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# City to clamp down on ordinance violations

#### **By THOMAS JENKINS**

#### Staff Writer

If you have a lot in the city of Big Spring that's overgrown with vegetation, beware.

If you park illegally in the front yard of your home, beware.

That was the message Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen handed down during Monday night's meeting of the Big Spring City Council.

According to McEwen, city

code enforcement and other the future is just cite them. If officials will be taking the gloves off when it comes to city residents who "thumb their noses" at city ordinances.

"What we've done in the past is send out letters and give a 10day notice asking them to please rectify the situation," said McEwen. "What we're finding out is there's no compliance with those letters and people aren't coming into compliance.

you're not adhering to our ordinances — whether it be weedy lots, overgrown yards, large items in your yard or you're parking on the grass - you will be cited the same way you would be for a traffic citation." McEwen said area residents who aren't familiar with the ordinances should contact the city of Big Spring and educate themselves, but in the end, a lot of it is just common sense.

"It's a small group that may not understand what the ordinance is, but will come to know it very well, very soon."

Municipal Court Judge

rules," said McEwen. "You a car next to that driveway, you can't just park in your yard can in fact have a gravel area indiscriminately. If you have two cars and you have a single.

or a dirt area or whatever. But

Tim Green,

"So what we're going to do in . "I think common sense car driveway and want to park See VIOLATIONS, Page 3A

# Senior center pact gets OK

Rift appears to widen between staff and its board of directors

#### **By THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer While Howard County commissioners called for better communication between the staff at the Spring City Senior Citizens Center and its newly appointed board of directors, it appears the rift that's developed between the two groups is widening.

Commissioners gave -unanimous their approval of a set of definitions and policies developed by the board for the senior center Tuesday, a move Bobby Sledge, who has been a patron at the center for more than a decade, called underhanded. "I think they're going behind the backs of the people (senior center staff) out there and getting all of this done," said Sledge. "They could be cooperating with them, but they're not."

"Me and many of the people that go to the center have a problem with the board because it's a negative-type board. That's the way I see it."

> -Bobby Sledge, Senior Center patron

Senior center staff member Yolanda Mendoza



ENJOYING A LAZY DAY

confirmed that neither her or the staff at the center had seen the definitions and policies prior to Monday morning's meeting.

"Judge Lockhart, can we please get a copy of these policies?" asked Mendoza during the meeting. "We haven't had a chance to see them yet."

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Valantine Torres Jr. and his 4-year-old son Valantine Torres III take a break from fishing at Comanche Trail Park to enjoy a good swing. Torres said the fishing was slow right now, having only caught a small catfish during the pair's outing.

# **Big Spring ISD students storm** competition at regional contest

Win One-Act Play title, advance several to state competition.

#### By STEVE REAGAN

#### Staff Writer

Spring High Big School's academic squad just keeps repeating itself.

Fresh off its first-ever win at the district University Interscholastic League academics meet, BSHS pulled a "two-fer" at the regional level, earning top points honors at the Region I **Class 4A UIL academics** meet at Angelo State University. BSHS collected 173 among 35 schools competing at the meet. Azle High School finished second with 157 points, while El Paso High School earned third place with 109 points.

This marked the second year in a row that Big Spring students earned top points honors at the regional UIL meet.

Tracie Lindsey's drama students got things going BSHS' way Friday when they captured first place in the One-Act Play competition. The students' performance of Steve Martin's "Picasso at the Lapin Agile" earned BSHS a spot in State UIL

competition for the first

points to earn top honors time since 1990, ahead of Denton High School and El Paso Burges.

James Clark was named Best Actor at the competition and Jessi New was named to the all-star cast.

As at last year's regional meet, speech and journalism points once again clinched the win for Big Spring.

Senior Tony Emerson placed first in feature writing and third in headline writing, earning two spots at the state UIL tournament May 5. Emerson and Taylor Parks also added to point totals in news writing,

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# Student recruitment Howard College to offer more scholarships, intramural program to attract high school grads

#### By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Attracting new stu dents, as well as retaining current ones, is about to become a bigger priority at Howard College.

In the face of a study that shows declining college enrollment in the West Texas region. Howard trustees approved a plan for recruitment and retainment of students during their monthly meeting Monday afternoon.

College President Dr. this area and region -Cheryl Sparks said loss in and state-wide, as well -

#### **EARLY VOTING**

Early voting continues in the May 7 area municipal and school board elections. Locally, the only contested election is the Big Spring City Council District 3 race, which features Bob Kincheloe Jr. challenging incumbent JoAnn Staulcup. Voting hours are from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at city hall offices, 310 Nolan Street.

Sands CISD board incumbents Martin Nichols and Robin Barraza are joined on the ballot by Rick Timmins and Wes Hughes. The top two vote-getters will win spots on the board. Voting is from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the district business office.

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of students, and those are

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a serious prob- numbers in the future." College officials are yet, but could looking at a future addiso tion to the school to help attract new students. The takes visual and performing arts building, set for completion in March 2006, should help entice students to attend Howard, Sparks said. tricts are battling declining numbers

To further aid recruitment, the college will the areas that we've been offer new scholarships in performing arts, rodeo. cheerleading and for stuwe need to recruit not dents interested in helponly locally, but also in ing to kick-start an intramural program at

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# TIP MEETING SET

The Texas Department of

Transportation will host a meeting in Colorado City at 6:30 p.m. today to focus on the 2006-2008 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). TIP is a three-year program that

includes a priority list of all transportation projects that will be carried out within that period.

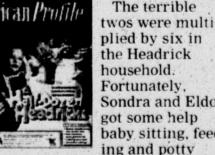
The meeting will be held in the Mitchell County Courthouse. Areas affected by the program are Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stonewall and **Taylor Counties.** 

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plied by six in the Headrick household. Fortunately, Sondra and Eldon got some help baby sitting, feeding and potty

training Danielle, Ethan, Grant, Jaycie, Melissa and Sean from nurturing neighbors in Rago, Kan. (pop. 18). "At first I called them volunteers," says Sondra, 36, "but now they're our family."

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# Obituaries

#### **Donnie Beth Ogle Oringderff**

Donnie Beth Ogle Oringderff, 63, of Big Spring died at 9:25 a.m. Monday, April 25, 2005, at her residence. Graveside services are 1 p.m. Thursday, April 28, 2005, at Old Noxville Cemetery in Kimble County.

She was born April 7, 1942, in Junction to G.M. Dodd and Mary Dodd. She married Orvel Oringderff July 5, 1962, in Midland. She had been a resident of Big Spring for 40 years. She had

worked at Wal-Mart for the last 7 years and she was a Baptist.

She is survived by her husband, Orvel "Red Oringderff of Big Spring; one son, Richard Oringderff of Houston; one daughter, Terri Behrens and her husband, William of Kansas City, Kan.; three grandchildren; two sisters, Janice Whitely of San Antonio and Susan Dodd of Midland; one brother, Gene Whitely and his wife, Nancy of Junction; mothers, Mary Dodd of Big Spring and Marie Davee of Junction; parents-inlaw, C.D. and Kathy Oringderff of Plainview; several nieces and nephews; several cousins: great-nieces and great-nephews; and a great aunt.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

#### Virgil Prim

Virgil Prim, 74, of Big Spring died Saturday, April 23, 2005, at the Texas State Veterans Home. Graveside services are 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, 2005, at DFW National Cemetery in Dallas with Chaplain Hosea Amos officiating.

He was born June 17, 1930, in Russellville, Ark., to Virginia and Robert Clay Prim. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marines. He served in the Korean War and received a Purple Heart. Virgil was a retired industrial engineer and was a member of the Church of Christ. He is survived by two sons, Eric Prim and his wife, Janet of Odessa and Keith Prim and his wife, Lisa of Dallas; one brother, Robert Prim of San Clemente, Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

Mary Little Alston, 73, of Littleton, N.C., died Wednesday, April 27, 2005, at Littleton Presbyterian She was preceded in death by her husband, the Rev. Francis O. Alston. She was a lay pastor in New Hope She is survived by her sons, Francis Oliver "Frank"

## **Bill Derington**



Bill Derington, 68, of Midland died Saturday, April 23, 2005, at his residence. Funeral services are 3 p.m. today, April 26, 2005, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel in Midland with Don Mitchell, minister of Fairmont Park Church of Christ officiating. Interment will follow at **Resthaven Memorial Park.** 

He was born May 30, 1936, in Sylvester and was raised in Stanford, Lamesa and

Brownfield. He had worked for Village Lincoln Mercury for 11 years before retiring in 2000. Survivors include his companion, Ruth Nicholas of

Midland; his mother, Pauline Powell Derington; son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Diane Derington of Midland; daughter and son-in-law, Jodie and Floyd Ivy of Midland; son and daughter-in-law, Jay and Judi Derington of Midland; daughter and son-in-law, Sheryl and Brad Goldsmith of Midland; son and daughter-inlaw, Ray and Ellen Derington of Winston, Ga.; daughter, Pam Miller of Lubbock; sister, Wanda Whitley of Brownfield; three brothers, Vondall Derington of San Angelo and Jerry Derington and Bob Derington, both of Lamesa; 15 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Delbert Von Derington.

The family asks memorials be made to Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3812 N. Midland Dr. Midland 79707.

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

#### Peggy Kirby

Peggy Kirby, 66, of Big Spring died Monday evening, April 25, 2005, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

#### **Callie Bennett**

Callie Bennett, 75, of Big Spring died at 10:12 a.m. Monday, April 25, 2005, at the home of her daughter in . The Colony. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

#### **Ed Sternadel**

Ed Sternadel, 59, of Big Spring died Monday, April 25, 2005, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.



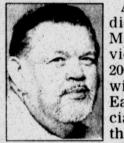
Calif.; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

# **Mary Little Alston**

Sunday, April 24, 2005. Funeral services are 10 a.m. Church with the Rev. Dr. Ed Conner, the Rev. David Smith and the Rev. John Proctor officiating. Burial will follow in Sunset Hills cemetery in Littleton, N.C. Presbytery, serving various churches. She was a retired teacher, serving 28 years in public education.

www.npwelch.com.

#### **Adrian Errol Porter**



Adrian Errol Porter, 62, of Big Spring died Sunday, April 24, 2005, in a Midland hospital. Graveside funeral services are 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, 2005, at Mount Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Rex Clayton, pastor of East Fourth Street Baptist Church, officiating and Chaplain Dean Thomas of the VA Medical Center assisting.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

He was born Dec. 22, 1942, in Big Spring and married Kay Sayers Aug. 2, 1976, in Big Spring.

He graduated from Big Spring High School and served in the United States Army from 1962 until 1964. He taught shop class for special education students at Howard College. He was a member of East Fourth Street Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of 28 years, Kay Porter of Big Spring; his children, Alan Porter of Lamesa, Lance and Shellie Porter of Pampa and Kari Porter of Lamesa; one brother and sister-in-law, Tommy and Karen Porter of Washington; six grandchildren; three sisters-in-law, Mary Churchwell and husband, Raymond, Alice Broughton and Fay Schaaf and husband, Robbie; one brother-in-law, Richard Sayers II and wife, Marti; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Adrian and Ruby Porter; his in-laws, Richard and Mary Sayers; and one niece; Angela Smallwood. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that donations be made to East Fourth Street Baptist Church Building Fund, 401 E. Fourth Street, Big Spring 79720 or the Vietnam Memorial Committee, P.O. Box 2851, Big Spring 79721. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

#### Sue Read



Sue Read, 92, of Big Spring died Monday, April 25, 2005, at her residence. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, 2005, at Trinity Memorial Park, with the Rev. Flynn Long, retired Presbyterian minister, officiating and the Rev. Matt Miles, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, assisting.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. today at the funeral

home.

She was born July 12, 1912, in Big Spring. Sue was raised in Big Spring and was the daughter of Noble and Bonnie Read, a pioneer ranching family in Howard County.

She graduated from Big Spring High School in 1930. then attended and graduated from the University of Texas with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

She had lived in Midland for 25 years and worked as a secretary and an accountant in the oil industry. She enjoyed traveling. Sue was a member of First Presbyterian Church, where she was active in the Women's Circle.

Survivors include her sister, Jane Burnett of Fort Worth: nine nieces and nephews; and a number of great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Charles Read, Hezzie Noble Read Jr. and Roger M. Read.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at

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# Police blotter

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

• MARK LOUIS VALASQUEZ, 34, of 708.5 Lorilla, was arrested Monday on charges of failure to identify and disorderly conduct - language.

· ROBERT RUBEN SANCHEZ, 40, of Colorado City, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.

**KRISTOPHER JULLIAN HUBB BURKE**, 32, of 2312 Runnels, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.

# Sheriff's report

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

 SHAWNA DAWN GRAYSON, 33, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on charges of theft, tampering with a governmental record, defraud/harm - probation violation, bondsman off of bond for theft of services and theft by check.

• GREG TYLER, 18, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of racing on the highway.

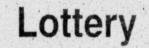
· CAROL ANN WEBB, 45, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of harassment.

 LAURA LEUNA YANEZ, 26, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated.



Alston and his wife, Paula of Norfolk, Va., Stephen Andrew Alston and his wife, Diddy of High Point, N.C., and Thomas David Alston of Littleton, N.C.; a brother, James F. Little of Big Spring; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Carlisle Funeral Home in Tarboro, N.C.



Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night: Winning numbers drawn: 1-9-24-31-33. Number matching five of five: 2. Prize per winner: \$18,099. Winning tickets sold in: Houston and San Antonio. Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 1-6-7-10. Bonus Ball: 27 Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Estimated jackpot for Thursday night drawing: \$350,000.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-8-8

# Weather

Tonight - Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

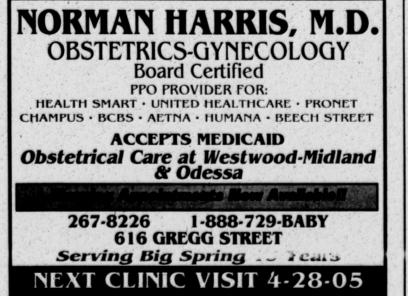
Wednesday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds around 10 mph shifting to the southwest in the afternoon.

Wednesday night - Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 50s. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph decreasing to 10 to 15 mph after midnight.

Thursday - Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s. West winds 15 to 25 mph.

Thursday night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s.

Friday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s. Friday night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s. Saturday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.



The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following activity:

· MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of S. Gregg Street at 1:40 p.m. Friday. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of State at 3:17 p.m. Friday. One person was transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87 at 1:22 p.m. Friday. One person was transported to the VAMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Oriole at 3:19 p.m. Friday. One person was transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL was reported in the 5300 block of E. Midway Road at 4:46 p.m. Friday. One person was transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Gregg Street at 2:47 p.m. Friday. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of State Street at 3:17 p.m. Friday. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Oasis at 6:33 p.m. Friday. One person was transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA was reported in the 1400 block of Virginia at 3:37 a.m. Friday. Service was refused.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of E. 15th Street at 1:23 p.m. Saturday. One person was transported to SMMC.

• TRAUMA was reported in the 2500 block of S. Gregg Street at 3:32 p.m. Saturday. One person was transported to SMMC.

· MEDICAL was reported in the 800 block of W. Marcy at 6:48 p.m. Saturday. One person was transported to SMMC.

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near mile marker 170 of I-20 at 7:25 a.m. Saturday. Service was refused.



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#### **Constitutional change would** ban gay marriage

AUSTIN (AP) - Lawmakers who passed a measure to ban her moms from getting married need help or maybe just a gay friend, said 10-yearold Kimberly Norman.

"I don't think that they're opening their eyes to look at the world to see everything," the fifth-grader said in an interview at the Capitol after the Texas House approved a change to the Texas Constitution to ban same-sex marriages.

Her moms, Karen Langsley and Jill Wilcox, have been in a committed relationship for more than four years. They live in Dripping Springs, where they are raising Kimberly and her 12-yearold brother. They said they were disgusted with legislators who approved the ban, which would require a statewide vote.

"They put down who we are as individuals, as humans, who ought to be protected by the constitution that applies to every citizen," Langsley said. The measure, sponsored by Republican Rep. Warren Chisum of Pampa, aims to stem possible court challenges to an existing Texas law making same-sex marriages illegal. It

#### the 100 needed for approval of a constitutional amendment in the House.

#### Proposed lottery bill allows Internet purchase

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas would become the first state to sell-lottery tickets online under legislation approved by a state legislative panel.

Under the bill approved by the state House Appropriations Committee, players also would be able to pay for lottery tickets with a debit card and establish a Texas Lottery Commission account that would draw down as they bought tickets.

The proposal was inserted in a larger bill, which would allow motorists to display one license plate on the rear of a vehicle.

Rep. Jim Pitts, the committee chairman and bill author, said Internet sales of lottery tickets would earn an additional \$100 million a year. The lottery raised \$1 billion last year for schools.

Rep. Carlos Uresti, D-San Antonio, a supporter of the bill, described its chances in the full House as 50-50.

Rep. Myra Crownover, R-Denton, objected to the proposal, saying it could give children access to buying tickets passed with a vote of 101-29, more than and easier access could fuel addictions.

# VIOLATIONS

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you have to have a permit if it's an 'undeveloped' area. There are some 76 people who have come to the city and have been inspected, and they have permits to have those types of situations at their home."

Those unfortunate enough to find themselves on the receiving end of a citation will learn one very valuable lesson, according to Municipal Judge Tim Green.

Breaking the law isn't cheap.

"They can look for a fine up to \$200," said Green sternly. "They're done on a case-by-case basis. You really can't just jump in there and set a fine because there could be circumstances. So we like to view them on a case-by-case basis.

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"The electrical panel, from what I understand, very dangerous. is They're using long extension cords to operate equipment, and you and I both know this can be a very dangerous situation it has the potential to become very dangerous. This is why we need to resolve this very quickly."

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We'll work with them.

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While Green is forced to

deal with these types of

issues on a daily basis, he

said it's important not to

lose sight of the fact that

most area residents are

pulling their weight when

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need to do," said Green.

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For more information on these ordinances and others, contact the city of Big Spring at 264-2505.

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

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

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Lowry, Leon 80 Friday. Graveside Services were at 10:30 AM Tuesday at Fair Lawn Cemetery in Elk City, Oklahoma.

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# CENTER

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Sledge said it is this type of lack of communication that has him and many of the patrons at the center wondering if the board of directors really have their best interests in mind.

"Me and many of the people that go to the center have a problem with the board because it's a negative-type board," said Sledge. "That's the way I see it."

Sledge went on to say the importance of the center goes beyond line-dancing classes and just a daily gathering for senior and elderly residents.

"I've been going out there for 12 years," said Sledge. "At one time we had a board comprised of the people that go to the center. That's the way we operated up until recently. "I think it's very important. There are people involved in that center that come out to eat that might not have another meal. I go to the center for my enjoyment and I pay

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and a place they'll want to

be a part of," Sparks said.

The total monetary amount of the scholarship for my meals, but there are a lot of people that go out there that can't pay for it. And those are the people the center really serves."

Sledge's suggestion that the commissioners table the policies and definitions to give senior center staff and administration time to review them and make any necessary arguments was dismissed by the court.

"This is definitely a step in the right direction," said Commissioner Bill Crooker. "We didn't have any rules or policies in place, and we need these to give direction to those involved with the senior citizen center.

**Board President Bebe** McCasland said she was pleased with the commissioner's decision as well, and expects to be back in the near future.

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director of the Area Council on Aging if we were copying someone else's policy," she added. "I told her no, that I think our situation is unique and we need to individualize it and suit it to the Big Spring center. She told me that was perfect." McCasland described

the document accepted by commissioners as a "work in progress," and said she hopes to see it improve the service area seniors receive from the center.

"It's needed and the board is certainly going to participate in the ongoing structure and building of center," that said McCasland. "That's what we were appointed to do. It's a work in progress. That's an old catch phrase, but I think it works for this situation. And we have an opportu-"I'm elated. I'm elated nity to serve thousands of

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establishment of policies for the center, they certainly weren't pleased by the price tag necessary renovations at the facility are going to cost: County Construction

Administrator Phil Furgueron told the court the first round of improvements, which included much needed electrical and plumbing work necessary to bring the building up to speed with the state's health codes, will cost approximately \$33,000.

Commissioners approved a \$3,000 expenditure to fix the building's electrical panel, but Crooker said in the end, the strain on the county's budget will be obvious.

"That's going to be a pretty good size hit to the budget," said Crooker, going over the \$33,000 estimate. "We need to get the details from Mr. Furgueron to study them Donnie Beth

passed," said McCasland. in this county and city, and see just what is "This is a living document and an ongoing document. We'll be back in (commissioner's) the court at a future date with more amendments.

"I was asked by the

more enthusiasm and have more programs. We're looking to the future with optimism." While commissioners may be pleased with the

Lincoln-Douglas debate with his first place win. Thangam also finished first in persuasive speaking.

Corey Green placed first in informative speaking and James Clark placed second in persuasive Senior Manoj Thangam speaking. Tapley Holguin also won a spot at the

tion seminars.

"A lot of our students are 'first-generation' students, and don't have the kind of family background to deal with a college situation," Sparks said.

If the course proves to be successful, the college then plans to offer it to all students, first-year Sparks said.

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state meet in poetry interpretation, placing third at regionals. Also earning points in speech and debate events were Logan Churchwell and James Clark.

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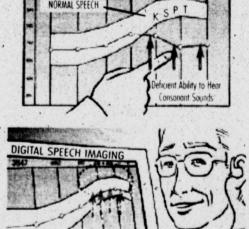
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package is unknown right SCENIC MOUNTAIN now, but Sparks estimat-MEDICAL CENTER ed it could reach as high as \$100,000. But attracting new stu-1601 W. 11th Pl. Big Spring, TX dents is only part of the equation in battling declining enrollment, Sparks said, noting that the college must do more to retain students in dan-

classes. To help these at-risk students, the college will implement a "learning framework" course, a one-hour credit course designed for students placed on academic probation.

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The course will serve as a "how to survive college" manual for the at-risk students, covering several topics the college used to

address in its now-discontinued freshman orienta-

# OPINION

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## **OUR VIEWS**

# **Pharmacists** need to follow doctors' orders

harmacists whose beliefs prevent their filling valid, lawful prescriptions should find a new line of work. Last week, members of the Texas House State Affairs Committee heard testimony on a bill that would protect the jobs of pharmacists who refuse to dispense emergency contraception. It appears the bill is destined to die in committee, an appropriate end to this wrongheaded attempt to legislate protection for behavior that is unprofessional and possibly harmful to the patient.

Across the nation, some pharmacists have adopted the notion that their moral or religious opposition to birth control and emergency contraception confers on them the right to overrule a doctor's prescription.

On April 1, Illinois Gov. Rod R. Blagojevich issued an emergency order requiring pharmacists to promptly fill contraception prescriptions after two women complained that a Chicago pharmacy declined to fill-their prescriptions. That set off a spate of news reports revealing that women in other states had experienced similar harassment. Some pharmacists apparently are participating in a national campaign by conservative religious groups to hamper access to contraception. Some state legislatures are considering laws that would prohibit this practice. Lawmakers in several other states, meanwhile, are working to pass so-called laws of conscience that would uphold a pharmacist's right to refuse to fill a lawful prescription. Arkansas, Mississippi, South Dakota and Georgia already have such laws or regulations on their books. Texas must not follow this dangerous trend. Druggists, though knowledgeable about pharmaceuticals, are not qualified to make medical judgments about a patient's health. And they are wrong to believe their own morality trumps the moral judgment or health care decisions of women and their doctors. Allowing pharmacists to fill some prescrip tions and refuse to fill others would create new obstacles to basic health care and cause more unwanted pregnancies. Refusing to dispense emergency contraception, which prevents pregnancy after unprotected sex (including in cases of rape), is especially dangerous because the medication must be taken soon after intercourse. On Thursday, Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., became the latest of several members of Congress to introduce federal legislation that would require pharmacies to fill all prescriptions presented or refer customers to more cooperative colleagues.

A basis for hope in the Middle East

veryone realizes that a nuclear-armed Iran would pose a grave threat to the Middle East. But even a resolution to the Iranian nuclear

dispute won't remove the vicious cycle of hostility and arms buildups in the region. Only by establishing confidencebuilding measures among all nations in the Middle East can this be achieved.

In an area filled with animosities this idea may seem hopelessly idealistic, yet

the Cold War enemies, the United States and the Soviet Union, learned to build confidence and trust. A key step for the Americans and Soviets was the 1986 Stockholm Conference, which sought to reduce tensions in Europe. The conference produced agreement on the advance notification of military exercises by the Soviet Union, the United States and 33 European nations. Military maneuvers exceeding a certain size could be observed by each nation. These were major

breakthroughs with regard to onsite inspection into the Soviet Union — an idea the Soviets had been rejecting for decades.

The Stockholm breakthrough set the stage for nuclear arms reductions at a time of great peril. In Eastern Europe, the Soviets had stationed SS-20 missiles that could unleash multiple nuclear warheads against U.S. allies. The United States placed its Pershing II nuclear missiles in West

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Germany during 1983 to counter the Soviet missile threat. These new, powerful and deadly accurate weapons sent fear rippling throughout Europe.

In the Middle East today, the growing missile capability of Iran, Syria and Israel is causing alarm. As it was during the Cold War, arms control is necessary to confront this threat. But this can only be achieved through enhanced cooperation and trust throughout the Middle East.

Think of what such cooperation would mean for the new government of Iraq, which is surrounded by heavily armed nations. The Iraqi people could devote their resources to health care, food and science instead of armaments to counter external threats. Iraq is more likely to thrive in a region reliant on trust rather than the sword. But for this to become a reality there must be an accumulation of goodwill. Like the Soviet-American negotiations during the Cold War, it will be a daunting task.

President Reagan stated the policv - "trust but verify" - when, the Soviets and Americans agreed to eliminate their nuclear missiles in Europe during 1987. Without the establishment of on-site inspection at Stockholm, there could have been no such landmark nuclear arms reductions. "Trust but verify" would be an integral part of a Middle East peace process and could take root in an agreement similar to Sockholm's. Establishing on-site inspection would lead to arms control treaties verified by members of each Middle Eastern state. These

growing missile capability and rid the area of weapons of mass destruction. Such a long-term goal is clearly in the best interests of Iraq and other nations in the region. But a gradual process to build trust must precede it.

There's basis for hope. During the 1990s, a group of Middle Eastern nations, including Israel, agreed to notify each other in advance of military exercises and invite representatives to inspect these maneuvers. These agreements were never implemented because talks broke down owing " to the controversy over Israel's own nuclear capability. These talks should resume by adopting the Stockholm model. They should focus solely on confidence-building measures involving all Middle East nations and including mandatory inspection for relevant military exercises.

Until trust is established between all nations in the Middle East, such as that achieved to end the Cold War, a Middle East peace will remain elusive. The new Iraq government and its neighbors will continue to dwell in a region full of suspicions and heavy armaments. A hostile future will await them.

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actions would rein in the region's

Texas could improve on this concept by passing a bill allowing certain qualified pharmacies to dispense emergency contraceptives without a prescription.

It makes sense for governments to protect whistle-blowers and workers who are asked to break the law. Employers have a duty to make reasonable accommodation for employees' religious beliefs allowing special garb and time off for high holidays, for instance so long as the employee does his job.

Pharmacists who won't do their job because they find it morally repugnant have to accept that there might be negative consequences, including loss of employment. If a pharmacist's conscience prevents him from performing his job, he should find another line of work.

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# Pro-filibuster' does not mean'anti-God'

was all set to write a column about the nuclear option the proposal to change the rules of the Senate in order to get President Bush's most questionable judicial appointments

through - when, lo, word came that there is no nuclear option anymore. It is now called "the constitutional option." Who changed it?

Why, the Republican Party, of course. Having found that "nuclear option" does not poll well, the

**Republicans simply** decreed the rules change can no longer be described by that name. Further, the

Republican Party sent media operatives around to major news organizations to inform them that anyone who fails to obey the new diktat on usage will be demonstrating

the dread "liberal bias." Since this particularly fateful rules change was first christened "the nuclear option" by Sen. Trent Lott of Mississippi in 2003, and has been called "the nuclear option" ever since - by Republicans, along with everybody else - I have to say this is a distinctly Orwellian development.

In fact, given the implicit threat that the Republican Party faithful will be encouraged to denounce all news outlets that do not conform to this new political correctness, I'd say it is not only ridiculous but also dangerous, quite a feat.

I shall, of course, continue to refer to the proposed change as the nuclear option out of a sense of obligation to freedom of speech. I would be shocked if anyone in the media did otherwise.

Now, back to substance. Americans are notoriously bored by governmental process. If you want to lose readers, just start a story with, "House Bill 787 was passed out of subcommittee by a

unanimous vote on Tuesday." So, convincing folks that changing Senate Rule 22 is a danger to the republic is a challenge. But this really is about protecting the rights of the minority in the Senate, the right of every senator to filibuster.

In the old movie "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," the key scene is Jimmy Stewart's filibuster on behalf of the people, which triumphantly wins over his fellow senators. Under the changed rule, Mr. Smith would have to keep his mouth shut.

Actually, no one filibusters anymore. The last filibuster against a judicial nominee was in 1968, when the Republicans successfully filibustered for four days to stop Abe Fortas from becoming chief justice of the Supreme Court. If there's a serious threat of filibuster, the leaders broker a deal.

But the Democrats are threatening to filibuster the same Bush judicial nominees they busted in his first term, leaving the poor man with only a 95 percent approval rate for his nominees. Bush promptly renominated seven of these 10 dog judges (including Texas' own Priscilla Owen), and now the Republicans are prepared to change the rules so they can be cleared by a simple majority, rather than winning the 60 votes needed to stop a filibuster.

Since what goes around comes around, some Republican senators are deeply troubled about the prospect of being in the minority themselves someday without the right to filibuster. Further, in order to change Rule 22, the Senate also has to change the rules on how to change the rules. At present, a two-thirds vote, 67, is required to change the rules, but under a procedural ploy, this will be brought up "out of order," so it requires only 51 votes.

Look, this is a system of government based on protecting the rights of the minority. It is also

based on the premise that there are three separate branches of government, each of which forms a check and a balance on the others. It was carefully designed to prevent the dictatorship of the majority.

That is why the Founders assigned the Senate, not the House, to advise and consent on federal nominations. Sen. Robert Byrd, the resident scholar of all things senatorial, notes that while Rule 22 is only 86 years old, the tactic itself has been used since the first Congress. (Hearing Byrd hold forth on such matters is pure pleasure - whether you agree with him or not, he is a magnificent speaker of the old school and a sad reminder how debased most political speech is today.)

How God got involved in all this is a bit of a mystery. Some **Christian Dominionists decided** the Almighty is in favor of changing Rule 22. Led by James Dobson, who runs Focus on the Family, they decided 22 is "a filibuster against the faithful," implying and in some cases stating that anyone who opposes them is anti-Christian and probably working for Satan.

Last time I checked, no one had elected Dobson to decide who is a Christian and who is not. It's a joke that the right wing claims it is against "judicial activists." What they want are judicial activists who agree with them. These people don't want to govern, they want to rule.

(For an excellent sense of how the Christian Dominionists think. I highly recommend the two lead articles in the May issue of Harper's magazine.)

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## FEATURES

# Coahoma changes kindergarten sign-up

#### **Special to the Herald**

Coahoma Elementary has changed the registration process for kindergarten students for the 2005-2006 school year.

Registration for children 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2005, is set for 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. May 3 in the Coahoma elementary cafeteria.

Parents and children will meet in the cafeteria at 5 p.m.

Teachers will take half of the children for a bus tour around the campus, along with a milk and cookie snack.

The other group of children will tour the building and meet the school nurse.

Parents will remain in the cafeteria for a question and answer session. The two groups will then switch activities so

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office hours are 8 a.m.

until 4:30 p.m. Monday

through Thursday and 8

a.m. until 3:45 p.m.

The office is closed from

Call the elementary

school at 394-4323 for

more information.

noon until 1 p.m. for

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**Registration** packets and kindergarten supply lists will be distributed at the event.

After completing the must go to the school administration paperwork, parents should submit the forms a proof of residency form. as well as the child's official birth certificate, original social security card required to complete the and current shot record to the elementary school form. office.

Parents must also provide their driver's license and original social security card.

Students will not be enrolled in kindergarten without these documents. Parents unable to attend this event may enroll their child in kindergarten the week before school begins. Dates will be announced.

Pre-kindergarten registration will be announced



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Heritage Museum director Nancy Rainey, left, and museum children's director Tracy Sloan assist magician Bill Mills perform a magic rope trick with Magen Schrecengost, center, during the annual Chuck Wagon Party at Kokopelli's recently. About 100 museum member attended the dinner, which also featured door prizes and art work that was given away, including paintings by Sue Bagwell, Lenita Fryar and Linda Rupard Irvin.

## Commenting on lost art of communication

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To which I replied, "Of

She was pretty amazed

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he gave a program at the same school that Wednesday.

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and two together and came up with the last name Alton, so she asked if Ron knew me or was related to me.

He replied, "No." He even elaborated that there were no other Altons in this area, none

lunch or dinner beforehand just blows me away.

> I can't count the times that I've sat at the local drive-in on FM 700, cooling my heels while Ron's waiting patiently at the one on Highway 87.

The problem seems to be that we honestly believe we've told each other what we're doing - out loud - and it turns we've done no such thing.

... Maybe on our next anniversary.

Christy Alton works full time, has two children and is married to her park ranger, Ron. Her column appears in the Tuesday edition of the Big Spring Herald.



#### ·on have been abused or neglected. Today, as more children fall victim to abuse and neglect, the role of foster parents and

of In observance National Foster Care Month, a communitywide celebration of foster children and families is planned for May 4 at 12:05 p.m. on the courthouse in Midland, steps Howard, Dawson and Andrews Counties.

The "Elevating the Lives of Our Children" blue balloon release will serve to raise awareness of both the impact of material is based on need for foster homes.

In Texas in 2002, there

**Briefs** safety course will be neglect. Foster parents taught at the Big Spring Senior Center The Cauble School Thursday, and Friday, reunion is set for 11:30

May 5-6, starting at 9:30 a.m. and ending at 2 p.m. each day with a half hour off for lunch. There is a \$10 fee for the books.

Most auto insurance companies give a discount on insurance premiums after completeing this course. To register call the Senior center at 267-1628. Class size is limited to 35.

This course is the nation's first and largest classroom refresher for motorists age 50 and older. It deals with the physical changes of the mature driver and identifies ways that drivers may compensate for these child abdse and neglect changes. The course and of the tremendous

provide safe, loving homes for children who the need for foster homes has never been greater.

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were 47,409 confirmed cases of child abuse. 58 percent of these children were under 10 years of age. In 2002, there were an average of 16,000 children

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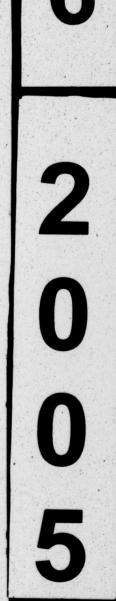
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Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Troy Hyde at 263-7331, Ext. 237. Email results to: sports@bigspringherald.com

Page 1B Tuesday, April 26, 2005

# IN BRIEF

#### **Big Spring Country Club announces**

#### couples tournament

The Big Spring Country Club has set up a two-day two-person couples scramble for May 14 and 15.

The tournament will cost \$130 per team plus cart fee, but private carts are welcome.

A practice round will take place May 13, while registration begins at 11:30 a.m. May 14 and a shotgun start begins at 1 p.m. There will be prizes for three places per flight and male/female longest drive and closest to the pin awards will also be given.

Dinner will be served after play on both days. For more information, call 267-5354.

#### **Cornell Corrections** sets up second

#### dodge ball tourney

**Cornell Corrections** has set up a second dodge ball tournament to benefit Relay For Life.

The tourney will take place Saturday at the YMCA and registration must be done by Thursday.

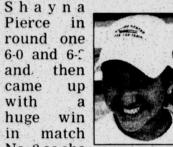
The tourney starts at 9 a.m. and costs \$10 per person and teams must have eight people male and female. or more inform

 Big Spring senior takes out No. 2 seed at regional tourney

#### By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor SAN ANGELO – Big Spring senior Veronica Villarreal is just two wins away from a state berth' after breezing through her first two opponents at the Region 1-4A tennis tournament Monday at the Bentwood Country

Club in San Angelo. Villarreal easily defeated Canyon Randall's



No. 2 as she VILLARREAL knocked off second-seeded Jennifer Flack of Wichita Falls

#### Rider 6-4 and 6-4.

**Motivated Villarreal advances to semifinals** 

match like expected and it was a good warm-up for her," said Big Spring coach Sarah Corse. "Then she played outstanding tennis against Jennifer Flack. Things went well for her (Monday) and we'll just have to wait and what happens

Villarreal entered the Birdville in the semifitournament not seeded, which came as a bit of

"She won the first getting a seed gave the time. The finals were Big Spring senior a little played at 10 a.m., as well. more motivation.

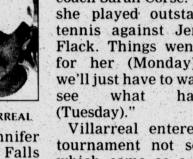
bit more motivated for this match," said Corse. Fabens 4-6, 6-1 and 6-2. "The fire and determination was definitely there."

nals Tuesday morning, but results of that match him."

surprise to Corse, but not were unavailable at press Sophomore Roshan

"She may have been Shroff also competed in upset that she wasn't boy's singles at regionals. seeded and looked a little He was defeated in round one by Simon Trujillo of

"He played well, but ran into an experienced Villarreal played No. 4 senior," said Corse. "It seed Hilary Jennings of was his first time here so getting the experience was the big thing for



# Coahoma's Laurikkala in hunt after round one of regional golf tourney

#### Stanton's team holds down 13th

#### By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor BAIRD - Coahoma's Sini Laurikkala is in the hunt after day one at the Region 1-2A golf meet played Monday at the Shady Oaks Golf Club in Baird.

Laurikkala shot an 85 in the opening round and sits six strokes off the lead, trailing Kyla Whittley of Wall, who shot a first round 79. Laurikkala is currently tied for sixth with Kermit's Kayleigh Yount. They are just one shot out of fifth, two strokes out of third and three back of second.

struck the ball very the Lady Buffaloes.

tree on the second hole, but recovered nicely on the back nine."

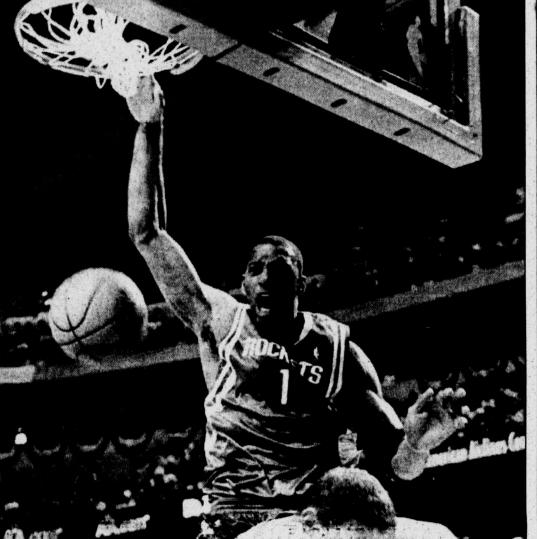
Laurikkala's front nine score was '44, while she shot a back nine 41.

Sonora is leading the team standings after shooting a first round 380. Canadian shot a 393 and is in second, while San Saba, Idalou and Kermit are placed third, fourth and fifth.

Stanton is currently in 13th place, eight strokes ahead of district rival Colorado City.

Megan Cook led Stanton after day one as she shot a 104. Savannah Smith turned in a 111, while Bonnie Kendall fired a 116.

Samantha Portillo (117) and Amanda Jo Bryand "Sini played well and (120) also competed for



tion, contact Phyllis Turney 267-2004.

#### Forsan ISD sets up all-sports banquet

Forsan has announced that its allsports banquet will take place Tuesday, May 3, at the high school.

Tickets for non-athletes and parents are \$10 and they must be purchased before Thursday.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call the Forsan High School Office at 457-2223.

Tickets may also be purchased at the high school office.

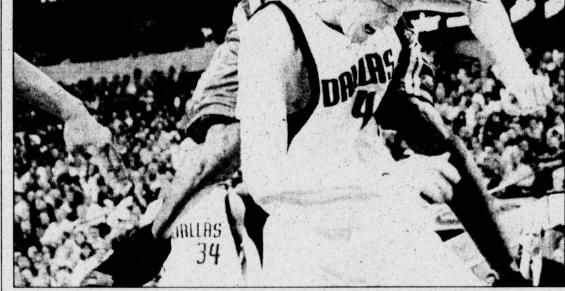
#### C.G.A. announces monthly golf tourney

The Chicano Golf Association has set up its annual Four Person \* Drive Selective Tournament for Sunday at Comanche Trail Golf Course. Registration must be done by 9:30 and the tournament will use a shotgun start beginnings at 10 a.m. For more information, contact Billy Pineda of the Chicano Golf Association at 264-7116.

#### Softball tournament announced at Cotton Mize Softball Field

A Class D and E softball tournament will take place at Cotton Mize Field inside **Comanche Trail Park** Friday and Saturday.

The entry fee is \$100 and prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place. For more information, call JR Landin at 264-1736 or Abel Rios at 432-213-2115.



KRT photo/Brad Loper, Dallas Morning News

Tracy McGrady of the Houston Rockets comes down on the Dallas Mavericks' Shawn Bradley after putting down a slam dunk in the first quarter. The Rockets defeated the Mavericks at American Airlines Center in Dallas Monday night and grabbed a commanding 2-0 series lead.

# Houston slam dunks Dallas in game No. 2, takes control of series

#### Rockets grab advantage against **favored Mavericks**

#### **By JAIME ARON**

**AP Sports Writer** DALLAS (AP) - Jeff Van Gundy gave Tracy McGrady a choice.

During a timeout with 26.4 seconds left and Houston up by two points, the Rockets coach asked McGrady whether he wanted to stop the clock again if Dallas tied it. No way, McGrady said. So they decided McGrady would go right at the defense and take a quick shot. preferably off a screen by Yao Ming.

Great call. McGrady surprised the Mavericks by charging up the court, going around Yao and nailing a 2-pointer with 2.2 seconds left. When Dallas'

victory Monday night two years ago. and a 2-0 lead in the

first-round series. "We shocked them a little bit by not calling yet." timeout," McGrady said. "My teammates didn't Yao have done someeven know. The only people who knew were me and Yao. ... I saw them scrambling on the defensive end. We caught them off-guard pretty good." With the next two games in Houston, starting Thursday night, the Rockets - who've won

move even closer to get- 14 shots, his only miss ting into the second arguably a turnover round for the first time and McGrady scoring 28 since the days of with 10 assists, eight Hakeem Olajuwon. It rebounds, three steals also would be a first for and three blocks. McGrady.

But he knows better than to look ahead, remembering how his See ROCKETS, Page 2B

Michael Finley missed Orlando team blew leads at the buzzer, the of 2-0 and 3-1 in the first Rockets had a 113-111 round against Detroit

"We've got to stay grounded," he said. "We haven't done anything

Actually, McGrady and thing. This game established them as the Western Conference's new dynamic duo, filling the void created by the breakup of Shaq and Kobe.

The preseason hype and hope surrounding their union became a reality with Yao scoring nine straight - can 33 points - making 13 of "We've got to find a

way to stop him," said

good," said Coahoma coach Kim Nichols. "She had troubles putting and final ran into problems with a unavailable at press time.

The final round was played today in Baird, but results were

# **Dallas addresses defensive** troubles this year at draft

#### By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer IRVING (AP) - Bill Parcells is doing everything to mold the Dallas Cowboys into a 3-4 defensive team, except to just say that's what he's going to do.

The expected switch to the scheme Parcells has preferred in the past, but never before a standard for a Cowboys coach, became more clear during the draft. Six of eight Dallas picks were defensive players, including ends Demarcus Ware and Marcus Spears in the first 20 selections of the first round.

One of the primary freeagent acquisitions before the weekend was 305pound defensive tackle Jason Ferguson, a blockeating wide body that will fit nicely in a three-man front. Plus, there were several player and coaching changes, most prominently linebacker Dexter Coakley being released and Jim Jeffcoat fired after 19 seasons as a player and defensive ends coach in Dallas.

"It's quite obvious our defense is going to have a new look," Parcells said during the draft, the first time he'd spoken publicly to reporters since after the season finale.

Parcells had already told defensive assistants to prepare for every eventuality. One of the offseason tasks given to defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer was to get familiar with the 3-4 defense.

"He is familiar now ter to get familiar with Minnesota running back it," Parcells said. "I said, Don't tell me about what See COWBOYS, Page 2B

you don't want to do. Be prepared to do whatever I tell you because it's not going to be a suggestion at some point in time for what we do.' "

Still, Parcells insisted he hasn't decided to move to primarily three-man fronts in Dallas. The Cowboys surrendered 405 points while going 6-10 last season.

"It's definitely possible," he said. "I didn't say it was probable, but said it was possible."

The right pieces are in place to make the transition.

Spears, a 304-pounder from LSU, is similar to Ferguson, who signed a \$21.5 million, five-year contract. Those newcomers also will allow Parcells to reduce the number of plays for perennial All-Pro tackle La'Roi Glover and end Greg Ellis.

The 251-pound Ware is going to be an outside linebacker in Dallas. Parcelis compared the player from Troy to "No. 56" (Lawrence Taylor) and Willie McGinest, drafted fourth overall by Parcells when he coached New England in 1994.

Tennessee linebacker Kevin Burnett, drafted in the second round, can play in either a 3-4 or 4-3 scheme like the firstround picks. The Cowboys also drafted Virginia's Chris Canty, a prototypical 3-4 defensive end at 6-7, 239 pounds, and Auburn defensive tackle Jay Ratliff.

Parcells used a fourthbecause he spent all win- round pick to get

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## ROCKETS

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Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki, who scored 26 points but struggled with his shooting again, making just 8 of 21 shots.

ve & Buster

Stopping McGrady and getting Nowitzki started are the primary challenges for Mavs rookie coach Avery Johnson, who has lost twice in three days after losing that many games his first five weeks after taking over for Don Nelson. Dallas closed the regular season 16-2 for Johnson and came into this series having won nine straight.

As bad a hole as this is, Dallas has been in worse. In 2001, the Mays trailed Utah 2-0 in a best-of-five series before advancing. This group also goes to Houston having won a franchise-best 29 road games.

"It's possible," Finley said. "It's happened before. It's not like we have to win the lottery."

The Rockets led the entire first half, by as much as eight, but the Mavericks gained control early in the second half for the first time since 12: 10 in Game 1 -and were ahead most of the last two quarters.

Houston trailed 102-95 with 5:36 left, but McGrady bégan a goahead run of six straight shots with a long jumper. After Dallas tied it at 109, McGrady drove to the rim and slipped the ball to Yao for an easy dunk and the lead with 1:06 left.

around the free-throw someone else. I was so it up.

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#### COWBOYS

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Marion Barber III as a backup for Julius Jones, but didn't need the draft to address other big concerns on offense.

Quarterback Drew Bledsoe reunited with the coach who made him the No. 1 overall pick in 1993, replacing 40-year-old Vinny Testaverde. Pro Bowl offensive guard Marco Rivera was signed to protect him, though the guard had surgery to repair a bulging disk in his back soon after arriving.

Parcells said undue pressure was put on Testaverde last year when Jones and receiver Glenn Terry were injured, and the Cowboys played from behind so often because of the defensive struggles.

"Had that not happened, he would have been more effective than he was," Parcells said.

But that didn't keep Parcells from signing the younger version of his former quarterbacks after he was released by Buffalo.

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"Drew likes our system, it's not like a big learning curve," Parcells said. "All you've got to do is look at Buffalo last year. Once they got the running game going, they started winning. It's as simple as that. Once they got balance in the attack, it was as simple as that."

Bledsoe signed a \$14 million, three-year contract a week before free agents Rivera (\$20 milfive lion, years), Ferguson and cornerback Anthony Henry (\$25 million, five years) joined him.

About to be 10 seasons removed from the last of three Super Bowl' titles with the Cowboys, owner Jerry Jones was more than willing to spend big. "This was a good time to have frustration

because we can do some. thing about it," he said. "I've been frustrated, before with the Dallas Cowboys when we were really behind the 8-ball with the salary cap and without a No. 1 pick.

"We were disappointed this year, and we had change in my mind. We, had the cap room and the draft picks to address it."

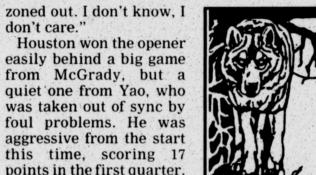
won the game and now leads the series 2-0.

line with 10.4 seconds left. zoned out. I don't know, I It was during a timeout before that play that Houston had decided what to do next.

"They tried to trap me in the backcourt, but I got away from them pretty easily," McGrady said. "I just got the ball up the court. Yao set a great screen. I realized I was by myself when I came off. ...

don't care."

quiet one from Yao, who was taken out of sync by foul problems. He was aggressive from the start this time, scoring 17 points in the first quarter. His only all game came on his seventh shot, when Nowitzki tied it again Let me be honest. I don't Nowitzki popped the ball with a jumper from even know if there was away as he was bringing





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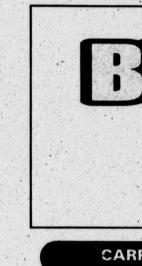
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# Pirates' Perez outduels Oswalt on mound

By ALAN ROBINSON

four hits over 7 2-3 mostly up a hit until two outs in dominating innings, outthe sixth and struck out pitching Roy Oswalt and nine. Oswalt (3-2) gave up two leading the Pirates to runs on sacrifice flies to only their second home victory, 2-0, over the end his three-game win-Houston Astros Monday ning streak. The Pirates had a major night. Perez (1-2), taking his league-worst 1-6 home record, but ended a fourgame losing streak at **PNC Park** 

KRT photo/Louis DeLuca, Dallas Morning News

Keith Van Horn, left, of the Dallas Mavericks and the Houston Rockets' Yao Ming battle for a rebound in first quarter action Monday at the American Airlines Center in Dallas. Houston

#### AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) -After puzzling his own team all season, Pittsburgh Pirates lefthander Oliver Perez decided to start fooling the guys wearing the other uniforms.

Perez shook off a season-long slump to allow

catcher's advice by 'mixing up his pitches more than before, didn't give

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h T Okeefenokee Swamp is? Try to find that on a map tomorrow.

The Okeefenokee Swamp is not a terrible place to live, if you are a mosquito. Lots of birds and animals love to live there. Do you think that you would like to live there with them?

I think that we had better get on with this story before you fall asleep,

don't you? Are you a | |

tucked in? Did you brush your teeth? Good! It sounds as if you are ready for this story.

When we do get started

and then get to the end,

story is true or not. Remember to tell me in case I forget to ask. **Promise?** , When Moe was a very little mosquito, no one

taught him what he was supposed to eat. The very first thing that he tried was vegetables. But soon, he knew that he wasn't going to like them. Mosquitos aren't supposed to even try eating



vegetables! But humans are! Do you like vegetables?

As he became a little older, he decided to try eating fruits. He tried all of the fruits and just didn't like any of them. Do you like' fruits? Humans are supposed to like them, n't know that they could but mosquitos aren't!

When Moe finally grew up, he still didn't know what mosquitos are sup-

Skeeter tell me if you think this posed to eat. He had this story, we have to use tried everything that he our imaginations a lot!



could think of and could find nothing he liked. Until THAT day! Moe Skeeter woke up

that morning and was feeling very hungry. But he

didn't know what he was going to have for breakfast. He decided to go to a little mosquito village that was just over the hill and go to a drive-thru restaurant and order something from their menu. Did you know that mosquitos could drive?

Did you know that mosquitos have drive-thru restaurants? I didn't know it either, and I surely didread a menu. But this is a bedtime story, and we have to use our imaginations just a tiny bit. Ok, in



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Just as Moe was getting close to the drive-thru, an old mosquito came over to his mosquito car and said, "If you really want something that is very good to eat, then try a dog." We all know that mosquitos love to bite humans, cats, cows,

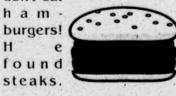


Moe wasn't sure just what a dog looked like, but he did tell the old mosquito that he would try one. Maybe it would be very good. Maybe not!

Moe looked at that menu very carefully, searching for a dog. He found ham-

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burgers. But mosquitos don't eat



Mosquitos don't eat steaks, either! Cole slaw! Mosquitos surely don't eat cole slaw! What will he / w h a l do? He is really starving now! And then he saw it! Right there on the bottom of the menu, he found just what the old mosquito had told him about. Dogs. Hotdogs! He thought to himself that the dogs would taste even better if they were hot!

Moe ordered two hotdogs to go and then found himself a nice place to eat near a babbling brook. When he bit down into that first hotdog, well, it was the best thing that he had ever tasted. Pretty soon, both hotdogs were gone! If Moe hadn't been a mosquito, he would have been a great pig! Moe finally had found a

good food to eat. And he ate a lot of hotdogs after that day. And sometimes when he had visitors come by to chat with him, they would often talk about mosquito food.



told them that he liked dogs the very best.

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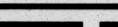
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**GEMINI** (May 21-June

21). Matters of love are all

encompassing and cer-

tainly less urgent than

they seem. Though an

impulse to act may be

strong, the action itself is

not necessarily in your

best interest. Be cool, if

**CANCER** (June 22-July

22). In a society that

makes it so easy to

overextend yourself, you

make a habit of doing the

best you can with what

you've got. This could be

the reason, someone

appoints you to a key

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A

game plan makes all the

difference in terms of

how your day turns out.

Do not start your day

without knowing what

accomplishments would

make the most difference

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.

22). Flirt with new people

and ideas, including mak-

ing money in some differ-

ent capacity. Small talk is

vital to doing business,

and much becomes

known by paying atten-

tion to the minor details

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).

You balance career and

social obligations with

grace. Be the voice of rea-

son for an emotional

friend. This person needs

more TLC than you can

give, but at least point

him/her in the right

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.

21). Your Truth is impor-

tant. But it is also impor-

tant to understand that

Your Truth is not neces-

sarily The Truth. Make it

okay for loved ones to

have their own version of

the story. Be open-mind-

direction.

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of such interaction.

in your world.

you can.

position.

#### Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS. Nonetheless it's time to turn over authority some-The Sagittarius moon is like the Dr. Seuss characone else. You need to get fer Sam I Am, trying to perspective. This will solve the dilemma of increase your overall productivity.

making --green eggs and ham an acceptable dish. "Would VOU like them on a

HOLIDAY as if MATHIS location and

person's preferences. That Sam I Am was on to

19). Normally, it would be rude to invite yourself to join someone's plans, but today you are a welcome intrusion almost anywhere! Don't change your mind about a business venture in the middle of all follow-

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Work projects are

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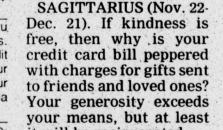
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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll admire how the next "generation" takes your suggestions one step further than you thought to go. Romantic life has more bark than bite now -aloved one is all talk, but that's fine with you. Anticipation is sweet! PISCES (Feb. 19-March

20). The easiest way to control your tongue is to control your mind. Focus on what you like about the people around you. You wouldn't hang a picture in bad lighting. Treat your friendships that way as well! If you would like to

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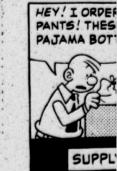




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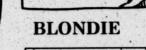
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#### THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"I wish this guy wrote his autobiography when he was younger."



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# This Date In History

#### **By The Associated Press**

Today is Tuesday, April 26, the 116th day of 2005. There are 249 days left in the year.

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Today's Highlight in

On April 26, 1986, the world's worst nuclear accident occurred at the Chernobyl plant in the Soviet Union. An explosion and fire killed at least 31 people and sent radioactivity into the atmosphere.

Spanish Civil War. In 1945, Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, the head of France's Vichy government during World War II, was arrested.

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In 1964, the African nations of Tanganyika and Zanzibar merged to form Tanzania.

In 1968, the United States exploded beneath the Nevada desert a one-megaton nuclear device called "Boxcar."

In 1970, the Broadway musical "Company" opened at the Alvin Theatre in New York.

In 1980, following an unsuccessful attempt by the United States to rescue the U.S. Embassy hostages in

musician Gary Wright is 62. Actor Giancarlo Esposito is 47. Rock musician Roger Taylor (Duran Duran) is 45. Actress Joan Chen is 44.-Rock musician Chris Mars is 44. Actor-singer Michael Damian is 43. Actor Jet Li (Lee) is 42. Rock musician Jimmy Stafford (Train) is 41. Actor-comedian Kevin James is 40. Actress Marianne Jean-Baptiste is 38. Country musician Joe Caverlee (Yankee Grey) is 37. Rapper T-Boz (TLC) is 35. Country musician Jay DeMarcus (Rascal Flats) is 34. Country musician Michael Jeffers (Pinmonkey) is 33.

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Iran, the Tehran govern-Answer to previous puzzle ment announced the cap-. In 1785, American naturalist and artist John James tives were being scattered to thwart any future rescue Audubon was born in Haiti. effort. In 1865, John Wilkes Birthdays: Today's Booth, the assassin of Actress-comedian Carol President Lincoln, was sur-Burnett is 72. R&B singer rounded by federal troops Maurice Williams is 67. near Bowling Green, Va., Songwriter-musician Duane ALD Eddy is 67. Singer Bobby In 1937, planes from Nazi Rydell is 63. Actress Germany raided the Basque town of Guernica in the Claudine Auger is 63. Rock Newsday Crossword 64 Where Dubuque is locale Stanley 8 Patronize, 5 Floor-washing 65 implements Gardner as a hotel 66 Type of tea 9 Standing tall 67 I.O.U. 10 Way back on (watch) 68 Uprising when hard to find 69 Word on 11 Sharp part . a penny of a razor manuscript 70 Retired 12 River deposit 16 Poor grade airplanes: 21 Man's dressy Abbr. 71 Evergreen accessory 25 Give a trees reprimand to 26 Slangy impact DOWN 1 High-school with one's sound 27 Cropped up dance 28 Rolls strikes 2 Roof 58 overhang and spares 29 Dry, as wine 3 Vicinity 4 Morsel of corn (Grafton novel) 32 Pickling 5 Office notes 6 Keats works solution 26 Dark brown fur 13 14 15 18 19 17 35 Money player 22 20 21 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 44 Fencing sword 45 \_\_ and tuck 36 37 38 39 35 40 43 44 Fitzgerald 49 50 47 48 46 51 52 53 \_ a soul 57 58 59 54 55 56 64 65 67 68 57 "Last one in," 66

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# MINI PAGE

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#### Wacky Facts

May 1 is Mother Goose Day. May 5 is Cartoonists Day. Mother's Day is May 8. This year, Memorial Day falls on May 30 World Almanac for Kids





#### Chatter Box

"He wants Texas back." - Dodgers' manager, Tommy Lasorda, in 1981, when asked what terms Mexican-born pitching sensation Fernando Valenzuela might settle for in his contract negotiations.



# SHEAR

Create à cut-paper banner to celebrate Cinco de Mayo

By MAGGI MANNING Knight Ridder Newspapers

You may have seen them, beautiful banners of cut paper hanging festively in Mexican restaurants. These banners are called, in Spanish, papel picado, which means punched or pierced paper. They are based upon a traditional folk art from Mexico used to decorate during festivals.

May 5 is Cinco de Mayo, a day when Mexican-Americans celebrate the Mexicans' victory over the French in the Battle of Puabla, Mexico, on May 5, 1862. People celebrate with songs, food and dancing.

During festivals, papel picado are strung across streets and plazas, lay like tablecloths on altars and tables, and hang in windows.

Author Kathleen Trenchard was fascinated by these banners but had a hard time finding a book about them, so she wrote

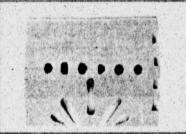




STEP 1 Prepare the tissue paper. Cut tissue paper to 13 by

#### Tools Colorful tissue

paper 13 by 8 inches Craft scissors or small scissors with sharp points A ruler String or filament Glue stick



STEP 5 Unfold to 31/4 by 4 · inches and cut rectangles along In The News

# A chat with **Beverly Cleary**

Beverly Cleary had trouble learning to read as a child. But that didn't stop her from becoming one of the best-loved children's authors

of all time. She wrote her first book, "Henry Huggins," in 1950. Since then, she's brought many popular characters, like Ramona Quimby and Otis Spofford, to life. Her books have earned her many prestigious awards, including the 1984 Newbery Medal for "Dear Mr. Henshaw."

Cleary's new book, "Two Times the Fun," is about 4-year-old twins Jimmy and Janet, who have all kinds of adventures. It's based on her experiences with her own twins, who are now adults. TimeForKids spoke with Cleary about writing and her books.

TFK: There was no library in Yamhill, Ore., where you grew up. Is it true that your mother created one?

**CLEARY:** Yes, she had books sent from the state library. She kept them in a china cabinet in a smoky-smelling room over a bank. She was always enthusiastic about reading.

TFK: You had difficulty learning to read as a child. How and when did you finally grow to love books?

CLEARY: I was in the third grade. It was a very dreary, rainy Sunday, before television. I did-



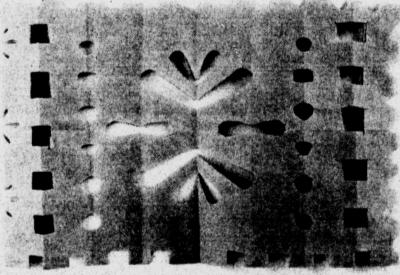
one: "Mexican Papercutting" (Lark Books, \$14.95). She says traditional Mexican artists use hammers and chisels to create their paper art. After drawing a design, they place their template over a stack of tissue paper and cut through all the paper using their tools.

However, for simplicity and safety, we'll work with one folded sheet of paper using small craft scissors. Craft knives will also work well, but should be reserved for older kids.

Traditional designs have a lattice look with many intricate . cuttings. Folding the tissue over and over will give us the opportunity to create a fairly intricate design without "punching" the paper.

Try this design, inspired by Trenchard's work.

# Mexican Papercutting



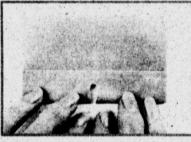
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Always cut the folded side of the paper.

If an area remains uncut, fold your paper to gain access. Folds can be ironed out afterward.

NOTE: Mexican paper cutting is also used during Mexican Independence Day and Day of the Dead holidays.

8 inches. Fold it in half vertically, so it is 61/2 by 8. Fold horizontally to 61/2 by 4. Fold again vertically to 31/4 by 4. Take the folded 4-inch side and fold the bottom edge up 1 inch.



STEP 2 With your craft scissors, cut a small petal shape in the center of the fold.



STEP 3 Unfold the bottom edge. The cut will look more like an hourglass. Cut more petals, two on either side of the center shape, to create a flower.

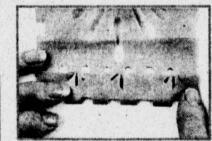


STEP 4 Fold the tissue in half. to 15/8 by 4 inches. Cut semicircles across the new fold.

the folded side.



STEP 6 Unfold to 61/2 by 4 inches. Along the one remaining uncut folded side, cut small petals for each of three flowers. These are very small cuts, so you may cut three or five petals per flower.



STEP 7 Make a new fold by turning the petal edge up 13/16 inch. Cut rectangles along the new fold. Fold the opposite side in the same manner and repeat the cutting process.

STEP 8 Unfold to 61/2 by 4 inches. Cut the perimeter of the unfolded edges with a scallop design (see far left image).

STEP 9 Unfold the tissue completely. To hang, use a glue stick to apply adhesive to one 13-inch edge of the tissue. Then, lay filament across the glued edge and fold the tissue over. Repeat this with the other tissues so they hang next to each other (see top). n't have anything to do. But my mother always read to me, and kept books around that I might read. I picked one up to look at the pictures and discovered I was reading, and actually enjoying what I read. It wasn't just something I was doing in school.

TFK: How do you come up with plot ideas?

CLEARY: Some things are based on my experiences or memory, and some come from my imagination. Sometimes ideas just seem to come out of thin air. That's the fun of writing-starting something and finding out what turns up.

TFK: Where do you get the inspiration for your characters?

CLEARY: My characters come from myself. people I have known, or people I would like to know.

TFK: Ramona Quimby is your best-known character. Why do you think she's been so popular all these years?

CLEARY: Ramona comes out of my own childhood emotions, and I think all children have pretty much the same feelings. Many people have written to me that they could relate to Ramona

when they were children.



TFK: These days, there are so many TV programs to distract children. What can kids get from reading books that they can't get from television?

**CLEARY:** Reading exercises the imagination in a way that

television doesn't, It's all right there on television. But in reading, your imagination creates the pictures. If children don't have imagination, they're not very interesting people.

- Jennifer Marino

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