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June 26, 2003

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Driver safety course

The Spring City Senior Center and

American Association of Retired Persons have scheduled a driver safety program course — 55 Alive — and is inviting seniors to participate.

The course will be held from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. Thursday and Friday, July 11-12. A lunch break is included.

The program was developed as a refresher course for drivers age 50 and older. It will be taught by a trained volunteer. In addition to reviewing rules of the road, it will discuss how to compensate for age-related declines in physical and perceptual ability.

Those who attend both days will receive a certificate good for an automobile insurance discount. There is a \$10 fee for materials. To enroll, call the Senior Center at 267-1628.

COMING SUNDAY



Cover Story: When Billy Gilman met Mattie Stepanek on Larry King Live, a partnership of the heart was born that has since reached out to America.

Hometown Spotlight: Founded in the late 1800s by German immigrants, Mt. Angel — a village with Bavarianstyle storefronts boasts one of the largest Octoberfests in the Northwest.

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At the Crossroads of West Texas

Cities, county to pool homeland security funds

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

The cities of Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan along with Howard County will combine their homeland security grants monies to purchase emergency response equipment.

"This is money that came from the 2002, 2003 and 2003-supplemental monies," said Terry

Chamness, County

Howard Emergency Management Agency deputy coordinator. "We will be purchasing

all This from came doing

assessment of Howard

each of the cities in of Forsan, \$6,140. Howard County - Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan.'

The three cities and the county received a combined amount of almost \$122,000 of the \$84.2 milequipment. lion in new federal grants monies.

Individually Big Spring County, \$28,002; city of Fire Department, the CHAMNESS County and Coahoma, \$9,258; and city Howard County Sheriff's

According to Chamness, a committee will assess the emergency equipment needs of the county and settle on plans to purchase equipment.

The committee consists of representatives of the Howard County Volunteer received \$78,340; Howard Department, Big Spring SECURITY GRANTS **Howard County:** \$28,002.

Big Spring: \$78,340. Coahoma: \$9,253. Forsan: \$6,140.

the Department, **Police** Spring Department, Scenic

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Limiting access: Privacy or protection?

Library doesn't have filters, but has a policy prohibiting unacceptable computer use

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The Howard County Public Library offers free broadband access to the

Internet, but what sites should patrons be allowed access?

Similar questions being are

asked around the nation; the Supreme Court Monday

upheld the Computer Internet Protection Act, which makes installation of programs to block access to Internet pornography a requirement of federal funding.

HOLLIS

The 6-3 ruling "United States American Library Association" stated that the government can require the filters, but that libraries must temporarily disable them when asked to do so by patrons.

Howard County Library Director Hollis McCright said the local library doesn't currently employ filters on the computers in its Internet room, and, since the library receives no federal funding anyway, she sees no reason to install the programs at this point.

"I think (the Supreme Court Ruling) perhaps is a step backwards," she said. "The court is telling you that you should not look at a Web site because it gives you plea-

The problem with porn filter programs — which search for specific words or images and ignore context — is that they also restrict access to many legitimate Web sites, said McCright.

"If you were to want to research breast cancer or cancer of another area of



Howard County Public Library patrons enjoy the library's free Internet access room Wednesday, two days after the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the federal Computer Internet Protection Act. CIPA requires libraries to install programs which block access to pornographic Web sites in order to be eligible for federal funds. The Howard County Library receives no federal funds and employs no filtering programs on its public Internet access

the body, whatever words out." McCright said. their sites you want to use, if you "Some of these Right-touse a filter, it's going to Lifers, or some congressblock a lot of those words people, they have had See INTERNET, Page 3

blocked because

Altercation leads to aggravated assault charge

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

A Big Spring woman was taken to the hospital for injuries she received during an apparent altercation with her brother.

Police have not released the name of the victim or the suspect.

The alleged assault occurred in the 4200 block of Dixon Street about 3 a.m. Tuesday.

"There was an argu-

ment that started between a brother and sister," said police Det. Milton Horton. "The argument escalated and the brother started hitting the sister and knocked her to the ground and started kicking her."

That part of the fight was reported as assault causing bodily injury, Horton said, while what happened next was reported as aggravated assault with a deadly

Anyone having information about the

incident is asked to contact the Big Spring Police Department at 264-2550.

weapon.

"Then he walked off and got in the vehicle he was driving," Horton 'said. "As the sister was getting

up, he pulled through the yard and she felt like he was trying to strike her with the vehicle."

Although the woman was not struck, she said she was in fear that her brother intended to hit her with the vehicle, Horton said.

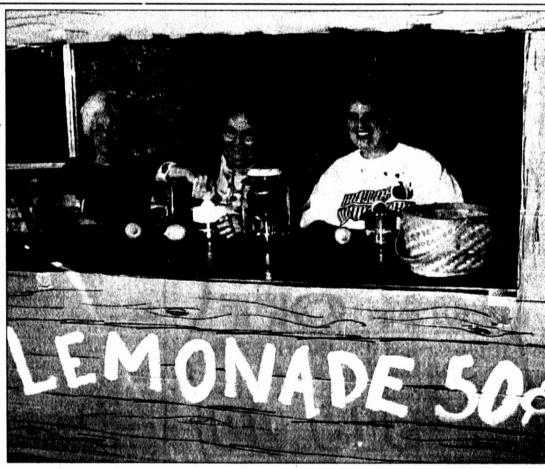
The woman was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center for injuries caused during the beating, he added.

"She did go to the ER newsdesk@crcom.net

and received treatment there," he said. "She was released in fair condition. She was not admitted. She had bruises and things like that."

No arrest has been made, but the woman does wish to press charges, Horton said.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at



Sorona Honey, left, Lillian Gould and Tricia Tompkins, members of the Mountain View Lodge Decade Club, get ready for their lemonade fund-raiser from 1:30 p.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday at the lodge..

LEMONADE!

Mountain View residents to offer up the 'real thing' during fund-raiser Saturday

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

A group of Mountain View Lodge residents is hoping to change public perception about nursing homes and raise a little money in the process.

The Lodge's Decade Club will be operating an old-fashioned lemonade stand on Saturday. Well, the stand isn't old-fashioned, but the lemonade will be.

"This is not Kool-Aid lemonade, but the type that many of us have never had," explained 31-

What: Decade Club lemonade stand fundraiser.

Where: Mountain View Lodge, 2009 Virginia.

When: 1:30 p.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

year-old resident Tricia Tompkins. "It's the real thing!'

The Decade Club meets weekly to visit, play trivia, plan various projects and other activities.

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BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

Police blotter

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

• DEBRA LOMAS, 37, of 2312 Runnels was being held at the city jail Wednesday for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

· THEFT, more than \$50 but less than \$500, was reported:

- at a residence in the 4200 block of Muir where tools worth \$350 were reportedly stolen.

- at a residence in the 1400 block of Highway 87 where unlisted items worth \$10, consumable goods worth \$350, drugs/narcotics worth \$45 and merchandise worth \$10 where reported stolen.

 BURGLARY of a HABITATION was reported: in the 900 block of North Gregg Street where jewelry/precious metals worth \$5,550, electronic equip-

ment worth \$200, household goods worth \$90 and \$90 in cash were reported stolen. · ASSAULT CLASS C was reported in the 1900 block

of North Highway 87.

 THEFT FROM PERSON was reported at a restaurant in the 1200 block of Gregg where \$68 in cash was reported stolen.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 2100 block of Cecilla Street, the 1500 block of Kentucky Way and the 1200 block of Austin Road.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

· BURGLARY of a HABITATION was reported in the 3000 block of Val Verde.

 PROWLER/CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported in the 1100 block of Centerpoint Road.

Take note

□ BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families.

Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglect-

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

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 to recipients within the city limits of Big

If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3

□ ANYONE WHO GRADUATED from Forsan High School in the period of 1980 to 1989 is invited to an

all 1980s reunion that will take place Aug. 1-2. A schedule is still in the planning stages, but tentative activities include individual class get togethers on Friday, Aug. 1, and a golf tournament, tennis tournament and "Black and White Ball" on Aug. 2.

Some of the activities will be fund-raisers for the Forsan High School scholarship fund.

Organizers have taken great pains to reach as many

students as possible but are still missing many. Any who graduated from Forsan during that time period or knows someone who did, is encouraged to call Carole Madry at 268-9191 or email Rick Hope at chalfrmhrt2@aol.com.

Lottery

Lotto Texas results Wednesday: 2-6-13-21-42. Bonus Ball: 6.

No jackpot winner.

Estimated jackpot Saturday night: \$12 million.

Cash Five numbers Wednesday: 8-10-15-29-30

Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night: 7-3-1

Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday afternoon: 6-5-1

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Support groups

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☐ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 noon to 1 p.m.; Women's meeting; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

☐ Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue Support Group meets at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center.

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

☐ Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night, No Smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 to 6 p.m

☐ Surviving Pregnancy Loss meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library Committee Room. Call 631-4430 for more information.

MONDAY

☐ Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers, 6p.m., May 19, covered dish dinner, First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels streets, (enter through north door). For more information, call 398-3522.

☐ The Military Support Group meets on the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in Room 219 at the VA Medical Center. If you have a family member serving in the armed forces, you are welcome to join. For more information, call Treva Hall at 263-8574 or Holly Moore at 263-8106.

weigh-in at 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m. at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 West Third.

☐ TOPS Club TX 21 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly),

☐ New Voice Club support group for laryngectomees and families. For more information, call 267-

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Open meeting on fourth floor at VA Medical Center from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

☐ The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets the last Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Texas RV Park meeting room. For more information, call 263-

☐ TOPS Club TX 1756 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 6 p.m. meeting, Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, 11th and Birdwell, Call 263-2786 or 263-1340 for more information.

WEDNESDAY

☐ The Crossroads Group of Cocaine Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. in the office building between Third and Fourth streets on the west side of Lancaster Street. For more information, call 466-3254.

☐ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Open 12 and 12 Study meeting, 8 p.m.

Weather

Tonight...Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of evening showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. Northeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

Friday...Partly cloudy in the morning then clearing. Highs in the mid 80s. Northeast winds 5 to 10 mph..Friday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower

Saturday...Partly cloudy. Highs near 90.

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s. Highs in the lower 90s.

Monday...Mostly clear. Lows near 70. Highs in the

Tuesday...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs

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TODAY

Gideon International, B.S. Camp U42060, 7 a.m., Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg St.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1712 E

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane, 267-6479.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring County Club, Driver Road.

Masonic Lodge 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

Library, 500 S. Main.

Arts, Craft & Quilting Club, 6 p.m., Howard County

FRIDAY

Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad, Call 267-7281 or 267-1037. Bring a lunch.

AMBUCS, noon, Brandin Iron Inn, Highway 87 by Wal-Mart.

Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring County Club, Driver Road.

Spring City Senior Center Country and Western Dance, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Industrial Park. All area seniors are invited.

SATURDAY

Big Spring Squares, 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

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

Potton House, a restored historical home, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., 200 Gregg St. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

Hangar 25 Air Museum, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

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Big Spring Shrine Club, 6:30 p.m. for meal and

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meeting to follow, Goliad and First St.

McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

MONDAY Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 4 p.m. 1601 W. 11th Place. People 50 years and older are invited to participate,

Coahoma's Lions Club, 6 p.m., Coahoma Community Center on North Avenue.

Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., La Posada, 206 NW Fourth St.

Big Spring Symphony Chorus, which is preparing for the annual Big Spring Pops in the Park celebration July 3, rehearses at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Big Spring. For more information, contact Keith Graumann at 263-5943.

Concerned Citizens, 7 p.m., Fiberflex conference room on Bethel Street in the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. The public is invited.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance Class, 9 a.m., Spring City Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park, 267-1628.

Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

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Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Senior Circle Stretch and Tone, 10 a.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place.

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library policy The restricts "unacceptable" computer use, including "Sending or displaying obscene or disruptive messages, files or images; using obscene and vulgar language; and harassment, insults or attacks of others online."

"Here in the library there are some rules and regulations," McCright

laws of the State of Texas, you cannot look at inappropriate sites at the library, and if we see that you are looking at an inappropriate site, we will go up and say, 'That site is inappropriate, please stop looking at it.' If you persist, we will have to block you from using the Internet at the library for a period of time.'

McCright said the library staff does not actively monitor the computer use of patrons.

"It's a matter of policing, and frankly I don't have the staff to police,"

said. "According to the she said. "We have had some people come up and say, 'Listen, he or she is looking at stuff, can you do something about it?' and a lot of times they'll take care of it and say, 'Sir or madam, you're looking at something against our policy. Please get out of it.'

> Staff members also keep track of patrons discovered surfing inappropriate sites.

"A lot of times I'll take it as an honest mistake," happens two or three times, before this person gets on the Internet again they'll have to come talk

to me and I'll reiterate our policy to them."

In addition, the library established age has restrictions on Internet

"Our library policy states that anyone older than 17 can be on the Internet without parental permission," McCright said. "Children that are 13 to 17 must have a parent's permission to do so, and we have a permission slip that a parent must sign in the presence of one of the McCright said. "But if it staff members, saying that they realize it's unfiltered and their child has permission to do so. Children under 13 can't

get on the Internet at all. They can if their parent sits there with them, but that's all.'

For more information, call the Howard County Library at 264-2260.

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"We decided to have a at the home,"

will go toward the Lodge's Angel Fund. The fund helps residents who have limited finances with special needs such as dentures, clothes and eye-

While having lemonade, the public is invited to ask questions about nursing homes.

"What's a nursing home? It is a place where people who cannot care for themselves in their

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daily environment go to live," said Tompkins.

It is three meals a day, assistance with personal needs and 24-hour nursing care.

tell me. I thought it would rob me of my independence. I thought only old people went to nursing homes until I was forced to go to one myself," said Tompkins, who has chronic progressive multiple sclerosis. "I moped around and was upset until one day I sat with the women and visited inside the front door."

What Tompkins learned was that life in a nursing facility does not have to be bleak.

Tompkins said the home is full of life experience. She noted that one woman is more than 100 years old. Another holds weekly Bible study class-"What do people think es for the residents. of nursing homes? You Another operated a tax years. Still another was a

> Sunday school teacher. "She was my Sunday School teacher before I even started big girl Sunday School,"

> school teacher and a

Tompkins, with a grin. "No matter the age, we are all here for a reason." she said. "We all have different life experiences, different illnesses and different purposes. We are not here to die. We are here to do whatever God

desires."

"We find we still have a lot to offer to our community," added Lillian Gould, another club member. "We can still make a difference.

The Decade Club invites service business for the public to take a few minutes between 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday at Mountain View Lodge. 2009 Virginia, to enjoy some real lemonade and good conversation.

> Members of the Decade Club are Tompkins. Gould, Sorona Honey. Mae Henry and Virginia Sweeney.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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John A. Moseley Managing Editor Bill McClellan **News Editor**

OUR VIEWS

Avoid the rush, and have your child immunized

the Texas Department of Health has a good idea that will help its staff — and you — this summer. The clinic in the College Park Shopping Center has opened its doors to parents wanting to have their child immunized before the back-to-school rush.

As TDH workers tell us, their clinic gets extremely busy with immunizations the week before school starts and during the first week of classes. You can avoid that by going ahead and having your child immunized ahead of time right now, in fact.

All 4-year-olds entering kindergarten must have their booster shot before they can attend school. It's also a good opportunity for children born after 1988 to begin their series of Hepatitis B shots if they haven't already.

The clinic is giving shots each Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. through July 29. An office visit, which includes all shots, is \$5. Assistance programs are available for those who qualify if you need help in covering the cost of the visit.

You'll need to bring your child's shot record or a note from the school or daycare declaring that your child needs an immunization shot. For more information, contact the clinic office clerk at 263-

It's not too early to think about the school year and the Texas Department of Health has come up with a great idea that will save you time in the long run. Take advantage of it. You'll be glad you did when that first week of school arrives.

Your Views

TO THE EDITOR: Big Spring Chapter 14

and Auxiliary of the Disabled American Veterans wishes to thank those who supported our barbecue fund-raiser in the park. We appreciate every person who came out and joined in a beautiful afternoon of comradeship. It is a joy to be a part of such a wonderful community that proudly supports our veterans.

We especially than the businesses that made contributions.

Those winning prizes were: Johnny DeLeon, roll top desk; Leo Welch, gun rack, and Jerry Alipahnt, Paula Ferguson and Charles Lusk, each a large print of Historic Big Spring.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we silently pray today for those who need it, find sending them your blessings

What about naysayers credibility?

irst there was the "quagmire," as U.S. troops prepared to enter Baghdad. TV critics bemoaned the poor planning that, they said, had sabotaged the war strategy and could lead to bloody urban fighting and a pro-

Then there was the victory.

longed conflict.

Then there was the scandal of the stolen artifacts, as the director of Iraq's National Museum of Antiquities, Donny

George, bemoaned the SAUNDERS loss of as many as 170,000 relics, charac-

terizing the looting of the museum as "the rape of civilization." Bushhaters jumped on the president for not doing enough to protect the artifacts. Recently, The Washington Post

reported that George had downgraded the damage to 33 pieces missing from the main collection. Apparently, museum officials knew all along that interested parties had hidden the artifacts.

"I was very angry at the time, so much anger," George explained his blame-America-first tirades in the Post. I guess the commentators who were quick to repeat George's charges were angry, too — at the war victory.

Now the airwaves and news pages are saturated with stories about the fact that U.S. troops have failed to find conclusive evidence of an Iraqi program to build weapons of mass destruction.

Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., charged the Bush administration with "deliberately misrepresenting" intelligence information on Saddam Hussein's WMDs. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., has called for an investigation to see if U.S. intelligence was shaded, manipulated or exaggerated.

Rep. Jane Harman, D-Calif., at least has shown the sense to cushion her sound bites about Iraqi WMDs. Harman says it "could be the greatest intelligence hoax of all time" - then adds the disclaimer that she believes WMDs eventually will be found.

(Like the artifacts.) NBC's Tim Russert read a letter that Levin had written to President Clinton in 1998 asking Clinton to take "necessary actions" to respond to "the threat posed by Iraq's refusal to end its weapons of mass destruction programs." So it's odd that Levin's a WMD agnostic now.

If Levin wants an investigation, fine. There have been screw-ups. In his State of the Union speech, President Bush cited phony documents on Iraq's quest for enriched uranium. Secretary of State Colin

Powell cited outdated information from the United Kingdom. It can't hurt to know how that happened. Maybe the embarrassment would prompt the Bushies to see the value in hiring skeptics to challenge the administration's ortho-

Besides, the more that partisans snipe at Bush, the more the electorate will rally behind him.

The voters have too strong a streak of common sense to believe that Hussein had WMDs in 1998, then got rid of the weapons on the quiet just so America could invade Iraq and oust him from power.

"I think the nation's credibility is on the line," Levin told NBC, as he added that Bush' credibility is on the line, too.

What about the naysayers' credibility? They were wrong on the quagmire. They were wrong on the artifacts. They'll be proven wrong on WMDs.

Worst of all, they shouldn't appear triumphant in the military's failure to find these weapons thus far. They should be afraid.

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Muzzling FBI's whistle blowers

pecial Agent Robert Wright of the FBI's Chicago Division could not have been surprised by the bureau's reflexive reaction when he called a press conference June 2 at the National Press Club. He

laid out an indictment of the FBI's "pathetic anti-terrorism efforts." One week later, the bureau responded like Pavlov's dog, secretly launching its fourth investigation of Wright.

Republican Sen. Charles Grassley, as top congressional protector of whistle blow

ers, learned of this and did not conceal his rage in a letter to FBI Director Robert Mueller June 12 He noted the bureau's Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) had initiated its fourth investigation of Agent Wright after the first three inquiries found no wrongdo

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Grassley, second ranking Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee, was joined by the panel's top Democrat, Sen Patrick Leahy. "We are froubled said their letter, "by the FBI a apparent haste to launch an OPP investigation every time an agent speaks publicly about problems within the FM "The senature demanded a briefing on what is happening

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Minneapolis Agent Coleen Rowley's whistle-blowing about the FBI ignoring warnings of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks made her Time magazine's co-person of the year and won commendation from Mueller. In contrast, Wright has faced only trouble for raising questions deeper and broader than any thing Rowley suggested. Wright's accusations go to the overriding question of whether the FBI can ever be reformed as an effective instrument in the war against ter rorism no matter how hard Bob Mueller tries. Grassley does not blame Mueller

for failing to transform the FBI's inbred, secretive culture in nearly two years as its director Suggesting the persecution of Agent Wright came without Mueller's knowledge, the senator told me. "He can't keep his eyes on everything

Apart from giving Mueller lee way. Grassley is unforgiving about the Wright affair and draws broad conclusions from this incident The problem with the FIL," he told me, "is that it can't tolerate dissent "To offer tively combat ter rmism he said. It's going to take a new FBI from the top to the bot tum." As for his request for a briefing on the treatment of Wright he answered with the ignification and the financial statement that he is Symptimes if takes a long time to get an answer from

In contrast, the FIII hierarchy arts quickly when it hears whis the blowing, as when Agent Wright met with the Chicago sperial agent in charge in March 2001 and told him "the international terrorism unit of the FBI is a com plata joka" Within three weeks. the OPR opened an inquiry into charges that Wright had supplied classified information to an assis tant US attorney "This was a pathetic attempt," Wright declared

in his June 2 press conference, " . . before the Sept. 11th attacks, to further silence me from going public about the FBI's negligence and

incompetence.

The FBI would soon find out that Bob Wright is not easily silenced. In September 1999, he had hired Chicago lawyer David Schippers. famed as House investigative counsel in the Clinton impeachment. When the FBI retaliated against Wright, Schippers contacted Judicial Watch, the conservative watchdog organization. The FBI has had to face Judicial Watch's redoubtable Larry Klayman ever since.

The 2001 investigation and two subsequent internal probes all cleared Wright, who passed a polygraph test, of charges he leaked classified information. Nevertheless, the FBI hierarchy has been implacable in its attitude toward Wright. It has banned publication of his manuscript which Wright calls "a blueprint of how the events of September the eleventh were inevitable." He describes himself as the only FBI agent "banned from working in the investigation" of 9.11.

The fourth internal investigation of Wright was originally based on claims he was insubordinate (". the FBI allowed known terrorists. their co conspirators and financiers, to operate and roam freely throughout the United States "), then tacked on charges that he embarrassed the FBI and acted unprofessionally. Last week. OPR agents interrogated Wright. Clearly, Director Mueller has not changed the culture of the FBI that considers whistle blowing the supreme sin for its agents.

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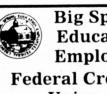
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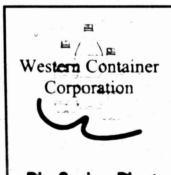
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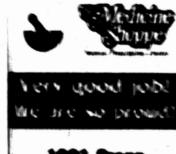
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The All Americas
Open, which is open to the general public, is scheduled. for Wednesday, July 25, at the Comanche Trail Golf Course in Big Spring. The 18-hole tournament will begin at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start. The cost for entering the golf tournament is \$35 per person, including green fees and cart.

The golf tournament will tip-off a busy weekend on the local sports scene. More than 80 athletes from throughout U.S., Canada, Australia and Norway will arrive on July 22 to participate in the All Americas Bowl. Players from both teams will report for their annual showdown on July 22. The two teams will practice throughout the week and play Saturday, July 26.

For more information contact Tommy Wells at 816-6336

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Crossroads cheer sign-ups under way

Registration for the 2003 Crossroads Little Football League cheerleading squads is now under way at the Big Spring Matt.

Registration for cheerleaders will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. throughout the week, and from noon to 4 p.m. on weekends. Registration runs through July 14.

A copy of each child's birth certificate and report card will be needed at the time of registration.

The cost for cheerleading is \$65 per per-

For more information, contact Stacy Campbell at 268 9634.

'Best of the Rest' event set at CTGC

Comanche Trail Golf Course will be hosting the "Best of the Rest' golf tournament Saturday and Sunday, June

Championship flight will play low-ball partnership, and the "Best of the Rest" will play Scramble. Teams will be pre-flighted according to verifiable handicaps.

For more information, call the CTGC pro shop at 26 | 2366.

Fourth of July event slated for Coahoma

The annual Coahoma July Ragball Tournament will be held at the Coahoma Softball Park, beginning at 5 p.m.

The cost per booth is \$100. Deadline to sign up for booth space is June 26.

For more information, call Laura Martin at 466-1950

Texans will host

tournament at Mize The Texans softball squad will be holding a softball tournament at Cotton Mize Softball Field on June 27-29. Entry fee for the contest is \$110 per team.

The top three teams will receive trophies.

For more information, contact Manual Gonzales at 263-8219 or 816-6465

Gonzalez undecided about trade to Expos

ARLINGTON (AP) — decision. I don't know." Texas outfielder Juan Gonzalez isn't rushing his decision on whether he will accept or reject a trade to the Montreal Expos.

Gonzalez, the two-time AL MVP who has a notrade clause in his contract, has until Saturday morning to determine if he will block the deal. He sat out of his second straight. Wednesday, and there was no indication that he was close to making a

"I haven't decided," Gonzalez said. "It's my

decision.

Gonzalez and his attorney, Jeff Moorad, met Wednesday with Montreal general manager Omar Minaya, who has a long history with the slugger and traveled to Texas in hopes of convincing him to accept the deal.

"I have met with him but I'm not going to talk about the meeting," Minaya said.

Minaya is credited with helping develop Gonzalez for the Rangers in the mid-1980s, when he coached the Gulf Coast Rangers for three years.

The Expos reached an

agreement with Texas on Tuesday to acquire Gonzalez, but Moorad said then that Gonzalez "in all likelihood" would block the deal. Gonzalez insisted Wednesday that he hasn't made that determination.

The last-place Rangers were expected to receive prospects, possibly three of them, if Gonzalez goes to Montreal. The Expos are in the thick of the NL wild-card race.

With the distraction of Gonzalez sitting on the bench while pondering his future, Texas has won the last two games.

but you have to separate it," said Gonzalez's good friend, Rafael Palmeiro. "Once the game starts, you have to be able to er game."

Gonzalez is in the second year of his \$24 million, two-year deal. He is hitting .286 with 18 homers and 50 RBIs.

The Rangers have made it clear that they want to move forward with younger players and that Gonzalez won't be resigned after this season.

Texas has already trad-

"It's tough to deal with, Sierra to the New York Yankees for a minor leaguer. Other potential movers before the July 31 trading deadline are clos-Ugueth Urbina, focus on that and play the starters Ismael Valdes and John Thomson and outfielder Carl Everett, all players that eligible for free agency after this season

Gonzalez was the AL MVP 1996 and '98 for Texas, but was traded to Detroit in a nine-player deal in November 1999 He played just one season with the Tigers and then spent a year in Cleveland ed outfielder Ruben before returning to Texas.

NBA draft fun will start with No. 4

fun starts at No. 4 in the NBA draft, with all eyes focused on the Toronto Raptors and the Miami Heat to see whether they'll stand pat, trade down or swap picks with each other.

The draft begins at 6:30 p.m. but it might not be all that interesting right

The first three picks are all but set in stone: Cleveland taking high school phenom LeBron James at No. 1. Detroit choosing Serbian 7-footer Darko Milicignat No. 2, and Denver; selecting freshman Carmelo Anthony at No.

Then, who knows?

"I think there are going to be a lot of trades," Marquette junior Dwyane Wade said Wednesday, "From (picks) four to 13, they don't know what they want to do yet."

Last year's draft unfolded slowly, but before the night was over there were 11 trades made - six of them involving firstround picks from the 16th slot to No. 29.

There were seven draftnight trades two years ago, the biggest of which sent Elton Brand from Chicago to the Clippers for Tyson Chandler. A year earlier, there were eight deals.

One of the most lopsided draft night deals in recent history came in 1998 when the Dallas

NEW YORK (AP) — The Mavericks sent the sixth pick, Robert Traylor, to Milwaukee for the rights to the ninth and 19th picks – Dirk Nowitzki and Pat Garrity.

Detroit owns the No. 2 pick because of a horrible deal made six years ago by NBA vice president Stu Jackson when he was general manager of the Grizzlies, sending a future first-rounder to the Pistons for veteran Otis Thorpe, who spent only a half-season in Vancouver.

Toronto general manager Glen Grunwald has been entertaining offers that would help him revainp his roster follow ing a disappointing year.

"I'm happy to stay at four," Grunwald said, "but we have a couple of holes to fill and there might be another way to do it."

Georgia Tech forward Chris Bosh and Texas point guard T.J. Forg are among the Raptors' top choice if the keep the pick, and the Miami Heat will choose fifth.

The Los Angeles Clippers select sixth, followed by the Chicago Bulls, Milwaukee Bucks, New York Knicks and Washington Wizards.

Picks 11-15 belong to Golden State, Seattle, Memphis, Seattle and Orlando.

By the time the second round ends with the 58th pick, James' post draft party should be in full

Palmiero's two homers lifts Rangers' to 9-8 win

The team is being coached by Jerry Doporto and Stan Parker.

ARLINGTON (AP) Rafael Palmeiro matched his home run total of the past 23 games, and the Texas Rangers finally have a winning streak again.

Palmeiro homered twice and the Rangers rallied to beat the Oakland A's 9-8 Wednesday for their second straight victory, the first time they have had consecutive wins since winning seven straight

from May 16-23. "When he gets hot, Raffy's the kind of player that can carry this club," said Michael Young, who had a tiebreaking RBI

single in the eighth. Both of Palmeiro's homers came as the Rangers battled back from a 6-2 deficit. He homered to lead off a three-run sixth and an 18th on the career list, inning later fied it at 6 one behind Sammy Sosa.

with a two out shot. "Those were two big

blasts after you claw and claw to get back," Rangers manager Buck Showalter said.

Nathan Doporto delivers a pitch to the plate in the finals of the 2003 Big Spring Little

League City Tournament earlier this month. Doporto will lead the Big Spring Major

League All-Stars into play tomorrow at North Ector and Jim Parker Fields in Odessa.

Alex Rodriguez also homered for the Rangers, who avoided their 19th loss in June, which would have makened a team record for a month. They still have five more games to play before July.

Miguel Tejada had a pair of RBI singles while reaching base five times for the A's. He was 4 for 4 with a walk, just six days after getting a career high five hits against Texas.

Palmeiro's homers went 368 and 376 feet into the right-field stands.

It was the 31st multi homer game for Palmeiro, who has 507 career homers but never more than two in a game. He is

Francisco Cordero (3.6) picked up the winner

Ryan, Hough to headline Rangers' HOF inductees

ARLINGTON (AP) and Charlie Hough, Johnny Oates were announced Wednesday as the inaugural class of inductees for the new Texas Rangers Hall of

Fame. The group will be inducted during an onfield ceremony Aug. 2 before the Rangers play Cleveland. Bronze plaques honoring the inductees will be permanently

displayed

Ballpark in Arlington. Rvan, who is in baseball's Hall of Fame, recorded his 5,000th strikeout, 300th win and the last two of his seven no-hitters while with the

at

Rangers. Prior to join-Pitchers Nolan Ryan ing the Rangers as a free agent, the had-throwing catcher Jim Sundberg, native of Alvin played and former manager for the New York Mets, California Angels and **Houston Astros**

Hough, a knuckle baller who came to the Rangers from Dodgers,

is the team's career leader in wins (139), complete games (98),innings (2,307 2-3) and strikeouts (1, 452): Sundberg, whose 1,512 games played are a team won six Gold

The record. Gloves.

Oates led the Rangers to their only three AL West titles in 1996, 1998 and 1999. He was 506-476 with Texas from 1995-

Arizona nets 3-game sweep of Houston

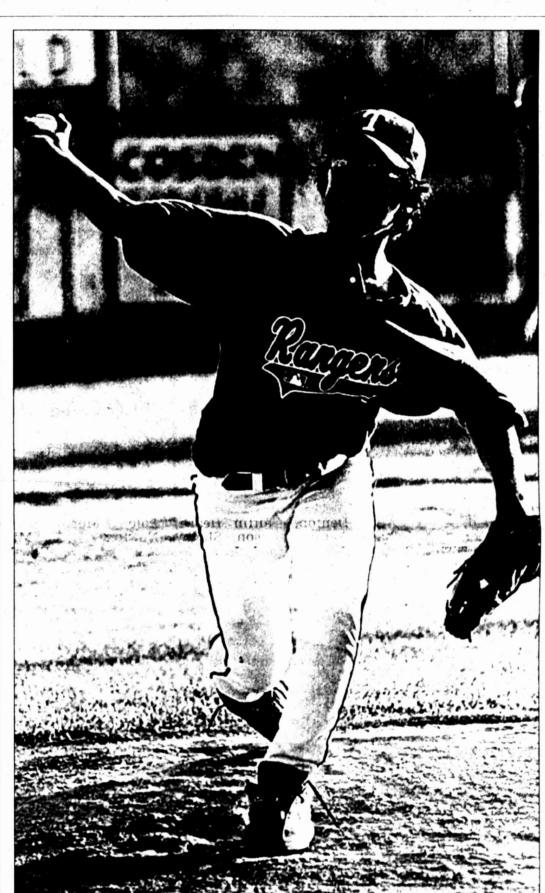
PHOENIX (AP) Elmer Dessens joined the party that the Arazóna Diamondbacks have thrown over the post eight Gays.

right hander The earned his first victory since May 25 with a strong 323 innings in the Diame dbacks 32 win over the Houson Astros on Wednesday

Lyle Overbay hit a tworun, opposite field home run off the foul pole and David Dellucci doubled in a run as Artzona won its eighth in a row. The Diamondbacks, not long ago buried 10 games out of the NL West lead, climbed within five games of San Francisco,

The Diamondbacks have swept consecutive three game home series from the Astros and Cincinnati and stretched their win streak to eight





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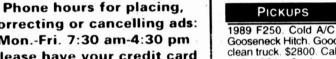
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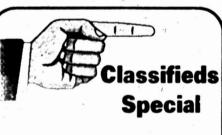


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more than just the money. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Being too careful is a danger; since it makes you notice all the things in the path you could stumble over. Instead, keep your eye on the horizon, and keep walking. Friends offer valuable tips to help you save

for in their jobs — it's

and earn more. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 26). This year, you've got sex appeal off the charts. You start small and generate good financial energy with gifts during July. This carries over to a promotion in September. You become the leader on a key project. Loved ones and close friends shower

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numbers this year are: 10,

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22). Thank heaven for

24, 31, 44 and 11.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The journey to find yourself is a long one. Don't make other people wait while you do this. Instead, fully engage in life, and invite loved ones to accompany you, even on the rocky parts. Sophistication in business is rewarded.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Territorial issues come into play. An attempt to control your space is necessary. Go all out. Let others know that you're the last word when it comes to your domain. Renovation contributes to the value of your proper-

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If you want to be great at what you do, you must learn to live with uncertainty. You are able to relate to others when no one else is willing to. Only you can decode what a loved one is talking about.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The brave will get the deal today. Figure out what is stopping you from being as courageous as you once were on the job front. Fear of exposure is one of the more crippling forms of dread.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Breathing easy

gives you energy. Handle problems. allergy Changes in your diet will do wonders for your vitality. Don't think in terms of using nutrition to prevent problems. Instead, do what's going to make

you feel good now! PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Entrepreneurs have luck in the way of an educational experience that pushes things to the next level. If you're not absolutely, positively, unqualifiedly committed to your idea, you'll figure that out now and remedy the situation.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Why do we need to know our moon sign and our sun sign? Isn't the sun sign enough? And could you please tell me what I should know about a Taurus with an Aries moon — that's what my boyfriend is.

Your sun sign represents who you are. But your moon sign represents how you feel inside. The moon stands for the unconscious mind. It rules animal qualities, instinct and dreams. The collective unconscious is also ruled by the moon, which is why crowds, traffic and tides move in the same way. Those born under the Aries moon have instincts characterized by Aries, the Ram. Your boyfriend's calm Taurean nature is quite the opposite of his instinctual self, creating depth at times, and duplicity and confusion at others. It's important for you to enforce clear boundaries with this passionate sign.

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Annie's Mailbox: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: One of my closest friends uses my niece, "Gina," as a baby sitter for her 2-year-old son. Over the last few years, I have discovered some things about Gina that make me question her character and honesty. Most recently, she has been in legal trouble for her involvement in a string of robberies.

My friend and Gina have a great relationship, but, as a mother, I would want to know about the person I am trusting to care for my child. It's obvious that my friend has no idea. Should I tell her or stay out of it? -Portland, Ore.

Dear Portland: Tell her. But keep in mind that Gina's legal problems may have no bearing whatsoever on her ability to care for a child or her trustworthiness as a baby-sitter. Please do not issue a blanket condemnation of Gina's character. Her background is an issue because of the people she may be associating with, who may be hanging around your friend's home while Gina baby-sitting. Your friend deserves to know all the facts about the person entrusted with her child's care.

Dear Annie: Some time ago, my sister-in-law, "Lettie," asked to borrow a music book my grandmother had given me years ago. I said I would rather not loan it out, as the book was very precious to me. Sometime after the visit, I discovered the book was missing and assumed it had been misplaced and would turn up.

Two years later, I was visiting Lettie. While looking through her piano music, I found the pages of my grandmother's book, separated and



Annie's Mailbox

scattered among her collection. The pages had Grandma's initials on the corner, so I am sure they were hers. I was so shocked, I was speechless. I didn't know what to do, so I did nothing. That happened five

years ago. Today when Lettie visits, I wonder what else she is taking out my door. I do like her company, but I'm uneasy in her presence. Should I say something about the music after all this time, or let it go for the sake of family harmony? It still eats me up. — Heartsick in Chicago

Dear Heartsick: Might as well let it go. You are not likely to retrieve the music now, and even if you did, the original book is not going to be reconstituted. After five years, Lettie considers the music to be hers. That does not excuse her behavior, however. She is a thief, plain and simple.

The next time you are in Lettie's home, locate a piece of the music that you can verify belonged to your grandmother, and show it to her. Smile sweetly and say, "I'm glad to see you've been enjoying Grandma's music. Whenever you're finished with it, I'd love to have the pages returned to me.

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	•	KMID (2)	KPEJ 3	KERA 3	F:AM 6	KOSA 📆	WFAA ®	KWES @	WTBS ①	UNI (13)	NASH (15)	TMC 16	SHOW 20	TLC 21	HBO 22	KMLM 24	A&E 23	DISC 28	TNT 28	DISK @
		Midland	Odessa	Dallas	ABC F:AMily	Odessa	Dalles	Midland	Atlanta	Spanish	Nashville	Premium	Premium	Learning Ch.	Premium	Odessa	New York	Discovery	Atlanta	Premum
	:PM	News	King of the	Cyberchase	7th Heaven	News	News (CC)	News	Friends (CC)	Las Vias del	Blind Date	Alley (CC)	The Score	Secrets of	Outfield (CC)		10 Miles		Law & Order	Sister, Sister
6	:30	Wheel-	HIII	Zoboomafoo	(CC)	Ent. Tonight	Wheel-	Seinfeld (CC)	MLB	Amor	Blind Date	Movie: Kill	(CC)	Fo-		John Hagee		and the second second second second	(CC) (DVS)	Lizzie
	:PM	Movie: One	Stupid	Antiques	Movie:	Amazing	Movie: One	Friends (CC)	Philadelphia	Rebeca	Movie:	Later (CC)		Secrets of	Real Sports	Biblical Israel		Critical	Movie:	Movie: The
7	30	Fine Day	Behavr.	Road	Forever	Race	Fine Day	Scrubs (CC)	Phillies at		Boiling			Fo-	(CC)	Faye Hardin	Child	Rescue	Soldier	Even Stevens
	:PM	(CC)	Pulse (CC)	This Far by	"	CSI: Crime	(CC)	Will & Grace	Atlanta .	Entre el		What's the	Movie: Save	True Stories-		Light of the	Movie:	Ancient		Movie (CC)
8	:30			Faith:		Scene		Frasier (CC)	Braves	Amor		Worst	the Last	Morgue	(CC)	Southwest	Columbo	Arsenal		
	:PM	Primetime	'70s Show	American	Whose Line?	Without a	Primetime	ER (CC)		Aqui y Ahora	Ren & Stimpy		(CC)	Miami			to College	Ancient		Sister, Sister
9	:30	Thursday	Dharma-Greg	Spir-	Whose Line?	Trace (CC)	Thursday		Seinfeld (CC)	•	Gary the Rat	:45 Movie:		Morgue	Terminator 3		(CC)	Arsenal		Even Stevens
	PM	News	'70s Show	Newshour	700 Club	News	News (CC)	News	Movie:	Primer	Stripperella	Chasing	Boxing	Secrets of	Best of Real	Hour of	Third Watch	Critical		Boy World
10	:30	Nightline	Raymond	With	(CC)	Late Show	Nightline	Tonight	Cliffhanger	Impacto	Elimination	Sleep		Fo-	Sex	Healing	(CC)	Rescue		Proud Family
-	:PM	Jimmy	Sudden-	Inside the	Caroline	(CC)	Ent. Tonight	(CC)	(CC)	En las	Elimination	. "	Red Shoe	True Stories-	Project	Update/Israel	Biography:	Ancient	Movie: Bat 21	
11	:30	Kimmel	Susan	Animal Mind	Rhea	Late Late	Jimmy ·	Late Night		Mejores	Blind Date	Movie:	:45 Movie:	Morgue	Greenlight	Jesse Lee	Child	Arsenal		Smart Guy
	AM	Paid Program	Blind Date	Inside the	Paid Program	Show (CC)	Live (CC)	(CC)	12:15 Movie:	Camila	Blind Date	Insignificanc	Beyond the	Miami	Movie: Death	How Can I	Movie:	Ancient		Sister, Sister
12	30	Cowboy	Beyond	Animal Mind	Paid Program	Street Smarts	Oprah	Frasier (CC)	Firestarter		Real TV (CC)	•	City Limits	Morgue	to Smoochy	John Hagee	Columbo	Arsenal	, "	Even Stevens

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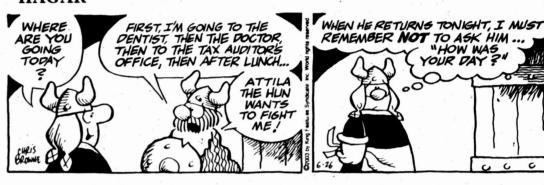
"I'LL BET YOU NEED A COOKIE-TASTING EXPERT. RIGHT. MRS. WILSON?

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Know what PJ's very good at? Untying his shoes.'

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TODAY THE "BAD

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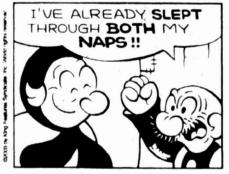






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This Date In History

By The Associated Press Today is Thursday, June 26, the 177th day of 2003. There are 188 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Forty years ago, on June 26, 1963, President Kennedy visited West Berlin, where he made his famous declaration: "Ich bin ein Berliner" (I am a Berliner). On this date:

In 1870, the first section of the Atlantic City, N.J., Boardwalk was opened to the public.

In 1900, a commission that included Dr. Walter Reed began the fight against the deadly disease yellow fever

In 1917, the first troops of American the Expeditionary Force arrived in France during World War I.

In 1925, Charlie Chaplin's

classic comedy, "The Gold premiered Rush," at 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 isolated western sector of Berlin. In 1959.

Queen Elizabeth II in ceremonies officially opening the St. Lawrence Seaway. In 1968, U.S. Chief Justice Earl Warren announced his

Eisenhower joined Britain's

intention to resign. In 1977, 42 people were killed when a fire sent toxic smoke pouring through the Maury County Jail in. Columbia, Tenn.

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

Ten years ago: President Clinton announced the United States had launched missiles ágainst Iraqi targets because of "compelling evidence" Iraq had plotted to assassinate former President Bush. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Roy died Campanella Woodland Hills, Calif., at age 71.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Eleanor Parker is 81. Jazz musician-film composer Dave Grusin is 69. Actor Josef Sommer is 69. Singer Billy Davis Junior (The Fifth Dimension) is 63. Singer Georgie Fame is 60. Actor Clive Francis is 57. Actor Robert 'Davi is 49. Singer-musician Mick Jones is 48. Actor Gedde Watanabe is 48.

Answer to previous puzzle

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40 Composition

anticipation

47 Stillwater sch.

49 Water balloon

51 Public square

42 Chamomile

carriers

48 Take away

sounds

closer

Newsday Crossword

65 Pretentious

thriller

70 Layers of

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DOWN

2 69 Across,

in Argentina

4 Gooey camp

5 Puccini opera

6 Resting on

7 Cinderella

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8 Make wheat

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68 Pitfall

66 1969 Hitchcock

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- 1 Venerable Big Apple retailer
- settings

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- 15 Žion National Park state
- 16 Irritate
- 17 Spanish
- **18** 38 Across, to
- 19 Occupied 20 Prepare to fly
- 23 Say "When?"
- 24 Back, on a boat
- 25 Electrical unit
- 27 Got ready
- to ride
- 30 Hilarious situation
- 34 Speed director De Bont
- 37 Created a tapestry
- of 1950s TV
- candidates
- 43 The Beach Boys' John B,
- e.g. 44 Fifty-fifty
- 46 Look after
- 52 Proceed stealthily
- 56 Wide partner
- 62 "Welcome
- to Waikiki!" 64 Willy or Shamu

WOODWORKING by Patrick Jordan

ACROSS

- 5 Indentation
- 9 Pogo Possum's 69 "Bye!"
- home
- 14 Enoch's

- surrealist
- Guy Williams

- 38 Masked hero
- **39** Promotion

- 45 Senior's Junior
- 47 City saved by
- Joan of Arc 50 Altar adjoiner
- 59 Move clumsily

- Edited by Stanley Newman
- 9 Pitchman's patter
- 10 Take top honors 41 Night of 11 Pastel color
- **67** Show diversity 12 Tousle
 - 13 Cheat at
 - hide-and-seek
 - 21 Devise, as a plan
- 71 Citizenship Day 22 Auction signal
 - 26 First name in shoes
- 1 Brazilian dance 28 506, in old
 - Rome 29 Mall tier

 - 32 Twistable
 - 33 Undecided

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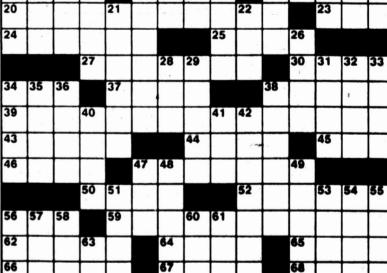
- 31 Spheres
- cookie
- **34** "Surely you __!"
- 35 Wheel
- 36 Inert gas
- connector

38 Garden flower

- 53 Yankees manager **54** Available
- 55 Libya neighbor 56 Thomas Waller's nickname 57 Lotion additive
- 58 Double Dutch need
 - 60 Gothic novelist Stoker
 - 61 Raw silk's hue 63 Loft filler

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