex, which stands today at more than eight acres. The first year it drew 100,000 visitors.

of whom Daniels enticed to

come to Naples.

Connecting the two build ings is a set of impressive 16-foot tall portal gates by noted sculptor and architect Albert Paley. His. works include gates at the Marriott Hotel in Washington, sculptures at the San Francisco court-

house and a bronze wall

relief at the Gannett building in Washington. Daniels, who sidesteps questions about her age by saying it's just a number, also bought a building which she plans to turn

into a school for the arts to round out the venue. "I've been a CEO of several companies and I've never met a person so dynamic," says Bill Schoen, CEO of Health Management Associates and a board member of the philharmonic. "Today the Phil has over \$100 million of assets and Myra is the chief reason. She is tenacious and

well-educated, has tremen-

dous energy and is a

visionary who can carry projects to completion. "People do not have to travel outside Naples for Broadway shows, classical or pops music, ballet or opera, or to visit a museum," Schoen says, adding that there are about 250

shows a year. To make it all happen, Daniels called on art lovers and cultural foundations and painted the need to rich and poor alike. She brought in donations from

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She sold everything in the building.

An elderly couple wanted to own a big spire that they could drive by and see. The complex has modern Gothic spires with sculpted gardens that sit between build-

"We named everything except the urinals," Daniels

Seats in the Philharmonic have medallions with names on them.

The hall has a spacious lobby for entertaining and green marble everywhere. The auditorium has four art galleries to merge visual and performing arts. There is a lecture hall for chamber music or a reading, and the stage in the main hall is for theater or concerts.

Programs have run the gamut from serious Russian classical music to country star Crystal Gayle, a Shakespeare series and book reviews.

Performances have drawn more than 500,000 people. About 55,850 children have come for the children's programs.

"Most people have a museum or an orchestra or a dance company or a performing arts center. We put it all together," Daniels

This year she started a youth orchestra for young people ages 9 to 17, and there is a youth chorale with 110 voices.

The museum was built with \$10.3 million collected in six weeks.

"I called on people who love the arts and said, 'We can do this. If everybody does something, we can have it."

Today, she has a starstudded 42-member board, a \$27 million budget and a rich life. She credits the generous community of Naples, where many former CEOs and heads of blue chip companies own a second or third home.

"I am just a baton twirler," she says. "This community made it happen. We are an example of making something from nothing.

Daniels was blessed with a talented family. Her mother sang opera; her father played violin, her

chamber orchestra.

"This chamber orchestra is now a full-fledged sym- 🖟 phony," she says.

The most interesting gift came as Daniels was getting started.

A woman had parked her bike and came in to support the idea as "the best thing we ever had."

She promised \$10 from every Social Security check, and did it until she died.

Francis Pew Hayes from the Sun Oil Pews promised \$25. "When I got it, it was \$25,000," Daniels says.

Retirement is often a 12hour day and sometimes 16 hours. But Daniels wouldn't have it any other way.

"What better way to spend retirement," she says, "than a 7:30 a.m. meeting, a 12:30 p.m. lunch, a 7 p.m. lecture or show and an opportunity afterward to meet the artists and exchange views."

## In Next Week's American Profile...



## A recipe for fireworks When the works fly in the Zambelli family, it's a

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## University of Texas putting Gutenberg Bible in digital format

Gutenberg, welcome to the Internet age.

One of the few existing copies of the Gutenberg Bible, the book that revolutionized printing in Western civilization, is going digital this week at the University of

By creating a digital copy to be made available on disc and the Internet, officials say it will be easier for scholars to conduct research and even for the general public to browse the pages of one of the world's most valuable

"I hope there will be some really substantive scholarship to come out of this," said Richard Oram, head librarian at the university's Harry Ransom Center, one of the world's top cultural archives.

Gutenberg printed his famous

Germany, in the 1450s, using what was then a revolutionary printing press. It was the first major Western book printed from movable type. According to the Ransom Center, only about 200 were produced and only 48 copies exist today. The

center acquired its two-volume copy in 1978. The Texas Gutenberg isn't the

first to go digital. It has already been done in Britain and Japan and the Library of Congress is working on a similar effort. But scholars say the Texas effort

is important because the university's copy provides valuable information the others do not.

For example, the Texas copy was one of the most-used copies still in

"To study it at your own leisure at your computer desk, you can go to a whole new depth of research like hever before without traveling all over the world," Dr. Paul Needham, Princeton University Scheide Library.

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The Texas Gutenberg bears a Jesuit stamp and was used in monasteries in southern Germany as late as the 1760s. It was marked up by monks who scratched out some passages and corrected others. Other markings indicate which sections were to be read aloud or reserved for church ser-

"It really is a remarkable copy," Needham said. Putting it in digital able to researchers who want to compare it to other copies around the

"To study it at your own leisure at your computer desk, you can go to a whole new depth of research like

never before without traveling all over the world," Needham said.

Because the book is so valuable, the Ransom Center keeps it locked away. An armed guard is on hand whenever it is unlocked for scholars, which has happened only twice in the last 12 years. Both times it was for Needham and for just a few hours, Orum said.

"It's not something you want to handle more than you have to," he

Ransom Center staff were sched-

format will be invalu- uled to begin transferring the 1,200 pages to digital format on Wednesday, with each page taking about seven seconds to scan. IImage Retrieval Inc., of Carrollton is providing the technology for free, Orum said.

The first digital copies will be available on disk or CD-ROM within the next six months, Orum said, with Internet access available later.

Similar digital efforts have been very successful. Officials at the British Library said earlier this year that the Web site featuring the library's two copies of the Gutenberg Bible received 1 million hits in its first six months.

Ransom Center Director Thomas Staley expects similar success.

"We're going to get more people reading the Bible than you can believe," Staley said.

## Aristotle anyone? At least in public, Americans endorse books both good and great

NEW YORK (AP) -President Bush is reportedly studying Aristotle. Book clubs proliferate

in the media. A self-published, 1,200page science text sells

and sells. Are Americans reading more, or do they just want you to think they

"I'd be happy if it were either," says Richard Russo, author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning "Empire Falls," a novel selected by USA Today's book club.

"If people aspire to read and see something missing in their lives and conclude reading might be part of it, that would be good."

Sales have been flat in recent years, but praise of books both good and great is on the rise.

Since TV host Oprah Winfrey announced she was cutting back on her picks, at least four new clubs have been formed, with literary novels such as "Empire Falls" among the beneficiaries.

The "Today" show opened its book club

Thursday, asking a famous author to recommend the work of a firsttime fiction writer.

John Grisham, creator of such blockbusters as "The Firm" and "The Client" emerged from a door-sized book cover and selected Stephen Carter's best-selling legal thriller, "The Emperor of Ocean Park.'

Carter's publisher, Alfred A. Knopf, has reprinted an additional 250,000 copies, but even Grisham seemed to question how many could get through it.

He warned that the book is long and "at times a bit complicated."

"I tell people all the time I'm a famous writer in a country where people don't read," Grisham told interviewer Katie Couric.

"It's not a book culture. It's a movie culture. It's a TV culture. It's a sports culture.

Carter's novel is 657 pages, barely half the size of another best sellows: "Wolfram's gotten a ler, Stephen Wolfram's "A of press and there are New Kind of Science Thanks to word of

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mouth and media attention, Wolfram's self-published book quickly sold out a first printing of 50,000 and has spent weeks in the top 10 of Amazon.com.

Wolfram's premise is both accessible and appealing: simple rules, not complex equations, are the key to profound scientific mysteries.

But with a recent survey saying only 22 percent of Americans can even define a molecule. "A New Kind of Science" may follow Stephen Hawking's "A Brief History of Time" as a book easier owned than read.

"Wolfram's gotten a lot people who think, 'Wow, the Book-of-the-Month

learn more about it.' But confronted with a 1,200page tome, they never get into it," says Sharon Dunwoody, a professor of journalism at the University of Wisconsin-Madison who specializes in public knowledge of science.

Reading occupies an uncertain place in American culture, which has simultaneously celebrated and suspected the thinker. The United States was conceived by Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and other intellectuals, but the true folk heroes tend to be generals, cowboys and gang-

At the same time, millions have subscribed to

The desire to at least appear well-read has led CliffNotes and other publishers to expand summaries of great literature from the student market to adults.

"I get the feeling there are so many book clubs and people have less and less time. They need a little help," says Justin Kestler, executive editor of SparkNotes, which has published guides to "The Kitchen God's Wife," "Beloved" and other nov-

The most surprising convert to the ranks of the highbrow is Bush, who has evolved from calling the Greeks "Grecians" to reading the Greeks himself.

An official recently told reporters that Bush's influences included Aristotle's "Nicomachean Ethics," along with Alexis de Tocqueville, Adam Smith and Cicero.

Voters don't care much for intellectuals: The erudite Adlai Stevenson was a two-time loser to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower that's amazing! I'd like to Club and joined reading for the presidency.

But a man's man with brains is something else.

John Kennedy's rise to the presidency was aided by two feats: one of physical heroism — surviving a Japanese torpedo attack during World War II; and one achievement in letters — his Pulitzer Prize-winning "Profiles in Courage.'

"I'm not sure bookish people make good presidents, but they like to appear that way," says Richard Reeves, a syndicated columnist and presidential biographer.

"I once asked Gerald Ford what books he read and he told me he was too busy. He presented that as being a real man: Real men don't read books. But after I published that (in New York magazine) he was seen carrying books around and they started putting out a list of books he was

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## Wednesday, July 3 Comanche Trail Amphitheater

Featuring the music of the Big Spring Symphony and Chorus along with a patriotic fireworks display ... preceded by a performance by the West Texas Musical Review

## SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

- Gates open at Amphitheater • 4 p.m.
- Food, novelty booths open • 5 p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. Musical review begins
- 8:30 p.m. Parade of Flags grand entry, Symphony, Chorus begin
- 9:15 p.m. Special Sept. 11 presentation
- 9:30 p.m. Fireworks display begins

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## IN BRIEF

Annual Youth Rodeo begins tomorrow

The annual Big Spring Youth Rodeo is slated to get under way Thursday. evening in the Howard County Rodeo Bowl. The rodeo is scheduled to run through June 29.

The rodeo is scheduled to get started each night at 7 p.m. The event is open to all High Plains Junior Association members who are 8 to 19 years of

#### **Down & Dirty tourney** scheduled for June 28

The Down and Dirty Softball Tournament is scheduled to take place June 28-30 at Tommy

Walker Field in Stanton. The top three teams will receive awards. The top three individuals will get T-shirts. In addition, an MVP and Gold Glove will be named as will an all-tourney team.

The tournament will be played under USSSA rules using .47 core balls. A three home run rule will be used.

The entry fee for the event is \$115 per team. Deadline to enter is 7 p.m. Thursday.

For more information, Michael Paul Martinez at 756-2603 or Raul Ochoa at 889-6994.

#### Local seniors sought for all-star game

The promoters of the 2002 All Americas basketball game are looking to add a few Crossroads area athletes to the roster. High school seniors that graduated in May from Big Spring, Klondike, Sands or Grady that would like to participate should contact Tommy Wells at (915) 816-6336 or 263-7331.

#### Ragball tourney is set for July 5-6

Booths are available for the 10th Annual Ragball Tournament, sponsored by the Coahoma United Girls Softball

Association. For more information call Laura Martin at 267-8660, Candy Parrish at 394-4034 or Neasa Iden at 399-4443.

#### Wynn benefit scramble set July 13

A four-man scramble with proceeds to benefit the Matt Wynn family of Coahoma will be held July 13 at Comanche Trails Golf Course. Entry fees are set at \$200 per team.

A 2002 Ford supercab pickup will be presented for a hole-in-one.

For more information, call Denise Coates at 393-

## **USSSA** qualifier

slated for Midland The Permian Basin USSSA will be hosting the A-1 Last Chance Qualifier Softball Tournament at the Bill Williams Complex in Midland on July 13-14. USSSA registration is required. To enter call (915) 699-5559.

## Caprock league to

hold open tourney
The Caprock Summer
League will be holding its first Men's Open Basketball Tournament on June 28 through June 30 at Monterey High School in Lubbock.

The tournament, which will be played under a 3-game minimum format, is open to all high school raduates. Entry fee is

\$175 per team. For more information contact Karen Moeller at (806) 793-6836 or Jerry very at (806) 795-8719.

## Troubles lurking for Athens Olympic games

they boast of progress and newfound focus, familiar troubles lurk for Athens Olympic organizers.

That's the message being carried by the game's international inspector, whose concerns somewhat cloud the rosy picture promoted by local planners of the 2004 Games.

Such out-of-sync perspectives could reopen tensions between Athens officials and the International Olympic Committee during a two-day inspection visit.

The Greek government and 2004 bosses are eager to concentrate on their recent successes, including work on many Olympic sites and

But the IOC team, led by Swiss member Denis Oswald, also is expected to probe some of the weak points with just over two years before the opening ceremony.

The former international airport site remains a chief worry, Oswald said, while work is "several months" behind schedule on the highly specialized canoe and kayak courses and plans to use an old hangar for basketball is "technically much more difficult than expect-

Work contracts, meanwhile, remain unsigned for some of the other sports at the former transportation links after years of Hellenikon airfield: softball, base-

thrown into question by a legal dispute over whether to give private pilots continued use of a runway at the old airfield.

"That is certainly an area where there are risks and there are some Manolis Kefaloyiannis, said the difficulties, and we'll certainly measures "constitute an admission spend quite a lot of time discussing that," Oswald said.

The government has recently displayed a more aggressive posture to try to break Olympic-related delays. Last week, the governing Socialists pushed through emergency legislation giving it wider powers to resist citizen complaints.

The immediate impact should be

Even current blueprints could be route, where some groups oppose widening the roadways near the start. But it apparently gives officials more clout to push aside critics of other projects for the games.

One opposition lawmaker, of the government's inability to carry out the work on time.

Another long-running IOC concern is a severe shortage of hotel rooms for spectators and tourists hoping to be in Greece.

About 90 percent of Athens' 21,000 top hotel rooms have been reserved for the "Olympic Family," which includes IOC officials and sponsors.

## Rockets now free to draft Yao Ming

NEW YORK (AP) — Yao Ming received final clearance Wednesday from the Chinese Basketball Federation to play in the NBA, and the Houston Rockets announced that they would select the 7-foot-5 center with the No. 1 pick in the draft.

"I received a letter early this morning from Chinese Basketball Association chief executive Lancheng confirming that all of his concerns have been addressed," Rockets attorney Michael Goldberg said. "We are looking forward to drafting Yao with the first overall selection in the NBA draft."

The announcement by the Rockets removed some of the uncertainty that had sprung up as the hours counted down toward Wednesday night's draft.

With all the other NBA teams now certain that Yao would go first, the focus switched to trade talk among teams looking to retool their rosters and move up in the first round.

The Cavaliers and Clippers were the teams involved in the most persistent trade rumor, with Cleveland considering sending NBA assists leader Andre Miller, along with the sixth overall pick, to Los Angeles for the eighth and 12th picks, along with a player.

Phoenix also was trying to trade up to move into Cleveland's spot, as was New York. The Clippers, Suns and Knicks all covet 19-year-old Brazilian for-

ward "Nene" Hilario. Yao already had reached agreement with his Chinese league team, the Shanghai Sharks, on a compensation package that would free him to jump to the NBA. But Yao also needed clearance from his national federation and could not receive a clearance letter from FIBA, the sport's international governing body, without the consent of the Chinese Basketball Association.



The Cardinals captured the 2002 National League city championship earlier this month with a win over the Coahoma Reds. Members of the team included (front row, left to right) Johnny Gonzales, Sage Gibson, Loyd Morgan, Spencer Briggs, Ray Guterrez, Reagan Rotan, (middle row) Cade Hollandsworth, James Marlow, Hadden Phillips, Blaze Carrol, Matt Ritchey, Suraj Patel, (back row) coaches Alan Hollandsworth, Randy Phillips and Mike Ritchey.

## Entire state joins in celebrating the Longhorns' national baseball title

brated this Longhorns national championship.

About 5,200 fans turned out Tuesday night at Disch-Falk Field to celebrate the University of Texas' NCAA College World Series title, the fifth in school history and first since 1983.

About 1,000 had turned out in Sunday's afternoon heat to welcome the team home from it's 12-6 titleclinching victory over South Carolina, but this title was worth celebrating

"I think they'll do it again," said fan Laurie Stoneham, who traveled to Omaha, Neb., for the Longhorns' last two games of the College World Series. She was head-to-toe Texas, with a Longhorns hat, a national title T-shirt and burnt-orange socks. "I had a feeling from the very beginning they would be this good.'

Even Gov. Rick Perry, a Texas A&M graduate and former Aggie yell leader, addressed the crowd with a vigorous "Hook'em Horns!" salute.

Decked out in a burnt-orange shirt

Perry praised the team as a "new set of heroes" for the state. He also presented coach Augie Garrido, a transplant from California, a declaration making him an "official" Texan.

"You get all the bragging rights and privileges that go with that," Perry

The hour-long ceremony started with a replay of the radio broadcast of the final outs of the national title game over the public address system.

The team also received congratulatory messages from President Bush and New York Yankees pitcher Roger Clemens, the ace of the 1983 national championship team.

Rep. Rick Green, R-Dripping Springs, presented the team with three state flags that flew over the state Capitol on Saturday during the championship game.

After sunset, the school lighted the UT Tower in orange with the building's interior lights forming a giant '1" to serve notice of the national title. "They definitely deserve this," said

AUSTIN (AP) — Even Aggies celethat belied his Aggie background, fan Gilbert Martinez, who graduated UT law school in 1991 and brought his five children to the stadium. "We should have won it in football, too."

The crowd cheered the team with a standing ovation during player introductions and a dugout curtain call for former Texas coach Cliff Gustafson. who retired after the 1995 season with 1,427 wins, the most in Division I baseball history. Garrido is a very close second with 1,380 and gaining fast.

The biggest cheers were for Garrido, whose first few years in Austin were a struggle to win over fans on the heels of Gustafson's departure. A 57-15 season with a Big 12 title and national championship seems to have healed any wounds.

"This team is a special team," said Garrido, who also won national titles with Cal St.-Fullerton in 1979, 1984 and 1995. "It gets down to one ingredient: it gets down to teamwork.

"It couldn't happen to a better group of guys," said senior outfielder Kalani Napoleon. "I want to say hook'em horns and God bless America!'

## Broughton's horse third at Ruidoso

G.C. Broughton, Jr. came within a whisper of winning at Ruidoso Downs last week. The Big Spring horse owner saw Fortune Flyer, a 3-year-old gelding, finish third in the prestigious \$57, 780 Bayer Legend New Mexico Challenge G3 on July 18.

Fortune Flyer, ridden by Bobbie Don Harmon, covered the 400-yard track in a time of 19.8 seconds and finished behind only Royal Baby Sister and Its Called Splash in the standings. Cartel Charley was fourth

overall. Fortune Flyer, a brown American Quarter Horse, is trained by Timothy W.



**Big Spring Lady** Steers' softball coach Dan Arista helps Cheyenne Galloway position her bat during batting drills at the **Lady Steers** Softball Camp Wednesday morning at the **BSHS Softball** Complex. The camp helped young girls improve their **fundamental** skills in soft-

## Rangers rip Angels, claim 8th straight win

- Kevin Mench hit a threerun homer to cap Texas' biggest inning of the season as the Rangers beat the Anaheim Angels 11-5 on Tuesday night for their eighth straight win.

Mench's homer, a liner that just cleared the leftfield fence, capped a fifth inning in which the Rangers scored eight runs on just three hits. Mench led off the inning with a walk.

The Rangers' winning streak is their longest since they won nine straight from July 18-27, 1999. The 11 runs matched a season high.

Rafael Palmeiro and rookie Ryan Ludwick added solo homers for Texas.

After Scott Schoeneweis

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) (6-6) walked Mench to start the fifth, Todd Greene homered to tie it at 4-all. The two celebrated by taking off their helmets and bumping their bald heads together at the plate, but the Rangers were just getting

started. Texas loaded the bases on two walks and a single before Juan Gonzalez hit a sacrifice fly to break the tie. Schoeneweis left after his fourth walk of the inning, to Palmeiro.

Reliever Lou Pote gave up a bases-loaded walk to Herbert Perry and threw a wild pitch that allowed another run to score before Mench's seventh homer made it 10-4.

Ismael Valdes See RANGERS, Page B2

## BCS makes minor tweaks to its formula

again, college football has changed its formula for determining which teams play in its national championship game

The Bowl Championship Series on Tuesday eliminated the margin of victory calculation used in the computer ratings portion of the BCS standings, and also reduced the number of computers used from eight to seven.

"By eliminating margin of victory, it takes the idea of how you win and puts it in a proper perspective," said Big East commissioner Mike Tranghese, who serves as the BCS coordinator this season. "The coaches didn't want it and the athletic directors didn't want it. We're putting more value in the strength of schedule.

In addition, teams will receive bonus points for wins over opponents in the BCS' final top 10 instead of the final top 15.

The margin of victory change is not a drastic measure, but it shook up the computer ratings lineup.

The computer ratings count 25 percent in the BCS standings - the other elements are The Associated Press media poll and the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll, strength of schedule and won-loss record.

If the margin of victory change had been in effect last year, there's a good chance that Oregon not Nebraska would have played Miami for the national title in the Rose Bowl

In four of the eight computers that did not use margin of victory in 2001, Oregon was second in one and third in the others. In the four that did, Oregon was sixth in one, seventh in Fiesta, Rose

the media and coaches' national title game on Jan. polls, but fourth in the BCS 3.

"It's possible there could have been a different team in there last year," Tranghese said. "It was a very close call and if I recollect, Oregon won about a half dozen games by less than a touchdown.'

The 2000 season ended with Miami believing it should have played Oklahoma for the title instead of Florida State after beating the Seminoles in the regular season. Before the 2001 season opened, the BCS added a bonus-point plan that would have put Miami in the 2000 title game if it were in place at the time.

Tranghese and his fellow commissioners whose conferences are in the BCS also discussed adding an oversight committee to play a role if problems arose with the final BCS standings.

Tranghese said he's aware the system isn't perfect.

"We'll never get a system that will satisfy everybody," he said. "We'll evaluate it every year to see if it's better. Hopefully, this is a more appropriate and fair

The seven computer ratings for the upcoming season are Anderson & Hester, Atlanta Journal-Constitution Colley Matrix, Richard Billingsley, Kenneth Massey, Jeff Sagarin's USA Today, the New York Times and Peter Wolfe. The team's worst rating will be discarded and the average of the top six will be used.

The first BCS standings will be released Oct. 21.

With a 12-game schedule this year instead of the usual 11, teams will need a 9-3 record and top 12 ranking in the final BCS stand-ings to be eligible for one of the four BCS games the two and eighth in the other. Orange bowls. The Fiesta Oregon finished No. 2 in Bowl plays host to the

## **Astros honor Kile with** plaque at Minute Maid

HOUSTON (AP) Houston Astros are honoring Darryl Kile, who results indicate he suffered pitched for the club from a heart attack caused by 1991 to 1997, with a memoriblocked arteries. al plaque mounted along the left field wall at Minute Maid Park.

The white, circular plaque is three feet in diameter and bears Kile's initials, DK, which was his nickname among players and fans. It will hang under the 1997 Central Division championship banner, the last season he played for Houston before signing as a free agent with Colorado.

Kile, 33, died Saturday in a hotel room in Chicago, where his St. Louis 1975.

The Cardinals were playing the Cubs. Preliminary autopsy

Kile was the Astros' 30th round selection in the June 1987 draft and debuted with the club in 1991. He threw the ninth, and most recent, no-hitter in franchise history against the New York Mets on Sept. 8, 1993.

Two of the Astros' six retired numbers were worn by pitchers who died while on the roster. Umbricht, 33, died of cancer in 1964, and Don Wilson, 29, died of carbon monoxide poisoning in his garage in

## Brazil upends Turkey, advances to WC finals

SAITAMA, Japan (AP) After all its troubles getting to the tournament and all the upsets around it, Brazil is back where it belongs the World Cup final.

Ronaldo got his tournament-best sixth goal and goalkeeper Marcos protected a slim lead with several spectacular saves Wed-nes-Brazilian team that barely

made it through South American qualifying into its seventh World Cup final.

Waiting for the Brazilians is Germany, also in its seventh title game. The Germans have won three championships, one fewer than Brazil's record.

Oddly, they've never met in the World Cup, let alone day night in a 1-0 victory for the crown of the world's over Turkey. It lifted a most popular sporting

#### Swoopes, Comets continue to roll

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) Sheryl Swoopes and Tina Thompson each scored 18 points to lead the Houston Comets to a 73-55 victory over the Minnesota Lynx on Tuesday night.

Tiffani Johnson added 13 for the Comets (10-3), who ed. have won five straight and eight of their last nine. Thompson, who scored 31 points in Houston's 71-58 win Sunday at Portland, has scored 101 points in her last

six games.

The Comets led the entire game to improve to 12-0 alltime against the Lynx.

Minnesota (4-8) has lost five straight games and Houston is the only team the Lynx have never defeat-

The Comets, the league leader in defense at 59.3 points per game held the Lynx to just 37.5 percent shooting from the field.

#### SPORTS EXTRA

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	47	29	.618	
Boston	45	28	.616	1/2
Baltimore	36	38	.486	10
Toronto	31	42	.425	14 1/2
Tampa Bay	24	50	324	22
Central Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	43	34	.558	-
Chicago	37	40	.481	6
Cleveland	36	40	474	6 1/2
Kansas City	27	46	370	14
Detroit	26	48	351	15 1/2
West Division				
	w	L	Pct	GE
Seattle	47	29	618	
Oakland	44	32	579	3
Anaheim	43	32	.573	3 1/2
Texas	35	41	461	12

Cleveland 4, Boston 2 Baltimore 4, N.Y. Yankees 3 Toronto 20, Tampa Bay 11 Texas 11, Anaheim 5 Kansas Cit<u>y</u> 8, Detroit 6 Chicago White Sox 15, Minnesota 7 Seattle 7, Oakland 1 **Today's Games** 

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Detroit (Bernero 2.2) at Kansas City (May 2.4).

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Atlanta	47	30	610	
Montreal	40	35	533	6
Florida	39	37	513	7 1/2
New York	39	37	513	7 1/2
Philadelphia	33	41	446	12 1/2
Central Division				
	w	L	Pct	GE
St Louis	40	33	548	_
Cincinnati	39	36	520	2
Houston	33	42	440	8
Pittsburgh	33	42	440	8
Chicago	32	42	432	8 1/2
Milwaukee	27	49	355	14 1/2
West Division				
	w	L	Pct	GE
Los Angeles	47	29	.618	-
Arizona	45	30	600	1 1/2
San Francisco	42	33	560	4 1/2
Colorado	38	39	494	9 1/2
San Diego	33	44	429	14 1/2

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Houston 7, Anzona 3

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84), 6:05 p.m.

Philadelphia (Duckworth 4-4) at Florida (Tejera 2-1), 6:05 p.m. Atlanta (Glavine 11-3) at N.Y. Mets (Estes 3-Arizona (Johnson 11-2) at Houston (Miller 3-2),

7:05 p.m. Milwaukee (J.Wright 1-5) at St. Louis (W.Williams 4-3), 7:10 p.m. Colorado (Chacon 3-4) at Los Angeles (Nomo 7-5), 9:10 p.m.

#### AL LEADERS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING—ISuzuki, Seattle, .363; MiSweeney, Kansas City, .358; Konerko, Chicago, .329; Damon, Boston, .324; ASoriano, New York, 321; Ordonez, Chicago, 319; Olerud, Seattle

RUNS—Damon, Boston, 59; ARodriguez, Texas, 59; ISuzuki, Seattle, 58; ASoriano, New Texas, 59; ISuzuki, Seattle, 58; ASoriano, New York, 56; BWilliams, New York, 55; Glaus, Anaheim, 54; Ordonez, Chicago, 54. RBI—Konerko, Chicago, 65; ARodriguez, Texas, 62; JaGiambi, New York, 59; Garciaparra, Boston, 58; Tejada, Oakland, 56; GAnderson, Anaheim, 56; CDelgado, Toronto, 56. HITS—Usuzuki, Seattle, 110; ASoriano, New York, 103, MiSweeney, Kansas City, 96; Jeter, New York, 95; Konerko, Chicago, 94;

New York, 95: Konerko, Chicago, 94, Hillenbrand, Boston, 93; Tejada, Oakland, 93; Damon, Boston, 93. DOUBLES—ASoriano, New York, 27; GAnderson, Anaheim, 27; Garciaparra, Boston,

26; Ordonez, Chicago, **24**; Salmon, Anaheim, 24; Olerud, Seattle, **24**; MiSweeney, Kansas TRIPLES—ISuzuki, Seattle, 6: Lofton, Chicago

6; Akennedy, Anaheim, 5; Winn, Tampa Bay, 5; Damon, Boston, 5; 12 are tied with 4. HOME RUNS—Arodriguez, Texas, 22; Thome, Cleveland, 20; EChavez, Oakland, 19; JaGiambi, New York, 19; Ventura, New York, 19; ASoriano, New York, 18; THunter, Minnesota, 18.

STOLEN BASES—ASoriano, New York, 21;

Lofton, Chicago, 21; ISuzuki, Seattle, 19. Beltran, Kansas City, 18; Damon, Boston, 17. Jeter, New York, 17. Durham, Chicago, 17. PITCHING (9 Decisions)—Zito, Oakland, 10-2. .833, 3.07; PMartinez, Boston, 8-2, .800, 2.92. 833, 3.07; PMartinez, Boston, 82, 800, 2.92; DLowe, Boston, 11.3, 786, 2.16; Washburn, Anaheim, 7.2, 778, 3.59; Mussina, New York, 10.3, 769, 4.51; Halladay, Toronto, 9.3, 750, 3.19; Clemens, New York, 8.3, 727, 3.76 STRIKEOUTS—Clemens, New York, 11.3; PMartinez, Boston, 110, FGarcia, Seattle, 96, Zitto, Oakland, 92; Halladay, Toronto, 91; Mussina, New York, 87, Thudson, Oakland, 81, SAVES—Cuardicto, Mignesoria, 22; Libria, SAVES—Cuardicto, SA

SAVES-Guardado, Minnesota, 22: Urbina Boston, 20; Koch, Oakland, 19; MRivera, New York, 18; Wickman, Cleveland, 18; Sasaki, Seattle, 17; Percival, Anaheim, 17.

#### **TRANSACTIONS**

American League
ANAHEIM ANGELS—Recalled RHP Matt Wise from Salt Lake of the PCL. Optioned RHP John Lackey to Salt Lake BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Purchased the con-

tract of LHP Yorkis Perez from Rochester of the International League Optioned RHP Sean Douglass to Rochester Transferred RHP Calvin Maduro from the 15 to the 60-day disabled list BOSTON RED SOX-Announced RHP Frank Castillo has appealed a five-game suspension from Major League Baseball. Activated OF Manny Ramirez and RHP Rich Garces from the 15-day disabled list. Designated LHP Darren Oliver for assignment. Optioned 1B Juan Diaz and LHP

leff D'Amico.

DETROIT T'GERS—Agreed to terms with OF

Victor Zambrano to Dumam of the International League. Activated RHP Jorge Sosa from the 15-day disabled list. Recalled C Toby Hall, RHP Jesus Colome and RHP Travis Phelps from Durham. Called up OF Dave McCarty from Control TEXAS RANGERS—Placed RHP Francisco

Victor Zambrano to Durham of the Internationa

Signed RHP Kiki Bengochea.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Placed RHP Mike

RHP Todd Stottlemyre from the 15-day disabled Lewis from 60-day disabled list and sent him out-

League.
FLORIDA MARLINS—Recalled LHP Nate Teut from Calgary of the PCL. Optioned RHP Hansel Izquierdo to Calgary. Traded OF Brett Roneberg to the Montreal Expos for RHP Donnie Bridges PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed SS Victor Menocal and assigned him to Batavia of the New

#### BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
DENVER NUGGETS—Waived G Tim Hardaway.
PHOENIX SUNS—Named Mike D'Antoni assis-WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Traded G Courtne

Alexander to the New Orleans Hornets for the 17th pick in the NBA draft. FOOTBALL National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Signed FB Antioriy

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	10	2	833	
Orlando	7	3	.700	2
New Yrirk	8	6	571	3
Charlotte	5	5	500	4
Indiana	5	7	417	5
Ck:veland	4	6	400	5
Mami	2	9	182	7 1/2
Detroit	0	11	000	9 1/2

Casey Fossum to Pawtucket of the International

CLEVELAND INDIANS-Activated RHP Paul Shuey from the 15-day disabled list. Designated RHP Nerio Rodriguez for assignment. Traded Of Bruce Aven to he Philadelphia Phillies for RHF

Curtis Granderson and RHP Matt Pender.
NEW YORK YANKEES—Activated RHP Mariano
Rivera from the 15-day disabled list, Optioned
RHP Mike Thurman to Columbus of the

International League.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Called up LHP Mark Watson from Tacoma of the PCL. Optioned RHP Julio Mateo to Tacoma. Transferred RHP Paul Abbott from the 15 to 60-day disabled list TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Placed OF Greg Vaughn and RHP Ryan Rupe on the 15-day dis-abled list. Designated C Paul Hoover for assign-ment. Optioned RHP Jason Jimenez and RHP

Cordero on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled RHP Colby Lewis from Oklahoma of the PCL.

Morgan on the 15-day disabled list. Activated

right to Richmond of the International League.
CINCINNATI REDS—Placed OF Ken Griffey Jr.
on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled OF Austin Kearns from Louisville of the International

Green to a one-year contract. Green to a one-year contract.

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed DE Frinando.

Smith. Claimed OL Terrance. Sykes off waivers from the Cleveland Browns.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Signed LB Rashad.

Harris. Warved S Fred White and LB Conner Harris, Waved S Fred White all 5 Ed Schmidt Stephens. NEW YORK JETS—Waived CB Tony Scott. Signed DE DeAngelo Lloyd and OL Matt O'Neal PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Signed SS Michael

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Washington	10	2	833	
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## Olympians laud plan for Astrodome

announced a plan Tuesday to complete a total conversion of the historic Astrodome into an elite track and field facility five years before they hope to host the 2012 Olympics.

Former Olympians lauded the plan as a step into the future for track and field in the United States.

"It will put the competition on level ground," former Olympic sprinter Bill Collins said Tuesday after visiting the Astrodome. "You won't have to worry any more about a time being wind-aided or the instrument not being calibrated correctly.'

As part of their package to be the host city for the 2012 Olympics, Houston officials already have pledged an \$87 million renovation project for the Astrodome if they are the host city for the Olympics. The facility would host track and field events.

Houston officials now have pledged to complete the stadium project for use in 2007 — much sooner than earlier planned — in time to host other events and work out any kinks in the new facility before the Olympic Games.

"It's going to be so great for fan appeal," Collins said. "No more sitting in the sun for long periods of time to see the events. It'll be weather-controlled. They could even have a halftime and provide entertainment.

Houston 2012 president Susan Bandy said the city would be ready to begin the process in November.

"If we are the host city for the United States in that will go to the head of November, we'll spend the the class. I'm not opposed to money on architectural design to have all plans ready to go in 2005," Bandy said. "If we're named to host the 2012 Olympics, we'll begin construction immediately and have the stadium ready in 2007 to begin hosting events."

Houston is competing with New York, Washington and San Francisco to be the Leroy Burrell said.

United States nominee to Houston Olympic officials compete with international cities to host the Olympic Games in 2012.

The United Olympic Committee will announce the U.S. city in November. International Olympic Committee will name the host site in 2005.

Houston would attempt to host events such as the World Track and Field Championships and other events to smooth out operations of the new facility before the Olympics arrive.

"The IOC pushes you to have had events the year before the Olympics," Bandy said. "If we got the World Championships in 2009 that would not be the first event we could have here."

Houston is preparing for another visit from the United States Olympic Committee July 11-12, for an inspection before the USOC names its nominee in November.

The Astrodome, the first domed facility, would be totally gutted and restyled into a stadium specifically designed for track and field, including a 400-meter track and 70,000 seats.

It would be used for track and field events in the Olympics and would share the opening and closing ceremonies with nearby Reliant Stadium, the future home of the NFL Houston Texans.

John Chaplain, coach of the United States 2000 Olympic team, has seen the plans and likes the concept.

"This would be a major step forward," Chaplain said. "You're talking about a state of the art stadium multipurpose stadiums as long as we are part of the multi purposes.

Houston officials are hoping their plan to speed up conversion of Astrodome, will help their selection.

"This would be the crown jewel of track and field facilities," former Olympian

## Wings' goaltender calls it a career after Cup win

Dominik Hasek will miss the victories, the practices and his teammates. But one of hockey's top goaltenders understands all too well it's time to leave.

"I don't want to put goalie pads on again," said Hasek, less than two weeks after finally winning a Stanley Cup with the Detroit Red

Hasek spent only one season with the Red Wings, but it was enough to top off his resume with a title that had eluded him for so long.

"Winning the Cup has been everything I could ever ask for," Hasek said. "After 21 years of playing professional hockey at the highest level, I do not feel that I have enough fire in me to compete at the level that I expect of myself."

Hasek's announcement follows that of coach Scotty Bowman, who retired the night the Red Wings won the Cup.

#### **RANGERS**

Continued from Page 1B pitched seven innings, allowing four runs on five hits, for just his second win in his last eight starts.

Schoeneweis gave up eight runs on four hits over 4 2-3 innings, with two strikeouts and five walks. He had allowed just five runs over 24 innings in three other starts against Texas this season.

Anaheim led 3-0 after Benji Molina's three-run double in the second. Adam

Kennedy was hit by a pitch after consecutive singles by Tim Salmon and Brad Fullmer to load the bases.

Kennedy had run-scoring singles in the third and eighth innings.

Palmeiro's homer to center, his 16th of the season and 463rd of his career, came in the bottom of the second. Ludwick hit his first career homer an inning later.

Alex Rodriguez added an RBI single in the sixth.

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#### O'Neal: John **McEnroe** used steroids

NEW YORK (AP) Tatum O'Neal says ex-husband John McEnroe took steroids while he was on the pro tennis tour, and used cocaine and marijuana

but only off the court. O'Neal spoke about McEnroe on ABC's "20/20." which will be broadcast Friday, in response to his new autobiography, "You Cannot Be Serious.

McEnroe wrote in the book that they "were high" the first time they had sex.

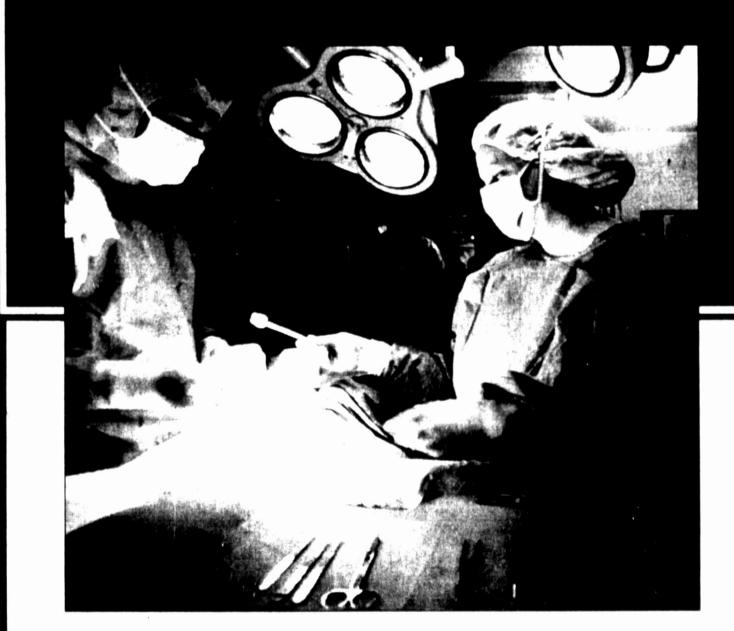
She said McEnroe used steroids "when he was coming back after Sean (their son) was born" in 1987. McEnroe won seven major championships during his career; his last Grand Slam tournament was in 1992.

McEnroe's agent, Gary Swain, declined to make him available, but read a statement from McEnroe that said:

"I am very disappointed in Tatum's statements. I had hoped that after all these years she would see things more accurately and that she would share my concern for the welfare of our children."

McEnroe and O'Neal divorced in 1992.

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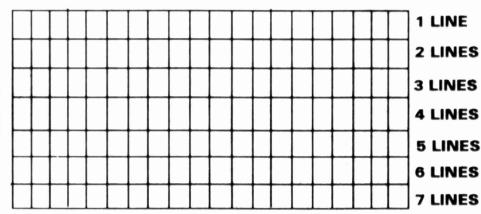
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ly go overboard. Just don't

sink yourself! You're likely

to get a pay raise or promo-

tion. If you are single, your

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meaning because of a rela-

tionship, which might

become quite intense,

quickly. If you're attached,

follow an inclination to

dote on your sweetie. You'll

gain from that closeness.

The Stars Show the Kind

of Day You'll Have: 5-

Dynamic: 4-Positive: 3-

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ARIES (March 21-April

19) \*\*\*\* Work with others

as a group, rather than

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for 20) \*\*\*\*\* Carefully recognize another's limits. How you feel in the company of a boss might tell you a lot about your job and where you're heading. If you're not comfortable, timing works with you to make a positive change. Tonight: In result, that others often are

the limelight. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\*\* Stretch your mind. Work on breaking out of the box in your way of thinking. Be more dynamic in word choice as well. You will note that others will be more interested and responsive as a result. You know that anything becomes possible if you just flow. Tonight: Rent a movie on the way home CANCER (June 21-July

22) \*\*\*\* Just because someone sees a situation one way doesn't mean you have to agree. Carefully consider options that surround your personal life. Relate individually to those who make a difference in your life. Remain positive. Tonight: Have a long-overdue chat.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Others seek you out Be open to new possibilities. Not everything falls into place as you would like it to. Discussions prove to could become a reality with be animated with someone some help. Give that extra—who simply might distort what he or she hears. Talks surround goals and a meeting. Tonight: Play the night

> TOO LATES ☐ Huge Church Garage Sale, Sat. 8-?, Miracle Revival Center, 600 E FM 700 Lots of bargains & Cotton Candy, too

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**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\* Dig into work. If you have a specific idea about what needs to happen, then take the lead. Others might not understand your vision. Talk to someone in charge who seems to understand you better than many. You know what you're doing. Tonight: Get some exercise.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\*\* You might find the muse that could inspire you for the rest of your life. Or you might recognize a loved one as the muse that lights up your life. Don't worry so much about reactions. Share those special feelings. Tonight: Get into the weekend spirit.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\* Use the basic knowledge you have to increase the closeness in a key relationship. You might not want to share everything that is on your mind. Pick and choose your words. Another might tease you at work. Accept an invitation. Tonight: Enjoy

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\*\* Others seek you out. Juggling all you need to do could be a bit overwhelming, but you can do it. Associates discuss ideas in a more open and creative manner than usual. Together, success appears on the horizon. Tonight: Why not celebrate?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* You demonstrate your savvy when you see through vagueness. Zero in on the basics, especially those involving work and money. Others appreciate your insights. Don't underestimate what is happening here. Tonight: Let another treat you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\*\* Your good will breaks past problems. Creativity helps an associate. Playfulness adds to a personal relationship. Understand the function of your present limits. Understand more of what others need. They will tell you, if you inquire. Tonight: It's your decision. Others respond.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* Kick back and become a better listener. A family member or co-worker could reveal much more than he or she has in a long time. Be open to possibilities that surround an investment — perhaps a home-based investment. Tonight: Do your thing.

**BORN TODAY** Financier Ross Perot (1930), actor Tobey Maguire (1975), actress Julia Duffy

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#### **Tipper Gore encourages** education on mental illness

Editor Note: Ann Landers answered her readers' letters up to her death on June 22. The following was one of her last

columns.



Dear Ann Landers: In the wake of the terrible September 11 tragedies, people across the nation have been examining the issue of mental illness Children are particu-

vulnerable Researchers from Columbia University studied children in grades 4-12 in New York City six months after the terrorist attacks and found that nine out of 10 showed at least one sign that they were still suffering Children nationwide continue to experience anxiety. depression and stress.

Too often, the stigma associated with mental illness prevents people from seeking help. Also, parents and adults are often unaware of even the most obvious warning signs of mental illness in young people which can lead to deadly consequences in the most extreme cases. Nearly 20 percent of American high school students report that they have seriously considered or attempted suicide at least once. In 1998, more teenagers and young adults died from suicide than from cancer, heart disease, AIDS, birth defects, stroke, pneumonia, influenza and chronic lung

disease combined. Mental illness is as treat able as other medical conditions. According to the surgeon general, a range of effective treatments is now available for most mental disorders. A growing call for equal insurance coverage for mental illnesses is also helping to provide greater access to treatment than ever before.

By expanding awareness and educating Americans about the warning signs of depression and mental illness, we can change people's minds about this disease and break the cycle of

ignorance and fear On behalf of the National Mental Health Awareness Campaign, I urge you to address this issue and encourage your readers to learn more about mental illness by visiting our Web site at www.nostigma.com. Sincerely, — Tipper Gore, Honorary Chair, National Mental Health Awareness Campaign

Dear Tipper Gore: Mental illness covers a wide range of problems that cannot be treated properly if they are hidden and avoided. Thank you for your excellent letter. I hope my readers will check out your Web site

Dear Ann Landers: I have been happily married to 'Benny" for 21 years. This is my second marriage and his, too. Our children are adults now and have lives of their own. The only thing we ever argue about

is Benny's ex-wife. Benny is required to send his ex a small support check every month until she remarries, which she never will. For some reason, Benny feels obligated to enclose a short note with his check, saying he hopes she is well, and so on. Every two or three months, his ex sends a note in return with updates on their children, her health problems, her mother, and whatever else is new

I haven't been in contact with my ex-husband in over two years. I see no reason for Benny to be nice to this woman anymore. Their marriage is over, and the kids are grown. It annoys me that they are so friendly. What do you say? - The Wife in Virginia

Dear Wife: Benny and his ex-wife have children together. It is in everyone's best interest for them to remain on cordial terms. You ought to be grateful your husband and his ex have a good relationship instead of the screaming matches and nastiness some second wives have to deal with. Kwitcherbeefin', count your blessings, and don't sweat the small stuff.

Gem of the Day (credit Ava Gardner): "After my screen test, the director clapped his hands gleefully and yelled: 'She can't talk! She can't act! She's sensa tional!"

Is life passing you by? Want to improve your social skills? Write for Ann Landers' booklet, "How to Make Friends and Stop Being Lonely." Send a selfaddressed, long, businesssize envelope and a check or money order for \$4.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Friends, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$5.15.) To find out more about Ann Landers and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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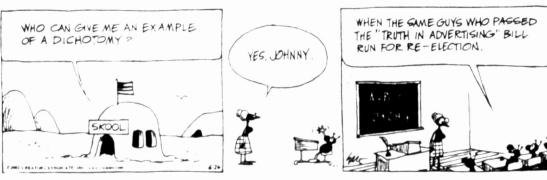
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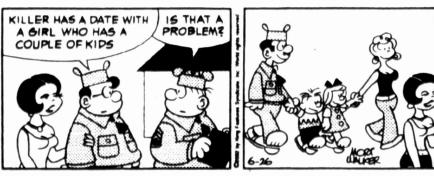
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#### THIS DATE **IN HISTORY**

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Today is Wednesday, June 26, the 177th day of 2002. There are 188 days left in the year

Today's Highlight in

On June 26, 1963, President Kennedy visited West Berlin, where he made his famous declaration: "Ich bin ein Berliner" (1 am a Berliner).

On this date: In 1870, the first section of the Atlantic City, N.J., boardwalk was opened to

In 1900, a commission that included Dr. Walter Reed Columbia, Tenn. began the fight against the deadly disease yellow fever. In 1917, the first troops of the American

the public.

Expeditionary Force arrived in France during World War I.

In 1925, Charlie Chaplin's classic comedy, "The Gold Grauman's Egyptian Theatre in Hollywood. In 1945, the charter of the United Nations was signed

by 50 countries in San Francisco. In 1948, the Berlin Airlift began in earnest after the Soviet Union cut off land and water routes to the iso-

lated western sector of Berlin. In 1959, President Eisenhower joined Britain's Queen Elizabeth II in ceremonies officially opening

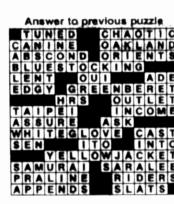
the St. Lawrence Seaway. In 1968, U.S. Chief Justice Earl Warren announced his intention to resign.

In 1977, 42 people were killed when a fire sent toxic smoke pouring through the Maury County Jail in

In 1987 Supreme Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr announced his retirement, leaving a vacancy that was filled by Anthony M. Kennedy.

Ten years ago: Navy Secretary H. Lawrence Garrett III resigned, acceptpremiered at ing responsibility for a "leadership failure" that resulted in the Tailhook sex-abuse scandal.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Eleanor Parker is 80. Jazz musician-film composer Dave Grusin is 68. Actor Josef Sommer is 68. Singer Billy Davis Junior (The Fifth Dimension) is 62. Singer Georgie Fame is 59. Actor Clive Francis is 56. Actor Robert Davi is 48. Singer-musician Mick Jones is 47. Actor Gedde Watanabe is 47. Rock singer Chris Isaak is 46. Rock singer Patty Smyth is 45. Singer Terri Nunn (Berlin) is 41. Actor Mark McKinney is 40



## Newsday Crossword HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE by Fred Piscop

## **ACROSS**

- 1 Stinging remarks
- 6 Not quite dry 10 Lively dance 14 WWII sub
- 15 Author Wiesel 16 Movie lion
- 17 Perry's aide
- **18** 2000 campaign catch phrase 20 Element #34
- 22 Suez Canal ship
- 23 Windows forerunner 24 Dog days mos.
- 26 Auxiliary language 32 Cousteau's
- bailiwick 33 Distinctive
- times 34 "That's good!" **37** 1950s French
- president 38 Dan of
- Laugh-In 40 Stare at
- 41 Latish lunchtime
- 42 Poet Teasdale 43 Laugh mockingly
- 44 Complicated stuff, so to speak
- 48 Regrets 49 Kramden
- laugh syllable 50 Sharon of
- Israel 53 Stereo

NOT AS LONG AS

YOU BABY-SIT!

- accessory 58 Playground
- apparatus
- **Director Louis** 62 Scandinavian city

- 63 Singer Cantrell 12 Spanish 64 Put to rest
- 65 Noggin 66 Property claim 13 Cowardly
- 67 Has to have
  - **DOWN** 1 Starts to flower
- 2 Busy as \_\_ 3 Parker
- House, e.g. 4 Hay unit 5 Pinch-hit
- 6 Make less tense 7 Styptic stuff
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- candy 10 Negligent 11 Airline to Israel
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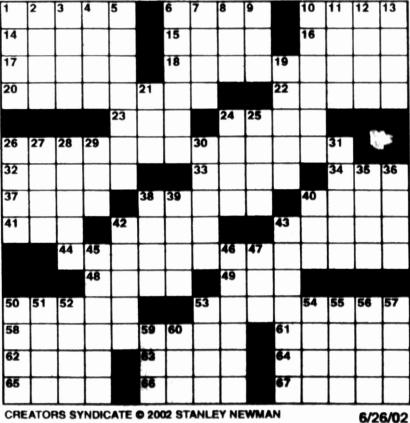
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- musically 27 Pictograph
- 28 Ward off **29** The
- Divorcee (Astaire/ Rogers film)
- 30 Unfamiliar with 31 Uta of the stage
- 39 Mine finds 40 Bullring cheer 42 Racing shell

38 Croupier's tool

Edited by Stanley Newman

36 Roll-call call

- 19 Berra and Bear 43 Relief pitcher 45 Coos Bay's state 46 Tribal doctor
  - 47 Salary limit 50 Do \_\_ on (hoodwink)
  - 51 Crafty move 52 To Live and
    - Die 53 Actress Daly 54 Chip's chum
  - **55** Vogue competitor
  - 56 Decked out 57 ESC, ALT, etc.
  - 59 Pipe joint 60 Moo goo
  - \_\_ pan



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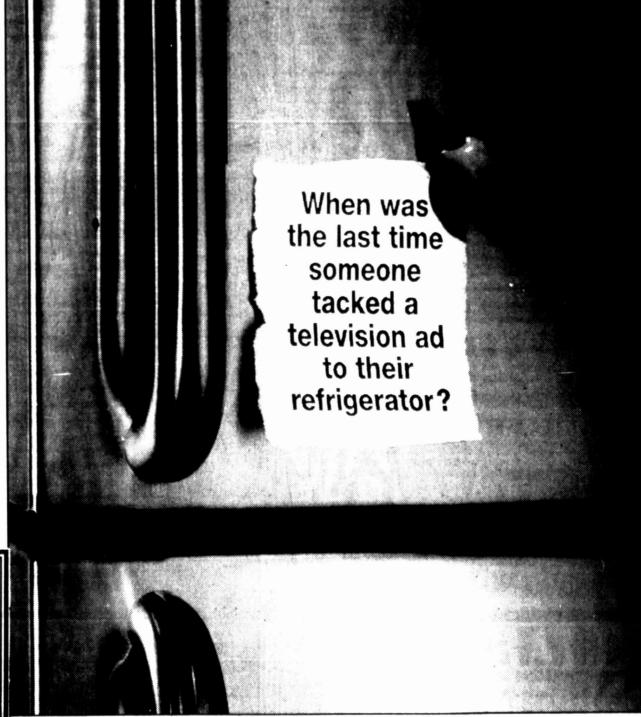
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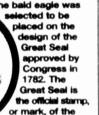
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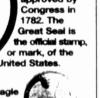
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All the following jokes have something in common, Can you guess the common theme or category?

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**Kevin:** A bathing suit!

Marvin: When words break the law, what

Kelly: What kind of case would a lawyer have

if he was injured at a pool?

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Words and names that remind us of eagles are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you

can find: NATIONAL, SYMBOL, BIRD, EAGLE, FEATHERS, BEAK, SOAR, ALASKA, WHITE, BALD, BROWN, TALONS,

FLY, NEST, AMERICA, FISH, WATER, PREY, LARGE, MATE

Mini and Basset are observing a bald eagle on their hike

See if you can find: • eagle • word MINI • bell • cat

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Mini Spy ...

 seeing very well. An eagle's eyesight is possibly as much as eight times sharper than a human's with perfect vision. From way up high at about 1,000 feet, an eagle

might see prey over a three-mile area. Eagles have big eyes for their head size, but they are unable to move them more than a few degrees. An eagle must move its entire head to see a

#### holding onto food while eating and using them like a fork. Bald eagles can lift only half their

Feathers are for...

protecting the skin.

Wings are for...

on prey.

enable it to glide easily.

harder to see.

insulation in all kinds of weather.

Bald eagles have as many as 7,000 feathers. They "molt," or gradually lose

and grow new feathers once a year. When

they lose one feather on one wing, they

lose a matching one on the other. In

this way they don't lose their balance.

• gliding. The bald eagle's broad wings

spreading and silently floating down

• flying as fast as 30 miles per hour.

grabbing, squeezing and piercing.

Toes and talons are for...

camouflage to make the eagle

weight into the air. They don't weigh much, so they can't lift much. Beaks are for...

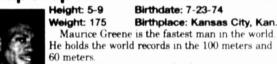
#### crushing, cutting and tearing food and using like a knife.

Go dot to dot and color. 22 110.10 • 23 . 24



- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened 1/2 teaspoon salt 11/2 cups sugar
  - 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
     3/4 cup semisweet chocolate
- 3 eggs • 3 ounces unsweetened chocolate, • 3/4 cup pecans, chopped melted
- · 1 cup all-purpose flour What to do:
- 1. In a medium bowl, mix butter or margarine and sugar until smooth and creamy.
- 2 Add eggs and melted chocolate. Mix well.
  3. In a small bowl, combine flour, salt and baking powder. Mix well
- 4. Add flour mixture to chocolate mixture. Mix well
- Stir in chocolate chips and pecans. Mix well. Pour batter into a greased 8-by-8-inch baking pan. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 40 minutes or until
- done. When cool, cut into squares. Makes 16.

#### Gus Goodsport's neport Supersport: Maurice Greene



He holds the world records in the 100 meters and Maurice began racing in local city races around Kansas City when he was 8. In high school he

played football, but switched to track after the football season After winning many local, state and national events, he began competing in international events. At the 2000 Olympics, he won gold medals in the 100-meter and the 4-by-100-meter races.

Maurice grew up the youngest of four children. He studied physical education at Park University in Missouri. His home is now in Granada Hills, Calif. He supports the United Negro College Fund and has a foundation that helps youth in Kansas City.

#### Meet Destiny's Child



In 1990, a music manager in Houston, Texas, named Matthew Knowles started an all-girls singing group. The band included his daughter, Beyonce, and several other 7-

and 8-year-old girls. Today, the group, Destiny's Child, is one of the biggest in the world. The members are Beyonce Knowles, 19; Michelle Williams, 20; and Kelly Rowland, 20. The group's name

comes from a chapter in the Bible. Beyonce and Kelly are from Houston and Michelle is from Rockford, Ill. Beyonce and Kelly were part of the group from the beginning, and Michelle joined a few

Growing up, Beyonce and Kelly dreamed of being entertainers and Michelle dreamed of being a doctor.

## More About Bald Eagles



on cliffs and in treetops. anding. hey spread and drag Eagle bones are hollow. This makes

Bald eagle food Bald eagles eat mainly fish that they clasp in their talons. They also eat small mammals such as squirrels and water birds such as gulls. They also feed on dead animals. To save the energy needed for hunting, they often steal food from other birds. Most weigh between 7 and 14 pounds.

#### Where they live

Bald eagles live near lakes, rivers, marshes and sea coasts. Alaska is the state with the most eagles. Other states with many eagles include Florida, Wisconsin, Washington, Minnesota, Oregon and Michigan.

Some bald eagles migrate. Others who have a good food source yearround do not



Each winter, as many as 3,500 bald eagles might gather there to fish for the salmon that are weak from their long



#### Bald eagle size

inches wide.

The female is larger than the

Male wingspan might measure as wide as 6 feet 8 inches. Female wingspan might measure 7 feet 3

Young eagles might look larger, because they have longer flight feathers, but they weigh less than

Eagles that live in northern states and in Alaska are larger in size than those that live in southern states

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eagle mother might lay eggs, only one eagle survives Eagles are ready to nest after about three months. Only about 10

#### Nesting

Most eagle pairs mate for life. If one is killed, the other might take a During courtship, pairs might join

their talons in the air and tumble over and over as they cartwheel toward the ground. They let go just before reaching the ground.

Pairs return to the same nest every year, so they build their nest bigger and bigger. Nest-building is a part of courtship. They build their nests in trees or on the ground if there are no trees.

The largest nest ever measured was built in Florida. It was more than 9 feet across and 20 feet deep and weighed more than 2 tons!

Parents take turns sitting on the nest 24 hours a day for about 35 days while incubating one to three

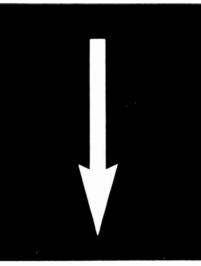
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