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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.



Scenes from a week of rodeo-related activities in Big Spring grace today's Life cover on Page 1C.

Love From Home

For three local women, the war in Iraq is as close as the United States Post Office.

Tammy Kennedy, Angela Lee and Roseann Joy organized Love From Home, a non-profit, grassroots effort to provide mail and needed items to the men serving in Iraq.

And they are asking for community support.

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Drugs and dollars on Forsan ISD agenda

Trustees to consider bond issue, student drug testing Monday

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Forsan Independent School District trustees will consider bringing a \$4.9 million bond issue to voters and discuss instituting a random drug testing pol-

icy for students involved in extra-curricular activities at their meeting Monday night. "We'll be making the final presentation to the board about the bond issue," said Superintendent Randy Johnson. "More than a year ago, we began the research. We put together a facility committee consisting of



JOHNSON

staff and community.

"We've gone out for cost comparison," he continued. "We've had a report from an architectural and engineering group and from a bond finance company. It is going to be our recommendation that the board go ahead with the bond election."

If approved, the bond will add a little more than 20 cents per \$100 valuation for each taxpayer, said Johnson, who added the school district's homestead exemption

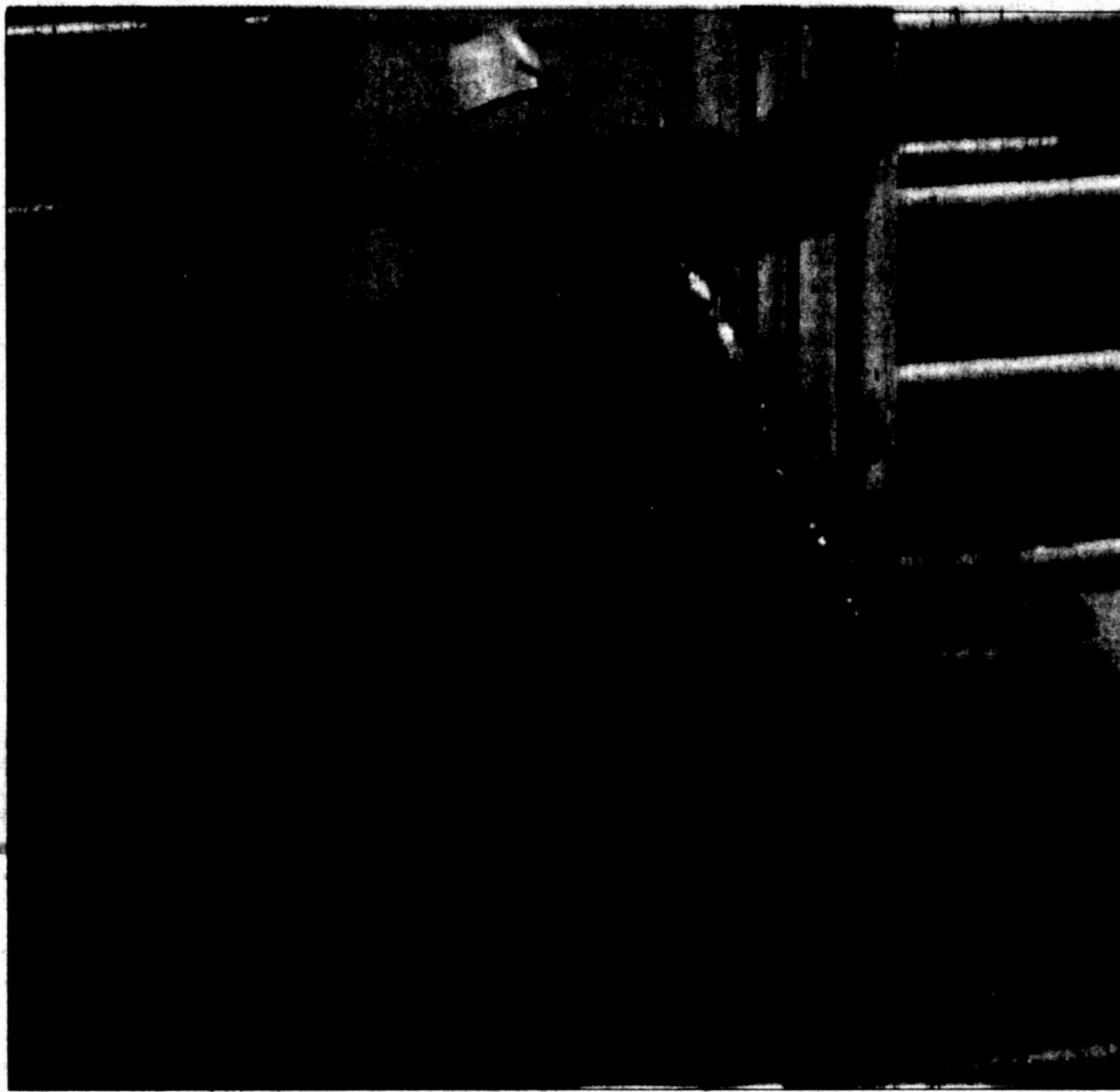
and other considerations are not figured into that cost at this time.

The money will be used to pay for extensive upgrading to facilities across the district, including the purchase of new air-conditioning units and remodeling of the high school/junior high science lab.

"We're excited to bring the voters a bond election that will pos-

See FUSD, Page 3A

RIDE 'EM COWBOY!



Dustin Webb of Madisonville tries to sneak his eight seconds of fame by a very angry and physical bull Friday night during the 71st annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Improving our image

Big Spring looking for slogan to help boost tourism, pride

By BILL MCCLELLAN News Editor

Looking to bolster city pride and promote tourism, the Rural Community College Initiative wants citizens to help come up with a community slogan.

"We're looking for a slogan or motto that can be used to help people identify with Big Spring. It would be a phrase that could be placed on billboards, bumper stickers, stationary, coffee cups, postcards, the Internet," said Susanne Reed, a committee member. "It's a way of selling Big Spring to the world."

Examples of slogans adopted by other See SLOGAN, Page 3A

"We don't want to put any restrictions on the contest because we want people to be creative."



Susanne Reed

Perry calls for state agencies, universities to trim 5 percent

HOUSTON (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry on Friday defended calling for state agencies and universities to reduce their baseline budgets by 5 percent for 2006-07, saying it's in taxpayers' best interest.

This week, Perry's office and the Legislative Budget Board told agencies to submit plans for spending state-collected general revenue at 95 percent of current levels.

"I think it is in the best interest of the people of the state of Texas that pay for state government to take a look at your budget. Go back and start at zero.



PERRY

Come to the Legislature and defend your expenditures," Perry said before attending a service at a Houston church in honor of the Juneteenth state holiday.

Before the 2003 legislative session, agencies were told to submit budgets that cut spending by 12.5 percent as lawmakers tried to solve a nearly \$10 billion shortfall.

Agencies could face a \$1 billion See PERRY, Page 3A



Danny Horton, left, and Hebrew "Hippy" Jones prepare smoked turkey legs for the Juneteenth celebration Saturday morning at Dr. Morgan Park.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

'Pops' in need of financial punch

With only two weeks to go, funds for fireworks and concert lagging behind

JOHN A. MOSELEY Managing Editor

With less than two weeks remaining before the "Pops in the Park" concert and fireworks display at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater, organizers say they are still far shy of the approximate \$30,000 needed to stage the event.

"Right now we've got about half the money we need to raise this year," Tim Blackshear, chairman of the Big Spring Fourth of July Foundation, said of the organizing committee's fund-raising efforts. "That's a little trou-

"Our plans are progressing just as they need to, with the exception of donations. We really need some help from the community."



Tim Blackshear

bling, since we're getting awfully close to the day of the show."

Crowds pack the amphitheater every year See POPS, Page 3A

and the crowd always spills over into the park and along U.S. Highway 87 with between 10,000 and 15,000 attending the July 3 concert by the Big Spring Symphony and Chorus and fireworks program. Blackshear said the committee expects as big a crowd or even larger this year.

"It seems like the crowd gets a little larger every year," he said. "And that's one of the reasons we always try to make each year's show a little bigger and better. We've



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Obituaries

Connie S. Washington



Connie S. Washington, 99, of Big Spring died on Saturday, June 19, 2004, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, June 21, 2004, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring with Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born on June 29, 1904, in Baird and married Willie Orion Washington on March 8, 1930, in Lamesa. He preceded her in death on Dec. 23, 1993.

She came to Big Spring as a young girl and had worked as a sales clerk at Hemphill Wells Department Store for nine years.

Mrs. Washington had been a member of the First Baptist Church for over 60 years. She was also a member of the Eager Beaver Sewing Club and had over 100 hours of volunteer service at the Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Survivors include three daughters and sons-in-law, Sonya and Bill Swindell of Big Spring, Carolyn Sue and Bob Touchstone of Midland, and Glenda Beth and Robert Mahoney of Arlington; six grandchildren, Patti Adams and Donna Thurman, both of Big Spring, Leslie Strickland of Odessa, Laurie Hall of Midland, Holly Huffman of Arlington, and Scott Mahoney of Littleton, Colo.; 13 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren; and a special friend, Jean Williams.

Grandsons Ricky Adams, Scott Mahoney, Kelly Huffman, Austin Adams, Jeremy Strickland, Garrett Hall and Casey Taylor will serve as pall bearers.

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*

Adan Morales

Adan Morales, 86, of Big Spring, died Friday, June 18, 2004, in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

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.

□ **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 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.

□ **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.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 8-9-27-29-30.

Number matching five of five: 1.

Prize per winner: \$42,468.

Winning tickets sold in: FORT WORTH.

Matching four of five: 123. Prize: \$155.

Matching three of five: 4,351. Prize: \$10.

Matching two of five: 43,765. Prize: \$2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Saturday night.

The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery: 5-6-18-26. Bonus ball 3. (five, six, eighteen, twenty-six, Bonus 3) Estimated jackpot: \$425,000

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Police blotter

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

• **BEN GARZA**, 50, of 1020 Stadium, was arrested Friday on a local capias warrant.

• **CODY NALL**, 20, of 1605 Bluebird, was arrested Friday on charges of minor in consumption, possession of marijuana - 2 ounces or less, carrying a prohibited weapon and possession of a controlled substance - more than 3 grams less than 200 grams.

• **MARTIN CARAVEO**, 37, of Knott, was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **MARY RODRIGUEZ**, 38, of 301 Furr Street, was arrested Saturday and held for the HCSO.

• **JOHNNY JUAREZ**, 22, of 634 Caylor, was arrested Saturday and charged with public intoxication.

• **ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO CAUSE BODILY INJURY/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 600 block of Third Street.

• **THEFT** was reported:

- in the 400 block of Fourth Street.

- in the 1500 block of Fourth Street.

- in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.

- in the 1100 block of Lamesa.

- in the 2300 block of Wasson.

- in the 1700 block of FM 700.

- in the 300 block of Owens.

• **PROHIBITED WEAPON** was reported in the 1700 block of Third Street.

• **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.

• **DISORDERLY CONDUCT** was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson.

• **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - 2 OUNCES OR LESS** was reported in the 1700 block of Third Street.

• **POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE** was reported in the 1700 block of Third Street.

• **CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL BY A MINOR** was reported in the 1700 block of Third Street.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported:

- in the 800 block of Seventh Street.

- in the 1200 block of Pennsylvania.

Sheriff's report

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

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the area of the Desert Hills Trailer Park.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 5700 block of E. Midway Road.

Support groups

**MONDAY**  
□ All widows and widowers are invited to attend the Encourager's Support group meeting at 6 p.m. Monday at the Spanish Inn. Call 398-5522 for more information.

**TUESDAY**  
□ The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 7 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

**THURSDAY**  
□ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

□ The Fibromyalgia Autoimmune Disease Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at noon in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center. Call 263-8273 for more information.

□ Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 N. Hwy 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

**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.

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

Weather

Sunday: A few clouds early, otherwise mostly sunny. Hot. High 98F. Winds S at 15 to 25 mph.

Sunday night: Mostly clear skies. Low 73F. Winds SSE at 10 to 20 mph.

Monday: A few clouds. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.

Tuesday: Slight chance of a thunderstorm. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the upper 60s.

Bulletin board

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

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.

MONDAY

• Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the north-west door. Call 263-2786 for more information.

• Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the La Posada Restaurant.

• DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams St.

• Christian Singles Fellowship meets from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Youth Hall. All singles in the community are invited for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.

TUESDAY

• Intermediate Line Dance classes begin at 9 a.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center. Call 267-1628.

• Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• A Stitchin' Time Club meets at 3:30 p.m. at Primitive Baptist Church, 201 E. 24th St. Everyone is invited to learn and share sewing skills, and portable sewing machines are welcome. Call Kay Sikes at 394-4835 for more information.

• Big Spring Band Boosters meets at 5:30 p.m. in the high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.

• Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. for dinner with a meeting to follow at 1st and Goliad streets. All Masons are welcome to attend.

• Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library. All working artists and those interested in art are invited to attend.

• Concerned Citizens for Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

• Big Spring Chapter 67 Order of the Eastern Star meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 219 Main St.

WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• Senior Circle meets at 10 a.m. in the Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for Stretch and Tone. Call 268-4721.

• Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.

• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

• Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St.

THURSDAY

• Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

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

• Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479.

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

FRIDAY

• Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Members bring their own lunch. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

• Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

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**Area trustees attend TASB conference**

**Special to the Herald**

Several area trustees attended the Texas Association of School Boards Summer Leadership Institute held in San Antonio, June 10-12.

Big Spring Independent School District trustee Ricky Robertson and Forsan Independent School District trustees Dale Humphreys, Tom Bill Kuykendall, Beckie Wash and Marty Whetsel joined more than 2,000 new and veterans school leaders receiving in-depth training on every facet of effective board governance and heard keynote addresses from education experts.

Topics explored during the two-and-a-half day institute include an update on school finance, reaching out to Hispanic families, school climate as a predictor of student achievement, record-keeping requirements under the Fair Labor Standards Act and family and community engagement.

The session also included an overview of such initiatives as the state accountability system and the No Child Left Behind Act.

Breakout sessions focused on the importance of diversity, district goal setting, management of public funds, superintendent recruitment and retention, successful par-

ent programs and public support of schools.

In depth sessions focused on topics such as trustee involvement in the legislative process, effective facilitation skills, productive meetings, team building, key duties of the board president and parliamentary procedures.

Addition in-depth sessions covered the basics of boardmanship, district governance, planning, accountability, school law, budget and finance.

Other breakout sessions examined board dynamics, media relations, superintendent evaluations, bond elections, the Open Meetings Act and teacher appraisals.

**SLOGAN**

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cities include "Sweetwater: Life is Sweet in Texas," "we're Big in Little Rock," "Billings: Montana's Business Hub," "Toronto: You Belong Here," La Mesa, Calif. "Jewel of the Hills," "Spokane. Near Nature. Near Perfect," and "Atlantic City, Always Turned On."

Citizens are being asked to submit their suggestions for a slogan for Big Spring. The winning slogan will earn the author \$200.

According to Reed, there are no guidelines.

"We don't want to put any restrictions on the contest because we want people to be creative. You

tell us what you want the image of Big Spring to be," said Reed, the Herald's publisher.

The slogan contest is only a part of what members hope can be accomplished through the RCCL, an effort funded by the Ford Foundation that partners community colleges with local interests to foster economic development. After meeting with a cross section of the community, committee members established four areas on which to focus: Economic growth, education, city and county partnership and community image.

In studying cities which have successfully improved their image, the group learned that community pride is the best building block to create to

change. In order to do that, the group wants to ensure that every citizen has the opportunity to join in.

"We want to involve everyone in the community in a group effort to better Big Spring's image," Reed said.

Slogans should be turned in to the Herald office at 710 Scurry. They can also be mailed to the Herald at P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721, or sent in by e-mail to publisher@bigspringherald.com.

Each entry or list of entries should include your name, address and telephone number.

The last day to enter the contest is July 15.

*Herald Staff Writer Lyndel Moody contributed to this article.*

**FISD**

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itively impact the student for years to come," Johnson said.

"The need for the bond is not because of neglect of facilities by the district but timing, Johnson added.

"The last bond election was almost 20 years ago and that was the last time we replaced the air-conditioning units," he said. "The carpets are 20 years old. Things are coming up this year."

If approved, Johnson said the administration will recommend Sept. 11 as the date of the election for the bond issue. Early voting would be held Aug. 25-Sept. 7 if trustees choose this date.

In other business, FISD may be joining Big Spring and Coahoma school districts in considering a random drug testing policy for students involved

in extra-curricular activities.

"I think we all are trying to do what is right for the students," Johnson said. "If we can provide anything to help the student say no to drugs, we have to do that. We want to give them maybe a cool way to say no by saying 'hey, I'm in athletics, I'm in band and that's more important to me than peer pressure.'"

Coahoma ISD trustees passed the first draft of a drug testing policy Thursday while the Big Spring board gave the go-ahead to its administrators earlier this month to

study the issue.

FISD trustees will also review the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) preliminary test results, summer maintenance projects, the preliminary tax values for 2004-2005, the National School Fitness Foundation program and financial and personnel issues.

Monday's meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the district board room.

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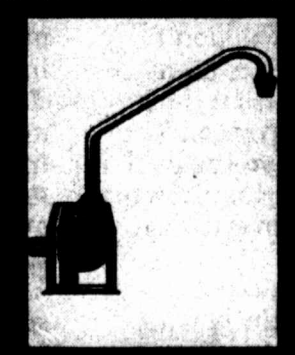
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**POPS**

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planned a bigger fireworks show than we've had in the past and gone to the expense of having someone choreograph the fireworks with the music the symphony will be playing.

"This is the largest single event in terms of the people gathered at one time that we have in our community each year," Blackshear added. "And we really have things going pretty well. Our plans are progressing just as they need to, with the exception of donations. We really need some help from the community."

Donations making the event possible come from local businesses and individuals, as well as corporate sponsorships. What's more, they make it possible for the organizing committee to open the gates for all comers free of charge.

"It is the entire community's celebration," noted

Blackshear. "It's an evening to gather with friends and family at the park and join your neighbors in celebrating the fact that we live in the best nation on earth. But to make that possible, we really do need the community's help. Luckily, this community has always come through for us."

For the first time, the committee selling "Pops in the Park" T-shirts to help in the fund-raising effort. The shirts, priced at \$10 each, are available at Big Spring City Hall, the Polly Mays Annex, the KBST studios and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce office.

Presenters of the event include the Big Spring Herald, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the city of Big Spring, the Big Spring Symphony and KBST.

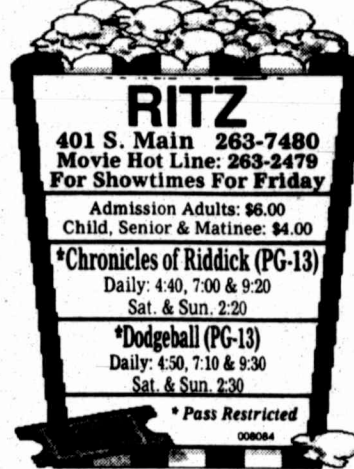
Blackshear noted that the committee is also seeking support at different levels — "Patrons" that donate \$3,000 or

more; "Sponsors" donating \$1,000 or more; and "Friends" that provide \$100 or more.

"We really want to thank those who support us in that manner," Blackshear said, but noted that smaller donations, "are just as appreciated."

Those interested in making a donation to the project can do so by contacting Debbye ValVerde at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641 or mail them to the chamber office at P.O. Box 1391, Big Spring 79721-1391.

Any individual or group interested in reserving a vendor's booth should contact Becky Crane at 267-5449.



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gap that could be solved by a 5 percent cut, according to lawmakers.

Unlike last year, however, the Texas economy shows signs of improving, according to state Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn's office.

Some critics have said asking state agencies to make more cuts on top of the ones that resulted from the budget crisis of 2003 would be harmful.

But Perry said the review of budgets is necessary.

"So the idea they would receive a message from the governor's office and the (Legislative Budget Board) that would say 'We want you to look at saving another 5 percent on your budget' is not only appropriate, I think it's good fiscal policy," he said.

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## OUR VIEWS

# It's your day, Dad, and one well-deserved

You might call him "Dad," "Daddy" or "Pop," but whatever you call him, today is his day. It's time to recognize the man who taught you to fish or how to throw a ball, carried you on his shoulders and gave patient advice.

He may have cried at your wedding, or you may have never seen him cry at all, but chances are he consoled your tears on many occasions.

For some, it seems he was always around ... especially when you were doing something you weren't supposed to do.

To others, however, he was rarely part of your life due to a demanding work schedule or family problems, and maybe you only got to know your father well as an adult.

One thing is certain, though. Fatherhood is taken for granted all too often today. It seems we are constantly being reminded that many children don't know their fathers or don't see them regularly.

Those of us who do should be thankful, because that's clearly something many in coming generations will not enjoy.

We should also remember that a father is sometimes a "father figure," someone who gave you his time and attention, even though he wasn't your father.

It is for all those sort of men we celebrate Father's Day.

For all the things your father was to you, take time today to show appreciation. Let him know that you saw how much he cared and what it's always meant to you.

And for fathers everywhere: We realize you had a tough job to do. Thanks for taking it seriously. Your influence continues to have a lasting effect.

Have a great day, because you've earned it!

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## A SMALL PRAYER

By K. Rae Anderson

*What we say and how we say it, Lord, reveals who we are. May our words be calm and kind.*

Amen

# Cheney's ticker — A party time bomb?

George W. Bush should ask John McCain to be his running mate. Dick Cheney has done a fair enough job as vice president. But he's not going to bring any new voters to a ticket that is fighting for its very survival and it doesn't help that many voters think of him as R-Halliburton.



DEBRA SAUNDERS

The veep's ticker isn't in the pink of health. He can bow out of the race gracefully, saying he's doing so for health reasons, and then spend his golden years as a venerable GOP icon who sacrificed his privileged position for the good of the party.

McCain would draw voters to the GOP ticket. The Arizona senator has a reputation as a maverick who nonetheless can work with politicians on the other side of the aisle; he appeals to voters outside the traditional Republican base. Democrats like McCain. Independents like McCain. OK, some Republicans don't like McCain, but they like Bush, and that should be enough.

Morris Fiorina, a political scientist at Stanford and the Hoover Institution, is working on a book which argues that American voters aren't as polarized as polls suggest. He believes the real polarization prevails among political elites and the extreme candidates parties nominate. While many political scientists see the country as hopelessly polarized, Fiorina believes that centrist candidates can break the gridlock and win elections.

To Fiorina, there's no question that McCain would help either ticket.

Democrat John Kerry reportedly asked McCain to be his running

mate, but McCain said no. McCain was right to do so. Feminists would have hounded McCain until he renounced his anti-abortion position. If he did so, McCain wouldn't be McCain, revered for putting principle first. If he didn't, he'd drive lefty votes to Ralph Nader.

But McCain could run with Bush and be true to his own politics. Fiorina liked the idea of a Bush/McCain ticket because McCain has a reputation as a problem solver — whereas Bush is seen to many as "stubborn" and "ideologically rigid."

The best part is: Admitting McCain into the Bush inner circle would signal a needed change in the Bush White House — and the Bushies wouldn't even have to admit it.

What is Dubya's biggest shortcoming? His demand for extraordinary loyalty has isolated him, so Bush is surrounded by people who think the same thoughts and see it as their duty to keep the inner circle orthodox. Secretary of State Colin Powell provides the exception to the rule, but he is the exception. (He'd be a good veep nominee, too.) As Bob Woodward's "Plan of Attack" makes clear, there has been insufficient debate within this administration, when the president might have benefited from hearing different voices.

Bush, of all people, should realize how hyper-loyalty can hurt a candidate. In 1992, advisers to Bush were intent on locking other people out of their exclusive club. But politicians don't win by being exclusive. They win by welcoming other viewpoints and constituents into the fold. Alas, the Bushies were so successful in keeping rivals out that they kept good people from getting in. Lucky for Bill Clinton.

The two biggest obstacles to my proposal are of course Bush and McCain, who don't particularly

like each other even if their frosty relations have thawed to the point that McCain is stumping for Bush this weekend.

McCain already has declared he won't be a vice president. But if Bush promises to give McCain a role in setting defense policy, McCain might see a chance to do good, improve conditions for America's fighting forces while achieving America's political and military goals in Iraq — and be the lead GOP choice in 2008.

As for Bush, he should know that humility is good for the soul. Appealing to McCain's better nature also would allow Bush to expand a skill set — charm — that he too long has reserved for Democrats only. And it would show the country a Bush willing to think outside the box inside which he has been sheltered for too long.

Fiorina sees the real dividing line in America as a schism between politicians who want to solve problems and politicians who don't.

McCain clearly belongs in that first class. He has worked with Democratic senators, and he has bucked his party when he believed it was in the nation's interest.

I believe Bush sees himself in that first class as well. But many voters don't see that man. They instead see a man who can't break away from his advisers and who puts personal friendships and loyalties ahead of the national interest.

And George W. Bush needs their votes to win re-election.

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# How much reform should Bush risk

During the pause in prematurely frenetic election campaigning forced by mourning for Ronald Reagan, senior policy advisers to George W. Bush pondered two serious questions: What domestic policy initiatives should President Bush pursue in a second term? Which of those should he campaign on this year?



ROBERT NOVAK

The answers will soon be debated inside the White House over how much reform Bush should risk. Political advisers are cautious and policy advisers bolder as they ponder these areas: Social Security, Medicare and taxes. Most likely, the president will advocate Social Security reform during this year's campaign, wait for a second term to reform taxes and not venture at all into Medicare's troubled waters.

The broad strategic question is whether Bush should seek a second term strictly as a "war president" fighting terrorism, the one area where current polls show him well ahead of John Kerry. While the political team wants to stick to the anti-terror agenda, the policy team considers it vital for the Bush presidency to confront issues that he was expected to address in a first term but did not. These are the decisions that only Bush himself can make.

Medicare is the issue he almost surely will forgo. Senior administration officials privately admit that last year's prescription drug bill was a disaster substantively

and politically. The golden opportunity for Medicare reform was squandered. Although the need for basic change along market-based lines persists, nobody has the will to revisit this issue any time soon.

Social Security is another matter. The need for change is pressing, and the basic element of reform has been decided: private retirement accounts. But that will not be enough. Means-testing is needed to remove from the rolls rich old Americans who don't need the federal stipend, many of whom long ago exhausted their contributions to the system. That change would demolish the fiction that this is a genuine insurance system rather than government welfare.

The big political problem is cost. Transition expenses for private accounts amount to \$1 trillion over 10 years. A more radical reform, however desirable, will cost even more. The difficult argument against Democratic opposition will be that these costs eventually must be incurred by the federal government, if not now, then later.

Bowed down by the war on terror and cautioned by conventional political wisdom to tread softly, Bush has hardly mentioned Social Security this year. But successful Republican candidates braved this supposedly lethal issue to their advantage in 2002, particularly among young voters receptive to changing a system they think will never benefit them. Bush faces conflicting advice over how much or how little he should pursue this course against Kerry.

Tax reform is much more complicated and dangerous. When Republicans seized control of

Congress in the 1994 elections for the first time in 40 years, radical restructuring of the Internal Revenue system was near the top of everybody's list. Yet, a decade later, the GOP has not even debated — much less chosen between — a flat tax and a national sales tax. Bush ignored the issue in the 2000 campaign and throughout his first term.

The obstacles to true tax reform, posed by both the liberal establishment and the Washington lobbying cartel, are formidable. Policy difficulties to be untangled are massive. Although the end of an intrusive tax system detested by millions promises rich rewards, no plan is ready for Bush in the 2004 campaign. It is an issue for his second term, but one that senior advisers believe he must address then.

When President Franklin D. Roosevelt announced "Dr. New Deal" had given way to "Dr. Win the War" upon U.S. entrance into World War II, his historic aggrandizement of the federal government was in place. Except for his signature tax cuts, George W. Bush's first term has averted the risky battles required for institutional reform. The president has shown in his invasion of Iraq his willingness to take risks, and he now is being urged to do the same on the domestic level if he is elected to a second term. If he loses this election, these issues will not be addressed for another decade or more.

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# The

By DAN NEIL

Los Angeles Times  
The Road.

Do you hear 1 of those words, songs pouring head like the stream from a g? Are you sudden up in blue on some highway with white-line course you are life is a high every day is a road. In fact, we do it in the

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# The tires sing, the wind hums, the radio rocks

By DAN NEIL

Los Angeles Times  
The Road.

Do you hear the power of those words, all those songs pouring into your head like the dusty stream from a grain silo? Are you suddenly tangled up in blue on the lonesome highway to hell with white-line fever? Of course you are. Because life is a highway and every day is a winding road. In fact, why don't we do it in the road?

Well, we do. Americans took to the highways in record numbers over Memorial Day weekend — according to the AAA, some 36 million traveled more than 50 miles for the holiday, defying unprecedented fuel prices. The summer peregrination is in full force.

And yet, The Road is disappearing. Fading from popular music is the body of imagery, the poetic conventions that evoke the Mythic American Road. Where are the songs written in the cadence of white lines and the key of singing tires, like Willie Nelson's "On the Road Again"? Where are the songs about fugitive romance, like Kris Kristofferson's "Me and Bobby McGee"; about journeys of self-discovery, like Simon & Garfunkel's "America"; songs of asphalt adventure ("Take It Easy," written by Jackson Browne, memorably recorded by the Eagles)?

These songs are part of the pop-music canon for a reason. Americans are pilgrims, historically and — until recently, perhaps — spiritually. From Lewis and Clark to Tod and Buzz and Thelma and Louise, movement and mobility have always been framed in metaphysical terms. Life on the road is morally superior to settled domesticity. The Road is a crossroads of self and space, where aimless wandering has a purpose and the empty horizon is full of promise. This is the big-sky universe of Whitman and Steinbeck and Kerouac and Hunter S. Thompson (just don't let him drive). It's the wind-blown home of fugitive souls such as Robert Johnson and Bob Dylan and Bruce Springsteen and countless others.

"As I rolled on, the sky grew dark

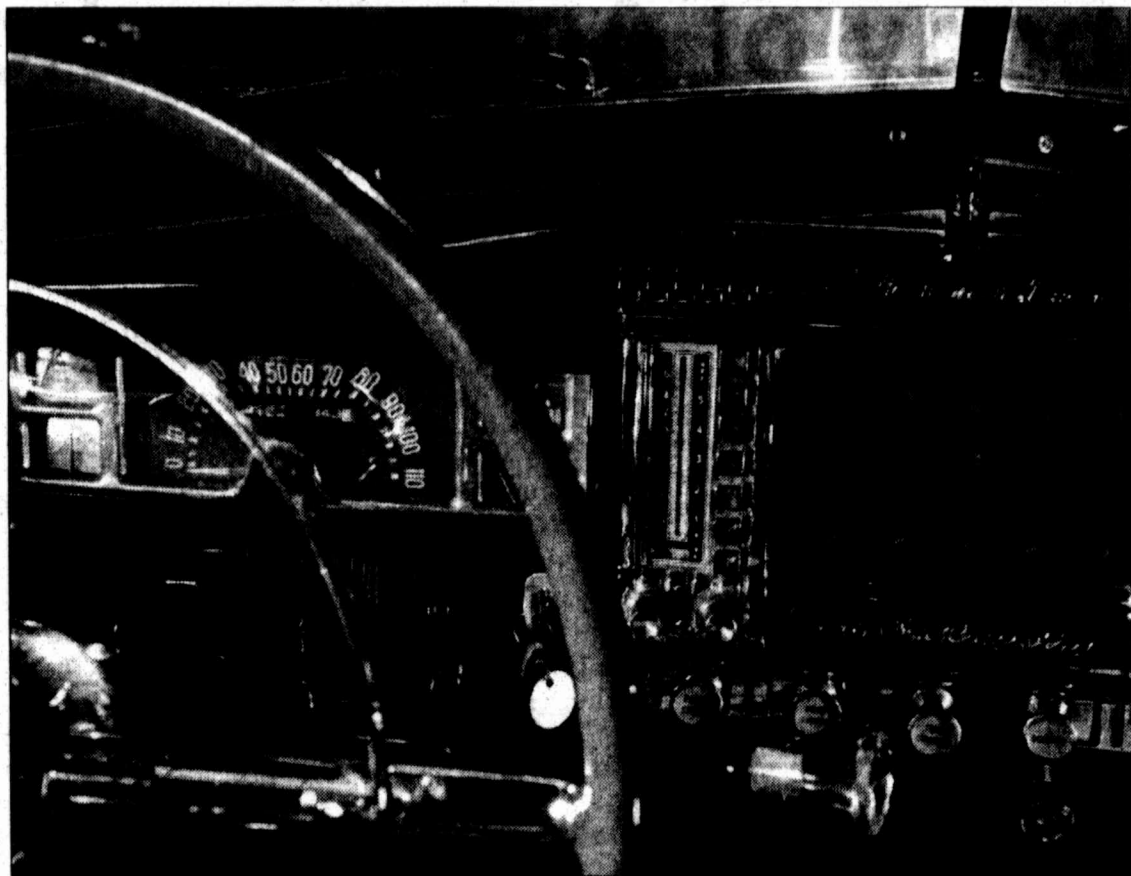
"I put the pedal down, to make some time

"There's somethin' good, waiting down this road

"I'm pickin' up whatever's mine."

— Tom Petty, "Running Down a Dream"

Songwriters and musicians have had plenty of real-life experience to draw on. "Musicians have always been the first ones to be run out of town," says T Bone Burnett, who put together the soundtrack for "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" — a picaresque film loosely



Los Angeles Times photo/Mark Boster

based on Homer's "Odyssey," which might be regarded as the original road song. "To a musician," Burnett says, "the road is home."

Of course, some of the greatest road songs are not about the road at all — any more than Kerouac's "On the Road" or the driving scenes in Nabokov's "Invitation of a Beulah" are about transportation infrastructure. AC/DC's "Highway to Hell" is a fist-pumping anthem of dysfunction. Aretha Franklin's "Freeway of Love" — a song that bounces like a car on the expansion strips on the 210 East — is a classic double-entendre:

"We got some places to see

"I brought all the maps with me

"So jump right in ...

Ain't no sin

"Take a ride in my machine."

It's the imagery of the road that's so appealing. And it's this very imagery that is fading away.

Take the Google onramp to the information superhighway and do a search for "road songs." You will soon come across the Federal Highway Administration's road-song list. Compiled by the agency's self-appointed and — he is anxious to emphasize — unofficial musicologist, Richard F. Weingroff, the list comprises almost 800 songs that mention roads or highways. When it came to picking out road songs, Weingroff had pretty high standards. "I didn't want a lot of rock songs about the weary travel of the road," he says. Weingroff also brought a bureaucrat's sense of propriety. "In a lot of songs the road is a metaphor for drinking ... and so on."

On Weingroff's list you will find the usual suspects: the Allman Brothers' "Ramblin' Man"; The Who's "Going

Mobile" and the ever popular and bombastic "Born to Be Wild" by Steppenwolf. The pantheon of rock gods is well represented. "At first I was just listing songs I liked," the fortysomething Weingroff admits sheepishly. Also included are standards such as Bobby Troup's "Route 66."

What's interesting in Weingroff's list is the near absence of songs from the past decade. There are a few, to be sure, such as Fastball's 1998 hit "The Way," a song about the mysterious disappearance of an older couple who abandoned their kids to take a road trip. But others only prove the rule. The Stone Temple Pilots' "Interstate Love Song" actually creates its lovelorn landscape around the anachronistic image of train travel.

Frank X. Brusca's www.route40.net Web site has a similar compendium of road songs, helpfully organized by rubric, such as "bus songs" ("Promised Land" by Chuck Berry, for instance) or "truck songs" ("Willin'" by Little Feat, or the loony novelty song "Convoy," by C.W. McCall). Brusca's list includes all kinds of music, from Texas swing to jazz, blues and radio rock. Yet, just as in Weingroff's list, fresh road songs are scarcer than cappuccino machines in East Texas.

Even country music has grown increasingly immobile and domestic, its imagery hemmed in by suburbia. Shania Twain's

crossover monster "Still the One" is a far cry from Johnny Cash's peripatetic version of Hank Snow's "I've Been Everywhere" ("Listen! I've traveled every road in this here land!") or Merle Haggard's "White Line Fever":

"I wonder just what makes a man keep pushing on

"What makes me keep on hummin' this old highway song

"I've been from coast to coast a hundred times before

"I ain't found one single place where I ain't been before."

The last Grammy-winning country song that put the road to good use was "The Highwayman" recorded in 1985 by grizzled eminences Cash, Haggard, Nelson and Kristofferson.

Regardless of the list you consult — and there are plenty — it seems apparent that songs of the road are running on empty.

"The romance of the car and the road is receding in the face of the world we now live in," says musician and composer Burnett. "The idea that there's this great frontier and we're going to go someplace and it's going to be better. The frontier is closed off to us now."

Ironically, when it comes to listening to

music, the road has never been better. The cabin of the average compact car today is many decibels quieter than the best luxury cars of a few years ago. Carmakers have formed alliances with audiophile stereo manufacturers and the results are rolling concert halls. So why have songs run off The Road?

Perhaps because the roads themselves are less interesting. With the creation of the Eisenhower Interstate Highway System in the 1950s, the smaller, rural-threaded highways, the roads of national memory and experience, became obsolete: Highway 61, the way north for poor Southern blacks; Route 66, Steinbeck's "Mother Road," heading west toward California. Frank Lloyd Wright once said Route 66 was "a giant chute down which everything loose in this country is sliding into Southern California." These two highways have figured in scores of songs and more than a few movies.

It's a bit harder to work up a good lyric about a boring concrete flume like Interstate 5. However, there is a two-volume collection of songs called "The I-10 Chronicles" featuring music by vagabond souls such as Ry Cooder, John Hiatt and Warren Zevon, and spanning the road's musical geography, from country, rock, folk, conjunto and blues.

If there is one quality above all that defines a good road song, it's "longing," Burnett says. "For getting away from home, or getting to home." This is the homesick ache in songs such as "Six Days on the Road," a gear-jamming ode to love, or Golden Earring's smoldering "Radar Love."

"I've been drivin' all night my hand's wet on the wheel

"There's a voice in my head that drives my heel

"And my baby calls that she needs me here

"It's half past four and I'm shifting gear."

— Golden Earring, "Radar Love"

The flip side is wanderlust, a kind of restlessness that wakes song narrators up at night and sends

## TOP 25

Los Angeles Times pop music critic Robert Hilburn's top 25 road songs:

1. "Born to Run," Bruce Springsteen
2. "Highway 61 Revisited," Bob Dylan
3. "Me and Bobby McGee," Janis Joplin
4. "Thunder Road," Springsteen
5. "Ol' 55," Tom Waits
6. "Promised Land," Chuck Berry
7. "On the Road Again," Willie Nelson
8. "I've Been Everywhere," Johnny Cash
9. "White Line Fever," Merle Haggard
10. "Refuge of the Road," Joni Mitchell
11. "In My Car," Beach Boys
12. "Wheels," Flying Burrito Brothers
13. "Route 66," Rolling Stones
14. "Six Days on the Road," Dave Dudley
15. "America," Simon & Garfunkel
16. "Take It Easy," the Eagles
17. "Running on Empty," Jackson Browne
18. "Sweet Hitch-Hiker," Creedence Clearwater Revival
19. "Statesboro Blues," Allman Brothers Band
20. "L.A. Freeway," Jerry Jeff Walker
21. "Long May You Run," Neil Young
22. "Willin'," Little Feat
23. "Autobahn," Kraftwerk
24. "Rocket 88," Jackie Brenson
25. "Long White Cadillac," the Blasters

them out the screen door. In Springsteen's "Born to Run" or James Taylor's "Highway Song," adventure takes the place of security, faith supplants certainty.

The Road has always been a central feature of the American landscape, the principal metaphor that defines our experience as free people in a vast land. Yes, we are driving more but we seem to be enjoying less, if the creative impulse of our songwriters is any indication. Have we lost the longing, the over-the-horizon ambition that has defined us since Whitman's "Song of the Open Road"?

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# Saudi officials say al-Qaida leader killed after dumping body of American hostage

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — Saudi TV broadcast pictures Saturday of four bloodied bodies that authorities identified as the reputed leader of al-Qaida in the kingdom and three other militants killed in a gunbattle after dumping the mutilated body of an American hostage.

The al-Qaida cell allegedly led by Abdulaziz al-Moqrin fulfilled its threat to kill engineer Paul M. Johnson Jr., beheading him and showing grisly photos on the Internet on Friday. The slaying drew a chorus of condemnation from around the world, with even one of America's staunchest foes, Syria, calling it a "shameful crime."

The death of al-Moqrin, 31, would be a coup for Saudi Arabia's government, which has been beset by a wave of attacks on Westerners that has unsettled citizens and foreign residents.

The airing of the pictures appeared to be a rebuttal to a posting on an Islamist Web site Saturday denying al-Moqrin had been killed and saying the claim was "aimed at dissuading the holy warriors and crushing their spirits."

On state-run national television, a Saudi announced said four men killed by police after being cornered at a Riyadh gas station included al-Moqrin, the kingdom's most-wanted terror suspect.

A picture showed the face of an apparently dead young man, clean-shaven except for his mustache and resembling past pictures believed to be of al-Moqrin. Al-Ekhbariya, an all-news Saudi satellite channel, showed a full photograph of the same corpse, covered with blood.

A trickle of blood ran from the mouth of another of the militants pictured, and the teeth of

a third appeared smashed.

A U.S. official who spoke on condition of anonymity Friday had confirmed al-Moqrin's killing, while a Saudi official said forensic tests would confirm its identity.

Johnson was the latest victim of an escalating campaign of violence against Westerners that is aimed at driving foreign workers from the kingdom and undermining the ruling royal family. Osama bin Laden, al-Qaida's leader, was stripped of his Saudi citizenship more than a decade ago after becoming increasingly critical of the monarchy.

Johnson's severed head was shown on a Web site Friday after his wife went on Arab television and tearfully pleaded for his release.

After news of Johnson's death was released Friday, a witness reportedly saw his body

dumped from a car just outside Riyadh and informed police of the car's license number.

Police were said to have stopped the car at a gas station in Riyadh's al-Malaz neighborhood and a fierce gunbattle erupted, during which the four militants died. Al-Ekhbariya broadcast footage of the station showing blood on the street and on merchandise inside.

"Security forces managed last night in confrontations with a group of terrorists to kill four of them, the top being Abdulaziz Issa Abdul-Mohsin al-Moqrin, who claims to be the leader of the gang that condemns people as infidels," the state-run TV announcer said, reading from a statement attributed to the Interior Ministry.

The official Saudi Press Agency carried a similar statement. It identified the three other militants killed as Faisal Abdul-Rahman al-Dikheel,

Turki bin Fuheid al-Muteiry and Ibrahim bin Abdullah al-Dreiham.

According to the SPA statement, al-Dikheel, also on the kingdom's list of the 26 most-wanted militants, was involved in a number of killings and apparently was featured in video footage of Johnson's killing. It said Al-Muteiry was among the militants involved in a May 29 attack in the oil hub of Khobar that killed 22 people. Al-Dreiham was linked to the Nov. 8 suicide bombing at Riyadh housing compounds that killed 17.

Johnson, 49, who had worked in Saudi Arabia for more than a decade, was kidnapped last weekend by militants who threatened to kill him by Friday if the kingdom did not release its al-Qaida prisoners. The Saudi government rejected the demands.

# One officer killed, another hurt in standoff; gunman also dead

GRAND PRAIRIE, Texas — A 20-year Navy veteran who received a medical discharge three years ago told his parents this week that they would never see him again.

Two days later, Timothy Joe Irwin was dead after shooting two police officers who had gone to a Wal-Mart parking lot to check on a blue camper-style van that he was in.

Sgt. Gregory Hunter, 54, died Friday, but Officer Bruce Seix managed to fire a few rounds before he was wounded, and those shots killed Irwin,

said Grand Prairie detective John Brimmer.

Irwin, who lived in Grand Prairie, was considered 70 percent disabled, Brimmer said. But the detective said he did not know the nature of Irwin's service-related injury or what he had been doing since leaving the Navy.

"Obviously, whatever was going on in his life, he was having problems," Brimmer said.

After getting a call about a van that had been running all night, Hunter went to the front of the

vehicle and Seix to the side about 9:20 a.m. Friday, Brimmer said. Irwin, 42, shot Hunter at least twice through the front windshield; Seix was shot but returned fire.

Seix, 44, was hospitalized in critical condition after his lung and liver were pierced by bullet fragments, but he was "conscious and talking" Friday afternoon and was expected to recover, Brimmer said.

The shooting led to a six-hour standoff. SWAT negotiators spoke on a

loud speaker in English and Spanish, telling Irwin to call them or come out, but he never responded. Brimmer said Irwin apparently used his cell phone at some point to call his girlfriend.

When authorities entered the van about 3:30 p.m., an hour after firing several flash-bang grenades and tear gas inside,

they found Irwin dead.

John Jacobs, the manager of a Payless Shoe Source near the Wal-Mart, said he was about to leave the store to go to the bank when he heard three pops. He said he thought a car must have backfired until he heard another volley of pops.

"When I heard whistling, I knew rounds

were coming in our direction. So when I heard the whistling, I hit the ground and I called the cops," said Jacobs, who was locked alone in the store as the standoff continued outside.

For more than six hours, 150 Wal-Mart shoppers and 60 employees were locked inside the store.

# 12-year-old brings rifles, shotgun to school

GAINESVILLE, Va. — A 12-year-old student in camouflage gear was arrested Friday for bringing two rifles and a shotgun to his school, police said.

No shots were fired and no one was hurt, but about 1,100 students were evacuated from Bull Run Middle School, about 35 miles west of Washington.

Police also arrested a woman who works in the school cafeteria and knew about the guns, but kept silent. Naomi Lewis, 38, gave the boy a ride to school and kept the guns locked in her car, Chief Charlie T. Deane told The Washington Post.

An assistant principal making his morning rounds found the armed

boy in a bathroom, Prince William County police said.

"The assistant principal's very tall, and he looked over the stall and he observed... a weapon," said Chief Charlie T.

Deane. "Subsequently, other weapons were found in that general area."

The assistant principal left the bathroom, called police, and began the evacuation.

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**Linda Juarez**

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# Love From Home

Local women stage grassroots effort to provide soldiers letters, needed items

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**  
Feature's Editor

For three local women, the war in Iraq is as close as the United States Post Office.

Tammy Kennedy, Angela Lee and Roseann Joy, whose son, Lance Cpl. Jason Birmelin with Echo Company in the United States Marines, organized Love From Home, a non-profit, grassroots effort to provide mail and needed items to the men serving in Iraq.

And they are asking for community support.

"Jason has told me there are soldiers in his company who receive no mail from home, no packages, nothing, and he says receiving letters is very important to their moral," Joy said.

"What we're doing is getting the word out and asking the community to donate articles the soldiers are needing and to donate toward covering the cost of shipping these items to the soldiers in Iraq," Kennedy said.

Simple things that most Americans take for granted make a tremendous difference in the quality of life American soldiers have in Iraq, she said.

"They need things like sun screen and socks — lots of socks. Also zip lock bags, which they use to keep their wallets and cameras and things in, to protect them from the sand," Kennedy said.

In the 140-degree heat, military-issue wool socks are too hot to wear. And a lack of water requires the soldiers to dispose of the socks daily, because there is not a place for the soldiers to wash clothes, Joy said.

"The soldiers there share everything and they talk about everything. That's their family now. They've been hit by bombs twice and lost some men. My son has changed. He's a man now," Joy said.

Several area businesses have agreed to be collection points for any items

donated. They are C&M Garage, StarTek, Home Hospice, Allan's Furniture and the *Big Spring Herald*.

Items may be dropped off at any of these locations, or call Kennedy at 466-1759, Joy at 268-9232 or Lee at 268-1705.



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lights with a red lens and bungee cords.

"We have to be careful what we send, because they have to meet the Iraqi laws. Plus, the heat restricts cer-

tain things we send," Kennedy said.

Travel-size items are often ideal, Lee said, and only non-aerosol cans and food without pork products may be received. And Kennedy said pen pals are also needed to write the soldiers.

"They haven't had access to a post office, so stamped envelopes are really welcome," Joy said.

She added that with her son in Iraq, she doesn't listen to the news now, but relies on Web sites to keep her up-to-date on the status of the war.

"It was really hard when he first left, because I was so used to talking to him every day and then he shipped out and I heard nothing for several months. Now he gets to call every few weeks, and that's better," she said.

All the women agreed Love From Home is one way they can actively support American soldiers. Privacy laws prevent publication of the soldier's names, but the women said they are determined to see every soldier receive a Love From Home package.

"Whether someone agrees with the war or not, all we're asking is for help supporting our men and women who are ordered over there, fighting for us and fighting for our country," Kennedy said.

And Lee added, "Most of them are just kids. It's not enough for me just to show my patriotism. I want to do something and I hope others in our community will help us."

Contact **Marsha Sturdivant** at 263-7331 or e-mail [life@bigspringherald.com](mailto:life@bigspringherald.com)

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**"Whether someone agrees with the war or not, all we're asking is for help supporting our men and women who are ordered over there, fighting for us and fighting for our country."**

"If you reach an answering machine, just leave a message. We're hoping to find a church or other facility to allow us a place to bring the items when we package them each week. It takes several weeks for the packages to reach Iraq, but we know the soldiers really appreciate them," said Lee, who is Birmelin's aunt.

Some of the items the soldiers need beside socks and sun screen include foot powder and baby powder, disposable razors, snacks and candy that will sustain the heat and not melt, used books and magazines, hand sanitizer, waterless shampoo, disposable wipes, gum not wrapped in foil, toothpaste, tooth brushes, deodorant, lotion and shaving cream.

Also needed is toilet paper and tissue, cough drops and throat lozenges, pain relievers such as aspirin, ibuprofen or acetaminophen, cotton swabs, feminine products for women soldiers, pens, envelopes, paper, single-use cameras, tobacco products, sunglasses, batteries, which must remain packaged, duct tape, super glue, flash-



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## Workers' Compensation Course

The Howard College Risk Management Academy, in conjunction with Texas Mutual Insurance, will be conducting a Worker's Compensation Insurance overview on Tuesday, June 29th from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

This four hour course is designed to provide a basic knowledge of workers' compensation insurance concepts and procedures. Participants will learn how workers compensation insurance works, what it covers, and what they can do to help keep costs of the coverage low. The seminar will also review many of the workers' comp claim forms that are used by employers.

The cost of the June 29th Worker's Compensation Insurance overview is only \$15.00.

For registration information please contact TaNeal Richardson of the Howard College Risk Management Academy at 264-5130.



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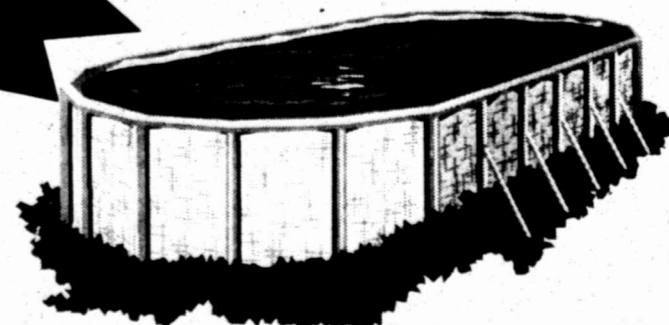
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## Samaritan Counseling Center taking nominations for Family of the Year

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas is looking for a few good families — three to be exact.

The organization is currently taking nominations for the Big Spring family of the year, an accolade that has gathered a decade of honor since it was first given in the early 1990s.

"It's hard to believe it, but this will be the 10th year for the award," said Margaret Jones, executive director of the center. "I was involved with the program the first year we did it and it's just wonderful to see the way it has grown over the years."

Jones said it's time to begin the process of choosing the family that will receive the prestigious award.

"We're currently accepting nominations for the award," said Jones. "We'll take nominations for fami-

lies in Big Spring, Odessa and Midland, and one winner will be chosen from each community to be honored during our annual banquet.

"The banquet is set for Oct. 21 at Green Tree Country Club in Midland, and we have a very special speaker lined up for it. Ladonna Gatlin, sister of Larry Gatlin of the Gatlin Brothers, will be our inspirational speaker. She also sings, so it's really going to be a lot of fun."

Jones said nominations are a vital part of the process, and she hopes to see them pour in from all three communities.

"We want people to nominate families that they admire because they live their faith and are committed to family, friends, church and community," said Jones. "Just being nominated is a huge honor because it shows what you do in your community doesn't go unnoticed."

"Anyone can send in a nomination, and if they want to send it anonymously that's fine too. In a good year we usually get about 10 nominations from each of the three communities, and we're hoping for more this year."

The Pam and Richard Steel family was honored with the Big Spring award last year.

Nomination forms are available online at [www.samaritancwtx.org](http://www.samaritancwtx.org) or by calling 432-563-4145. Nominations should be mailed to P.O. Box 60312, Midland 79711.

Samaritan is a non-profit, faith-based counseling center with offices in Midland, Odessa and Big Spring, providing services to a 30-county area in West Texas and eastern New Mexico.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at [citydesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:citydesk@bigspringherald.com)

## PAYING RESPECTS



AP Photo/Genaro Molina, Pool  
Singer Willie Nelson performs during funeral services for music legend Ray Charles at the First AME Church in Los Angeles, Friday. Charles died last week at the age of 73.

## Menus

### SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY - Smothered steak, potatoes, okra, salad, milk, rolls, fruit.

TUESDAY - Cheeseburgers, French fries, beans, lettuce, tomatoes, milk, buns, cobbler.

WEDNESDAY - Bar-b-que chicken, potato salad, beans, milk, cornbread, cake.

THURSDAY - Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, beans, salad, milk, cornbread, apple crisp.

FRIDAY - Turkey & dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, milk, rolls, fruit

salad.

BSISD SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM  
MONDAY-Nacho grande, corn, salad, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Chicken nuggets, seasoned rice, broccoli/cheese, melon, roll, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Salisbury steak, mashed potato, squash, roll, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Deli sandwich, chips, pickle spears, pudding cup, fruit juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Burrito, cheese cup, French fries, fruit, cookie, milk.

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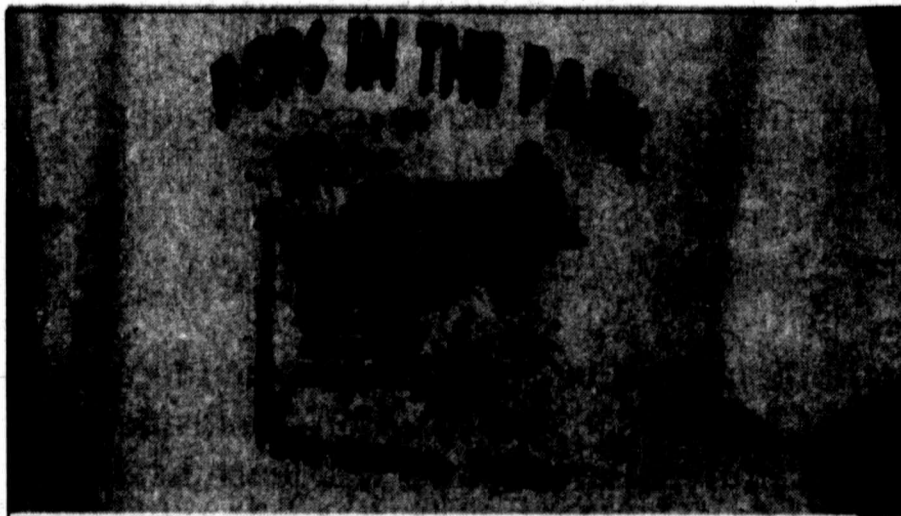
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# Sports

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

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## 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 Griffis 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 touney set

The Big Spring Girls Softball Association will be holding a co-ed ragball tournament as a fund-raiser 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
	Varsity Football, 1:30 p.m.	1490
Monday	Event, Time	Station
	Varsity Football, 6:40 p.m.	1490
Tuesday	Event, Time	Station
	Varsity Football, 6:30 p.m.	1490



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Kurt Stallings of Clovac, N.M., jumps off his horse onto a steer during the steer wrestling competition Friday at the 71st Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. Stallings' run was timed at 8.6 seconds. The fastest time of the night was recorded by Coleman's Brent Arnold as he finished in 4.2 seconds. The overall steer wrestling leader is Georgetown's James Lockhart.

## Brock, Ogden move into lead at rodeo bowl

By TROY HYDE  
Sports Editor

Two more events changed leaders Friday night at the 71st Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. Lisa Ogden of Gail and Brady Brock of Springtown both recorded times worthy of first place in their respective events.

Ogden scored a 16.51 second run in the ladies barrel racing competition, while Brock moved into the lead in the calf roping with a time of 8.1 seconds. Ogden leads both Debbie Bloxom of Andrews and Kelly Bruner of Millsap by .08 seconds and Brock's run was .3 seconds faster than Junction's Clint Singleton, who scored an 8.4 Friday night.

Only one performer scored points in both the bareback and saddle bronc riding combined. Steven Anding of Crossroads scored a 75 in bareback, but is still 14 points behind overall leader William Pittman of

Buffalo. The overall leader in the saddle bronc competition is still Bret Franks of Goodwell, Okla. Brent Arnold of Coleman and Clyde Himes of Stanton recorded times of 4.2 and 4.4 seconds, respectively, Friday night in steer wrestling. The overall leader through three nights of action is Georgetown's James Lockhart, who has been clocked at a total time of 10.4 seconds. His time is based on two steers.

Coy Dictson of Mescalero, N.M., and Greg Potter of Whitt finished first and second, respectively, Friday night in bull riding, but the overall leader is still Gary Burt of Weatherford, who recorded a 90 during the rodeo's opening night. Dictson scored an 84, while Potter turned in an 82.

Friday's mutton bustin' competition was won by Rayan Pearson of Big Spring and the calf dressing contest was taken by the Big Spring Fire



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Rodeo clown Rick Young performs during the 71st Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Friday night at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

Department. Saturday, but results were unavailable at press time. Check out Monday's Herald for results of the rodeo's final night.

## Three Hawks advance to finals at college rodeo

By TROY HYDE  
Sports Editor

Three out of Howard College's four rodeo representatives advanced to Saturday night's short round finals at the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyo., after qualifying in the top 12 of their respective events.

Ryan O'Donnell and Ty Glover participated with their partners in team roping and Bray Armes, who has been to nationals three straight years, advanced

in steer wrestling. The finals took place Saturday night and results were unavailable at press time.

The fourth Hawk representative to qualify for nationals was Trent Cornelius, but after no times in both the second and third rounds, he failed to advance to the finals.

O'Donnell and teammate Clayton Jackson had a 6.6 second run Thursday night, which was good enough for fourth in the round. More importantly, the duo

moved into second overall in average (24.2 on three head) going into the finals.

"I am really excited," said O'Donnell. "I came down here to win the championship and I have a good shot right now."

"Once everyone gets to the short round the stakes become higher and everyone scrambles to get faster times. Right now, we can't worry about what the other teams do. We just need to worry about ourselves." Howard College head

coach Greg Kernick added, "If they are solid enough Saturday and something happens to the team in first, they will have a chance to win the national championship."

Armes and Glover had their final runs Friday night. Armes' third run was clocked at 5.2 seconds, which gives him 14.5 seconds on three head. That puts Armes at second overall in average heading into Saturday's final. Glover and teammate Kyle Logdson of Odessa

College will enter the final short round in 12th place after a 10.1 second third run. The roping duo's original time was 5.1, but they received a five second penalty when a leg was roped. They finished with a 47.5 on three runs and were the 12th and final team to qualify for the finals.

"I am just glad we are there," said Kernick. "Now we just have to take care of things. Things have gone our way so far up here and they seem to just be getting better and better."





**IN BRIEF**

**Crossroads football sign-up dates set**

The Crossroads Youth Football Association has announced the sign-up dates for the upcoming season.

Both football and cheerleading sign-ups will take place at the Big Spring Mall June 18 through July 17 on Fridays (5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.) and Saturdays (9 a.m. to 6 p.m.) only.

The flag football league costs \$30, while football division 1 and 2 and cheerleading costs \$55 and \$65, respectively.

For more information, call Stacie or Robert at 432-268-9634.

**Big Spring Football Booster Club to meet**

The Big Spring Football Booster Club will meet Monday at 7 p.m. at the Athletic Training Center.

Any parent whose son plays football in grades seven through 12 is encouraged to attend.

For more information, call John Sparks at 263-8527.

**BSISD announces volleyball events**

Big Spring will hold open gym on all Mondays and Thursdays for the summer from 6-8 p.m. at the junior high.

All players in grade seven through 12 are invited to participate.

There will also be lifting and conditioning both Mondays and Thursdays after open gym from 8-9 p.m.

Two skills camps for incoming eighth- and ninth-graders and seventh-graders will also take place from 8 a.m. to noon in June and July at the junior high.

The times and cost of the camp vary depending on grade level.

For more information, contact Revis Daggett at 432-816-9560.

**Garden City, Grady standouts to play in classic**

**Special to the HERALD**

The Garden City Lady Kats and Grady Wildcats basketball programs have been synonymous with winning over the years.

Unfortunately, most fans don't get the chance to see the two West Texas powerhouses too often.

The 2004 All Americas All-Star Basketball Classic will give those fans the opportunity to do just that as some of the nation's top basketball players showcase their talents July 2, in Garden City, Texas.

The games, which will begin at 6 p.m., will feature players from throughout Texas and various spots in the U.S.

Among the big names representing the South squad are Garden City's own version of the "Fab Four," Jessica Hoch, Leslie Jansa, Amanda Henson and Anna Flores. The foursome led the Lady Kats to the regional round of the state Class A playoffs this past season.

"Don't be fooled by the size of the town these young ladies come from," said All Americas director Tommy Wells. "They can flat play. If you didn't get the chance to go see them this year, I urge you

to come and see them. You won't be disappointed."

Hoch, who recently signed to play collegiately next fall at Southwestern University in Georgetown, Jansa, Henson and Flores powered a high-octane squad this past season.

The Garden City foursome aren't the only stars head coach Lin Fink will have at his disposal. Water Valley standout Culey Jo Dawson and Iredell's Whitney Summers and Huckabay's Angela Pack will join a trio of Grady Lady Cats, Lauren Hanks, Whitney Opegaard and Miranda Spradling, on the floor.

Dawson, a 5-foot-8 post, averaged just under 20 points a game this season. She led Water Valley in rebounds and was named the MVP on the San Angelo Standard-Times, All-West Texas Super Team.

Summers turned in a double-digit performance offensively for the Iredell Lady Dragons.

Among the players set to lead the North is Jackie Ivanoff of Unalakleet, Alaska, and Katherine Thompkins.

Ivanoff helped carry the Lady Wolfpack to back-to-back berths in the Class A state finals in 2002 and 2003. Thompkins, a 6-foot post, helped the Roy Lady Longhorns turn in a solid performance this past season in New Mexico.

Others set to play on the North squad are Fort Davis standouts Jenny Cauble and all-state Suzanne Slover, and Valley's Katherine Pigg and Ira's Lindsay Wilson.

Reagan County's Tony Taylor will serve as the North's head coach this season. Fans who thrilled at watching the Grady Wildcats sprint to the boys, Class A state basketball championship will get another chance to see Brent Madison, Jason Pribyla, Nick Winford and Trent May play as teammates.

All four are scheduled to play in the boys' all-star matchup, which will start at 8 p.m.

Madison, Pribyla, Winford and May won the school's first-ever state crown in March by winning the Class A Division I state title.

Others set to join the

Grady foursome on the South roster are Garden City's Blake Chudej, Forsan's Josh Helmstettler, Sterling City's Justin Hankemmer, Christoval's Forrest Holt and Rankin's Cade Smith.

Garden City's Cory Richardson will coach the South squad. The North roster will sport more than a few familiar names to area basketball fans, as Aspermont's Aaron Marks and Duane Godfrey are penciled to join Big Spring's Michael Ornales-Doport and Alvin Russell and

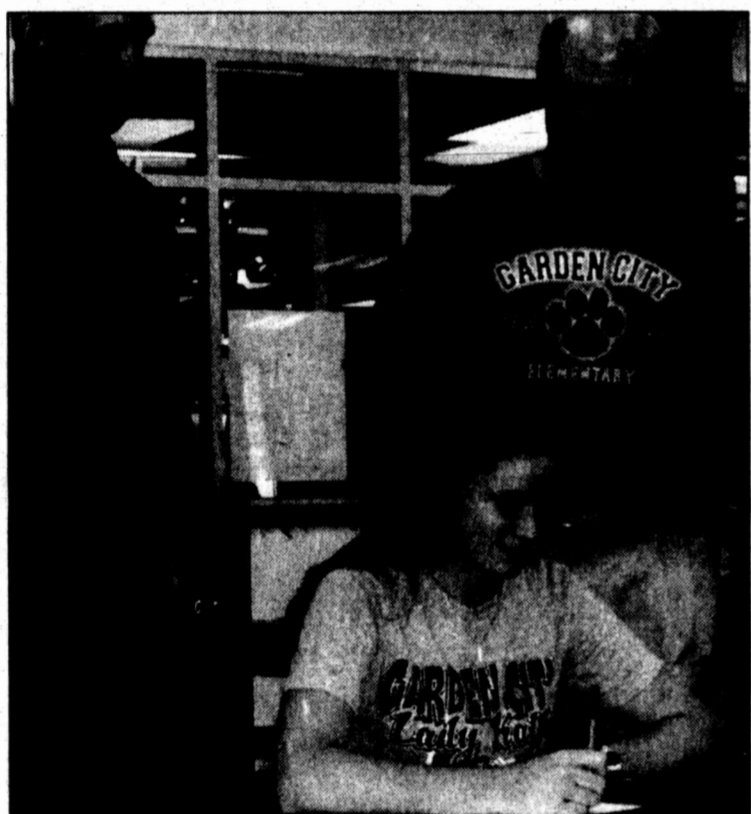
Loraine's Ryan Lucas on the court. Ornales-Doport and Russell were key figures in the BSBS program. For Russell, the game will complete a gutsy comeback.

The Steers, standout battled back from a turn ACL last July to play in Big Spring's district run.

Also slated to appear for the North roster, which is scheduled to be coached by Aspermont's Trent Van Meter, are a trio of Amherst High School standouts, including Erric Simmons and A.J. Witherspoon.



Helmstettler



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde  
Garden City's Jessica Hoch is shown here last month signing her letter of intent to play basketball at Southwestern next season. Hoch, along with teammates Leslie Jansa, Amanda Henson and Anna Flores, was selected to play in the 2004 All-America's basketball classic in Garden City July 2. The Garden City foursome will represent play on the South squad.

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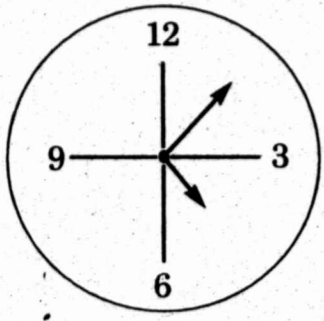
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**ARROWHEAD:** Water clearing; 77 degrees; 11-foot low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits and spinnerbaits near rocky areas. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs near flooded timber and derricks. White bass are excellent on shallow flats chasing shad. Blue and channel catfish are good on shad and prepared baits near rocky areas in the upper lake. Due to low water conditions, the only usable boat ramp is West Arrowhead Park.

**COLORADO CITY:** Water clear; 82 degrees; 4-foot low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow. Catfish are slow.

**FT. PHANTOM HILL:** Water clear; 81 degrees; 16-foot low. Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair. Catfish are fair.

**HUBBARD CREEK:** Water lightly stained; 80 degrees; 16-foot low; Black bass are good on shad-colored spinnerbaits and crankbaits near shallows and grassy humps, and red soft plastics around reeds. Crappie are very good on minnows and jigs. White bass and hybrid striper are fair on live baits. Catfish are good on live baits.

**NASWORTHY:** Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; Black bass are fair on live bait and shad-colored spinnerbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Redfish are fair. White bass and striped bass are good on small crankbaits and live bait. Catfish are good on prepared baits.

**OAK CREEK:** Water lightly stained; 80 degrees; 26-foot low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair. No boat ramps open. 4x4 vehicles can unload on the dirt road near the dam.

**O.H. IVIE:** Water lightly stained; 81 degrees; 26-foot low; Black bass are good on topwater lures, shad-colored spinnerbaits, and watermelon soft plastics and jigs. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on live bait and crankbaits. Smallmouth bass are fair. Channel catfish are good on live baits.

**POSSUM KINGDOM:** Water clear; 78 degrees; 6-foot 5-inches low; Black bass to 16 inches are good. Crappie are fair in Rock Creek area. Good for white bass in Neely's Slough on white Twister Tail jigs and fair for small striped bass. Channel and blue catfish are fair.

**SPENCE:** Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 62-foot low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are fair. Striped bass and hybrid striper are slow. Catfish are slow.

**STAMFORD:** Water lightly stained; 78 degrees; 4-foot low; Black bass are fair on live bait and watermelon jigs. Crappie are fair on live bait and jigs. White and striped bass are fair on live baits and poppers. Catfish are fair on live baits.

**SWEETWATER:** Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 29-foot 25-inches low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on live bait. Catfish are fair on live bait.

**WHITE RIVER:** Water stained (from wind); 80 degrees; 20-foot 5-inches low; Black bass are fair on live baits and spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. Walleye are fair. Channel catfish are good on live baits and prepared baits.

**WICHITA:** Water turbid (from wind); 79 degrees; Crappie are slow. White bass and Hybrid stripers are good on minnows and white plastic Roadrunner jigs along dam. Channel catfish are good on trotlines and rod and reel baited using large shiners or punch bait. The parking area behind the dam is open.



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The pee-wee little league Big Spring Diamondbacks went through its season with an undefeated 8-0 record this past year. Front row, from left: Kaleb Rankin, Garrett Willard, Nicholas Dehoyos, Joshua Gutierrez and Joshua Baker. Middle: Cameron Garza, Devin Spivey, Charlie Boling Dylan Ross and Camron Torres. Back: Coach Chris Spivey, Coach Christine Boling and Coach Don Boling. Not pictured: Tyler Bryan and Adam Olivas.

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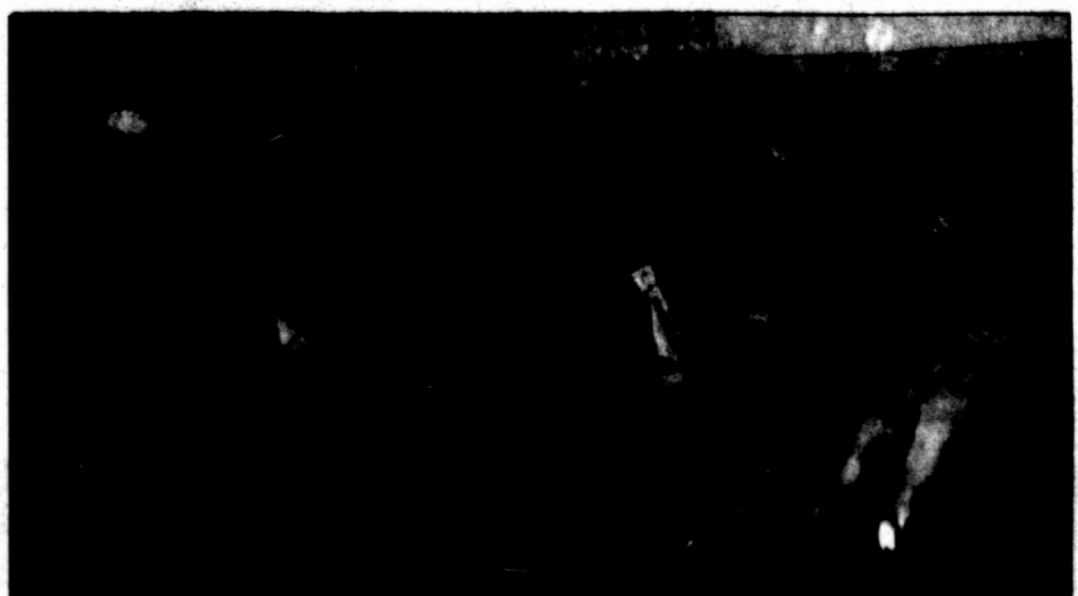
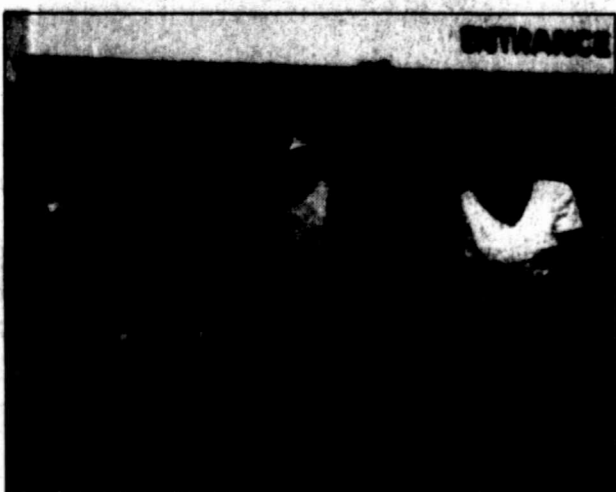
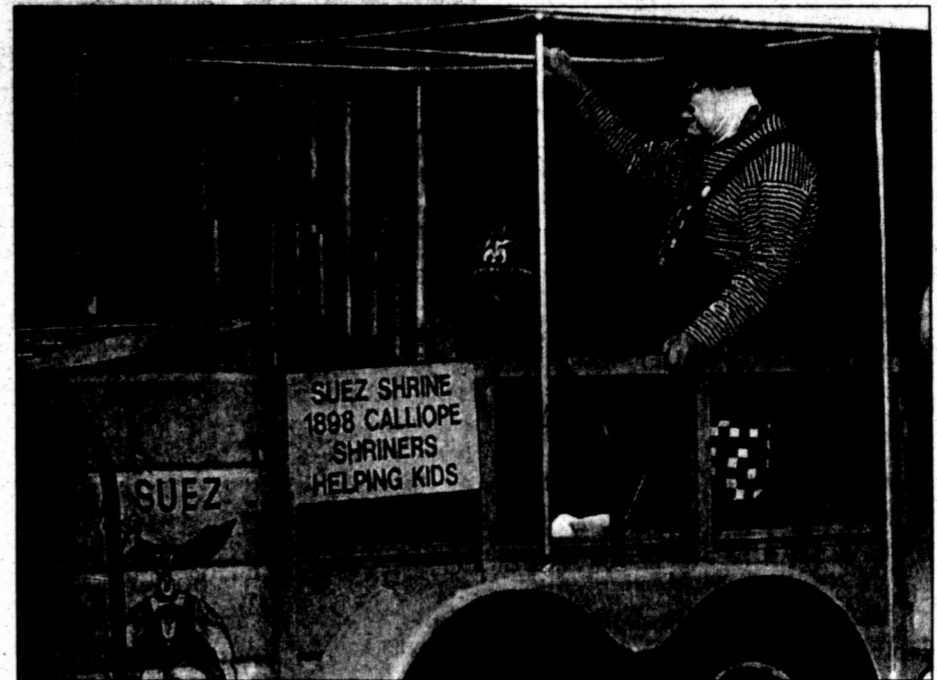
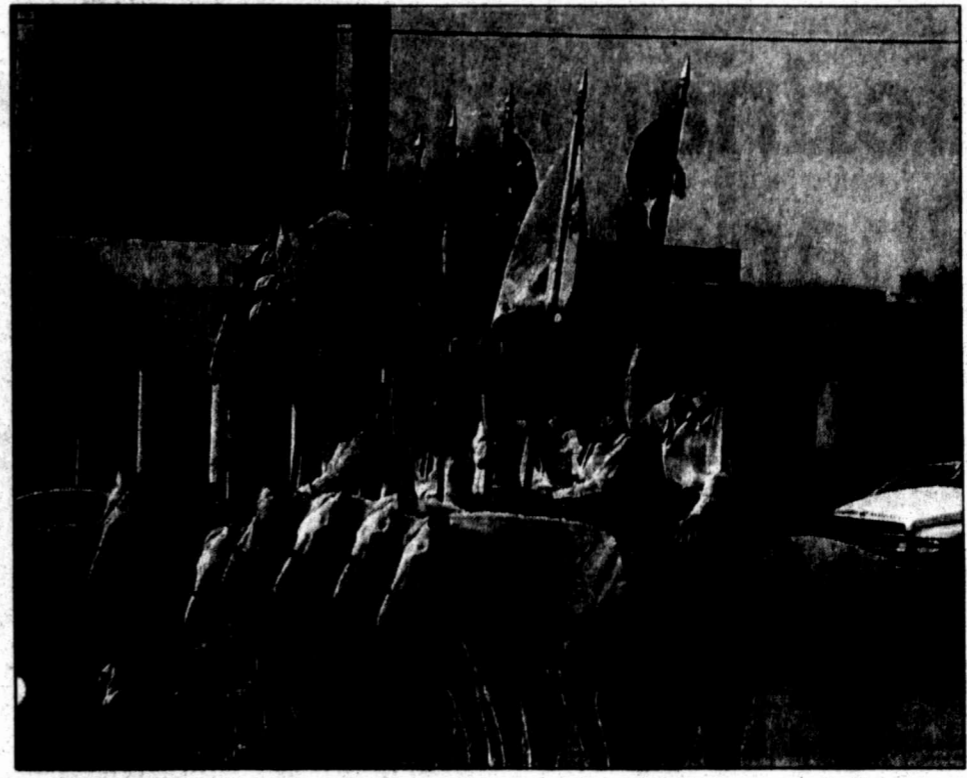






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▶ **Wedding**

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**Bednar and Pharis marry**



Mrs. Aaron Elizabeth Bednar Pharis

Aaron Elizabeth Bednar and Allen Cade Pharis were married June 12, 2004, at the 22nd & Austin Street Church of Christ in Colorado City, with Scott Sheppard officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bednar of Garden City. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Bednar of Garden City and Bill Burks of Barnhart. She is a 2000 graduate of Garden City High School and December 2003 graduate of Lubbock Christian University, where she obtained a bachelor of business administration degree with an emphasis in finance.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Pharis of Colorado City. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Goodlett of Colorado City and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pharis of Graham. He is a 1999 graduate of Colorado City High School and is currently attending South Plains College to obtain his paramedic certificate.

▶ **Births**

Justin Anthony Cantu, a boy, was born June 5, 2004, at 5:07 p.m. weighing 8 pounds, 8.3 ounces and 21 inches long. His parents are Rebecca Bustamante and Jose T. Cantu. His grandparents are Jackie Long, Alice Alva and Fidencio Alva, all of Big Spring and George Bustamante of Abilene.

Ryan Scott Joslyn, a boy, was born June 4, 2004, at 9:12 a.m. weighing 7 pounds, 8 ounces and 20 inches long. His parents are Daniel and Stacy Joslyn. His grandparents are Sandy Parra and Carol Jumper of Big Spring and Steve and Debbie Beach of Keota, Okla.

Jason Cruz Hernandez, a boy, was born June 11, 2004, at 4:50 a.m. weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces and 19 inches long. His mother is Lori Hernandez. His grandparents are Dora Hernandez and Ernest Rodriguez, both of Big Spring.

**Kuhlman's celebrate 60 years wed**



Jack and Ina Faye Kuhlman

Jack and Ina Faye Kuhlman of Lenorah celebrated 60 years of marriage June 17.

Jack Kuhlman and Ina Faye Fryar were married June 17, 1944 in Big Spring.

They have lived and farmed in Lenorah for most of those years. They have four daughters,

Charlotte White, married to Richard, of Lenorah; Carolyn Reynolds, married to Royce, of Stanton; Sharron Odum, married to Eddie, of Waco; and Ronda Klein, married to Bennie, of Cedar Hill.

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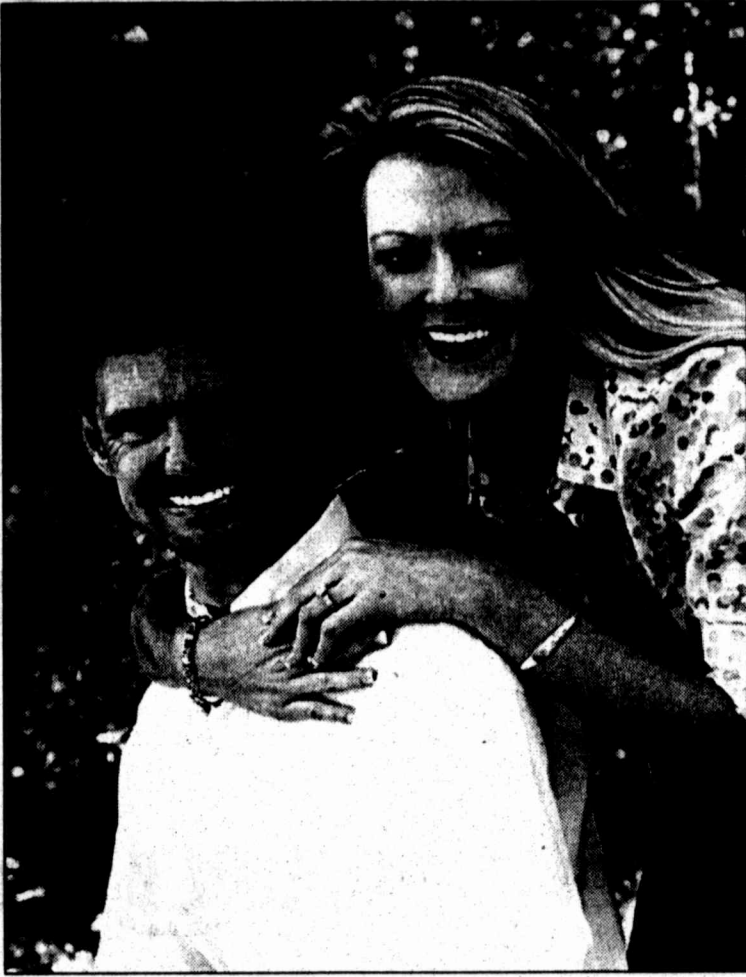
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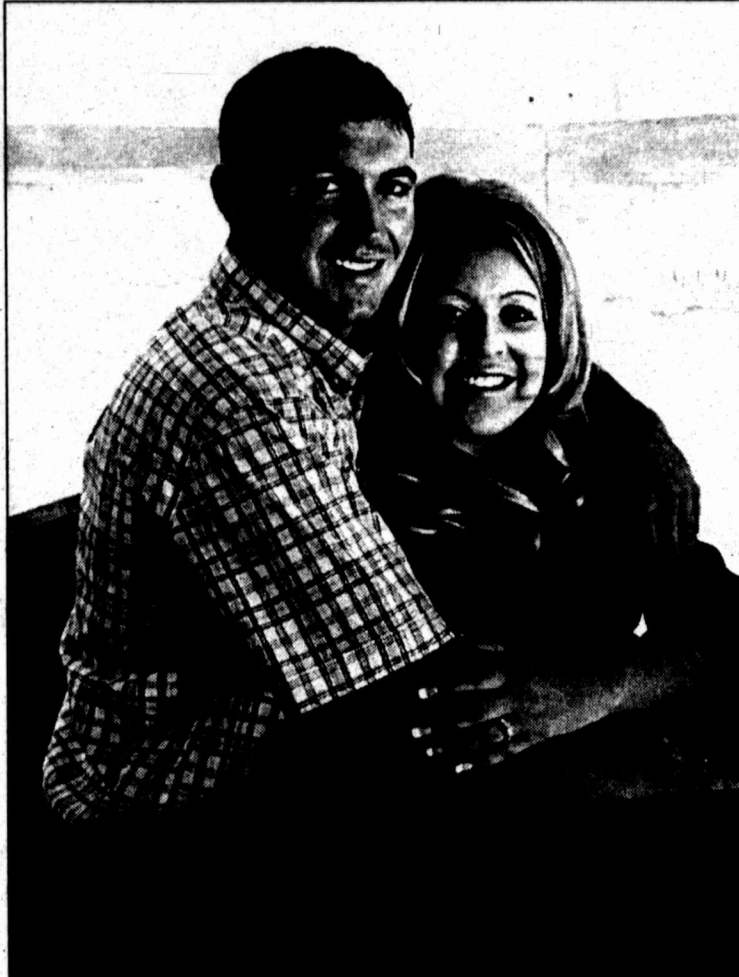


**Hillary Caitlin McNew and "Tex" Edwards Jr.**

**McNew and Edwards to wed**

Mr. and Mrs. Gary McNew of Streetman are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Hillary Caitlin, to Wilson Connell "Tex" Edwards Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Connell "Connie" Edwards Sr., of Garden City and Ms. Sandra Jones of Dallas. Miss McNew is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sim Gamblin of Rochelle and Mr. and Mrs. Rube McNew of Big Spring. The bride is a graduate of Fairfield High School and received an associate of science degree from

Blinn College in Bryan. She has been attending McLennan College Nursing School while employed with Davis Thigpen Insurance in Waco. The groom is a graduate of Big Spring High School and attended Texas Christian University. He is self-employed with Tex Edwards Farms and Edwards Brothers Ranch. The couple will exchange vows on Oct. 9, 2004, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Waco, with a reception following at the Art Center.



**Brittany Nicole Clarke and Billy Joe Thrash Jr.**

**Clarke and Thrash engaged**

Brittany Nicole Clarke and Billy Joe Thrash Jr., both of Hobbs, N.M., will exchange wedding vows at 6 p.m. on July 17, 2004, in the Hobbs Country Club in Hobbs, N.M. The bride is the daughter of Ralph Clarke of Eunice, N.M. and Terah Bettis of Houston. She is the granddaughter of Bill and Lucy Clarke of Big Spring and James and Sue Powell of Midland. She is a 2001 graduate of Hobbs High School and a 2004 graduate of New Mexico Junior College with a certificate in cosmetology. She is

employed by House of Huber in Hobbs, N.M. The groom is the son of Billy and Linda Thrash of Eunice, N.M. and the grandson of Elaine Furr and Cam Giles both of Eunice, N.M. and the late Leo Trotter. He is a 1999 Eunice High School and a 2004 spring graduate of New Mexico Junior College with a certificate in Computer Information Systems/CISCO. Jennifer Regalado, for-

**Who's Who**



**Brady Frazier**

Brady Frazier, grandson of Carl and Billie Frazier of Big Spring, received a National Merit Scholarship award. The Andrews High School salutatorian for 2004, Frazier is the son of Tracy and Linda Frazier. He was also a member of the All-State Choir,

president of the National Honor Society and a Cappella Choir, class officer his senior and sophomore years and appeared in five theater productions. He intends to seek an aerospace engineering degree at Texas A&M University.

**Texas State Technical College**

Michael Dutchover, Ginger Lyons, Jeremy McBrayer, Steven Robles, Armida Serrano and Daren Weatherby, all of Big Spring, Roger Alvarado of Garden City and Everardo Medina of Stanton received degrees on June 5 in the Abilene Civic Center from Texas State Technical College.

**Newcomers**

Ernie Dunson and wife, Gwen, formerly of Stephenville. He is semi-retired and self employed in the oil and gas business. She is a self-employed attorney. Aaron Tacket and wife, Jenna, and son, Cooper, formerly of Tucson, Ariz. He is employed by Choate Well Service Inc. Sol Lopez, wife, Magdalena, and children, Alandra and Logan. He is employed by Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Wallace Unit. Jennifer Regalado, for-

merly of San Angelo. She is employed by the Texas State Veterans Home. Rosa Ramirez and son, Reyes, formerly of Lamesa. She does food service work. Andrew Alvear, wife, Rayna, son, Joe Angel, daughter Alvena, and twins Victoria and Victor, formerly of Lamesa. He does remodeling work. Jose Ponce and wife, Bianca, formerly of Lubbock. He is employed by the V.A. Medical Center.

**Ash and Shrecengost to marry**

Glenda Gayle Ash and Ethan Blain Schrecengost, both of Odessa, will exchange wedding vows at 2 p.m. on Aug. 21, 2004, in the University of Texas at the Permian Basin C.E.E.D Building in Odessa. The bride is the daughter of James Ash, and Edward and Susie Murphy, all of Odessa. She is a 1991 graduate of Odessa High School and attended West Texas A&M and UTPB. She is employed by Marshal Morgan D.D.S. The groom is the son of Tammy Schrecengost and the late John David Hendricks. He is the grandson of Richard and the late Sue Burrow and Ralph and Alice Schrecengost of Albuquerque, N.M. and the great grandson of Juanice Carter. He is a 1995 graduate of Forsan High School and attended Howard College and UTPB. He is employed by Toms Company.



**Glenda Gayle Ash and Ethan Blain Schrecengost**

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2004 Dodge Intrepid SE Sedan 4D - Stk# D114, V6 2.7 Liter, Auto., FWD, A/C, Power Equipped, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM Stereo, Cass., CD, Alloy Wheels. Was \$16,925. <b>NOW \$15,995</b>	2004 Chevrolet Venture Ext. Minivan - Stk# D78, V6, 3.4 Liter, Automatic, Power Sliding Door, 7-8 Passenger, Rear Air, CD, Power Seat, Roof Rack, Privacy Glass. Was \$22,210. <b>NOW \$19,495</b>
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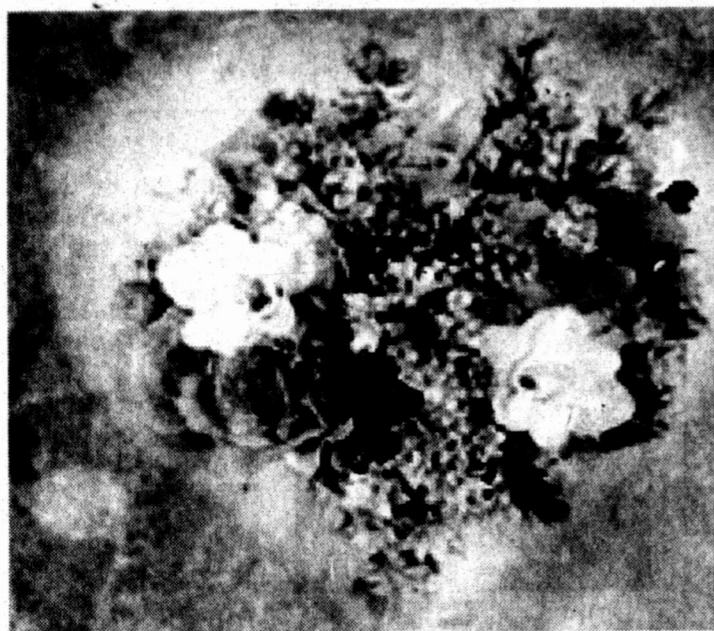
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## HOLLYWOOD METRO

Internet coffeehouse a place to take it easy, find collectibles

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

It's said that Hollywood sets the pace and tone for the rest of the world, and the Hollywood Metro Internet Coffeehouse located in downtown Big Spring may very well be proof.

Developed, owned and operated by Daniel Ryan III, the new addition to Big Spring's historic Downtown isn't just a spur of the moment idea — for Ryan, it's the culmination of a lifetime of being "star-struck."

"I grew up in California," he explained. "There was a friend of my mom who was real star-struck, and she took me to a few things and that kind of put the bug in me. I was really start-struck myself after being around her."

"I got to meet Jimmy Stewart, Princess Grace, Dustin Hoffman and William Holden — a lot of the old movie stars that a lot of people probably don't even know who they are today. It was really exciting and I got to see a lot of shows filmed live, and was even on Let's Make A Deal. I won a washer, dryer and trash compactor," he said with a laugh.

**"... someone pointed out to me that Big Spring really needs computers and access to the Internet, so the idea for that and the coffee house was born"**

Ryan said the idea to open an Internet-themed coffeehouse came from his friends, and just snowballed from there.

"I had lots and lots of movies, and I was selling them online," said Ryan. "That was sort of the beginning of it, because I just wanted to do a small store. Then someone pointed out to me that Big Spring really needs computers and access to the Internet, so the idea for that and the coffee house was born."

While many restaurants and coffeehouses "encourage" people to get in and out quickly, that's not the idea at the Hollywood Metro, which is located at 109 East Second Street. Ryan has even gone as far

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HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Daniel Ryan III, owner and operator of the Metro Hollywood Coffee House in downtown Big Spring, straightens one of the many Hollywood-inspired pieces hanging on the shop's wall. The frame contains a tie worn by Desi Arnaz on the "I Love Lucy" show, and is the perfect complement to the dozens of other autographed Hollywood memorabilia that adorn the business.

### Local briefs

#### Customer service seminar slated

Could you or your employees be hurting your sales without knowing it? Do your customers feel valued?

Learn the best customer service techniques by attending a positive customer climate workshop at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

The seminar will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday, and is taught by Joann Knox.

The cost is \$15 for chamber members and \$20 for non-members.

#### Worker's comp class set June 29

Texas Mutual Insurance Company and Howard College will host a workers' compensation coverage class June 29.

The class is designed for employers, but it is open to employees, insurance agents and anyone who is interested in learning how to navigate the workers' compensation claim process.

The class addresses when claims are compensable, benefits, dispute resolution and TWCC-required forms.

To register, visit the Texas Mutual® Web site at [http://www.texasmutual.com/news/workshops\\_howard.shtm](http://www.texasmutual.com/news/workshops_howard.shtm), or call Terry Hanson at (432) 264-5171.

### Cooperative Extension sets rainwater capture meeting

Texas Cooperative Extension will hold a "Rainwater Capture Meeting" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 29, in the San Angelo Convention Center.

John Begnaud, Extension horticulturist in Tom Green County and a meeting coordinator, said interest in rainwater capture is increasing, especially as a way to supplement existing water sources for landscape irrigation.

"The topic can apply to city dwellers as well as country folk," said Begnaud. "One inch of rain collected over a 1,000-square-foot roof yields 600 gallons of

#### Ask the agent

fresh water. That's a substantial amount in dry West Texas where every drop counts."

Billy Kniffen, Extension agriculture agent in Menard County and a rainwater capture expert, will discuss procedures and equipment, as well as storage and application, for irrigation and in-home use. He uses a rainwater-capture system at his own home.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

For more information and copies of resource material on rainwater capture, contact Toni Fox, San Angelo Water Conservation Coordinator, at 657-4506 or Begnaud at 659-6528.

Tommy Yeater is the Cooperative Extension agent for Howar County.



TOMMY YEATER



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody  
Patricia Roberts shows off some of the items available in her new store catering to the infant to toddler age, Jazzy's. The new store is set to open Tuesday, July 1, inside the Big Spring Mall.

## Jazzy's to open in Big Spring Mall

New store will feature clothing for infant through toddler, maternity wear

By **LYNDEL MOODY**  
Staff Writer

In 13 days, Patricia Roberts, a mother of two, is about to welcome an addition to the family — the birth of a new business in Big Spring.

"This has always been a dream of mine," said the former California state employee who moved to Big Spring about two years ago. "I love kids and I love kids' clothes."

After three months of cleaning, painting and installing new carpet, Jazzy's, a clothing store for the infant to toddler, is set to open Tuesday, July 1, inside the Big Spring Mall.

"I wanted to bring in designer lines other stores don't carry," Roberts said.

Hanging from store's walls and

displays are styles from Bercot, a line of matching sibling clothes; Stylease, a line of one-piece outfits designed to look like separates; and House of Hatton.

"That line is known more for special occasions like bringing home the baby from the hospital for the first time," she said. "I also have a line of matching mother/daughter skirts and skorts."

She will also be selling Weeboks, the child-size version of Reeboks; Robbin shoes; Trumpett socks; and Oink Baby clothes.

"This line focuses on bright colors for infants to 24 months," she

said. "I believe in bright colors for babies clothes."

Roberts will also be stocking a variety of pageant clothing for ages 12 months to 7 years.

"Bigger sizes can be ordered per request," she said.

In addition to shopping for children's clothing, expectant mothers will have an opportunity to browse through a small line of maternity clothes at Jazzy's.

And for parents and grandparents toting around small children during a day of shopping, Roberts is providing a play zone.

"I decided it would be nice for parents and grandparents to have a place their child can stay while they are in the store," she said.

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## Blockbuster, Viacom set terms of separation

DALLAS (AP) — Blockbuster Inc. said Friday it would pay stockholders \$5 per share, or \$905 million, as part of the movie-rental chain's separation from parent Viacom Inc.

Viacom, the entertainment giant whose holdings include CBS, MTV and Nickelodeon, expects to complete the divestiture of its 81.5 percent stake in Blockbuster during the third quarter.

Viacom expects to get a tax-free cash payment of \$738 million as part of Blockbuster's distribution to shareholders.

Viacom officials had previously indicated

their intent to spin off Blockbuster, which they regarded as a sideline business. In February, Viacom said it would take a \$1.3 billion charge to reflect Blockbuster's declining value.

Blockbuster is profitable, but investors worry about competition from cheap DVDs sold by giant retailers such as Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and rent-by-mail DVDs from Netflix Inc. Last month, Blockbuster announced its own monthly subscription plan to let store customers rent up to three movies at a time with no return date or late fees.

While some clothing are on the conservative side, Roberts also stocks items to cater to diverse clientele in Big Spring.

"Jazzy's office is from lows to hi

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as putting boards on his tables to encourage shoppers and drinkers to hang out for a little while.

"We have a menu which deals with second-hand clothing which includes everything from clothes to books, records. We also have board games that you can come here and play a game and have the Magic here," he said with a smile.

"I had one before, so I got one just for me. On Saturdays we play dominoes and that. People can buy some sodas around on the porch or come in and

While the coffee by the new establishment is a definite plus, said they also have sodas and drinks and other goods.

"We have the espresso now," said Roberts. "We also have sodas and snacks. Of course computers are

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2002	Chevrolet	leather, one owner. Was \$20,995
2002	Ford F150	power, one owner. Was \$24,995
2001	Ford F150	owner. Was \$18,995
2001	Ford F150	rails, extra clean. Was \$20,995



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While some lines of clothing are on the expensive side, Roberts said she also stocks lower cost items to cater to her diverse clientele in Big Spring.

"Jazzy's offers prices from lows to highs," she

said. "Any parent can walk in and find something in their price range."

Store hours will be from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

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as putting board games on his tables to encourage shoppers and coffee-drinkers to hang around for a little while.

"We have the store, which deals mainly with second-hand collectibles which includes anything from clothes and dishes to books, movies and records. We also have board games set out so you can come have coffee and play a game. We even have the Magic Eightball here," he said with a smile. "I had never had one before, so I went and got one just for the store. On Saturdays we sometimes play spades and dominoes and games like that. People come in and buy some sodas and play around on the computers or come in and shop."

While the coffee offered by the new establishment is a definite plus, Ryan said they also offer soft drinks and other beverages.

"We have the coffee and the espresso machine now," said Ryan. "We also have sodas and a few snacks. Of course the computers are available

as well, and we're open late (until 11 p.m.) on Fridays and Saturdays so people can use them."

Although Ryan didn't intend for his business to follow in a rich Big Spring tradition, he said there's no denying the ties between what he's trying to do and the history of the building his business is located in.

"I know this used to be a famous, or not-so-famous restaurant or coffee house from what I hear," said Ryan. "Melba's and the Blue Moon used to be here, so I guess I'm kind of following in the history even though I didn't know it. That's exciting, because if you see the ceilings and things like that, they're all pretty historic."

The Hollywood Metro is open from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, and noon until 11 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, contact Ryan at 432-213-4964 or e-mail him at thehollywoodmetro@aol.com.

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

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Grantee: Tommy Gene Aycock and Patsy Sonya Aycock  
Property: The south 50 feet of the NW/4 of Block 38, Amended College Heights Addition  
Date Filed: June 3, 2004

Grantor: William R. Weeks and Elaine J. Weeks  
Grantee: Tony Garcia and Maria Garcia  
Property: Lot 32, Block 6, Douglas Addition  
Date Filed: June 4, 2004

Warranty deeds with vendors in:  
Grantor: Corinne Cervantes  
Grantee: Steven Dickson  
Property: The N/2 of Lot 3, Block 1, Wright's Airport Annex Addition.  
Date Filed: May 25, 2004

Grantor: Clifton Floyd Platte and Dawn Michelle Platte  
Grantee: Thomas W. Moore III and Raquel More  
Property: Lot 1, Block 12, Douglas Addition  
Date Filed: May 27, 2004

Grantor: Marvin Boyd and Dickie Jones  
Grantee: Rick Morrow  
Property: A tract out of Lot 2, Block 57, Original Town of Big Spring  
Date Filed: May 27, 2004

Grantor: Robbie Cooksey and Kim Cooksey  
Grantee: Roy B. Worthy and Michelle L. Worthy  
Property: Lot 1, Block 1, Mountain Park Addition.  
Date Filed: May 28, 2004

Grantor: Pamela Sue Jordan and Catherine Suzanne Reed  
Grantee: Kirk M. Allen  
Property: Lots 5 and 6 and the N/10 feet of an east-west alley, Block 13, Subdivision A of Fairview Heights Addition.

Date Filed: May 28, 2004

Grantor: James Richard Cunningham Jr.  
Grantee: Russ Rutledge and Jeannie Rutledge  
Property: Lot 7, Block 10, Kentwood Unit No. 1  
Date Filed: June 1, 2004

Grantor: Ervin Paul  
Grantee: David Hornsberger and Pamela Porter  
Property: A 10.09 acre tract out of the SW/4 of Section 41, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey.  
Date Filed: June 1, 2004

Grantor: Jessey G. Coker and Bonnie Mae Coker  
Grantee: Olegario Melendez and Gloria Melendez  
Property: Three tracts in the west part of Section 25, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date Filed: June 3, 2004

Grantor: J.C. Wall Jr.  
Grantee: Larry Pope  
Property: Lot 6, Block 2, Jerald Smith Addition  
Date Filed: June 3, 2004

Grantor: Wanda Pearle Kunkle  
Grantee: Donna S. Brown  
Property: Lot 7, Block 21, College Heights Addition  
Date Filed: June 3, 2004

Grantor: Susan McTyre  
Grantee: Lisa Burris  
Property: A tract out of the west part of Section 43, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date Filed: June 4, 2004

Grantor: Sammy W. Dennard and Mary P. Dennard  
Grantee: James F. Corgan and Debby D. Corgan  
Property: Lot 14, Block 17, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 2  
Date Filed: June 4, 2004

Grantor: Betty Sue Addy  
Grantee: Roy Lee Metcalf Jr. and Nancy Ellen Metcalf  
Property: Two tracts out of the SE/4 of Section 43, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date Filed: June 4, 2004

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Grantee: Michael J. Shaw  
Property: Lots 1 through 12, Block 1, Original Town of Coahoma  
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**Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER** by Merle Baker  
Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS**  
1 Judges, at times  
9 Muddy  
15 Sheridan character  
16 Sent down  
17 Swagger  
19 Good  
20 Alvy's love  
21 Sight: Fr.  
22 Frat letters  
23 Plant bane  
24 Utilitarianism expounder  
25 Draw upon  
26 Get all of  
27 Office practice, perhaps  
28 Doesn't go straight  
30 Brewer et al.  
32 Like carillon bells  
34 Latin American language group  
35 Hoity-toity  
37 "The Venice of America"  
40 Prohibitions  
41 Vasco de Balboa  
43 Shuttle engine intake  
44 Some bill-paying transactions: Abbr.  
45 Olympic vessel  
46 Lose strength  
47 Molokai dish  
48 Tampico toast  
49 Cocteau collaborator

50 Peace process?  
53 Senator Fong et al.  
54 Critical trial  
55 Confound  
56 Goes by again

**DOWN**  
1 Repercussions  
2 Arrange effectively  
3 Full-power  
4 The Wild Bunch actor  
5 Utter angrily  
6 Mod attachment  
7 Like a cam  
8 Prolong  
9 Spread, as news

10 Handle with care  
11 Mrs. Andy Gump  
12 They're bound to happen  
13 Sports section feature  
14 "Three Precious Words" singers  
18 Without a commitment  
23 Railroad flare  
24 Pulitzer category  
26 Leanings  
27 Big Red Machine member

29 Flat-bottomed boats  
31 Street show  
33 Alaska Range peak  
35 Try  
36 Crescent-shaped  
38 Leafy  
39 Stretches  
40 Low points  
42 "Fuggedaboutit!"  
45 Demonstration impetus  
46 British hymn writer  
48 Gazetteer stat.  
49 Thompson of Pollock  
51 '60s war zone  
52 Energy

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**TWO Bedroom, One bath.** Call (432)270-3848 for more info.

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**FOR SALE** by owner. Owner financing provided. Low down payment & low monthly. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, corner lot. 1500 Kentucky Way. Call Kelly, 432-425-9994.

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**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

**BY JOYCE JILLSON**  
**Happy Father's Day!** The sun moves into Cancer, where it will be until July 22. During this period, much of our attention goes to domestic issues. We discover what would make our home sweeter, certainly in terms of the physical aspects but also in regards to the relationships built there. Loyalties are made clear during this time.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Get fresh air and exercise — you need it. If you can entertain at home, it's great for your personal life. Enchanting new friends surface. Stylish touches win points. Domestic niceties are now affordable — shop!

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Daring moves improve your personal life. Call the one on your mind, and end the limbo you both are in. Someone you helped in the past repays you, just in time for you to repay someone else! Redecorate to improve your mood.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** You'll have plenty of energy, so get tedious business out of the way early. A wave of uncharacteristic impatience may come over you. Your brain processes information at high speeds — avoid interrupting a slow speaker.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** A romantic encounter could turn into an adventure. Travel and getting lost are indicated. Bring a map. Social happenings are lively. Give company your undivided attention rather than trying to impress them with stories.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Regarding those personal goals: Ask a reliable friend to check back with you and make sure you're doing what you said you would. An important

communication matter needs to be resolved. Go in with your defenses down.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** A romance is in danger of proceeding too quickly — pull back. Slow progress is ultimately more fulfilling. Family gatherings are featured. You don't need to talk up your accomplishments — an attitude of success says it all.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** It's very satisfying to finally work out an important relationship issue — it all goes smoothly if you have the guts to say what you mean and mean what you say. Bonus! You'll find lost possessions while cleaning.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** You have a lot on your mind, but don't allow yourself to be distracted from your original plan. More socializing and less looking for love give you the right attitude to attract just the love you're not looking for.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Include as many people as you can in the fun, since you get energy from a group or, better yet, a crowd! A flirtation gets more exciting. You'll enjoy it if you can share the play by play with a trusted friend.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** The bigger the idea, the more likely you are to make it real. Having a backup plan could save you from repeating a past mistake. You could get an offer that is simply too little too late.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Revive romantic commitment, or be brave enough to step out on your own. Your desires and expectations are changing, so don't be surprised if you do something that is very uncharacteristic of you.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Someone else's loss is your gain. You've got the momentum of a positive string of events affecting your personal life. Make the most of this. Send a love letter, if that's what it takes. Problem solving is your specialty.

**FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:** The summer solstice kicks off the week. This astronomical event has been celebrated by cultures all through the ages, and it's certainly lucky to come up with your own celebration to honor the passage. That carefree summer feeling helps us celebrate Father's Day, too. Many dads will be honored with fun, games and adventure instead of the usual tie. Why not take Dad parasailing or challenge him to a golf game or diving contest? As the sun traverses through Cancer, as it will until July 22, our focus on domestic issues will be sharper. What makes a home sweet? The physical, mental and spiritual aspects of this question will be addressed over the next three weeks.

Wednesday, Mars, the warrior planet, takes a look at Leo's terrain. It's high-drama time on the career front — lots of the kind of excitement you see on television shows. New creativity, a different cast of characters and higher stakes will be in store in the weeks to come. This coming weekend brings the last few days of the current Venus retrograde. Let past lessons guide your romantic choices.

**Legals**

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS**  
Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

**CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)**  
Dist/ Div: Abilene  
Contract 0005-05-094 for BRIDGE REPAIR in HOWARD County will be opened on July 08, 2004 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/ Div Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

**State Office**  
Constr./Maint. Division  
200 E. Riverside Dr.  
Austin, Texas 78704  
Phone: 512-416-2540  
**Dist/Div Office(s)**  
Abilene District Engineer  
4250 N. Clark  
Abilene, Texas 79604-0150  
Phone: 325-676-6800

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.  
#4244 June 13 & 20, 2004

**CITY OF BIG SPRING PLANNING & ZONING PUBLIC HEARING**  
5:30 P.M., TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2004  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
307 E. 4th STREET,  
BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720  
**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE SIGN REGULATIONS**

**AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 20.01, THE ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING ARTICLE 9, ENTITLED "SIGN REGULATIONS", BY ADDING SECTION 9-1 (A) ENTITLED, "ABANDONED OR DAMAGED SIGNS";**  
The Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing concerning the Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Big Spring, Howard County Texas. Citizens will have the opportunity to express any oral or written comments or mail to Todd Darden, Public Works Director, City of Big Spring, 310 Nolan, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or call (432)264-2501.  
#4248 June 13 & 20, 2004

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** John Goodman always has the last laugh. And the first laugh. And all the laughs in between. I predict that Goodman's proposed return to TV this year is just what the fall lineup needs. Family audiences loved him in "Roseanne," and his oft-quoted turn in "The Big Lebowski" earned him a place in the hearts of coeds around the country — Gemini has special rapport with twentysomethings.

If you would like to write to Joyce Jillson, please go to [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com) and click on "Write the Author" on the Joyce Jillson page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail.

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