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## WEATHER

Tonight:



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TONIGHT TOMORROW  
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## BRIEFLY

### District 3 trash pickup is Friday

The city of Big Spring, District 3, is offering a courtesy service Friday to haul large items to the landfill for the elderly, handicapped or those without the means to haul large objects.

To take advantage of the one-day-only service, place those items meant for the landfill by the curb, in the city right-of-way, less than 24 hours before scheduled pickup. Kenny Davis, city building official, asks that articles not be placed near water or gas meters, telephone poles, or stacked in the street.

The service will be offered only to residents in District 3. If you are unsure of your District, call 432-264-2504 or 432-254-2501.

## COMING THIS WEEKEND



Cover Story: Hamburgers are as American as Mom, baseball, and apple pie. How did the hamburger become such an American culinary sensation and what makes a great burger? That all depends on whom you talk to.

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## Falling unemployment rate likely to be short-lived

By THOMAS JENKINS  
Staff Writer

As the unemployment rate in Howard County continues to fall, local workforce officials warn the trend may be short-lived as we move into the summer months.

Howard County posted a 3.6 percent unemployment rate for the month of May, down approximately 0.3 percent from April's numbers, according to statistics released by the Big Spring



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Workforce Network. Network Area Manager Virginia Belew said the drop in the unemployment rate came via a drop in the number of people working and seeking work in the Big Spring area.

"The unemployment rate for Howard County has dropped once again," said Belew. "A contributing factor is a drop in the civilian labor force

of 68 individuals last month. But, if trends continue, that number should rise as summer workers re-enter the labor force.

"Another significant factor is the drop from May 2003 of the civilian labor force. We have 313 fewer individuals working or looking for employment than we did 12 months ago."

The civilian workforce in Big Spring dropped from 14,170, posted in April, to 14,102 in May. These numbers also reflect a 313 person drop in the local work-

force since May of 2003.

The rate reflects an estimated 514 unemployed individuals in Howard County, a 37 person drop from April's 551, and a 206 person drop from May of 2003's 720.

Belew said Howard County continues to have one of the lowest unemployment rates in the Permian Basin. Surrounding counties unemployment rates include Andrews, 3.6; Borden, 4.6; Dawson, 6.5; Ector, 5.9;

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## YOUNG SNAKE CHARMER



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody  
Steven Reteria, son of Kritters and More owner Tina Reteria, holds a ball python while his mother speaks to a class of Kid's College students about snakes. Tina Reteria also showed off her Burmese python during the demonstration at Howard College Tuesday.

## New challenge

### Atkins looking forward to position as director of Big Spring's VAMC

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

New Big Spring VA Medical Center Director Lou Ann Atkins will be leaving the beaches of southeast Florida for the dusty lands of West Texas soon to take over the leadership role of providing health care to a large number of West Texas veterans.

"I want to help veterans and that's what I've been doing for the last 20 years," Atkins said in a telephone interview.

"I'm excited about being able to do it in a little different position and a little different way," she continued. "I have family in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, so it's a good location for me as well."

As for exchanging the

"I think we have an obligation to serve the community and we do that through the care that we provide to the veteran population."



Lou Ann Atkins

sandy beaches of West Palm Beach, Fla., for the desert-like element of Big Spring, Atkins said she expects the change to be refreshing.

"Everywhere you go there are things you are

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## Lt. Parker dismissed from police department

By THOMAS JENKINS  
Staff Writer

A Big Spring Police Department lieutenant was fired this week after allegations of driving while intoxicated launched an internal investigation.

Stan Parker, 39, was placed on administrative leave more than a



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week ago after being arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

"We've completed the internal investigation of allegations of policy violations that occurred on June 11 and 12 by Lt. Stan Parker," said Police Chief Lonnie Smith in a press release issued Tuesday. "The investigation concluded Parker had violated both department and

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## Sales tax rebates continue to climb for Big Spring

### Coahoma, Forsan show strong increases for June

By BILL MCCLELLAN  
News Editor

Sales tax rebates continued to climb for the city Big Spring this year — if only slightly this month — as the State Comptroller's office showed a 2.78 percent increase.

The State Comptroller's records the figures on a monthly basis.

For June, Big Spring received \$296,479.66, nearly a 3 percent increase over the \$288,443.42 the city received for the same month in 2003. The boost edged Big Spring near the \$2 million mark for the year. Through the first five months of 2004, Big Spring has received \$1,977,697.96, some 10.34 percent ahead of what the city received during the same period for 2003.

Coahoma continued to show strong increases. That city received \$4,107.93 for June, an increase of 42.13 percent when compared to the \$2,890.21 taken in for June 2003. For the year, Coahoma has received \$27,092.35, an

increase of 36.74 percent compared to last year.

Forsan took in \$6,879.57, up a whopping 84.55 percent compared to the \$3,727.57 received a year ago. Through six months, Forsan has received \$27,303.99, an increase of 17.69 percent when compared to 2003. Just two months ago, the community was standing on a 7.14 percent deficit.

Sales tax rebates for Abilene were up by a tiny amount — just 0.08 percent — comparing the \$2,009,790.63 taken in this month to

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## Projection: Hispanic majority on track by 2020

By MARK BABINECK  
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON — Hispanics are still on pace to outnumber whites in Texas by 2020 and they may even do it sooner, according to new state population estimates.

The Texas State Data Center's biennial population projection, released this week, is based on figures that show Hispanic growth continued in the financially troubled early 2000s while all other groups held steady.

Hispanic growth was more rapid from 2000 to 2002 because fewer people were coming to Texas while the economy was down, but the Hispanic birth rate in the state was much higher than that of other groups, said Texas state demographer Steve Murdock.

"It accelerates the diversity of the population, where we become less than half Anglo," he said.

The traditional projection has non-Hispanic whites becoming less than half the populace next

year, Hispanics edging past non-Hispanic whites in 2020 and Hispanics becoming a majority by 2035. If trends continue as they did from 2000 to 2002, non-Hispanic whites could lose the majority by this year. Hispanics could become the largest group by 2015 and a majority by 2030.

The Texas State Data Center, at the University of Texas at San Antonio, is the state's official demographer. The center puts out a population projection for the state every two years, mak-

ing estimations based on different growth scenarios.

All scenarios have the non-Hispanic white and black populations staying virtually flat while Hispanics mount huge gains along with "other," which comprises Asians, American Indians and any other group that doesn't fit into the three largest categories.

In fact, "other" will rival the black population by 2040, if growth were to continue as it has in the first part of this decade.

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Obituaries

Orena Henderson



Orena Henderson, 98, of Big Spring died Tuesday afternoon, June 22, 2004, at Comanche Trail Nursing Home. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Thursday in the Myers and Smith Chapel with the Rev. Walter McCall, Odyssey Hospice chaplain, officiating. Private burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Jan. 6, 1906, in Antlers, Okla., to Mr. and Mrs. Thurston Morgan. She was a member of a pioneer Big Spring family, living here for more than 75 years. Mrs. Henderson was a homemaker. She married William Alfred Henderson, Aug. 10, 1920. He preceded her in death Dec. 22, 1960.

She is survived by three daughters, Billie Gilbert and her husband, Bob, and Imogene Smith, all of Big Spring, Betty McElrath of San Angelo; seven grandchildren, Kelli Bosig of Arlington, Robert Gilbert, Gloria Bain, and Emma Douglas, all of Big Spring, Peggy Jonas and Patty Micheal, both of San Angelo, and Todd Henderson of Las Vegas, Nev.; nine great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three sons, Leroy Henderson, Teddy Henderson, and Jack Henderson; one daughter, Delores Jo Henderson; two brothers; and two sisters.

The family suggests memorials to Odyssey Hospice, 1003 E. FM 700, Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

*Paid obituary*

Nellie Tippie



Nellie Tippie, 105, went to be with her Lord and Savior Sunday, June 20, 2004, at Stanton Care and Rehabilitation Center in Stanton. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. today, June 23, 2004, in the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Gary Tate of Golf Course Road Church of Christ in Midland officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born July 4, 1898, in Shive and married Ernest M. Tippie Oct. 13, 1913, in Hamilton. He preceded her in death in December 1946. She was also preceded in death by her infant son, W.H. Tippie and then, her daughter, Christine Hartley, in October of 1996.

Nellie moved to Big Spring in 1940 and to Midland in 1990. She was a talented seamstress and after her husband's death, she made her livelihood sewing for others and later, worked for Swartz Dress Shop in Big Spring doing alterations.

Granny loved to work in the yard and could grow anything that she planted. She always had a beautiful flower garden that she so graciously shared with others. She was a member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

She was a member of 14th and Main Church of Christ in Big Spring and the Golf Course Road Church of Christ in Midland. She lived her life for the Lord and received strength from God to live such a long and healthy life.

At the age of 67, she took on the responsibility of raising two of her grandchildren, Jimmie Kirkland and Vickie Lirley.

Survivors include two daughters, Ernestine Hammack of Midland and Mealdine Principe of Panama City, Fla.; 16 grandchildren; 36 great grandchildren and 52 great great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Stanton Care and Rehabilitation, 1100 Broadway, Stanton, 79782.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

*Paid obituary*

Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Tuesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 14-18-21-22. Bonus Ball: 19. Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: \$400,000.

Winning ticket sold in: Corpus Christi. Number matching four of four: 5. Prize: \$2,376. Number matching three of four, plus Bonus Ball: 32. Prize: \$45.

Number matching three of four: 915. Prize: \$22. Number matching two of four, plus Bonus Ball: 620. Prize: \$21.

Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 4,225. Prize: \$7. Number matching Bonus Ball alone: 7,700. Prize: \$5. Estimated jackpot for Friday night drawing: \$200,000.

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Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 2-18-19-27-33. Number matching five of five: 0. Matching four of five: 111. Prize: \$503. Matching three of five: 3,612. Prize: \$11. Matching two of five: 37,581. Prize: \$2. Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-1-4

Weather

Tonight: A few passing clouds. Low near 65F. Winds ESE at 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday: Generally sunny despite a few afternoon clouds. High around 90F. Winds SE at 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday night: Clear skies. Low 67F. Winds SE at 10 to 15 mph.

Friday: Mainly sunny. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the mid 60s.

Saturday: A few thunderstorms possible. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.

Sunday: Partly cloudy with a stray thunderstorm. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 60s.

Joe Mathews

Joe Mathews, 90, of Cross Plains, formerly of Big Spring, died at 4:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 22, 2004, in Brownwood Regional Medical Center. Funeral service will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Aug. 3, 1913, in Denton. He married Roma Southard, Nov. 13, 1945, in Big Spring. She preceded him in death March 13, 1989. Mr. Mathews was a long time Big Spring resident.

He is survived by five daughters, Diane Mathews and Randie Mathews, both of Lubbock, Lillie Woodard of Katy, Connie Mathews of Cross Plains, and Mollie Robins of Austin; one sister, Bethan Ellen Goolsby of Big Spring; seven grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Joe Randall Mathews, April 19, 1979.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

Garland Harrison

Garland Harrison, 68, of Coahoma died Tuesday morning, June 22, 2004, at his home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday in the Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Herb McPherson, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6 until 7:30 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He was born Dec. 24, 1935, in Crockett. He married Peggy Teague Jan. 20, 1962, in Big Spring. Mr. Harrison was a master plumber and a Baptist.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Harrison of Coahoma; one daughter, Paula Thiel of Laramie, Wyo.; three sons, Curtis Harrison, Preston Harrison, and Calvin Harrison, all of Coahoma; and six grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Coahoma EMS, or Hospice House of Odessa.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

Elouise White McRae

Elouise White McRae, 92, of Big Spring died Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Police blotter

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

• DAVID RYAN LONGLEY, 52, of 1101 Marijo, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana - 2 ounces or less.

• JOSE JESUS BURCIAGA, 21, of 1905 Wasson, was arrested Wednesday on local traffic warrants.

• JUAN PAUL GARZA, 40, of 108 Lockhart, was arrested Wednesday on a local traffic warrant.

• JOE MORRIS HAYS, 48, of 1200 E. 15th Street, was arrested Wednesday on a local traffic warrant.

• ERIC ANTHONY MARTINEZ, 29, of 3705 Connally, was arrested Tuesday on a Lubbock County warrant for theft.

• ANTHONY MUNOZ, 45, of 309 W. Fourth Street, was arrested Tuesday on charges of public intoxication and solicitation by a pedestrian.

• JADE ALEXANDRA COWDERY, 20, of 2526 Hunter, was arrested Tuesday and held for the HCSO.

• RICARDO ANTONIO ARGUELO, 19, of 2614 Larry, was arrested Tuesday on a local traffic warrant.

• ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 100 block of Lockhart.

• UNATTENDED DEATH was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster.

• FALSE REPORT TO POLICE OFFICER was reported in the 1200 block of Harding.

• THEFT was reported:

- in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.

- in the 1100 block of Lamesa.

- in the 1500 block of Fourth Street.

• POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - 2 OUNCES OR LESS was reported in the 1400 block of 11th Place.

• CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported in the 900 block of Golfcourse.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported:

- in the 1300 block of Stadium.

- in the 500 block of Birdwell.

Sheriff's report

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

• BIANCA RENE PINEDA, 26, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of theft - more than \$500 less than \$1,500.

• KATHERINE DELORES SCAGGS, 33, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of a parole violation and unauthorized use of a vehicle.

• CECILIO ANGUIANO RODRIGUEZ, 21, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• ORIN ROMINE, 20, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of reckless driving.

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.

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

• 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.

• West Texas Pachyderm Club, formerly West Texas republican Club, meets at noon in the Big Spring Country Club.

• 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.

SATURDAY

• Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

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 La Posada Restaurant.

• Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at 500 S. Main St., in the Dorothy Lamb Meeting Room of the Howard County Library. The public is welcome.

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.

• 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.

• The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 7 p.m. in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1105 Birdwell Lane. For more information, call Tracey Pounds at 263-4948.

WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.

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

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• Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

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Al-Zarqawi

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## Al-Zarqawi vows to assassinate Iraq's prime minister

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A recording purportedly made by the mastermind of bombings and beheadings in Iraq threatened to assassinate Iraq's interim prime minister and fight the Americans "until Islamic rule is back on Earth."

The audio, found Wednesday on an Islamic Web site, is supposedly from Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the same Jordanian-born terrorist whose group claimed responsibility for the beheading of American hostage Nicholas Berg and Kim Sun-il, a South Korean whose decapitated body was found Tuesday evening between

Baghdad and Fallujah. South Koreans reacted with sorrow and anger to Kim's beheading Wednesday, with President Roh Moo-hyun calling it a "crime against humanity."

After the slaying, U.S. forces launched an airstrike on what the Americans said was an al-Zarqawi hideout in Fallujah. Three people were killed and nine wounded, said Dr. Loai Ali Zeidan at Fallujah Hospital. It was the second U.S. airstrike on Fallujah since Saturday. Kim's body was found two days after he appeared on a videotape broadcast by Al-Jazeera

television, pleading "I don't want to die" and begging his government to pull its soldiers out of Iraq. South Korea refused and said it would go ahead with plans to send another 3,000 troops here by August.

In the audiotape, the speaker thought to be al-Zarqawi told Iraq's interim prime minister, Iyad Allawi, that "we will continue the game with you until the end."

The speaker said "we will not get bored" until "we make you drink from the same glass" as Izzadine Saleem, the Iraqi governing Council president killed last month in a car-bombing

claimed at al-Zarqawi's group.

"We will carry on our jihad against the Western infidel and the Arab apostate until Islamic rule is back on earth," the voice said.

An official with Allawi's office dismissed the threat, saying it would not derail the transfer of sovereignty next week.

A roadside bomb exploded near Baghdad's Kindi Hospital on Wednesday, killing a policeman, a mother and her child, police said. The woman and child were riding in the taxi, said Col. Khubur Saleh of the Iraqi police.

## PARKER

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city policy.

"Based on these findings, Parker's employment with the police department was terminated, effective June 22, 2004."

Although Parker's employment has been terminated, Smith said the 16-year veteran of the police department does have the opportunity to appeal.

"Stan does have the continued right to appeal this decision up through a retired district judge if he chooses," said Smith.

According to PD Public Information Officer Roger Sweatt, the altercation that led to Parker's arrest began at the Greyhound Bus Station during the early morning hours of June 12, after a report of an intoxicated person was received by the police department.

"Officers responded and arrested Parker, who was at the time was a lieu-

tenant with the PD," explained Sweatt. "The call came in at around 3:13 a.m."

Sweatt said Parker was in a vehicle when police arrived and was arrested for DWI. He was booked into the city jail on charges of driving while intoxicated and later transferred to the Howard County Jail, where he was bonded out.

Parker was then placed on administrative leave pending an internal investigation.

"He had been employed with the department since May 3, 1988," said Smith. "He had worked in patrol, investigations, school resources and was currently assigned to support services, which included animal control, records, dispatch and school officers."

Efforts to reach Parker for comment were unsuccessful.

Contact Staff Writer  
Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232.

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Glasscock, 2.8; Midland, 3.7; and Martin, 4.2.

Despite a drop in the local rate, Belew said regional and statewide rates weren't quite so

lucky.

"The Permian Basin unemployment rate increased from 4.6 percent to 4.8 percent, while the Texas unemployment rate rose from 5.6 percent to 5.7 percent," said Belew. "The national average dropped from 5.4 to 5.3."

"Unemployment rates in the area are expected to rise in the next few months as seasonal workers, students and other individuals enter the job market for summer employment."

The Big Spring Workforce Network provides on-going job search

and work readiness workshops for anyone that would like to improve their job search techniques. Anyone interested in attending a workshop should contact Carla Gross or Adrian Calvio at 263-8373, or come into the office at 310 Owens for more information.

## REBATES

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the \$2,008,125.97 taken in during June 2003. For the year, Abilene has received \$13,412,221.11, an increase of 3.79 percent.

Andrews suffered through the first few months this year, but June was better. The city took in \$67,115.27 this month, a 5.41 percent increase compared to the \$63,666.72 received in June 2003. For the year, Andrews has received \$435,158.93, a decrease of 0.59 percent.

Brownfield received \$59,754.90, some 16.62 percent above the \$51,235.88 received in June 2003. For the year, Brownfield has taken in \$401,789.50, or 4.8 percent more than the same period a year ago.

Colorado City experienced a 21.1 percent increase, comparing this month's receipts of \$33,808.79 to last June's \$27,915.82. In 2004, Colorado City has pulled in \$219,931.63 in rebates, an increase of 11.25 percent.

Fort Stockton witnessed an increase of 4.79 percent, comparing the \$117,396.40 taken in this month against the \$112,021.12 received a year ago. This year, Fort Stockton has received \$697,841.53, some 0.97 percent above last year.

Kermit received \$23,840.20 this month, up 0.77 percent compared to \$23,656.78 received in June 2003. For the year, Kermit has received \$153,092.75, up 1.39 percent compared to 2003.

Rebates were down 4.23 percent for Lamesa, com-

paring the \$61,001.98 received this June to the \$63,700.80 received last June. Rebates for 2004 total \$425,156.70, down 1.41 percent.

Lubbock experienced a 6.71 percent increase, comparing this month's rebates of \$2,181,431.06 to June 2003 rebates of \$2,044,171.31. For the year, the city has received \$15,088,047.94, an increase of 5.63.

Midland took in \$1,680,087.61 this month, a 13.68 percent increase compared to June 2003 rebates of \$1,477,872.86. For the year, Midland has received \$10,852,726.55, an increase of 7.73 percent.

Monahans incurred a decrease of 4.54 percent in June. That compares this month's proceeds of \$69,156.80 to June 2003 proceeds of \$72,453.28. For the year, Monahans has

received \$421,598.72, an increase of 3.8 percent.

Odessa received \$1,095,158.31 in June compared to \$1,139,484.92, a difference of minus 3.89 percent. For the year, Odessa has received \$7,411,512.35, a 3.08 percent improvement over 2003.

Pecos' proceeds were up 4.7 percent, comparing June 2004 totals of \$61,227.49 to June 2003 totals of \$58,477.67. For the year, Pecos has received \$385,603.86, up 3.88 percent.

San Angelo enjoyed a favorable increase between the two Junes, receiving \$1,112,475.12 this month compared to \$1,051,270.77 in 2003. That's a difference of 5.82 percent. For the year, San Angelo has received \$7,342,555.99, up 6.23 percent.

Snyder received \$127,707.33 this month. That compares to \$160,446.61 in 2003 — a 20.40 percent decrease for the Scurry County seat. For the year, Snyder has taken in \$910,273.19, an increase of 4.36 percent.

Stanton enjoyed an increase of 32.62 percent. The Martin County seat brought in \$9,690.30 this June compared to \$7,306.30 a year ago. For the year, Stanton has received \$65,745.11, a tremendous increase of 41.03 percent.

Sweetwater fell under the mark, receiving \$131,225.48. That compares to \$156,454.22 in June of 2003, a drop of 16.12 percent. Sweetwater has received \$955,137.85 this year, down 5.85 percent.

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Joe Mathews, 90, died Tuesday. Funeral service will be 2:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Garland Harrison, 68, died Tuesday. Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 7:30 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Orena Henderson, 98, died Thursday. Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Private burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

## VAMC

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going to have to deal with," she said with a laugh. "I'm living right now in hurricane ally. I've lived in places where tornados were problems."

"From my perspective it's really not the environment so much as it is the people around you and the work you are doing while you are there," she continued. "The environment, I think, is going to be refreshing."

Atkins' appointment is effective July 11, and she is expected to relocate to the city in late July or early August. She serves as the associate director of the West Palm Beach VA Medical Center.

"Mrs. Atkins is a talented health care executive with a demonstrated record of improving patient services," Patricia McKlem, Veterans Integrated Service Network 18 director said in a written statement. "Her husband, father and uncle are all veterans, making her dedication to the mission of VA not only a professional commitment, but a personal one as well."

"Mrs. Atkins has earned an outstanding reputation for her strong performance, innovative management and collaboration with the community, and we are very excited to have her join our network of health care facilities in this leadership role."

Atkins brings 32 years

of clinical and administrative experience to the position.

"My background is nursing," Atkins said. "I spent a fair number of years doing direct patient care, teaching nursing, serving in nursing administration roles and then moving into broader hospital administration roles."

"One of the things I really think I bring is that patient care focus," she continued. "I'm really committed to meeting the needs of veterans in concert with the mission of the medical center."

As the daughter of a World War II veteran, Atkins early on developed an appreciation for veterans and her connection to the VA medical system began early in her nursing career.

"When I first graduated from nursing school back in 1972 I already had a healthy respect and admiration for the VA," she said. "I did about two-thirds of my clinical nursing training at the VA hospital in Pittsburgh which is where I received my first nursing degree."

"Then when I went to graduate school for my master's in nursing I also did some training at the VA Medical Center in the St. Louis area," she said. "When I moved to Florida in 1982, the first time I lived in Florida, I had an opportunity to apply for and be selected for a job at the Tampa VA. It just reaffirmed that caring for veterans and serving in

the VA environment is what I wanted to do."

Employing more than 500 people, the Big Spring VA has an annual pay roll of \$32.5 million and provides services to veterans living in 46 counties in Texas and one in New Mexico.

As one of the largest employers in the city, Atkins said she recognizes the importance the hospital plays in the local economy as well as a health care provider for area veterans.

"I think my job is to help improve the health status of veterans who live in the community, who live in the service area," she said. "And if we are successful in doing that, then we're also successful in improving the health status of the community."

"There are opportunities, or there will be opportunities, for the VA to partner with community providers for services

we could work together to provide," she said. "And I would look for those opportunities and try to develop them when appropriate. I think we have an obligation to serve the community and we do that through the care that we provide to the veteran population."

During her tenure as associate director of the West Palm Beach VAMC, Atkins provided direction for operations of an affiliated and active medical center, supervised 12 departments and administered a \$200 million budget.

Prior to her appointment at West Palm Beach in August of 2000, she was associate director/chief operating officer at the VA Medical Center in Erie, Pa.

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## OUR VIEWS

Support Washington's  
fund-raising efforts  
for more technology

Interested in helping out a good cause? Well, kindergarten teachers at Washington Elementary School have one. By August they need \$500 to match a company's offer of technology that will help them help teach reading skills.

For the second year in a row, the kindergarten team received a \$500 MARS grant and will use the money to purchase LeapPads for all four kindergarten classes.

LeapPads are interactive books that use activities, games, stories and facts to develop vocabulary, spelling, phonics skills, reading skills, mathematics and science.

The books allow students to re-enforce reading concepts and other skills individually, thus allowing the teacher to work in smaller groups or with individual children.

However, if they can raise \$500 more to purchase LeapPad equipment, the school would be eligible for another \$500 worth of equipment free from the company.

Not surprisingly, the teachers are currently searching for an area business interested in making a donation.

For more information, contact Washington Elementary at 264-4126 or the school district administrative offices at 264-3600.

We here at the *Herald*, like these teachers, believe the love of reading and basic reading skills are not only vital to a successful early school experience, they are paramount in building successful lives.

Therefore, we salute the Miller family for providing the funds for the MARS grant, and encourage local businesses to get behind this effort.

We'll all be the better for it.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

## Mr. Berryhill and his Corvairs

When I got married in 1963, I owned a Corvair. It was a nifty car.

White with red upholstery. The small steering wheel was a joy to hold and because the engine was in the back, the front was lightweight and didn't require power steering. We took it to Mexico on our honeymoon.

Our Corvair was stolen one night from a movie parking lot. The police said they had never heard of anyone stealing a Corvair.

B.D. Berryhill of Midland has restored a Corvair convertible. The color is called evening orchid. It's a light purple.

"It was quite a car," say B.D. "They made convertibles, sedans, pickups and vans. They were all rear engine air cooled vehicles that were more or less patterned after Volkswagen."

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He has other Corvairs.

"I have two Corvairs that run. I have a ramp-side pickup and a Greenbriar van which I haven't started restoring yet."

He knows how to take one apart and put it back together. He's been working on cars since he was 16.

"You know when you're younger there's always a car that comes along that you'd like to have. I used to keep track of them. When they first came out with the Corvair, I couldn't afford one. Whenever they began to fall from favor and the price got cheap, then I could afford one as an extra car."

Ralph Nader didn't like the Corvair because of its rear engine and a rear suspension problem. He wrote a book, UNSAFE AT ANY SPEED. It pretty well caused the Corvair to go away.

"General Motors went in and re-tooled and re-designed the car and changed all that rear suspension to where it was no longer unsafe at all. But it was too late. Nader had already done the damage."

Annual Corvair events are held

around the country. There's an annual magazine, THE CORSA, and national Corvair club. B.D. is a member.

Parts for the Corvairs are easy to find.

"There's one company in Massachusetts of all places that specializes in Corvair parts. That's all they do. You can call them up and buy any piece. Believe it or not, they're pretty doggone reasonable on price."

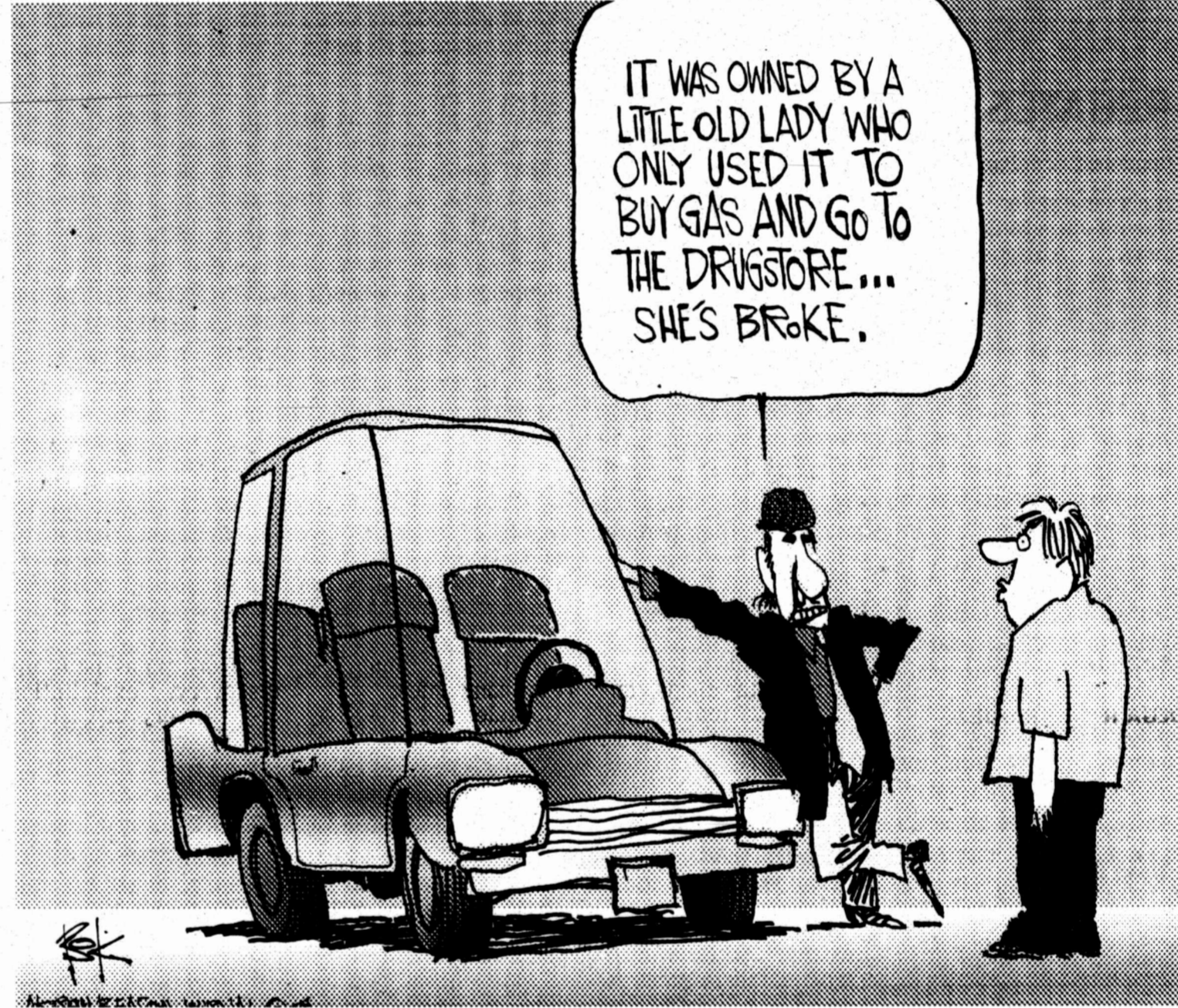
Mr. Berryhill drives his Corvairs around town.

"I have a lot of fun driving them. They're kind of a poor man's sports car. They have a quick steering on them and a floor shift."

The Corvair sold from 1960 to 1969. It was an economy car.

"I believe this convertible was about \$2,500 new. The two door hardtop out there was around two thousand. The big fullsize Chevrolets and Fords and so on were higher than that."

Mr. Berryhill has other classic cars, but loves his Corvairs.



## Thunderstorms, politics and holidays

Admit it: You hate buffets as much as I do. What's with all these thunderstorms? Did we have all these thunderstorms before George W. Bush was president?

I know you have always wanted to know which are stalagmites and which are stalactites. Stalagmites build up from the ground, and stalactites hang down from the roof of the cave. How do you remember which is which? Stalactites hang "tight" to the roof. Tites/tight, get it? (Just another example of how my six years of high school were totally worth it.)

Anybody remember Beechnut gum?

When I saw the four living ex-presidents at the Ronald Reagan funeral, they all looked like they were thinking the same thing: "When I go, I bet I'm not getting a send-off like this!"

If the administration really believes Saddam Hussein is linked to the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States, then we have every right to bring him to the United States and try him here, rather than turn him over to the new Iraqi government. (And we could give them Michael Jackson in exchange.)

The Democratic Convention is \$5 million over budget, and it hasn't even begun yet. And we're supposed to trust these people with the economy? Three suggestions: One, cut the first day when nobody is paying attention any-

way. Two, charge speakers \$25,000 for every minute their speeches go long. Three, auction off the vice presidency.

Best Rat Pack member: Dean Martin.

Buying a computer has become very, very easy, as computer companies have put huge resources into the training of their salespeople. But getting a computer problem solved is very, very difficult, because computer companies don't put resources into fixing what they have sold. In other words, once a computer company has your dough, it doesn't really care about you any more.

Memo to the Los Angeles Lakers: Did I forget to mention defense?

According to the Journal of the American Medical Association, 31 percent of all adults and 17 percent of all children in the United States are seriously overweight. And they always sit next to me on airplanes.

I'll bet there are at least three pairs of shoes in your closet that you have not worn in the last three years.

Wonder why the nightly news is filled with all those pharmaceutical ads? Could it be that mostly older people watch the news?

Three things you can do to get out of jury duty: Pretend you only speak French. Tell the judge all left-handed people are guilty. Claim you died five years ago and forgot to report it.

President Bush announced Wednesday that talk radio is being introduced in Iraq. This is a good thing?

Wonder what happened to all those aluminum siding salesmen? They became home security salesmen.

The top three things travelers

need in their hotel rooms these days: Power outlets, power outlets and power outlets. (And it would help if you didn't have to crawl behind the TV set or the bed to find them.)

How young is too young to own a cell phone? Do 10-year-olds really need them? And how do you keep the kids from using them to call their bookies?

I should never be allowed to wander alone in a Home Depot. Last week, I came home with an air compressor. Now, I have no idea what to do with all this compressed air. (No, I do not want suggestions.)

Have I mentioned recently that you are never to put ketchup on a hot dog? Hot dogs are meant for mustard. Pickles are also OK on a hot dog, but the pickles must be cut lengthwise. Consider yourselves warned.

Does anybody still wax his own car?

Delta Airlines announced Wednesday it cannot survive "as is." Gee, I wonder why. It couldn't be because passengers have finally gotten fed up with lousy airlines that provide unfriendly service at high prices, could it?

Paperback Pick of the Month: "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" by Mark Haddon.

Remember: If you don't stand for something, you will fall for anything.

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## Fans

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# Fans swoon as they meet Bill Clinton and buy his book

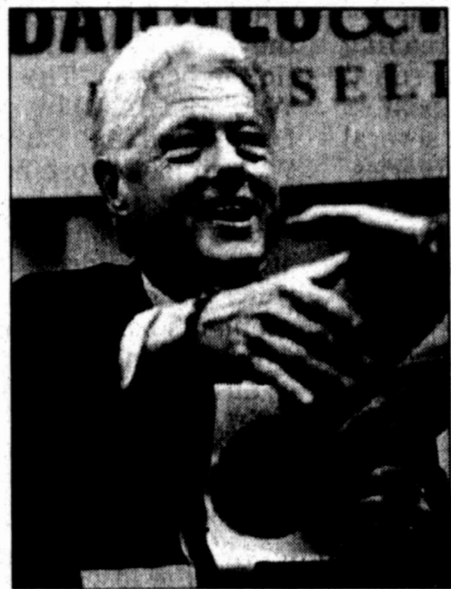
By CHAKA FERGUSON

Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — Fans slipped him notes, pictures and leaned across the desk to say they loved him. One young woman was in tears, speechless, after her book was signed. Another was heard telling her friend, "That was intense! Oh, my God!"

Former President Clinton was greeted by adoring crowds as he launched the tour for his autobiography on Tuesday in New York, with many readers getting up early or using their lunch breaks to buy it.

"My Life" was released throughout the United States with a first printing of 1.5 million. Barnes & Noble estimated that between 90,000 and 100,000



Courtesy photo  
Former president Bill Clinton shakes hands while on tour for his book, "My Life."

copies would sell Tuesday, a record debut for nonfiction.

"I'm glad it's finally happening," Clinton said before settling behind a desk for a marathon signing at a Manhattan Barnes & Noble near Rockefeller Center. "I've been living with this for two years."

Later, after he moved a few miles uptown to the Hue-Man Bookstore near his office in historically black Harlem, Clinton said he was proud to once be described as "our first black president."

"I hope that this book will in some way be a gift to black America, that they'll understand that we can get together. We just have got to keep working at it," Clinton said.

Critics have not been impressed with the book, but that did not deter fans. At the Borders in Hollywood, Calif., Alex Volz made a beeline for the book and promptly walked to the cash register to buy it. Volz dismissed the reviews.

"I'm interested in what he has to say," Volz said, "regardless of how well it's written."

In Clinton's hometown of Little Rock, Ark., boyhood friend Paul Leopoulos was among the early birds who nabbed Clinton's book at midnight Tuesday, though he had received a personal preview from the author months ago.

"Back in February, we were playing hearts and he actually read from his transcript some of the passages that he wrote

about some of us," said Leopoulos, who was Clinton's neighborhood pal in Hot Springs.

At Hastings Books, Music & Video in Waco, near President Bush's adopted hometown of Crawford, manager Steven Kling said he expected to sell out of his store's 100-plus copies by day's end.

"This is Bush Country, but we've had a lot of interest over the last several weeks," Kling said. "With the television going crazy on the coverage, it's a big hit."

The book also went on sale Tuesday in parts of Europe. Translated editions were being readied in France for a Wednesday launch of 150,000 copies.

# Ethics committee to consider complaint against DeLay

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House ethics committee said Tuesday it will review a complaint from a Texas congressman that accuses House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, a fellow Texan, of "serious criminal acts."



DELAY

The committee said Democratic Rep. Chris Bell met House rules for filing such a complaint. The decision is largely procedural and is not based on the merits of the allegations.

DeLay, a Republican, has called the complaint filed last week the prod-

uct of a disgruntled lawmaker. Bell, a freshman, lost his re-election bid in Texas' March primaries after Republicans redrew his Houston district.

The committee's decision Tuesday triggers a 45-day review of the complaint.

After the review, the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct can choose from

among three steps: establish an investigative subcommittee to look into the complaint's allegations; extend the review another 45 days; or recommend dismissal of the complaint or parts of it.

Bell called the committee's move "an important first step in the long journey to restore integrity and ethics to the people's House and to hold the House majority leader accountable for his actions."

DeLay said at a briefing earlier Tuesday that GOP House members have

expressed misgivings to him about the "use of the ethics committee for political gains." He said he addressed the concerns in the Republicans' weekly conference meeting, saying the party would respond by passing its agenda.

"I'm not going to attempt to influence the ethics committee," the Republican leader said. "I have every confidence the ethics committee will do the right thing."

In the complaint, Bell made three charges:

— That DeLay illegally

solicited and accepted political contributions from Kansas-based Westar Energy Corp. in return for legislative favors. Westar executives, at the time in 2002 the company was lobbying for a provision in a major energy bill, contributed \$58,200 to various campaigns and political action committees, including \$25,000 to DeLay's PAC, Texans for a Republican Majority.

— That DeLay's PAC in September 2002 sent \$190,000 in corporate money to the Republican

National Committee "in an apparent money-laundering scheme" intended to provide money for GOP candidates to the Texas state legislature.

— That in 2003, when the Texas legislature was battling over the GOP redistricting plan, DeLay abused his office by asking the Federal Aviation Administration to track down a private plane that carried some Democratic legislators away from Austin to prevent Republicans from getting a quorum to vote on the plan.

# Texas Gov. Perry, Washington Gov. Locke visit Mexico

Trade, economic development top agenda

OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ

Associated Press Writer

MONTERREY, Mexico. — Texas Gov. Rick Perry and the governors of three Mexican border states signed a regional accord Tuesday to facilitate trade, improve the region's infrastructure and allow for scientific and technological exchanges.

Perry, Tamaulipas Gov. Tomas Yarrington, Nuevo Leon Gov. Jose Gonzalez and Coahuila Gov. Enrique Martinez signed the Regional Partnership for Progress Agreement, which they hope will unify the region and transform it into a competitive force in world markets.

"We know that many of the challenges we face we must address together,"

Perry said. "By tearing down economic barriers we can achieve progress for future generations."

The agreement also includes improving and expanding the roads connecting the four states and the exchange of intelligence in fighting organized crime and preventing terrorists from entering the United States through the Texas border with Mexico.

Gonzalez said the agreement was the basis for future cooperation but no detailed plans of action were discussed at Tuesday's signing ceremony.

Perry also held private meetings with Monterrey businessmen investing in Texas and with the governors from Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipas and Coahuila before signing the accord.

Texas recently surpassed California as the top exporting state in the nation with \$98.8 billion in exports last year. More than \$41.5 billion of those exports go to Mexico, the

state's leading trading partner.

Perry's trip coincides with an energy trade mission to Mexico by representatives of about 50 Texas companies.

Gonzalez had said a key topic of discussion would be creating joint ventures between Mexican and Texan businessmen in the energy sector.

"We're hoping that these joint ventures can facilitate the flow of natural gas and electricity in order to push forward the region's development," Gonzalez said.

The Mexican government oil monopoly Petroleos Mexicanos, or Pemex, has been accepting bids on multiple-service contracts to raise natural gas production in the Burgos basin. Located in the states of Nuevo Leon, Coahuila and Tamaulipas, Burgos is one of the largest natural gas reserves in North America.

Perry said Texas is ready to invest in the

Burgos basin as soon as Mexico's Congress rules on whether multiple-service contracts are constitutional.

"Texas can assist in the discovery, exploitation and delivery of (natural gas) but it's up to the Mexican Congress and the Mexican people to

decide," Perry said.

Perry was to travel to Mexico City on Wednesday to meet President Vicente Fox. The two were expected to discuss immigration, border security, commerce and Mexico's water debt to the United States.

"Now is the time to dis-

cuss in detail how we're going to address the water issue in the future," Perry said.

"If we're visionary leaders for our people we will address the issues of water now rather than being in conflict with each other in years to come."

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## Dressing up meatballs with a Moroccan flair

By CAROL MIGHTON HADDIX  
Chicago Tribune

Normally, I would make my own meatballs. But time is short during the week and sometimes, you just gotta take a shortcut. I had never had packaged, frozen meatballs before one family get-together last holiday season, when a sister-who-shall-remain-nameless bought a couple of bags of them, then jazzed them up with a sweet and sour sauce. Not bad! Taking her cue, I came up with this quick stew one night after work. Using a few Moroccan spices, I turned the plain meatballs into something more unusual, then teamed them with even faster-cooking couscous. Shortcuts may be worth taking more often.

### MENU

Moroccan-style meatball stew with couscous  
Cracked olives and tomato salad  
Pita bread  
Bakery baklava  
Zinfandel

### TIPS

No need to thaw the meatballs ahead of cooking. For the stew, you can purchase vegetables of your choice at the salad bar.

### MOROCCAN-STYLE MEATBALL STEW WITH COUSCOUS

Preparation time: 30 minutes  
Cooking time: 20 minutes  
Yield: 4 servings

The spice mixture in this recipe is adapted from Paula Wolfert's "The Slow

Mediterranean Kitchen." Moroccan spices:  
1 teaspoon each: sweet paprika, ground cumin, ground black pepper  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon each: ground ginger, ground cinnamon  
1/8 teaspoon each: ground turmeric, ground red pepper

Stew:  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
2 small leeks, sliced thinly  
2 small zucchini, sliced diagonally  
1 yellow or red bell pepper, seeded, cut into strips  
1 tablespoon flour  
1 can (14 1/2 ounces) chicken broth  
1 package (1 pound) frozen cooked meatballs  
1 cup instant couscous, cooked according to package directions  
1/4 cup chopped cilantro or parsley

1. Mix together paprika, cumin, black pepper, salt, ginger, cinnamon, turmeric and red pepper; set aside.  
2. Heat olive oil in large, heavy skillet; add leeks. Cook over medium-high heat, stirring often, 3 minutes. Add bell peppers and zucchini; cook, stirring often, 3 minutes.  
3. Sprinkle spice mixture over vegetables; cook, stirring, 1 minute. Sprinkle with flour; cook, stirring 1 minute. Stir in chicken broth; heat to a boil. Add meatballs; cook, stirring, until broth returns to a boil. Reduce heat to a simmer; simmer until meatballs are heated through, 10 minutes. Serve stew spooned over couscous. Sprinkle with cilantro.

## Mysterious goings on at the library

The library has received three new mysteries from some of my favorite authors. One I was fortunate to hear speak at the annual Texas Library Association convention a couple of years ago. "New York Time" bestselling author Lisa Scottoline has produced another stunning tale: "Killer Smile" (M SCO L). The book involves the case of an Italian-American who was interned during WWII. When the war broke out, the FBI arrested and imprisoned him (along with 10,000 other Italian-Americans). He lost everything and wound up committing suicide in the camp. Or did he? Mary DiNunzio steps up to represent Brandolini's estate as it sues for reparations. Mary puts all of her energy into the job, and when clues suggest Brandolini's death may have been a homicide, she becomes even more involved. Scottoline is an excellent writer and each of her books will keep you on edge. Other books that we have are "The Venetian Defense," "Courtin' Trouble," "Dead Ringer" and several more.



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The second book takes place in Dallas. "See Jane Die" (M SPI E) by Erica Spindler is quite

chilling also. Fifteen-year-old Jane is treading water when she is run down by a motor boat. After undergoing several reconstructive surgeries and therapy, it seems like she has it all — a loving husband, an exciting career and a new baby on the way. Happiness surrounds her. When she receives an anonymous note regarding the "accident," the past is back to haunt her. A most nerve wracking book.

Alafair Burke (James Lee Burke's daughter) has written her second book. Carrying on the same character as in "Judgement Calls," Samantha Kincaid is faced with trying to get her life back. Called to duty when the husband of City Judge Clarissa Easterbrook reports her missing, Samantha assumes that she is in only a stopgap measure until the judge returns. Au contraire, Kincaid is committed to her own investigation when the police's looks to be wrong. This is another excellent book to read while responsibly soaking up the sun at the pool or beach.

Here are some more beach reads: Dean Koontz has a new one out, "The Taking" (F KOO D). This takes place in the mountains of California along with a torrential downfall that cuts them off from the outside world. A few people band together to combat a menacing threat to their community. If you have read Koontz before, then

you know how spooky they can be. Another new fiction book is "The First Wife" (F DIA D) by Diana Diamond. Jane Warren had sworn never to marry again but succumbs to a debonair widower with children. However, mysterious accidents befall her and why is her new husband so obsessed with his first wife?

"Hickory Cured" (F JON D) by Douglas Jones is a compilation of 10 stories of life in Arkansas during the 1930s. In small towns, "characters" are seen more so than in large cities. How about Hanby Crumb who runs through the town brandishing a shotgun when the first airplane flies overhead? Or maybe the Budd Clan? Hominy, Little Sue, Big Sue and Chink (don't you just love those names)? This is a gentle book, full of memories and laughter. Other new fiction books: E. Annie Proulx's "Accordion of Crimes" (F PRO E); "Candles on Bay Street" (MCK K) by K.C. McKinnon (this one will make you cry); Nora Roberts' "Devin and Shane: The McKade Brothers" and while it is not a new book, we have received a print copy of Nevil Shute's "A Town Like Alice" (F SHU N). We do have it in audio form and the movie by the same name.

Now for non-fiction: "Beyond the Beachhead: The 28th Infantry Division in Normandy" (940.542 BAL J) by Joseph Balkoski. The 116th Regiment of the

29th Division was the first on the beach at Normandy. Sustaining the heaviest casualties of any regiment in WW II with many of those deaths were on Omaha Beach. This is their story; read it and weep for those who lost their lives.

Do you know what "snelling a hook" is? How about a "sheet bend" or a "tucked sheet bend"? Come check out "Handbook of Knots" (623.888 PAW D) by Des Pawson and learn how to tie more than just a "granny" knot.

Here are a couple of neat books with a Texas bent: "A Field Guide to Common Texas Insects" (595.709 DRE B) by Bastiaan M. Drees and "Discover Texas Dinosaurs" (567.909 FIN C) by Charles E. Finsley. Big Spring is mentioned — specifically the Otis Chalk area — and Post, where Dr. Chatterjee of Texas Tech University Archaeology Department has done extensive digging. These are some really neat books.

Howard County Library is open from 9 to 6, Monday through Friday. The Internet/Video room closes one-half hour before closing. The library is located at 500 S. Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260. Web site is [www.howard-county.lib.tx.us](http://www.howard-county.lib.tx.us); the online catalog is on line; our e-mail address is [howard-countylibrary@hotmail.com](mailto:howard-countylibrary@hotmail.com)

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### IN B

Dates set for Camp of Champions... Coach Rich currently at Big Spring School's Camp of Champions at Spring Training Camp will run July 7. The week-long camp is open to boys and girls ages 8 and 12. For more information, call Coach Rich at 432-269-3662 or 0519.

### Chaparral Round

A 14-and-under ketball tournament titled Summer Champs will take place at Angelo June 23-27. The tournament for boys and girls costs \$90 per player. To enter, call 0628.

### Forsan Ann

Buffalo will announce the 2004-2005 season. The camp will be held at the Buffalo Boys and Girls Club from July 23-27. The cost is \$40 per student. For more information, call Terry McDougall at 267-7445 or Thompson 0099.

### Martin County Hospital

The Martin County Hospital will hold its 5K Fun Run on July 9 at Stanton. The start of the race will be at the hospital. Proceeds from the race will go to the Griffis Golf Fund, which provides scholarships for students at the hospital. Awards will be given to the first, second, and third place runners in each age group. The race will be held before the July 9 race day. For more information, call N. Dunn at 432-267-2828.

### Big Spring Ragball

The Big Spring Softball team will hold a ragball tournament at a fund-raiser for the Spring Stars. The tournament will be held on July 9, 10, and 11. For more information, call Nicole at 432-267-6391.

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Event, Time, Location, etc. (Small text listing various events and their details.)

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2000 Ford Taurus SE - All power, 7,000 miles. **WAS \$9,995 NOW \$6,995**

1999 GMC Suburban LT - Dual air, all power, tan. **WAS \$17,995 NOW \$12,995**

2001 Chevrolet Tahoe L.S. 4-DR. - Pewter, cloth, all power, one owner, 50,000 miles. **WAS \$24,995 NOW \$19,995**

### \*\*\* Program Cars/Vans \*\*\*

2003 Mercury Sable GS - Arizona beige, all power, 19,000 miles. **WAS \$14,995 NOW \$13,995**

2003 Ford Taurus SES - White, cloth, all power, 14,000 miles. **WAS \$14,995 NOW \$13,995**

### \*\*\* Small Pickups \*\*\*

2002 GMC Sonoma Crew Cab SLS 4X4 - Tan, V-6, all power, one owner w/only 12,000 miles. **WAS \$19,995 NOW \$18,995**

2001 Dodge Dakota - White, all power, 41,000 miles. **WAS \$9,995 NOW \$8,995**

2000 Ford Ranger Supercab XLT - Dk. blue, V-6, automatic. **WAS \$9,995 NOW \$7,995**

1999 Ford Ranger - Blue, extra clean w/64,000 miles. **WAS \$7,995 NOW \$6,995**

1998 Nissan Frontier XE - Red, air, 5-speed, one owner w/50,000 miles. **WAS \$9,995 NOW \$7,995**

1997 Chevrolet S-10 - White, V-6, automatic, only 63,000 miles. **WAS \$7,995 NOW \$6,995**

1994 Ford Ranger - Blue, 4 cyl., 5 speed. **WAS \$6,995 NOW \$5,995**

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2002 Dodge Ram 1500 Quad Cab - All power, V-8, one owner w/20,000 miles. **WAS \$21,995 NOW \$20,995**

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2002 Chevrolet C1500 Silverado Ext. Cab LT Z71 4X4 - Pewter, On Star, leather, one owner, loaded. **WAS \$20,995 NOW \$18,995**

2002 Ford F150 Supercrew Lariat 4-DR. - Silver/gray leather, 5.4 V-8, all power, one owner w/only 21,000 miles. **WAS \$24,995 NOW \$23,995**

2001 Ford F150 Supercrew XLT 4-DR. - Red/Silver, all power, local one owner. **WAS \$18,995 NOW \$17,995**

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### \*\*\* 1/2 Ton Pickups \*\*\*

2000 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - All power, V-8, all power, one owner w/63,000 miles. **WAS \$13,995 NOW \$12,995**

1997 Chevrolet C1500 Ext. Cab Silverado - Tan, V-8, all power, locally owned. **WAS \$9,995 NOW \$8,995**

2000 Chevrolet C1500 Ext. Cab Silverado Z-71 4X4 - Red, all power, locally owned w/51,900 miles. **WAS \$18,995 NOW \$17,995**

2000 Ford F150 XL - White, all power, 3rd seat, local one owner w/32,000 miles. **WAS \$11,995 NOW \$10,995**

2000 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - All power, V-8, all power, one owner w/59,000 miles. **WAS \$17,995 NOW \$16,995**

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2002 Chevrolet C2500 H.D. Crew Cab L.S. Z-71 4X4 - Blue, all power, 6.0 V-8, one owner w/56,000 miles. **WAS \$25,995 NOW \$24,995**

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2001 Ford F350 Supercab Dually XLT V-10 - White w/silver, extra clean. **WAS \$20,995 NOW \$19,995**

2001 GMC Sierra 2500 Ext. Cab 4X4 L.S. - Pewter, cloth, all power, local one owner w/56,000 miles. **WAS \$23,995 NOW \$22,995**

2000 Ford F250 Supercab XL Powerstroke Diesel - Silver, 6 speed, local one owner w/69,000 miles. **WAS \$20,995 NOW \$19,995**

### \*\*\* SUV's \*\*\*

2002 Ford Expedition XLT - Silver, cloth, dual air, 3rd seat, local one owner w/58,000 miles. **WAS \$19,995 NOW \$18,995**

2002 Ford Expedition XLT - Silver, cloth, all power, one owner w/31,000 miles. **WAS \$22,995 NOW \$21,995**

2002 Chevrolet Trailblazer Ext. LT - White w/leather, fully loaded, local one owner w/34,000 miles. **WAS \$23,995 NOW \$22,995**

2001 Chrysler PT Cruiser - Red, all power, moonroof, all power, local one owner w/36,000 miles. **WAS \$13,995 NOW \$12,995**

2001 Ford Explorer Sport 2-DR.4X4 - Blue w/cloth, all power, one owner w/51,000 miles. **WAS \$14,995 NOW \$13,995**

2001 Ford Explorer XLT 4-DR. - White w/cloth, all power, one owner w/54,000 miles. **WAS \$15,995 NOW \$14,995**

2001 Chevrolet Tahoe L.S. 4-DR. - Red w/cloth, all power, one owner w/50,000 miles. **WAS \$24,995 NOW \$23,995**

2000 Ford Expedition Eddie Bauer - Slate green/beige, leather, dual air, 3rd seat, all power, local one owner w/59,000 miles. **WAS \$19,995 NOW \$18,995**

2000 Ford Expedition XLT - Silver/gray tuone, leather, dual air, 3rd seat, all power, local one owner w/62,000 miles. **WAS \$17,995 NOW \$16,995**

1992 Ford Explorer XLT 4X4 - White, all power, extra clean 4X4. **WAS \$6,995 NOW \$5,995**

### \*\*\* VANS \*\*\*

2004 Nissan Quest 3.5 S - Tan, cloth, dual air, local one owner w/17,000 miles. **WAS \$23,995 NOW \$22,995**

2001 Toyota Sienna XLE - Tan, all power, one owner w/56,000 miles. **WAS \$19,995 NOW \$18,995**

### \*\*\* CARS \*\*\*

2003 Ford Focus SE Wagon - All power, local one owner w/27,000 miles. **WAS \$13,995 NOW \$12,995**

2002 Mercury Grand Marquis GS - Beige w/leather, all power, local one owner w/30,000 miles. **WAS \$15,995 NOW \$14,995**

2002 Honda Accord LX 4-DR. - Silver, all power, one owner w/31,000 miles. **WAS \$16,995 NOW \$15,995**

2002 Honda Accord EX V-6 2-DR. - Gold w/leather, moonroof, all power, local one owner w/21,000 miles. **WAS \$20,995 NOW \$19,995**

2002 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS 2-DR. - Dark blue w/cloth, all power, local one owner w/21,000 miles. **WAS \$17,995 NOW \$16,995**

2001 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series - White w/leather, all power, local one owner w/only 12,000 miles. **WAS \$21,995 NOW \$20,995**

2001 Saturn L200 4-DR. - Red, all power, 59,000 miles. **WAS \$9,995 NOW \$8,995**

2001 Ford Crown Victoria LX - Tan w/cloth, all power, one owner w/59,000 miles. **WAS \$14,995 NOW \$12,995**

2001 Ford Crown Victoria L.S. - Silver w/leather, one owner w/39,000 miles. **WAS \$14,995 NOW \$12,995**

2001 Dodge Stratus 2-DR. R/T - Red, w/leather, all power, one owner w/30,000 miles. **WAS \$12,995 NOW \$11,995**

2000 Ford Focus Wagon SE - Silver, all power. **WAS \$7,995 NOW \$6,995**

2000 Ford Taurus SE - Red, cloth, all power, 60,000 miles. **WAS \$8,995 NOW \$7,995**

2000 Pontiac Bonneville - Silver, cloth, all power, one owner w/42,000 miles. **WAS \$12,995 NOW \$11,995**

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2000 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series - Gray w/leather, one owner. **WAS \$12,995 NOW \$11,995**

1999 Volvo C70 Coupe H.T. 5 Cyl. Turbo - Black, tan leather, moonroof, all power, one owner w/51,000 miles. **WAS \$16,995 NOW \$15,995**

1999 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series - White w/leather, one owner. **WAS \$10,995 NOW \$9,995**

1999 Pontiac Firebird - White, T-Tops, all power, 56,000 miles. **WAS \$13,995 NOW \$11,995**

1999 Chevrolet Prism 4-DR. - White, one owner w/61,000 miles. **WAS \$6,995 NOW \$5,995**

1999 Nissan Maxima GLE - Green, all power, locally owned, 63,000 miles. **WAS \$13,995 NOW \$12,995**

1998 Ford Escort ZX2 - White, local one owner w/41,000 miles. **WAS \$7,995 NOW \$6,995**

1997 Ford Crown Victoria - White, locally owned, 84,000 miles. **WAS \$5,995 NOW \$4,995**

1997 Mercury Grand Marquis GS - White, all power, local one owner w/43,000 miles. **WAS \$9,995 NOW \$7,995**

1997 Ford Mustang - Green, 6 cyl., automatic. **WAS \$6,995 NOW \$5,995**

1996 Oldsmobile 88 4-DR. - Pewter, leather, one owner. **WAS \$7,995 NOW \$5,995**

1995 Ford Taurus GL - Tan w/cloth, all power, local one owner w/73,000 miles. **WAS \$5,995 NOW \$4,995**

1992 Mercury Grand Marquis - All power, locally owned w/only 58,000 miles. **WAS \$6,995 NOW \$5,995**

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### IN BRIEF

#### Dates set for Camp of Champs

Coach Ricky Long is currently conducting Big Spring High School's Camp for Champs at the Big Spring Athletic Training Center. The camp will run through July 7.

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.

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

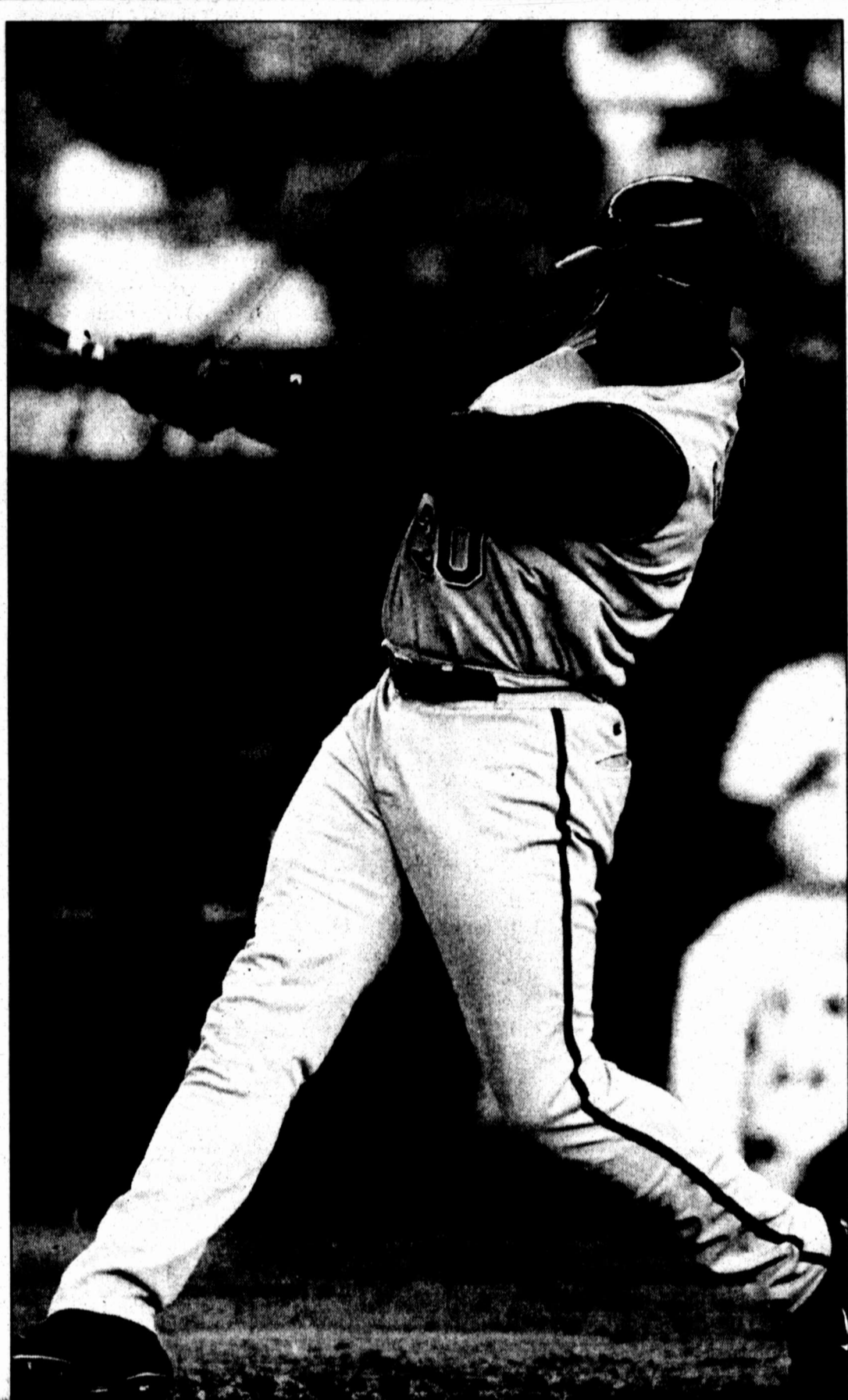
The Big Spring Girls Softball Association will be holding a co-ed ragball tournament as a fund-raiser for Big Spring softball all-stars.

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
	Aeros vs. Pirates, 6:40 p.m., 1490
Thursday	Event, Time, Station
	Rangers vs. Mariners, 6:30 p.m., 1490
Friday	Event, Time, Station
	Aeros vs. Pirates, 6:40 p.m., 1490



AP photo/Kathy Willens  
Cincinnati Reds centerfielder Ken Griffey Jr. hits a third inning single in the Reds 7-4 loss to the New York Mets, Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at New York's Shea Stadium. Griffey went 1 for 5 in the loss.

## OFF the BENCH

The NBA season is about one week past now, but somehow, even with baseball in full swing, the association still finds ways to dominate headlines.

Two Texas teams have found ways to get involved in these talks by hitting the trade block hard and heavy.

The Houston Rockets made a huge push to contention after agreeing with the Orlando Magic in a trade that would send Tracy McGrady, Juwan Howard and Tyrone Lue to the Rockets for Steve Francis, Cuttino Mobley and Kelvin Kato.

The only possible snag in the deal was solved last night after the expansion Charlotte Bobcats did not take Juwan Howard and his large contract.

This brings a dominating shooting guard and an above average forward to Houston and sends Houston's "franchise player" and two young talents (if you consider Mobley young) to Orlando.

Although Francis has the ability to be dominant, I believe this benefits Houston a little more. McGrady, in my opinion, is one of the top-five players in the league and can score at any place on the floor.

Francis is upset with the deal and did not want to leave Houston because he said "things were just starting to get good here." He will most likely seek or even demand a trade if he ends up in Orlando.

Now the big question is will McGrady benefit Houston's Yao Ming or put a snag in his emergence? That, everyone will have to wait and see.

The Dallas Mavericks have not made a deal yet, but could soon, now that future hall of famer Shaquille O'Neal just hit the market.

Mavericks' owner Mark Cuban says at this point, he will listen to offers from the Lakers, but will not jump the gun and go after this deal full boar. He is more worried about the Bobcats' expansion and the upcoming NBA draft then he is about dealing with Shaq.

I find that hard to

believe, however.

A man that could do nothing but help the Mavericks hits the market unexpectedly and the king of buying players with his money does not think it's important to go after him.

On the other hand, maybe he is right.

Why would Los Angeles want to deal Shaq, arguably the game's most dominant player, to Dallas and force itself to play against him four times a year. If I ran the team in Los Angeles, I know I wouldn't want to play him at all, let alone four times each season.

Plus, a deal that would bring Shaq to Dallas would have to almost have to involve three of Dallas' five starters. I don't see Cuban parting ways with Dirk Nowitzky, but dealing Steve Nash, Michael Finley, Antoine Walker or Antwan Jamison is not out the question. My guess, if they were to trade for Shaq, would be that Walker and Finley are the for sures in the deal and then either Nash, Jamison or even Nowitzky would also be included. The Lakers, to even out the trade, would then have to send either Kareem Rush or Derek Fisher to the Big D.

How many Dallas fans wouldn't want to see Fisher, Jamison, Nowitzky, Shaq and either Josh Howard or Marques Daniels in the starting lineup next year?

However, don't get your hopes up yet. I think two other teams have a better chance at getting Shaq then Dallas.

The Memphis Grizzlies have one person Dallas doesn't have. Jerry West. West, the former-Laker hall of famer, was instrumental in bringing Shaq to L.A. and has enough young talent and salary cap money to make a deal with the Lakers, as well.

The best Eastern Conference team in the Shaq sweepstakes is the New Jersey Nets. If this deal went down, expect to see Shaq and Rush in New Jersey and Kenyon Martin, Kerry Kittles and Rodney Rogers in Los Angeles.

Well, it looks like Houston is making moves in the right direction and Dallas could possibly get the game's most dominant player soon. Now where does that leave the state's best team in San Antonio?

Frankly, nowhere, I think.



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### MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

#### 2004 current standings

American League						
	W	L	GB	Home	Road	Streak
<b>East</b>						
New York Yankees	44	23	—	23-9	21-14	Won 2
Boston	40	29	5	23-11	17-18	Won 1
Tampa Bay	33	34	11	19-15	14-19	Won 12
Baltimore	28	38	15.5	15-19	13-19	Lost 1
Toronto	30	40	15.5	17-18	13-22	Lost 1
<b>Central</b>						
Minnesota	38	31	—	21-14	17-17	Lost 1
Chicago White Sox	36	31	1	21-13	15-18	Won 1
Cleveland	34	35	4	21-15	13-19	Lost 1
Detroit	31	38	7	16-18	15-20	Lost 4
Kansas City	27	40	10	17-17	10-23	Won 1
<b>West</b>						
TEXAS	38	29	—	21-11	17-18	Won 4
Anaheim	39	31	5	22-14	17-17	Won 2
Oakland	38	31	1	23-10	15-21	Lost 4
Seattle	29	39	9.5	16-19	13-20	Lost 1
National League						
	W	L	GB	Home	Road	Streak
<b>East</b>						
Florida	38	32	—	19-16	19-16	Won 1
Philadelphia	36	32	1	18-16	18-16	Lost 1
New York Mets	35	34	2.5	21-14	14-20	Won 5
Atlanta	32	37	5.5	17-17	15-20	Lost 2
Montreal	23	45	14	12-21	11-24	Won 3
<b>Central</b>						
St. Louis	41	29	—	18-17	23-12	Lost 2
Chicago Cubs	40	30	1	20-15	20-15	Won 3
Cincinnati	38	32	3	21-10	17-22	Lost 1
Milwaukee	36	31	4	21-15	15-16	Won 1
HOUSTON	37	33	4	19-18	18-15	Won 3
Pittsburgh	26	41	13.5	11-22	15-19	Lost 5
<b>West</b>						
San Francisco	39	32	—	22-15	17-17	Won 4
Los Angeles	36	31	1	19-13	17-18	Lost 3
San Diego	36	34	2.5	19-17	17-17	Won 2
Arizona	27	44	12	13-22	14-22	Lost 5
Colorado	25	44	13	17-18	8-26	Lost 2

Glossary:  
W: Wins L: Losses  
GB: Games Back  
Home: Home record  
Road: Road record  
Streak: consecutive games won or lost

Tuesday's AL Scores  
Chicago White Sox 11, Cleveland 9 (10)  
Anaheim 6, Oakland 1  
New York Yankees 10, Baltimore 4  
Boston 9, Minnesota 2  
Tampa Bay 5, Toronto 1  
Texas 10, Seattle 2  
Kansas City 8, Detroit 1

Today's game  
Seattle (Franklin, 3-4) at Texas (Bierbrodt, 0-0), 7:05 p.m.

Tuesday's NL scores  
Houston 5, Pittsburgh 4  
San Diego 2, Arizona 1 (10)  
San Francisco 11, Los Angeles 5  
Montreal 5, Philadelphia 2  
Florida 4, Atlanta 3  
New York Mets 7, Cincinnati 4  
Milwaukee 6, Colorado 2  
Chicago Cubs 5, St. Louis 4

Today's game  
Pittsburgh (Vogelsong, 1-7) at Houston (Munro, 1-0), 7:05 p.m.

#### THE NORTHERN TEXAS PGA JUNIOR GOLF FOUNDATION WESTCOTT JUNIOR TOUR EVENT RESULTS @ BIG SPRING COUNTRY CLUB

**Boys 16-18**  
1. Ryan Rodriguez, Big Spring — 71  
2. Chance Cain, Big Spring — 72  
3. Craig Feller, Midland — 79

**Boys 14-15**  
1. Reynold John, Abilene — 87  
2. Jerry Dugan, Odessa — 87

**Boys 12-13**  
1. David Maness, Andrews — 86  
2. Thomas Barham, Odessa — 87

**Girls 15-18**  
1. Shelly Martinez, Pecos — 81  
2. Brooke Jackson, Snyder — 89

**Co-Ed 7-9**  
1. Tyler Bryan, Big Spring — 37  
2. Hunter Montgomery, Fritch — 42  
3. Tobyn Tannehill, Big Spring — 46

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**IN BRIEF**

**"Best of the rest" golf tournament set**

The "best of the rest" two-man golf tournament at Comanche Trail Golf Course will take place Saturday and Sunday.

The championship flight is a two-man best ball and the "best of the rest" plays scramble.

There will be food on the course all day and a hole in one on number four wins a new automobile from Pollard Chevrolet.

The cost is \$100 per player plus cart.

For more information or to enter, call 432-264-2366.

**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 league is for kindergarten through sixth grade.

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.

**Coahoma's annual ragball toumey set**

Coahoma's annual ragball tournament has been set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Coahoma Softball Park, which is a change from past years.

The sign-up for the tournament has been scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday, June 25.

For more information about the tournament, call Patric Robinson at 432-393-5622 or Randy Clanton at 432-393-5338.

**BSISD announces volleyball events**

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

All players in grades 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. The makeup day for all lifting and conditioning is every Wednesday from 8:30-9:30 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 first camp will take place June 28-July 2. Eighth- and ninth-graders will go from 8 a.m. to noon for \$75 and seventh-graders will go from 1-5 p.m. for \$50.

The second camp is July 12 through July 16.

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

**Ensberg's big triple propels Houston**

HOUSTON (AP) — After getting himself out most of the night, Morgan Ensberg was frustrated.

But when it counted most in the seventh inning Tuesday, Ensberg came through with a two-run triple that sent the Houston Astros to a 5-4 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Ensberg batted twice before the seventh with runners in scoring position. He came up with the bases loaded in the first and grounded into an inning-ending double play, then grounded out in the fifth with a runner on third.

"I was swinging at a two-seam fastball almost in the dirt the first two times," Ensberg said. "I was being impatient and too aggressive then. I had two opportunities to help the team and failed at both."

"I've got this real thick skull and just can't seem to figure things out sometimes. It's about two inches thick I think. But finally in the seventh, I laid off, kept my shoulder in and waited for my pitch," he said.

Roy Oswalt (5-6) allowed three runs, nine hits and did not walk a batter in eight innings, sending Pittsburgh to its 10th straight road loss and fifth in a row overall.

The right-hander, who lost three of his previous four starts and five of seven, struck out five.

The Pirates dropped to 1-15 in their last 16 games in Houston.

Astros manager Jimmy Williams almost took Oswalt out after the seventh.

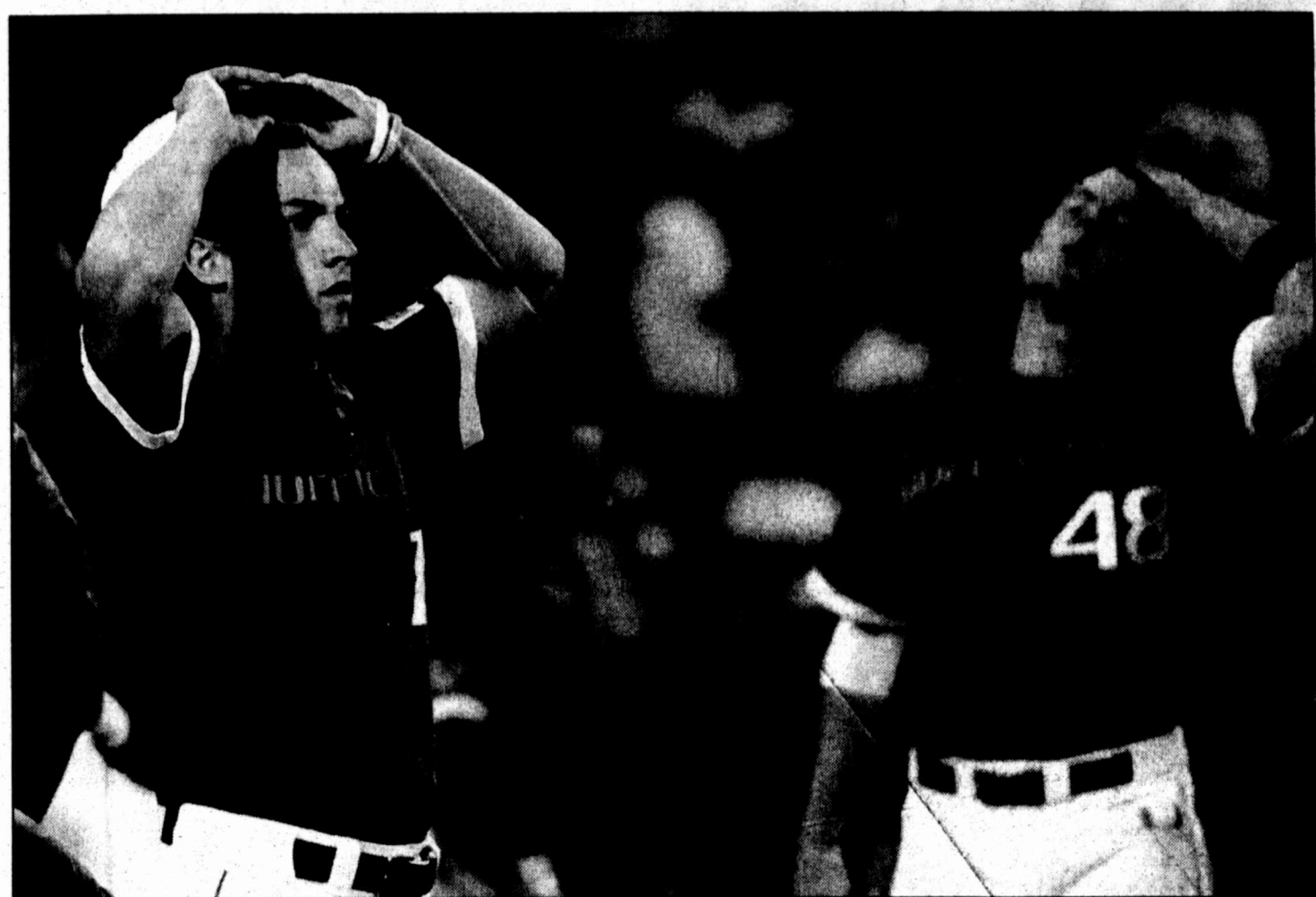
"I told him I felt fine," Oswalt said with a big smile. "I had less than 100 pitches and I mentioned that he let Wade (Miller) go 120 the other night. I kind of used that against him."

Brad Lidge gave up a leadoff homer in the ninth to Jason Bay, his seventh of the year, then finished for his second save. Lidge had not allowed a run in 14 1-3 innings, spanning 12 appearances.

It was the second straight comeback win for the Astros over the Pirates. Houston rallied from four runs down Monday to win 7-5.

"To me, Morgan's an RBI guy," Williams said. "It was the last shot he was going to have probably and he came through big for us. That's not unlike Morgan at all."

Pittsburgh's 10 straight road losses are its most since dropping 19 in a row from July 23 to Aug. 30, 1985.



AP photo/Ted Kirk  
Miami's Alex Blanco, left, and Brendan Katin, (48), react after Miami lost 15-11 to South Carolina in a College World Series elimination game in Omaha, Neb., Tuesday. South Carolina could possibly meet top-seeded Texas in the championship game. The gamecocks next opponent will Cal State Fullerton tonight. Fullerton has already defeated South Carolina in an earlier game in Omaha.

**Rangers move back into first place**

By STEPHEN HAWKINS  
AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON — Rod Barajas has suddenly become a power hitter. Ryan Drese is keeping opposing hitters off balance with his sinker.

And the Texas Rangers are back in first place in the AL West.

Drese (4-4), who wasn't even on the major league roster to start the season, allowed four hits over eight innings to match the longest outing in 51 career starts, and Texas beat the Seattle Mariners 10-2 Tuesday night.

"He's been pretty good," manager Buck Showalter said. "He kept pounding the strike zone. He's giving himself a chance to be effective ... pretty impressive."

The Rangers won their fourth straight and are first in the AL West at the latest point in a season since 1999 — when they won their last division title.

"We all realize it," Drese said. "We understand that we're on a roll and we want to keep it going."

Barajas homered for the third straight game, an unexpected offensive surge for the catcher who only became the starter after rookie catcher Gerald Laird tore a ligament in his left thumb last month.

It was the 10th homer in 34 games for Barajas, who has started 19 of 27 games since Laird's injury. Barajas had just 11 homers in 211 games over the past five seasons with Arizona.

"Having the opportunity to perform every single day is something I've always wished and hoped I would get," Barajas said. "It helps when you're able to see regular pitching day-in and day-out."

David Dellucci snapped a 1-for-35 slump with two hits, including an RBI double that started the scoring in the Rangers' six-run sixth.

Texas, which swept Seattle in a three-game home series in April, went ahead to stay on Mark Teixeira's two-run single in the first off Clint Naegotte (1-3).

Barajas' sacrifice fly greeted reliever J.J. Putz before. I've always used an upper-body swing to hit the ball," said Barajas, who has a six-game hitting streak. "Now I'm able to use both together and be more consistent hitting the ball."

Jason Conti then singled to reload the bases before Michael Young tripled into the right-field corner. Hank Blalock singled Young home.

Drese faced the minimum number of hitters until Ichiro Suzuki's two-out single in the fourth.

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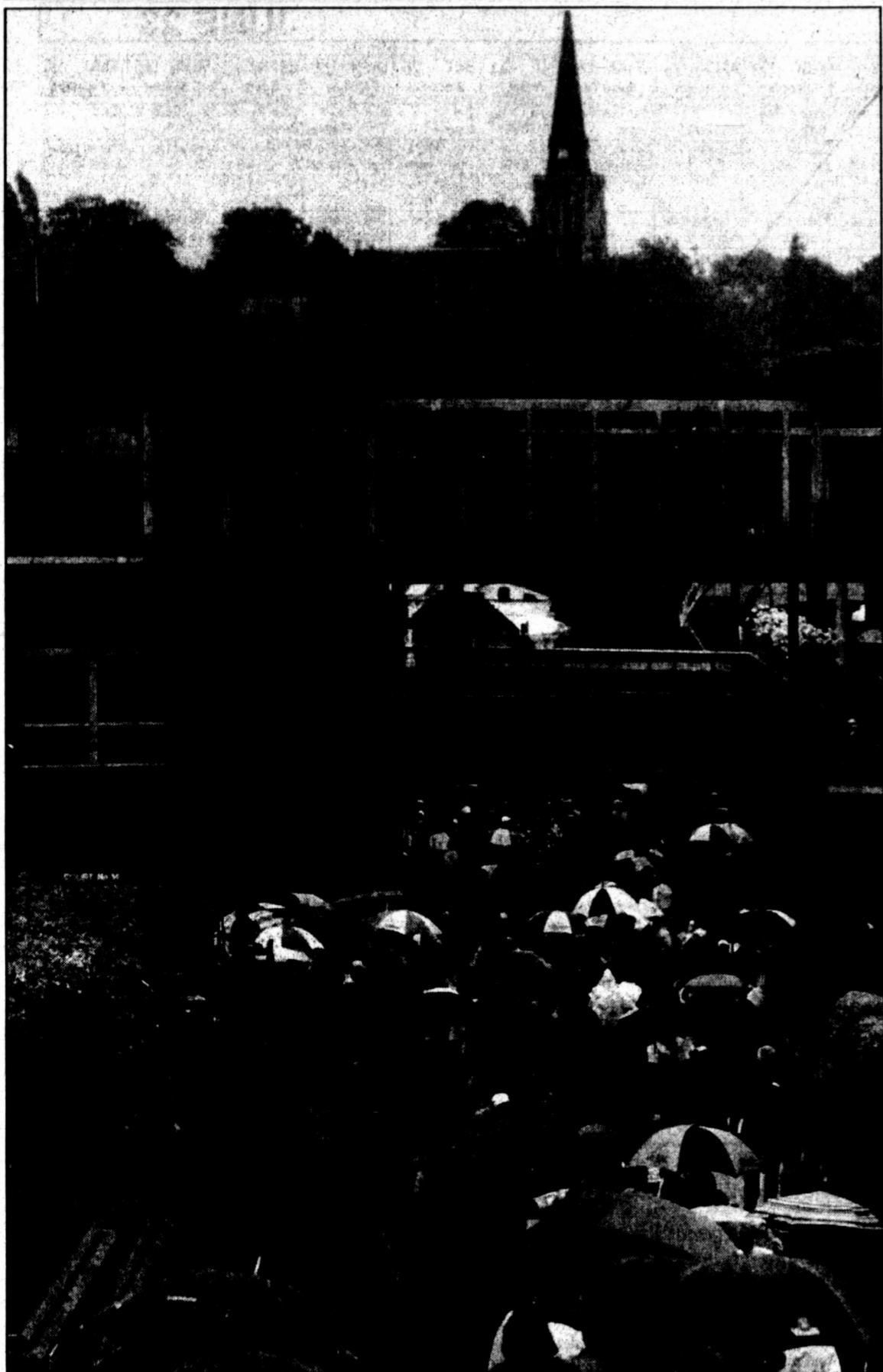
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Tennis fans shelter under umbrellas as adverse weather delayed the start of play at Wimbledon, Wednesday June 23, 2004. In background is St Marys Church. AP photo/Sang Tan

## Top-ranked Williams moves on at rain shortened Wimbledon

By STEPHEN WILSON  
AP Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, England - Serena Williams opened her bid for a third straight Wimbledon title Tuesday with a 6-3, 6-1 victory over a Chinese player making her first appearance at the All England Club.

The top-seeded Williams wasn't her dominating self in a tougher-than-expected outing against 52nd-ranked Zheng Jie, who showed no signs of being awed against the two-time defending champion on Centre Court.

The score was deceptive. The 20-year-old Zheng, with an especially strong backhand, stayed close in most games and pushed Williams for much of the 66-minute match.

But Zheng couldn't break Williams' serve, going 0-10 on break points. Williams also took advantage of Zheng's weak serve, teeing off on her second deliveries.

While Williams hit speeds of 121 mph on her first serve and 103 mph on her second, Zheng's fastest first serve was 102 mph and second serve at 83 mph.

Williams curtsied and blew kisses to the crowd afterward. But it wasn't a vintage display from Williams, who committed 24 unforced errors to go with six aces and 29 winners. She was less convincing than her sister, two-time champion Venus, who swept 106th-

ranked Marie-Gayanay Mikaelian of Switzerland 6-3, 6-0 on Monday.

Serena hasn't won a Grand Slam title since beating Venus in last year's Wimbledon final, and had an eight-month layoff after knee surgery last August. She is bidding to become the first player to win Wimbledon three straight times since Steffi Graf in 1991-93.

In an early upset, sixth-seeded Elena Dementieva of Russia — the losing finalist at last month's French Open — was bounced in the first round 6-4, 1-6, 6-4 by Sandra Kleinova of the Czech Republic. Also, No. 17 Chanda Rubin lost 7-6 (5), 6-3 to Marion Bartoli of France.

There was also an early surprise on the men's side, with 19th-seeded Marat Safin beaten by fellow Russian Dmitry Tursunov, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, 7-6 (1). Safin was a quarterfinalist at this major in 2001, but Wimbledon remains his least successful Grand Slam event.

Watching Safin's match was former Russian president Boris Yeltsin, an

avid tennis fan and player. Yeltsin was invited to sit in the Royal Box on Centre Court, but instead wandered out to Court 2 to watch the all-Russian contest.

Goran Ivanisevic, meanwhile, is back at Wimbledon for the first time since winning the title as a wild card in 2001. After missing the tournament the past two years with injuries, he can still claim to be a "defending" champion.

The 32-year-old Croat picked up where he left off Monday — slamming aces, hamming it up for the crowd, blowing kisses and winning.

"Beautiful," he said after beating Mikhail Youzhny of Russia 6-3, 7-6 (4), 6-2.

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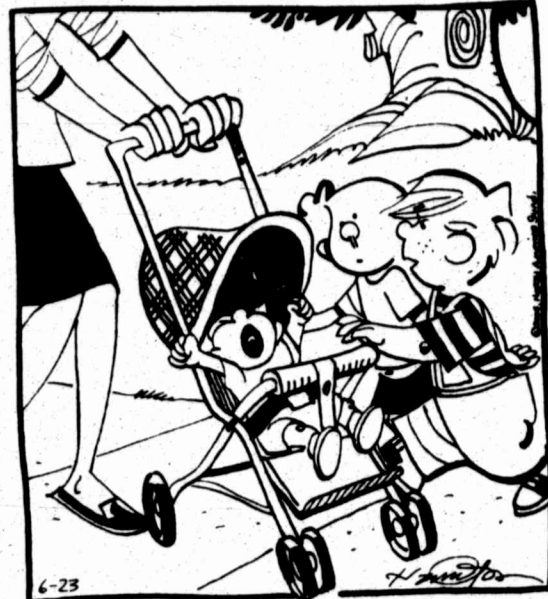
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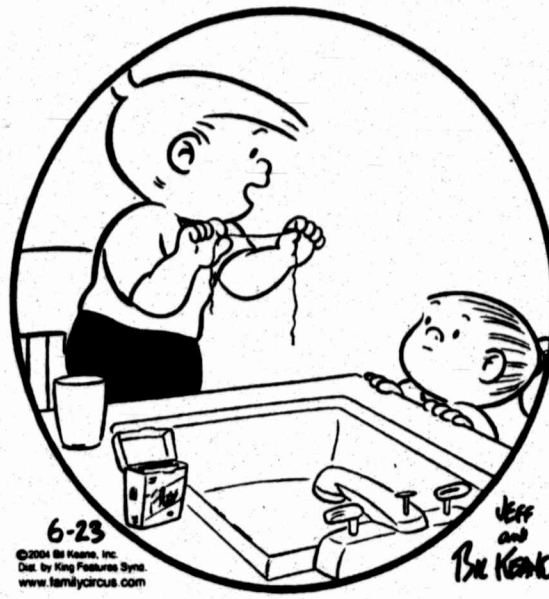
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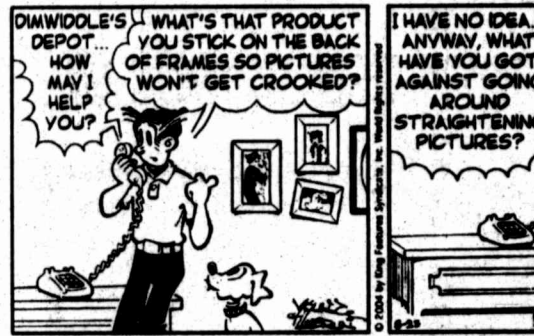
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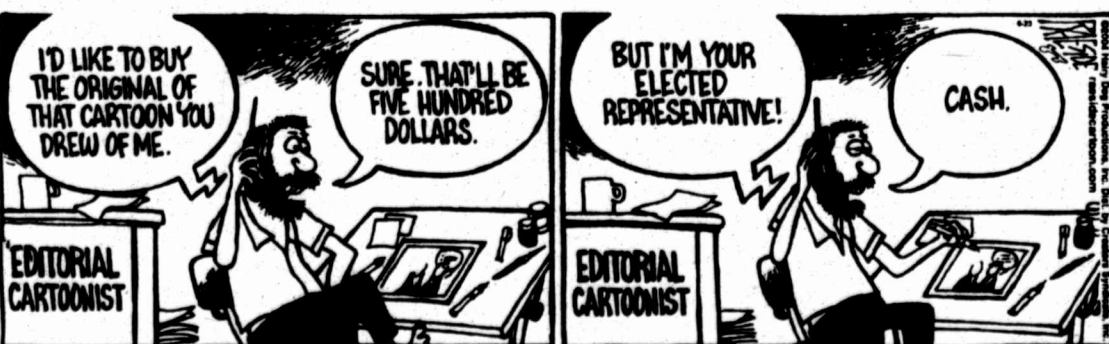
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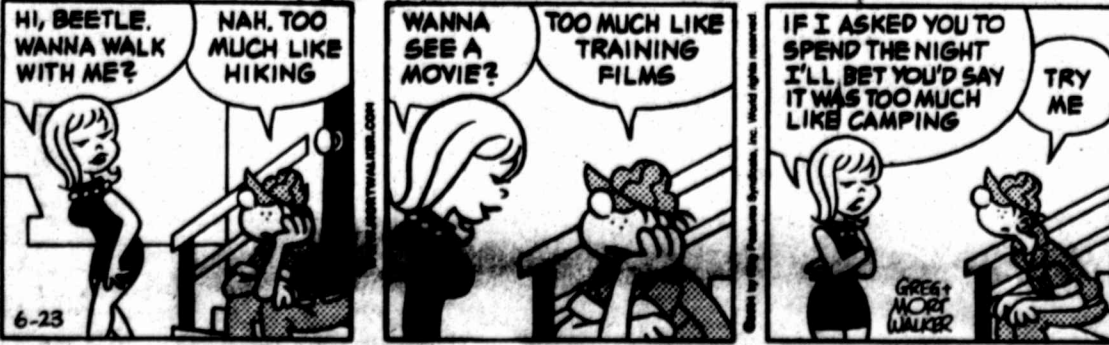
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, June 23, the 175th day of 2004. There are 191 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 23rd, 1969, Warren E. Burger was sworn in as chief U.S. justice by the man he was succeeding, Earl Warren.

On this date: In 1868, Christopher Latham Sholes received a patent for his "Type-Writer."

In 1892, the Democratic national convention in Chicago nominated former President Cleveland on the first ballot.

In 1931, aviators Wiley Post and Harold Gatty took off from New York on the first round-the-world flight in a single-engine plane.

In 1938, the Civil

Aeronautics Authority was established.

In 1947, the Senate joined the House in overriding President Truman's veto of the Taft-Hartley Act.

In 1956, Gamal Abdel Nasser was elected president of Egypt.

In 1967, President Johnson and Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin held the first of two meetings in Glassboro, N.J.

In 1972, President Nixon and White House chief of staff H.R. Haldeman discussed a plan to use the CIA to obstruct the FBI's Watergate investigation. (Revelation of this conversation sparked Nixon's resignation in 1974.)

In 1985, all 329 people aboard an Air-India Boeing 747 were killed when the plane crashed into the Atlantic Ocean near Ireland, apparently because of a bomb.

In 1995, Dr. Jonas Salk, developer of the first vaccine to halt the crippling rampage of polio, died in La Jolla, Calif., at age 80.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Diana Trask is 64. Musical conductor James Levine is 61. Rhythm and blues singer Rosetta Hightower (The Orions) is 60. Actor Ted Shackelford is 58. Actor Bryan Brown is 57. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas is 56. Actor Jim Metzler is 49. Actress Frances McDormand is 47. Rock musician Steve Shelley (Sonic Youth) is 42. Actor Paul La Greca is 42. Singer Chico DeBarge is 34. Actress Selma Blair is 32. Rhythm and blues singer Virgo Williams (Ghostowns DJs) is 29.

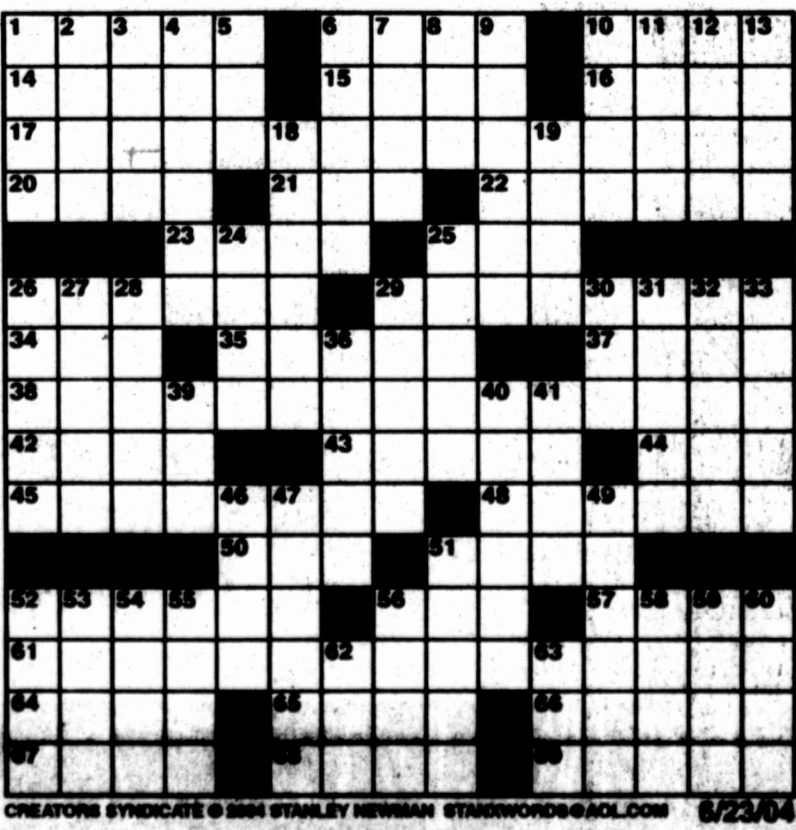
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Newsday Crossword

GOVERNMENTAL by Fred Piscop  
Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS**
- 1 Unwashed
  - 6 In a frenzy
  - 10 Missing, militarily
  - 14 Heavenly ram
  - 15 M\*A\*S\*H drink
  - 16 Toy dog, for short
  - 17 Novocain, e.g.
  - 20 Son of Seth
  - 21 Brightened up
  - 22 Turkey moistener
  - 23 Hamburg's river
  - 25 Profs.' helpers
  - 26 Fruity cocktail
  - 29 \_\_\_ it (leave quickly)
  - 34 Duke U.'s sports org.
  - 35 Nose, slangily
  - 37 Visitor to Siam
  - 38 Yearly address
  - 42 Ponderosa trio
  - 43 Pests on pets
  - 44 Muscle spasm
  - 45 Carriage-return equivalent
  - 48 Wine and dine
  - 50 Sculler's need
  - 51 Out of kilter
  - 52 Weather map line
  - 56 Work wk. ender
  - 57 Gone by
  - 61 Daily DC bulletin
  - 64 Arctic floater
  - 65 New driver, often
  - 66 I Remember Mama star
  - 67 Knitting need
- DOWN**
- 1 Over hill and
  - 2 Golf club
  - 3 Puerto \_\_\_
  - 4 Afternoon service
  - 5 Designer monogram
  - 6 Sure-shot Oakley
  - 7 Intersect
  - 8 Cries of surprise
  - 9 Knapsack
  - 10 King Kong and kin
  - 11 Sunset direction
  - 12 Steinbeck migrant
  - 13 King of tragedy
  - 18 White rat, perhaps
  - 19 "Slung" fare
  - 24 Emit coherent light
  - 25 Church donation
  - 26 En \_\_\_ (together)
  - 27 Follow, as a tip
  - 28 Quitter's words
  - 29 With fervor
  - 30 Basker's goal
  - 31 Author Loos
  - 32 How sardines may be packed
  - 33 Knight's weapon
  - 36 Put up for sale
  - 39 Literary monogram
  - 40 Insect with pincers
  - 41 \_\_\_-friendly
  - 46 Crowd sound
  - 47 Gold units
  - 49 Plaster of Paris ingredient
  - 51 Do not exist
  - 52 Not certain
  - 53 Actress Ward
  - 54 Limburger quality
  - 55 "It's \_\_\_ real"
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**CARE AND PROTECTION TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**  
**DOCKET NUMBER: CP 04N0010 COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**  
Juvenile Court Department  
New Bedford Division  
75 No. Sixth Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740  
To: \_\_\_\_\_ or any unknown, unnamed person claiming to be the father of Carbert Newton.  
A petition has been presented to this court by The Department of Social Services, seeking, as to the subject child, Carbert Newton, that said child be found in need of care and protection and committed to the Department of Social Services. The court may dispense the rights of the person named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the adoption, custody, or guardianship or any other disposition of the child named herein, if it finds that the child is in need of care and protection and that the best interests of the child would be served by said disposition.  
You are hereby ORDERED to appear in this court, at the court address set forth above, on 08/04/04, at 9:00 a.m., for a PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE.  
You may bring an attorney with you. If you have a right to an attorney and if the court determines that you are indigent, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you.  
If you fail to appear, the court may proceed with a trial on the merits of the petition and an adjudication of this matter.  
For further information call the office of the Clerk-Magistrate at 508-999-9700.  
Clerk-Magistrate Ronald C. Arruda  
DATE ISSUED: 06/02/04  
WITNESS:  
James M. Cronin  
FIRST JUSTICE  
#4249 June 23, 30 & July 7, 2004

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To: \_\_\_\_\_ or any unknown, unnamed person claiming to be the father of Carbert Newton.  
A petition has been presented to this court by The Department of Social Services, seeking, as to the subject child, Damian Peterson, that said child be found in need of care and protection and committed to the Department of Social Services. The court may dispense the rights of the person named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the adoption, custody, or guardianship or any other disposition of the child named herein, if it finds that the child is in need of care and protection and that the best interests of the child would be served by said disposition.  
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

Mars, the planet of aggressive energy, is moving into fire sign Leo. It's high drama time on the career front — lots of the excitement you see on television shows about a certain line of work. People rushing around, confrontations, high stakes — you'll find yourself thinking "ER" and "The West Wing" are nothing compared to real life!



Joyce Jillson

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The morning features something to brag about. Don't name-drop, though, as it's not at all becoming and could serve to turn off the very person you'd like to impress. Keep a sense of humor about family life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Friends of all ages, genders and locales will enrich you. Make an effort to attract people

who are a joy to be near. You need help with a project that is growing to overwhelming proportions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You've got the magic touch, but do be careful how you use it. Don't skip the research part of your project in order to get the high of being in action. You need mentors who can tell you the strengths and weaknesses of your project.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Learning more is what makes you rich. Financial questions are deftly answered by an expert you know personally, but be wary of advisers you have to pay right now. It's likely their commission dictates their advice.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Everyone has his or her own way of making a difference in the world, and yours might be to simply be exemplary in relationships. Today's deft handling of people is proof. Some have to work at it, but social grace is natural to you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.

22). Do your own thing this morning, while you're free to do it. It's no picnic to be in charge of as much as you are, but it is fulfilling at the end of the day to know that people can depend on you and you can depend on yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Self-esteem fluctuates, but that's because you care so much that things get done the right way. Remind yourself that you choose your thoughts. Tonight, you are adored, and if you go out, you will be publicly adored.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Great reward requires equal risk. You'll be nervous to try new tasks, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't do it. Analyze the fear, understand it, and then, make a rational, logical decision about what to do next.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You get such a thrill from the beginning stages of a project that it's hard to duplicate the excitement in the middle and end stages.

Stick to the plan. Finish! The rewards come at the end. Give yourself a mental pep rally.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Although you like to stay positive, this is one of those days when being ready for the worst outcome makes you confident indeed. At work, take on the bits and pieces of a problem instead of trying to solve the whole thing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's a psychic day, and you feel you're some kind of a vortex for coincidental happenings. It seems these 'strange occurrences are only happening to you, but maybe it's because you appreciate their meaning so readily.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Include comedy in the day's events — your body loves laughter, and it's scientifically proven that you could ward off disease and virus by laughing! In love, be the one to initiate and the one to say when enough is enough.

AN ASTROLOGICAL LOOK AT MEAN

TEENS: Between the current wave of movies that feature teenage bullies and the rash of mail I've received from young people being hurt by their peers, it's time to offer an astrological guide to dealing with these mean minors. LIBRA: This sign becomes distraught over the idea that someone might come between the Libra and his or her best friend or boyfriend/girlfriend. It's one of the only circumstances in which this sign becomes a bully, and even then, the problem is usually contained to nasty scowls that could win the dirty-look-of-the-year award. A moderator is often helpful in sorting out the problem. SCORPIO: Adolescence brings out the scorpion's sting, and this sign is the kind of mean kid movies are made of. Defusing the Scorpio can be accomplished by recognizing and validating the emotional complexity of this sign. It's hard for a fellow teen to do this, but reporting the Scorpio bully to a counselor is a good start. SAGITTAR-

IUS: Sag just wants to fit in and can be easily swayed by the group mentality, even if that means picking on the weak. This sign will stop bullying behavior when other kids consider it unacceptable.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Tobey Maguire currently stars in the big-time sequel "Spider-Man 2" and is set to star in a third installment of the trilogy. His girlfriend, Jen Meyer, is a constant companion, the way Cancer people prefer it. Because of their emotional nature, Cancer folks like having someone stable and ever-present with whom to share their feelings. However, I think Maguire still feels too young for wedding bells.

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# Annie's Mailbox®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I met my fiancée, "Donna," nine months ago. We've been engaged for three months and plan to marry in August. Although we are compatible in most ways, there is one thing that disappoints me, and I need an outside opinion.

The night we got engaged was a wonderful evening on board a cruise ship. When Donna and I returned to our stateroom, the first thing she did was hop into bed and turn on the TV. I was amazed that she would make such an unromantic move, but I chose not to bring it up and eventually fell asleep.

The next day, I told Donna that I thought watching TV was an unusual way to spend her engagement evening, but she felt it was no big deal. To her credit, she didn't do it again — until now. We spent last weekend at a fancy hotel, and Sunday morning started making love in bed. Next thing I knew, she turned on the TV.

This time, I asked her point-blank, "When did you pick up the habit of watching TV during romantic moments?" Donna insisted it was not a problem. Well, it IS a problem for me. Is this a sign that she has no interest in lovemaking? Does it mean she finds our sex life boring? Could it be related to something in her past?

I'm really confused. The problem is serious enough that I plan to discuss it at a pre-marital seminar we have scheduled. Without some solution acceptable to both of us, it may be the end of this engagement. — Where's the Romance in New Mexico?

Dear N.M.: We think the pre-marital seminar is an excellent place to discuss this, but here's our take on it: Either Donna is addicted to TV, or more likely, she is avoiding sex at those moments when the pressure to perform is most intense. During these special times, she may feel obligated to make sex memorable or believe you expect sexual "extras." She also may not enjoy sex as much as you do, and it's possible you over-romanticize the moment and have unrealistic expectations. No matter how delicate, it is best to discuss these



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

issues before marriage, especially if they are deal-breakers. Good luck.

Dear Annie: You recently printed a letter about "Sue," the hard worker whose boss rewarded her by insisting she attend a company dinner. Sue was so unnerved that she quit. You may be right that Sue has anxiety attacks, but here's my opinion:

I, too, cringe at the thought of after-hours gatherings with co-workers. I commute over an hour to and from work. As a wife and mother, my evenings and weekends are full of other obligations. After a long day on the job, I am just plain tired. Even a "reward dinner" is just one more thing to do.

If Sue's employer wants to reward her, how about a bonus or a paid day off? I know that's something I would appreciate. — Mary in Pennsylvania

Dear Mary: You weren't the only one who said employees appreciate money more than any other "gift" from their employers. Bosses, take note.

Dear Annie: My husband retired two years ago. I have several friends whose husbands also are retired, and we are looking for some kind of support group. This is a difficult time for many spouses. Most of the information available suggests that we continue to coddle our husbands, while our feelings do not seem to be important.

After years of dedicated support and ever-present concern, it is vital that we now have help. Any information would be appreciated. — Grosse Point, Mich.

Dear Grosse Point: We searched for a national support group for spouses of retirees, but came up empty. (Readers, if you know of one, tell us.)

Meanwhile, consider starting your own. Someone has to be the first. If you get a group up and running, please write, and we'll make sure our readers hear about it. Good luck.

Dear Annie: I have a problem with my mother. She is a royal pain in the rear.

I no longer live in the same state as my parents, so my mother has decided to pretend I no longer exist. She says I live too far away to visit, so she isn't interested in having a relationship with me. Also, she doesn't like my wife and has said that she will not associate with me or my children unless I get a divorce and move back to my home state.

Mom recently had her second heart attack, and I found out by accident. She didn't want me to know. She has exhibited this same manipulative behavior with my siblings at various times. Mom is extremely controlling and expects people to do as she says or she won't speak to them. She makes Tony Soprano's mother look like a saint. How do I deal with her? — Rejected Son in Oregon

Dear Son: Moving away was a good start. You cannot please your mother and be happy at the same time, so stop trying. If your mother ignores you because you have decided to live a contented and normal life, that is HER choice.

Call her now and then to see how she's doing, or get word through a sibling. Send her a card on her birthday and flowers on Mother's Day if you wish to stay in touch, but understand that you have done nothing wrong. Perhaps, over time, she will realize you cannot be manipulated and will miss you enough to mellow a bit. Let's hope so.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Dismayed in Illinois," who said she attended a wake where several people dropped their trousers and mooned the deceased. She was utterly appalled. I suspect she was talking about my family.

I was involved in a mooning for my brother-in-law, Tony, last November in a small community in Illinois. I was honored with the privilege of writing and performing the funeral

ceremony for Tony, and was proud to be part of the mooning, honoring my brother-in-law and close friend.

I stood side by side with Tony and dropped my drawers on many an occasion to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, family gatherings, and, yes, funerals. This piece of group silliness serves to remind us not to take ourselves too seriously, even under the most serious of conditions, and has become somewhat of a family tradition for us. We know Tony sat up in heaven, drinking a beer, laughing with us as we

celebrated his life. And he would have done the same for me if the situation had been reversed.

We can't always bare our souls, but we can always bare our rear ends. I'm sorry that "Dismayed" has a problem with that and can't appreciate what it means to us. Thanks for your understanding.

Remembering in Illinois  
Dear Illinois: As we said, if the family does not object, neither should anyone else. Your relationship with Tony sounds loving, and we know you must miss him a great deal. Our condo-

lences.

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# Schools cracking down on kids' risqué fashions

By MAIA DAVIS

The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

HACKENSACK, N.J. — It begins at the mall. Or earlier, in racy Britney Spears and Christina Aguilera videos that give girls ideas of what to buy at the mall.

Skirts so short they barely touch the thighs. Pants so low on the hips they hardly reach the bikini line. And skin-tight shirts so small they leave inches of belly bare.

The bare facts are: The trend toward showing the maximum amount of skin has led many middle and high schools to enforce old dress codes or to rewrite rules to address the current trend of micro-miniskirts, thong underwear showing above the top of low-riding pants, and provocatively torn shirts and jeans.

"Attire with holes in inappropriate locations are not permitted," reads the new districtwide dress policy in Fair Lawn, N.J.

The main difference between girls' fashions now and in the past could be a matter of degree, as Joseph LoCascio, high school principal in Wanaque, N.J., said. "Just less clothes."

Many North (New Jersey school officials note another change: As the clothes become skimpier, ever-younger girls are wearing them.

Constance Hill, a middle school guidance counselor in New Jersey, said she had seen a few girls coming to school in skimpy shorts and tank tops. "But now it's more,"

Hill said. "I'd say maybe a third of the girls at least."

The problem of girls coming to school dressed like Britney has a comic side. Principals stride through hallways and see them hurriedly tugging shirt bottoms down and pants waists up.

At some schools, students caught flouting dress codes must submit to the ultimate punishment: wearing a baggy school-owned sweatshirt the rest of the day. And girls admit that short-skirt skirts present a practical difficulty - when they bend over.

But many school officials and parents say there's a troubling side to this fashion trend: Girls are becoming sex objects at increasingly younger ages.

A toxic mixture of media and marketing is the cause, parents and school officials say. Media images of scantily clad music idols merge with the marketing of copycat clothing.

Christina Aguilera's official Web site has a link to a site for the clothing line Xposed. One item for sale: a pair of tiny, pink, hip-hugging shorts with "Stripped" — the title of a recent Aguilera album — emblazoned across the behind.

James Marcella, middle school principal in Fair Lawn, N.J., said the 11- to 14-year-old girls at his school are "bombarded by all these images that are way too mature. That's what they're selling kids, and that's what the kids are buying."

Marcella tries to use the topic of dress to teach



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Some of the "fashion statements," which some school administrators have deemed inappropriate. Dress styles include bare midriffs, rolled down gym shorts and spaghetti straps, as seen on these North Jersey high school students.

about character. "I tell kids all the time it's about how they present themselves," he said.

But the pressure to follow fashion is intense, said Hill. She recalls how one girl was taunted in gym class recently at the middle school for pulling her athletic pants above her waist.

"She was made fun of for not letting her pants hang down so her belly button showed," she said. "It shows the pressure they're under to dress revealingly and to put that over comfort. It wasn't always cool to show your belly button."

Many schools set measurable standards, such as requiring that skirts and shorts be at least as long as where a student's longest finger meets the thigh, or that shoulder straps be a certain number of inches across. But some principals say it's

unrealistic to expect them to measure clothing.

"I'm not going to have people running around with tape measures," LoCascio said.

One school instead has a blanket rule against miniskirts, gym shorts, and any tops "that expose cleavage or bare midriff."

LoCascio said the purpose is to discourage flagrantly inappropriate dress. "It's a matter of dealing with extremes," he says.

Other North Jersey school officials agree that there's a necessary element of subjectivity in determining when a girl's outfit is too risqué.

"It's like the Supreme Court said about pornography," one administrator said. "You know it when you see it."

If teachers and administrators rely too much on personal judgment, however, they risk making

biased decisions.

Hill, said that last year a teacher, who has since left the school, sent a black student to Hill's office for dressing inappropriately. The girl asserted that her tank top and shorts met the school's code, which requires that shirt shoulders be at least 2 inches wide.

Hill agreed. "Sometimes people are not accustomed to seeing as much dark-color skin as white-color skin," she said.

Similarly, school staff may take more notice of the clothing of a girl who is curvaceous than one who isn't, Hill said.

Evenly applied rules can help to prevent such inconsistencies, of course. At one New Jersey high school, the principal revised the dress code for this fall: No more pajama pants and

no shirts that don't fully cover shoulders.

Principal Ed Bertolini said some students wear pajama pants with open flies. And the new rule on shirts should effectively prohibit skimpy tank tops and some other low-cut, sleeveless blouses, he said.

About 350 students signed a protest petition when the rules were announced this spring. But after Bertolini spoke to students about the changes, only seven showed up at a forum on the issue.

One was Simone Nevruzian, 15, a freshman. Nevruzian stopped to talk recently as she walked home from school with friends. She and her friends say strict dress codes inhibit their personal expression.

"The way we dress is our personality," Diana Kim, a 14-year-old ninth-grader, said.

But some parents say the changes will make it easier for them to enforce limits at home.

Suzanne Gumley's daughter, Melissa, a freshman, often wears midriff tops under sweatshirts at school. But she takes the sweatshirts off as soon as she leaves, her mother said.

Gumley said it's hard these days to find teenage girl's clothes that aren't revealing.

"There's very few shirts that even have a sleeve on them," she said. "Everything is a camisole. In my day, you'd never let a bra strap show."

"It just wouldn't happen."

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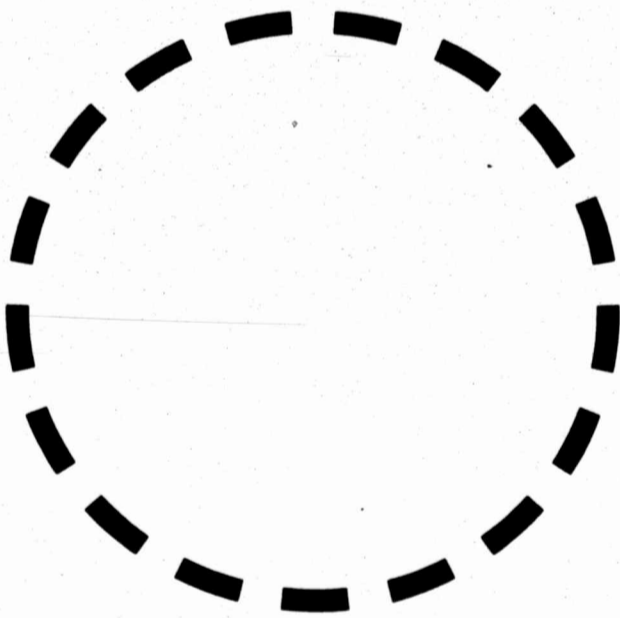
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