



Soaring high

Model plan enthusiasts gather at Buzbee Field

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Soaring among the clouds may be a lost dream for some people. Robert Walker isn't some people.

Walker's father was a model aircraft enthusiast, but unfortunately for

Robert Walker, local model aircraft pilot and enthusiast, puts the wings on his 1/3 scale P-51 Mustang during the 24th annual Big Spring Model Aircraft Association's Fly-In and Swap Meet. The event continues Sunday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

him, his father gave up the hobby before he was old enough to understand what it was about.

Years later, however, the same undeniable urge to fly that Walker's father had experienced years earlier found him.

"I always dreamed about flying," said Walker. "I dreamed about it the entire time I was a kid. So when I was old enough to get out on my own, I got involved with it."

"My next door neighbor on Washington had a heart problem, and the

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Rodeo to buck out of chute for 72nd ride here Thursday

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

It's a West Texas tradition, and it's coming to Big Spring.

Of course, we're talking about the 72nd annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, slated Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

And if the dates seem a day short, rodeo coordinator and retired rodeo clown Quail Dobbs said it isn't just your imagination.

"The Big Spring rodeo has always been a four day event in the past — until this year," said

Legends and Legacies: Tuesday at Heritage Museum, reception at 4:30 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m.

Parade: 5:30 p.m. Thursday, north on Main and south on Scurry.

72nd Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo: Gates open at 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

Dobbs. "We decided to shorten the rodeo by one day for several reasons. One of the main reasons was to free up Wednesday

night, which is traditionally a church night, for everyone. That way everyone can enjoy the rodeo without having to miss out on church."

Dobbs said the shorter schedule will also make it easier to attract competitors from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) and Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA).

"There are so many rodeos going on right now," said Dobbs. "The longer the rodeo is, the harder it is to get the

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Core curriculum evaluation on agenda for college board

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Howard College trustees will consider an evaluation of the college's core curriculum when they hold their monthly meeting at 12:30 p.m. Monday in the East Room of Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The evaluation, which has been ongoing for the past year, aims to ensure that the curriculum meets rules and regulations set forth by the regional coordination

board as well as certification requirements, College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said.

Core courses being evaluated include mathematics, English, history and speech, Sparks said.

"Our faculty has been reviewing our core, and has been coming up with a plan to evaluate it from a control and effectiveness standpoint," she

noted. The evaluation will be good for a five-year period ending in 2009, although college officials will continue to evaluate it during that time, she added.

In other business, trustees will hold a public hearing concerning Sid Richardson Carbon Co.'s request for a partial tax abatement.

Earlier this year, Sid Richardson officials announced plans for construction of a \$28 million

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STORM DAMAGE

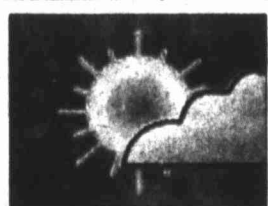


Above, Big Spring resident Woody Jumper picks up limbs downed by high winds in his front yard Friday. At left, Cisco Pantoja, 10, left, an Elbow Elementary student, inspects damage to a tree in front of his home with his nephew, Steven Rodriguez. The tree was one of many that suffered damage in the brief but strong storm.

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ARLENE OFF COAST

PENSACOLA BEACH, Fla. (AP) - Heavy rain drenched the Florida Panhandle early Saturday and heavy surf pounded beaches as Tropical Storm Arlene plodded toward the Gulf Coast, chasing a few weather-weary residents into shelters.

The storm had wind blowing at a sustained 70 mph, and the National Hurricane Center posted a hurricane warning along 125 miles of coast from Pascagoula, Miss., to Destin in the western Florida Panhandle.

Meteorologists said there was a slight chance Arlene could build into a Category 1 hurricane by landfall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

• Heritage Museum presents a western art show, "From Rembrants to Rodeo," beginning at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday with a wine and cheese reception followed by the annual Legends and Legacies dinner. Tickets to the dinner are \$15.

• Big Spring 72nd annual Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, June 16-18.

• Old Settlers Reunion from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. June 18 at the Howard County Fair Barns. Call Heritage Museum for free tickets at 267-8288.

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Obituaries

Edward Kent Morgan



Edward Kent Morgan was born Jan. 14, 1924, the fifth child of Hardy and Bessie Pearl Andrus Morgan, in Lamesa. He continued the progressive and hospitable traditions of a strong West Texas pioneer family.

Kent arrived in Howard County at the outbreak of World War II to look after his father's sheep and cattle. He has lived in the county ever since, except for a short period while serving in the United States Navy.

Kent and his father had 15,000 sheep, the largest flock ever raised in Howard County. Following the war, Morgan Brothers was formed consisting of a partnership between John Hardy, Lloyd and Kent. They operated ranches in Howard, Andrews, Dawson and Hamilton counties consisting of 126 sections.

Kent also built the Ponderosa Apartments and the Ponderosa Motel in 1963 and built the Highland Shopping Center in 1965. He built and operated the Ponderosa Motor Inns in Alpine and Temple and Ruidoso, N.M., from 1961 to 1970.

He married Faye Fisher in 1942. They had two children, Emmett Kent and Katie Bess. Kent married Jan Livingston Weaver in 1972. She preceded him in death on Nov. 21, 2002.

He made his home southeast of Big Spring on the Morgan Ranch.

Kent was a past president of the Big Spring Country Club and served on the board of directors of Security State Bank.

He was a member of First Presbyterian Church. Survivors include one son, Emmett Kent Morgan of Vista, Calif.; one daughter and son-in-law, Katie Bess and Franklin Williamson of Kerrville; four grandchildren, Kimberly Dunbar of Rocksprings, Rachel Hall of Nashville, Tenn., J. B. Morgan and Dylan Morgan, both of Vista, Calif.; 12 great grandchildren; and one sister, Maurine Morgan Vaughn of Lamesa.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, John Hardy Morgan, Paul Morgan and Lloyd Morgan.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 14, 2005, at the First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Matt Miles, pastor, officiating.

The family suggests memorials to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, P. O. Box 1890, Amarillo 79174-0001.

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

Support groups

SUNDAY

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

TUESDAY

• The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 6 p.m., a new time, the last Tuesday of each month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

THURSDAY

• Narcotics Anonymous, non-smoking discussion meeting, 8-9 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

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

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

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 4-11-15-28-33.

Number matching five of five: 0.

Matching four of five: 112. Prize: \$475.

Matching three of five: 3,684. Prize: \$10.

Matching two of five: 37,980. Prize: \$2.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Saturday night.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-9-5

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Here are the winning numbers selected Friday in the Mega Millions lottery: 14-29-31-37-50 (fourteen, twenty-nine, thirty-one, thirty-seven, fifty)

Mega Ball: 34 (thirty-four)

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Friday and 10 a.m. Saturday:

• **JOHN MANUEL SOLIS**, 19, of 1321 Stadium, was arrested Friday on charges of resisting arrest, criminal mischief and a Collin County warrant.

• **AMANDA GRAY**, 19, of 704 Angela Road, was arrested Friday on two local warrants.

• **JOSE ALFREDO GOMEZ**, 22, of 1204 E. 15th Street, was arrested Friday on a charge of driving while license suspended.

• **REBECCA JO BOLTON**, 25, of Garden City, was arrested Saturday on two local warrants and held for the HCSO.

Note: An activity log was not available.

Take note

• **COAHOMA PATRIOTIC PARADE** begins at 10 a.m. July 2. Celebration continues in Coahoma Park with a car show, food booths and vendors. Free set up space for interested vendors. Contact Paulette Lindsey at 394-4975 or 270-0875 to secure space.

• **COAHOMA NON-MARCHING BRASS BAND NEEDS MORE MEMBERS**, any age, any instrument, any ability, any experience. For more information, contact Pam Hicks at 394-4312 or Patricia Bennett at 394-4122.

• **TEXAS LIONS CAMP** is looking for children interested in attending camp this summer. Sessions are for children with physical disabilities 7 through 16 years of age. Camp is free for these children. For more information, call Bob Noyes at 267-5811 or 270-0811.

• **SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER'S SCHOOL OF RADIOLOGY** is having a reunion of all past graduates in conjunction with the 2005 graduation July 9 at the Spring City Senior Center. The reunion organizer are looking for these individuals: Tere Barrier, Susan Weaver Burton, Cheryl Carroll, Irma Chavez, Caroline Clifton, Paul Decker, Frank Garfias, Randy Gavin, Michelle Gonzales, Sandy Hatfield, Mickie Johnson, Sarah Martin, Janie McLaughlin, Mary Poston, Debbie Richter, Melissa Shafer and Susan Soloman. Contact Vivian Gordon at 268-4885 or email to vivian_gordon@chs.net.

• **HERITAGE MUSEUM PRESENTS A WESTERN ART SHOW, "FROM REMBRANDTS TO RODEO,"** beginning at 4:30 p.m. June 14 with a wine and cheese reception followed by the annual Legends and Legacies dinner, all at the museum. Tickets to the dinner are \$15.

• **BIG SPRING 29TH ANNUAL COWBOY REUNION AND RODEO** June 16-18.

• **OLD SETTLERS REUNION** from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. June 18 at the Howard County Fair Barns. Call Heritage Museum for free tickets at 267-8288.

• **HOWARD COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION ANNUAL QUILT RECEPTION** is from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. June 18 at the Heritage Museum. Free admission.

• **REHEARSALS FOR THE BIG SPRING SYMPHONY CHORUS FOR THE POPS IN THE PARK PERFORMANCE** continues each Monday from 7 p.m. until 8:45 p.m. in June in the First Methodist Church choral room. New members are welcome to participate in this annual community event.

• **COMMUNITY-WIDE BABY SHOWER TO BENEFIT BIRTHRIGHT** is set for 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. June 25 at Baptist Temple Church. Call 267-8287 for more information.

• **A MEMORIAL FUND HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE FAMILY OF TYBO JACOBS** at the First Bank of West Texas in Coahoma and Big Spring to help with funeral costs. He died in an automobile accident March 10.

• **MEMBERS OF THE PUGA FAMILY** are searching for family members to invite to a family reunion July 2 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Contact Anna Gutierrez-Trevino at 466-1780.

• **DEREK CHURCHWELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** has been established at Howard College. Donations may be made to the Howard College Foundation in care of Jan Foresyth, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Designate the Derek Churchwell Scholarship Fund.

• **HOWARD COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD** is seeking financial donations to provide support for children in Howard County who have been removed from their home due to abuse or neglect. Contact Patti Richard at 432-559-6953 or mail donations to HCCWB P.O. Box 3101 Big Spring, 79721.

Bulletin board

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

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 Off Pounds 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.

• The Big Spring Symphony Association, meets at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry.

• Take Off Pounds 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 northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.

• Coahoma Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center at 306 North Ave.

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

• Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library Community Room in the basement. Call 270-2615 for more information.

• Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at 500 S. Main St., in the Dorothy Lamb Meeting Room of the Howard County Library. A planning session is scheduled for a hot air balloon rally in Big Spring.

Anyone interested is invited to attend.

• Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

TUESDAY

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

• Howard-Glasscock Counties American Cancer Society director's meeting in the dining room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center at noon. Call Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599 for more information.

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

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

• Heritage Museum presents "Western Art Show" beginning at 4:30 p.m. with a wine and cheese reception followed by the annual Legends and Legacies dinner. Tickets for the dinner are \$15.

WEDNESDAY

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

• Senior Circle meets at 11 a.m. in the Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for Stretch and Tone. Call 268-4721.

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

• Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce board of directors meet at noon in the chamber board room.

• 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

• Big Spring 72nd annual Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo.

Weather

Sunday—Partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 90s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

Sunday night—Partly cloudy. Isolated thunderstorms in the evening. Lows in the mid 60s. West winds 10 to 20 mph. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Monday—Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Monday night—Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Tuesday—Partly cloudy. Isolated thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 90s.

Tuesday night—Partly cloudy. Isolated thunderstorms in the evening. Lows in the upper 60s.

Wednesday—Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

Thursday—Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.

Thursday night—Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

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Larry and Tessa Webb begin picking up the pieces after an errant Jeep Wrangler ran through the front of Webco Printing Inc. on Third Street. No one was injured in the crash.

Jeep crashes through store window; co-owner frightened but not injured

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Imagine working at your desk, going through your morning routine, as always.

Imagine a Jeep crashing through the wall and coming to a stop mere feet from you.

Tessa Webb, who along with her husband, Larry, owns and operates Webco Printing on Third Street, doesn't have to imagine such a scenario. She survived it Friday morning.

"I was sitting right here," said a shaken Tessa Webb, still trying to pick up the pieces of the office. "I heard it and I turned around and the whole wall was coming in — glass flying everywhere — and a

Jeep was coming right at me." Webb said her reaction was instinctual.

"I had no thoughts at all. I just screamed," she said with an uneasy laugh. "I couldn't move. I just froze. I turned around and saw the wall and glass coming in and stood up, but I couldn't move. I just screamed."

According to witnesses, a rental truck towing a newer-model Jeep Wrangler north on Gregg Street lost its precarious load, sending the Jeep on an amazing trek that ended in the Webb's business.

"A U-Haul truck was towing a vehicle and it came loose on Gregg Street. From the information I heard, it came loose across from

Park's Chevron and came across the Chamber of Commerce parking lot, right into this wall," said Larry Webb, pointing to a pile of rubble leading into his business.

"My wife was sitting at her desk over there," he said, pointing to an area approximately six feet from where the vehicle had come to a stop.

"How it could thread that needle through that parking lot is amazing," he added.

Tessa Webb had a different word to describe what happened.

"It was a miracle. Look at the path that led over here," she said, pointing out the large hole in the wall to the vehicles on Third Street. "God was looking after us."

FISD board to consider COLLEGE drug test policy draft

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Forsan school trustees will consider a draft policy for drug-testing of students when the school board holds its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Monday in the administration building board room.

Trustees in May instructed Superintendent Randy Johnson to formulate the draft policy, which would cover drug testing for Forsan students involved in extra-curricular activities. If all goes according to plan, the school board should have a formal policy in place by the end of July.

Similar policies were

recently instituted in Big Spring and Coahoma.

Forsan's first step toward a drug-testing policy was in early May, when school officials held public hearing. Although few people attended the meeting, Johnson said support for such a policy was unanimous.

Later in May, trustees debated issues involved with the policy.

Among the issues to be addressed in Johnson's draft policy are exactly what type of extra-curricular activities would be covered, how often the tests would be administered, what drugs would be tested for and punishment for students who test positive.

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power plant. The company is now approaching the different taxing entities in the county for an tax abatement on that project.

Trustees will vote on the proposed abatement later in their meeting, Sparks said.

Also Monday, trustees will consider:

- Bids for software at

the San Angelo campus and training equipment for the Big Spring nursing program.

- Legislative update.
- Employment of a softball coach in Big Spring, a campus manager in Lamesa, a math instructor in San Angelo and a horticulture instructor at the Cornell Corrections classroom.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234.



The family of George Phillips would like to extend a heartfelt **THANK YOU** for the kindness, sympathy and prayers received at the time of our great loss.

Tax abatements on tap for county commissioners

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Tax abatements for two major industries in Howard County tops the agenda for the Howard County commissioners, who are scheduled to meet Monday morning.

Commissioners are expected to hold a public hearing on tax abatements for two of Howard County's largest industries — Sid Richardson Carbon Company and the Wind Plus Project — during the meeting.

"The tax abatement for Sid Richardson would abate taxes for the company by 100 percent between 2005 and 2010, and then for 50 percent in 2011," said Jackie Olson, county auditor. "The abatements are tied to new construction at the facility, which will allow them to produce electricity. According to information submitted by Sid Richardson, the new addition to the plant will cost somewhere between \$15 million and \$25 million."

Sid Richardson recently announced it will be adding a \$28 million power plant to its Big Spring facility, producing 24 megawatts of energy for the plant itself as well as everyday electricity customers in the area.

"We produce a waste gas which we burn for environmental reasons," said Steve Honea, manager for the local plant. "That energy is going right up the stack. So what we're planning to do is put a boiler in the stream to make steam, then take that steam and turn it through a turbine which will turn a generator, making electricity."

"It's not really renewable energy, but it's an energy we're already making out there all of the time. It's part of the process. So the fuel for this co-gen is basically free to us."

"We'll use about half of that here in the plant and the other half will be sold on the market. That's what makes it worth while for us. If we were going to just use the energy for ourselves, it would

n't be a very viable project."

Commissioners are also expected to consider tax abatements, referred to in this instance as a reinvestment zone, for the Wind Plus project.

"The abatement is for 70 percent of the taxes for 10 years," said Olson. "This is a renewal of an abatement issued in February 1997."

Also on Monday's agenda, Olson will present invoices and purchase requests, in addition to a possible new hiring at the Spring City Senior Citizen Center.

"The center recently hired an assistant cook and there was a problem with their criminal check," said Olson. "The center's board of directors will be making a recommendation to hire a new person for that position."

County Treasurer Teresa Thomas is expected to present personnel considerations and a payroll report to the commissioners.

Eddy Jameson, county road and bridge administrator, will ask for permission to go out on bid for a new pickup.

The meeting is expected to get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioners' courtroom, located on the second floor of the county courthouse.

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OUR VIEWS

Yee haa!
The Big Spring
Cowboy Reunion
and Rodeo Parade

It's almost time for the 72th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo there's little time to get in those entries for the annual rodeo parade, which officially gets the three-day run of events started.

The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo is the oldest continually running professional rodeo in the nation, and doesn't take a back seat to any when it comes to the talent that arrives each year to compete.

Many of the top competitors from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) and Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) will display their talents during the event's three-day run from Thursday, June 16, through Saturday, June 18, each performance beginning at 8 p.m. in the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

The rodeo officially begins at 5:30 p.m. Thursday when the rodeo parade lines up at 10th and Main and snakes its way through downtown Big Spring.

Let's make this the best rodeo parade we've ever had. Anyone can enter, all you need to do is fill out a parade entry form which is included in today's edition of the *Herald* and return them to our office.

But don't forget to get those entries turned in to our office no later than noon on Monday.

So don't forget to shine up those books, dust off that hat, pull on your favorite jeans and join in the parade. Saddle up your horse or put a new coat of wax on that custom or classic automobile. Maybe a group of you would like to enter a float. We'd even like to see plenty of decorated bicycles and a posse of stickhorses in the procession.

Remember, participation is what both we and the rodeo association would like to see. We hope you'll all join us.

Hard on drugs, soft on suffering

Someday, Washington will catch up with the 72 percent of Americans over 45 who believe adults should be able to use medical marijuana if a physician recommends it, according to a 2004 poll by the AARP. First, however, voters are going to have to make some noise.

Or as Justice John Paul Stevens wrote in this week's Supreme Court ruling that upheld the federal government's authority to prosecute medical-marijuana users, despite California's and 10 other states' medical marijuana laws, "the voices of voters allied with these respondents may one day be heard in the halls of Congress." Too bad, the drug-war hawks have Washington spooked. Lawmakers don't want to appear soft on drugs, so they are afraid to call an end to prosecuting people in pain.

That's why marijuana is a "Schedule I" drug in the federal lexicon, which puts the drug in the same legal classification as heroin. Less dangerous drugs — like cocaine and morphine — fall under Schedule II and are available for medical use. But not marijuana.

That's because there is no recognized medical use for marijuana, according to the American Medical Association, the drug warriors respond.

Fair enough. But the California Medical Association supports medical marijuana. Chief Executive Jack Lewin, a physician, explained that his group believes the government should listen to doctors who recommend the drug. What's more, in passing Proposition 215 in 1996, state voters have spoken, and from what Lewin has seen, "it's not doing a whole lot of harm."

Many California doctors recommend the drug because they've seen salutary results with marijuana not found with its legal pill-form equivalent, Marinol. For

some reason, Marinol doesn't take with many patients, who find relief by smoking, drinking or eating marijuana. Marijuana, they say, relieves their nausea, mitigates the ravages of some diseases and increases appetites depressed by chemotherapy.

Doctors have risked their careers recommending an illegal drug. They don't need a study when they can look at the faces of afflicted people who finally have found something that works for them. And many users note that medical marijuana relieves their nausea without drugging them into oblivion.

Sure, some medical-marijuana boosters may be looking for an excuse to smoke pot. Two years ago, I went to a Santa Cruz, Calif., event where a young man told me he took medical marijuana for an injured knee.

Yeah, right.

At the same event, however, I saw 93-year-old Dorothy Gibbs, who suffered from post-polio syndrome. She found that marijuana eased her severe nausea. As a member of the Wo/Men's Alliance for Medical Marijuana, Gibbs joined a different lawsuit against federal prosecutions, after the Drug Enforcement Administration raided WAMM and seized 167 marijuana plants.

Gibbs is now dead, WAMM founder Valerie Corral told me on the phone yesterday. In the six months after the raid, 13 WAMM members died — almost 10 percent of WAMM's members. This is a group of seriously ill people — and the kid with the bad knee was not one of them.

Corral, an epileptic, believes she suffers fewer seizures because of medical marijuana. She used to take more powerful pharmaceutical drugs that "made me feel as if I was underwater." With marijuana, she said, she is more functional.

Back to Congress. Ten states have legalized medical marijuana. Republicans who believe in states' rights should support these states, but in 2004, only 19 Republicans voted for a measure offered by Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif.,

that would have blocked federal enforcement for users of medical marijuana in states that have legalized its use.

It failed 268 to 148.

Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., voted for such a measure in 2003, but backed off in 2004. Locally, Rep. Richard Pombo, R-Calif., voted "no" last year.

"We've got 70 percent of the Democrats," said Bill Piper, of the anti-drug-war Drug Policy Alliance. Most, but not all.

Rep. Dennis Cardoza, D-Calif., is one of two California House Democrats, as Piper put it, "voting against their own state."

I got no answer from the staff of Pombo or Cardoza as to how either of them plan to vote on this year's Hinchey-Rohrabacher bill. Which means, perhaps, they could be swayed by input from constituents.

The White House drug czar John Walters has been a strong opponent of medical marijuana. As he sees it, pot-heads are using sick people to push marijuana.

I am sure he is right. And I don't care.

This year, I watched a friend die who lived longer, I believe, because she could drink a tea that revived her appetite, mitigated her need for other pain control and probably bought her a few extra weeks with her children. Marinol didn't help her. Marijuana did.

So I'll quote what Dr. Marcus Conant once said to me. Conant is the doctor who identified the first cases of Kaposi's sarcoma among San Francisco AIDS patients. He also successfully sued to stop the federal government from acting against doctors who recommend medical marijuana.

Conant explained: "To deny sick people relief because of abuse is not humane."

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"Pimpin the Prez": Benefiting rich interest

A jaw-dropping article in The Texas Observer (www.texasobserver.org) shows that two lobbying clients of Jack Abramoff paid \$25,000 to Grover Norquist's group for a lunch date and meeting with President George W. Bush in May 2001. Abramoff brought the Indian chiefs to the White house at the request of Norquist, a leading "movement conservative" in Washington. In addition, Abramoff obtained \$2.5 million in contributions from the Indians for a nonprofit foundation run by his wife and himself.



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The White House guests were the chiefs of two of the six casino-rich Indian tribes represented by Abramoff and his partner Michael Scanlon, former top aide to House Majority Whip Tom DeLay. The \$25,000 check from the Coshatta tribe of Louisiana is made out to Americans for Tax Reform, an anti-tax group founded and directed by Norquist.

Norquist, Abramoff and Karl Rove have worked together for 30 years, since they were national leaders of the College Republicans. Norquist, DeLay and Abramoff are all key players in the "the K Street Project" to turn the Washington lobby corps into an arm of the Republican Party.

(Obligatory disclosure: The Observer's story, "The Pimping of the President," is by Lou Dubose, a freelance writer with whom I have written two books and am working on a third. However, Dubose has never had anything to do with my newspaper column, nor am I involved with any of his journalism. Another reporter who deserves credit on this story is Shawn Martin of the Lake Charles (La.) American Press, who has followed it from the end of the local Indian tribe.)

The Observer's story comes after a year of denials from the tribe (or at least the majority on the tribal council and their lawyer, Kent Hance, a major player in Texas Republican circles and former state officeholder).

The Observer was too tasteful to crack any jokes about how forgettable a meeting with this Great White Father might be. Dubose reports: "According to a source close to the tribal majority, Chairman Poncho recently revisited that issue of his visit to the White House. He had previously denied it because he thought he was responding to press inquiries that implied he had a one-on-one meeting with Bush. He now recalls that he did in fact go to the White House on May 9, 2001. ... That meeting lasted for about 15 minutes and was not a one-on-one meeting. ... Abramoff was at the meeting."

According to the new version, Bush made some general comments about Indian policy but did not discuss

Indian gaming. Abramoff billed the Coshatta's \$25,000 for the meeting. ...

"Norquist has not responded to inquiries about using the White House as a fund-raiser. It is, however, a regular ATR practice to invite state legislators and tribal leaders who have supported ATR anti-tax initiatives to the White House for a personal thank-you from the president. A source at ATR said no money is ever accepted from participants in these events. The \$25,000 check from the Coshattas suggests that, at least in this instance, Norquist's organization made an exception. The \$75,000 collected from the Mississippi Choctaws and two corporate sponsors mentioned in Abramoff's e-mail suggests there were other exceptions. Norquist recently wrote to the tribes who paid to attend White House meetings. His story regarding that event is also evolving."

Norquist now says the contributions were in no way related to any White House event. "That doesn't square with the paper trail Abramoff and Norquist left behind, which makes it evident they were selling access to the president," Dubose writes.

For an overview of the entire Abramoff scandal and its relation to Tom DeLay and the K Street Project — and what all this means in terms of Washington sleaze — see an article by Elizabeth Drew, "Selling Washington," in the June 23 issue of The New York Review of Books. Drew and other stu-

dents of Washington corruption conclude what we have here is not so much a difference in kind as in degree of corruption — but of a degree that's making a difference in everything.

Drew writes, "The effects of the new, higher level of corruption on the way the country is governed are profound. Not only is legislation increasingly skewed to benefit the richest interests, but Congress itself has been changed. The head of a public policy strategy group told me: 'It's not about governing anymore. The Congress is now a transactional institution. ...' The theory that ours is a system of one-person, one-vote, or even that it's a representative democracy, is challenged by the reality of power and who really wields it. (Massachusetts Rep.) Barney Frank argues that 'the political system was supposed to overcome the financial advantage of the capitalists, but as money becomes more and more influential, it doesn't work that way.'"

I doubt there is a more important story in this country today. All reporters who want to be the next Woodward and Bernstein should follow Dubose and Martin to the local ends of this story.

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PLANES

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doctor told him to find himself a little hobby to get him through his situation. So he started building airplanes, but he kind of pushed it off to the side at some point. After we moved in next to him, he told me one day he had something for me, and that's how it all started.

"It's an addiction. I mean a big addiction," said Walker with a laugh. "It started out with one plane, and then one ended up as two. Two ended up as 20 planes and now I have 32 planes in my hangar. It can get just as big as you want to take it."

It's not hard to understand why Walker describes model aircraft as an addiction, as pilots from all over the region — even as far as New Mexico — begin setting up their work tables and planes Saturday for the 24th annual Big Spring Model Aircraft Association's Fly-In and Swap Meet. The event, which is being held at Buzbee Field off Highway 350 north of Big Spring, will con-

tinue Sunday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

No matter which direction you turn at the Fly-In, you'll find an array of different style aircraft, from traditional prop planes to the occasional jet.

"This is a 1/8 scale P-51 Mustang," said Walker as he fastened the plane's wings to the fuselage. "It was made from a kit, and it takes about two trees just to build this thing. It was already built when I bought it — it just needed to be finished out and everything, which is what I did to it. I've had it about eight or nine years now and it's almost considered one of the family."

Walker said his experience with model aircrafts has some ups and downs, but the P-51 Mustang has a special place in his family.

"You kind of get in your dumps. You have spurts where you build, you fly and you crash. You build, you fly and you crash," said Walker, still fiddling with the plane. "You kind of get tired of that and just think about selling them."

"When I said that about the P-51 Mustang, the first words out of my wife's mouth was, 'If you sell that plane, we will get a



Local model aircraft enthusiast Jerry Rogers gets his plane, which is a scale model of a popular international aerobatics plane, ready for flight during the 24th annual Big Spring Model Aircraft Association's Fly-In and Swap Meet. The Fly-In continues Sunday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

divorce.' That's pretty funny because that's kind of how it was when I bought it. She said, 'If you buy it, we'll get a divorce.' I'm just damned if I do and damned if I don't," he said with a laugh.

Another local model aircraft enthusiast with a rich history in the hobby is Jerry Rogers,

who might just have a leg up on Walker in the experience bracket.

"I started when I was in high school in 1948," said Rogers. "I haven't been involved in it continually since that time, but I have been flying for the past 10 years."

Much like the rest of the

pilots at the Fly-In, Rogers is more than happy to show off his plane.

"This is a scale model of an aerobatic airplane. It's one that they fly in international competition," said Rogers. "The real version of this model is made out of composites. There's no metal in it, it's all plastic, carbon fiber and that sort of stuff. It's also one of the lightest airplanes out there. I've been flying this one about four years now, and it flies really well."

Rogers said model aircrafts have been pushed aside by today's youth in favor of video game systems and other electronic marvels, but he still believes events like the Fly-In have a very important place in the fabric of today's families.

"It's good to get with the guys that are from all over," said Rogers. "And it's a lot of fun to fly. It's a real clean, really nice hobby. You can take the family and the kids, and the pilots really take to the kids to teach them how to fly."

"I don't think we have as much interest in model aircrafts now because there is so much electronic stuff out there for the kids. But it's still a very good hobby for kids."

RODEO

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cowboys in. By shortening the rodeo to three days, I think we'll have an easier time getting cowboys in. It makes it a lot easier on them.

"The shorter schedule won't effect the competition at all, and we haven't had any complaints from anyone at this point. I know the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo has always been a four-day rodeo, but there's just no reason for it to be that long."

Dobbs said although the rodeo doesn't officially get under way until Thursday, area residents will get a chance to shine up their spurs for a special dinner set for Tuesday.

"The annual Legends and Legacies dinner will be held at the Heritage Museum," said Dobbs. "The dinner starts sometime around 6 p.m., with a special reception set to start at 4:30 p.m."

Tickets for the dinner are \$15, and the reception will feature cheese and wine and a western art show entitled "From Rembrandts to Rodeo."

Dobbs said the rodeo will begin each night at 8 p.m., but for cowboys and cowgirls of "smaller stature," the competition will actually begin around 7:30 p.m.

"We had so many people wanting to participate in the mutton bustin' competition, we decided to hold

two rounds of it each night," said Dobbs. "We'll have the first round at about 7:30 p.m., then a second round later in the evening."

"We have a lot of great prizes for the kids, which have been provided by Justin Boots. They've really been a great sponsor of this event each year, donating the buckles for the participants and the prizes for the winners."

Dobbs said sign-ups for the mutton bustin' competition has been closed.

Also a rodeo favorite, the calf dressing competition will feature teams from a number of area schools and organizations.

Students from schools in Big Spring, Forsan, Coahoma, Westbrook, Grady, Greenwood and Garden City are scheduled to compete on Thursday. On the follow-

ing two rodeo nights, Dobbs said the competition will heat up, featuring several local organizations.

"On Friday (June 17) we'll have the battle of the hospitals in the calf dressing," said Dobbs. "It will be employees from the VA Medical Center, Big Spring State Hospital and Scenic Mountain Medical Center competing. And on Friday (June 18) there will be a special match between the Howard

County Sheriff's Office and the Big Spring Fire Department. That one's always a good one."

Acclaimed rodeo clown and barrel man Keith Isley will be the rodeo's feature performer, and according to Dobbs, Isley will be pulling "double duty."

"Keith will do his comedy act and trick riding each night," said Dobbs. "He's performed at the Big Spring rodeo in the past, and we've had a lot

of requests for him over the years. Keith will also be the barrel man for the rodeo."

Dobbs said Mike Mathis will be announcing the rodeo from horseback, while Shane Kinney and Jody Sutherland will serve as bullfighters. Opening ceremonies, slated for 8 p.m. Thursday at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl, will also feature the Six White Horses of Hardin-Simmons University.

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Study: Deregulation law clause lead to price hikes

HOUSTON (AP) — A law that promised Texas residents cheaper electric bills by opening competition in some areas may have actually led to an increase in energy prices, according to a recent study.

Residential customers in deregulated markets, including Houston, paid an average of 22 percent more per kilowatt hour in October 2004 than in December 2001. Those in places that weren't opened to competition faced 10 to 13 percent increases, according to a study by energy industry consultant Jay Zarnikau, a University of Texas professor.

The study attributes the

difference to the way customers are charged for the fuel used to run power plants. Even though the plants may use several power sources, energy companies base their rates for customers in competitive markets on the price of natural gas, which has tripled in recent years. Other utilities base their fuel factor on an average of all the fuels used at power plants.

For example, natural gas plants fuel 57 percent of Reliant Energy's power, but Texas' deregulation law allows the utility to charge customers as if all of its power comes from gas plants.

Companies serving

deregulated markets and the Texas Public Utility Commission have challenged the study's methods.

They say the fuel cost calculation has helped Texas avoid problems like California's energy market meltdown.

Texas' 1997 electric deregulation law aimed to provide price competition among power companies by opening the market to new competitors. It calls for incumbent retail companies to set fixed prices that are high enough to let new competitors into the market to offer lower prices.

"Whenever you restructure there will be winners and losers," Zarnikau

said. "There could be benefits that residential customers will eventually see, but I think the jury is still out."

Critics of the study admit rates vary depending on how companies calculate fuel costs, but they say the price-to-beat method works best.

"It allows retail electric providers to change their rate when underlying commodity prices change, while in California companies faced bankruptcy because they couldn't increase rates," said TXU spokesman Carlos Santos.

The study figures on deregulated areas of the state and those not covered by the law don't represent appropriate com-

parisons, said Charles Griffey, senior vice president of regulatory affairs for Reliant Energy.

For example, the government imposed a rate freeze on Entergy, which serves markets in Beaumont and Conroe

that aren't deregulated. And San Antonio has a pricing advantage because it was allowed to invest in the South Texas Project nuclear plant on a pay-as-you-go basis, leaving the company without an interest-bearing debt.

Parents drop objection to radiation for daughter based on medical tests

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A 13-year-old cancer patient will get the radiation treatment her parents had opposed after new medical tests showed she is no longer in remission.

Katie Wernecke's parents decided to drop their objection to the treatment after the tests were disclosed during a juvenile court hearing Friday. Katie, who turned 13 on Saturday, will remain in state custody as her therapy gets under way.

Michele and Edward Wernecke lost custody of Katie last week after doctors said lack of treatment could be life-threatening. The parents had insisted that the four rounds of chemotherapy Katie received then had killed the cancer and that more radiation would only harm a healthy girl.

The new testing result "changes everything," said attorney Daniel Horne, who represents Michele and Edward Wernecke.

Katie was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease in January, when her parents brought her to the hospital for pneumonia treatment. Hodgkin's is a type of cancer involving the lymph nodes.

"The Werneckes have never said that they would deny medical treatment to their daughter if she was ill and getting worse," Horne told state juvenile court Judge Carl Lewis.

Lewis called off a custody hearing scheduled for next week unless the Werneckes could present compelling evidence that

"The Werneckes have never said that they would deny medical treatment to their daughter if she was ill and getting worse."

Katie was still in remission. Horne said the treatments were set for next week.

The judge said that the parents would be allowed to attend the treatments but that doctors would make the decisions.

"Early evidence indicates that given opportunity to abscond with the child, they did. And no way would I give them opportunity to do that again now," the judge said.

Last week, authorities issued an Amber Alert to gain temporary custody

of Katie after receiving a tip about possible neglect. She was found with her mother at a family ranch, about 80 miles west of Corpus Christi near Freer, on Saturday.

Charges against Michele Wernecke, who was free on \$50,000 bond, were dropped Friday. The family's other children, three boys, were reunited with the parents Friday following a CPS inspection of the home.

The couple, members of the Church of God, have said they oppose blood transfusions unless they were from Katie's mother. But Horne has said religion wasn't at issue in the fight over cancer treatment.

"Rather, they believe doctors weren't upfront about Katie's care and did not answer all their questions about the side effects of the radiation," Horne said.

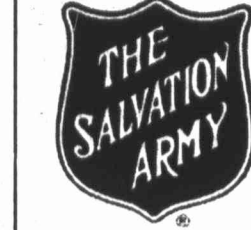
Jackson jury deliberations head toward second week

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) — Jurors in Michael Jackson's child molestation trial have the weekend off from their deliberations.

The eight women and four men headed home Friday afternoon after wrapping up their fifth full day of talks. So far, they've spent more than 28 hours since June 3 weighing the 10 counts against Jackson. Deliberations resume Monday.

Jackson, 46, is charged with molesting a 13-year-old cancer survivor in 2003, giving him alcohol and conspiring to hold the boy and his family against their will to get them to rebut a damaging television documentary about the pop star.

Superior Court Judge Rodney S. Melville has allowed Jackson to remain at home.



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Suicide bomber kills five Iraqis inside Baghdad police academy

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A man dressed as a policeman blew himself up Saturday at the heavily guarded Baghdad headquarters of a feared commando unit, killing at least three people, officials said. Witnesses said at least five died, not including the bomber.

Three other commandos were killed in an attack on their convoy in western Baghdad's Mansour area, police said.

Separately, at least 11 Iraqi construction workers were killed and three wounded when gunmen opened fire on their minibus in Diyara, 30 miles south of Baghdad. The men worked on projects on Iraq and American bases, police said.

Two U.S. Marines were killed Friday in a roadside bomb attack near the volatile Anbar province town of Saqlawiyah, west of Fallujah, the military said Saturday. At least 1,693 U.S. military members have died since the Iraq war began in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count.

Aruba Police: Suspect leading us to scene

ORANJESTAD, Aruba (AP) — Police investigating the disappearance of an Alabama teenager in Aruba said one of three young men in custody has admitted "something bad happened" to her during her island visit.

Deputy Police Commissioner Gerold Dompig told The Associated Press that the man was leading police late Friday to the scene. He refused to identify which of the three young men who took her to a beach the night she disappeared made the statement.

Early Saturday, police refused to say if they had discovered anything.

Natalee Holloway, 18, vanished on May 30 during a five-day trip to the Dutch Caribbean island with 124 classmates and seven chaperones celebrating their graduation from Mountain Brook High School, near Birmingham. Police found her U.S. passport and packed bags in her hotel room after she failed to show up for her return flight that day.

A relative said Holloway's family continues to believe she is alive. Rumors raging on the island that she is dead are "an aggressive interpretation" of what police are saying, Jar Twitty, the brother of Holloway's stepfather, told the AP.

Annan sending U.N. team to check reports of Syrian operatives in Lebanon

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United Nations is returning a team to Lebanon to investigate U.S. claims that Syrian intelligence agents are still operating in the country in violation of a Security Council resolution.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan welcomed the decision Friday and urged the team to stay in Lebanon through elections and formation of a new Cabinet "to better clarify reports of Syria's continued intelligence presence and to deter any further efforts to derail that democratic process that is under way."

In Damascus, Syria's information minister denied that his country still had agents in Lebanon, calling such claims "non-objective and untrue."

"All Syrian troops, of all their different divisions, have withdrawn from Lebanon," Information

Minister Mahdi Dakhilallah told the official SANA news agency.

Secretary-General Kofi Annan told members of the Security Council at their monthly lunch "that he intends to send a verification team back to Lebanon, but at this point no date has been set," U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhard said.

Ag Dept.: No new health risk of mad cow

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government says there is no new health risk from mad cow disease despite fresh suspicions about an animal that was previously cleared of the lethal infection.

The Agriculture Department said Friday night it will seek further testing of a tissue sample from a "downer" beef cow — one unable to walk — after receiving conflicting results on tests of it for mad cow disease.

"Consumer confidence, I am very confident, will remain," Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns said. "This is a situation where the firewalls worked. We do not have a human health risk. This animal did not enter the food chain. This animal never got near the food or feed chain."

Johanns, former governor of beef-producing Nebraska, told reporters during a conference call that he intended "to enjoy a good steak."

Only one case of mad cow disease has been confirmed in the United States, in a dairy cow in Washington state in December 2003. Since then, preliminary tests indicated the existence of the disease in three cows, but further testing had ruled out any infection.

G8 finance ministers agree on \$40 billion in debt relief for world's poorest nations

By ED JOHNSON

Associated Press Writer

LONDON (AP) — Finance ministers from the Group of Eight industrialized nations agreed Saturday to a historic deal canceling at least \$40 billion worth of debt owed by the world's poorest nations.

Britain Treasury chief Gordon Brown said 18 countries, many in sub-Saharan Africa, will benefit immediately from the deal to scrap 100 percent of the debt they owe to the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the African Development Bank.

As many as 20 other countries could be eligible if they meet strict targets for good governance and tackling corruption, leading to a total debt relief package of more than \$55 billion.

"The G8 finance ministers have agreed to 100 percent debt cancellation for Heavily Indebted Poor Countries," Brown told a news conference in London.

Aid agencies welcomed the deal, saying it would save the 18 countries a total of \$1.5 billion a year in debt repayments that could now be used for health care, education and infrastructure development.

Finance ministers from the United States, Britain, Japan, Canada, Russia, Germany, Italy and France agreed to the package during a two-day summit in London.

"A real milestone has been reached," U.S. Treasury Secretary John

Snow said. "President Bush's commitment to lift the crushing debt burden on the world's poorest countries has been achieved. This is an achievement of historic proportions."

Nations in sub-Saharan Africa alone owe some \$68 billion to international bodies. Rich nations had long agreed the debt must be relieved, but the international community could not agree on a formula for tackling the problem.

The package agreed to Saturday was put forward by the United States and Britain following talks in Washington last week between Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Britain originally wanted rich countries to assume the repayments for the poor countries but eventually agreed with the U.S. position that the debts be scrapped outright.

Bush also made a significant concession, agreeing that rich nations would provide extra money to the multilateral bodies to compensate for those assets being written off and would ensure that future aid packages would not be affected.

The agreement will initially cover 18 nations eligible for debt relief under the HIPC initiative, including Benin, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guyana and Mali.

Another nine countries are close to completing the targets for good governance set out under the initiative and would then qualify.

A total of 38 countries are participating in the HIPC program, launched by the World Bank and IMF in 1996.

"This is a great deal for people in many of the very poorest countries, it reflects well on (Britain's Treasury chief) Gordon Brown and (U.S. Treasury Secretary) John Snow and is a tribute to the growing global campaigns to beat poverty," said Jamie Drummond, executive director of DATA, the organization founded by U2 singer Bono.

"This bold step builds serious momentum for a historic breakthrough on doubling effective aid and trade justice at the G8 summit next month."

The Jubilee Debt Campaign called for further action and said at least 62 countries needed 100 percent of their debts canceled to meet the U.N. Millennium Development Goals of reducing poverty, hunger and disease affecting billions of people by 2015.

Britain has made tackling poverty in Africa and the developing world a priority for its G8 presidency.

Blair's approach is three-pronged: increasing aid; eliminating debt; and removing export subsidies and other trade barriers that make it difficult for developing nations to compete.

Aid agencies say the G8 leaders must now focus on meeting Britain's target of boosting international development aid by \$50 billion a year.

Some question whether agreement on that will be

reached at the July 6-8 G8 summit in Gleneagles, Scotland.

The United States and Japan both reject a British proposal to raise that money by selling bonds on the world capital markets — the International Finance Initiative.

Like the United States, Japan prefers its own bilateral aid programs, and France is pushing its own initiative — an international aviation tax.

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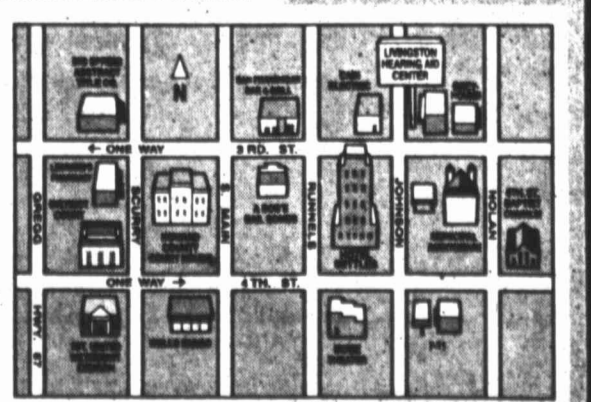
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'Spiderman' scales Hong Kong skyscraper

HONG KONG (AP) — A Frenchman who calls himself "Spiderman" scaled a 62-story skyscraper in Hong Kong using only his bare hands on Saturday.

Alain Robert scrambled up the Cheung Kong Center in about an hour to find police waiting for him at the top.

They checked his passport but did not arrest him, even though he had not sought permission to climb the building.

"I slipped only once," he said. "On a scale of one to 10 in terms of difficulty, this would be a five. I really enjoyed the ascent."

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Celebrity top five

Television

1. "CSI," CBS.
2. "Dancing With the Stars," ABC.
3. "CSI: Miami" special, CBS.
4. "Without a Trace," CBS.
5. "Two and a Half Men," CBS. (From Nielsen Media Research)

Film

1. "Madagascar," DreamWorks.
2. "The Longest Yard," Paramount.
3. "Star Wars: Episode III — Revenge of the Sith," 20th Century Fox.
4. "Cinderella Man," Universal.
5. "The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants," Warner Bros. (From Exhibitor Relations Co.)

Hot Five

1. "We Belong Together," Mariah Carey. Island.
2. "Hollaback Girl," Gwen Stefani. Interscope. (Platinum — certified sales of 1 million units)
3. "Just a Lil Bit," 50 Cent. Shady.
4. "Oh," Ciara (feat. Ludacris). Sho'nuff-MusicLine.
5. "Don't Phunk With My Heart," The Black Eyed Peas. A&M. (Gold — certified sales of more than 500,000) (From Billboard magazine)

Albums

1. "The Emancipation of Mimi," Mariah Carey. Island. (Platinum)
2. "Mezmerize," System of a

Down. American.

3. "Out of Exile," Audioslave. Epic.
4. "Honkytonk University," Toby Keith. DreamWorks.
5. "Love.Angel.Music.Baby," Gwen Stefani. Interscope. (Platinum) (From Billboard magazine)

Concert Tours

1. U2.
2. Eagles.
3. Kenny Chesney.
4. Rod Stewart.
5. Josh Groban. (From Pollstar)

VHS Rentals

1. "The Aviator," Warner Home Video.

2. "Are We There Yet?"

1. Columbia TriStar Home Entertainment.
3. "National Treasure," Dimension Home Video.
4. "White Noise," Universal Studios Home Video.
5. "In Good Company," Universal Studios Home Video. (From Billboard magazine)

VHS Sales

1. "Pooh's Heffalump Movie," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
2. "Racing Stripes," Warner Home Video.
3. "Dora the Explorer: It's a Party," Paramount Home Entertainment.
4. "The Incredibles," Walt

Disney Home Video.

5. "SpongeBob SquarePants: Fear of a Krabby Patty," Paramount Home Entertainment. (From Billboard magazine)

DVD Sales

1. "Chappelle's Show: Season 2 (Uncensored!)," Paramount Home Entertainment.
2. "Are We There Yet?" Columbia TriStar Home Entertainment.
3. "The Aviator (Widescreen)," Warner Home Video.
4. "The Aviator (Full Screen)," Warner Home Video.
5. "Pooh's Heffalump Movie," Walt Disney Home Entertainment. (From Billboard magazine)

Best sellers — books

Hardcover Fiction

1. "The Da Vinci Code" by Dan Brown (Doubleday)
2. "4th of July" by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro (Little, Brown)
3. "The Closers" by Michael Connelly (Little, Brown)
4. "The Mermaid Chair" by Sue Monk Kidd (Viking)
5. "True Believer" by Nicholas Sparks (Warner Books)
6. "Velocity" by Dean Koontz (Bantam)
7. "Rage" by Jonathan Kellerman (Ballantine)
8. "Broken Prey" by John Sandford (Putnam)
9. "Haunted" by Chuck Palahniuk (Doubleday)
10. "Star Wars Revenge of the Sith" by Matthew Stover (Del Rey/LucasBooks)

Nonfictional/General

1. "1776" by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster)
2. "You: The Owner's Manual" by Michael F. Roizen and Mehmet C. Oz (HarperResource)
3. "Freakonomics" by Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner (William Morrow)
4. "The World Is Flat: A Brief History of the Twenty-first Century" by Thomas L. Friedman (Farrar, Straus and Giroux)
5. "The Purpose-Driven Life" by Rick Warren (Zondervan)
6. "French Women Don't Get Fat" by Mireille Guiliano (Knopf)
7. "Blink: The Power of Thinking Without Thinking" by Malcolm Gladwell (Little, Brown)
8. "And One More Thing Before You Go" by Maria Shriver (Free Press)
9. "On Bullshit" by Harry G. Frankfurt (Princeton University Press)
10. "Winning" by Jack

Welch and Suzy Welch (HarperBusiness)

Mass Market Paperbacks

1. "Black Rose" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
2. "Angels & Demons" by Dan Brown (Pocket)
3. "Oceans of Fire" by Christine Feehan (Jove)
4. "Summer's Child" by Luanne Rice (Bantam)
5. "The Nosy Neighbor" by Fern Michaels (Pocket)
6. "Are You Afraid of the Dark?" by Sidney Sheldon (Warner)
7. "Monday Mourning" by Kathy Reichs (Pocket Star)
8. "The Taking" by Dean Koontz (Bantam)
9. "Deception Point" by Dan Brown (Pocket)
10. "The South Beach Diet" by Arthur Agatston, M.D. (St. Martin's)

Trade Paperbacks

1. "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini (Riverhead)
2. "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kidd (Penguin)
3. "Rules of Play" by Nora Roberts (Silhouette)
4. "Three Famous Short Novels" by William Faulkner (Vintage)
5. "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" by Mark Haddon (Vintage)
6. "Skinny Dip" by Carl Hiaasen (Warner)
7. "My Sister's Keeper" by Jodi Picoult (Washington Square Press)
8. "Bergdorf Blondes" by Plum Sykes (Miramax)
9. "The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference" by Malcolm Gladwell (Back Bay)
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IN BRIEF

Howard announces men's basketball camps in mid-July

The Howard College men's basketball staff will host two week-long camps in the month of July.

The first camp will take place July 10-14, while the second camp starts July 24 and ends July 28. Both camps will cost \$250 per player who wants room and board and \$175 for a commuter. Both camps will take place at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the campus of Howard College.

The Hawk camp format consists of morning and afternoon sessions. All sessions include specialized clinics on both the offensive and defensive phases of the game.

For more information, contact Mark Adams at 816-6957 or Jason Sautter at 816-3200.

Big Spring sets first Quarterback meeting

The Big Spring football booster club has set its first quarterback club meeting of the year June 20 at 7 p.m. in the Big Spring Athletic Training Center.

For more information, contact Gene Piercefield at 816-1134.

"Best of the rest" set for end of month

Comanche Trail Golf Course presents "the best of the rest" two man partnership golf tournament June 25-26.

The tournament costs \$160 per team and there will be free food on the course.

The championship flight must declare and will play low ball, while all other flights will play scramble.

For more info, call 264-2366.

Howard women's basketball sets three camp dates

The Howard College women's basketball program will be hosting three camps this summer.

The first camp will take place June 13-16 and is for seventh-12th grade girls and is a shooting and offensive moves camp. Registration will take place Monday, June 13, from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. The camp goes from 9 a.m. to noon through June 16 and the cost is \$60 per person.

The second and third camps will take place July 18-21.

The second camp is open for kindergarten through third grade boys and girls. Registration will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. July 18. The camp runs from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and costs \$50 per person.

The third camp is for fourth through sixth grade girls. Registration for this camp will take place from 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. July 18. The camp runs from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and costs \$60 per person.

For more information, call Earl Diddle at 264-5043 or Eric Rodewald at 816-4327.

Marlins get one big inning in rout of Rangers

• Lowell's slam highlights Florida's seven-run inning

MIAMI (AP) — For at least one night, the Florida Marlins followed manager Jack McKeon's pregame message.

Reliever Doug Brocail walked Luis Castillo on four pitches to force in the go-ahead run and Mike Lowell hit a grand slam one out later to highlight the Marlins' seven-run eighth inning in a 12-5 victory over the Texas Rangers Friday night.

Paul Lo Duca, Miguel Cabrera and Alex Gonzalez each drove in two runs for the Marlins, who had lost 12 of 15.

"We started a new sea-

son today. We're going to play like we did in the past," said McKeon, whom several unnamed Marlins criticized in a local newspaper Friday. "We talked about (starting over) before the game. I told them to have a little fun. Now we have to keep it going."

The Rangers lost their fourth straight and seventh in nine games.

"We know we're struggling and we're not playing to the best of our abilities," catcher Rod Barajas said. "Yet we look at the leaderboard and no one's really pulled away."

After the Rangers scored four runs in the eighth to tie it, Brocail (3-1) entered and struck out Juan Encarnacion. The right-hander then gave up

a single to Gonzalez, walked pinch-hitter Lenny Harris and then gave up another single to Juan Pierre to load the bases. Castillo then walked to give Florida a 6-5 lead.

"A bad day's a bad day," Brocail said. "You just have to chalk it up and move forward."

After Cabrera singled in Harris, Brian Shouse relieved and struck out Carlos Delgado before surrendering Lowell's fourth career grand slam. It was Lowell's third homer this season and first since April 12 against Philadelphia — a span of 45 games and 161 at-bats.

"I wasn't sure I was supposed to keep running around the bases," Lowell

said with a smile. "I knew it was a long time (since I homered), I just didn't know how long."

Florida's A.J. Burnett, winless his last seven starts, left in the eighth with a 5-1 lead, two runners on and one out.

After left-hander Chad Bentz retired Hank Blalock, right-hander Guillermo Mota relieved and gave up Richard Hidalgo's run-scoring single and Laynce Nix's two-run double.

Todd Jones (1-1) relieved and gave up Barajas' RBI single that tied the score.

Burnett gave up three runs, seven hits and three walks. He struck out 10

and passed Ryan Dempster to become the Marlins' career strikeout

leader.

"We got the 'W' and that's what counts," Burnett said. "We needed a game where we ended up on top."

Texas starter Chan Ho Park, who had won his previous five decisions, allowed five runs in 4 2-3 innings.

"Chan battled," Rangers manager Buck Showalter said. "There were a lot of situations with two strikes and he made bad pitches."

The Marlins took a 5-1 lead with three runs in the fifth, scoring on Cabrera's RBI double, Park's wild pitch and Lo Duca's sacrifice fly.

Park, who singled twice, had his first hits since Oct. 5, 2001, with the Dodgers.

Neighbors wins first at annual B.S. event

• Parnell wins 14-year-old division, Landin takes third in boy's singles

By TROY HYDE

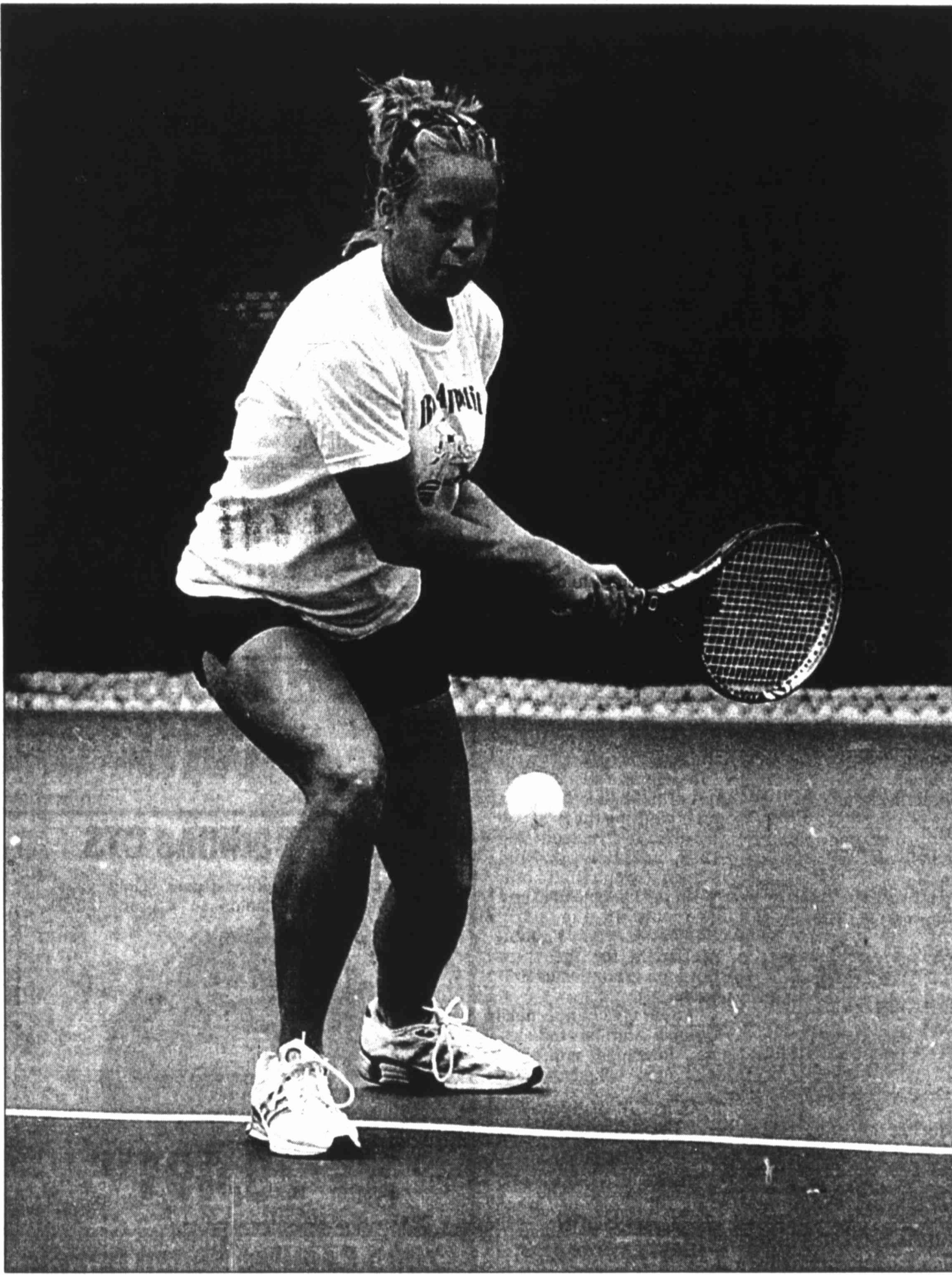
Sports Editor
Big Spring senior Natasha Neighbors successfully worked through the girl's field of the 18-and-under division of the Big Spring Black and Gold Tennis Circuit Friday. Neighbors grabbed first place overall in the event and competed in the 18-and-under girl's doubles division Saturday, but final results were unavailable at press time.

Several other local athletes competed in various age divisions.

Nicole Duzan of Andrews lost to Neighbors in the championship match of the 18-and-under girl's singles division and grabbed second place, while Big Spring senior Jamie Jordan, who was Neighbors' teammate in the doubles division, finished third, while Westbrook sophomore Linsey Chavez finished fourth.

Snyder's Wes Price won the boy's 18-and-under singles division, beating out Westbrook's Trey Chavez by forfeit. Bryce Lopez of Sands took third.

The 16-and-under boy's singles division was won by Mavlin Patel. Phillip Kelleher came in second, while Big Spring's Jeremy Landin took



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring senior Natasha Neighbors sends a backhand return over the net during girl's doubles competition at the Big Spring Black and Gold Tennis Circuit at the Figure 7 Tennis Center inside Comanche Trail Park Saturday. Neighbors teamed with fellow senior teammate Jamie Jordan, but final results of the doubles competition were unavailable at press time. Neighbors took first place in the 18-and-under girl's singles division Friday.

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Major League Baseball - current league-wide standings

American League - East		American League - West		National League - Central	
Baltimore	36-24	L.A. Angels	35-25	St. Louis	39-21
Boston	32-28	Texas	32-27	Chicago Cubs	32-27
Toronto	31-30	Seattle	26-33	Pittsburgh	29-30
N.Y. Yankees	29-31	Oakland	24-36	Milwaukee	28-32
Tampa Bay	20-41			Cincinnati	24-36
				Houston	24-35
American League - Central		National League - East		National League - West	
Chicago Sox	41-19	Washington	35-26	San Diego	35-26
Minnesota	35-24	Philadelphia	34-28	L.A. Dodgers	32-28
Cleveland	29-30	Florida	30-28	Arizona	33-29
Detroit	27-31	Atlanta	31-29	San Francisco	25-34
Kansas City	19-41	N.Y. Mets	31-30	Colorado	20-39

Odessa Roughnecks Remaining Home Games

June 18 vs. Rome Renegades
June 25 vs. Beaumont Drillers
July 1 vs. Lubbock Gunslingers
August 5-6: 1st-ever National Indoor Football League (NIFL) All-Star game.

All games start at 7:11 p.m.
*exhibition game

The Roughnecks are 11-0 this year and have clinched a playoff berth. The home games listed above do not include future playoff games.

To purchase tickets to a Roughnecks game at Ector County Coliseum, call Ernie Salcido at 432-332-7277.

IN BRIEF

B.S. Country Club sets junior clinics

The Big Spring Country Club has set up a summer golf junior clinic and an advanced summer junior golf clinic.

The clinics run through August 4. Both clinics will be Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The junior clinic costs \$150, while the advanced junior clinic costs \$200.

All participants in the advanced clinic must be entering ninth grade or pass a skills test.

The fee includes instruction and range club membership for the child for June through August.

For more information, call the golf shop at 267-5354.

Coahoma's annual ragball tournament set for end of June

The annual ragball tournament which takes place in Coahoma has been set for June 24-26 this year at the Coahoma softball park.

The sign-up date has been scheduled for June 24 at 5 p.m.

Booths will also be available for any organization which is interested in a fundraiser. The deadline to sign-up for a booth is June 17.

For more information, contact Patric Robinson at 432-393-5622 or Randy Clanton at 432-393-5338.

Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund toumey set

The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo has announced a golf tournament to benefit the Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund.

The tournament is scheduled for Friday, June 17. The tournament costs \$50 per player and the fee includes lunch.

For more information, contact Eddy Blassingame at 263-8421.

Sorenstam takes lead at midway point of LPGA

HAVRE DE GRACE, Md. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam seized control of the second leg of the Grand Slam with a blazing finish, hitting three approach shots inside 2 feet for tap-in birdies en route to a 5-under 67 and a two-shot lead in the LPGA Championship.

Trying to become the first woman in 65 years to win the same major three straight seasons, Sorenstam could not have asked for a better start at Bulle Rock. Sorenstam was at 9-under 135.

Sprague ends long winless drought

FORT WORTH (AP) — Jack Sprague led the final nine laps for his 25th career NASCAR truck series victory, but first in more than a year.

Sprague hadn't won since May 2004 in Mansfield, Ohio.

Lidge dominates ninth for Houston in win over Jays

HOUSTON (AP) — Wandy Rodriguez made good use of his escape skills.

Aided by home runs from Willy Taveras, Morgan Ensberg and Jason Lane, Rodriguez pitched out of several jams over six-plus shaky innings, and the Houston Astros beat the Toronto Blue Jays 4-2 Friday night in the first game between the franchises.

The Astros made good use of their nine hits and won for the ninth time in 14 games since ending a seven-game losing streak on May 25.

Rodriguez (2-2) gave up nine earned runs in 2 2-3 innings in his last start. He was better on Friday, allowing four hits, although he walked six. He had three strikeouts.

"We don't preach six walks," Astros manager Phil Garner said. "He did a good job of mixing up his pitches. Each time you go out you learn if your fastball is missing, you use another pitch to get them out. He did that."

Brad Lidge pitched the ninth for his 16th save.

Rodriguez escaped the second inning by giving up one run after he hit Shea Hillenbrand with a pitch and walked Aaron Hill to start the inning. After a double play, Gregg Zaun's single scored Hillenbrand for a 1-1 tie.

"He was effectively wild and then he'd settle down with men on base and get us out," Toronto's Reed Johnson said.

Vernon Wells reached on an infield hit to start Toronto's fourth but good defense saved Rodriguez. Ensberg started a double play on a grounder by Hillenbrand and then second baseman Craig Biggio dived to his left and threw out Frank Menechino to end the inning.

Rodriguez got himself out of trouble in the fifth after walking the first two batters. He struck out Ted Lilly and Johnson and Alexis Rios flied out. With the bases loaded and two outs in the sixth, Rodriguez got John McDonald for the third out on a grounder to first base.

"I used my change more tonight and located better," Rodriguez said. "The manager asked me to

focus on location and that's what I worked on. In the sixth, I had the bases loaded and I got a change over the plate and a grounder to first to get out of the inning."

Lilly (3-7), who has lost five of his last seven starts, was behind quickly in the first inning. Taveras hit the first lead-off homer of his career on the game's fifth pitch.

Taveras missing the last three games after straining his left hamstring last Sunday.

Lilly went six innings, allowing seven hits and four earned runs.

"I definitely made more than three mistakes," Lilly said. "When you make mistakes it will eventually catch up to you. You can only get away with that for a while. The last three games I've started we've lost. I want to be a guy who can put up a good quality start and may be dominate every once in a while."

Rodriguez singled in the second, the first RBI hit of his career, as Houston went up 2-1. Jason Lane hit Lilly's second pitch of the fourth inning for his seventh homer.

Ensberg homered off Lilly on the second pitch of the sixth inning.

Wells' RBI single brought the Blue Jays within 4-2.

"We had opportunities with men on base but we didn't take advantage of them," Toronto manager John Gibbons said. "He threw a lot of off-speed stuff and was mixing it up. He used a changeup and curve to keep us in check."



From left: Gilbert Reyna, C.C. Campos and Juan Ortega pose in front of a golf cart at the Big Spring Country Club Saturday morning before the start of the Chicano Golf Association's annual scholarship tournament. Reyna and Ortega have been members of the C.G.A. since 1972, while Campos is a new member. The C.G.A. gave 12 \$250 scholarships to area high school students the past two years and gave 15 \$250 scholarships three years ago. The tournament began Saturday and finished Sunday at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Rangers' Regilio placed on DL

MIAMI (AP) — The Texas Rangers Friday placed right-hander Nick Regilio on the 15-day disabled list with elbow tendinitis and recalled right-hander Juan Dominguez from Double-A Frisco.

The Rangers purchased the contract of left-hander C.J. Wilson from Frisco and optioned left-hander Michael Tejera to Triple-A Oklahoma.

Regilio was 1-2 with a 4.58 ERA in 18 relief appearances. Opponents

batted .297 against him, with righties hitting .348 and lefty hitters .214.

Dominguez was 2-0 with a 2.66 ERA in 17 games (four starts) with Oklahoma and Frisco. He was 1-2 with a 3.91 ERA in four starts with Texas last season, and 0-2 with a 7.16 ERA in six games in 2003 when he was the Rangers' minor league pitcher of the year.

Wilson could be the second Rangers player to make his major league

debut on the current road trip. Infielder Marshall McDougall made his debut Tuesday at Philadelphia.

Wilson, sidelined last year after undergoing Tommy John surgery, was 0-4 with a 5.10 ERA in 12 starts with Frisco and Class A Bakersfield.

Tejera, who had been promoted from Oklahoma on June 6, was 0-0 with a 13.50 ERA in three games with Texas.

Finalists named for Clemens award

HOUSTON (AP) — TCU's Lance Broadway, Miami's Cesar Carrillo and Tennessee's Luke Hochevar have been named finalists for the Roger Clemens Award, given to college baseball's top pitcher.

Broadway went 15-1

with a 1.67 ERA, allowing just two home runs in 117 innings. He was taken with the 15th overall pick by the Chicago White Sox in Tuesday's draft.

Carrillo (13-2, 2.22 ERA) was drafted 18th overall by San Diego and Hochevar (15-2, 2.13 ERA)

was drafted 40th overall by the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Voters include all Division I coaches, media and past winners of the Rotary Smith Award, which was given to the nation's top pitcher for 16 years until 2003.

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• Michelle Ege, Troy
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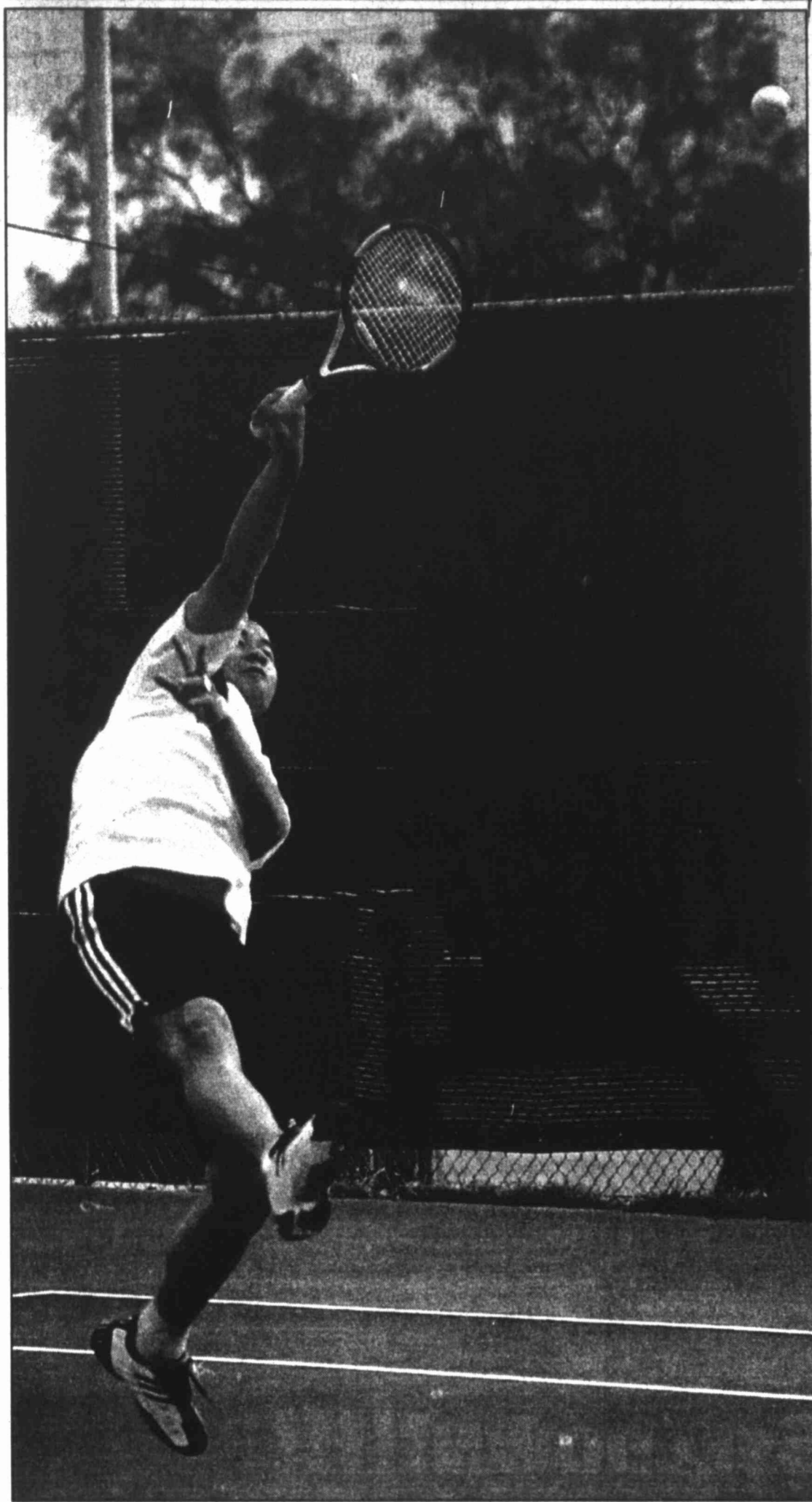


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HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring sophomore Ainhon Nghiem sends an overhead volley over the net Saturday during competition at the Big Spring Black and Gold Tennis Circuit at Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park. The circuit started Friday and ended Saturday afternoon.

CIRCUIT

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third and Levi Valdez grabbed fourth. Big Spring sophomore Ainhon Nghiem also participated in this division and came home with a consolation winner medal.

The girl's 16-and-under division finished play Saturday, but final results were unavailable at press time.

The 14-and-under boy's singles division was won by Trevor Casteel, while Kelly Dunson and Gatlin Douglas finished second and third, respectively. The girl's winner in the same age division was Big Spring freshman Keely Parnell. Lauren Gillispie took second,



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Forsan's Tessa Montgomery sends a shot over the net Saturday morning during warm-ups of a girl's doubles match at the Big Spring Black and Gold Tennis Circuit at Figure 7 Tennis Center inside Comanche Trail Park.

while Dixi Patel and Big Spring freshman Brittany Farmer grabbed third and fourth, respectively. The boy's also had a 12-and-under singles division. The winner was Sterling Chaney. Casey Base finished second and Doug Charvk took third.

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Sophomore sprinter leads Horns, women in first with one day to go

By BOB BAUM

AP Sports Writer
SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Marshevet Hooker ran the decisive anchor leg of Texas' winning 400-meter relay team, then two hours later pulled away to win the 100 meters at the NCAA track and field championships Friday night. The super sophomore completed the last of her events with performances that put the Longhorns in command of the women's team competition heading into the final day of the four-day meet at Sacramento State, site of the last two U.S. Olympic Trials.

Arkansas, with a powerful third leg by Tyson Gay, won the men's 400 relay, a big step toward the Razorbacks' third consecutive men's team championship. It would be the 41st cross country or track title for Arkansas under coach John McDonnell.

After 11 men's events, Arkansas had 32 points and Florida 23. Virginia Tech was third with 21, followed by Boise State

and Florida State with 18 each.

After eight women's events, Texas led with 31 points followed by Tennessee with 28, Southern California 18, UCLA 16 and Colorado 14.

With her second-place finish in the long jump Thursday, Hooker was responsible for 28 of Texas' points.

The Longhorns were second going into the last relay exchange, but Hooker caught and passed South Carolina freshman Shalonda Solomon for the victory. The Longhorns won in 42.87 seconds.

South Carolina was second in 43.00 and Tennessee third in 43.18.

In the women's 100, Hooker, her long hair flying behind her, caught the field midway, then sprinted to victory just ahead of Tennessee freshman Cleo Tyson. Hooker won in 11.16 to Tyson's 11.29.

Alexis Weatherspoon of Southern California was a close third in 11.35.

The Texas women are shrugging off the disappointment of last year's NCAA meet on their

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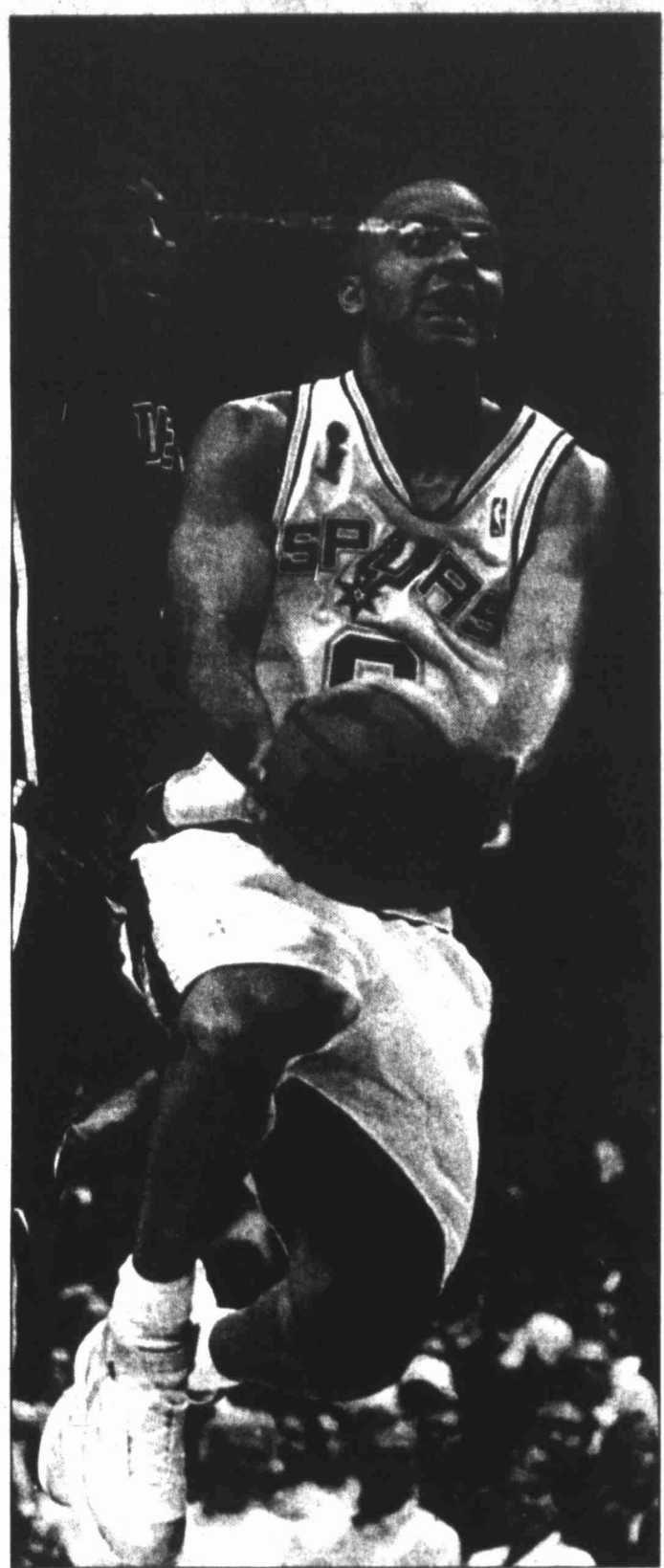
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KRT photo/Kirihon F. Dozier, Detroit Free Press
The Spurs' Tony Parker drives past the Pistons' Ben Wallace in the first half of Game 1 of the NBA Finals in San Antonio Thursday. The Spurs won Game 1. The Spurs and Pistons played Game 2 Saturday night in San Antonio, but the final score was unavailable at press time.

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home track, when a disqualification in the relays for using improper exchange markers cost them a shot at the title.

"We came into the meet with the mentality of not worrying about last year," Hooker said. "We trained hard all offseason. Training hard all offseason carries over into the national meet. I think we lingered on it last year. We came in running as a team and have had a great meet."

After a slow start in the 100, Florida State freshman Walter Dix caught

the field and won in 10.21. Wes Felix of Southern California was second in 10.25 and Demi Omole of Wisconsin third in 10.28.

Dix is the first Florida State athlete to win a men's outdoor title since Mike Roberson took the 200 in 1980.

"I hope it does a lot for Florida State track and field," the 19-year-old sprinter said. "We are coming back to the glory days. It was a goal that I set in the beginning. I just can't explain it. You have to do it to understand how it feels."

The 100 field was minus Gay, its defending champion. He was disqualified for a false start at the Midwest Regional.

But he's made his presence felt in Sacramento. He led the 200 qualifiers in 19.93 in Thursday night's semifinals.

In the relay Friday, he overpowered the field on the curve on the third leg, and Omar Brown held off Florida's Kerron Clement down the stretch for Arkansas.

"Heck of a run," Arkansas sprints coach Lance Brauman said. "If you saw Tyson's third leg and Omar at the end, you understand how much they wanted to win. I'm almost speechless."

The Razorbacks won in 38.49. Florida was second in 38.54 and Tennessee third in 38.83.

Virginia Powell of

Southern California edged Priscilla Lopes of Nebraska in the 100 hurdles. Powell won in 12.80, while Lopes was second in 12.82.

Darold Williamson, anchor of the Olympic gold medal 1,600 relay in Athens, ran the fastest 400 in the world this year, 44.27, in the semifinal round.

Williamson is shooting for big things in Saturday's finals after a sixth-place finish at the NCAA's last year.

"I was confident here and I'm not tired now," Williamson said. "My goal tomorrow is 43. Now that I've seen it, I know I can do it."

Comets lose by 20 to Sun

HOUSTON (AP) — Nykesha Sales scored a season-high tying 21 points to lead the Connecticut Sun to a 77-57 win Friday night over the Houston Comets for their fifth straight win.

Margo Dydek had her second straight double-double, adding 13 points and 12 rebounds for the Sun (5-1), which never trailed and won for the first time in Houston.

The Sun has not lost since a season-opening loss at Detroit.

"We just come to every game knowing that we are prepared to win," Sales said. "We know that even when we get a big lead, we can't ease up."

Sheryl Swoopes made just three of her 12 shots from the floor, but scored a team-high 15 points for the Comets (4-3), who have lost two straight at home.

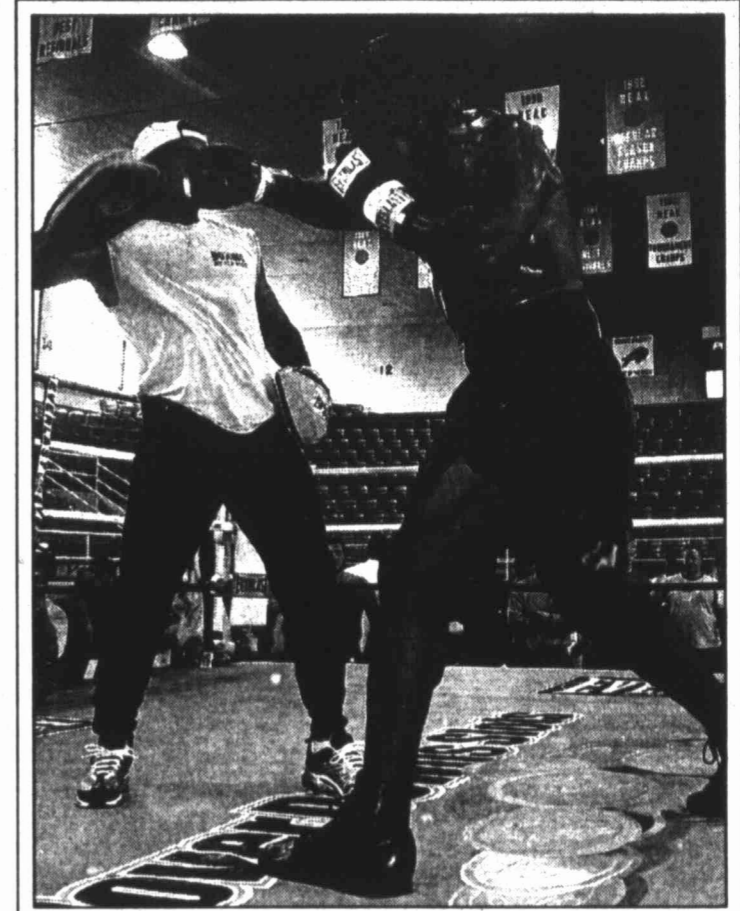
Center Michelle Snow

added 11 points and a game-high six rebounds for Houston.

"Offensively, we couldn't get anything going," Swoopes said. "I thought that was probably the worst defense we have played in eight years. That is a bad thing, but from top to bottom we're much better than we showed tonight."

The Sun made 58 percent of their shots in the first half and led by 16 after the first 20 minutes. After trailing by 11, the Comets went on a 17-6 run to get within 29-27 with 6:12 to go.

But Sales and Asjha Jones took over and paced Connecticut with an 18-4 run to close out the half for a 47-31 lead. Houston made just one field goal in the last 7 minutes when Janeth Arcain hit a 12-foot jumper at 1:38.



KRT photo/Oliver Douery, Abaca Press
Boxer Mike Tyson, right, trains at Howard University in Washington, D.C. Tuesday for his upcoming fight against Kevin McBride Saturday. Final results of the fight were unavailable at press time.

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SOLD NOW \$26,995</p> <p>2004 Ford Taurus SES - Silver, Cloth, All Power, Program, Car, W/23,000 Miles, Certified Preowned. Was \$14,995. SOLD NOW \$13,995</p> <p>2003 Nissan Altima S 2.5 - White, All Power, Extra Clean Nissan W/38,000 Miles. Was \$17,995. SOLD NOW \$16,995</p> <p>2003 Toyota Avalon XL - Light Green, All Power, One Owner W/43,000 Miles. Was \$21,995. SOLD NOW \$20,995</p> <p>2003 Ford Focus ZTS - Red, All Power, One Owner, W/35,000 Miles. Was \$11,995. SOLD NOW \$10,995</p> <p>2003 Dodge Neon SE 4-DR. - White, One Owner w/68,000 Miles. Was \$8,995. SOLD NOW \$7,995</p> <p>2003 Mazda Miata Convertible - Seafoam Green, Local One Owner w/5,000 Miles. Was \$18,995. SOLD NOW \$16,995</p>	<p>*** CARS ***</p> <p>2003 Ford Taurus SES - Tundra W/Cloth, All Power, Local One Owner W/23,000 Miles. Was \$13,995. SOLD NOW \$11,995</p> <p>2003 Ford Taurus SES - Silver, 24 Valve V-6, All Power, Local One owner W/26,000 Miles. Was \$12,995. SOLD NOW \$11,995</p> <p>2002 Chevrolet Monte Carlo L.S. - Black, All Power, Nice, Nice, One Owner W/37,000 Miles. Was \$12,995. SOLD NOW \$11,995</p> <p>2002 Honda Accord EX-V6 Coupe - Beige w/Leather, Moonroof, All Power, Local One Owner w/21,000 Miles. Was \$20,995. SOLD NOW \$17,995</p> <p>2001 Pontiac Grand Prix SE 4-DR. - Silver, V-6, Local One Owner. Was \$9,995. SOLD NOW \$8,995</p> <p>2001 Ford Focus SE 4-DR. - Green, Automatic, Power, Local One Owner W/54,000 Miles. Was \$8,995. SOLD NOW \$7,995</p> <p>2000 Ford Taurus SES - Silver, All Power, Local One Owner W/68,000 Miles. Was \$8,995. SOLD NOW \$7,995</p> <p>2000 Buick LeSabre Custom - Silver, All Power, Local One Owner W/59,000 Miles. Was \$10,995. SOLD NOW \$9,995</p> <p>2000 Mercury Grand Marquis GS - Red, Cloth, All Power, One Owner w/72,000 Miles. Was \$10,995. SOLD NOW \$9,995</p> <p>2000 Nissan Altima GXE - Beige, Automatic, All Power, Local One Owner W/63,000 Miles. Was \$10,995. SOLD NOW \$9,995</p> <p>1999 Ford Crown Victoria LX - White, All Power, Locally Owned. Was \$9,995. SOLD NOW \$8,995</p> <p>1998 Nissan Altima GXE - White, 51,000 Miles. Was \$8,995. SOLD NOW \$7,995</p> <p>1996 Mercury Grand Marquis L.S. - Arizona Beige, All Power, One Owner, We Sold It New. One Of A Kind W/Only 28,000 Miles. Was \$8,995. SOLD NOW \$7,995</p> <p>1995 Mercury Grand Marquis LS - White, All Power, Extra Clean Car. Was \$7,995. SOLD NOW \$6,995</p> <p>1989 Ford Escort - Gray, One Owner w/Only 34,000 Miles. Was \$3,995. SOLD NOW \$2,995</p> <p>*** OVERAGED UNITS - OUR LOSS YOUR GAIN ***</p> <p>1999 Ford F250 Supercab XLT Diesel - Dk. Red, Cloth, All Power, Locally Owned. Was \$15,995. SOLD NOW \$14,995</p> <p>1997 Chevrolet C1500 EXT Cab Silverado - Tan, 350 V-8, New Tires. Was \$7,995. SOLD NOW \$5,995</p> <p>1999 Ford Crown Victoria - White, All Power. Was \$9,995. SOLD NOW \$5,995</p> <p>1999 Chevrolet Prism - White, Locally Owned w/62,000 Miles. Was \$5,995. SOLD NOW \$3,995</p> <p>1999 Nissan Maxima GLE - Green, All Power, 69,000 Miles. Was \$13,995. SOLD NOW \$9,995</p> <p>1997 Mercury Tracer GS - Green. Was \$5,995. SOLD NOW \$3,995</p> <p>1996 Oldsmobile 88 4-DR. - Pewter. Was \$6,995. SOLD NOW \$4,995</p> <p>1995 Ford Taurus GL - Tan, 77,000 Miles, Local One Owner. Was \$5,995. SOLD NOW \$4,995</p> <p>1990 Lincoln Town Car - Tan. Was \$4,995. SOLD NOW \$3,995</p> <p>2001 Ford Crown Victoria - Silver, Leather, All Power, One Owner w/40,000 Miles. Was \$14,995. SOLD NOW \$10,995</p> <p>1999 GMC Suburban LT - Tan w/Leather, Locally Owned. Was \$17,995. SOLD NOW \$10,995</p> <p>2001 Toyota Sienna XLE - Tan, All Power, One Owner, 61,000 Mile. Was \$19,995. SOLD NOW \$15,995</p> <p>2001 Ford Explorer Sport 2-DR. 4X4 - Blue w/Cloth, All Power, One Owner. Was \$14,995. SOLD NOW \$11,995</p> <p>2001 Ford Explorer 4-DR. XLT - White w/Cloth, One Owner w/72,000 Miles. Was \$15,995. SOLD NOW \$11,995</p>
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Herald photos/Lyndel Moody
 Dalton Woods and Billie Miles above; right, hosts for the Denim and Diamonds Gala, where more than 300 people raised more than \$21,000 for the Big Spring State Hospital June 3 were: Leslie Elrod, front row, Mary Kay McLaughlin, Stacy Barr, Vicki Cole, Ralph McLaughlin, back row, Mark Barr and Eddy Cole.



Herald photo/Lyndel Moody
 Adrian Calvio, above, performs drums; Kay Moore, right, wearing her cowboy hat; Susan Yeater, far right and Connie Edgemon.

Denim and Diamonds



Herald photos/Lyndel Moody
 Doc Blalock, above, on drums; Gary Morgan and Mary Leatham, right; James Caldwell and Kathy Mays, below left; Leigh Ann Fleming and Jay Duncan, below right.



Herald photos/Lyndel Moody
 Above, Stacy Barr and Kathy Lusk.

Anniversary



Freezes celebrate 50 years

Lee and Rueleen Freeze of Big Spring celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a luncheon at First United Methodist Church in Garrett Hall.

The event was hosted by Jay, Jim and wife, Michelle and Tim and wife, Allison, sons of the couple.

Lee was born in Vinson,

Okla., while Rueleen Dags was born in Minoo, Okla. The couple met in August of 1953 while teaching school in Bradley, Okla.

Lee and Rueleen married June 4, 1955, in the home of Rueleen's brother in Cickasha, Okla.

During their 50-year marriage, they have lived in Bradley, Okla.,



Mr. and Mrs. Lee and Rueleen Freeze in 1955 and today

Brownfield and Big Spring.

They have three sons, Jay of Big Spring, Jim of Austin and Tim of Plano.

Both are retired from the education system. He was a school guidance

counselor and she was an elementary teacher.

Both are Methodists and their activities include being members of the retired teachers association, raising horses and church activities.

Who's Who



Amy Nicole Osborn

Amy Nicole Osborn

Amy Nicole Osborn, a 1999 Big Spring High School graduate, has been named to the Dean's List at Texas Christian University for the spring semester for maintaining a 4.0 GPA. She anticipates graduating in August with a degree in photography and a minor in business.

She is married to Dusty Osborn, formerly of Big Spring, and is the daughter of Denise Currie of Big Spring and Henry Currie of Austin and the granddaughter of John and Ruth Currie and Billy Joe and Delma Kilpatrick, all of Big Spring. She is the daughter-in-law of Ronnie and Glenna Osborn and the granddaughter-in-law of Juana Osborn, all of Big Spring.

Kevin Walker

Kevin Walker of Big Spring has been named to the Dean's List at Lubbock Christian University for the spring semester of 2005.

In order to be considered a part of the dean's list, a student must be taking a minimum of 12 semester hours and achieve a 3.5 grade point average.

J. Justin Petrowski

J. Justin Petrowski of Big Spring has been named an All-American Collegiate Scholar. He is a

student at Angelo State University. To be eligible, a student must excel in all academic disciplines.

South Plains College Dean's List

Cade Bowlin and Gabriela Sifuentes from Big Spring have been named to the Dean's Honor List for the spring 2005 semester at South Plains College.

Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of college-level work with no failing grades.

Kristi Nelson

Kristi Nelson, a 2000 graduate of Big Spring High School, graduated from Texas Christian University May 14, 2005, with a bachelor of science degree in elementary and special education. She will be teaching fourth grade in Duncanville.

She is the daughter of Stephanie Nelson of Big Spring and Larry Nelson of Fort Worth. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dickens of Big Spring.

Lubbock Christian University graduates

During commencement exercises for Lubbock Christian University May 7, these students received degrees: Jarred Rowden of Coahoma, bachelor of business administration in finance; Anna Weathers of Big Spring, bachelor of science in organizational management; Rebecca Villanueva of Big Spring, bachelor of science in organizational management, cum laude.

Also graduating were: Joshua Preston of Big Spring, bachelor of science in organizational management; Brenda Hamm of Big Spring,

bachelor of social work; Darren Byrd of Big Spring, bachelor of science in organizational management; Corlene Biddle of Big Spring, bachelor of science in organizational management, summa cum laude.



Jennifer D. Lopez

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Jennifer D. Lopez has been named to the Dean's List at Texas Tech University for the 2005 spring semester. The honor is to recognize students who have attained a grade point average of 3.5 or better during the indicated semester.

She is the daughter of Andrew and Drew Lopez of Big Spring.

Leslie Layne Patterson

Leslie Layne Patterson of Foran was named to the Dean's List at Howard Payne University for the spring 2005 semester.

She is the daughter of Lindal and Madge Patterson and is a biology major.

Students must earn a grade point average of 3.65-3.99 to be named to the Dean's List.

Howard Payne University is located in Brownwood.

Menus

Big Spring ISD

The following sites will be serving lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.:

Big Spring High School, 707 11th Place; Marcy Elementary, 2101 Wasson Dr.; Bauer Elementary, 108 NE Ninth St.; and Moss Elementary, 3200 Fordham.

Ages 18 and younger are not charged for the meal. Cost for adults are \$2.35.

Monday: chicken rings or nuggets, mac and cheese, ranch style beans, grapes, wheat rolls and milk.

Tuesday: charbroiled meatballs or Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, sliced cucumbers with ranch, apricots, rolls and milk.

Wednesday: chicken spaghetti, garden salad, glazed carrots, apple with peanut butter, rolls and milk.

Thursday: chalupa or

taco pig, Mexican rice, corn on cob, sliced melon and milk.

Friday: cheeseburger pockets, potato rounds, pork & beans, whole wheat sugar cookies and milk.

Spring City Senior Citizen's Center

Monday: chicken fried steak, black eyes peas, broccoli & cheese, milk, rolls, fruit.

Tuesday: chicken and tuna salad, pasta salad, fruit salad, milk, crackers and pie.

Wednesday: pork chops, sweet potatoes, spinach, salad, milk, rolls, apple crisp.

Thursday: cheeseburgers, French fries, beans, lettuce & tomato, milk, buns, cobbler.

Friday: turkey & dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, salad, milk, rolls, fruited gelatin.

Briefly

Texas Lions Camp is looking for children interested in attending camp this summer. Sessions are for children with physical disabilities 7 through 16 years of age. Camp is free for these children. For more information, call Bob Noyes at 267-5811 or 270-0811.

Community-wide baby shower to benefit Birthright is set for 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. June 25 at Baptist Temple Church. Call 267-8287 for more information.

FIVE GENERATIONS



Courtesy photo
Virginia Davidson holds her great-great-grandson, Conner Lee Dixon. Standing, left to right, are Judy Shrum, great-grandmother, Lisa McCollum, grandmother and Kedi Dixon, mother of Conner.

Newcomers

Vicki Dunbar, formerly of Little Rock, Ark., and daughters, Ajene, 8, and Kayle, 5. She is employed as an operating room tech for the VA Medical Center.

Phil Cantrell, formerly of Streator, Ill., and wife, Barbara.

He is employed by Stoneville Seed.

Ted Olesen, formerly of Amarillo. He is a tennis instructor for the Big Spring Independent School District.

Jorome Longchase, formerly of Hobbs, N.M., and wife, Anel, daughter, Jaylynn, 16 months. He is the store manager for Rent-A-Center.

William Reed, formerly of Odessa, and wife, Katherine. He is a retired Sears service man.

Ernie Renteria, for-

merly of Andrews, and wife Laura Harrison. He is a lube technician for Wal-Mart and she is employed by Comanche Trail Nursing Center.

Dave Berg, formerly of Tulsa, Okla., and wife, Lynn, and son, Andrew, 6 months. He is employed by Town and Country Convention Store.

Jeff Martin, formerly of Midland, and wife, Jung. He is a supervisor at Stoneville Seed and she works for Linens and Things in Midland.

John Lee Thedford Jr. formerly of San Diego, Calif. He is a truck driver.

Steven Rodriguez, formerly of San Diego, Calif.

Daniel Stinson, formerly of Carlsbad, N.M., and wife, Nicole, son, Sean, 21 months.

He is the manager for Sav-On formerly office Supply.

Clarissa Teichman, formerly of San Antonio, and son, Preston, 8 months. She is a student for Pharmacy Tech.

Nicole Gonzalez, formerly of Lubbock. She is a student.

Ronald Wilkins, formerly of Anson, and wife, Tammy, son, Cody, 13, daughter, Shelby, 9. He is self-employed.

Brian Rea, formerly of Clovis, N.M., and wife, Candice, son Tyler, 11 months. She is employed by Bledso, Tighe & Dawson, P.C.

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Wedding



Mrs. Bobby Wayne Price

Gulley, Price wed

Jessica Diane Gulley and Bobby Wayne Price, both of Big Spring, were married at 5 p.m. Saturday, May 21, 2005, at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Dave Ring officiating.

She is the daughter of Mike and Cynthia Landry of Sanderson and Rex Gulley of Coleman.

He is the son of Sonny and Donna Price of Junction and Betty Price of Harlingen.

Given away in marriage by her father, Rex Gulley, the bride wore a gown designed by Maggie Sottero.

The dress, traditional in formality, was a one-piece strapless, corset-back gown with chapel-length train and an A-line flared skirt.

The rich taffeta created drama through the use of design and colors of candlelight and blush.

The sweetheart neckline was sprinkled with pearl accents and the courtier styling of the caught-up skirt was embellished with diamond-shaped pearl motifs.

She carried a bouquet of lavender hydrangeas,

bridal white and lavender roses and stephanotis.

The Yellow Rose String Quartet provided music for the ceremony.

Donna Price served as vocalist and sang "Till There was You" during the lighting of the unity candle.

Matron of honor was Kim Nichols, sister of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Kenda Land, Lisa Currie, Nancy Allen, Amy Allen and Heather Moore.

Flower girl was Kate Price and ring bearer was Michael Price.

Candle lighters were Donna Price and Cynthia Landry.

Mike Abbott served as best man.

Groomsmen were Robert McFaul, Drew Mouton, Jarrod Price, Kaddo Kothmann and Steve Jeter.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Big Spring Country Club.

Guestbook attendant was Hayley Wigington.

The bride and groom's first dance was to "Walk Through This World With Me," by Abbie Welch.

Williams, Stanley wed

Miss Courtney Ann Williams and Mr. Logan Hyatt Stanley were united in holy matrimony at 5 p.m. Saturday, June 11, 2005, at the Church at Horseshoe Bay in Horseshoe Bay. The Rev. Jimmy Griffith and the Rev. Sam Soleyn officiated, with music provided by the Rose Strings, pianist Karen Carson, soloists Chris Anderson, Jerry McDaniel and the bride.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bennett "Benny" Williams II of Merkel. She is the granddaughter of Betty Dodson of Haskell and the late Leon L. "Dobber" Dodson and the late Anna Paul Williams and Herman T. "Cotton" Williams.

The bride is a graduate of Merkel High School and McMurry University, where she graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in communication and political science. She is now attending St. Mary's University School of Law.

The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Johnny Richard "Dickey" Stanley of Big Spring.

He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Stanley and Jo Koop, all of Big Spring and the late William "Heston" Fitz and John Koop.

The groom is a graduate of Forsan High School and Texas Tech University, where he received a bachelor of science in chemistry and zoology.

He is now attending the University of Texas

Health Science Center School of Dentistry.

Serving as matron of honor was Ashley Higley of San Antonio, college friend of the bride.

The maid of honor was Shelley Vaughn of Lubbock, childhood friend of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Anissa Thacker of Cypress, cousin of the bride and Terra Caswell of Dallas, serving in loving memory of Meagan Shea Stanley, sister of the groom. The junior bridesmaid was Miss Kami Bellah of Merkel.

Serving as house party for the bride was Maggie Beitler of Chicago, Ill., Lindsay Harris of Abilene, Ashley Mullins of Abilene and Ashley White of San Angelo.

The flower girl was Brookelyn Casper of Merkel, family friend of the bride.

The groom's father, Dr. Dickey Stanley, served as best man. The groomsmen were Nathan Davenport of Rockwall, Justin White of San Angelo and Rusty Baker of Forsan, all friends of the groom.

Ushers were Jake Hodges of Lubbock and Mike Bruyninckx of Dallas, friends of the groom.

The ring bearer was Hayden Davenport of Rockwall, family friend of the groom.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore an ivory, chapel-length gown designed by Vera Wang. The veil was chapel



Mrs. Logan Hyatt Stanley

length with Swarovski crystal accents.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Horseshoe Bay Marriott Resort. Music was provided by Mark Ellis, a classical guitarist, and Blind Date of Austin.

The bride's three-tiered round cake was Tiffany

blue, with pink and fuchsia reniculus flowers.

The groom's desserts of choice were key lime tartlets with fresh whipped cream.

Following a honeymoon in the Amalfi Coast, Florence and Rome, Italy, the couple will reside in San Antonio.

Moore, Martin wed

Marie Moore and Scott Martin were married May 14, 2005, in Maui, Hawaii.

The ceremony was performed on the beach of Makena Cove at sunset.

In attendance was their daughter, Shayla Marie, Scott's parents Vaughn and Helen Martin, his sister, Debbie Churchwell of Big Spring and her husband, Dennis and her daughter, Chelsea Churchwell.

Also attending were Scott's brother, Gary Martin and his wife, Mina and two nieces, Meagan and Manda Martin and friend of the bride, Cecil Barnes.

Marie was given away in marriage by Karen

Boyd, surrogate mother of the bride.

Jamie Stockhauser, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor.

The bride wore a white, satin, fitted bodice covered with small pearls and her train was made of satin adorned with a scattering of pearls. She carried a bouquet made of several Birds of Paradise.

Marie is the daughter of the late Charles and Lillye Moore. She is a graduate from Brian Adams High School.

Scott is a graduate of Forsan High School.

The couple will be making their home in the Dallas area.



Mr. and Mrs. Scott Martin

Moore, Jones wed

Laura Lee Moore of Big Spring and Colton Blake Jones exchanged wedding vows at 4 p.m. Saturday, May 21, 2005, at Hillcrest Baptist Church in Big Spring.

The Rev. Kevin Parker of Aztec, N.M., former pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiated the ceremony.

She is the daughter of Johnny and Debbie Moore of Big Spring. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of John and Melba Webb of Stanton, Don and Shirley Brashears and Johnny and Lallye Moore, all of Big Spring and the great granddaughter of Mary Webb of Ackerly.

He is the son of Jesse and Renea Jones of Big Spring, the grandson of Clyde and Labeth Montgomery and Loyce Jones, all of Big Spring, and the great grandson of Lavinia Walker of Coahoma.

Given in marriage by her father, Johnny Moore, the bride wore a

halter style, fitted bodice with a dropped waist covered with silver and pearl beaded trim.

The dress had a full gathered organza skirt that was accented with lace and pearls with a full length sheer lace and pearl beaded trim. Her veil was trimmed with white satin ribbon and sequins.

She carried a bouquet of red roses, white daisies and bluebonnets, accented and trimmed in sheer red, blue and silver ribbon.

The groom wore his U.S. Marine dress blue uniform.

Kaitlin Jones of Big Spring, sister of the groom, served as maid of honor, and bridesmaids were Brionna Palmer and Catherine Leubner, both of Big Spring, friends of the bride.

Flower girl was MaKaila Walker of Big Spring, friend of the bride and Nicole Perez of San Angelo, friend of the bride, served at the regis-

ter table.

Best man was Randy Montgomery of Coahoma, uncle of the groom and groomsmen were Scott Ginnetti of Big Spring, cousin of the groom and Jonathan Moore of Big Spring, brother of the bride.

Serving as ushers were Chip Whitworth of Big Spring, friend of the groom, Milton Woody of Coahoma, friend of the groom and Don Moore of Lubbock, uncle of the bride.

Following the wedding, the reception was held at the Dora Roberts Community Center ballroom.

The bride's cake was two, three-tiered cakes connected by an archway. Below the archway was a two-tiered cake topped with a Marine bride and groom. The archway and cakes were decorated with red roses, white daisies and blue bonnets.

The grooms cake was a square New York style cheesecake decorated

with blueberries and strawberries to look like the American flag. Four more satellite cheesecakes surrounded the center cheesecake. The satellite cheesecakes were pumpkin, black forest with cherries, lemon and caramel pecan.

The bride is a 2001 graduate of Forsan High School. She attended Howard College and will graduate in December of 2005 from Angelo State University with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education.

The groom is a 2002 graduate of Coahoma High School and has been enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corp since July of 2002. He has served in the Amphibian Assault Vehicle Platoon. He has served two tours of duty in Iraq and has been awarded several medals and honors for his service to his country.

The couple have made their home in Vista, Calif., where the groom is currently stationed.



Mr. and Mrs. Colton Blake Jones

Engagements



Taryn Nicole Cox and Derek Williams Wash

Cox, Wash engaged

Taryn Nicole Cox of Brownfield and Derek Williams Wash of Big Spring will be married Aug. 20, 2005, at College Hills Baptist Church in Big Spring.

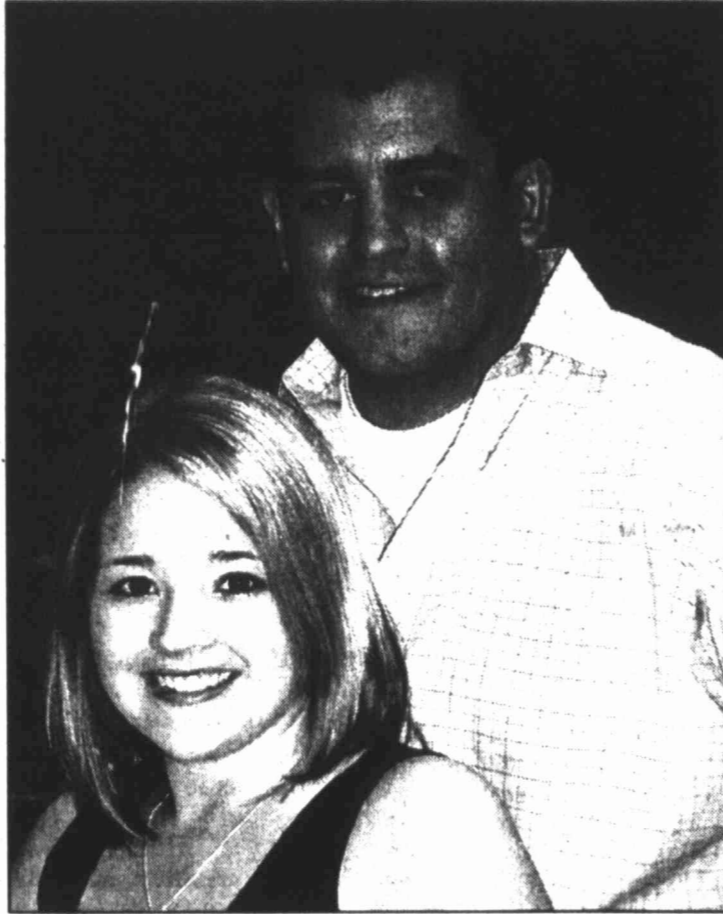
She is the daughter of Marissa Harris and Robert Kirby, both of Brownfield. She is the granddaughter of Pete and Nona Harris and Irene Kirby, all of Brownfield.

He is the son of David and Lisa Hobbs of Big Spring and the late Danny William Wash. He

is the grandson of Bobby Wash of Forsan and JoAnn Loudamy of Big Spring.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Brownfield High School and currently attends Howard College. She is employed with Hillcrest Child Development Center.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Forsan High School and Angelo State University, with a bachelor's degree in management. He works for the Howard County Farm Bureau.



Jessica Leigh Graham and Jeffrey Alan Martinez

Graham, Martinez to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Alan Graham of Madison, Miss., announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Leigh Graham to Jeffrey Alan Martinez of Madison, Miss., son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Jones of Madison, Miss., and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Martinez of Cape Coral, Fla.

Graham is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Minninger of Gluckstadt, Miss., the late Josephine Minninger and the late Butelle and Mary Graham of Jackson, Miss.

Martinez is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brinkman, Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Martinez of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones of Oklahoma City, Okla.

She is a graduate of Madison Central High School. She received her bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Mississippi and her degree in occupational

therapy from the University of Mississippi School of Health Related Professions. She is employed as an occupational therapist with MS Methodist Rehabilitation Center.

Martinez is a graduate of Madison Central High School. He received his degree in exercise science from the University of Mississippi and his masters of arts degree in teaching from the University of West Alabama. He is employed with University Orthopaedic Associates and serves as the head athletic trainer at Belhaven College.

The couple will exchange wedding vows in a candlelight service July 9 at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church of Madison, Miss., followed by a reception at the Jackson Yacht Club in Ridgeland, Miss.



Stephanie Dawn Jones and Joseph Malcolm Bissonnette

Jones, Bissonnette engaged

Robby and Sherre Davis of Big Spring announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie Dawn Jones to Joseph Malcolm Bissonnette, son of Sharon Arterburn of Fort Worth.

They will exchange wedding vows at 7:30 p.m. July 30, 2005, at Cornerstone Church in Big Spring.

Following the wedding, a reception and dance will be held at the Big Spring Country Club.

She is the granddaughter of Wallace and Mary Spraberry and Sondra McKinney, all of Big Spring.

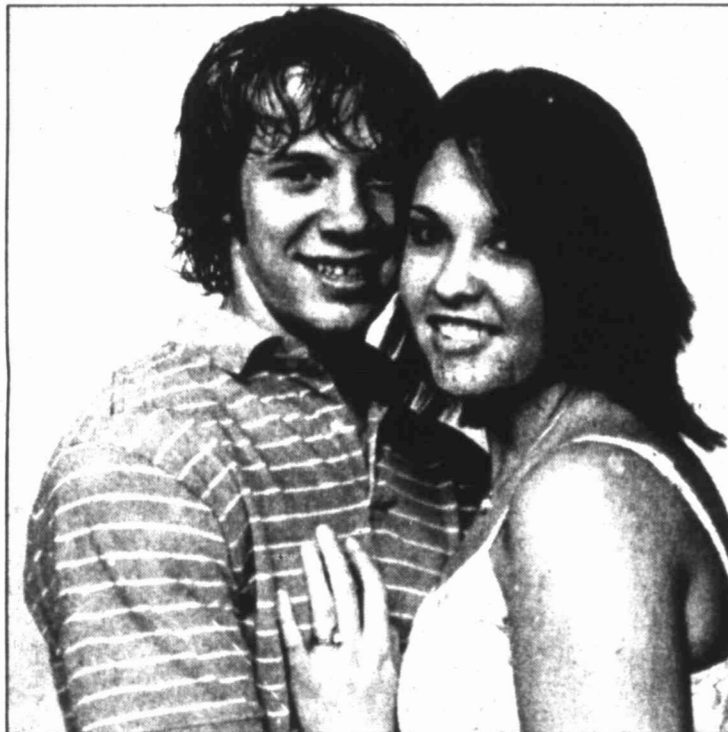
He is the grandson of Marlene Mann of Fort Worth.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School. She graduated from the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf (SWCID) with an associate's degree in applied science in interpreter training.

She is employed as an interpreter for the deaf at SWCID.

The future groom is a 1995 Haltom High School graduate.

He will be attending Howard College. He is employed with the city of Big Spring.



Cody Dewayne Ditto and Brandi Nicole Kilpatrick

Kilpatrick, Ditto engaged

Brandi Nicole Kilpatrick and Cody Dewayne Ditto, both of Coahoma, announce their intention to marry at 3 p.m. July 23, 2005, at First Baptist Church in Coahoma.

She is the daughter of Craig and Teresa Kilpatrick of Coahoma and the granddaughter of Randall and Leota Reid of Coahoma. Billy Joe and Delma Kilpatrick of Big Spring and Velma and the late Clay Reid of Coahoma.

He is the son of Joe and

Patty Ditto of Coahoma and the grandson of Rose Speaker and Thelma Ditto, both of Big Spring, the late Marc Luttrell, the late Walter Speaker and the late Jimmy Dale Ditto.

She is a 2005 graduate of Coahoma High School and currently works for West Side Day Care Center.

He is a 2003 graduate of Coahoma High School and works for Fowler's Service Station in Coahoma.



Layne Kemp and J'Layne Niehues

Niehues, Kemp engaged

J'Layne Niehues and Layne Kemp, both of Muleshoe, will exchange wedding vows at 6 p.m. July 16, 2005, at County Line in Lubbock.

She is the daughter of Cary and Renee Niehues of Garden City and the granddaughter of Nolan and Virginia Niehues of Wall and Raymond and Connie Jurecek of Eula.

He is the son of Terry and Debbie Kemp of Muleshoe and the grand-

son of Jean Kemp of Muleshoe, the late Jack Kemp and the late Don and Frances Bruns.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Garden City High School and a 2003 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's of science degree in multidisciplinary studies.

He is a 1998 graduate of Muleshoe High School and works for Kemp Pump Service of Muleshoe.



Brandi Sha'Nae Self and Zachary Wesley Johnson

Self, Johnson to wed

Brandi Sha'Nae Self of Coahoma and Zachary Wesley Johnson of Sand Springs will exchange wedding vows at 6 p.m. Aug. 20, 2005, at the Dora Roberts Civic Center.

Brandi is the daughter of Sue Self of Coahoma and the late Robert Self and the granddaughter of the late Bill and Irene Gunter and the late Oscar and Ola Self.

Zachary is the son of Ron Robey of Big Spring and Ron and Sherry Mowery of Granbury. He is the grandson of Bill and Nelda Hodges of Bertnam and the late Charles and Doris Robey.

Brandi is employed with the city of Big Spring and Zachary is employed with Veolia Water NA and the Big Spring Refinery.

Life publication policies

Wedding, anniversary and engagement announcements with photos are published within three months of the event in the *Big Spring Herald's* weekend edition at no charge.

Birth announcements with or without photos are also published free of charge.

All photos submitted must be of good quality. Articles are due in the *Herald's* office by noon each Wednesday for weekend edition publication.

All announcements must be typed on a Big Spring Herald form and contain just the information requested.

The *Big Spring Herald* accepts submissions from all area churches

and clubs for publication in the Friday edition.

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Photos are accepted. Submissions are due by noon each Wednesday for Friday publication and will be edited for content, style and space.

All submissions should contain a contact name and telephone number.

Contact life! at 263-7331 or e-mail life@bigspringherald.com.

Birth

Mckenna Grace Couch, a girl, was born May 23, 2005, at 11:02 p.m., weighing six pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

She is the daughter of Marc and Kristi Couch of Big Spring.

She is the grand daughter of Bob and Peggy Evans and Mike and Barbara Couch, all of Big Spring.



Mckenna Grace Couch

Births

Makenna Lee Webster, a girl, was born May 24, 2005, at 6:14 a.m. weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Her parents are Dawayne and Lana Webster. Her grandparents are Robert and Masuyo Weithman of New Washington, Ohio, Danny and Jeana Jackson of Big Spring and Guy Webster of Brownwood.



Makenna Lee Webster

Pops in the Park symphony rehearsal continues

Rehearsals for the Big Spring Symphony Chorus for the Pops in the Park continues each Monday from 7 p.m. until 8:45 p.m. in June in the First Methodist Church choral room. New members are welcome to participate in this annual community event.

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Learning to be a leader

Leadership skills can lift a career

By JANE S. HILL
Knight-Ridder

DALLAS — According to a recent survey of 300 chief information officers, leadership is the most critical skill lacking among their information technology staffs.

Even though senior management cited "leadership drought" as a primary concern (87 percent), only 51 percent said they have a plan in place to generate leaders within the company. The problem is compounded because most employees don't actively seek leadership opportunities, says Katie Beavan.

Beavan's job is helping companies identify and encourage employees to take on leadership projects, typically in support of major corporate change. The management consultant at Robert H. Schaffer & Associates in Stamford, Conn., advises workers to practice leadership within their own jobs as a way to advance.

She has seen some amazing transformations, particularly among smart people who were previously satisfied being specialists in their fields and reluctant to stretch themselves.

However, once they took a risk, possibly made a few mistakes and ultimately delivered a team-driven project, they discovered "their own latent capabilities" as leaders, she said.

Beavan calls making the leap into leadership "changing careers within your existing job" because it opens new avenues for growth.

For Brian Czajkowski, at Perry Equipment Corp. headquarters in Mineral



Brian Czajkowski, chief information officer for Perry Equipment Corporation, is pictured in the company's IT department in Mineral Wells.

Wells, it wasn't so much a leap as a steady march.

Fresh out of college with degrees in drafting and design, he was hired in 1989 as a draftsman to lead the engineering department into the world of computer-aided design. The department had one computer at the time, he recalls.

Czajkowski moved into

a series of supervisory positions. When the company decided to forgo its "homegrown" software systems in favor of an upgrade, he was asked to be on the committee to select a software system for accounting and manufacturing.

He later helped with its implementation, working as a liaison between

information technology and the engineering department.

"I had familiarity with networking and could talk the PC talk," Czajkowski said.

At one point, he accepted a lateral move out of management and into network engineering.

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Harris to celebrate anniversary

Harris Lumber and Hardware, 1515 E. FM 700, will be celebrating its 40th anniversary Friday and Saturday.

A ribbon cutting will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday. Everyone is invited to register for give-aways, with a grand prize being 40 percent off any one item.

Saturday, there will be a radio remote from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. with pizza served around the noon hour. There will be free popcorn all day both days.

The Ace toolbox truck and 10- and 17-foot RCA dogs will be on display Saturday.

Mitchell County MHMR expands, moves to new location

Special to the Herald

The Mitchell County Mental Health Mental Retardation Center will host an open house Thursday, June 23, from 10 a.m. until noon at its newly renovated and expanded location in the old Family Medical Associates building.

The Mitchell County Community Care Center, 505 Chestnut St., houses several area agencies, including its newest tenant — the Mitchell County MHMR Center.

"We needed a bigger clinic than we had at our temporary location (at 130 W. 5th St.)," said Christine Santana, the clinic's clerk. "We've been doing a lot of renovating and we're ready to show everyone what we have to offer."

Local county officials and West Texas Centers for MHMR administrators, including CEO Shelley Smith, will attend the open house.

"We're very grateful to the county and Judge



Smith

Mayo for supporting our Center and the work we do. They have done an outstanding job in assuring that we have adequate space so that we can do the best possible job for our consumers," Smith said.

West Texas Centers for MHMR is the Mental Health Authority for 23 counties in rural West Texas, including Mitchell County. West Texas Centers sees more than 2,200 clients and their families each month in their 15 mental health centers.

"We didn't have any extra space for anyone before we moved over here," Santana said. "We added a great deal of space."

Adding square footage will give clients the privacy and confidentiality they need, Santana said.

Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (325) 728-8611.

Saltcedar spray project meeting slated Monday

Special to the Herald

A public meeting for the saltcedar spray project along the Colorado River has been scheduled Monday in Colorado City.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. at the Mitchell county Civic Center. A

meal will be catered and North Star helicopter will provide a slide show and movie about spraying and aerial herbicide application.

The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation

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Appeals court upholds South Texas heirs' royalties claim

DALLAS (AP) — A Texas appeals court has upheld a decision to award mineral royalties from land on Padre Island to more than 300 heirs of a prominent South Texas family, possibly resulting in a windfall exceeding \$50 million.

The issue in the case, first filed in 1993, was whether Gilbert Kerlin, a New York lawyer, swindled the Balli family out of mineral rights to land they sold in 1938. The family had held title to the land since

the 1700s, when a priest, Padre Nicolas Balli, received a Spanish land grant.

The family won in district court after a three-month jury trial in 2000. It is not expected that the verdict will be appealed further.

The amount of the judgment is to be determined.

"It's the first time a Mexican-American family wins anything here in the United States," said Gracie De la Rosa of Dallas, a Balli descendant.

"We would talk about this when we were kids. Nobody really believed us outside the family. (The decision) is just like saying all these years it's true. This man cheated us ... it's a big vindication."

Padre Balli's heirs are descendants of his nephew, Juan Jose Balli. Padre Island is named for the priest.

Kerlin died last year. He said the Ballis had no real claim to Padre Island in the 1930s, and that he was duped into buying

worthless deeds.

Kerlin arrived in Brownsville in 1938, a young lawyer fresh out of Harvard.

He was on a mission for his uncle, who had a hunch he might strike oil beneath the sands of Padre Island.

Kerlin was instructed to find the Balli heirs and buy their stake in the desolate beaches.

The young Kerlin bought the titles and promised to share with the family any money from oil pumped from the

island. But the Ballis never heard from Kerlin again. As the years went by, the prominent family slid into poverty.

The Balli family has been fighting with the Kenedy Foundation for about two years about ownership of the land, which is rich in oil and gas.

Officials at the Kenedy Foundation said that a title in their possession makes them the rightful owners.

The foundation has occupied the land for about two years.

TXU settles lawsuit over firing of former executive

DALLAS (AP) — TXU Corp. has settled a lawsuit brought by an executive who said he was fired after complaining about the utility's financial-disclosure practices.

Terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

The wrongful-termination lawsuit by William J. Murray had been scheduled to go to trial Monday in federal district court in Dallas. The settlement followed a judge's ruling Tuesday that Murray was not entitled to a jury trial or punitive damages.

Murray, a senior vice president in TXU's energy-trading unit, was fired

in August 2002. He sued for wrongful termination under a federal law protecting corporate whistleblowers.

Murray said in his lawsuit that company officials knew about potential multibillion-dollar losses in TXU's European operations but failed to disclose the problems to investors. The unit collapsed in late 2002, causing TXU shares to plunge 75 percent.

Dallas-based TXU said it considered Murray's concerns and that he appeared to be satisfied

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TxDOT EMPLOYEES HONORED



Donald Froman, left, and Jesse Gonzales, second from left, both employees in the Howard County maintenance section, received certificates of service from Russel Lenz during a supervisors meeting in Abilene. Froman, a maintenance technician, and Gonzales, a sign technician, were presented framed certificates and five-year service pins to honor their years of service with the Texas Department of Transportation. Froman also received a business card holder while Gonzales got a copper mug, gifts of their choice. Lenz is the Abilene District engineer.

TxDOT photo/Mary Beth Kilgore

Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace
Outstanding Warrants
Lisa Beth Aleman, 300 W. First St., Stanton
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Katherine A. Gladhill, 7670 M. Trailer/2718 Rear, Lubbock
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Naomi Gonzales, 1209 Runnels, Big Spring
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Andres Lee Juarez, Rt. 3, box 389, Big Spring
Gladys Lamenda, 400 Circle St., Big Spring
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LEADERS

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But he leveraged that position to become manager of the IT department, then director of management information systems and, last year, vice president of administration and CIO. Quality control, human resources and information systems personnel now report to him.
"I'm just willing to wear a lot of hats," Czajkowski said. He also admits to being "a little bit of a workaholic," always willing to make the investment to get a job done. "I let management know what the problem areas are and that I am willing to put in the hours to resolve them."
His climb to the top sounds meteoric, but it was actually a slow, gradual process, he said. Czajkowski turned

down offers to leave for higher salaries because he recognized the potential for advancement at his company even as it weathered hard times during the Enron debacle and uncertainty in the oil markets.
Perry Equipment Corp., a family-owned business, makes filtration systems primarily for the oil and gas industries.
"I have a genuine interest in the welfare of the company," Czajkowski said. "People at the top want people (working for them) that they can trust, and you have to rise to the level of that trust."
Even in much bigger companies, he said, good managers want to surround themselves with capable people, and that presents the opportunity to prove yourself.
Too often, people agree to take on a task and then "it just sits there - you don't see any progress,"

Czajkowski said. Instead, he keeps a list of projects with him and pushes his staff to complete priority items.
As a consultant, Beavan assures employees that to become a leader, "you must enlarge your comfort zone" so you can take risks.
"People make dreadful mistakes, but they learn so much," she said.
Czajkowski knows all about it. He tries to mitigate risk through planning, but "there's always a point where you have to jump in and see if you'll sink," he said.
He mentions, for example, a disastrous phone system upgrade that he had persuaded management to buy based on potential cost savings.
"It had a whole host of problems and it was so painful (to implement). We really fought with that thing," he said.
He survived the ordeal

because of good internal support and a few employees on whom he can rely to resolve problems.
They may not have all the answers, he said, but "just having the ambition, the willingness to find a solution goes a long way."
In any job, there are occasions to demonstrate leadership potential, and you have to be opportunistic, Beavan said.
Think of it as developing a broader toolkit in the event you hit a plateau one day in your current position, she said.
"Find out what else is going on out there," she said.
Show initiative and ask to help with recruitment or to sit in on a meeting and then volunteer for an assignment, Beavan suggests. "Ask yourself, 'Is there a place where I can take a lead?' View it as a return on your investment."

SALT CEDAR

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Board (TSSWCB) will have land-owner agreements available to enroll eligible owners along the Colorado River and Beals Creek
The three-year project is designed to improve water quality and increase stream flow in the Colorado River and its tributaries above the E.V. Spence Reservoir. It is a part of the implementation plan for the Total Maximum Daily Load

Study for the E.V. Spence Reservoir, which was completed in 2000 by the Colorado River Municipal Water District and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.
The \$3 million saltcedar treatment project is funded by the Environmental Protection Agency with a 319(h) grant from the Clean Water Act and is supported by local matching funds from both the TSSWCB (brush control in the Champion Creek watershed near Colorado City) and the Colorado River Municipal Water District (water quality

programs in the upper Colorado River basin).
Experts are hopeful that conditions will be optimal to begin treatment in late summer on the main stem of the Colorado River below the Lake J. B. Thomas dam in Scurry County. The project will continue down river through the confluence of Beals Creek in Mitchell County and into the upper end of the E.V. Spence Reservoir. Major tributaries to the river that contain significant stands of saltcedar will also be treated, including Beals Creek east of Big

Spring in Howard County. Plans are to continue treatment through the lake basin of the E.V. Spence Reservoir in 2006.
Current conservative estimates indicate that control of saltcedar in the upper basin could increase yields as much as 4,000 acre-feet of water annually in E.V. Spence Reservoir.
For more information, contact TSSWCB project manager Ben Brooks 325-481-0335 or CRMWD Natural Resources Manager Okla Thornton at 432-267-6341.

TXU

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with the response. TXU said Murray's job was eliminated as part of a broad restructuring. Murray's lawyer, Hal Gillespie,

said the judge's ruling against a jury trial was a factor in settling the case. He said the ruling ran counter to Congress' intent in passing the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, a corporate-accountability law approved in 2002 after scandals at Enron Corp. and other companies.
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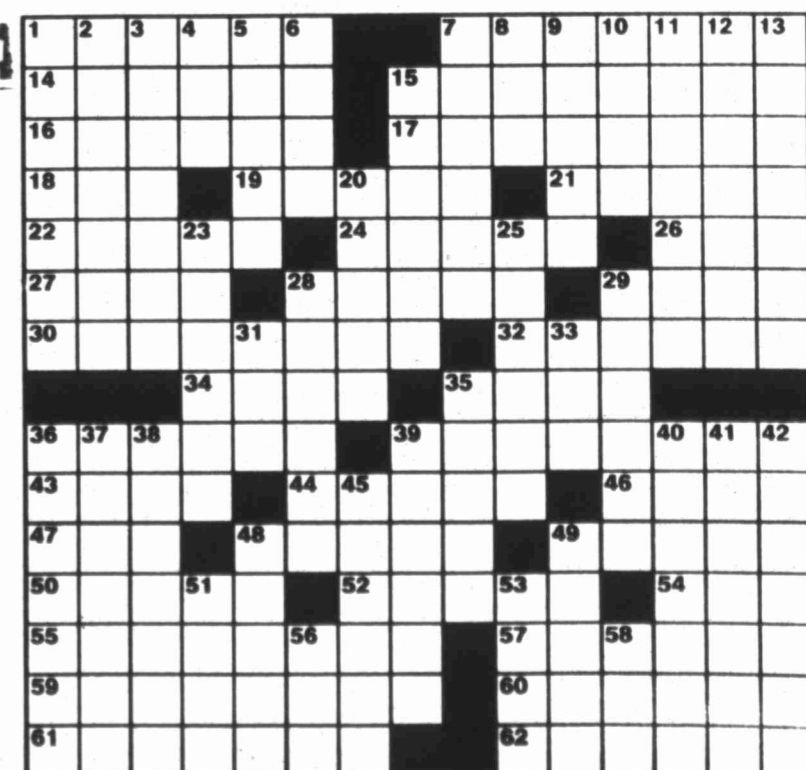
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Amyby Loftland, Construction Manager Grimes and Associates c/o Grimes and Associates 21103 FM 179 Wolforth, Texas 79382 Fax: (806)863-2479 Plans, Bid Packages and Specifications are available and may be acquired from:

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Separate bids will be received for each bid package or a combination of bid packages. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 3:00 P.M., local time, June 23, 2005. All interested parties should meet at the Superintendent's Office, Forsan, Texas.

The Forsan Independent School District Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and waive all formalities. #4579 June 5 & 12, 2005.

CITY OF BIG SPRING PUBLIC NOTICE JUNE 6, 2005 THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT 5:30 P.M., TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2005 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 307 EAST 4TH, BIG SPRING, TEXAS TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

A Zone Change from Light Industrial (LI) to General Residential (GR). Specific Use Permit (SUP-2) for the use of a Children's Day Care Center located at 1507 West 2nd Street. #4588 June 12 & 19, 2005

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For more information call the superintendent's office at 432-354-2230 or write PO Box 9, Garden City, Texas 79739. For technical information on the proposals call Steve Long, superintendent or Tony Gomez, maintenance director, or Kay Chandler, cafeteria director, at 432-354-2230. Proposals must be received by 12:00 p.m. July 11, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. Glasscock County ISD reserves the right to accept, reject, or postpone any or all proposals. The district will consider each proposal's advantages to the district and will act in a manner that the board considers most advantageous to the district. All applicable laws, rules, and regulations take precedence. #4587 June 12 & 19, 2005

Legals

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of John Slay Fuglaar, Deceased, were issued on May 31, 2005, in Cause No. P-13283, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: Michelle Sullivan

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Michelle Sullivan P.O. Box 1091 Sterling City, Texas 76951 DATED the 9th day of June, 2005. C.E. (Mike) Thomas III Attorney for Estate State Bar No.: 19845200 Attorney At Law P.O. Box 2117 Big Spring, Texas 79721-2117 Telephone: (432)263-4142 Facsimile: (432)267-2763 #4594 June 12, 2005

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PUBLIC NOTICE Advertisement for Bids The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting bids for the following: RFB#05-007 Athletic Insurance Specifications may be obtained from Mr. Dennis Churchwell, Director of Purchasing, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432)264-5167, e-mail: dchurchwell@howardcollege.edu. Sealed bids will be accepted through 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 12, 2005, in the Howard College, Administration Building, A2, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, at which time they will be opened and read aloud. The bids will then be tabulated and final determination of bid award will be made at a future board meeting.

Technical and bidding questions are directed to Dennis Churchwell, Director of Purchasing, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432)264-5167, e-mail: dchurchwell@howardcollege.edu. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any or all bids. #4592 June 12 & 19, 2005.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Previously buried emotions bubble to the surface, and with Mercury

now exploring Cancer, it's safe to express them to people in the inner circle. But anyone else — well, you'll think twice before showing even a glimpse of vulnerability. While the moon is void, there's an inevitable lull in the action. You may as well relax and enjoy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Cupid is an impish child who thinks it's funny to play "chemistry set" with your heart. Keep in mind that chemistry and infatuation are approximately the same thing and neither has much to do with true love.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Anyone can turn something simple into a complex activity. But your strength is taking

something complicated and making it simple — and that's why you'll be sought out, rewarded and admired.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). All behavior that is learned can be unlearned. You'll be trying your best to do just that. Instead of beating your head against the wall, take a break and try again tomorrow when your incentive will be greater.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). With Mercury newly visiting your sign, you are more willing to express every feeling that flickers across your heart — and you find the words to do so, too! You won't feel very productive today, but try to do some organizing tonight.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You put your complete self into a task, expecting fast results that don't come. Now that you know this, you can enjoy your activities more fully. The luckiest endeavor is to find a place of compassion between humans.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Emotional security is a valid need. You want

answers to your relationship quandaries — answers that are not easily given, but it doesn't hurt to start the conversation. If single and looking, the best opening line is "hello."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll meet someone who represents the worst traits of a parent — and, of course, fall immediately under this person's spell. There's a difference between trusting your heart and being the victim of your own whim. Strike a balance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You may not think you are flirting, but your attitude does the flirting for you! Therefore, be aware of loved ones who are feeling sensitive, raw and underconfident. Give special care where it is needed.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's the hard-headed, practical ideas that work brilliantly — and you'll have dozens of these to choose from if you surround yourself with earth signs (Taurus, Capricorn and Virgo).

Affection is lavished on you tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Just as proper nutrition is key to keeping your body in condition, frequent chatting sessions with friends can do the same for your mind. Bounce your latest and greatest ideas off your pals for instant positive feedback.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Though you have blossomed into a responsible adult, some people you know never did. Don't let them guilt you into doing things that you find juvenile. Singles: An admirer sends subtle signals.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Being apathetic is generally not considered positive, but when loved ones bring their personal drama into your realm, apathy is the way to go. Avoid acknowledging conflict, or you will get drawn into the madness.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: It's the last week before the summer solstice, and there is a kind of silver-winged innocence in the atmosphere. Savor it. The sun

and Pluto in opposition bring a palpable tension to the atmosphere. As any romantic comedy will prove, conflict doesn't

always equal hate — it often equals "I'll meet up with you at the end of the movie where we'll kiss and start our beautiful life together." Keep this in mind when you're feeling at odds with the world this week. The problems that cause us the most irritation are the very ones that hold inside them the greatest potential to transform our lives in a positive way. On Tuesday, Uranus, the zany visionary, turns retrograde and will be transiting in this way until mid-November. Get in touch with your originality. On a side note, the conspiracy theorists have a heyday with this transit. The Internet is junked up with more than the usual urban legends. Don't be gullible! Check out the facts before you act. This also applies to the realm of local gossip. Scorpio moon rules the weekend. Love is no longer a barely blossom-

ing bud but a full, fragrant flower. Those who have "allergies" will start to notice them flaring up!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: What other sign would the world's most famous twins, Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen, be? The Gemini duo will be seen more as individuals this year than any year before, however, as their planets highlight autonomy. They could live thousands of miles apart and change their looks enough to be radically different from each other in the spirit of exploration and self-knowledge.

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Annie's Mailbox ®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I am a 15-year-old girl. I really like going on our family computer and surfing the Internet, but I have a problem with my father. He is constantly going on pornographic websites. I know because I have to clean out the "cookie" files that tell where people have been, and I know for a fact that my mother and sister would not go to pages like that.

The sites don't have underage girls on them, or anything illegal like that, but it still bothers me because we are constantly getting viruses and spyware on our computer. I've been dropping hints to Dad that I know what he is doing, but he doesn't seem to get it. This really disgusts and embarrasses me, and I do not understand why he needs to look at things like that so often. What should I do?

Dear Embarrassed: It's time to be more direct with Dad regarding the porn sites. Show him exactly how you know where he's been so he can clean up his own act and not expect you to do it for him. He also could use some updated virus protection. If things don't change, tell Mom.

Dear Annie: My older sister, "Ernestine," has all the old family photo albums, as well as boxes of old family home movies. Over the years, I've made many requests for her to lend me the photos and films so I can make copies, but she has totally ignored me. I know these things are collecting dust in Ernestine's attic and that she doesn't look at them. The photos and films clearly mean very little to her, but they are precious to me, and my frustration is turning into anger and resentment.

Ernestine and I are not particularly close. She says she'll make the films and pictures available to me "one of these days," but she's been saying this for the last 20 years. She insists she doesn't have the time to search for them. She offered to give them to our brother (whom she likes more than me) so he can make copies for everyone, but he said he is not interested.

These films and photos contain the only images of me with my late parents, and it hurts deeply



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

that my sister is preventing me from seeing them. I would pay for the duplication and will return the originals to her. How can I best articulate to Ernestine how much these images mean to me?

— Pictureless in Boston

Dear Pictureless: Either Ernestine is terribly lazy or she doesn't want to accommodate you. You can ask her directly, "Why won't you give me the photographs?" although she may not give you a satisfactory answer. Can you offer to go through the attic and look for the pictures yourself? Otherwise, since she is willing to give them to your brother, ask him to intercede on your behalf. If he will simply accept the pictures from Ernestine, you can then make copies.

Dear Annie: Two months ago, I was in a car accident. I slid into the back of a stopped semi-trailer on the highway. I was not buckled up. Thankfully, my airbags deployed and I was not seriously injured.

The reason I wasn't buckled up is because I am a very obese woman and the seatbelt in my minivan did not fit me. After the accident, I discovered I could obtain a seatbelt extender from the dealership at no additional cost. I didn't even know seatbelt extenders existed. I now buckle up every time I get in my vehicle, and my children couldn't be more proud of me. Please put the word out about these extenders so more people will be safe. — Bruised but Buckled in Lincoln, Neb.

Dear Lincoln: Thanks for telling those who may not know that seatbelt extenders are available. You also can ask for them on airplanes. We're glad you are buckled up and hope other overweight readers will take advantage of this option.

Dear Annie: I have a weird question for you. My husband is graduating in May but is going back to graduate school to get his master's degree. We will be living on campus, and I'm worried

about the community laundry situation.

My mom says you can catch sexually transmitted diseases from washing your clothes in the same unit as someone who is infected. My sister suggested that I add bleach to the water. Will that help? I wouldn't care if it were just my husband and me, but we have a 2-year-old and one on the way. Thanks for the advice. — Paranoid in Vermont

Dear Paranoid: There's no evidence that you can contract a sexually transmitted disease through the washer, but if someone has had the flu or a cold, there is a slight possibility that germs can be transferred through insufficiently disinfected clothing. So, either run a half-cup of bleach through an empty machine before using it, or wash your clothes in hot water and add bleach, ammonia or a pine-oil disinfectant. That ought to take care of just about anything.

Dear Annie: Now that temperatures are heating up and children are out of school, spinal cord injuries will be on the rise. Teens and people in their 20s are especially at risk. A spinal cord injury is a permanent, life-changing event. More than 250,000 people in America already have a

spinal cord injury. Every 49 minutes, a person in the United States is paralyzed from one.

Spinal cord injuries increase in the summer. More drivers will be on the road. More people will be outdoors skating, diving and biking. Children will be flocking to playgrounds or playing their favorite sports. All of these activities have the potential for spinal cord injury.

To help prevent the estimated 11,000 new spinal cord injuries that will occur in America this year, Loyola University Health System, Maywood, Ill., is launching a public service campaign, "B 4 U . . .," which calls attention to the problem and offers guidelines on reducing injury risk.

Please encourage your readers to think ahead before they dive, bike, drive, skate or play. The wrong decision made in a split second can produce devastating, permanent results.

For tips on how to reduce injury risk, visit www.luhs.org/b4u. Summer should be a wonderful, fun time of year. Sincerely, — Thomas C. Origitano, M.D., Chair, Department of Neurological Surgery, Loyola University Health System; and Professor of

Neurological Surgery, Loyola University, Chicago Stritch School of Medicine

Dear Dr. Origitano: Thank you for the timely reminder. We hope all our readers will check your website for information on how to avoid spinal injury.

Dear Annie: I am trying to figure out if I have lost my mind and need to retire, but I really can't afford to quit.

I work in an office with 22 other people, and they pop their gum and stir their coffee (by beating the cup with a spoon) until I think I will go insane. Also, there are 22 cell phones playing all kinds of rings, going off all day long. Is it too much to ask for some etiquette in the office? Where has the respect for the other person gone?

I would appreciate any help you can give me. — T.Y.

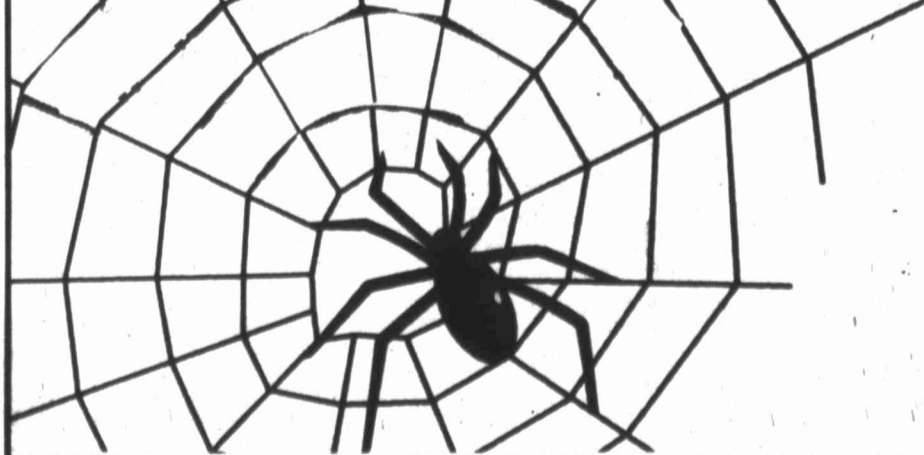
Dear T.Y.: This isn't a simple etiquette problem. It has to do with proper office behavior. Using personal cell phones during business hours, popping gum or banging spoons is simply unprofessional. Talk to your supervisor about the gum and the office policy on cell phones (which should be set on vibrate or silent, at the very least).

The Spider

During Mark Twain's days as a newspaperman, he was the editor of a small Missouri paper.

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