

FRIDAY

June 18, 2004

WEATHER

Tonight:



PARTLY CLOUDY
TONIGHT 71°-73° TOMORROW 97°-99°

BRIEFLY

Jury duty cancelled in 118th District

Jury duty scheduled for Monday in 118th District Court has been cancelled.

Old Settlers Reunion slated for fairgrounds

The 80th annual Howard-Glasscock Old Settler's Reunion will be held from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday in the Howard County Fairbarns, off FM 700.

Dominoes and bingo begin about 9:30 a.m. A dessert auction is scheduled for 11:45 a.m., followed by lunch, catered by Big John's Feedlot at noon. The dinner is free to those 80 and older, or \$8 per plate.

Pioneer Awards will be presented after lunch, about 12:45 p.m. and the Wooder Horse Reel Race begins at 1 p.m.

The reunion — moved this year from the Dora Roberts Community Center to the fairbarns — is open to all ages. There is no admission fee.

COMING THIS WEEKEND



Cover Story: Ventriloquists from all over the nation gather to celebrate one of their greatest — Edgar Bergen and his pals Charlie McCarthy and Mortimer Snerd.

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Favorite choice of car thieves? Pickups

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

If you think BMWs or flashy sports cars are the favorite marks of auto thieves in Texas, you may want to reconsider.

According to the Department of Public Safety, the vehicles of choice for car thieves in 2003 weren't cars at all — they were General Motors pickups, with more than 9,000 reported stolen.

"That really doesn't surprise me," said Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker. "My understanding is GM has had this same problem for several years because of the way their trucks are made.

"Most of the time... we'll find out that the owner of the car left the doors unlocked and the keys either in the ignition or in a visor."



Roger Sweatt

"I remember talking to a kid who literally explained how to break into a GM truck. He was just a little kid, and if he knows about this then you can bet the crooks know, too.

It's a basic defect in the design of the vehicle and its locks."

Walker said auto thefts in Howard County have been minimal over the past several years, with most of the vehicles recovered within hours of being reported stolen.

"Most of the situations we see here are joy rides," said Walker. "It's incredibly rare that we have a car simply disappear. You don't see the chop-shop type of thefts like you do in some of the major cities. We see approximately three to four cases of unauthorized use of a vehicle each year, with very little

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HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
The Big Spring High School calf dressing team wrestles a rather unwilling calf into a pair of "panties" Thursday evening during the 71st annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. The team, which included Steve Heffington, Daniel Castillo, Heather Vasser and Kendal Williams, took first place during Thursday's competition, edging out teams from Forsan, Coahoma and Garden City.

CISD board approves drug testing
No one comments during public forum

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Coahoma Independent School District Board of Trustees unanimously passed the first draft of a random drug testing policy for students following a brief public forum Thursday night.

"I think this is a very important thing for our children," said Board President Dale Coates.

"I think there are pressures out there even more prevalent than when we were kids and if there is anything we can do to help our kids say no we have that obligation to our children."

Tentatively scheduled to take affect for the 2004-2005 school year, the policy applies to students in seventh through 12th grade involved with any school activities other than core education classes as well as any student who has a parking permit.

"We have a problem we need to address and this is one step in addressing that. I wish we could do more and maybe in the future we can," said Trustee John Wayne Metcalf. "We need to have more discipline in the area of drugs because it

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"This is a battle that every small school, large school, small city, large city is fighting right now."



James White
CISD trustee

Juneteenth celebration planned at Dr. Morgan Park

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Area residents will get the chance to kick up their heels and celebrate the anniversary of the end of slavery in Texas Saturday, as the local Juneteenth celebration prepares to get under way.

Event coordinator Stephanie Horton said the Juneteenth celebration is about more than just the past as the

funds raised by the events planned at Dr. Morgan Park will help fund something for the future of Big Spring and area youth.

"Every year we do this we take the funds raised and put them towards a youth center that's planned for the north side of Big Spring," said Horton. "We've been working on raising money for the project for several years now because we want the kids on the north side that don't have a way to get across town to have something to do right in their own area.

"So far we have close to \$17,000 raised for the youth center, and our goal is approximately \$150,000. So we still have quite a

What: Juneteenth celebration.
Where: Dr. Morgan Park, Sgt. Paredez and NW Seventh.
When: 10 a.m. to midnight.

way to go." Horton said several vendors will be at the event, which will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday morning at Dr. Morgan Park, and each

has agreed to donate a portion of their proceeds to the effort.

"We're going to have several vendors at the Juneteenth celebration," said Horton. "We're also going to have lots of games, such as basketball, sand court volleyball, dominoes, checkers, cards — just a multitude of things to do. We're also planning a dance from 7 p.m. until midnight with DJ Herman Evans set to provide the music."

Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the

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Salvation Army needs help beating the heat

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

As the mercury continues to rise, the Salvation Army is doing its part to help keep low-income residents of the area cool with its annual Fan Drive.

The drive, which began last week, collects donated fans and money to purchase new fans, and are distributed then to area residents in need of help in beating the summer heat.

Salvation Army social worker Nancy Vasquez said donations are down considerably compared to last year's effort, but that hasn't discouraged her or the organization.

"The donations and fans have been coming in really slow," said Vasquez. "I think a big reason for that is the state of the economy and the rising cost of everyday items. We have faith in Big Spring, however. I think things will begin to pick up soon."

Vasquez said she hopes to see the program, which continues through June 30, reach those in the community that need the help the most.

"We're trying to target the elderly because they are the most susceptible to heat-related illnesses," she said. "We're also trying to target families with children 5 years old and younger and who are at home through the day during the summer months. "Donations can be made in sev-

eral different ways. Donors can bring in their used fans that are in good, serviceable condition, or they can make a monetary donation. The box fans that we normally purchase usually run about \$12 each, but with the rising cost of everything, it could end up being higher."

Those in need of fans can apply for assistance at the Salvation Army Office, located at 811 W.

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Obituaries

Jessie Ruth Francis



Jessie Ruth Francis, 96, of Sand Springs died on Tuesday, June 15, 2004, in her residence. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 19, 2004, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Eric Dickey and Pete Hanks officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Francis was born on May 16, 1908, in Como, and married Eugene Francis on Jan. 17, 1926 in Post. He preceded her in death on Jan. 30, 1985.

She and her husband had resided in California for many years. They moved back to Sand Springs in 1963, where they lived until their deaths.

She had worked in the laundry at the Big Spring State Hospital, retiring in 1977.

She was a member of Sand Springs Church of Christ. Survivors include two sisters, Lucille Fletcher and Inez West, both of Sand Springs; three nieces, Barbara Salaiz of Riverside, Calif., Donna McIntosh and Bessie Stoker, both of Sand Springs; three nephews, Harvey Fletcher of Redondo Beach, Calif., Jerry Fletcher of Manhattan Beach, Calif., and Sonny West of Pecos; six great nephews; 10 great nieces and numerous great great nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, one brother-in-law, Henry Luis West and one nephew, John West.

The family suggests memorials to Home Hospice, 600 Gregg, Big Spring 79720, Sand Springs Church of Christ, 105 Spring Creek Road, Big Spring or The Children's Home in Lubbock, P.O. Box 2824, Lubbock 79408-9973.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Lidora Merrill Dickey Duncan



Lidora Merrill Dickey Duncan, 81, of Big Spring died on Thursday, June 17, 2004, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. today, June 18, 2004, at Berea Baptist Church with the Rev. Dwayne Wheat, pastor, officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 7 p.m. today at Berea Baptist Church prior to the service. Graveside services will be at Macon County Memorial Park, Decatur, Ill.

She was born on Dec. 15, 1922, in Mount Vernon, Ill., to Charles and Lillie Ehrhart. She married Henry Dickey on Feb. 2, 1941, in Southern Illinois and he preceded her in death on April 23, 1991. She then married Royal Tucker Duncan on April 17, 1994, in Big Spring.

Lidora had worked at the General Electric Corporation in Decatur, Ill., as an assembler. She came to Big Spring in 1979, from Decatur, and had worked at Capehart Homes. She was a member of Berea Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Royal Tucker Duncan of Big Spring; three daughters and sons-in-law, Gwen and Arnie Collins of Big Spring, Karen and John Verhusen of Mount Zion, Ill., and Rhonda and Mike Tyson of Riverton, Ill.; one son, Ronald Dickey of Decatur, Ill.; one stepdaughter and her husband, Martha and Autrey Moore, of Big Spring; one stepson, Royal T. Duncan Jr. of Abilene; one stepson-in-law, Kenneth Scott of Big Spring; two sisters, Gladys Bear of Decatur, Ill. and Mary Belle Gaddis of Odessa; eight grandchildren; many step grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by one son, Douglas Dickey; one grandson, Curtis Collins; one great grandson, Dougie Williams; one stepdaughter, Mary Elizabeth Scott; four sisters and four brothers.

The family suggests memorials to the American Lung Association of Texas, P. O. Box 26460, Austin 78755-0460 or Berea Baptist Church, 4204 Wason, Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

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Weather

Tonight - Mainly clear skies. Low 73. Winds SE at 10 to 20 mph.

Saturday - Mostly sunny skies. High near 95. Winds SE at 10 to 20 mph.

Saturday night - Isolated thunderstorms ending during the evening, becoming fair overnight. Low 72.

Sunday - Mainly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night: Winning numbers drawn: 3-6-10-32-34. Number matching five of five: 1. Prize per winner: \$40,807. Winning tickets sold in: Onalaska. Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 4-8-3

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. today:

- CHARLES RAY WRIGHT, 71, of 2900 W. 80 was arrested Thursday on a city warrant for theft.

- CHRISTOPHER LEE VALENCIA, 21, of 1002 N. Main Street, was arrested Thursday on Howard County warrants.

- RUBEN ANTHONY GONZALES, 21, of 1503 Bluebird was arrested Thursday on traffic citations.

- CINDY RENE ALEXANDER, 25, of 1609 Owens, was arrested Thursday on a charge of theft and local traffic warrants.

- JAYSON WILLIAM WATERS, 29, of 1609 Owens was arrested Thursday on a charge of theft and local traffic warrants.

- THEFT was reported: - in the 400 block of Birdwell Lane. - in the 200 block of FM 700.

- CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported in the 1100 block of Main Street.

- ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 1600 block of Owens.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1500 block of S. Main Street.

Sheriff's report

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

- MICHAEL DEAN NALL, 25, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended.

- NATASHA MICHELLE MORRIS, 17, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended.

- STEVE RANDAL OBRIEN, 42, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on two counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child and assault of a public servant.

- RAYMOND ALLEN, 36, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of failure to register as a sex offender.

- ROBERT CHARLES WILTSIE, 33, was arrested Thursday by DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated with a child under 15 years of age in the vehicle, driving while license suspended - enhanced and allowing a child age 4-17 to ride not secured by a seat belt.

- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 400 block of N. Second Street.

- ASSAULT was reported in the 300 block of S. Main Street.

Take note

□ A FUND FOR ALAN AND MITZI KNIGHT, whose house on Oasis Road burned Monday, has been established at the First Big Spring Banking Center. The home and all the family's belongings were lost.

□ BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1989 15-year reunion is set for Oct. 8-9. For information or to update your name or mailing address, contact Christy Alexander at 972-567-8037 or Shanette Johnson at 972-874-9308.

□ BENEFIT GARAGE SALE FOR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN KNOTT pastor's wife Cathy Kinman is set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. She has been diagnosed with cancer and is undergoing treatment in Lubbock. The benefit sale will be in the vacant house behind the Knott Station on CR 846 in Middle Knott. Items include clothing, decorative items, kitchen appliances, mattresses, chairs, baby cribs, toys, a bake sale and a quilt, with a goal of raising \$500 at \$1 each. Call Joann Peugh at 459-2220 or Sue Robinson at 353-4417 to donate. A fund for Cathy Kinman has been established at State National Bank.

□ MEMBERS OF THE EVENING LIONS CLUB are looking for area handicapped and disabled children who would like to attend the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville this summer.

Children eligible for the camp include those who are amputees or have asthma, cerebral palsy, lupus, muscular dystrophy, scoliosis, sickle cell anemia, stroke, partial paralysis, heart problems, epilepsy, cancer, or are deaf or hearing impaired.

Ineligible conditions include attention deficit disorder, Down's Syndrome, mental retardation, emotionally disturbed, autism and hemophilia.

For information on the camps, contact Bob Noyes at

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Fifth Street.

"They need to bring in a picture ID and their Social Security card," Vasquez explained. "They also need to bring proof of their income. We'll make sure they're eligible and get them signed up."

For more information on the annual program, contact Vasquez at 267-8239.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

TODAY

- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

- The dance at the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center is cancelled, due to ongoing renovations.

- 71st annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo begins at 8 p.m. Gates open at 7 p.m.

SATURDAY

- Howard Glasscock Old Settlers 80th Reunion is set for 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. at the Fair Barns.

- Fish Fry at American Legion Post 506 from noon until 3 p.m. \$7 per plate. Carryout available. Delivery from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. 3203 W. Highway 80. Call 263-2084.

- Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Goliad and First streets for a meal with a meeting to follow.

- 71st annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo begins at 8 p.m. Gates open at 7 p.m.

- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.
- Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

SUNDAY

- Team Rustic Circle, an amateur paintball team, meets for practice between noon and dusk at the Moss Creek Lake paintball facility. The public is always invited, whether to participate or just spectate. For more information contact Rick Boiles at 264-2395 or 393-5246.

Support groups

FRIDAY

- 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.

Bob's Custom Woodwork, 267-5811, or visit the Lion's Web site at www.lionscamp.com

Lions provide funding for the camp as well as transportation, if necessary.

□ REGISTRATION FOR KIDS COLLEGE at Howard College Continuing Education is ongoing. The program is June 14-24. Call 264-5131 or 264-5130.

□ POTTON HOUSE, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into Heritage Museum, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

□ HERITAGE MUSEUM, 510 Scurry, is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

□ HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday and from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Sunday.

□ CHRIST'S COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP is requesting donations of any household items, furniture, appliances, linens, cookware and dishes to be distributed to the needy in Big Spring. Items will be picked up. Please call 263-5683 and leave a message.

□ 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, you are needed.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring.

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

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CAR THEFT

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Big Spring Police Information Officer Roger Sweatt said the car thefts he ment investigated solved fairly quickly.

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Big Spring Police Public Information Officer Sgt. Roger Sweatt said most of the car thefts his department investigates are solved fairly quickly.

"We usually recover the vehicles rather quickly," said Sweatt. "Most of the time, within the course of the investigation, we'll find out the owner of the car left the doors unlocked and the keys either in the ignition or in a visor. It's pretty rare that someone actually breaks into a car to steal it."

Sweatt said anti-theft devices such as alarms and locating devices are a good idea, but don't be fooled — no anti-theft device is fool proof.

"I have one on my car," said Sweatt. "I think they're a good idea. It's just like when you talk about someone breaking into your house — the more noise and attention that you can create, the better."

"Nothing in the world can make your vehicle theft proof. Every time they come out with a new type of system or alarm, the thieves are going to find a way to get past it."

Although auto thefts haven't been a major problem in the Big Spring area for the past several years, DPS officials warn now is not the time to let down your guard when it comes to your vehicle, regardless of make, model or age.

"Car and truck models five years and older account for about 70 percent of all auto theft," said David Griffith, commander DPS Motor Vehicle Theft Service. "We saw some promising numbers for auto theft in 2003, but summertime is not the time to let our guard down."

According to the DPS list of most stolen vehicles in Texas, compiled between May of 2003 and April of 2004, exotic sports cars and other high-end vehicles are less likely to be the target of a thief than many of the

2003's most stolen vehicles in Texas

1. GM pickups 9,155
2. Ford pickups 4,802
3. Honda Accord 2,929
4. Dodge pickups 2,714
5. GM Suburban 1,925
6. Honda Civic 1,870
7. Toyota Camry 1,539
8. Ford Taurus 1,170
9. Ford Mustang 1,073

"everyday" cars.

The second most stolen vehicles were Ford pickups, with 4,802 reported stolen. The first sedan on the list is the Honda Accord, with 2,929 stolen. Dodge pickups followed closely with 2,714 reported stolen.

According to the DPS, auto theft declined 4.6 percent in 2003 after two years of increases. The rate was the lowest since 1978.

Despite the welcome decline, there were still 98,174 vehicles stolen in Texas in 2003, accounting for \$782 million in losses.

The DPS, along with local law enforcement, suggest the following measures to decrease the risk of having a vehicle stolen:

- Lock all doors, roll up windows and don't leave the keys in the vehicle. Many stolen vehicles had unlocked doors or the keys left inside them.
- Park in populated, well-traveled and well-lit areas. About half of all auto thefts take place at night.
- Use an anti-theft device to make the vehicle more difficult to steal, especially if you have a vehicle that is on the most stolen list.
- Consider the use of a tracking system to help recover the vehicle if it is stolen. Some insurance companies offer rate discounts for reliable systems.
- Don't encourage vehicle burglary by leaving expensive items in plain view inside the vehicle.
- Write down your license number and vehicle identification number and carry it in your wallet or purse to expedite the entry of the vehicle into the stolen vehicle data system when a police report is made.

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is a big problem. Anything we can do to deter the use of illegal drugs and alcohol, we need to try to do. I believe it is a step in the right direction."

After a three-month discussion of the policy, the board held a forum Thursday night to receive feedback from the public on the issue. However, no one voiced any opinion about the issue.

Coates and Superintendent Dr. Bill Kingston said feedback from the community has been overwhelmingly in favor of the new policy.

"Anybody that knows Coahoma knows it's a very vocal community," Coates said. "I have not had one negative comment to this and that really helped me feel inside this was the correct thing to do. In Coahoma you know when it is a bad thing or a good thing and we didn't have any negative feedback."

"From the input we've received, most people believe this is a good move," Kingston said. "The most negative comment reported ... said 'I wish we didn't have to do this but if you feel like we need to then we need to do it because this is an important thing and we are talking about our kids' lives and their future.'"

Kingston said the policy is meant to provide a reason for students to say no and encourage positive peer pressure.

"I think the policy is important," said Trustee James White. "Students who might succumb to peer pressure have an out not to use drugs."

As an officer for the Texas Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, White said the fight to keep youths away from drugs and alcohol is prevalent in all communities.

"I think its is definitely a positive move," White said. "This is a battle that every small school, large school, small city, large city is fighting right now. It is another tool for the school to use and I think it will be good for the school."

The policy's first draft will now go to district lawyers and the Texas Association of School Board's legal department for review.

Expected to be implemented by August, students and their parents will be required to sign a form agreeing that the student will be subject to random drug testing through the year before being eligible to participate in any extra-curricular activity, including school dances or proms.

All participating students will be tested in August. Testing will be occur on campus but, Kingston emphasized, district personnel will not

perform any of the drug testing. If a sample tests positive, the sample will be submitted to a lab for verification to eliminate the possibility of a false positive.

Students testing positive for drug or alcohol use can appeal through the existing board policy. The student or his or her parents are responsible for the cost of any additional test.

If a student tests positive four times during his or her school career, the student will be indefinitely suspended from all extra-curricular activities.

"Four times and you're out in my mind is pretty lenient," Kingston said. "Hopefully we wouldn't find any student testing positive, but if we do, then through our counseling program and our sanctions — not being able to participate in extra-curricular activities — they will find it's not worth it."

After visiting with neighboring school districts in Stanton and Colorado City, which instituted drug testing a year ago, Kingston said both have seen a reduction in drug use.

"It has been a positive move for them," he said. "It has cut down on the usage of drugs and alcohol among those students."

Kingston couldn't put an exact figure on the cost to institute this policy, which could run from

\$6,000 to \$15,000, but said the expense is well worth the investment.

"We want to spend our money on areas we feel like benefits the kids," he said. "We feel like this is very important. It is well documented that students who are involved in taking illegal drugs and alcohol don't do well in school. We are looking for a way to address the whole issue of student performance and student safety and provide a safe environment for our students. There is something worth the investment."

Students with a positive test will be notified to attend a meeting with their parents, the principal and sponsor of the extra-curricular activity. They will be required to participate in a district-approved drug counseling program with a school counselor and be subject to further random testing.

For the first positive test, students will be suspended from extra-curricular activities for 15 days. A student testing positive a second time will be suspended from extra-curricular activities for 45 days. The third positive test will result in a year's suspension and the fourth results in an indefinite suspension from extra-curricular activities.

If students need more in-depth counseling, Kingston said the district will assist parents in finding programs.

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ending of slavery in the United States. Dating back to 1865, it was on June 19th that the Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston with news that the war had ended and that the enslaved were now free.

On Jan. 1, 1980, Juneteenth became an official state holiday through the efforts of Texas Representative Al

Edwards, D-Houston. The successful passage of this bill marked Juneteenth as the first emancipation celebration granted official state recognition. Rep. Edwards has since actively sought to spread the observance of Juneteenth all across America.

Institutions such as the Smithsonian, the Henry Ford Museum and others

have begun sponsoring Juneteenth-centered activities.

In recent years, a number of National Juneteenth Organizations have arisen to take their place along side older organizations — all with the mission to promote and cultivate knowledge and appreciation of African American history and culture.

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Geneva Stephens, 87, died Tuesday. Graveside services were at 11:00 AM Friday at Lamesa Memorial Park.

Edna Faz, 43, died Wednesday. Graveside services were at 9:00 AM Friday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments. We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play

This week we salute:

- The Big Spring Model Aircraft Association on an entertaining Fly-In and Swap Meet last weekend.

- Special Olympics award winners: Outstanding Male Athlete of the Year Joshua Hughes, Coach of the Year Linda Gonzales and Outstanding Female Athlete of the Year Pam Boley.

- Heritage Museum on its annual legends and Legacies dinner and new exhibit, "Rodeo Clowns — The Cowboys Hero."

- Rodeo clowns Quail Dobbs and Rick Young, Miss Rodeo Texas Lacy Billingsley and author Gail Woerner for their participation in Howard County Library's summer reading program.

- The Howard County Rodeo Association and participants in the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo on another fun parade Wednesday.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Help us receive the light of your wisdom, Lord, through our prayers.

Amen

Politics and democracy under attack again

Not sooner do we win a long struggle to clean up politics and restore democracy in this country than we find the whole thing under attack, and we have to go out and re-fight the same battle all over again. Good thing we're not easily discouraged.

This is what's happening in Arizona, where the successful Clean Elections law is now under attack by the big special interests and national conservatives with ties that run from Tom DeLay (surprise!) to Bush's fundraising machine.

Micah Sifry of Public Campaign reports, "They've raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to put a constitutional amendment on the November ballot that doesn't mention anywhere its true intent, to de-fund the Clean Elections system." This charming endeavor is masquerading under the misnomer "No Taxpayer Money for Politicians," a misleading moniker right up there with Bush's "Clear Skies and Healthy Forests" initiatives. What a shame they couldn't figure out a way to call it the Patriot Amendment.

The bad news for the bad guys is that evidence continues to accumulate that Clean Elections work — they are actually reviving democracy. In Arizona and Maine, where Clean Elections have been in effect for a couple of years, more candidates are running and competitiveness has increased. According to a study done by political scientists at the University of Wisconsin in May of this year: "There is no question that public funding programs have increased the pool of candidates willing and able to run for state

legislative office. This effect is most pronounced for challengers, who are far more likely than incumbents to accept public funding. In Arizona, the likelihood that an incumbent will have a competitive race more than doubled from 22 percent of all races in 1998 to 45 percent in 2002."

The report also notes, "Fears that clean money would be tantamount to an incumbent protection act are unfounded, as are, as near as we can tell, objections that money would be used by fringe candidates who would do nothing but feed at the public trough."

That was always one of the concerns about Clean Money — that every nincompoop in town would wind up running on the public's nickel. Arizona cleverly finessed this possibility by insisting that before you qualify for Clean Money, you have to raise a substantial sum in amounts of no more than \$5 per person from people who actually live in your district. If a sufficient number of your neighbors think highly enough of you to kick in five bucks, then and only then can you tap into the pool of Clean Money.

I always thought it was a shame one part of the original Arizona Clean Elections law got declared unconstitutional — they were going to fund part of the pool of clean money by putting a special tax on lobbyists, an idea I found just dreamy. Alas, the First Amendment does not permit it.

The Wisconsin report also notes: "Arizona experienced a significant jump in the number of contested races in 2002, increasing from about 40 percent in 2000 to over 60 percent in 2002. Not only was this increase large, it also reversed the previous trend of uniformly fewer contested elections between 1994 and 2000."

According to Public Campaign, the early results for the 2004 elec-

tion cycle are also impressive. In Maine, which held primaries on June 8, 71 percent of the candidates ran "clean" — up from 50 percent in 2002 and 31 percent in 2000. Both Republicans and Democrats are enthusiastic about the system, which enables lots of people who would never have been able to afford to run to take a shot at elective office.

We live in a country where 98 percent of the members of Congress get re-elected every year with no serious competition. That, my friends, is a dead democracy. Ninety-eight percent of us are not happy with Congress, we just can't beat the big money from special interests without public campaign financing.

So who could be opposed to this splendid success in re-sparking a dying democracy? Funny, every one of the donors seems to list "employer" under "occupation." That would include insurance companies, realtors, developers, right-wing front groups, well-known right-wing donors including Bush "Pioneers" (\$100,000 plus) and conservative activists affiliated with the "Club for Growth" and "Institute for Justice."

One of the oldest sayings in politics is, "You got to dance with them what brung you." What Clean Elections does is fix the system so that when people get elected, they got no one to dance with — no one they owe — except us, the people.

Of course, if you think millions of dollars in campaign contributions don't buy votes, only "access," then you have no stake in this fight. I'm sure you have just as much say in the system, and it is representing your interests just as well as it does General Dynamics and Halliburton.

For how to raise hell about it, see www.pactionfund.org/flve.



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Clinton's mob ties: Hidden but not forgotten

Bill Clinton's memoir will hit bookstores later this month, but one story you're not likely to read in its pages involves Clinton's friendship with Arthur A. Coia. The debonair former president of the Laborers International Union of North America (LIUNA) was one of the Democratic Party's biggest contributors when Clinton was in office. In the first four years of the Clinton administration alone, LIUNA gave \$4.8 million to Democrat candidates and the Democratic Party. Although Clinton had contact with Coia no fewer than 120 times, their association is an awkward memory for the former president given the latter's ties to organized crime and that of the union he once headed.

In 1986, President Reagan's Commission on Organized Crime identified LIUNA as one of the "bad four" — the most corrupt unions in the nation — along with the Teamsters, the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Workers, and the International Association of Longshoremen. According to Congressional testimony by the FBI, each of these union's presidents at the time had been "handpicked by La Cosa Nostra." Angelo Fosco, who served as LIUNA president from 1975-1993, won reelection while he was under federal indictment for union racketeering — a victory won through "the use of force and threats of violence against potential competitors," according to the Reagan Crime Commission.

And Coia was no exception. He became secretary treasurer of LIUNA in 1987, the No. 2 job in

the union, with the blessings of the Chicago mob, according to Coia's own admissions in sworn testimony. When Clinton tried to reward Coia for his political contributions by appointing him to a prestigious presidential commission, the Council on Competitiveness, the appointment set off alarm bells at the FBI. In a memo, investigators doing a background check wrote, "Coia is a criminal associate of the New England Patriarca organized crime family." The bureau also warned the White House that "within the next several weeks" the Department of Justice "will accuse Coia of being a puppet of the LCN (La Cosa Nostra)." Associate Deputy Attorney General David Margolis even tried calling the White House to warn officials not to get too close to the alleged mob-controlled union boss — to no avail.

Although Clinton dropped plans to name Coia to the Council on Competitiveness, he continued to meet with the union leader, exchanged expensive gifts and frequent notes with him, and invited him to travel aboard the presidential aircraft on a trip to Rhode Island. All of this went on while the Justice Department was preparing a racketeering complaint against Coia and his union. On Nov. 4, 1994, the Justice Department's Organized Crime and Racketeering Section served Coia with a 212-page draft complaint.

"Then something strange happened," noted the liberal muckraking magazine Washington Monthly at the time. Instead of indicting Coia, the Justice Department worked out a sweetheart deal that allowed Coia to avoid prosecution and keep his job, while a federally appointed investigator pursued lower-level mobsters within the union. Just days before the Justice

Department offered the deal, Hillary Clinton traveled to Miami to address the annual LIUNA conference on Feb. 6, 1995, despite warnings from the Justice Department that the trip was ill advised.

The decision not to move forward with its complaint shocked everyone, except perhaps Coia himself. The Justice Department had previously filed racketeering charges in 15 other union cases, taking over the corrupt unions' operations. But Clinton couldn't protect his union benefactor forever — especially when Coia himself couldn't keep his hands out of the union cookie jar. In January 2000, Arthur Coia pled guilty for failing to pay taxes on the purchase of three Ferraris from a Rhode Island car dealer who held a million-dollar leasing agreement with the union. As part of his plea agreement, Coia stepped down as LIUNA president but was allowed to keep his \$250,000 yearly salary for life.

If the Clinton administration's dealings with Arthur Coia and the Laborers Union were an isolated incident, it would be bad enough, but the corrupting nexus between union money and Democratic political power was especially tight during the Clinton years. But the unions' role in financing Democrats didn't end when Bill Clinton left office.

This election cycle, unions will spend an estimated \$800 million, much of it hidden in the form of salaries for union officials assigned to work on political campaigns, member communications, get-out-the-vote efforts, and other unregulated contributions that go overwhelmingly to elect Democrats. But don't expect to read about it on the front page of the New York Times or in Clinton's memoir.



LINDA CHAVEZ

Baptist Temp Church

In honor of Day, Baptist invites the community to a pancake breakfast at 8:45 a.m. Sunday. Service will begin at 9:00 a.m. The worship service is at 11 a.m. There is an evening service on Sunday. Nurses are available for the Baptist Temp Church. "Heart of Big Spring" on Big Spring on at 400 E. 11th more information church office

Cornerstone

Cornerstone Morning International invites children kindergarten through fourth grade summer "Metamorphosis" "Insect-Inside" 10:30 a.m. S program is Proverbs. Each feature skits, fun games went bug the week's performance "The Tale Poisonous Yucca" Cornerstone the corner of Owens street family atmosphere and Morning worship at 10:30 Wednesday is available through Pastor Call Pasto Cherise Felty with any questions

Berea Baptist

Vacation Bible School begins Tuesday. The program continues through the morning at 10:00 a.m. miss at noon Children age 6 and above join us each a great time Bible study, character study and refreshment will once again team from Baptist Church Cliff working. The theme Vacation Bible School 2004 is Rick Racing to the top. The focus greatest race person faces fully know work of Christ her life. In addition be a work will be interesting heating and cooling units in ship and education Calvary Baptist a project of has raised make it possible much improvement ities, and th for what E



Church News

Baptist Temple Church

In honor of Father's Day, Baptist Temple invites the community to a pancake breakfast at 8:45 a.m. Sunday school will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the worship service is at 11 a.m. There will be no evening service on Sunday. Nursery is available for the little ones. Baptist Temple is in the "heart of Big Spring with Big Spring on our hearts" at 400 E. 11th Place. For more information call the church office at 267-8287.

Cornerstone Church

Cornerstone Church, a Morning Star International Church, invites children entering kindergarten through fourth grade to a new summer program, "Metamorphosis," in the "Insect-Inside Theater" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday. The program is based on Proverbs. Each week will feature skits, dramas, and fun games with a different bug theme. This week's performance is "The Tale of the Poisonous Yuck-bugs." Cornerstone, located at the corner of 12th and Owens streets, offers a family atmosphere of praise and worship. Morning worship begins at 10:30 Wednesday worship is at 7 p.m. Childcare is available for newborns through preschool. Call Pastor Craig or Cherise Felty at 263-3072 with any questions.

Berea Baptist News

Vacation Bible School at Berea Baptist Church will begin Tuesday and continue through June 25. The program starts each morning at 9:30 and dismiss at noon.

Children age 3 through grade six are invited to join us each morning for a great time of music, Bible study, mission and character stories, games and refreshments. We will once again have a team from the Calvary Baptist Church in Oak Cliff working with us.

The theme for the Daily Vacation Bible School 2004 is Rickshaw Rally, Racing to the Son.

The focus is on the greatest race that every person faces, the race to fully know the saving work of Christ in his or her life.

In addition, there will be a work team which will be installing new heating and air conditioning units in the fellowship and education areas. Calvary Baptist made this a project of its own and has raised the funds to make it possible. We very much appreciate this improvement to our facilities, and thank the Lord for what He has done

through Calvary.

This Sunday morning, The Rev. Dwayne Wheat will continue the series on the Ten Commandments with a message titled Respect for the Power of Words (Exodus 20:16.)

On Sunday evenings Berea is studying the key Biblical truths about Christ. We are using Discovering the Biblical Jesus as the study guide. Outlines and other support material are available through the church office.

To contact Berea for information or transportation, call 267-8438. If no one is in the office, please leave a message and your call will be returned. We may also be contacted by e-mail at pdwheat@crcom.net.

Berea Baptist Church is located at 4204 Wasson Road. Our service times are Sunday, Bible study 9:45 a.m.; worship and children's worship 11 a.m.; evening worship 6 p.m. Our youth meet for a Bible study on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Adults also meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday for prayer.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray if you are looking for a church home you would prayerfully consider Birdwell Lane Baptist Church at 1512 Birdwell Lane. We are a very friendly church.

This is Father's Day weekend. We wish all fathers a great day Sunday. We will celebrate this important holiday with a homemade ice cream fellowship at 5 p.m. Sunday in our multi-purpose center. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the fellowship.

Our youth have been very busy this month. The last two weeks they have been to Fort Davis Youth Camp, where 17 youth made life changing decisions. The youth are planning for a trip to a water park in the upcoming future.

The Senior Saints will have their monthly fellowship and game night at 5 p.m. Thursday. They meet twice a month for fun, food and fellowship. They would be delighted for you to visit and enjoy the fun.

If you would like to find out more about the activities at Birdwell Lane Baptist Church you can call 267-7157 or 267-8214. We pray you have a great week. God Bless you and your family.

First United Methodist Church

On Sunday, the Rev. Dr. Dave Ring's sermon is titled "Hang in There, Dad!" The congregation will give special recognition to all fathers present. The Old Testament scripture text is selected verses from Hosea 1-3.

Worship services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Sunday school classes meet at 9:45 a.m.

The Revival Tent Meeting continues at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday at 813 Willia (corner of Willia and Business 80). Friday, the Rev. Ring will preach with Mary Ann Marquez translating. On Saturday, Agustin Ypina will lead the worship service. For more information, contact the church office.

Anyone interested in helping with Vacation Bible School July 19-23, 9 a.m. to noon, should contact Sheila Jones or Charlotte Plaia. This year's theme is "Lava Lava Island, Where Jesus' Love Flows."

Youth who would like to go on the mystery trip July 7-10 should contact Courtney Johnson at the church. The cost is \$100 plus meals and spending money. The deposit is due this Sunday.

First United Methodist Church is located at 400 Scurry. For more information on any of the programs at First United Methodist Church, call the church office at 267-6394.

First Baptist Church

Our Sunday schedule begins with the Holy Grounds Café downstairs in the Family Life Center at 9:15 a.m. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m., and our morning worship at 10:50. The Rev. Dennis Teeter, pastor, continues his series on "Restoring Your Spiritual Passion" with this week's topic, "Rend." In honor of our fathers, we will have no evening service so that families might be able to spend time together.

We invite our community to come to the patriotic program at 7 p.m. on June 27. We will honor our veterans and give them a special invitation to come be a part of this program.

Church members are reminded that a special slide show will be presented of those who are currently serving in the military. If you have a military service personnel in your family, get their picture to the church by Wednesday.

First Baptist Church of Big Spring is located at 705 W. FM 700. The telephone number is 267-8223.

First Christian Church

This Sunday is Father's Day, and the congregation at First Christian Church will be acknowledging and celebrating our earthly fathers and our heavenly Father. We would love to have you join with us as we study the Bible and worship God.

The Rev. Gene Cravens' message for this Sunday will be taken from the Gospel of Luke, chapter 15, verses 11 through 24, and is titled "The Love of a Father."

We are heading right into the heart of the summer season with all its distractions and busyness. But whatever you do this summer, don't leave God out of your plans. We urge you to attend the church of your choice, and if you don't have a church home, come visit us at First Christian, we'd love to have you.

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matthew Miles, minister, will speak on scripture from Luke, chapter 8 verses 26-39. Worship service begins at 11 a.m. Sunday school is held at 9:45 and "Take Ten" is at 10:35.

Vacation Bible School is being held on June 21-25 from 9 a.m. until noon at the church.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church is also joining us for this activity. There are registration forms in the church office.

Other opportunities for the week include the Session meeting for June to be held on Monday at 6 p.m.

Also, choir practice is on Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Please join us for any of all of the previously mentioned activities. Everyone is always welcome at First Presbyterian Church located on Runnels between Seventh and Eighth.

Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church

A cordial invitation is extended to all seekers of gospel truth to visit with us at the Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church, 201 East 24th St. Elder David Machiavello, pastor, will be speaking from I John 3:1-4 during Sunday worship services at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Bible Study is held each Wednesday at 7 p.m. where the current topic is

"The New Testament Church." Visitors are always welcome.

Anyone wanting more information on any of the above services may call Elder David Machiavello at 267-6543 or 267-7558.

College Baptist Church

Jon Hart, summer intern youth minister, and our youth have just returned from Highland Lakes Camp.

The GA's, Girls in Action, girls grades one through six, who meet Sunday at 5 p.m. have just returned from GA camp.

Serendipity Women's Ministry is having their fellowship from 6-8 p.m. Monday. The theme this month is: "Let Jesus be your Anchor in a Time of Storm."

The women's ministry has their monthly meeting from 6-8 p.m. on the third Monday on the fellowship hall with different themes. This is open to all ladies ages 18 and older.

Services on Sunday are Sunday school at 9:45 a.m., Worship services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. On Wednesday, adults gather at 7 p.m. for Bible Study and prayer in the fellowship hall. There also activities for youth and children at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays.

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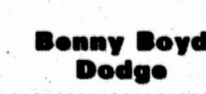

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Gospel performance

Special to the Herald

The gospel trio "Vision" performed Sunday in the morning at the Baptist Church, Place. There is no charge for the concert and the public is invited.

"Greater Vision" was organized in 1999 and recognized for its vocal blend and effective communication of the message of the Gospel.

They have been named Trio of the Year in the "Singing Magazine" and "Southern Gospel Association."

They have also won the Year, Album of the Year, and Video of the Year.

Group members have been recognized nationally.

Rodney Griffin named Songwriter of the Year for five consecutive years.

Gerald Wolcott named Male Vocalist of the Year for four consecutive years.

And the group's Jason Waldroup has been recognized as music's Favorite Artist and one of music's favorites.

Bibb award

By MEGAN KNIGHT

Special to the Herald

Trevor Bibb, Coahoma was a \$10,000 4-H scholarship award June 8 by the Livestock Show Rodeo.

Bibb was one of 100 recipients who receive the scholarship at the Livestock Show Rodeo ceremonies at the Texas 4-H Roundup College Station.

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Club News

Optimist Club

Quail Dobbs, former rodeo clown and Big Spring Rodeo Association board representative, brought Lacy Billingsley, Miss Rodeo Texas, to the Optimist Club meeting Wednesday morning.

"It's my duty to escort Miss Rodeo Texas around town to promote the rodeo. It's one of the only jobs I have that everybody wants to help me with," Dobbs joked.

"We were up at the courthouse yesterday. I tried to get Marsha at the county clerk's office to sell us a marriage license, but she wouldn't do it."

"I really admire Lacy for what she does. As Miss Rodeo Texas, she has to look beautiful, always smile, be intelligent, and able to handle a horse, all at the same time. I don't know how she does it," Dobbs said.

Miss Billingsley related some of her experiences to Optimist members.

"I train and handle my own horses. I won the competition for horse handling at the Miss Rodeo Texas competition. I've been to California, Colorado, Nevada, appearing at rodeos all over America," she said.

Dobbs added, "This is her last rodeo as Miss Rodeo Texas. In two weeks she'll be crowning a new Miss Rodeo."

Sand Spring Lions Club

The Sand Springs Lions Club met Monday, in KC Steak House, with Fred Franklin, president, presiding.

President Franklin worded the opening prayer and introduced our guests, Lorene Barbee, Amy Choate, April Choate, David Barbee, Tab Barbee, Neal Barbee, Devin Barbee, Polly Campbell, Jay Campbell, Lane Campbell, Trent Campbell, Tom Mills and Carolyn Mills.

President Franklin presented the Lion of the Year award to the late Jarrell Barbee.

Jarrell was instrumental in the work of the Sand Springs Lions Club up until the time of his death.

The award was accepted by his wife, Lorene Barbee.

A 34-year perfect attendance Chevron for Jarrell was also presented to Mrs. Barbee.

Other perfect attendance Chevrons were presented to Fred Franklin, 11 years; Betty Franklin, nine years, Ben Boadle, six years, Madeline Boadle, six years and Phillip Reid, five years.

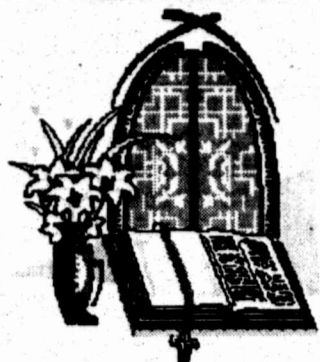
Tom Mills of the Downtown Lions Club installed the officers, who are, president, Laura Thompson; vice-president, Johnny Moore; secretary/treasurer, Madeline Boadle; and past president, Fred Franklin.

Other new officers are Lion tamer, Betty Franklin; Tail Twister, Phillip Reid; membership, Tex Irvin; institutional representative, Fred Franklin; safety chairman, Phillip Reid; two-year director, Burnis Mason; and one-year director, Ben Boadle.

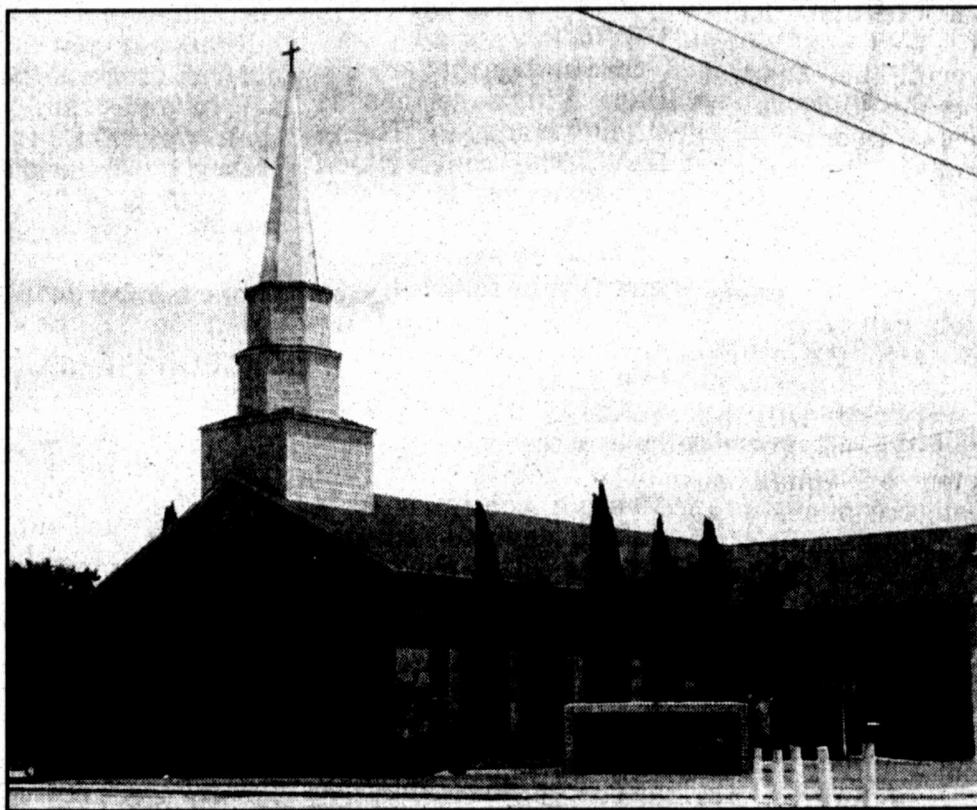
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Gospel group "Greater Vision" performs Sunday at Trinity Baptist

Special to the Herald

The gospel trio "Greater Vision" performs at 6 p.m. Sunday in Trinity Baptist Church, 810 11th Place. There is no charge for the concert and the public is invited.

"Greater Vision" was organized in 1990 and are recognized for their rich vocal blend and ability to effectively communicate the message of the Gospel.

They have been named Trio of the Year by both the "Singing News Magazine" and the "Southern Gospel Music Association."

They have also received such honors as Song of the Year, Album of the Year, and Video of the Year.

Group members have been recognized individually.

Rodney Griffin was named Songwriter of the Year of five consecutive years.

Gerald Wolfe was named Male Vocalist of the Year for four consecutive years.

And the group's tenor, Jason Waldroup, has also been recognized as gospel music's Favorite Youth Artist and one of gospel music's favorite tenors.



Courtesy photo
Rodney Griffin, Gerald Wolfe and Jason Waldroup of "Greater Vision." The trio will perform a free concert at 6 Sunday night in Trinity Baptist Church.

"Greater Vision" has been featured on numerous video tapings of the Gaither and Friends Homecoming video series.

They also appear regularly on "In Touch" with Dr. Charles Stanley. Television viewers across America see "Greater Vision" via Turner Broadcasting Network, Black Entertainment Television, the Family Channel, the Inspirational Network, Gospel Music Television and many other local, cable and satellite channels.

Almost 200 times every year, these three gentlemen present the gospel in

a way that appeals to audiences with diversified musical tastes.

"We just try to sing songs that minister to us, and if the songs bless us and minister to us, then we believe our listeners will be ministered to," Gerald Wolfe said.

"We don't measure our success by how many No. 1 songs we record or the number of standing ovations we receive.

"Our responsibility is to do whatever we can to allow the Holy Spirit to work through us to touch the life of the listener.

"If we do that, then we feel like we're successful," Wolfe said,

Bibb awarded \$10,000 scholarship

By MEGAN KNIGHT

Special to the Herald
Trevor Bibb, 18, of Coahoma was awarded a \$10,000 4-H scholarship June 8 by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Bibb was one of 70 to receive the four year scholarship at the opening ceremonies for the Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station.

"It's always exciting to recognize the best of the

best, and the 70 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo 4-H scholarship winners are truly exceptional young Texans," said P. Michael Wells, president and chief executive officer of the Houston Livestock Show



TREVOR BIBB

and Rodeo. "The scholarships are an investment in our future that will pay off for years to come."

Bibb has been an active leader in the Howard County 4-H Club for several years by attending leadership labs, receiving the 4-H Gold Star Award and serving as club president.

He was accepted to the business school at Texas A&M University, and will attend in the fall.

aboard USS Hudgins," the name of the ship is the USS Higgins, and Nathan Herrod is a 2nd class petty officer, IT2.

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Correction
In a story that published in the Big Spring Herald Wednesday, titled "Teen spends week

Church News

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Sermon On The Mount as given by Jesus. By examining the original language and thought patterns of the times in which it was given, we have grown in understanding of its application. The book, "Discover the Power Within You" by Eric Butterworth has been helpful.

Professor Bart D. Ehrman from the University of North Carolina comes to us each Sunday by video to teach about early Christianity. We willingly share, with anyone interested, these growth opportunities.

Living Hope Church

The time is here for Vacation Bible School, Monday-Friday, June 21-25 at 1208 Frazier. Come one, come all, you are welcome. All age groups. Lots of fun, games and learning about our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Time: 9-11 a.m. Transportation is available, call 267-5473.

Sunday is Father's Day, parents are welcome to come at 11 a.m.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's summer time change continues this Sunday with Holy Eucharist celebrated at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School will resume in the fall.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will have its monthly meeting and breakfast this Saturday starting at 8 a.m. in the chapel.

St. Mary's will once again join the First Presbyterian Church for Vacation Bible School. VBS will be held at First Presbyterian, Eighth and

Runnels. The fun begins Monday and will continue until Friday. All children ages 4-11 are encouraged to join us at 9 a.m. through noon for stores, games and fellowship.

The Vestry will meet on Monday at 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Evening Prayer is said Monday through Friday at 5:30 in St. Mary's Chapel.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-3201 or visit our website at www.stmarysbst.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 South Goliad.

East Fourth Street Baptist Church

Our annual Vacation Bible School is set for June 22-25, 9:30 a.m. until noon. Transportation can be arranged by calling the church office at 267-2291 between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon. Our theme this year is Rickshaw Rally, Racing to the Son.

This Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. we will finalize our week of prayer on behalf of our church, our sister churches, our nation and an openness of our world to the gospel.

Following our week of prayer we will have our quarterly fellowship breakfast Sunday morning starting at 8:50 a.m. followed by Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship at 11.

If you do not have a regular place of worship we invite you to attend any or all of the services listed above. Dean Thomas, Chaplain at the Big Spring Veterans Hospital, is serving as our interim pastor and will be preach-

ing for both services. East Fourth Street Baptist Church, where everyone is important in God's sight.

Life Church

Life Church, located at 600 E. FM 700, offers an exciting morning worship service, Sunday at 10:30 along with Noah's Ark Nursery, ages 0-3, Zoe Land Children's church, ages 4-10 and pre-teen classes for ages 11 and 12.

Life Church has various small groups meeting in homes throughout the week where new friendships can be made in a casual home environment while studying relevant Bible messages. Also available are small groups for college students and teen-agers. Wednesday evening classes begin at 7. Childcare is provided.

Catholic Churches of Big Spring

If you are interested in learning about the Catholic faith, the traditions and how they are based on Holy Scripture, then please join us.

Summer dates are at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and July 6 and 20 and Aug. 3, 17 and 31.

Classes are at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1009 Hearn, in the house between the church and the school.

If you have questions call Elfi Tucker at 816-6247 or 393-5313, St. Thomas Church at 605 N. Main, 263-2864; Sacred Heart Church at N. Aylsford, 263-7884; Immaculate Heart Church at 1009 Hearn, 267-4124 or St. Joseph Church on South Street in Coahoma, 267-4124.

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Get body center in the swing

By T.J. TOMASI
Universal Press Syndicate

One of the things I focus on when I examine a student's swing is the body center, a line connecting the sternum and the navel. I call the sternum or breast bone area the "upper center" and the navel the "lower center." Imagining a line connecting the two allows me to monitor the body center as the swing unfolds.

All good players move their body center over their right hip socket on the backswing and then shift back to their left hip socket with the lower body center leading the way. This involves allowing the spine to tilt a few degrees away from the target before the powerful rotation around the left hip socket begins before impact.

In fact, in a good swing, the lower center is about 6 inches closer to the target at impact than it was at address, while the upper center returns to about the same spot.

If this sounds complicated, that's because it is. Fortunately, it should happen all by itself if you simply shift your weight to your front leg to start your downswing.

Some advanced players develop a keen awareness of what these centers are doing as they practice their swing mechanics, but for most golfers it's easier to monitor your head position. The head, after all, is conveniently located at the end of the spine, so if the spine tilts away from the target at impact, it's logical that the head position at impact returns to its address position or even slightly behind it. This is what is meant by "staying behind the ball."

PGA and LPGA Tour players are so sensitive to the importance of this position that when they err it's most often on the side of staying behind the ball too much. Basically, good players rebound backward while poorer players slide forward.

In the first photo below, my student is half way into his downswing and already his head is in front of its address position. This causes myriad problems.

He's created a swing shape that's much too steep, so his only chance to make reasonable contact is to cut across the ball, resulting in a weak slice to the right. If he tries to square the club face at the last split second with a flip of the hands, he'll hit a quick darter to the left.

In the second photo, I am helping him monitor his head position by lightly touching the left side of his head with the grip end of a club.

I use the left side of his head because this allows him to move slightly away from the grip on the backswing as his chin makes its own little turn. However, if he pushes his head into the grip before impact, he will get immediate feedback. If you are not staying behind the ball, have a friend do the same thing for you.

One final note: After impact, the person holding the club should immediately get it out of the way because very soon after impact, the head will go forward as the body spirals up into a balanced finish.



The grip end of a club, held in the correct spot, can provide immediate feedback if your head is in front of the ball.

EQUIPMENT

More torque helps slice

If you slice your shots, graphite shafts may help because graphite generally has more torque than steel. Torque is defined as the amount of rotational twisting of the shaft during the swing. With too little torque the club's face at impact will be open (looking to the right for a right-handed player), promoting a slice.

As with all other club specifications, consult a PGA club fitter to help you determine what degree of torque matches your swing. One problem is that each manufacturer has its own set of testing parameters.

For example, the weight of the bar attached to the tip of the shaft, creating the deflection that measures club head twist, is not uniform among club makers. One manufacturer's 3 degrees of torque could actually be more than another's 5 degrees.

Manufacturers tend to label torque values at the low end because a club that is "torsionally stiffer" is thought to be "better" by the general public. However, if you slice, too little torque is a detriment. A PGA club fitter will know for sure.

—T.J. Tomasi

U.S. OPEN



Jim Furyk's rehabilitation from the March 22 surgery to repair a wrist ligament was supposed to be three to six months, but he progressed better than anticipated.

CURTIS COMPTON / Cox News Service

No easy return

Furyk, Duval face tough course for their comebacks

By GLENN SHEELEY
Cox News Service

Southampton, N.Y. So, the U.S. Open really is open to anyone, huh? Even a guy ranked 437th in the world who's been snowed out of golf since October. Even somebody coming off wrist surgery who hasn't played competitively in nearly six months.

Suddenly, the field for Shinnecock Hills contains two recent major champions who were supposed to be on the shelf.

First, David Duval, 32, who has fallen into a performance chasm since winning the 2001 British Open, decided over the weekend to use this week's 104th U.S. Open for his comeback event after several false alarms this spring, suggesting that he is either courageous or at least part sadist.

Topping that bit of shocking news, defending champion Jim Furyk, feeling pain-free in his surgically repaired left wrist after a couple of nine-hole practice rounds on the famous Long Island layout, decided to play unless his situation deteriorates.

"I may walk out of here with my tail between my legs because I didn't play well," Furyk, 34, said Monday at the Shinnecock Hills putting green on a breezy, cool day, "... but I'm hoping to go out there and surprise a few people and hopefully play relatively well."

"Am I here like last year, trying to win the golf tournament?" said Furyk, idle since missing the cut in Hawaii in January. "No, absolutely not. I'm an idiot, but not that big of an idiot."

Duval has not played since missing the cut at Las Vegas in October. The decisions by both players to enter the Open have stunned their colleagues.

"I'm very surprised Duval is playing, coming out here," Brad Faxon said. "I understand why Jimmy wants to play, but this is not a place where you want to hit errant shots, or if your hand is still hurting."

Although Fred Couples called it



Cox News Service

David Duval has not played in a tournament since missing the cut at Las Vegas in October.

"exciting" that Duval is ending his layoff, he said, "What a week to choose."

Davis Love III could see Duval's logic at returning for Shinnecock Hills. At any U.S. Open, a lot of good players will shoot unfavorable scores.

"I think it's a good move to come out at the U.S. Open," Love said. "It's a tough golf course. A lot of expectations can be thrown out. He comes out, says hello to everybody and just plays the U.S. Open."

Furyk's rehabilitation was supposed to be three to six months, but he progressed more quickly than anticipated. He played his first 18-hole round last week at Marsh Landing near his Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., home without pain in the wrist, which underwent surgery March 22 for ligament repair. Encouraged, he ran the notion past his surgeon, Dr. Andrew Weiland of the Hospital for Special Surgery in Manhattan.

Hoping to return next month at the Western Open, Furyk began the question with, "Am I crazy to think that this is a shot?" The doctor told him to go ahead, but just "be smart with your decisions." In other words, don't try to wail a 6-iron from Shinnecock's knee-high rough.

"I've been told I can't hurt my

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• **What:** The 104th United States Open Golf Tournament.

• **Where:** Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, Southampton, N.Y. (90 miles east of New York).

• **When:** Thursday-Sunday.

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wrist any more unless I do something really violent," Furyk said. "If I felt like I wasn't capable of going into the rough here and playing a shot out, then I wouldn't be capable of playing, and I would withdraw from the tournament."

"I feel like my wrist will be strong enough and I'll be capable of playing," Furyk said. "If I feel any pain, if I feel like I'm not strong enough, or not able, then I'll have to withdraw. Obviously, being here is a big step, but I guess I won't know for sure until I pull the trigger."

While Furyk is known for hitting fairways when on his game, is there not extra pressure to find them this week and avoid perilous flailing in the deep stuff? Didn't this same high fescue wreck Tiger Woods' wrist in 1995?

"I don't see it that way," Furyk said. "If I was scared to death of hitting it in the fescue because I didn't want to play out of it, then I wouldn't be here."

Furyk is enticed partially by Shinnecock's quality and beauty, but even more so by a chance to defend his title, which in March seemed so improbable.

"One year makes a huge difference," he said. "Last year I came to the Olympia Fields, and I came there to win the golf tournament. That's all that was on my mind all week. This year I'm thinking about trying to start the tournament. It's quite a different feeling."

Legends' victories inspired players

By GLENN SHEELEY
Cox News Service

Southampton, N.Y. Before they were tour players, they were fans just like other enthusiastic young golfers. Riveted to the U.S. Open telecast during their teenage years, they could not wait to head outside to play golf with their buddies, pumped up by the fresh, famous images.

"I'd be Jack Nicklaus; my buddy would be Tom Watson; somebody else would be Gary Player," 38-year-old Scott McCarron said. "Me? I was Jack, of course," he said. "He was the best at the time, right?"

For many tour players in their 30s, one U.S. Open memory clearly emerges as the strongest — Tom Watson chipping in for birdie in 1982 on the par-3 17th hole at Pebble Beach to beat Nicklaus.

"The Watson chip, for sure," said Chris DiMarco, 35. "I was 13. I remember watching the chip go in, watching him win and then going outside to play 18 holes because I was so excited to play golf."

"I was a Watson fan, too," said Paul Stankowski, 34, "and that was probably one of the greatest moments in U.S. Open history."

For a slightly younger player such as Tiger Woods, 28, who was 6 years old when Watson chipped in, the memories are more recent.

"Probably Curtis [Strange] winning back-to-back (in 1988-89)," Woods said. "I never saw Jack contend in an Open because he was well past his prime. At the time I remember watching, it was Watson, Curtis and [Nick] Faldo."

For Stewart Cink, 31, who nearly won a U.S. Open at Southern Hills in 2001, the clearest memory is Tom Kite's 1992 win at Pebble Beach.

"I remember how bad the wind was, how he kept getting up-and-down," Cink said.

Daly not making strong case for Ryder Cup spot

John Daly's decision to skip U.S. Open qualifying might have cost him more than a chance to play in the national championship.

U.S. Ryder Cup captain Hal Sutton, while not specifically naming Daly, made it clear last week he's only going to make his wildcard selections on players who share his passion for the Ryder Cup. Daly, who is 21st on the points list, also was not among the 20 players who took part in the uniform fitting for potential Ryder Cup candidates at the Memorial.

"To me, the months leading into it start to tell the story," Sutton told reporters at the Buick Classic. "It kind of suggests whether you do or don't want to be on the team. Are you anxiously awaiting the challenge of winning the Ryder Cup? Those are the kind of guys you can rely on. Guys where it's a secondary thought in their mind, I'm not sure how they're going to perform when they're called on."

—Glenn Sheeley

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CHAMPIONS TOUR

• **Next tournament:** June 21-27, Bank of America Championship, Nashawtic Country Club, Concord, Mass.

ASK THE PRO



Dr. T.J. Tomasi is director of instruction at Lyman Orchards Golf Club in Middlefield, Conn. To ask him a question about golf, e-mail him at T.J.insider@aol.com.

Q: I've been a 5-handicap player for several years, but I'd like to improve. I've been told that in order to improve my scoring I should keep statistics on my play, so this year I've kept track of how many greens I've hit in regulation (GIR) and how many putts I've used per round (putts).

I find the information interesting, but I'm not sure what to do with this data to improve my scoring on the course. I average 9 GIR and 32 putts. Can you give me some direction? — Tony W., Bismarck, N.D.

A: It's true that in order to improve your scoring you should keep statistics of your play, but keeping track of your GIR and putts without a serviceable strength and weakness

profile is not much help.

My advice is to develop accurate strength and weakness profiles for every club in your bag. These should detail, among other things, how far you hit with each club under varying conditions, plus your "miss" patterns, e.g., you miss your driver high right and your fairway woods low left.

When you have such profiles you can fit them into a plan to get around the defenses set by the golf course architect in as few strokes as possible. I explain how to do this in my book "The 30-Second Golf Swing." It explains the process in detail.

Here is a simple example to give you the flavor: You are about to play a par-4 with water on the right (starting at 150 yards from the green). The

wind is blowing 10 mph from left to right. When planning your tee shot you should ask yourself these questions:

If I slice my driver, will it reach the water? (If you're a slicer and it can, keep it in the bag.)

Should I put it in play with, say, a 3-iron vs. a 3-wood? (Lay up with the club you hit the best.)

It won't do you much good to be aggressive and hit a driver within wedge distance if you're not a good wedge player. And don't choose a 5-wood to play safe if your 5-wood is a troublesome club.

These are the types of questions to ask yourself when planning shots, and you'll know the answers if you've kept accurate strength and weakness profiles.

Bauer for Texas

HERALD Staff I

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The men received award for their cul-de-sac, 10 Capri Court. They received from the Keep Beautiful community July.

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HERALD Staff Report

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Only 175 students have been chosen by audition from 600 applicants to participate in this chorus.

The Big Spring students — Austin Goswick, Zachary Hernandez, Laura Herrera and Rachel Holladay — competed against children from the entire state of Texas who

are completing the fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

All four Bauer Elementary students will sing in the biannual chorus under the direction of Mary Alice Stollak, director of choral activities and children's choirs at Michigan State University.

They will perform in San Antonio during the Texas Choral Directors Association 49th Annual Convention, July 26-29.

The students are under the tutelage of Susan Dawes, Bauer choir teacher.



AUSTIN GOSWICK



RACHEL HOLLADAY



LAURA HERRERA



ZACH HERNANDEZ

A Pastor's Message

Daily interruptions often just rare opportunities, disguised

Many winters ago, when my family and I still lived in Washington State, we had a rather heavy snowfall for our area. This sound strange, but because we lived on the west side of the Cascade Mountains, in an inland valley, we usually had rain rather than snow.



THE REV. DWAYNE WHEAT

The snowfall was heavy enough that the school where I taught had been canceled. I was enjoying a quiet day at home with an opportunity to catch up with work that had been set aside for later.

Brenda, who was almost 3, had been watching the large flakes float past our window and the gradual accumulation of small drifts. The area around our apartment complex was reshaped into the look of a winter wonderland.

Soon she could stand this no longer and began to want to go outside and play. I was busy and at first made excuses for not going outside. Finally, I really looked at her and at what was developing

outside and decided that an interruption was truly in order.

Because of the interruption, the Lord gave me at least three very precious and delightful memories that could have easily missed. The first came when I mentioned to Brenda that we would build a snowman. I had not really thought about how this would get processed in her small world until I heard her say, "OK Daddy, I'll get the hammer." Just try to explain that one!

We went outside and memory number two began to develop. First, we did build that snowman — without the use of hammer, saw, etc. This was her first and so was an experience of wonder. Once we had made our snowman and had properly dressed him (with an old cap on top), we looked for other adventures.

We had read Ezra Jack Keats' "The Snowy Day" together not too long before, so you will not be surprised to learn (if you have read the story) that we now made angels. That was memory number two. I can still see one very small angel and one very large angel there in the snow, side by

side.

The third memory is one of sound. There was the sound of our talking and laughing as we struggled to build that snowman, the sound of her delighted giggles as she lay in the snow with a few feathery flakes on her nose and eyelashes, and then there were the happy sighs of a little girl just having fun.

And just think, I almost missed these in order to catch up on some work! I have no idea what that work was, but I clearly remember the joy that interruption brought and still brings as I reflect on that winter day more than 30 years ago.

Jesus understood just how important interruptions can be. He always seemed to be able to focus more on the opportunity than on the interruption. In Mark 5:21-43, one such event is described. Both the initial situation and the interruption urgently needed Jesus' attention. Notice how Mark's account begins —

Jesus went back across to the other side of the lake. There at the lakeside a large crowd gathered around him. Jairus, an official of the local synagogue, arrived, and when he saw Jesus, he

threw himself down at his feet and begged him earnestly, "My little daughter is very sick. Please come and place your hands on her, so that she will get well and live!" Then Jesus started off with him. So many people were going along with Jesus that they were crowding him from every side. There was a woman who had suffered terribly from severe bleeding for 12 years, even though she had been treated by many doctors. She had spent all her money, but instead of getting better she got worse all the time. [The Good News Translation]

Jesus addressed each need in turn. The woman is not scolded for her interruption, and the father is reassured that all will be well, even when the situation takes a desperate turn for the worse. Jesus shows us that interruptions are important and need to be fully addressed as God-given opportunities.

If they are neglected, something will be lost. May the Lord Jesus give us the wisdom and insight to recognize the opportunities that come in the form of everyday interruptions.

Dwayne Wheat is pastor of Berea Baptist Church.

Davis and Odom awarded by Keep Texas Beautiful

Harold L Davis And W. Paschal Odom have received the First Place — Group O.P. Schnable Senior Citizen Award from Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB), a leading Texas grassroots community improvement environmental organization.

The men received the award for their work in a cul-de-sac, located at Capri Court. They will be receiving recognition from the Keep Big Spring Beautiful committee in July.

The annual awards were presented during the 37th Annual KTB Conference June 15-18 at the Austin Marriott at the Capitol. Both Davis and Odom attended.

The O.P. Schnable Senior Citizen Awards recognize senior citizens in special categories of men, women, senior

groups and couples who have exhibited long-term dedication to the principles of Keep Texas Beautiful.

This award is named for the late O.P. Schnable, founding president of Keep Texas Beautiful.

The Keep Texas Beautiful Awards recognize individuals and groups for their commitment to litter prevention and cleanup, illegal dumping enforcement, the education and publicity of environmental issues and community beautification.

"The many applications we receive are proof of what great work is being done across the state," said Stacy George Cantu, executive director of KTB.

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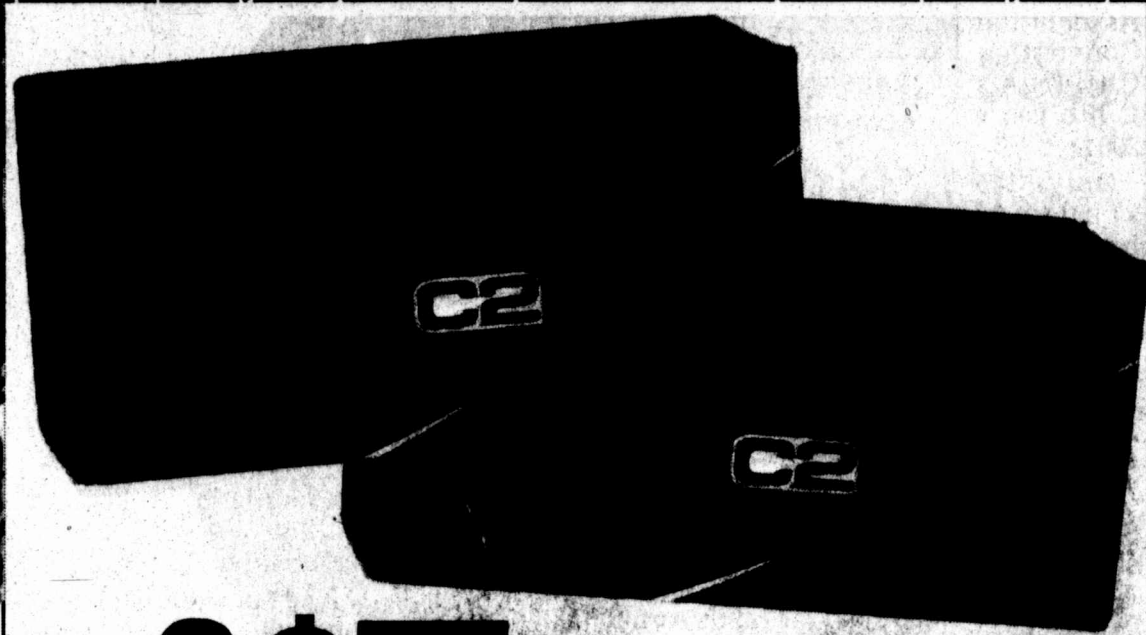
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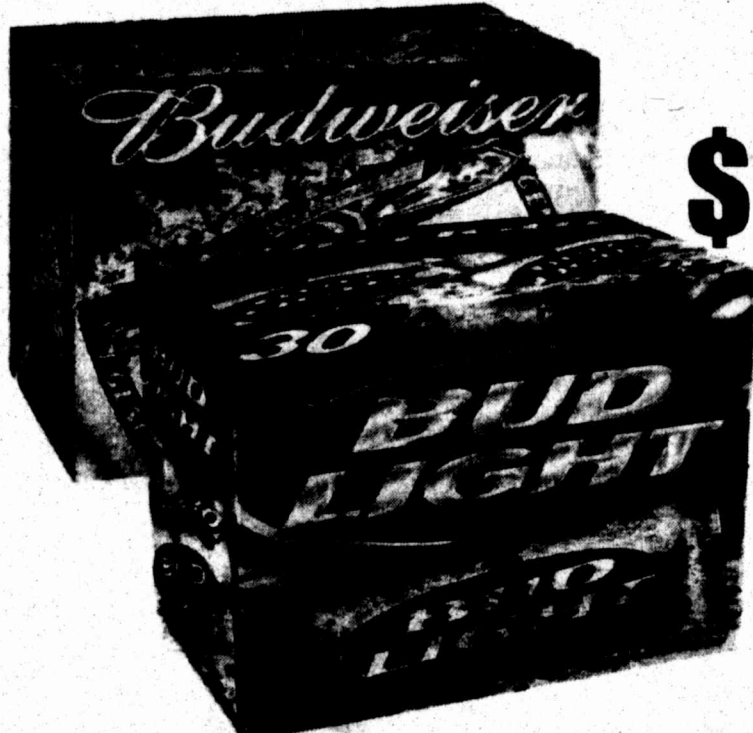
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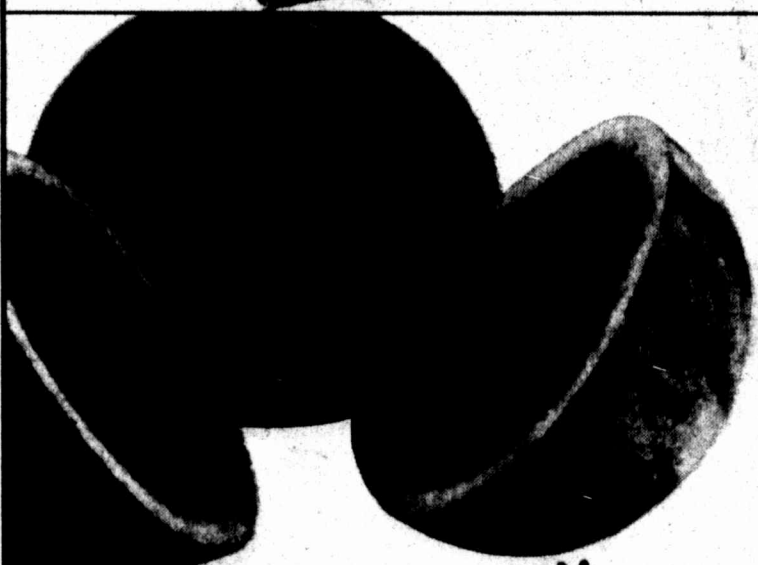
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Dates set for Camp of Champions

Coach R... has set Big Spring School's Camp of Champions to run from June 14 to July 1 at the Athletic Center.

The camp is open to boys and girls in fifth through eighth grades. For more information, call Coach R... at 432-269-3662 or 0519.

Chaparral round ball

A 14 and under ketball tournament titled Summer Camp will take place at Angelo Junior High. The tournament is for boys and girls and costs \$90 to enter. All entries must be entered by June 18. To enter, call 0628.

Forsan announces camp

Forsan's Buffalo will be held from 8 a.m. to noon on June 23. The camp is for boys and girls through eighth grade through their own designed skills and talents of football and conditioning. Each student will be divided into appropriate age groups. All participants will receive a camp T-shirt. The cost is \$40 per student. For more information, call Terry McDermott at 267-7445 or Thompson at 0099.

Martin County Hospital fund

The Martin County Hospital will be holding a 5K fun run on July 9 at Stanton. The race will start in the morning and the proceeds will go to the hospital fund.

Awards will be given for first, second, and third place in three different age groups. The race will start before 7 a.m. on race day. For more information, call Martin at 432-756-2222 or Dunn at 432-756-2222.

Big Spring ragball

The Big Spring Softball team will be holding a ragball tournament for a fundraiser on Spring Street. The tournament will be held on July 9, and the team for the tournament will be the Big Spring Softball team.

For more information, call Nicole at 432-267-6399.

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Event, Time, Location, etc.

Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Troy Hyde at 263-7331, Ext. 237. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com

IN BRIEF

Dates set for Camp of Champs

Coach Ricky Long has set Big Spring High School's Camp for Champs to be held from June 7 through July 1 at the Big Spring Athletic Training Center.

The weightlifting camp is open to males and females in grades fifth through eighth.

For more information, call Coach Long at 432-269-3662 or 432-263-0519.

Chaparral summer round ball classic set

A 14 and under basketball tournament titled Chaparral Summer Classic will take place in San Angelo June 26-27.

The tournament is for boys and girls and costs \$90 per team to enter. All teams must be entered by June 21.

To enter, call 325-277-0628.

Forsan announces camp Buffalo dates

Forsan's Camp Buffalo will run from 8 a.m. to noon, July 19-23. The camp is for all boys grades five through eight and is designed to develop skills and fundamentals of football, basketball and strength conditioning.

Each student will be divided into an appropriate age group and all participants receive a camp T-shirt.

The cost of the camp is \$40 per student.

For more information or to register, call Terry McDonald at 432-267-7445 or Tommy Thompson at 432-457-0099.

Martin County Hospital fun run set

The Martin County Hospital will be holding a 5K fun run/walk July 9 at 7 p.m. in Stanton. The race will start in the back parking lot of the hospital.

Proceeds from the race will go to the Dan Griffiths Scholarship Fund, which will provide scholarships to Martin County residents choosing a career in healthcare.

Awards will be given for first, second and third place finishes in three different age groups. The cost is \$15 before July 6 and \$18 on race day.

For more information, call Norma Garza at 432-756-2816 or Kathy Dunn at 432-756-3345.

Big Spring co-ed ragball toumey set

The Big Spring Girls Softball Association will be holding a co-ed ragball tournament as a fundraiser for Big Spring softball all-stars.

The tournament will be July 9, 10 and 11 and the team fee is \$125.

For more info, call Nicole at 432-264-2206 or 432-267-6391.

ON THE AIR

Sports Broadcast Schedule

Today		
Event, Time	Station	Time
Hargers @Marina, 6:00 p.m.	1490	
Saturday		
Event, Time	Station	Time
Astro vs. Argos, 5:40 p.m.	1490	
Sunday		
Event, Time	Station	Time
Hargers @Marina, 1:30 p.m.	1490	

Former-world champion makes mark

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

Every competitive category except for bull riding saw better times and scores Thursday night in front of historically common small crowd at the 71st annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo at the Howard County Rodeo Bowl.

Former World Champion Mickey Gee of Wichita Falls had the best performance of the night with a 4.2 second time in the steer wrestling competition. He is the overall leader through two nights and is way out in front of second place James Lockhart of Georgetown. Lockhart scored a 5.3 Thursday night.

Bret Franks of Goodwell, Okla. and William Pittman of Florence, Miss. each took over first place in the saddle bronc and bareback bronc riding competitions, respectively.

Franks scored an 85 Thursday night in the saddle bronc and Pittman turned in an 89 in the bareback event. Franks' next closest competitor Thursday was Cliff Norris of Hattiesburg, Miss, who turned in a 79. Cuero's James Boudreaux scored an 82 Thursday in bareback riding and stands in second place after two days of competition.

The times also were much faster Thursday in calf roping as Floresville's Scott Baker and McCaulley's Carter Edmondson finished neck-and-neck with times of 9.0 and 9.1, respectively.

Three women bettered Jody Masters Dodson's Wednesday time Thursday night in the barrel racing competition. Dodson turned in a 16.87 Wednesday and led after the first night, but Andrews' Debbie Bloxom and Millsap's Kelly Bruner each turned in a rodeo high time of 16.59 seconds Thursday. Morgan Montello of Campo also bettered Dodson with a time of 16.73 seconds.

Four participants scored points in bull riding Thursday, but none of the times were better than Wednesday's leader Gary Burt of Weatherford, who turned in a 90. Francisley Justino of Pilot Point and



Chip Dees of Philadelphia, Miss. rides his horse for eight seconds in the bareback competition at Thursday night's edition of the 71st annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. Dees scored a 78 for his ride, but was bettered by William Pittman's (Florence, Miss.) high score of 89.

Cory McFadden of Coleman both won Thursday night's run after each scoring 79 points, but still stand 11 points behind the leader. Howard College's Danny McDowell stands in second after two nights after turning in a score of 82 Wednesday night. Chase Dunham of Big

Spring turned in the best mutton bustin' score Thursday. Dunham's ride earned him 78 points. Thursday night's rodeo was featured as teen night and four area high school's competed in the calf dressing competition. The contest was won by Big Spring High School and Coahoma High

School took second. Garden City and Forsan were the other two high schools participating.

However, the most unfortunate event of the evening took place during the calf dressing contest as Ky Hofacket of Garden City High School suffered a broken leg.

Friday night's rodeo fea-

tures tijuana poker and a dance with Jody Nix and The Texas Cowboys. Charro Jerry Diaz and rodeo clown Rick Young will also be performing for what is expected to be a large crowd and Mike Mathis will again announce the event on horseback inside the arena.



Mickey Gee of Wichita Falls jumps off his horse and onto a steer during the steer wrestling competition Thursday night at the 71st annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. Gee, the 2000 world's champion, turned over his steer in 4.2 seconds, which currently puts him in first place after two nights.

BIG SPRING COWBOY REUNION AND RODEO

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Bareback Bronc:

1. William Pittman — 89
2. James Boudreaux — 82

Calf Roping:

1. Scott Baker — 9.0
2. Carter Edmondson — 9.1

Saddle Bronc:

1. Bret Franks — 85
2. Cliff Norris — 79

Steer Wrestling:

1. Mickey Gee — 4.2
2. James Lockhart — 5.3

Barrel Racing:

1. Debbie Bloxom and Kelly Bruner — 16.59
2. Morgan Montello — 16.73

Bull Riding:

1. Francisley Justino — 79
1. Cory McFadden — 79
2. (no second place)



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde Rick Young, a rodeo clown for the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, performed throughout Thursday night and provided entertainment to the crowd. He will be performing tonight and Saturday, as well.

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Reds battle back from early hole to knock off Rangers

By JOE KAY

AP Sports Writer
CINCINNATI - Junior is reluctantly taking his quest for No. 500 back on the road. Ken Griffey Jr. failed to get his milestone homer Thursday, but the Cincinnati Reds pulled off another late rally for a 4-3 victory and three-game sweep of the Texas Rangers. Sean Casey had a pair of hits and a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the seventh, a consolation prize for a capacity crowd that saw Griffey go 0-for-3 with a sacrifice fly. The Reds then headed for St. Louis, where Griffey will resume his attempt to become the 20th player to reach the 500-homer mark. The crowd of 40,383 stood and screamed encouragement in each of his at-bats.

A city that watched him grow up wanted to share one of his greatest moments. Instead, he grounded out, flied out and had a routine sacrifice fly off right-hander Ryan Drese (3-4). Down to his last chance, he was way ahead on his swing and struck out on a 76 mph pitch from left-hander Brian Shouse in the seventh. The interleague sweep revived the Reds, who arrived home at 5 a.m. on Tuesday after an 0-7 road trip to three cities. Griffey had only one homer on the trip, which knocked the Reds out of first in the NL Central. The Rangers lost their fourth in a row, matching their season high, as the offense again relied solely on homers and the pitching staff failed in the end.

All three games came down to late Reds rallies. Run-scoring singles by Ryan Freel and Barry Larkin tied it in the seventh, and Casey followed with his sacrifice fly off Shouse. Freel and Larkin led a decisive eighth inning rally for a 7-4 win on Wednesday night. Todd Van Poppel (3-2) gave up six hits in seven innings, including a solo homer by Mark Teixeira and a two-run shot to Hank Blalock, his second homer in four at-bats. Drese had a double and a single off Van Poppel for his first career hits. Todd Jones pitched the eighth, and Danny Graves got the last three outs for his 27th save in 33 chances.



The Cardinals were crowned 2004 Major League Baseball City Champions this past season. Front row, from left: Foster Burchett, Ragan Rhotan, Austin Gibson, Ty Johnson and Adam Guzman. Middle: Cole Campbell, Bryson Phillips, John Eric Molina, Alex Hensley, Sage Gibson, Matt Ritchey. Back: Coach Randy Phillips, Coach Tommy Gibson and Coach Mike Ritchey.

2004 ALL-DISTRICT 3-AA TEAM

Most Valuable Player:

Kelby Kemper, Coahoma senior

Defensive Player of the Year:

Garrett McNeese, Crane junior

Newcomer of the Year:

Henry Reyna, Colorado City sophomore

First Team:

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- Pitcher: Alfredo Frankò, Crane junior
- Pitcher: Tad White, Coahoma sophomore
- Pitcher: Cole Ratliff, Colorado City senior
- Catcher: Adrian Abrego, Coahoma junior
- 1st Base: Orrin Mansfield, Coahoma junior
- 2nd Base: Tate Taylor, Crane sophomore
- 3rd Base: Kenneth Scott, Colorado City soph.
- Shortstop: Daniel Sanchez, Crane junior
- Outfield: Sam Tindol, Coahoma senior
- Outfield: Chad Born, Coahoma junior
- Outfield: Roman Rodriguez, Crane soph.
- Outfield: Brik McGuffin, Colorado City soph.
- Outfield: Tyler Kelly, Colorado City soph.
- Utility: Dusty Corley, Crane senior
- DH: Brandon Smith, Crane junior

Honorable Mention:

- Third Base: Gene Corse, Coahoma junior
- Outfield: Justin Gard, Coahoma senior



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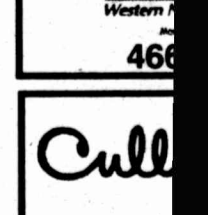
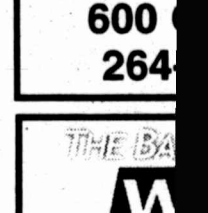
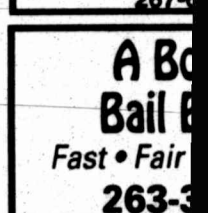
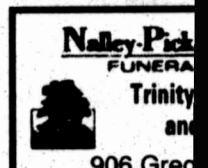
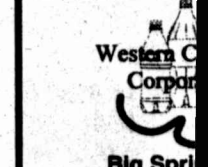
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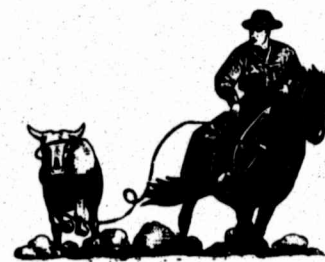
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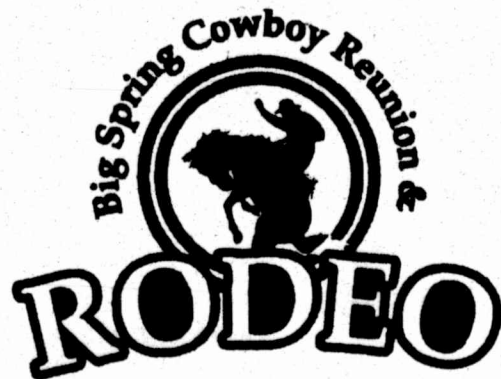
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Mutton Bustin'	Chase Dunham, Big Spring	78
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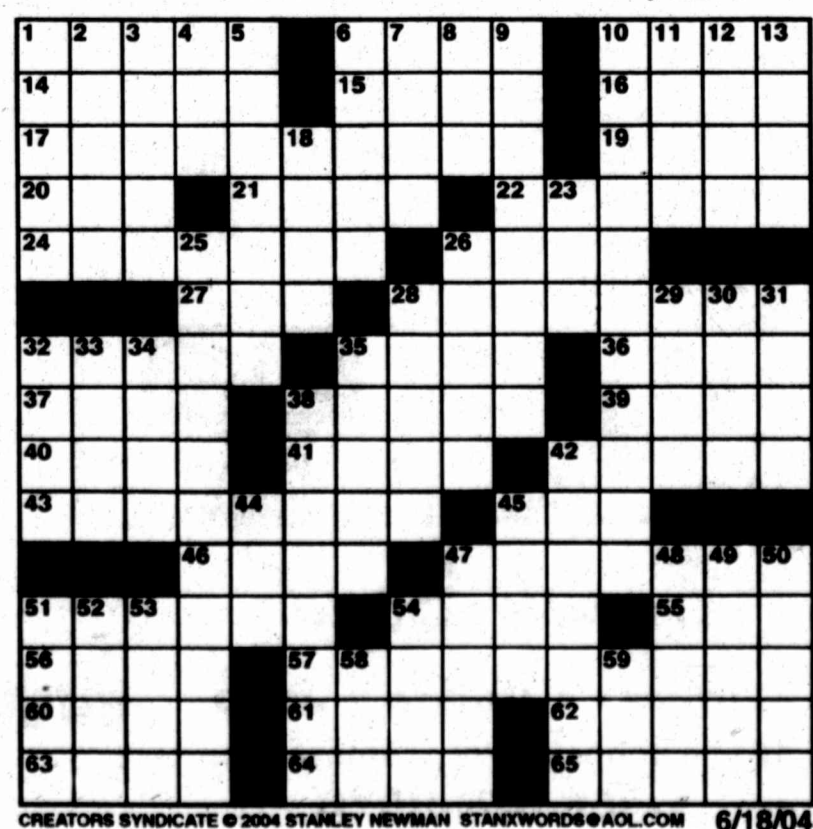
Today is Friday, June 18, the 170th day of 2004. There are 196 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On June 18th, 1983, astronaut Sally K. Ride became America's first woman in space as she and four colleagues blasted off aboard the space shuttle Challenger. In 1778, American forces entered Philadelphia as the British withdrew during the Revolutionary War. In 1812, the United States declared war against Britain. In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte met his Waterloo as British and Prussian troops defeated the French in Belgium. In 1928, aviator Amelia Earhart became the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean as she completed a flight from Newfoundland to Wales in about 21 hours. In 1940, during World War II, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill urged his countrymen to conduct themselves in a manner that would prompt future generations to say, "This was their finest hour." In 1945, William Joyce, known as "Lord Haw-Haw," was charged in London with high treason for his English-language wartime broadcasts on German radio. (He was hanged the following January.) In 1948, the United Nations Commission on Human Rights adopted its International Declaration of Human Rights. In 1948, Columbia Records publicly unveiled its new long-playing phonograph record in New York. In 1979, President Carter and Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev signed the SALT Two strategic arms limitation treaty in Vienna. In 1984, Alan Berg, a Denver radio talk show host, was shot to death outside his home. (Two white supremacists were later convicted of civil rights violations in the slaying.) Today's Birthdays: Actor Ian Carmichael is 84. Columnist Tom Wicker is 78. Rock singer-composer-musician Sir Paul McCartney is 62. Movie critic Roger Ebert is 62. Actress Constance McCashin is 57. Actress Linda Thorson is 57. Actress Isabella Rossellini is 52. Actress Carol Kane is 52. Singer Tom Bailey (The Thompson Twins) is 47. Rock singer Alison Moyet is 43.

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CATCH-ALL by Fred Piscop Edited by Stanley Newman

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON
The Cancer moon gives a preview of things to come. It's like watching a movie where there's a close-up of a gun on the table — you know it's going to go off at some point. Watch for clues in your own life, and decide how you'll respond now, while there's still time to change your destiny!



Joyce Jillson

Tomorrow, Mercury (communication) is also in Cancer. ARIES (March 21-April 19). At times like this, you're glad you did your homework or miserable that you didn't. Live and learn. Love affairs are like snowflakes, no two are exactly identical. Use a unique approach to romance tonight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). When it comes to helping others, you are somewhat of a magician who can tackle the seemingly impossible. But what about when it's your turn? You're very brave today, so go out on a limb for yourself. A Leo is on fire for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're appealing and so up to date, it's true. But somehow, you want to go deeper, developing yourself on a more profound level. When it comes to building character, it's consistency that counts. Keep promises to yourself.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Projects get sped along, hopefully not so quickly that you lose the original intent. The highest level of achievement on the job is still within your grasp. Reorganize and come at the task from a whole different place.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A certain toxic person will show some heart, once you remind this person that the heart is that thing located on the left side of the chest cavity. In the end, when someone does the right thing, does it matter why he or she did it?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your happy-go-lucky attitude pleases the powers that be. Nothing seems too hard, so why not make a play for a promotion? You're in the right frame of mind to give a strong case. Potential sweeties recognize that you're an original.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). While others are limited by what has been done before, you have an open mind and gladly entertain new possibilities. Tall tales are featured. Read between the lines, and you'll learn much about the storyteller.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're probably faced with too much work to take on alone; pay neighborhood children or a friend who could use the activity. An alliance with a Leo benefits more that just the two of you. Loved ones feel free to share deep feelings.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There are demands, requests and many responsibilities. In all of this, don't forget what is important to you. You may feel out of touch with your priorities, but this is the time to get back in touch.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Since you're basically a social creature, you could gain much by making your goals public and letting social pressure help keep you on track. One of your most important goals still has no deadline.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Socially, you are moving from detachment to involvement. You'll gain a new understanding of the purpose of key relationships. Meetings, memos and e-mails help you maintain an open flow of communication.

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Annie's Mailbox : Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: My parents have been married for 20 years. Mom has multiple sclerosis, and 15 years ago, Dad decided to leave her. Mom's disease was worsening, and he no longer wanted to take care of her. However, to keep her insurance, they never divorced, and to this day remain legally separated. They live in different cities.

My father speaks to Mom only when it is necessary to discuss their finances. They own land together and have joint banking accounts. Unfortunately, because there is still contact, Mom has put her love life on hold. In her heart, she believes there is a spark remaining and a chance she and Dad will get back together.

Dad, on the other hand, has had a girlfriend for the past five years. In fact, the two of them just bought a house together,



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

which Dad paid for with some of Mom's money from one of their joint accounts. (Dad claims he only co-signed for the girlfriend and the money is a loan.)

It bothers me that Dad refuses to tell Mom he has a girlfriend or that he used Mom's money for the purchase of the house. I want Dad to be honest so Mom will stop harboring fantasies about a reconciliation. My brother, however, feels it would break her heart and possibly accelerate the MS. Everybody else knows about Dad, this other woman and their new investment. It makes Mom look like an idiot.

So, should I talk to Mom or let her find out for herself? — Protective Son

Dear Son: Don't tell Mom about the girlfriend. She already may suspect, and pretending otherwise allows her to keep her dignity. If she's still harboring fantasies after 15 years of minimal contact, she doesn't WANT to give them up. You can encourage her to get on with her life as a single woman, but it will probably take some professional therapy to make her accept her situation.

The money is a different story. Dad should not be mining the joint account without discussing it with your mother. Tell him if he doesn't repay the money by a specified date, you will inform Mom. (Let Dad explain what it was for.)

son who will receive his master's degree next week. He has told me that he does not want to participate in the graduation because he doesn't like the fuss.

Annie, I am so disappointed. It may not be a big thing for my son, but it's a huge thing for me. He's come so far, and it's quite an achievement. Is this a new trend not to attend one's graduation ceremony? — Graduate's Mom

Dear Mom: It is not a new trend. Opting out of what some students consider a large, impersonal graduation ceremony is not unusual.

Explain to your son how much this means to you, that it is a major achievement, that you are proud of him and you want to bask in the glow. Of course, if he says no, please don't push. Perhaps you can celebrate with a party at home or a special dinner. Congratulations, Mom.

Dear Annie: I have a sister who has been diagnosed with osteoporosis. Please help me get more information about this problem and where we can find good treatment for her. — Sister in California

Dear Sister: First, your sister should ask her primary care physician to refer her to someone who specializes in osteoporosis. You also can check out local hospitals to see if they have osteoporosis programs or are affiliated with women's clinics that treat osteoporosis.

For resources and information on this disease, please contact the National Osteoporosis Foundation (nof.org), 1232 22nd St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037.

Dear Annie: A few years ago, I discovered my 27-year-old daughter, "Tess," had been molested as a child by my brother, "John." She never told anyone because John had threatened her. I later discovered that John had molested one of my nieces, too. When my

niece served in the Army, her drinking became so out of control that she had to see a psychiatrist, who documented the molestation.

Tess and my niece have given me permission to tell, but I know some of my relatives will not believe me. My sister (the only other one who knows) doesn't want me to ruin the family and is afraid we will be cut out of Mother's will, even though her own daughter was molested.

No amount of money will ever give the victims back their childhood. My daughter is still in counseling. I am especially concerned about a nephew who, as a child, lived with John. This nephew has disappeared from the family.

My brother belongs in prison, although I'm not sure he can still be arrested for a crime that took place so long ago, and I don't know if my daughter and her cousin are strong enough to take him to court. Please help me. — Loving Mom in New York

Dear Loving Mom: While many states have extended the statute of limitations when it comes to childhood sexual abuse, New York is not one of them. However, for some forms of abuse, the perpetrator can still be arrested up to five years after the victim turns 18. If that is the case for any of John's victims, he can be prosecuted, but it will take the willingness of those victims to step forward.

Talk to your daughter, and ask her to discuss the best course of action with her counselor. Whatever she chooses to do, please support her decision.

Dear Annie: My husband loves to coach baseball, and I never want to take that away from him. However, I really dislike this time of year, because all he talks about is baseball. We watch it on TV, he is in a Fantasy Baseball league with his buddies on the

Internet, and he plays baseball videogames constantly.

I am jealous of baseball. I want to be a good sport, but it is so terrible for me to want a little more attention between April and October? — Baseball Wife

Dear Baseball Wife: Be realistic. You can issue ultimatums and insist that your husband devote more time to you, but he'll resent it, and you'll feel like a shrew. Ask for one day each week (whichever day fits into the baseball schedule) when the two of you can go out to dinner and a movie, no sports allowed. It's a reasonable compromise, and Hubby should be willing to go along.

Dear Annie: In the last 10 years, I've noticed crosses or wreaths appearing wherever someone has been killed in a car accident. I am 48 years old, and for most of my life, I never saw anything like this.

I do not understand why people do this at the accident site. The deceased is not there. I get a shiver up my spine whenever I see one of these roadside memorials, and it upsets me. When did it become popular to set up these shrines? — Michigan Driver

Dear Michigan: Actually, historians believe roadside memorials have been around for centuries, originally marking the place where someone died while traveling. However, you are right that they are gaining in popularity, and placing crosses, candles, flowers, notes and teddy bears gives the site a personal and spiritual significance, and seems to provide comfort for the bereaved.

Some places have outlawed these memorials, claiming they are distracting to drivers or obstruct vision, but they also can warn others of dangerous intersections. If the shrines upset you, complain to your local department of transportation.

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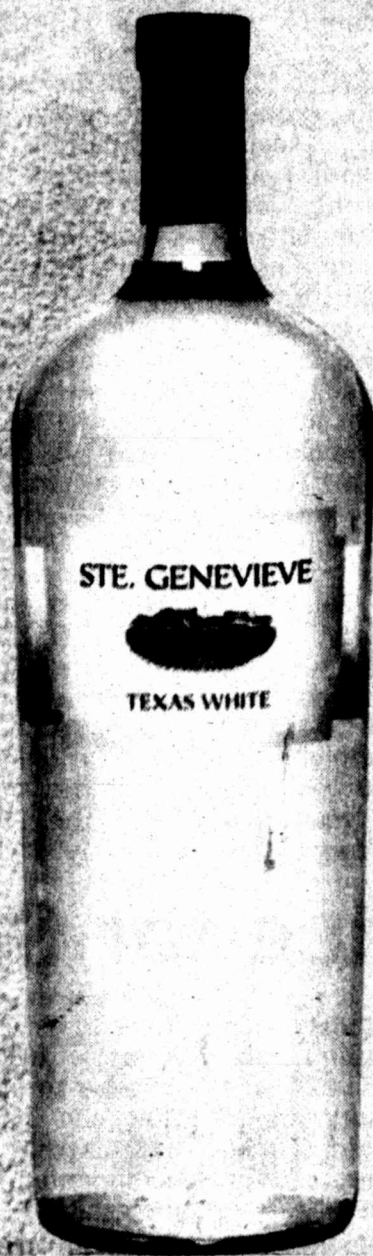
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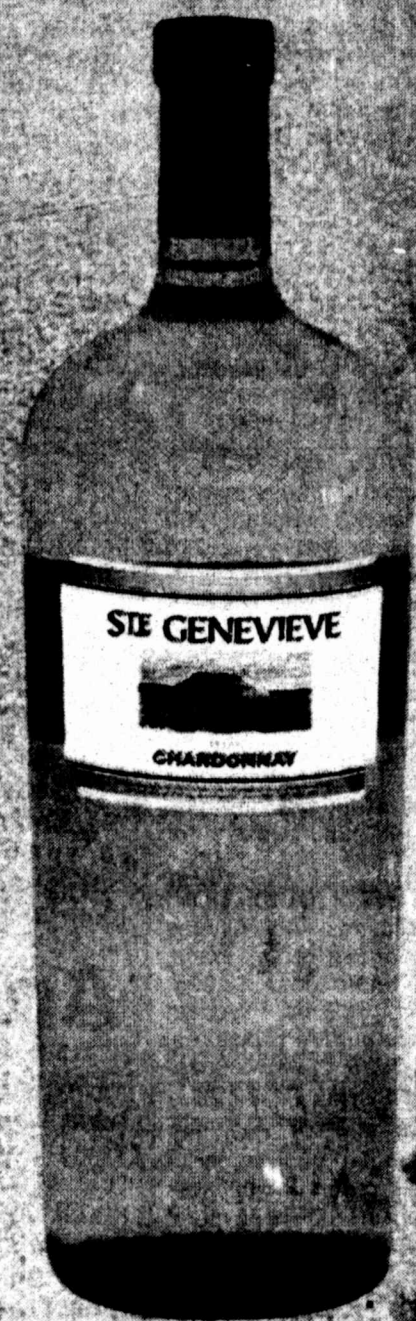
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