

Perry vetoes education spending, calls special session

By APRIL CASTRO

Associated Press

AUSTIN - Republican Gov. Rick Perry on Saturday vetoed the state's \$35.3 billion public education budget and called lawmakers back to the Capitol to finally find a solution to the school finance dilemma.

"I recognize this is a bold step, and frankly one I wrestled with," Perry said.

"Ultimately, I determined this action was necessary to ensure we fully fund our schools, provide needed reforms in the classroom, and pass real and substantial property tax relief," he said.

Without state funds, K-12 schools will struggle to educate Texas' 4.3 million students when the new school year starts in August.

Such a scenario could give lawmakers who have been uninspired to find a school finance solution the impetus they need to get the job done.

The special session, set to begin Tuesday, will mark the Legislature's fourth attempt to take up school finance in the last three years, including the last two regular sessions. Perry called a special session last spring, but it ended in failure. Perry had said he would only call law-

makers back if House and Senate leaders were ready to agree on a plan. House Speaker Tom Craddick said in

an interview Friday with a Midland television station that leaders "have no agreement or no plan that we've agreed upon at all at this point."

The legislative session that ended May 30 culminated with a showdown between Craddick and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, both Republicans, who were at odds over how to reform certain taxes to pay for public schools. No compromise was reached.

Many lawmakers have campaigned on promises to lower school property taxes and they're under court pressure to fix the school funding system.

Hundreds of poor and wealthy school districts sued the state, arguing that the state doesn't provide adequate funding to properly educate public school students.

Last year, state district Judge John Dietz declared the funding system unconstitutional, arguing that it

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Strayhorn says she'll challenge governor

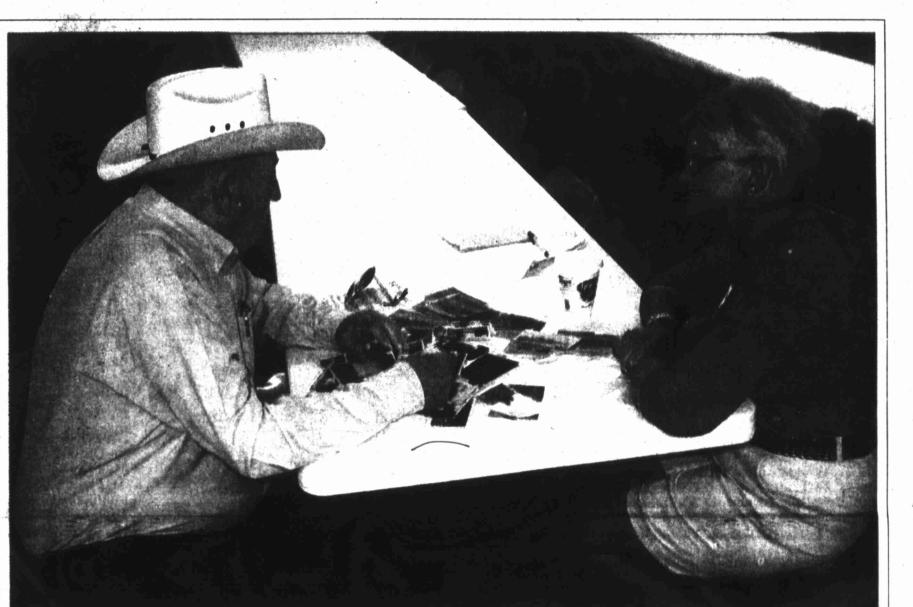
By NATALIE GOTT

Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN - Carole Keeton Strayhorn, the fast-talking state comptroller who makes sport of chastising Republican Gov. Rick Perry, said Saturday she would challenge the governor in next year's GOP primary.

"Now is time to replace a donothin' drugstore cowboy with tough grandma,' one Strayhorn, 65, told a cheering crowd of about 200 supporters at a block party near the state Capitol.

Strayhorn's announcement came shortly after Perry vetoed education funding from the state budget bill, and called lawmakers back to Austin for a special session on school finance.



She took the opportunity to launch another verbal torpedo at Perry. Known for her rapidfire speech and sharp tongue, Strayhorn has spent the past year attacking Perry's leadership and policies.

"A leader does not allow three regular sessions and four special sessions to go by without fixing our public schools," Strayhorn said. "A leader does not call a fifth special session costing taxpayers another \$1.5 million when he does not have a plan.

does not hold our children's education hostage and certainly would never even allow a discussion about school not opening on time because he cannot fix what is broken," she said.

Strayhorn enters the race with one less strong opponent, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. The senator late Friday issued a surprising statement saying she was running for re-election to the Senate.

For months, Hutchison had been tested the waters for a run against Perry, which would

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"Most importantly, a leader

Old Settlers' Reunion: Tradition of honoring our forefathers continues

Bob Read, left, and Linda Berry sift through family photos at Saturday's Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers' Reunion at the Howard County Fair

Barns Saturday morning. They are members of the Charles Duncan Read family, honored as Howard County's Pioneer of the Year Award at the

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

event.

Charles Duncan Read came to Howard County in 1880 with little more than a case of "railroad fever." By the time he died, however, he owned more than 30 sections of land and had helped found one of the county's foremost financial institutions.

Read's descendants were honored with the Howard County Pioneer of the Year Award at the annual Howard-Glasscock **Old Settlers' Reunion Saturday** at the County Fairbarns.

The family of Joseph George Carter, who moved here from century, was honored with the **Glasscock** County Pioneer of the Year Award.

Read left his home in Rich Pond, Ky., and arrived in Howard County in 1880, a year before the railroad arrived in this area.

Although his sweetheart, Sue Elizabeth Jordan, claimed he was suffering from "railroad fever" and urged him to return home to Kentucky, Read was determined to make a life for himself here, said his greatgrandcson, Bob Read.

Bob Read said his greatgrandfather worked a team of mules and other machinery

Ohio before the start of the 20th during the laying of the railroad tracks, then as a dispatcher for the railroad in order to save enough money to buy some land.

> "When he got his first paycheck, he had nowhere to put it," said Bob Read. "You couldn't very well lock it in your tent

> When he got a little bit ahead, he bought some mules, and hired a guy to run them, and they helped lay the track." Finally, in 1883, he had saved

> enough money to buy 33 sections of land in Howard County, returned to Kentucky to marry Jordan, and moved back to Howard County to stay. His great-grandson said, that

despite the extensive land hold ings, C.D. Read wasn't exactly a rich man.

"He got pretty 'land-poor' a few times," Bob Read said. "It's kind of hard to pay taxes on your land when that's all you've got.'

Aside from operating a farm/ranch enterprise, Read also served as the first president of the State National Bank in Big Spring, his great-grandson said.

"I'm very proud that they've honored our family," said Linda Berry, another of C.D. Read's great-grandchildren. "It

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Rock singer John Mellen-camp's love for a small town remains just as strong today as it was growing up in Indiana.

He discusses his decision to raise

his family in Bloomington. Hometown Hero: When Leslie

Morissette lost her 8-year-old son to leukemia, she converted her grief into good cause by providing computers to other seriously ill children and their families.

HUTCHISON SAYS NO

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison announced Friday that she will run for a third Senate term, ending months of speculation that she would challenge Gov. Rick Perry next year in the GOP primary.

An e-mail distributed by Hutchison's campaign said she would make the formal announcement on June 27, when she would provide details on her decision and "why she believes it is in the best interest of Texas."

Campaign manager Terry Sullivan would not elaborate on the statement or its timing.

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FATHER'S DAY MEAL

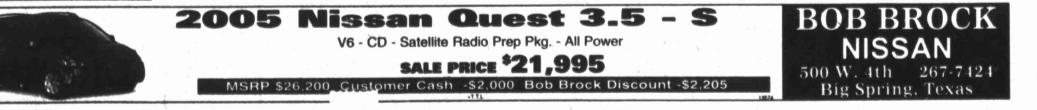
The Spring City Senior Center, located at 1901 Simler, will hold its annual Father's Day Luncheon at noon Sunday.

The meal for the luncheon will be roast beef, potatoes and carrots. Coffee, tea, water and milk will available to drink. Dessert for the day will be strawberry shortcake.

The public is invited to attend. The meal will be \$5 per person for

all those under the age of 60. For those 60 years of age and older, an unspecified donation is requested.

For more information call Joann Staulcup at 263-4980.



Herald photo/Steve Reagan

Obituaries

Anita Ball



Anita Ball, 71, of Sand Springs, died Tuesday, June 14, 2005, in Ruidoso, N.M. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. Monday at Oakwood Cemetery at Cisco. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Sunday at Myers & **Smith Funeral Home.**

She was born Dec. 2, 1933, at Bridgeton, Maine to Roxie and Laurant

Pingree. She married D. Ball Jr. Jan. 5, 1952, in Cisco. Anita has been a resident of Howard County since 1960. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in education with her minor in history in 1971 from Angelo State University in San Angelo. Anita was a substitute teacher.

She is survived by her husband: D Ball Jr., of Sand Springs; a daughter: Terri Telchik and her husband Lance of Big Spring; a son: Wayne Ball of Sand Springs; a sister: Dottie Harmon of Old Town, Maine: two brothers: Harlan Pingree of Austin, and Lonnie Pingree of Beaumont; two grandchildren: Trace Telchik and Charli Telchik, both of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by a niece and two nephews.

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

Richard K. Rawson

Richard K. Rawson, 73, of Big Spring died Thursday, June 16, 2005, at the VA Hospital. No services are planned.

He was born Nov. 27, 1931, in Auburn, N.Y., and married Norma Leach.

Mr. Rawson had worked for Hughes Aircraft in California before moving to Big Spring. He had served in the United States Marine Corps from 1953 to 1955.

Survivors include his wife, Norma Rawson of Sun City, Calif.; two daughters, Kathy Deniet of San Jacinto, Calif., and Laura Broussard of Chino Hills, Calif.; one grandson, Dalton Edward McCool; one granddaughter, Leslie Stanford; and his longtime partner, Charlotte Smith of Big Spring.

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

Paid obituary

Charla Jay Weaver

Charla Jay Weaver, 61, of Big Spring, died April 29, 2005, in Houston after a long illness. She was born Jan. 26, 1944, to Alvin and Fonceyne Weaver in San Angelo. She was owner of CIC Finance in Big Spring for more than 30 years. A memorial service is planned for 1 p.m. Sunday, June 26, 2005, at Miles Cemetery in

San Angelo. Arrangements are under the direction of Forest Lawn Funeral Home in Houston.

Police blotter

LOCAL

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

· JAMES STAFFORD, 63, 109 W. 19th St., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

 JAVIER PAYEN, 35, 1108 E. 13th St., was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana.

• HOWARD JOHNSON, 21, 500 S. Johnson, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

JOE ERIC ARRENDONDO, 17, 1323 Madison, was

arrested on a charge of theft. ROBERT ARRENDONDO, 18, Seminole, was

arrested on a charge of theft. • JACOB FIERRO, 25, 7800 South Service Road, Interstate 20, was arrested on charges of criminal tres-

pass and possession of drug paraphernalia. • FRANKIE JUAREZ, 36, 1008 N.W. Second, was

arrested on charges of public intoxication and assault on a peace officer.

• HECTOR GRANADO, 36, Midland, was arrested on a charge of interfering with a peace officer's discharge of official duties.

 CHARLIE RYERSON, 59, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

 ROSENDO ROBLES, 53, 1607 N. San Antonio, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• ELIZABETH AGUIANO, 36, 202 N.E. Seventh, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• EDWIN DEAN, 40, 1205 S. Lancaster, was arrested on a charge of assault.

• STEVEN CRAIG CROFT, 48, 105 W. 18th, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• TRENT CORMIER, 22, Houma, La., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

 AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON was reported on the 400 block of Lancaster.

• ASSAULT was reported on the 400 block of Lancaster.

 ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported on the 400 block of Lancaster.

 POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE was reported on the 1100 block of Birdwell.

LICENSE DRIVING WHILE SUSPENDED/INVALID was reported on the 1100 block of Birdwell.

• THEFT was reported on the 1700 block of FM 700 and the 400 block of Birdwell.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Friday and 8 a.m. Saturday:

• UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE was reported on the 400 block of N. Gregg.

· ASSAULT was reported on the 1300 block of E. Interstate 20.

• THEFT was reported on the 5200 block of Sterling Road.



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BIG SPRING HERALD Weekend Edition, June 18-19, 2005

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.

• 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.

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

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

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

• 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

• 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.

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

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Tiodoro 'Ted' Munoz Sr.

Tiodoro "Ted" Munoz Sr., 81, of Atwater, Calif., formerly of Big Spring, died June 4, 2005, in Atwater. Rosary was June 9, 2005, at Ivers and Alcorn Funeral Home in Atwater, Calif. Graveside services were June 10. 2005. at Winton District Cemetery in Winton, Calif.

He was born April 1, 1924, in Marfa and served in the U.S. Army at the Battle of the Bulge during World War II. He owned a neighborhood market in Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his grandson, Reggie Gonzales in 2000 and his wife, Nellie Munoz May 9, 2005.

He is survived by four children, Sylvia Gonzales, Precilla Mata, Ted Munoz Jr., and Rene Munoz, all of Atwater, Calif.; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren; his sister. Nina Florez and his brother. Julian Munoz, both of Atwater, Calif.

Arrangements were under the direction of Ivers and Alcorn Funeral Home in Atwater, Calif.

Earl Dean

Earl O. dean, 88, of Wills Point, formerly of Big Spring, died Friday, June 17, 2005 in Dallas. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 19, 2005 at Allan Fuller funeral Home Chapel in Wills Point with the Revs. Karl Ogdie, Ron Allen and Jeremy Ogdie officiating. Interment will follow at Haven of Memories Memorial Park in Canton.

He was born March 14, 1917 in Hamlin and graduated from Hamlin High School in 1934. He married Jimmie Louise Allen Nov. 28, 1954 in Lovington, N.M.

He was an appraiser and project consultant with Pritchard & Abbot in Fort Worth from 1956 to 1958. He later formed his own company with offices in Midland and Roswell, N.M. After selling his company in 1969, he formed another company with offices in Big Spring, which he operated until retiring in 1983.

He is survived by his wife, Jimmie L. Dean, of Wills Point; three sons: Bob Dean, of Houston, Bill Dean, of

Wills Point, and Tom Dean, of Rockwall; a daughter: Linda Mason, of Wills Point; a sister: Alene Scott, of Fort Collins, Colo.; a sister-in-law: Elsie Allen, of Brownwood; eight grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and four nephews.

Services under the direction of Allan Fuller Funeral Home, Wills Point.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night: Winning numbers drawn: 8-22-28-33-37 Number matching five of five: none.

... The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night, in order: 4-6-8 ...

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday afternoon, in order: 9-5-6

IN PRESENT "CRUISE NIGHT" at the Sonic on Gregg street beginning at 7 p.m. June 25. T-shirts featuring local car clubs and the YoungLife logo will be sold for \$10 at the event to benefit YoungLife summer campers who will attend Frontier Ranch in Buena Vista, Colo., in July. For more information, contact Shelly Warren at 264-1234.

• PAVING THE ROAD TO CARNEGIE HALL bake sale fund-raiser to benefit the Big Spring High School band trip in June of 2006 by invitation to Carnegie Hall in New York City is Saturday beginning at 8 a.m. at the east door of Wal-Mart. June 25 a car wash and bake sale is set for the same time at Wal-mart. Call Mindy at 432-213-3651 for more information.

• HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM needs volunteers to work Sunday afternoons. Call 264-1999 or visit the museum, 1911 apron, to volunteer.

• 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 is 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 e-mail to vivian_gordon@chs.net.



- 267-6966 or 267-1628.
 - Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

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

Correction

In Friday's edition of the Herald, Hardin Simmon University was incorrectly identified as located in San Angelo. The university is located in Abilene.

Weather

Sunday — Mostly sunny. Highs around 100. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday night - Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 70s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Monday — Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Monday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.

Tuesday — Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s.

Tuesday night - Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 60s.

Wednesday — Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s. Wednesday night - Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 60s.

Thursday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. Thursday night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.

Friday - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.



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Salvation Army conducting its annual fan drive

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For some area residents, higher temperatures in West Texas means something to talk - and more likely, complain — about this summer.

For others, it's a daily battle to survive.

Spring The Big Salvation Army is in the middle of its annual fan drive, which collects donated fans and money

to purchase new fans, which are then distributed to area residents in need of help in beating the summer heat.

"With the hot days of summer ahead, we know there will be a tremendous need,") said Capt. Russ Keeney. "Last year we were able to give out more than 100 fans, and we expect the need to increase, as it does every year."

worker with the local Salvation Army, said she hopes to see the program reach those in the community that need the help

the most. "We're trying to target the elderly because they are the most susceptible to heat related illnesses," she said. "We're also trying to target families with children 5-years-old and younger and who are at home through the day Paula Lafler, a social during the summer

months.

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

Lafler said her office is currently giving out fans

that were gathered during Friday, from 8:30 a.m. last year's effort, but the coffers are frighteningly low.

"We only have a few fans left," said Lafler. "We've been trying to make sure the elderly and those with children get priority, but pretty soon we're going to simply run out."

Those in need of fans can apply for assistance at the Salvation Army Office Monday through until 3:30 p.m. with an hour break for lunch at noon. The office is located at 811 W. Fifth Street.

For more information on the annual program, or to make a donation, contact Lafler at 267-8239.

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

Perry signs bill giving juries life without parole option

By JIM VERTUNO

Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN - Jurors in the nation's No. 1 death penalty state have a new sentencing option in capital murder cases: life without parole.

Republican Gov. Rick Perry on Friday signed into law the provision death penalty opponents hope will lead to fewer executions in Texas.

The most significant change in Texas capital punishment laws in decades also removes the possibility that capital murderers could be

by civil liberties groups.

"I believe this bill will improve our criminal justice system because it gives jurors a new option to protect the public with the certainty a convicted killer will never roam our streets again," Perry said. Texas leads the nation in executions with 345 since the state resumed the practice in 1982 and nine this year. Of the 38 states that execute capital offenders, Texas and New Mexico are the only ones that lacked the life-without-parole option.

Texas juries have been

paroled, a move criticized able to sentence capital Abolish murderers to death or life in prison with the possibility of parole after 40 years. The new life-without-parole option will have warned that taking apply to murders committed on or after Sept. 1. away parole gives con-

> A Scripps-Howard poll victs little reason to in October found that 75 behave percent of Texans support Supporters preferred to call it "truth in sentenc the death penalty and 78 percent favored giving ing" since convicts senjuries the option of life tenced to life are guaranwithout parole. teed never to be freed.

"We hope there will be fewer death sentences," said David Elliot, spokesman for the Washington, D.C.-based National Coalition to

the Death once it was stripped out. Penalty. "For a very long time. Texas has denied juries a viable alternative to the death penalty.' **Opponents of the change**

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The Texas chapter of the ACLU had urged lawmakers to keep the parole option.

"If a person proves themself to be redeemed, they should have the option to be paroled." said prison. **Texas ACLU Executive** Director Will Harrell, who doubted the change will result in fewer death sentences.

"There's a grand fervor for blood in this state," Harrell said.

opposed the bill when it **Dianne Clements of the** parole option as a third Houston-based victims' choice for jurors, but rights group Justice for agreed to support the bill All said she didn't think the life-without-parole option was necessary but saw no problem with it.

"Juries are going to impose death penalty for very heinous crimes just like they did before," Clements said.

The Senate sponsor of the measure, Brownsville Democrat Eddie Lucio, had pursued a life-without-parole bill for several years.

Lucio, who has said he supports the death penalty, did not immediately return messages left at his office.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Anita Ball, 71, died Tuesday. Funeral Services will be at 10:00 AM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Graveside Services will be at 4:00 PM Monday at Oakwood Cemetery at Cisco, Texas. The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 7:00 PM Sunday at Myers & **Smith Funeral Home**

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STRAYHORN

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have made for an expensive. contentious threeway battle for the GOP nomination, opened a senate seat, and set off a political domino game in Texas.

Strayhorn was elected comptroller — the state's chief financial officer in 1998, when she was still known by the last name Rylander, the name of her second husband before her January 2003 marriage to her high school sweetheart Ed

She became the first woman elected Texas

Scott McClellan is White House press secretary, and Dr. Mark McClellan is administrator of the **Centers for Medicare and** Medicaid services. She also has five granddaughters.

Among Strayhorn's chief criticisms of Perry have been over his policies regarding education. The catalyst for their

clash, she has said, came when Perry, in the final days of the 2003 legislative session, cut funding for her plan to provide free community college education to high school graduates. Perry's office has disputed her account. saying the governor

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stripped Strayhorn's agency of two prominent duties: government efficiency recommendations and school performance reviews. She claims the governor's office prompted the lawmakers to make the changes, an allegation the governor denies.

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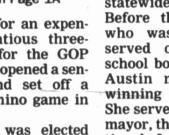
dent. He was elected to a full four-year term in 2002 in one of Texas' most expensive elections. Perry, 55, defeated Democrat millionaire Tony Sanchez, who spent then close to \$70 million, while Perry's campaign spent \$26 million.

While no Democrat has formally announced intentions to run, former U.S. Rep. Chris Bell of Houston has said he is considering a bid. Musician and author Kinky Friedman is run-

Perry, who typically ning as an independent. A memorial service is alamnedgnined 1 willing

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Railroad Commission, a statewide-elected post. Before that, Strayhorn, who was a Democrat, served on the Austin school board and ran for Austin mayor in 1977, winning over nine men. She served three terms as

mayor, then switched parties before running for statewide office as a Republican.

Strayhorn said her late father, Page Keeton, the longtime dean of the University of Texas law school, instilled in her the importance of public education, and she passed that on to her children.

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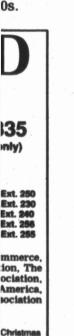
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limit - \$1.50 per \$100 of property value - and don't have room to raise more money for schools. The property tax cap, Dietz said, amounts to a statewide property tax,

which is unconstitutional in Texas. Dietz ordered state funding to schools to cease by October 2005 if the system isn't fixed before then. But, the state has appealed the decision to

the Texas Supreme Court and a July 6 date has been set for oral arguments.

Because Dietz's decision is on appeal, the October deadline is moot unless the state's high court upholds that part of the ruling.

Lawmakers initially said they wanted to cut school property taxes by half, but finding additional revenue to compensate for lower property taxes and still invest more money in schools has proven difficult. Past proposals have

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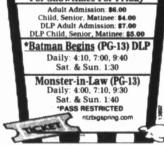
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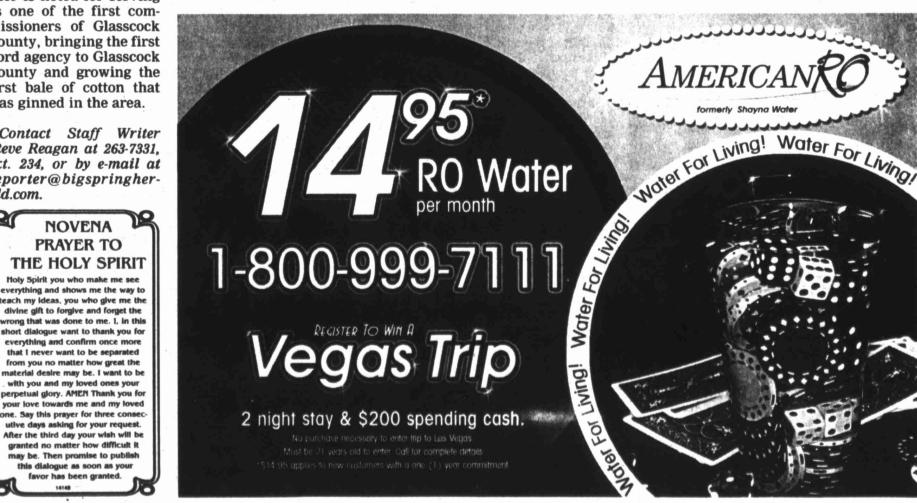
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was a good surprise." Berry resides on the family's ranch six miles northeast of Coahoma, and said she wouldn't trade ranch life for anything.

"It's a great learning experience," she said. "Plus, you get to see a lot of stars ... and it's so quiet."

Carter, born in Ohio in 1865, moved to Texas with his family in 1882 and migrated west to the Howard-Glasscock area the next year. He homesteaded 320 acres of ranchland in what is now **Glasscock** County and married Lillian Marks, who had come to Howard

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OUR VIEWS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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work for Fox News as a commentator. I say whatever I want. I'm the blonde on the left, figuratively and literally the one who's usually smiling because it's television, not the

Supreme Court or Congress, and I find civility more effective in any event. Besides, why

shouldn't I be smiling? Prior to working for Fox, I worked for ABC and NBC, spent a lot of time at CNN and almost ended up at CBS. I worked for a bunch of local stations in Los Angeles and had a talk radio show at

KABC for six years. In other words, I'm lucky enough to have been around, and Fox News is the best place I've ever worked. I get paid well and treated with respect, and I have job security, which in this business is almost unheard of. More important, the older I get, the more the personal stuff matters.

When I got caught at last year's convention in a swirl of missed car connections and painful memories, leaving me on street corners without rides at night when old fears returned, Sean Hannity picked up his own phone and ordered a car for me 24 hours a day on his own dime.

I've come to expect the jabs at Fox News — since being a liberal, I get more than most. I work there in part because, six or seven years ago, they offered me a better deal that NBC at the time; and because, as a feminist and a Democrat, I think it's particularly important to have a dialogue with people who aren't already members of the same choir I am, since that is the way we will ultimately have to win elections.

I also work there because of my respect for Roger Ailes, the man who created it, and hired me, and to whom I am extremely loyal for reasons having nothing to do with ideology and everything to do with integrity.

The jabs have gotten louder with success. No surprise there. When you get to number one as fast and as impressively as Fox News has, it's a bull's-eye, and Roger would be the last person in the world to expect his competitors to go gentution as a whole to the individuals within it, including some of the most talented people at Fox News. The criticisms have gotten personal, the tone has changed, the volume is up, and the value is down. Neil Cavuto? Brian Wilson? Under attack by a Washington press corps for not probing enough on Iraq (Cavuto) and being too tough on Howard Dean (Wilson)? Give me a break.

Don't get me wrong: I'm not worried about Fox being hurt by this. Quite the contrary. If history is a guide, every time Fox News gets attacked, ratings go up.

More people will watch Cavuto, not fewer.

More people will be looking for Wilson, not fewer.

Neil Cavuto, Fox News' brilliant anchor, sat down to do an interview with George Bush last week on his business show. He didn't discuss Iraq. Neil doesn't cover Iraq. As far as I know, he had nothing new to ask him, nothing new to add and no important new question to pose, and the president had nothing new to say on the topic. There was no news to be made. So he didn't use the opportunity either to beat up on the president or to let him say something we'd heard a hundred times. Instead, he asked him questions he didn't know the answer to, where he might get an answer he hadn't already heard.

For this, he has been summarily beaten up by the press corps all week — the same press corps that still can't figure out why it got it all wrong about those weapons of mass destruction that justified the war, but would rather have Neil Cavuto ask a pointless question of the president than ask the hard questions of itself.

Then there's Brian Wilson's great sin. In his case, the problem wasn't NOT asking a question, but trying too hard to ask tough ones of the Senate minority leader and the party chairman who had joined together to make it look like there was no problem when there very obviously was. That, and using a swear word in answering a question from a Washington Post reporter — Brian himself later admitted that he wished he'd known it was a Post reporter.

The Dean charge is, of course, the more serious one, particularly **Biden and John Edwards should** have gone public with the obvious criticism that Dean had gone too far in calling Republicans a party of white Christians who don't work.

But I'm hard-pressed to think of anybody who will tell you privately that in the midst of debates about such issues as Social Security and the deficits, it's a good idea for the party leader to be turning himself into the issue by engaging in class and religious

warfare. This is precisely what congressional leaders and Dean agreed that Dean would not do when he became the chair of the party. He was supposed to leave the message to them. Having not done so, and having been criticized for it by two possible presidential candidates - neither of whom are even conservatives — Sen. Reid was trying to put the perennial good face on a bad situation, while Brian Wilson was trying to puncture it.

That's what the press is supposed to do, last time I checked. If being obnoxious was a disqualification for being a member of the Washington press corps, it would a lonely crowd.

Former Gov. Dean, asked to respond to Vice President Cheney's comments about him to Fox's Sean Hannity, said: "My view is that Fox News is a propaganda outlet for the Republican Party, and I don't comment on Fox News.'

Three times as many people watch Fox every day as watch **CNN.** There were certainly times during the last campaign where I disagreed with decisions made by young producers working at Fox. But without exception, every time I raised an issue. I won - I saw it as my job to teach off the air, as much as to talk on the air. If anyone disagreed, the joke was that I would tell them to set their stopwatches and transfer me to Roger, so they could time how long it would take me to get their decisions reversed.

It never came to that, but everyone understood the commitment to not make decisions that would even give the appearance that Dean so cavalierly bandies about.

Is Fox News different than the other places I've worked? Sure. It would be silly of me to suggest

otherwise. But all of the rest were

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But things have taken a personal turn in the last week or so, as the targets have shifted from the insti-

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since the party chairman has taken to attacking Fox News in recent days. There certainly is disagreement among Democrats as to whether party leaders such as Joe

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was watching the PBS science program "Nova" the other night and spotted the liberal bias right away. I knew it would be there because Ken Tomlinson, the Bush-appointed chairman of the board of the **Corporation for Public Broadcasting** (CPB), says the network is riddled with

leftist leanings. Sure enough, in a program on tsunamis and what causes them, the show blamed it on shifting tectonic plates in the earth's surface. Then the graphic shows these two tectonic plates grinding against each other - suddenly, the one on the left sort of falls down, and the big, aggressive plate on the right

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jumps on top of it, causing a killer tsunami. See? Wouldn't have happened on Fox.

I have listened patiently to years of right-wing bull about liberal bias in the media, but let us be perfectly clear about what is happening at PBS. Big Bird is not in favor of affirmative action. Bert and Ernie are not gay. Miss Piggy is not a feminist. "The Three Tenors," "Antiques Roadshow," "Masterpiece Theater," "Wall Street Week" and nature programs do not have a political agenda. "The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer" is biased in favor of boring, old, white guys who appear on painfully well-balanced panels. "Washington Week in Review" is a showcase for "Inside the Beltway," conventional wisdom, power-parroting, political-geekhead, Establishment journalism — there is nothing liberal about it.

But there is a plot to politicize public broadcasting. It is plain as a pikestaff, and it is coming from the Right. It is obvious, undeniable and happening right now. The Bush administration is introducing a political agenda to public broadcasting. They are using the lame pretext that PBS is somehow liberal to justify it into a propaganda organ for the government. That is precisely what the board of CPB was set up to prevent 40 years ago; it is there to be a firewall between public broadcasting and political pressure. Ken Tomlinson is a disgrace to the purpose of that board, he has a political agenda and is engaging in a raw display of ideological bullying. The right-wingers in the House of **Representatives are backing his power** play with a threat to cut off funding for **PBS** entirely.

Tomlinson's claim of liberal bias at PBS is based on the program "NOW with Bill Moyers," even though Moyers' program frequently featured guests on the Right. Moyers is now retired, and the show has been cut to half an hour. Tomlinson "balanced" it with a weekly program by the editorial writers of the Wall Street Journal, who don't even bother to pretend to be objective: They are right-wing beyond argument. Tomlinson actually spent

\$10,000 of the taxpayers' money to pay some consultant to find bias in Moyers' program but has never released the results of that "study."

Tomlinson, himself a former head of Voice of America in the Reagan administration and a retired editor Reader's Digest, has been an active right-winger since I first met him in 1974. He is also the Bush-appointed chair of the **Broadcasting Board of Governors**, which oversees the Voice of America, **Radio Free Europe and other official** arms of the government's propaganda machine. He is a Bush information apparatchik. It is quite clear he believes PBS and NPR should also function as cheerleaders for the government.

His choice for president of the CPB is Patricia Harrison, who is such a Republican activist she was elected cochair of the Republican National Committee, where she was particularly noted for attacking Hillary Clinton. This is beyond open partisanship. Harrison is currently at State, where she oversees that department's propaganda arm, including the production "news segments" openly intended to support Bush administration policy. She has testified before Congress about the value of such "news segments" in swaying public opinion.

When Richard Nixon attacked PBS 35 years ago, the Republican chairman of CPB resigned in protest over the politi-cal interference. The impeccably **Republican Ralph Rogers of Dallas led**

a nationwide effort to stop the malicious meddling. Where's a decent Republican when you need one?

I've read all those studies that show people on the Right lack the gift of empathy. I can see they have a real hard time imagining themselves as people on welfare or as blacks in East Texas — that's quite a stretch even for white bleeding hearts like me. What I don't get is their inability to do the simplest exercise in elementary fairness - how would you feel if the shoe were on the other foot?

Let's pretend Hillary Clinton wins the 2008 election. Who do you want her to appoint chairman of CPB? James Carville? Noam Chomsky? Or should she show how much she understands the importance of the independence of public broadcasting by naming an esteemed Republican, say John Danforth or Alan Simpson or Richard Lugar? How about anyone who understands that the function of journalism is not to toady to those in power but to challenge them? Is that too much to ask?

The ideological Republicans are destroying a fine public institution.

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House passes bill to cut U.N. funds unless reforms are made

By JIM ABRAMS

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON - The House voted Friday to issue an ultimatum to the United Nations: reform or lose U.S. financial support. Lawmakers also made clear to the White House that its more diplomatic approach wouldn't do.

Led by Republicans, the House voted 221-184 for a bill that would withhold one half of assessed U.S. dues, currently around \$440 million a year, if the U.N. doesn't accomplish nearly four dozen steps to improve its accountability and root out corruption.

Failure to comply would also result in U.S. refusal to support expanded and sions. C "History shows that

when Congress stands tough, when it says that if you don't reform we are not going to pay, then change occurs," said International House Relations Committee Chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., author of the legislation.

The Bush administration, while applauding the House for pressing for changes at the U.N., said the automatic withholding of payments could "detract from and undermine our efforts" to work with U.N. members to improve the organization. The House rejected, on a

216-190 vote, an alternative offered by Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif., that Tom DeLay, R-Texas.

new peacekeeping mis- would have made similar "The U.N.'s corruption is demands for change but leave it to the secretary of state to decide whether to withhold up to 50 percent of payments.

> The Senate has no immediate plans to take up the bill and its chances of becoming law are uncertain. But it was clear that the frustrations of House Republicans, who voted overwhelmingly for the Hyde bill, outweighed the urgings of the administration to reconsider the legislation. "Far from promoting

justice and respect for international law, the United Nations has become one of the world's greatest apologists for tyranny and terror." said House Majority Leader so breathtaking in its scope as to be almost universal."

Over two days of debate, speakers slammed the U.N. for what they said was its wasteful bureaucracy, its anti-America, anti-Israel biases, its seating of tyrannical governments on the U.N. **Commission** on Human **Rights and scandals** involving the sexual misconduct of peacekeepers and alleged corruption in the oil-for-food program for Iraq.

The House approved some two dozen amendments that pinpointed further ways to improve the U.N. Among them were directions to suspend member states engaged in crimes against

humanity, waive immunity for U.N. officials in connection with the oilfor-food program and make Iran ineligible to receive nuclear material from International **Atomic Energy Agency** members until it is in full compliance with the IAEA.

Democrats, and their few Republican allies. said there was no dispute over the need for U.N. reform, but argued that the Hyde approach was heavy-handed. "I can't believe that when our men and women are fighting in Iraq, that we would move forward with legislation like this when we need to draw countries together." said Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn.

Eight former U.S. ambassadors to the U.N., including Madeleine and Jeane Albright Kirkpatrick, also weighed in, telling lawmakers in a letter this that withholding of dues would "create resentment, build animosity and actually strengthen opponents of reform."

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan was concerned that the bill could threaten his own overhaul plan, which he hopes world leaders will adopt in September, his spokesman Fred Eckhard said. "He believes that U.S. engagement and leadership in this process is very important but does not feel that withholding dues is a productive route to achieving reform,' Eckhard said.

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Security breach may affect 40 million credit cardholders sumer information. The

By JOE BEL BRUNO

AP Business Writer NEW YORK — A computer hacker may have accessed more than 40 million credit card accounts in what could be the largest in a series of recent security breaches involving consumer data, officials said. MasterCard

International Inc. announced Friday that the breach was traced to Atlanta-based **CardSystems** Solutions Inc., which processes credit card and other payments for banks and merchants. All brands of credit cards could be affected.

The compromised data did not include addresses or Social Security numbers, said MasterCard spokeswoman Sharon Gamsin. The data that may have been viewed banks and names, account numbers - could be used to steal funds, but not identities.

breach appears to be the largest yet involving financial data, said David Sobel, general counsel at the Electronic Privacy Information Center.

"The steady stream of these disclosures shows the pressing need for regulation of the industry both in terms of limitation in the amount of personal information that companies collect and also liability when these kinds of disclosures occur," he said.

Under federal law, credit card holders are liable for no more than \$50 of unauthorized charges, and many card issuers will even waive the \$50.

Other companies that have been hit by security lapses recently include Citigroup Inc., Bank of America Corp. and DSW Shoe Warehouse. Federal lawmakers responded by drawing up legislation designed to better protect consumer privacy. MasterCard announced the breach in a news release Friday, saying it was notifying its cardissuing banks of the problem. CardSystems then released its own statement, saying it first learned of a potential breach on May 22. The company said it was told by the FBI not to release any information to the public; its statement Friday had been vetted by the agency. "We were absolutely blindsided" by MasterCard's announcement, CardSystems' chief financial officer, Michael A. Brady said. CardSystems, which has a processing center in Tucson, Ariz., has been in business for more than 15 years and handles transactions for more than 115,000 small to mid-sized businesses, according to the company's Web site.



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Gamsin said she did not know how the virus-like computer script that captured customer data got into CardSystems' network, which MasterCard said was infiltrated by an "unauthorized individual." Neither company would elaborate.

The FBI is investigating.

MasterCard said 14 million of its customers may have been exposed to fraud. A spokeswoman for American Express said a small number of its cardholders were affected, but would not give an exact number. Discover Financial Services Inc. wouldn't say whether its customers were affeoted. Visa USA and a large issuer of cards, MBNA

for comment. The incident was the latest in a series of security lapses affecting con-

Corp., did not return calls



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Probation and consent search bills get veto from Perry

AUSTIN (AP) - A probation system reform plan and a bill that would require police to get recorded permission to search a vehicle were among a group of bills vetoed Friday by Gov. **Rick Perry**.

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Lawmakers searching for ways to ease crowded conditions at state prisons had passed a bill that would have reduced probation for some felonies from 10 to five years, boosted funding for drug courts and community service programs and

given judges greater oversight over probationers.

But Perry said the bill would have endangered public safety by reducing the maximum probation for offenses such as kidnapping, injury to a child. spousal abuse, intoxication assault and habitual felony drunken driving.

"These are serious crimes and I do not believe Texas should reduce mandatory probationary sentences for offenders who endanger the lives of others in such crimes," Perry said in his

veto message.

The bill also sought to hire more probation officers. Perry said the twoyear state budget passed by lawmakers spends \$55 million for that effort, which he supports.

"I'm sorry he did that," House sponsor of the bill Jerry Madden said of the veto. "I think he made a mistake." Madden is chairman of

the House Corrections Committee.

Another bill that Perry would vetoed have required police office to

have probable cause or tect Texans from unreaget a driver's consent to

search a vehicle. During the legislative session, the League of United Latin American Citizens had said the bill would reduce the number of unwarranted searches on Hispanic and black Texans and would decrease the amount of time police waste on unfruitful searches.

Perry, however, said he believes Texas already has sufficient protections in the state constitution and in case law that pro-

sonable searches.

His veto message also said there is insufficient information now to determine whether signed or taped consent requirements place too onerous a burden on law enforcement or provide additional protections to the public.

Perry also vetoed a bill that would have allowed for a local option election to allow mixed beverage sales in restaurants in some North Texas counties, such as Dallas,

Tarrant and Collin. Perry said the current system allows local residents to decide if they

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want a liquor election "This dual process of petition and election is the best way to ensure that Texans can continue to be in charge of the destiny of their neighborhoods," Perry said in his veto proclamation.

Other counties that would have been impacted by that bill include Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Parker. **Rockwall and Wise.**

Hutchison says she'll not join governor's race

By JIM VERTUNO

Associated Press Writer AUSTIN -- U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison announced Friday that she will run for a third Senate term, ending months of speculation that she would challenge Gov. Rick Perry next year in the GOP primary.

An e-mail distributed by Hutchison's campaign said she would make the formal announcement on June 27, when she would provide details on her decision and "why she believes it is in the best interest of Texas."

Campaign manager **Terry Sullivan would not** elaborate on the statement or its timing. "The statement is what it is." he said.

Hutchison had long been considered a likely challenger to Perry, who is seeking his second full term. He became governor in 2000, after George W. Bush resigned to become president. He

for governor. Strayhorn spokesman Mark Sanders said the comptroller

respects Hutchison's work and her decision not to get into the governor's race. Bill Miller, Republican consultant, said Hutchison may have her eye on a spot on the national GOP ticket in 2008, when Bush's second term expires.

"The next presidential cycle, in all likelihood, the Republican ticket will include a woman and Kay is perfectly positioned to be that person. To run for governor against an incumbent who has never lost an election is a big roll of the dice," Miller said. "Why roll the dice? I think she said, 'It's just not worth the risk."

The wait for her decision had created much anticipation among Republicans. The GOP currently holds every statewide elected office a Hutchison run for governor was expected to create a shakeup in the Capitol as Republicans jockeyed for new offices. Hutchison spoke at two events earlier Friday in suburban Dallas, and took the opportunity to criticize Perry for not leading the Legislature to a decision on public school funding and lowering property taxes. When asked if she planned to run against Perry, she would only say she was near a decision. She said the prospects of a nasty three-way GOP primary campaign didn't phase her.

Decision on educators' pensions now rests with governor's hands

By LIZ AUSTIN

Associated Press Writer DALLAS — With nearly an \$11 billion shortfall in the pension plan for Texas public school employees, Republican Gov. Rick Perry is evaluating a bill that would make important changes to their retirement system.

He must, by Sunday, either sign, veto or allow to pass into a law a bill intended to restructure benefit calculations for many educators, change the retirement age for future teachers and bar school districts from offering early retirement.

A spokesman for the governor did not return a telephone call Friday seeking comment on the status of his office's review of the bill, which could save the state \$455 million in the next two vears.

Much of the blame for the shortfall goes to the stock market tumble of the early 2000s and the Legislature's decision a decade ago to cut its contribution to the \$90 billion Teacher Retirement Texas. System of **Unexpected** retirement growth is also a problem. The plan would slightly reduce pensions for the youngest two-thirds of the 845.000 current members of the system by changing benefits calculations. School districts could not offer early retirement incentives and the retirement age for receiving full benefits would rise from 55 to 60 for educators hired after Sept. 1. 2007. The measure's supporters say refining the system now will prevent major overhauls and drastic benefit cuts later.

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sion trust funds is the longer that you do not do something to stop the train wreck from happening, the faster the train starts going," said Tim Lee, executive director of the Texas Retired Teachers Association. "To not act is just simply irresponsible.' But teachers groups

strongly oppose the provision that would base a retiree's pension on an average of his or her highest five years of salary, rather than three years. Many districts give teachers pay raises for every year they serve, so the average of five years would be lower than the average of three.

For example, a 30-year teacher who had received a \$500 pay raise each year would lose \$345 dollars a year in pension benefits. That adds up to \$6,900 over 20 years.

Penny Blair, a seventhgrade language arts teacher in Georgetown, said she felt betrayed when she realized she'd lose some of her pension. While she hasn't calculated her losses because she can't precisely project her future salary, Blair said she worries she may have to teach longer. "It becomes discouraging when you're in a profession for a long time and you've given it a lot of your effort and time and blood and everything else, it's almost as if this legislative body is antiteacher," said Blair, 46, who just finished her 21st

as Illinois, which faces a \$20 billion deficit.

But Lee says Texas can't afford to wait. About 95 percent of Texas' retired educators rely exclusively on their state pensions because few districts parin Social ticipate Security. Due to the deficit, the retirees haven't received a pension increase since 2001, yet their insurance costs are constantly rising.

"Many of these folks are beginning to realize some real economic hardship because we have not been able to get any new money for them," Lee said.

Among those struggling to make ends meet are Russell and De Etta Sayers, who both retired from the Austin school district in 1977. He taught music for 33 years in Ohio, Indiana and Texas, while her 22-year career in Austin included teaching elementary school and English and art in high school.

much as they could while than 28,000 educators

"The problem with pen- compared to states such for us to get along," he said.

> Both active and retired educators had hoped the Legislature would increase its contribution to the system, which was cut in 1995 from 7.3 percent to the constitutional minimum of 6 percent because the fund was flush with cash. **Employees contribute 6.4** percent and the rest comes from the system's investments.

A \$100 million measure that would have raised the state contribution to 6.2 percent was removed at the last minute.

Sen. Robert Duncan, a Lubbock Republican who sponsored the bill, said he was disappointed the increase got removed. But he said the bill still addresses several other factors that contributed to the deficit, such as the unexpected retirement growth.

Federal changes in the Social Security system, for example, led many educators to retire early Russell Sayers, 86, said to avoid losing their he and his wife saved as spousal benefits. More they were working. While retired at the close of fiscal year 2004, up from an average of 10,000 to 15,000 in previous years. Many districts also have encouraged veteran educators to retire early so they can replace them with lower-paid new teachers.

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was elected to a full fouryear term in 2002.

"Senator Hutchison has been a true champion for Texas in Washington, D.C., fighting for the interests of our state," Perry said. "Her decision to seek re-election is great news for Texas, and will help grow our Republican majority with her strong presence at the top of our ticket."

Perry may yet draw a challenger. State Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn has scheduled a public rally at the Capitol Saturday, when she's expected to announce her campaign

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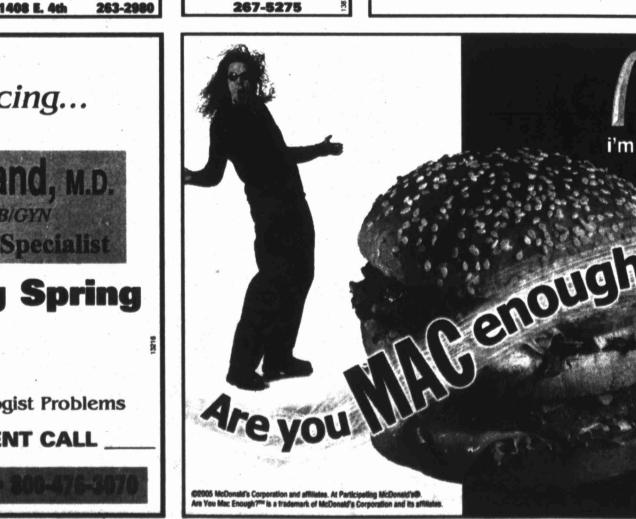
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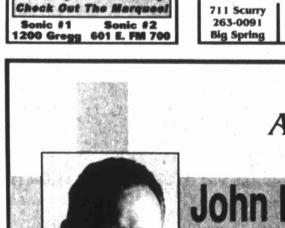
year of teaching. Eric Hartman, legislative director of the Texas Federation of Teachers. said the state should leave its retirement system alone because its pension fund is in enviable shape

they once could get by on their pensions, they now tap into their savings for such necessities as groceries and prescription drugs.

"We're being very economical, but really it is getting harder and harder









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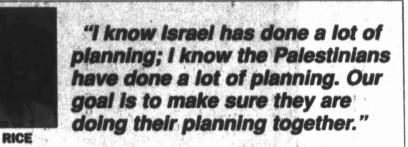


Rice: Israel, Palestinians must coordinate on Gaza withdrawal

By ANNE GEARAN

AP Diplomatic Writer RAMALLAH, West Bank -U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice met on Saturday with Palestinians leaders at their government headquarters, with Israel's withdrawal this summer of troops and settlers from the Gaza Strip a main topic.

Ahead of separate talks with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, Rice said the two sides jointly must plan for when Jewish settlers start leaving their homes



cated day."

Rice was holding talks Saturday with Abbas and members of the Palestinian Cabinet, including Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia, Foreign Minister Nasser Al-Kidwa and Minister Nasser Interior

Yousef.

"I'm certainly going to talk with President Abbas about the need ... for the Palestinians to play a critical role in providing a secure environment in which the Gaza disengagement can take place," Rice said during her trip from Washington.

"Obviously, that means that the calm that he has discussed with the various Palestinian factions is going to have to hold," she said, adding that he must be tough with the militant group Hamas.

In southern Gaza on Saturday, Palestinian militants attacked a settlement. leading

to a gun fight that killed one of the attackers and wounded a second, the army said. No soldiers or residents were injured. **Rice's meeting with Sharon** was set for Sunday in Jerusalem. It was part of her weeklong trip to the Middle East and Europe.

Israel's planned August withdrawal from all 21 Jewish settlements on Gaza and four of the 120 in the West Bank is a major benchmark of progress toward an eventual peace deal. "What they are doing is mov-

ing thousands of people with

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U.S. Marines battle insurgents on two fronts in Iraq skills and local knowledge

Chase said.

By JACOB SILBERBERG Associated Press Writer

KARABILAH, Iraq -U.S. Marines and Iraqi forces battled insurgents on two fronts Saturday in restive western province, killing about 50 militants in a dusty frontier town in the military's latest campaign to stop foreign fighters infiltrating from neighboring Syria.

military The also announced Saturday that two U.S. soldiers were killed and one was wounded during a smallarms skirmish with insurgents late Friday while transporting a detainee near Buhriz, about 35 miles north of Baghdad. A civilian and the detainee also were killed, and five Iraqi police officers were wounded.

At least 1,718 members of the U.S. military have died since the Iraq war started in March 2003, according to an **Associated Press count.**

Operation Spear. or Romhe in Arabic, was in its second day in Karabilah, about 200 miles west of Baghdad, in Anbar province. Karabilah, which is along the Syrian border, long has been considered an insurgent hotbed. "The goal is not to seize territory," said Marine Col. Stephen Davis, a commander from New Rochelle, N.Y. "This is about going in and finding the insurgents. This is not a walk-through-theriver exercise." Three U.S. troops have been wounded since the operation began Friday, Davis said. The campaign involves about 1,000 Marines and Iraqi forces backed by battle tanks. About 100 insurgents have been captured, the military said. "Approximately 50 insurgents have been killed since the operation began," Marine Capt. Jeffrey Pool said from Ramadi, the provincial capital.

A second campaign of

about the same size, **Operation Dagger**, was launched Saturday - this one targeting the marshy shores of a remote lake north of Baghdad, About 1,000 U.S. Marines and Iraqi troops, backed by fighter jets and tanks, were participating.

in Gaza.

"There needs to be clarity

about what to expect," Rice told

reporters Friday, en route to

Jerusalem. "That, I think, will

lead to less confusion on what

is likely to be, under the best of

circumstances, a pretty compli-

Operation Dagger, or Khanjar in Arabic, is seeking insurgent training camps and weapons caches in the southern part of the Lake Tharthar area, 53 miles northwest of Baghdad.

On March 23, U.S. and Iraqi forces killed about 85 militants at a suspected training camp along Lake Tharthar. That raid turned up booby-trapped cars. suicide-bomber vests, weapons and training documents. The included insurgents Filipinos, Iraqis, Algerians, Moroccans, Afghans and Arabs from neighboring countries.

officials said. In Karabilah, Marines and Iraqi forces fought their way into the town. On Friday, U.S. fighter aircraft dropped bombs and the tanks fired shells at insurgents holed up inside buildings.

"Marines and Iraqi sol-

100 foreign fighters and discovered at least one car bomb factory, said Col. Bob Chase, chief of operations for the Second Marine Division. U.S. and Iragi troops encountered some resistance, but Chase did not characterize it as significant.

Iraqi troops did not participate in the earlier offensives. This time, they not only fought alongside the Americans

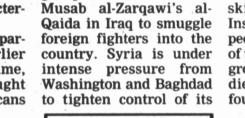
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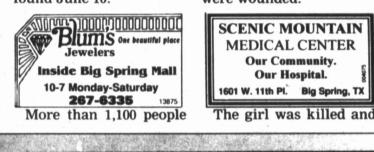
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with Iraq. to spot foreign fighters.

The area has been flush with insurgents in recent weeks. Marines carried out June 11 airstrikes that killed about 40 militants after a nearly fivehour gunfight on the outskirts of Karabilah. **Insurgents also killed 21** people — beheading three of them — believed to be a group of missing Iraqi soldiers. The bodies were found June 10.

have been killed since Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari's Shiite-led government was announced in April.

In other violence Saturday, insurgents killed at least four people in Baghdad, including two Iraqi soldiers and a 10-year-old girl, hospital and police officials said. Twenty people - including an Iraqi journalist were wounded.





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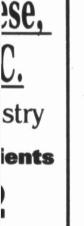
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ment," Pool said. During their sweep, four Iraqi hostages were found "beaten, handcuffed and chained to a wall in a bunker."

Marines carried out two major operations around Qaim last month, killing 125insurgents in **Operation Matador and 14** in Operation New Market. Eleven Marines were killed in those actions. which targeted insurgents using the road from Damascus, Syria, to Baghdad.

The new campaign began just before dawn Friday in the desert wastes around Karabilah and Qaim.

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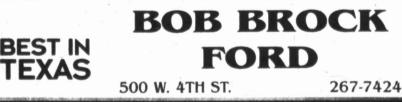


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Iran to have first runoff presidential elections in its history

By KATHY GANNON

Associated Press Writer TEHRAN. Iran Ayatollah Hashemi Rafsanjani, the frontrunner in Iran's presidential election, failed to win enough votes for an outright victory, forcing the country to schedule its first runoff in history.

With about three-quarters of the ballots counted. Rafsanjani had 21.5 percent after a strong voter turnout that defied a boycott drive by dissidents, according to the state-run media. Iran's hard-line leaders said **President** Bush helped fuel the turnout by sharply criticizing the elections as undemocratic and angering many Iranians.

But the race for runnerup was still up for grabs Saturday.

Conservatives were making a strong showing in the partial count. Mahdi Karroubi, the former parliament speaker, held the second spot with 20.2 percent. Karroubi is a close a close ally of Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who heads the non-elected theocracy that can overrule the president or parliament.

Karroubi was trailed by Tehran's conservative Mahmoud mayor. Ahmedinejad, with 17.2 percent. The top procandidate, reform Mostafa Moin, had fallen to fifth place with 14.3 behind percent. Mohammad Bache Qalibaf, a former head of the national police, with 15.2 percent.

But the final outcome could significantly

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their effects, and families, and it's going to be com-

reshuffle the race for run- steady hand at the helm. ner-up. City voters were able to navigate Iran considered to favor through the treacherous Rafsanjani and Moin, a days ahead, fraught with former culture minister. What was certain was nuclear program, relathat a run-off would be

election Iraq. presidential since the 1979 Iranian **Revolution**. An Interior Ministry official involved in the counting told The Associated Press that the vote was too splintered among the seven candidates to give anyone the required 50 percent plus one to win. A second round is planned for next Friday, he said.

Ministry Interior spokesman Johanbakhsh Khanjani announced voter turnout in some provinces had exceeded 80 percent. In others it the leader of Friday varied between 65 percent and 80 percent.

Iran has 46.7 million eligible voters, including millions of them living overseas. Votes from the populated heavier regions, such as Tehran with a population of 10.3 million, would be among the last to be tallied.

Rafsanjani, who was president between 1989 and 1997 and was the front-runner throughout the campaign, won his home province of Kerman, taking 45 percent of the vote, provincial election official Rasoul Moazemi told The Associated Press.

But even Rafsanjani's son Mahdi, who has been U.N. sanctions. working on the campaign, told The AP that his father couldn't get the 50 vote to avoid a run-off.

During the campaign. the pragmatic Rafsanjani portrayed himself as a

activities that are supposed to prejudge," the final terms of a peace settlement.

Israel has tried to force physically difficult to conterritorial concessions by building settlements and outposts on land that would presumably one day belong to a separate Palestinian homeland. The two sides are arguing now over whether Israel will build more than 3,000 homes new near Jerusalem. The U.S. long has supported the idea of two democratic states for Israelis and Palestinians. But it has not always been clear about the details.

uncertainty over the tions with the United needed in Iran's tightest States and neighboring

A day before the elec-Bush sharply tion, denounced the vote, saying it was designed to keep power in the hands of the clerics. But some Iranians said they were motivated to vote to retalagainst Bush's iate denunciations.

"I picked Ahmadinejad to slap America in the said Mahdi face," Mirmalek after attending Friday prayers at Tehran University.

At Tehran University. prayers, Ayatollah Mohammad Emami Kashani, told worshippers voting that "strengthens the pillars of the ruling Islamic establishment." Followers then joined in with the common chant of "Death to America!"

The United States accuses Iran of using nuclear technology as a cover to develop atomic arms. Iran denies the claims and insists it aims only for electricity-producing reactors. Iran has suspended uranium-enrichment work during ongoing talks with European envoys to seek a compromise and avoid possible

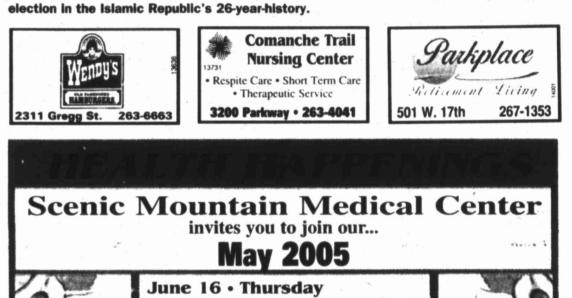
Iran's top security official, Hasan Rowhani, told reporters that Iran needs percent of the popular a "powerful and experienced" president to handle nuclear talks — an apparent plug for his ally Rafsanjani.

ritories.

He warned Israel not to complicate matters through settlements or Palestinians charge that other actions that make it struct viable Palestinian

Iran's Supreme Islamic Council, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, casts his vote in Friday's presidential election. Millions of Iranian voters cast ballots in the most contested presidential

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plicated," Rice said before the talks with the Palestinian leaders.

"I know Israel has done a lot of planning; I know the Palestinians have done a lot of planning. Our goal is to make sure they are doing their p'anning together," said Rice, who was in the region in February and held talks then with Abbas and Sharon.

The U.S. is taking a hands-off mostly approach to the peace process.

Rice warned Israel not to complicate the path to peace through new Jewish settlements just as the Gaza pullout date nears.

"We don't intend that the Israelis try to create facts on the ground," Rice said during the flight from Washington. "They simply cannot engage in

Recently, however, the Bush administration has made its stand on the nonew-settlements issue very plain.

With Abbas at his side at a White House meeting last month, President Bush made clear his support for a Palestinian be trained and act professtate within the rough sionally, I think they are outlines of the current West Bank and Gaza ter-

borders.

International concern about the Gaza plans centers on whether Israeli settlers will put up a fight and whether militants opposed to peace might try to disrupt the departure with violence.

In addition, there is the question of whether the Palestinians can sustain a working government and keep a lid on violence once the Israelis leave.

Rice gave a cautious endorsement of Palestinian progress to organize and train an effective security force.

"In terms of the Palestinians' apparent determination to streamline their security forces into a manageable number of forces that can then making progress on that," she said.



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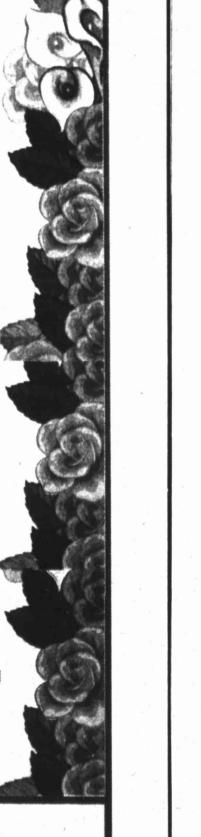
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Big Spring coaching carousel takes another spin

· Holt makes first move as new B.S. athletic director

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

Big Spring's new Athletic Director Tim Holt has wasted no time in dealing with the Steer athletic programs as his first move on the job was an unfortunate decision for one Big Spring head coach.

Sarah Corse, who coached the Big Spring tennis team the past five years, was reassigned earlier this week to coaching positions at the junior high level.

in the best interest of the athletic program," said Holt.

> Big Spring Superintendent Michael Downes added. "Reassignment happens

> every year at schools and this isn't really anything that isn't common."

Corse had been involved with the high school tennis program for the past 14 years. She served as an assistant for nine years before taking over as head. In her five years as head coach she went undefeated and won District 4-4A twice and finished second two more times. She also guided Veronica Villarreal to the state tournament this past



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Several other positions

The school district has for a new baseball coach. but board approval is needed before a hire will take place.

Several interviews will take place next week for the boy's basketball job vacated by Jim Kinnear and also for the tennis position after the reassignment of Corse.

"We hope to find someone in both of those positions by the end of next week," said Holt.

The swimming and volleyball positions have both been filled. Specific information on the swimming job was not available at press time.

The volleyball program will be taken over by Jason McAden, who served as the Western Texas College volleyball coach last year before leaving.

McAden takes the pro-

gram over from Revis Daggett, who resigned at season's end this past year to pursue other interests not involving coaching or teaching.

The athletic program may have some more openings in the near future, but nothing official has occurred.

"Several long-time coaches have approached me and said that they are going to look into other options, but nothing has happened at this time," said Holt. "I have heard some rumors, but that's all they are. I know of some that may decide to leave, but that will be against my wishes."



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Coahoma's annual ragball tournament set for end of June The annual ragball tournament which takes place in Coahoma has been set for next Friday through Sunday at the Coahoma softball park. The sign-up date has been scheduled for June Friday at 5 p.m. For more information, contact Patric

Robinson at 432-399

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at 432-393-5338.

Coahoma sets dates for baseball camp Coahoma High school and head base coach Brad ball Harman have set the school's annual baseball camp for June 27-30 at Bulldog Field in Coahoma. The camp costs \$75 per athlete and will run from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. all four days.

big with bull ride Gainesville natives take over in barrel

> racing competition By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

A better than average crowd got to see a lot better bull riding Friday night at the 72nd Annual Big Spring Cowboy **Reunion and Rodeo at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl**,

Three riders pulled off scores of more than 80 points and another rider scored a 79. Trent Cormier of Houma, La. turned in an impressive 88 and leads the way in the event after two nights of competition. Greg Fuller of Dimmitt scored an 85 and Travis Askew of Center was right behind him with an 81. The 79 was scored by Lubbock's Tommy Egerton.

"We just felt like it was spring. Cormier scores



shocked," said Corse. "I am not sure yet what I am going to do, but I do know that I am looking into finding another head coaching position."

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Each camper will also be given personal instruction that covers all main phases and fundamentals of baseball.

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The camp will be led by Coahoma coach Brad Harman and will be assisted by other qualified personnel. For more information, contact Harman at 816-3258.

Big Spring sets first Quarterback meeting The Big Spring football booster club has set its first quarterback club meeting of the year for Monday at 7 p.m. in the Big ng ATC. or more info, con ct Gene Piercefield 816-1134

The bull riding wasn't the only event that saw impressive scores Friday night.

took the overall lead in the bareback riding competition after scoring an 81 and two new leaders emerged in the ladies barrel racing event. Tana Avens and Jessica Love, both of Gainesville, recorded times of under See RODEO, Page 2B

leaderboard.

Clint Cannon of Waller 17 seconds in the event. Avens is the overall leader as she turned in a 16.77, while Love's 16.91 officially puts her in second place. Crystal Sturm of Big Spring also competed Friday night as she fin-



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Gainesville's Tana Avens gets around the final barrel in the barrel racing competition Friday night. Avens' time of 16.77 currently leads the rodeo, while Gainesville's Jessica Love's 16.91 is second. Both times were recorded during Friday's rodeo.

Sparks heads East for another all-star football weekend

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 B.S. graduate joins several gridiron stars in Arlington for all-star classic

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor Т h NationalAllStars.com

Bowl high school football classic is coming to h e University of Texas at Arlington and former **Big Spring SPARKS** J.

athlete Rich Sparks will be the stars among involved.

The classic will take place June 23-25 at Maverick Stadium in Arlington and feature several high school football players from the state of Texas and will also include players New Mexico, from Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas.

Sparks will play on the blue team along with Lubbock's Brad Griffis and Snyder's Lico Castillo.

Sparks and Castillo were chosen to play wide receiver, while Griffis will handle the kicking duties.

The game is known as a marquee event developed to honor the elite and deserving athletes in high school football.

The game will set the stage for which players can showcase their talents.

The players will also take part in the "College Football Testing Combine" prior to the game.

Players were selected by their head coaches to represent their respective high schools.

The teams are restricted to a two-deep roster which ensures each player will play at least half of the game.

The game itself will take place next Saturday, but several other things will be taking place besides the game. Thursday and Friday will be jammed packed, too. The college football testing combine will take place Thursday afternoon and a helmets only practice follows.

A full gear practice will take place Friday morning after breakfast and after lunch and then an awards ceremony follows Friday night.

There will be a walk through Saturday morning followed by a pregame meal. The game will kick-off at 4 p.m.

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Howard announce

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The Howard College

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will host two week-

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The first camp will

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while the second camp

starts July 24 and ends

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-ished the race in 17.37. Stetson Herrera of Portales, N.M., also competed well Friday. His score of 79 in the bareback riding event puts him in second place, just two points shy of the leader Cannon.

The best rider in the saddle bronc competition Friday was Josh Hunter of Mount Olive, Miss. He scored a 72, but sits in fourth overall after two nights of competition. Lance Kelly still leads the event with the 78 he turned in Thursday night.

Tommy Guy of Abilene still leads the tie down roping event after two nights as his 9.5 time scored Thursday is still holding up. The best time



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Members of the Big Spring VA Hospital compete in the calf dressing competition at the rodeo Friday night. The State Hospital won the event, while the VA Hospital and Scenic Mountain Medical Center took second and third, respectively.

Rogers returns to winning ways as Texas downs Nats

By STEPHEN HAWKINS ... pitches when he had to,"

AP Sports Wilter A Mashington's Marlon ARLINGTON (AP) -

Kenny Rogers didn't See RANGERS, Page 3B throw many pitches with**BIG SPRING HERALD**

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HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Colby Price of Aransas jumps down on a steer during the steer wrestling event Friday at the 72nd Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. Price scored an 8.7 and is currently in fifth place overall.



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ing two more camps this summer.

The Howard College

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The camps will both take place July 18-21.

The first camp is open for kindergarten through third grade and boys 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 second 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 head coach Earl Diddle at 264-5043 or assistant coach Eric Rodewald at 816-4327.

out a runner or two on base. That's all right when they don't score. Rogers pitched out of trouble all night, allowing just one of the 12 Washington **baserunners** he allowed to score over 6 1-3 innings. He won his career-best ninth straight decision in the Texas Rangers' 8-1 victory over

the Nationals on Friday. "I'm sure if you ask him, he didn't have his good stuff," shortstop Michael Young said. "But he ended up winning anyway."

Rogers (9-2) gave up eight hits and four walks in 6 1-3 innings, but the only run he allowed came on Cristian Guzman's leadoff homer in the seventh. The 40-year-old lefthander left with a 4-1 lead.

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Byrd said. "He doesn't slip into a pattern. We had been getting big hits, but it just didn't happen tonight."

After all the missed opportunities, the NL East-leading Nationals lost for only the third time in 18 games.

Hank Blalock hit a solo homer and two RBI singles, and Kevin Mench also connected for the Rangers, who from 1961-71 were the expansion Washington Senators the last team to play in the nation's capital until the Montreal Expos moved there this season. Frank Robinson managed Washington after appealing his one-game suspension.

He was punished by major league baseball earlier Friday for a shouting match with Angels manager Mike Scioscia on Tuesday.

Rogers, 0-2 in his first four starts, lowered his AL-leading ERA to 1.98. Over his last 10 starts, he has allowed 12 runs in 71 innings, including 31 conscoreless secutive innings at one point.

Only two of the first nine runners against Rogers made it to third base, and one was thrown out trying to score.

"He's not going to give in," catcher Rod Barajas said.

After Guzman's second homer, Rogers allowed another hit and then walked Nick Johnson. The pitcher was visibly upset when umpires ruled the hitter checked his swing on a full-count pitch.

When manager Buck Showalter came out of the dugout to pull him after 113 pitches, Rogers slammed the ball to the ground.

Vinny Castilla hit into an inning-ending double play on reliever John Wasdin's first pitch.

Wide-open U.S Open leaves 27 players in line for possible win bit the "thorough exami- Mickelson, Els nation" the USGA always

continue to struggle at Pinehurst No. 2

By EDDIE PELLS

AP Sports Writer PINEHURST, N.C. (AP) Retief Goosen is one of the most accomplished players in the game. Olin Browne and Jason Gore slipped into the U.S. Open almost unnoticed.

Now, they have something in common - a share of the lead in a wide-open tournament at brutal. withering Pinehurst No. 2, a course that is providing every

See OPEN, Page 4B Texas gives up on

under.

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Astacio, designates him for assignment

ARLINGTON (AP) -**Right-hander** Pedro Astacio was designated for assignment by Texas the second Friday, Rangers starter let go this month.

Astacio was 2-8 with a 6.04 ERA in 12 starts for Texas. The 35-year-old pitcher lost seven of his last eight decisions.

The Rangers have 10 days to trade, release or outright Astacio to the minor leagues.

Right-hander Ryan Drese, the Rangers' opening-day starter, was designated for assignment RedHawks.

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June 8 and claimed by Washington.

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"If you get worried

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this particular stage will

hammer you," Browne

said Friday, after his 1-

over 71 left him tied for

the second-round lead at 2

Browne, Gore (67) and

Goosen (70) are hardly the

within five shots of the

championship.

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Before signing with Texas in February, Astacio had made just one start since undergoing shoulder surgery in 2003. He got an \$800,000, one-year contract that included another potential \$2.2 million in roster and performance bonus-

The Rangers purchased the contract of right-hander Jason Standridge from Triple-A Oklahoma. He was 5-3 with a 4.50 ERA in 15 games for the

only ones with a chance. players weekend **KRT photo/Patrick Sci** der. Charlotte Ob

Phil Mickelson shows the frustration of his play on the 16th green during the second round of the 2005 U.S. Open at Pinehurst No. 2 Friday in Pinehurst, N.C.

Major League Baseball — current league-wide standings

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John Patterson (3-2) allowed four runs and eight hits over five innings in his first loss since April 10 - his first start.

Alfonso Soriano doubled to start the second and scored his AL-high 50th run on a single by Laynce Nix.

Blalock's 12th homer came an inning later.

*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

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lead. Among them are K.J. Choi (70) and Mark Hensby (68) at 1 under, Vijay Singh (70) and Sergio Garcia (69) at even par and Tiger Woods (71) at 1 over.

Not so close were Ernie Els (7 over) and Phil Mickelson (6 over), both of whom came closer to the cut line than the leaders.

Such is the nature of this tournament, being played on a crispy course with hard fairways, gnarled, nasty rough and humpbacked greens that don't roll like many others these guys play.

Goosen seems to thrive under these conditions. The two-time champion, who won at baked-out Shinnecock Hills last year, made a passel of nice saves to shoot even par and further cement his reputation as a player who doesn't let tough courses get to him.

Gore has won before, but never at this level. A successful veteran of the Nationwide Tour, he made it back to his first Open since 1998 through qualifying and suddenly finds himself contending for the championship.

This is golf at its most difficult and unpleasant, and there were snapshots all over the course Friday to illustrate the frustration.

Woods, who claimed he was happy after his 71, left a par putt short on No. 9 and angrily scraped his putter along the green, scuffing the grass as he walked off.

Mickelson looked more like his old sad-sack self I'm - slumped shoulders, Mickelson said.

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that 'why-me' grin after missing no fewer than three putts of 5 feet or less en route to a 77, his worst U.S. Open score since 1994.

David Toms whacked his wedge to the ground in disgust, part of a day in which he took the lead at 4 under, then played his last two holes in 5 over to wind up four strokes off the lead.

Rocco Mediate turned his share of the firstround lead into a threestroke deficit.

Browne, who shoot a 59 Monday in the second round of a qualifier in Maryland to earn a spot at Pinehurst, kept things together nicely considering his debacle at the par-3 sixth. He went from the front bunker to the back bunker, then past the pin and down the slope off the green. After a safe chip to 25 feet, he holed the putt for double bogey.

Offering a small dose of comic relief was Nick Jones, who stuck his second shot on No. 18 onto the clubhouse roof. He got a free drop and made a 7 to finish the back nine in 40 - still one stroke better than Mickelson.

"We had no idea the ball was going to fly like that," said Jones' caddie, Andrew Pfannkuche.

Mostly, though, this one was a grind – one in which a whopping 83 players finished within 10 strokes of the lead and earned the right to come back for the weekend and compete for the title.

It figures to be a grueling 36 holes. And it is still anybody's tournament.

"I think 36 pars might have an outside chance of winning and that's what hoping for,"



KRT photo/ Patrick Schneider, Charlotte Observer

Sergio Garcia hits his tee shot on the ninth hole during the second round of the 2005 U.S. Open at Pinehurst No. 2 Friday in Pinehurst, N.C.

Clemens shuts down suddenly hot Royals

By DOUG TUCKER

AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) – Roger Clemens got his 333rd win with his 500th decision, dominating the Kansas City Royals once again in leading the Houston Astros to a 7-0 victory Friday night. Clemens (5-3) allowed

four hits, struck out six and walked three, lowering his major league-leading ERA to 1.53.

The Rocket, ninth on the careers wins list, has not surrendered a run in five road starts this year spanning 32 innings.

He won his ninth three straight decision over the Royals, improving to 24-7 with a 2.17 ERA against them.

Clemens got three straight outs after Kansas City's first two runners reached in the second.

In the fifth, he walked Angel Berroa and David DeJesus with two outs, then threw a called third strike past Matt Stairs.

J.P. Howell (1-1), who broke Clemens' two-year strikeout record at the University of Texas before the Royals drafted him a year ago, gave up four runs, five hits and wins overall, its best 14 since May 1.

walks in six innings.

The 22-year-old left-hander, coming off a victory over Arizona last week in his major league debut, was a finalist last year for the Roger Clemens Award, given to the top college pitcher.

Morgan Ensberg and Eric Bruntlett hit solo Adam homers, and Everett and Lance Berkman each had two **RBIs** for the Astros. Houston improved to just 8-26 on the road.

Kansas City entered the night with five straight

streak in two years. Howell, making his sec-

ond major league start, looked every bit the nervous rookie in the first inning.

Willy Tavares singled leading off, Berkman hit a long RBI double with two outs, and Houston loaded the bases when Ensberg walked and Jason Lane was hit by a pitch.

Everett followed with a two-run double for a 3-0 lead.

Ensberg homered leading off the sixth, his 16th of the season — he has six in his last 12 games and

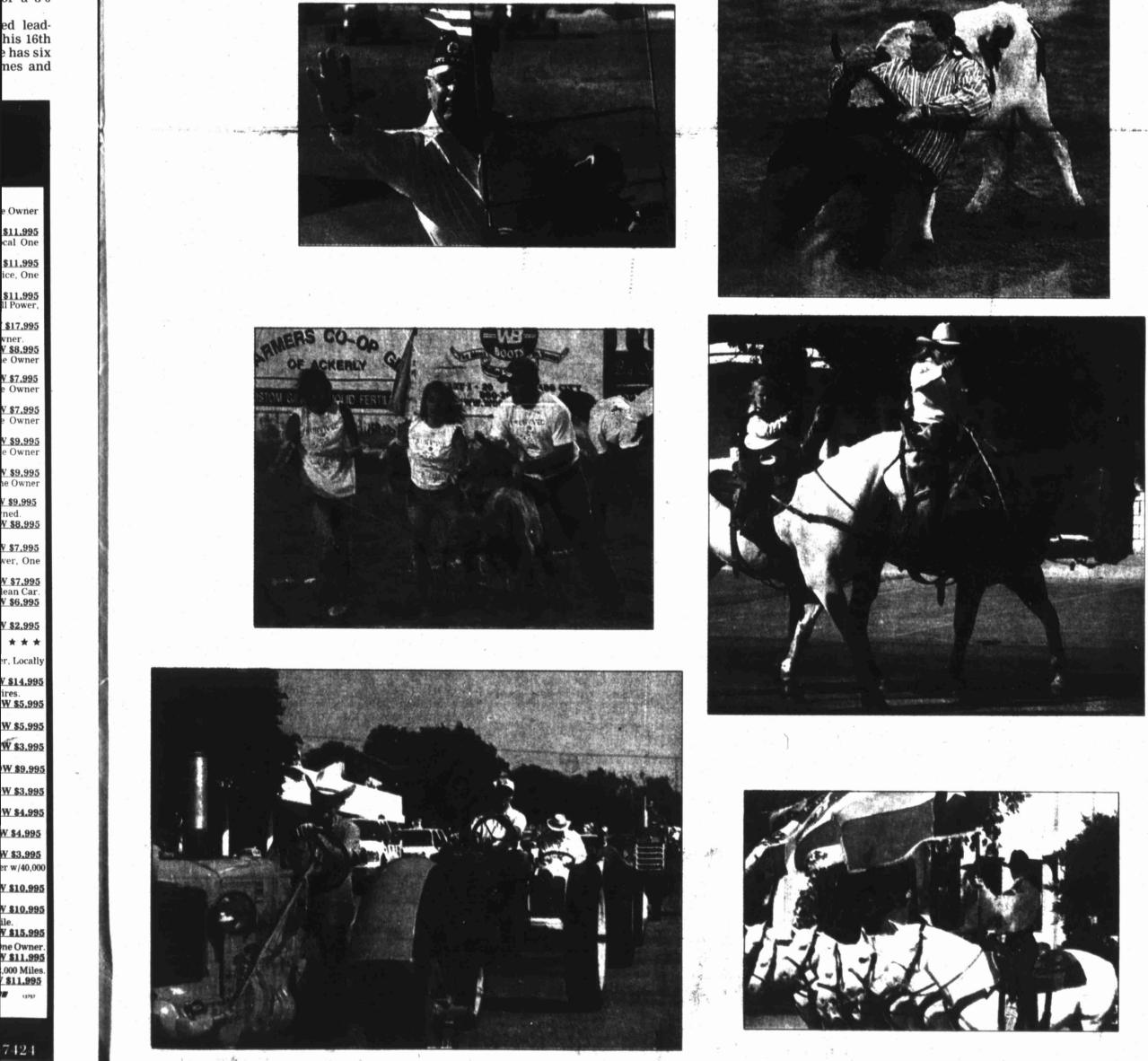
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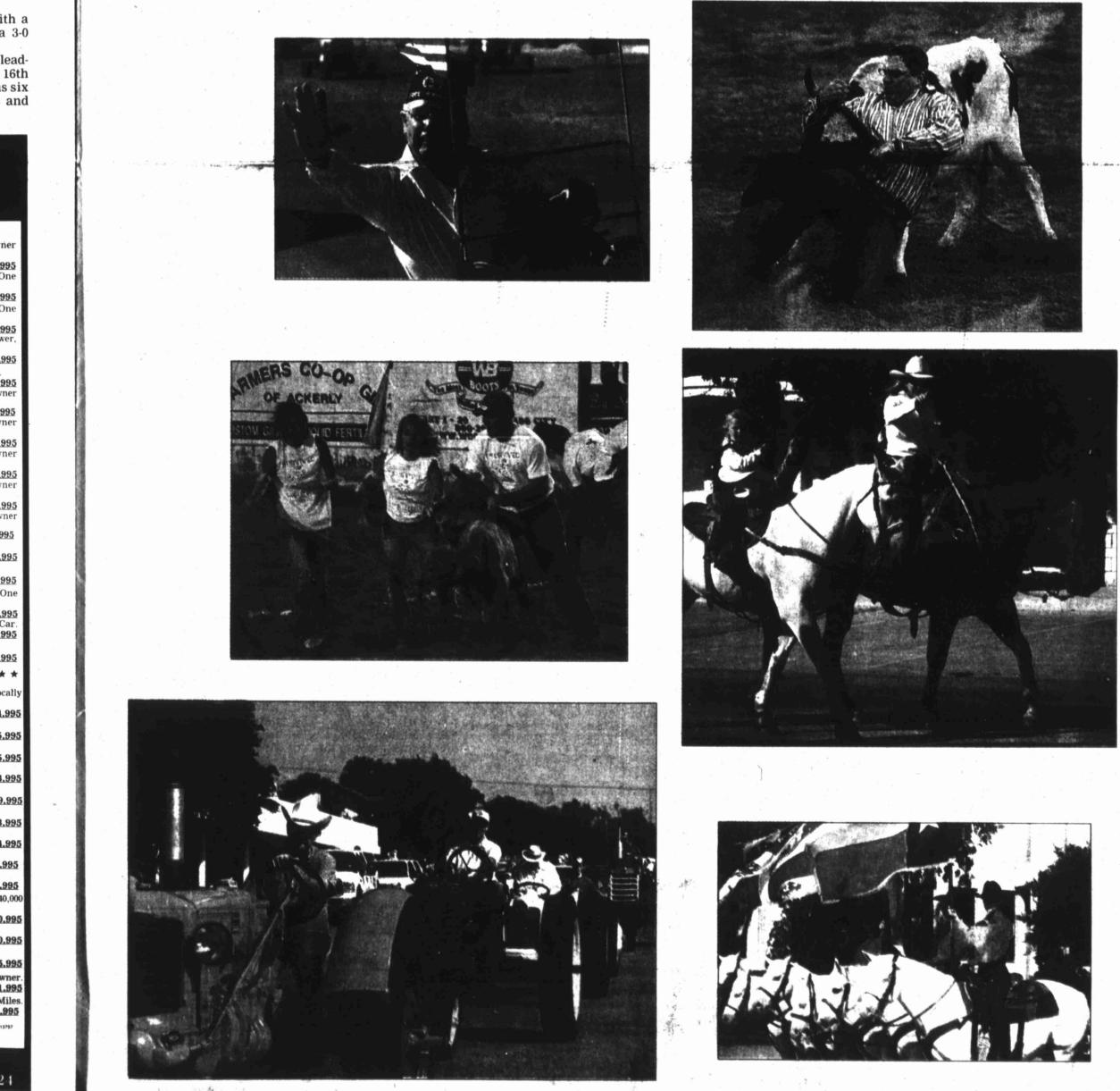
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Mr. and Mrs. Colton Blake Jones

The groom's 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 cheese cakes 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 bache-

The groom is a 2002 graduate of Coahoma High School and has been enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps since July

hood education.

lor's degree in early child-

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.

Who's Who ACU Dean's Halliday. **Honor Roll** John Paul Giles of Big

Moore, Jones wed

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, and Shirley Don **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 Walker Lavinia of Coahoma.

Given in marriage by father, Johnny her 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 and the full-length, sheer train was trimmed with pearls, beads and lace.

Her veil was trimmed with white satin ribbon and sequins.

red roses, white daises and bluebonnets, accent-

Laura Lea Moore of Big ed 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 Paimer 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 register 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 Roberts the Dora 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

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Robles

Martinez, Robles wed

Matt Robles of Big Spring exchanged wedding vows Saturday, May 28, 2005, at First Baptist Church in **Big Spring**.

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The ceremony was officiated by the Rev. **Reynaldo Bennett and the** Revs. Samuel and Christina Segundo.

She is the daughter of Tony and Sylvia Martinez and he is the son of Oscar and Patricia Robles.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a princess-cut gown with a beaded bodice and long, beaded train.

Jacob Ruiz served as vocalist.

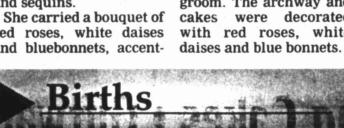
Toni Lynn Martinez and Tricia Hernandez

served as maids of honor. Brides maids were Caleb Chavez and Pat Susie Scheiber, Patsy Rodriguez, Frances Morales, Sally Gomez, Norma Shipp, Louisa Zavala, Margie Rosas, Galan, Janel

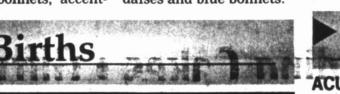
Crystal Martinez and Rodriguez, Eva Ortega, Irene Deleon, Haley Ruiz, Rose Garcia and Irma Rodriguez. Flower girls were

Cassandra Martinez and Caitlin Chavez and ring bearers were Anthony Martinez and Patrick Ruiz. Candle lighters were Ida Sanchez and Elida Fuentes. Bubble girls were Corie Naphier and Chelsea Sawyers.

Jesse Rodriguez and John Ray Hernandez served as best men. **Groomsmen were Darwin** Scheiber, Benito Rodriguez, Daniel Morales, Roy Gomez, Mike Shipp, Antonio Zavala, John Rosas, Pete Galan, John Galan, Pete Ramirez, Samuel Deleon, Rodriguez.







Wedding

Ushers and greeters were Don Scheiber, and Susie Johnny Martinez and Jesse and Vicki Malinda Olivarez.



Calvin Lee Zant and Davida Jane Gregory

Gregory, Zant engaged

of Lubbock announce their engagement and upcoming marriage at 2 p.m. June 26, 2005, in the attending Hotel Garza in Post.

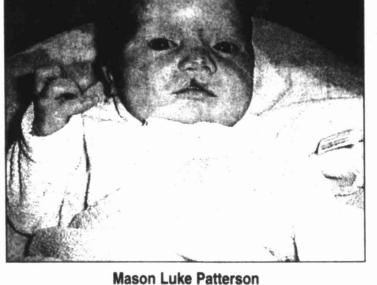
She is the daughter of Joe and Sheila Gregory of Post and the granddaughter of Herschel Williams and the late David Williams of Post and Rance and LouAnn Gregory of Clarendon.

The groom-elect is the son of David and Connie Zant of Ackerly and the

Davida Jane Gregory grandson of Bud and Joe and Calvin Lee Zant, both Hughes of Knott and Rex and Patsy Zant of Ackerly.

bride-to-be is The Lubbock Christian University, majoring in education. She is employed as a pharmacy technician for **Covenant Medical Center.** He is Texas Tech graduate, where he earned a bachelor degree in computer science.

He is employed by Smooth Fusion as a Web site developer.



Luke 2005, at 9:58 p.m., weighason Patterson, a ing 7 pounds, 11 ounces boy, was born May 27, 2005, at 8:31 a.m. weighing 8 pounds, 2 ounces and 19 3/4 inches long.

parents His are Jennifer and Todd Patterson of Big Spring. His grandparents are Dr. Robert and Claude Patterson of Big Spring and Paricia Picarazzi of Rockport.

ennedy Johann Osborne, a girl, was born June 8,

In the Military

Matthew L. Andrews Matthew L. Andrews has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force after completing the Air Force **ROTC** (Reserve Officer Training Corps) program and graduating with a bachelor's degree from Oklahoma State University.

He is the son of Donnie and Genia Andrews of

Big Spring and Jennifer

and 20 inches long.

Randy and

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Her parents are John

Her grandparents are

Robertson of Big Spring,

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She was welcomed

home by siblings Brooks,

Kasey, Branden and

Vicki

and Anna Osborne of Big

ROTC is an educational program designed to provide college students an opportunity to be Air Force officers after completing military study courses and bachelor's degrees.

Andrews received a bachelor's degree in aviation management.

Spring, a junior majoring in Christian ministry, Jamie Anita Pineda of Big Spring, a senior majoring in psychology and April Lynn Ward of Big Spring, a senior majoring in integrated marketing communications has been named to the Abilene Christian University's honor roll for the Spring 2005 semester.

To make the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours and earn a 3.45 or higher grade point average.

Texas Tech

scholarships awarded

Two Big Spring students have been awarded Presidential Transfer Scholarships from Texas Tech University. Cody Bryant will pursue a degree in exercise and sport science, and Porsha Yarbar will pursue a degree in agricultural communications. Both previously attended Howard College. The scholarship pays \$2,500 per academic year for two years.

Texas Tech graduates

Among 782 people who received degrees during Texas Tech the University Health Science Center commencement exercise May 21 were Connie Sue Zant, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Hughes; David Salazar, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Celedonio Salazar; and Jefferson David Murphree, the son Linda Murphree of

Lori Marie Ellis of Big Spring was named to the Howard Payne **University's President's** List for the spring 2005 semester.

She is the daughter of **Timothy and Diane Ellis** and is currently majoring in biology.

Students must earn a grade point average of 4.0 to be named to the President's List.

McMurry University scholarships

The following area students were awarded scholarships from McMurry University for the 2005-2006 academic year: Lauren Marie Yeater of Big Spring, a Coahoma High School graduate, a \$1,000 Trustee Honors scholarship and Kellee Marie Christopher of Big Spring, a Coahoma High School graduate.

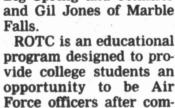
Kimberly Landerville

Kimberly Landerville of Big Spring, a McMurry University student, was named to the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, a national program.

Landerville was also selected for induction into Alpha Chi, a national honor society which recognizes the highest 10 percent in academic standing of junior and senior students.

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Big Spring and the late Garrison Walker, has been selected to represent the state of Texas at the 2005 Miss Junior Teen America Pageant.

The contest is in Windsor Locks, Conn., studies and dance classes. Oct. 7-9.

drawing and painting. Walker is an eighthgrade honors student and aspires to be a fashion a member of the Spanish designer and volunteers Club. She is also a memas a model of vintage ber of the youth choir clothing for the historic Scharborough Lineberry United Methodist Church and home. just returned from a five If selected to wear the city, nine-day praise tour

2005 Miss Junior Teen America national crown, Walker will enjoy a year of making personal appearances while working on her issue of concern, "Brush Off the Golden Rule and Let It Shine."

She will also have her column own in Supermodels Unlimited Magazine.

He was a quiet and gentle servant of the Lord he loved so much, Never wanting recognition for all the lives he touched.

His hands were always busy helping others in need, Teaching us to do our best no matter

how small the deed.

He had a way of knowing what needed to be done, And he would volunteer before you

had a chance to ask anyone.

He was married sixty-one years to the love of his life,

Such devotion he showed on his daily visits, caring for his wife.

He always told his children the world a better place," What a legacy he left us by living his life so full of grace.

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Servant's Hands

By Sheila Tidwell LaRochelle

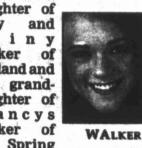
In loving memory of our Father on Father's Day, June 19, 2005 Sheila Tidwell LaRochelle **Tanya Tidwell Price**

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that Washington, D.C. She is WALKER also a member of her church's youth group and will participate in a mission trip to Gonzales in July. During the school year, Walker participates in





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SPRING HERALD

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Current account trade deficit rises to all-time high of \$195.1 billion

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER

AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON - The deficit in the broadest measure of international trade rose to an all-time high of \$195.1 billion from January through March of this year as the country sank deeper into debt to Japan, China and other nations.

The Commerce Department reported Friday that the deficit

in the current account rose by 3.6 percent from the previous quarterly record, an imbalance of \$188.4 billion in the final three months of 2004.

The current account deficit has risen to record heights in recent years as America's demand for foreign goods and servicers has soared, raising worries about the country's ability to continue financing a trade deficit at such heights.

U.S. demand for imports continues to drive the current account deficit higher," said Nigel Gault, U.S. economist at Global Insight. "At present, the dence helped bolstered confirest of the world is happy to keep financing the deficit but that won't be the case indefinitely."

The preliminary June reading from the University of 94.8, the highest level since January and a sharp increase from the May reading of 86.9.

The gain in consumer confidence on Wall Street with the Dow Jones industrial average rising 48 points in late morning trading. Stocks were rising even in the face of a new surge in oil prices. Crude oil prices Michigan survey of consumer climbed above \$57 per barrel in

"The seemingly insatiable sentiment showed a rebound to trading Friday, near the peak for intraday trading of \$58.28 set in April.

The current account deficit for all of 2004 hit a record \$668.1 billion, up a sharp 28.6 percent from the previous record of \$519.7 billion in 2003.

The current account is the broadest measure of foreign trade because it covers not only

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Despite fire, restaurant's doors were back open and catering under way

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Smoke coming from Al's & Son Bar-B-Q restaurant on Big Spring's Gregg Street is not an uncommon sight. At least it wasn't until

last Saturday evening. started "The fire Saturday night in the kitchen, of course," said business owner Chuck Bagwell. "One of our pits caught on fire. We've been in the barbecue business for over 40 years, between me and my dad, and we've never had a fire caused by a pit. It's just unusual. We don't know exactly what happened, but it caught fire.

"We've had fires before. but never caused by anything in the kitchen," he added. "Ten years ago a contractor did some roofing work and he used a torch and caught a door on fire. It burned in the there." attic, but it never got down into the kitchen." Bagwell said the damage could have been much worse, but getting the restaurant back to

normal is going to take some time.

"This whole place out here was dark with smoke damage," said Bagwell, motioning to the restaurant's dining room. "We've cleaned it up and it's going to have to be repainted, but we've got it going for right now. We were in here working on it last Saturday morning, and we're still working on getting things cleaned up Wednesday. We still have some cleaning to do, but we were able to open back up Wednesday.

"The damage was pretty minimal," he added. "There was a little bit of fire damage to the sheet rock in the kitchen, but it didn't go through. There was a lot of smoke, though. We're going to have to do some painting and lay some carpet. There's also some more work to be done in the kitchen, but we're getting

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18 refineries ready to spend \$1 billion on cutting pollution

By JOHN HEILPRIN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON - Four companies — Valero, Sunoco, Tesoro and Suncor Energy - will install nearly \$1 billion in new pollution controls at 18 oil refineries, a third of them in Texas, in settlements with the government and seven states over alleged violations of clean air laws.

Valero and Sunoco, responsible for most of the improvements, also will pay fines totaling \$8.5 million. The refineries covered in consent decrees filed Thursday in federal courts in Texas and Pennsylvania represent about 15 percent of the nation's refining capacity.

Valero, based in San Antonio, estimates it will cost more than \$700 million to install smokestack scrubbers and chemical additives at 13 refineries in six states. That includes \$5 million to \$6 million that Suncor Energy Calgary, of Alberta, will spend on a former Valero refinery in Denver, Valero spokeswoman Mary Rose Brown said. Tesoro, also based in San Antonio, will spend an unspecified amount to clean up a former Valero refinery in Martinez, Calif.

"We really do believe

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HERALD photo/Tho Harris Lumber and Hardware owner Steve Herren, Ernestine Harris, Gay Herren cut the ribbon commemorating the local business' 40th year of service in Big Spring. Also pictured, from left, are Katie Grimes, Sherry Wegner, Jan Hansen, Les Warren, Stephanie Hopper with young Reese Rutledge, Heather Rutledge, Donna Coates, Emmalee Schooler, Leela Schooler, Connie Schooler, Kevin Schooler. Also pictured, in the back row, are Tito Arencibia, John Weeks, Joe **Concienne and Russ McEwen.**

Veterinary advisory issued for rabbit hemorrhagic disease

case of rabbit hemorrhagic disease (RHD) has been identified in domestic rabbits on a Vanderburgh County, Indiana farm.

While highly infectious to domestic breeds, the virus is not known to harm humans, other animals or wild rabbit species, including American cottontail and jack rabbits.

The Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) and **USDA Veterinary Services are** pursuing the source of infection as a foreign animal disease investigation.

The ongoing investigation currently indicates that rabbits from the infected site were not sold into pet shop or exhibition circles. The animals were sold primarily as a food source for large snakes. While not yet confirmed, the epidemiology indicates the sick rabbits may have originated from a Kentucky flea market/swap meet.

BOAH has been in contact with state and national rabbit industry representatives, as well as state 4-H. A press

release has been issued to advise rabbit owners on clinical signs to be reported to their local veterinarian.

You may receive inquiries or calls about sudden death in rabbits from your clients. Please take time to assess their situation to determine if the problem could be RHD. because high temperatures can cause heat-related deaths. The presence of clear or bloody, foamy discharge

from body cavities is key to the differential.

If you believe a client's rab-

bit has died of RHD:

1. Encourage the owner to keep the carcass and other potentially infected animals on his/her site. This virus is highly resistant to physical and chemical agents and could be detrimental to your clinic environment.

2. Also advise the client to practice sound biosecurity and not risk exposure spreading the disease by other physical means (such as moving contaminated organic material, cages, bedding, etc.)

3. Contact BOAH (24 hours a

day/7 days a week) at 877/877-3038 for assistance from a foreign animal disease diagnostician. Samples will be collected and submitted to the USDA laboratory.

More information about RHD is available on the USDA website at www.aphis.usda.gov

Tommy Yeater is the Cooperative Extension agent, agriculture, for Howard County. His office is in the bottom floor of the Howard County Courthouse. He can be reached at 264-2236.

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Chuck Bagwell, second-generation barbecue master and owner of Al's & Sons Bar-B-Q, slices brisket despite having spent nearly a week cleaning up damages caused by a fire at the Gregg Street restaurant.



CELEBRATING 40 YEARS IN BUSINESS

Big Spring Herald Weekend Edition, June 18-19, 2005

Tiny Amalgamated Bank seen as David in Goliath **Enron settlements**

Most Enron investors have probably never heard Amalgamated Bank, but they might want to thank the tiny company.

The New York Citybased bank has only a dozen branches and about 500 workers in a town dominated by two of the world's largest financial institutions - Citigroup Inc. and JPMorgan Chase & Co. Amalgamated is akin to a David that cost the two banking goliaths billions of dollars in one of the largest class-action settlements in history. **JPMorgan Chase agreed**

late Tuesday to pay \$2.2 billion to settle the lawsuit for its role in helping Enron engineer an accounting fraud. Last week, Citigroup — the nation's largest financial

NEW YORK (AP) - institution - agreed to pay \$2 billion. Corp. One week after Enron's 2001 of

collapse, Amalgamated became the first to sue to recoup the \$20 million it lost. Since that lawsuit was filed. some 50,000 other claimants have joined the case and up to a million more investors have been invited to do so.

"What's frustrating to me, truth be known, is that there are financial institutions that have one thing at heart — their own stock price performance," said Ron Luraschi, Amalgamated's chief operating officer. "They're willing to do everything, whatever they need to sell or lobby, to reach their financial objectives. Sometimes they lose sight of what's important."

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23, and Joy Annette Chadwick, 26, both of Big Spring.

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Warranty deeds:

Grantor: Marcus L. Wetzel and Ronda S. Wetzel

Grantee: Ben Beckham and Brandi Beckham Property: Lot 19, Block 22,

Monticello Addition

Date Filed: June 2, 2005

Grantor: Estainslo Sosa Dominguez Grantee: Martin Anguiano and Elizabeth Anguiano

Property: A tract out of Section 42, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey

Date Filed: June 2, 2005

Grantor: New Century Home Equity

Grantee: Richard Spencer Property: A .5 acre tract out of Secvtion 48, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey

Date Filed: June 8, 2005

Grantor: Judy Gillean Blair and Jeannie Gillean Moore Grantee: Chuck Rodenbaum

Property: Lots 1, 11 and 12. Block 10. Brennand Addition

Date Filed: June 9, 2005

Grantor: A.C. Kelley Grantee: Scott Ronald

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Property: Lot 9, Block 14, Cole and Strayhorn Addition Date Filed: June 9, 2005

Grantor: Wanda Howell and Mary Chaney

Grantee: Jane Armstrong Property: Lot 3, Block 17, **College Park Estates** Date Filed: June 10, 2005

Warranty deeds with vendors lien:

Grantor: Larry A. Ray and Helen A. Ray

Grantee: Shawn Boyd and Jennifer Boyd

Property: Lot 6, Block 16, Kentowood Unit 2 Date Filed: June 1, 2005

Grantor: Richard Newell and Connie Newell

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Grantor: Danny L. Williams and Kathleen P. Williams Grantee: Scott Goodblanket Jr. and Dolores Goodblanket

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with the Clean Air Act. Most of these infractions occurred before Valero ever owned or operated these facilities," Brown said.

'Once all that work is completed within a decade, emissions of smog-forming nitrogen oxides are expected to drop by 4,000 tons a year and acid rain-causing sulfur dioxide by 16,000 tons. the Environmental Protection Agency said.

Six of the 12 Valero refineries covered under the consent decrees are in Texas: two in Corpus Christi and one each in Houston; Texas City; Three Rivers, south of San Antonio; and Sunray, north of Amarillo.

The two affected Tesoro

tigations into refineries' air quality starting in the mid-1990s. They are intended to enforce the Clean Air Act.

including the 1977 amendments known as "new source review." That program was designed to force industrial sources of pollution to install state-of-the-art emission controls when they make significant repairs or modifications.

"Sixty-five percent of our nation's petroleum refining capacity now has committed to make significant improvements that will benefit everyone," Thomas V. Skinner, **EPA's acting enforcement** chief, said Thursday.

Kelly A. Johnson, an acting assistant attorney general, said the Justice Department "will continue to aggressively pursue actions like these" across

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County Court Decisions:

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District Court Filings:

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refineries are in Denver and Martinez, Calif.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott said in a news release that Valero will spend another \$11 million for related environment projects at its Texas refineries.

Sunoco, based in Philadelphia, will install \$285 million in new controls at four refineries in three states to cut their annual emissions of nitrogen oxides by 4,500 tons and sulfur dioxide by 19,500 tons. Both pollutants also cause serious respiratory ailments and worsen cases of childhood asthma.

Valero also will pay a \$5.5 million civil penalty and spend an added \$5.5 million on environmental projects. Sunoco will pay a \$3 million civil penalty and spend \$3.9 million on projects.

The settlements are the 14th and 15th reached since December 2000, the last full month of Bill

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trade in goods and services but also foreign aid and investment flows between nations.

The U.S. deficit must be finananced by foreigners agreeing to hold more in dollar-denominated investments, something that so far they have been quite happy to do as they sell Americans more and more foreign cars, television sets and other consumer products.

Economists worry that at some point foreigners may lose their enthusiasm for dollar-denominated investments and begin dumping their holdings in U.S. stocks and bonds. Such a development could

the refining industry.

EPA's inspector general, however, said in a report last year that the agency is doing a poor job of managing the documents that companies submit as part of agreements. Environmentalists also have complained that deadlines in prior settlements were repeatedly extended.

Valero's affected refineries are in Benicia and Wilmington, Calif.; Corpus Christi (two refineries), Houston. Sunray, Texas City and Three Rivers, Texas; Krotz Springs and St. Charles Parish, La.; Ardmore, Okla; and Paulsboro, N.J. affected Sunoco's

refineries are in Philadelphia and Marcus Hook, Pa.; Toledo, Ohio; and Tulsa, Okla.

On the Net: Justice Department: http://www.usdoj.gov

cause interest rates in the United States to soar and

push the value of the dollar and stocks down sharply. If the reaction was severe enough, it could push the country into a recession.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has called the current account levels unsustainable but he also has said that market forces should be able to deal with the problem in a way that will not seriously disrupt the U.S. economy.

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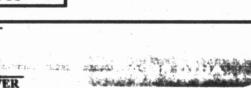
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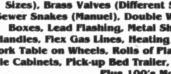
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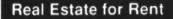
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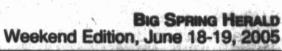
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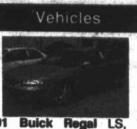
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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING The Howard County Commission-ers will conduct a public hearing on

June 27, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. in the County Commissioners Court, lo-cated at 300 Main St., Big Spring, Texas to receive public input con-cerning the consideration of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Wind Plus, Inc.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend and present their **Ben Lockhart**

County Judge May 24, 2005 #4583 June 19, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING The Howard College Board of Trustees will conduct a public hearing on Monday, June 27, 2005, at 12:30 p.m. in the East Room of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas to receive public input concerning the consideration of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Wind Plus, Inc.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend and present their

Dr. CHERYL SPARKS President Date: June 16, 2005 #4596 June 19, 2005

Glasscock County ISD is accepting proposals for the purchase of prop-erty and casualty insurance, cafe-teria supplies, cafeteria perishables teria supplies, caleteria perishabi and milk, janitorial supplies, co paper, diesel fuel, unleaded gas BS, CODY line, propane, lubricants, vehicle mainte mance supplies, liability in

surance, student insurance, pest control, and drug dog searches. Specifications are avail able in the superintendent office of the Glasscock County ISD located in Garden City, Texas. A copy of the specifications may be examined from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. regular work days in the Administration Bidg. located at 308 West Chambers, Garden City, Texas.

For more information call the superintendent's office 432-354-2230 or write PO Box 9, Garden City, Texas 79739. For technical information on the proposals call Sieve Long, superintendent or Tor., 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

> **CITY OF BIG SPRING** PUBLIC NOTICE JUNE 6, 2005

THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF **BIG SPRING WILL HOLD A PUB-**LIC HEARING AT 5:30 P.M., TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2005 IN THE **CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 307** EAST 4TH, BIG SPRING, TEXAS TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOW-ING

A Zone Change from Light Indus-trial (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

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: dchurch well@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 tabu-lated and final determination of big award will be made at a future

board meeting. Technical and bidding questions are directed to Dennis Churchwell

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS The Scorpio moon ushers in Father's Day, guaranteeing that surprises

stay hidden until the appropriate moment. This is a perfect moon for anyone who is trying to heal or transform a relation-

HOLIDAY ship with MATHIS Make Dad. early; an move though, or the

moment, the Scorpio moon and the last gasp of spring will slip by. Get ready for summer! **ARIES (March 21-April**

19). It doesn't matter how many positive thoughts you have now unless you are also feeling passionate and alive. Sing your heart out, jump up and down, dance wildly whatever it takes to get juices pumping through you again.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The best way to pay tribute to the paternal influence in your life is not with expensive gifts. A list of the contributions you are most grateful for will be a treasure forever. Dig down deep, and pour your heart out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There are days to listen and days to quietly do your own thing. This is one of the latter. Other people's opinions can be a detriment because they sway your own, which

happen to be right on. **CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You've had your issues with authority in the past, but today, you feel nothing but thankful for the guidance you've received. Mentors and teachers are not above you. They are simply equals who have walked your path before.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's not the best hand you've ever been dealt, but you still must decide

knowledge one acquires, the more one can affirm he/she knows nothing. It's not too early to act on what you've learned.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Reserve a little tenderness for the people in your life who come off as tough. Your wisdom tells you that the bravado is just a facade covering up a secret, sensitive heart that's afraid of heing found out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Memories are a source of strength to you - the more specific the better. Share them with the family, and you'll be amazed at how everyone has a different version of what happened.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If your dad tells you that you can or can't do something, you're likely to believe it. It's a fine time to contemplate the messages you got along the way and how you're still enacting them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Many times in your life you have been stuck in the expectation of living and thus not really living at all. Today, stay with the moment, even if it feels like you're doing nothing. It's better than living in the future.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are so many ways to show your love. The best ideas spring from your affectionate heart, as opposed to your keen intellect. So donit think too much. Feel your way through.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: The summer solstice has been celebrated in one way or another by so many cultures throughout history that one would be hardpressed to find a culture that didn't celebrate it. June celebrations called Vestalia, the Feast of St. John the Baptist, Midsummer, etc. al occur somewhere around the longest day of the year. Officially, the sol stice (a Latin-derived word meaning "sun stand still") is marked by the sun's annual entrance into Cancer. It's a time when the snow has melted, the ground has thawed and things are blooming. It's traditionally a break between the planting and the harvest, so it's no surprise that most schools are off during the summer. It's a time to let loose and let nature take its course. A variety of growing happens - from plants, to bodies, to ideas — and not with a lot of effort, but with a lot of faith in the process. This week is filled with magic just waiting to be tapped. The promises hanging in the atinosphere are there to be discovered, explored and fully received. Don't assume opportunities are for someone else. Open your arms as if to assume that life's bounty was meant all for you. PRO-CELEBRITY FILES: Paula Abdul is a Gemini with Venus snugly in the sign of showmanship, Leo, in her birth chart. Her love of entertainment has taken her from behind the scenes advisor, to the featured role in the spotlight, to doing both as an "American Idol" judge. Lately Abdul's personal life has been rife with unexpected obstacles - a situation that will improve as Jupiter trines her natal Saturn later this month. If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Holiday Mathis, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.



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Director of Purchasing, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432)264-5167, e-mail: dchurch well@howardcollege.edu. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any or all #4592 June 12 & 19, 2005.

PUBLIC NOTICE Services To Eligible Person **Under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA)**

The Permian Basin Workforce Development Board (PBWDB) issues this public notice of its annual strategic and operational Plan Modification. PBWDB is responsible for the implementation of workforce development programs throughout its Board area, which includes the following counties: Andrews, Bor-Crane, Dawson, Ector, den, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Lov-Martin, Midland, Pecos, ing. Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward, Win-

Available to the public is a PBWDB draft of the strategic and operational Plan Modification for the plan year of July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. The public comment period will begin Wednesday, June 15, 2005 and will end at noon on Monday, July 18, 2005. The general public may access the document Monday- Friday, 8 am- 5 pm at 2911 La Force Blvd., Midland, Texas. Public comments must be submitted in writing attention: Willie Taylor-Plan Modification, PBWDB, P.O. Box 61947, Midland, Texas 79711, or by fax to (432)561-8785. The deadline to receive comments is 12 noon on July 18, 2005. All comments will be incorporated as part of the Board's Plan Modification. The Permian Basin Workforce Development Board is an equal opportunity organization. #4595 June 15 & 19, 2005.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of DALE R. HILLGER, Deceased, were issued on June 14, 2005, in Cause No. P-353, pending in the County Court of Glasscock County, Texas to: Jo Ann Hillger. 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 Estate of Dale R. Hillger c/o: Jo Ann Hillger P.O.Box 358 Garden City, Texas 79739 DATED the 14th day of June. 2005. **Glynna Mouton** Attorney for Estate State Bar No.: 14606500 200 West Third Street P.O. Box 189 Big Spring, Texas 79721 Telephone: (432)263-8397 Facsimile: (432)263-8686 #4600 June 19, 2005

how to play your cards in order to win the game. Once you accept where you are, you'll do well O no, more than well. You'll be spectacular.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). In order to claim your birthright, you must walk through the fire. Vonda Shepard sang it best: "All of the happiness you seek, all of the joy for which you prayed, is closer than you think, it's just a hundred tears away

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's been said that a little bit of knowledge is a dangerous thing. It's also been said that the more

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THE STATE OF TEXAS NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition a default judgment may be taken against YOU." TO: JOHNNY RAY PAYNE, JR.

Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Amended Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday 1 day of August, 2005, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas at the Court House of said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Amended Petition was filed in said court on the 26th day of MAY, A.D. 2005, in this case, numbered 44111 on the docket of said court, and styled, RONNIE COVERT

JOHNNY RAY PAYNE, JR.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: IN-JURY DUE TO A MOTOR VEHI-CLE as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit

The officer executing this writ hall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs. #4601 June 19, 26 & July 3, 10, 2005.

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