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50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 WEEKEND

# Group of fifth-graders getting extra work this summer

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

About 50 Big Spring Independent School District fifth-graders are getting some extra classwork this summer.

Those BSISD students were among more than 40,000 fifth-graders state-wide who did not pass all portions of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) test during the 2004-05 school year, and are in danger of not being promoted to the sixth grade.

Fifth-grade students must pass both the TAKS reading and mathematics

to be promoted to sixth grade, according to information released by the Texas **Education Agency.** 

Any student who has not yet passed the tests can retake the math exam on June 28 and the reading test on June 29.

Many of these students have started summer school this month because school districts must provide extra instruction to try to help the children improve their knowledge and skills.

For the Big Spring fifth graders who didn't pass both portions of the test, that means extra time this summer at Goliad

exams, along with their classes, in order School, BSISD Superintendent Michael Downes said.

> "Our students are continuing to work hard to master the test," Downes said. "And our staff is working just as hard to prepare them to pass."

Texas has been phasing in the TAKS passing standards for three years. The standards are fully phased in this year at grades 3-10. Students take two to four subject area tests, depending on the grade they are in, each year.

There are a total of 32 different tests given to students in grades 3-10, plus four subject-area tests given at the exitlevel., according to TEA officials.

If the student fails the third administration of the test or does not attempt the test again, his or her retention can be appealed to a Grade Placement Committee made up of the student's parents, principal and teacher. That committee can review the student's entire educational record

The committee can promote the child to the next grade by unanimous vote only.

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## WEEKEND MISHAP HURTS ONE



One person sustained injuries in a three-vehicle accident Saturday morning on Interstate 20 east of Big Spring. Preliminary reports indicate that an 18-wheeler slowed to avoid debris on the interstate, and was struck from behind by a sports utility vehicle and Dodge sedan. A passenger in the SUV was transported by Big Spring Emergency Medical Service ambulance to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

# Texas legend gone: J.J. 'Jake' Pickle dies on Saturday

From staff and wire reports

AUSTIN — Retired U.S. Rep. J.J. "Jake" Pickle, who represented Central Texas in Washington for more than 30 years and was brother of Howard County historian and former Big Spring Herald editor Joe Pickle, died early Saturday, June 18, 2005, in his home. He was

The Democrat politician was elected in 1963 to the House seat Lyndon B. Johnson once held, rising through the ranks to become a senior Democrat on the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee. He chose not to seek re-election in

"Jake Pickle represented the people of Central Texas with integrity for three decades. He was a grassroots politician who made decisions based on the needs of his con-

stituency, not political gain," his Johnson. family said in a statement released

"He was a mentor to many who returned the favor with loyalty and friendship. In addition to a distinguished career, Jake Pickle was dedicated to his family, who will miss him greatly."

As chairman of the Social Security subcommittee, Pickle helped pass major Social Security reform legislation in 1983 that bailed the system out of financial woes by raising the age for full benefits from 65 to 67. He also worked to bring more research funds to the University of Texas.

Pickle was born in Roscoe. In 1932, during the Depression, he became a student at the University of Texas and active in campus politics. Pickle worked, directly and indirectly, for a rising Lyndon

During World War II Pickle was a Naval officer, serving in the Pacific. A ship he served on, the USS St. Louis, was damaged in a torpedo attack. On another ship, the USS Miami, he survived two more torpedoes.

He returned to Austin after the war and with other veterans, started a radio station, still known as

Pickle got active in Democratic politics as a member of the Johnson camp. The Democratic Party in Texas in the 1950s was continually at war between liberals and the establishment, businessoriented conservatives dominated by Johnson.

In 1963, shortly after the assassination of President Kennedy in

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# Hang gliders set for return to local skies

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Is Big Spring becoming the hang gliding capital of the United States?

That could very well be the case.

The United States Hang Gliding Association is once again gearing up for its annual U.S. Hang Gliding Championship, which is slated for Aug. 7-13 at McMahon-Wrinkle

Airpark. Bobby McDonald, event chairman for the championship, said he's happy to see the national competition coming back to Big Spring, but he's even more pleased that the United States Hang Gliding Association has decided to hold it's World Championship here in

"Only one other time in the last 30 years has the world championship been held in the United States," said McDonald. "The USHGA is the sponsoring organization for the worldwide competition, and they've chosen Big Spring as the location for it.

McDonald said there are a number of reasons many hang glider pilots claim Big Spring is the best place in the nation to ride the wind.

"They've given us a lot of different reasons," said McDonald. "The weather is predictable and the air space is uncontested. There is also a great deal of support from the community, including the airport, which the pilots launch from and coordinate activities from."

McDonald said Big Spring's centralized location in the U.S. and affordable lodging rates have also played a role in the organization's deci-

"The community support was so good and the pilots felt so welcome that they really enjoyed the time they spent on the ground. Also, the conditions are so special here that people can fly really high up in the air and there are really strong thermals. So they really enjoyed the time they spent in the air as well."

**David Glover USHGA** 

sion to have the competition at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

"It's an interesting crossroad between community and the flying conditions that keep bringing the pilots back to Big Spring," said David Glover, the competition's organizer and director. "The community support was so good and the pilots felt so welcome that they really enjoyed the time they spent on the ground Also, the conditions are so special here that people can fly really high up in the air and there are really strong thermals. So they really enjoyed the time they spent in the air as well.

"The terminal building and the support from people like Bobby (McDonald), Joann (Staulcup) and Jim Little just makes it perfect for us. Community and conditions — those are the big things that put every-

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#### Crude oil futures hit new intraday high near \$60 ed refining capacity and rising demand By BRAD FOSS for gasoline and diesel. Light sweet crude for July delivery fell

**AP Business Writer** 

NEW YORK — With oil prices marching to new heights of close to \$60 a barrel, the president of OPEC said Monday the group will consider raising its output ceiling by half a million barrels as early as this week.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries raised its output target by that amount just last week, though the move appeared to have little impact on prices, which have risen by more than \$10 a barrel in the past month because of concerns about limit-

17 cents to \$58.30 a barrel in morning trade on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Earlier, prices hit a record intraday high of \$59.23.

Oil broker Mike Fitzpatrick at Fimat USA in New York said that any further action by OPEC this week may backfire. "If you add that additional half million barrels, people are going to be talking about OPEC having (production) capacity constraints," he said.

"It looks like we might have difficulty holding these levels. You're seeing a

great deal of reluctance among buyers to pay these higher prices," he said.

In London, Brent crude for August delivery broke the \$57.65 per barrel peak it reached last April to set a new high of Monday on London's International Petroleum Exchange. It later fell back to \$58.13 a barrel, up 37

OPEC President Sheik Ahmed Fahd Al Ahmed Al Sabah said Monday that "if the prices continue to the end of this week at the same level. I will start consulting my colleagues to release the

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## **Obituaries**

#### Margie Kathleen Sims



Margie Kathleen Sims, 90, a long time resident of Stanton, passed away Saturday, June 18, 2005, at Martin County Hospital in Stanton. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 21, 2005, at the First United Methodist Church in Stanton with the Rev. Daniel Armstrong, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

The family will receive friends today, June 20, 2005, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Gilbreath

Funeral Home in Stanton.

She was born March 11, 1915, in the Centerpoint Community of Big Spring. In the 1930s, her family moved to Stanton. She married Clyde Sims Dec. 18, 1936, at the Methodist Parsonage in Big Spring. He preceded her in death July 21, 1946.

Being a widow early in life, Margie worked very hard to raise her two daughters. She worked as a supervisor in the cafeteria of the school and at the Dairy Treat, simultaneously, for many years.

She had also worked as a checker at Friendly Foods in Stanton. She was very active for a number of years with the Martin County Senior Citizens, where she belonged to the quilting club. At last count, she had helped make 67 quilts with the club, not to mention the many she made for her family.

Margie was a gardener and paid special attention to her roses. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church for more than 70 years, where she was a member of the Friendship Sunday School Class. In the class, she served as treasurer for more than 20 years. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and friend.

She is survived by two daughters, Ann and husband, Bobby Jenkins and Janice and husband, Bobby Kelly, all of Stanton; five grandchildren, Denny and wife, Jayle Jenkins, Ron and wife, Gayle Jenkins, D'awn and husband, Aaron Pruit, Sonya and husband, John Jones and Jim Bob and wife, Angela Kelly; six greatgrandchildren; and one great-great grandchild. She is further survived by a sister, Mildred Bryant of Amarillo; and several nieces and nephews.

Margie was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, an infant son, Jerry Clyde Sims, a great grandson, Jody Tarter, one brother and three sisters. Serving as pallbearers will be five grandsons, Denny

Jenkins, Ron Jenkins, Jim Bob Kelly, Aaron Pruit, John Jones and a dear friend, Dennis Ireton. The family suggests memorials to Martin County

Senior Citzens, P.O. Box 1233, Stanton 79782, the building fund of the First United Methodist Church of Stanton, P.O. Box 1193, Stanton 79782 or to Stanton Care & Rehab, P.O. Box 400, Stanton 79782.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

# Police blotter

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

• FRANKIE JUAREZ, 36, of 1008 N. W. Second Street, was arrested Saturday on charges of possession of marijuana, public intoxication and assault on a public servant.

• CLEMENTE FLORES, 30, of Mexico, was arrested Saturday and held for the HCSO.

• MIGUEL FLORES, 34, of Mexico, was arrested Saturday and held for the HCSO.

 ALFREDO FLORES, 37, of Mexico, was arrested Saturday and held for the HCSO.

• JULIO ESPINOZA, 34, of Mexico, was arrested

Saturday and held for the HCSO. • SAMMY FERRELL, 43, of 509 N. Johnson Street, was arrested Saturday on charges of violation of a pro-

tective order and assault class C/family violence. · DEANNA JONES, 35, of Baytown, was arrested Sunday on a charge of class C assault.

DARRELL POLLOCK, 28, of 6107 N. Interstate Highway 20, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.

• RYAN SLATE, 18, of 2511 Broadway, was arrested Monday on a charge of driving under the influence by a minor.

 VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER was reported in the 500 block of State Street.

· THEFT was reported:

- in the 200 block of W. Marcy.

- in the 300 block of Owens.

• POSSESSION/DELIVERY OF DRUG PARA-PHERNALIA was reported in the 1100 block of 13th

• POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - TWO OUNCES OR LESS was reported in the 1000 block of Second Street.

 INTOXICATED ASSAULT WITH A VEHICLE was reported in the 1200 block of Fourth Street.

CRIMINAL **TRESPASS** HABITATION/SHELTER CENTER was reported in the 1100 block of 13th Street.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:

- in the 4100 block of Dixon. - in the 2500 block of Hunter.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1200 block of Lancaster.

 BURGLARY OF A HABITATION WITH INTENT TO COMMIT OTHER FELONY was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. ASSAULT ON A PUBLIC SERVANT was report-

ed in the 1000 block of Second Street.

• ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported:

- in the 500 block of State.

- in the 1600 block of Harding. - in the 1100 block of 11th Place.

of marijuana - two ounces or less.

 ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO CAUSE BODILY INJURY/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1200 block of Lancaster lilling of

by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated

Saturday by the HCSO on charges of evading arrest or

detention with a vehicle and unauthorized use of a

• JAVIER PAYEN, 35, was transferred to the coun-

• ROSENDO SUBÍA ROBLES JR., 53, was arrested

• JACOB ANDREW FERRO, 25, was transferred to

• EDWIN JAMES DEAN, 40, was transferred to the

county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of

assault with intent to cause bodily injury - family vio-

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• ROBBIE RAY AKEROYD, 34, was arrested

with a child under 15 years of age in the vehicle.

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# Sheriff's report

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a public servant.

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

• SONYA RENEE DEAN, 33, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of failure to identify as a fugitive from justice, fictitious or counterfeit inspection/insurance document for display and driving while license invalid.

• BILLY JOE NELSON, 33, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone and driving while license invalid with a previous convic-

• JON ERIC GELB, 38, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

· ROGER RENE HENRY, 40, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of sexual assault of a child.

• TERRY SCOTT DIAZ, 22, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and a charge of failure to identify as a fugitive from justice - intentionally giving false information.

• KEVIN DUANE RUTLEDGE, 29, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of bondsman off bond for criminal trespass, theft by check and possession of marijuana - two ounces or

• BETTY JEAN MUNIZ, 39, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of bondsman off bond for driving while intoxicated.

• JERRY DALE MOORE, 41, was arrested Saturday

Weather

Today — Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s.

Tonight — Mostly clear. Lows around 70. Southeast

Tuesday — Sunny. Highs in the mid 90s. Southeast

Tuesday night — Clear. Lows around 70. Southeast

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

Wednesday night — Partly cloudy in the evening

As seen

on T.V.

Light and variable winds becoming south around 10

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Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

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then clearing. Lows in the upper 60s.

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NNUITIES and INSURANCE PAYOUTS

**SAMMY FERRELL**, 43, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of violation of a protective order and assault/family violence.

Interstate Highway 20 181-A ramp.

# Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn: 4-12-30-34-39. Bonus Ball:

Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Estimated jackpot for Wednesday night drawing: \$12 million.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn: 9-20-25-26-32. Number matching five of five: 0. Next Cash 5 drawing: Tonight.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday night, in order: 2-6-6

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# **Bulletin board**

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

**TODAY** 

• 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

• 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 Censibly (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

• 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.

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

# Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following activity:

 TRAUMA was reported in the 100 block of Terry Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

TRAUMA was reported in the 600 block of S.

Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAUMA was reported in the 1200 block of E. Third Street. One person was transported to the VAMC.

· GRASS FIRE was reported in the 600 block of Warehouse Road.

GRASS FIRE was reported in the 4600 block of S.

Highway 87. AUTOMOBILE FIRE was reported in the 2200

block of Brent.

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the 180 exit of Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the inter-

section of Fourth Street and Settles. One person was transported to SMMC. · TRAUMA was reported in the 2900 block of

Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC. · TRAUMA was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.

 TRAUMA was reported in the 1500 block of Sunset. One person was transported to SMMC. • MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of Tubb

Loop Road. One person was transported to SMMC. MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported near the TRAUMA was reported in the 2000 block of Virginia. One person was transported to SMMC.

· MEDICAL was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.

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· GRASS FIRE was reported in the area of Eighth

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# TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS

Oil rig workers to get nice accommodations DALLAS (AP) — Offshore oil worker accommoda-

tions may soon match those of a cruise ship. A Dallas firm has built a floating hotel for Petrobras, a Brazilian oil company, that includes movie theaters,

a pool, game rooms, a gym and shopping. About 300 Petrobras offshore workers will be able to walk onto the floating hotel and entertain themselves after their 12-hour shifts. The Etesco Millennium will

pull up to rigs off the coast of Brazil after its delivery next February.

The concept of flotels, as they're called, isn't new. They have been used for years to house workers and allow at-sea repairs of oil-production platforms. But industry labor demands have resulted in higher-end amenities for workers.

"It's a sign of the times," said Mike Mullen, the Dallas businessman spearheading the \$74 million project, of which \$15 million will be spent on worker amenities. "Happier personnel mean more efficient work, which ensures quality. It's going to set a precedent for other companies to step forward.'

Dry spring brings plentiful watermelon harvest LOS FRESNOS (AP) — Two things mark the true beginning of summer in Texas — the heat and road-

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And, Texas has plenty this year. A dry spring resulted in one of the best harvests in memory, and may put Texas ahead of Florida and California this year as the nation's top watermelon producer.

Texas led the nation in 2003, harvesting 35,000 acres for a \$68 million crop. Florida was second, with 24,000

acres for an \$62 million crop. But last year's crop value dropped to \$61 million, compared to Florida's to \$67 million. Other leading watermelon producing states include California, Georgia, Indiana and Arizona.

Edinburg farmer Tony Anderson attributed last year's decline to hot weather and excess rain.

Texas group denies boy's bid to sing soprano

BEDFORD (AP) — Singing soprano is for girls only in Texas' All-State Choir, eliminating a 17-year-old boy's chance to audition for a statewide honor and raising questions about gender and vocal performance.

The Texas Music Educators Association denied a petition by Mikhael Rawls of suburban Fort Worth to audition this fall for the elite ensemble as a soprano, a part traditionally sung by girls.

Rawls sings countertenor, a little known male voice part that has surged in popularity in classical and operatic circles in the past decade. He can sing an octave and a half higher than most boys his age, and he feels most comfortable singing in that range. He has even won first place as a soprano in the University Interscholastic League's competition two years in a row.

The association, however, does not allow boys to sing soprano, or alto or girls to sing tenor or bass. Association spokeswoman Amy Lear said the group adopted the rule two years ago because of concerns that girls auditioning for tenor parts were hurting their voices by singing too low.

#### Tiger cubs found in truck

FALCON (AP) — Border Patrol agents seized two white tiger cubs from a man attempting to take the rare, endangered animals to Mexico.

The driver of the truck, a Mexican national, reportedly told U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents that he was taking the 5-week-old cubs to a zoo. But the

man refused to answer other questions when pressed for more information.

Crescencio Cantu, director of the Falcon Dam port of entry, said that agents asked the driver of the truck if he had anything to declare as he headed to Mexico last

"All he said was, 'Be careful with your hands," Cantu said. "Agents inspecting the vehicle looked

through the cab and saw the cubs inside a kennel.' Customs agents turned the animals over to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

A veterinarian examined both cubs, which appeared to be in good health. Cantu said.

"Hopefully they'll get a good home sometime next week," he said.

"The southbound operation we were running may have saved the cubs from future harm or misuse,' Cantu said.

The driver of the truck was issued a \$500 fine for export violation and released. The investigation continues.

#### Two die in shooting at raceway

HALLSVILLE (AP) — Two men were killed and another injured in a shooting over a \$50 bet at an East Texas raceway, officials said.

Harrison County sheriff's Lt. Kenneth Allen was working security off-duty at Hallsville Dragway Sunday night when he heard the gunshots.

He said he saw one person lying on the ground next to a concession stand. Three other people were found in a Chevrolet Tahoe at the other end of the raceway.

Witnesses pointed out the alleged shooters, who were blocked from leaving the raceway by traffic. Allen said he arrested four people, confiscating their weapons.

The survivor was in critical condition late Sunday. The names of the victims and suspects have not yet been released.

## **PICKLE**

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Dallas, Pickle won a special election for the 10th District to succeed Homer Thornberry, who had resigned to take a judicial post.

On Pickle's first day in Washington as a newly congressman, elected President Johnson sent a limousine to greet him at the airport with a surprise invitation to sleep at the White House. Pickle refused the service, explaining he had already lined up accommodations with a friend.

"I was raised in West Texas. If you accept an invitation, you're gonna do it, you know. So I did it," Pickle said later.

During Pickle's campaigns, even political newcomers were treated formidable opponents, and anybody who questioned Pickle's hardcharging style received a terse reminder that the campaign graveyard is full of overconfident politicians.

His home phone number was always listed and he returned to Austin most weekends to answer calls. The nonstop Braniff flight from Washington to Austin was nicknamed the Pickle Express and he was known to work the aisle like each plane was his personal political rally.

"Other than the long commute to and from Washington and starting in the 1980s, the increasing partisanship of Congress, there was little

I didn't like about being Congressman Pickle," he wrote in his 1997 book, "Jake."

"Despite the stress, long hours and the lack of personal and financial privacy, members of Congress are given a truly fabulous perk: the opportunity to get things done.'

Republican Gov. Rick Perry said Pickle's "strong, steady hand helped shape the Central Texas area we so love today."

Supporters Republican Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn who gathered at an afternoon rally in which she announced her plans to run for governor observed a moment of silence Saturday in honor of Pickle.

An obituary written by his family:

James Jarrell "Jake" Pickle

James Jarrell "Jake Pickle died Saturday. June 18, 2005, following a lifetime of service to the people of Texas. Jake was born in 1913 in Roscoe and grew up in Big Spring. His parents were Mary Duke and Joseph Binford Pickle, former school teachers who prized education, hard work and honesty and instilled those values in their five children.

In 1932, Jake moved to Austin to attend the University of Texas. While at the university, he was elected student body president, acquiring a lifelong taste for politics. After graduation, he went to work for the National Youth

was commissioned in the pounds. United States Navy in 1942.

That same year, he married Ella Nora "Sugar" Critz. After four years service in the South Pacific, Lieutenant Pickle returned to Austin and in 1945, co-founded radio station KVET with seven other World War II veter-

Sugar and Jake's daughter, Peggy was born in 1946. In 1949, Jake left KVET to co-found the public relations and advertising firm of Syers-Pickle & Winn. In 1952, Sugar Pickle died of breast cancer.

Throughout the 1950s, Jake served on the State Democratic Executive Committee, including director. During the 1950s most proud. and early 1960s. Jake participated in or managed the political campaigns of many state and national officials, including Meade Griffin, Lyndon Johnson, Daniel, Price Allen Shivers and John

Connally. In 1960, he was appointed by Texas Governor Price Daniel to serve on the Texas Employment Commission. In 1960, Jake married Beryl Bolton McCarroll, a widow with two teenage sons, Dick and Graham.

In 1963, when U.S. Representative Homer Thornberry resigned to accept a Federal judgeship, Jake ran for his Congressional seat. In 1963, Texas 10th Congressional District consisted of 10 counties; Jake campaigned so vigorously that he lost 25

He was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in November 1963 and sworn into office Christmas Eve 1963. For the next 32 years, Jake represented Texas 10th Congressional District, spearheading Central Texas transformation into one of the hightech capitals of America.

As an ardent Democrat and member of President Lyndon Johnson's Great Society, Jake was involved in the major legislative and social reforms of late 20th century America. He was one of only six Southern congressmen to vote for the passage of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, and often referred to that vote as serving as its executive the one of which he was

Jake was a loyal protector of "my University," making sure University of Texas was the recipient of favorable tax legislation. Throughout three decades in Washington, he never lost touch with the home folks, returning to Austin weekly, and during political campaigns — which he loved — two or three times a week.

Because of the frequency with which Jake traveled, whichever airline he flew was dubbed "the Pickle Special." While in Congress, Jake served on Security the Social Subcommittee and the powerful Ways and Means Committee.

Jake retired from Congress in 1995. And yet he never really retired he served on the Mayor's Advisory Committee in

Bergstrom and dozens of other projects. He lent his name and fund-raising capacities to many Central Texas charities.

Almost daily, he and Beryl continued to receive calls from former constituents and whenever possible, Jake continued to help them.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Beryl; his daughter, Peggy Pickle and her husband, Donald Cook; stepsons Dick McCarroll and his wife, Missy and Graham McCarroll and his wife, Marsha; his brother, Joe Pickle; his sister, Judith Pickle Lancaster and her husband, Jonathan; six grandchildren, Bennett McCarroll, Bergan Casey, Todd Mack, Christine McCarroll, Matthew Jake McCarroll and Bradley McCarroll: four greatgranddaughters, Ferrell Katherine Mack, McCarroll, Maggie McCarroll, Peyton Critz Casey and a loving extended family

He is predeceased by his first wife and sisters, Jeanette Pickle Bailey and Janice Pickle Harris. During his lifetime he

received many awards, including Distinguished Alumnus of the University of Texas, the Meals on Wheels Community Keepsake Award, the Austin Board of Realtors Most Worthy Citizen Award, the Austin Chamber of Commerce Austinite of the Year Award and the Boy America Scouts of Distinguished Eagle

Scout Award. Named in his honor are the J.J. "Jake" Pickle

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Research Center, The J.J. "Jake" Pickle Federal Building, the J.J. "Jake" Pickle Elementary School and the Pickle Runway at Austin-Bergstrom

International Airport. In October 2003, he became the third of his siblings to celebrate a 90th birthday. Family and friends from all over the country traveled Austin for a reunion.

Many "Pickle stories" were retold, and Jake did what he loved best work the crowd.

Jake was a Texas legend and a work horse, but what his family and friends loved most about him was his humor, decency, enthusiasm for life and sweet nature.

His body will lie in state from 9 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 21, 2005, at Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home. A memorial service is set for 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, 2005. at the First United Methodist Church, 1201 Lavaca, Austin.

Interment at the Texas State Cemetery will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the J.J. "Jake" Pickle Chair in Congressional Studies (512) 471-5424; Hospice Austin: (512) 342-4700; or The Choice Project. Planned Parenthood of Austin, (512) 275-0171.

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Last week the oil cartel agreed to raise its official production ceiling to 28 million barrels, but that failed to soothe traders because OPEC's output had already exceeded that

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such a good venue for testing the skills of the best pilots in the nation to find out who is really national champion."

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THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit you who make me see everything and shows me the way to each my ideas, you who give me the wrong that was done to me. I. in this short dialogue want to thank you for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from you no matter how great the material desire may be. I want to be with you and my loved ones your perpetual glory. AMEN Thank you for your love towards me and my loved e. Say this prayer for three conse utive days asking for your request After the third day your wish will be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Then promise to publish this dialogue as soon as your favor has been granted

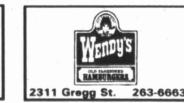




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John A. Moseley Managing Editor Bill McClellar

## OUR VIEWS

# Please help us stage another 'Pops' success

rith just a handful of weeks left to make preparations, the Big Spring Fourth of July Foundation is redoubling its efforts in planning for this year's Pops in the Park concert and fireworks display at Comanche Trail Park.

That's especially true in the planning committee's appeals for donations.

The concert and fireworks show carries a price tag in the neighborhood of \$30,000 — money that comes from donations and sponsorships provided by local businesses and individuals. And to date, only about half of that amount has been raised.

Heading into its eighth year, Pops in the Park is a tradition — one the entire community looks forward to, as do those living in other communities.

Foundation members are still in the process of contacting previous donors, as well as soliciting contributions from new sources, seeking donations that make it possible to open the gates for all comers free of charge.

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

Presenters contribute donations of \$5,000 or more in funding or in-kind services. For those unable to serve as "Presenters," the committee is also seeking support at different levels -"Patrons" that donate \$3,000 or more; "Sponsors" donating \$1,000 or more; and "Friends" that provide \$100 or more.

There are many others who contribute in smaller amounts, however, and all are important.

We here at the *Herald* are proud to be a part of such a spectacular event and want to encourage others in the community to do the same. Help us make sure Big Spring can keep celebrating our nation's birthday in impressive fashion.

To make donations, contact the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641 or mail them to the chamber office at P.O. Box 1391, Big Spring 79721-1391.

Please remember that every dollar makes a dif-

And believe us, when Sunday, July 3, rolls around, you'll be grad you helped make the show

possible.

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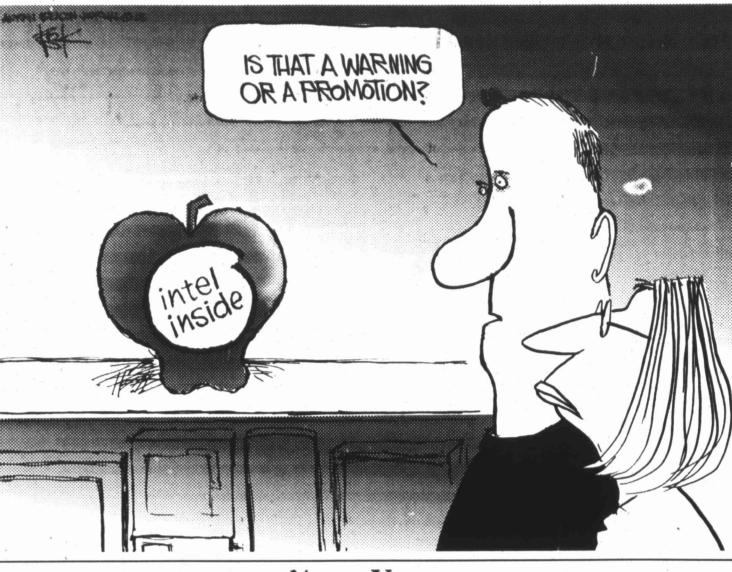
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## Your Views

TO THE EDITOR:

I am so grateful to our VA hospital for its care. I have never been treated so well in any health care facility.

The doctors, nurses, chaplains, administration and staff worked without hesitation to see that I received the care that I needed. I have found that my care at this hospital and all of the VA clinics to be far superior to any found in the public domain.

I hope that everyone knows that the tax money spent on the care of veterans is well spent and is giving truly magnificent care to veterans like myself.

Thank you, VA, for being more than a health care facility. Thank you for caring for me.

> REX S. CLAYTON **BIG SPRING**

TO THE EDITOR:

In regard to the new jail proposal, why can't the Big Spring police and Department be one unit where they

If they made one, would they be called the Big Spring Unit as the dump ground is? The county helped pay for the ground in the beginning and is still helping to support it. If they were one, much time, duplication and jobs could be eliminated, saving the tax payers money.

It takes about three times as much money to keep a prisoner as it does to keep a student in school. We should spend more tax dollars on education and less on prisons.

Let's please stop spending tax dollars for surveyors and architects. Instead let us spend more time and money on sound planning for actu-

With transportation costs rising, the jail should be closer to the courts. Also, less time and greater safety would be involved in moving prisoners to court. the vacant rooms in the courthouse need to be used. Many counties have preserved and restored their court-

Concerning the growth of Big Spring and Howard County, it hasn't happened! In 1970, the population of Big Spring was 28,730 and in 2000 it was 25,233, that includes about 4,000 prisoners.

The population Howard County in 1970 was 37,796 and in 2000 it was 33,627 which includes about 4,000 prisoners.

There facts are in the Texas Almanac 2004-2005. They do not show a need for too much of a larg-

That you, Big Spring Herald, for allowing us to present our views in the paper.

> LOMA JEAN WYNN **BIG SPRING**

TO THE EDITOR:

In the June 14 edition of the Herald, the appraisal district says the ALON refinery is worth \$46 million and the county wants to build a \$12 million jail.

Something seems to be wrong with those figures. That is more than one-quarter of what the refinery is worth. That will be some jail!

TED FOWLER

TO THE EDITOR::

Gov. Rick Perry recently signed legislation that restricts the ability of women in Texas to have an abortion past 26 weeks of pregnancy and also forbids underage girls to obtain an abortion unless they have written parental consent.

However, there is an aspect that neither he, nor the Texas Legislature seems to have considered. Specifically, it is illegal for either the state or a private citizen to force someone, against their will, to give their body, or anything from their body, to another party.

The protection covers not just men, but women and children as well. However, the recently signed legislation allows the state to force women, against their will, to give their bodies to embryos and fetus-

It also allows private citizens to force underage girls, against their will, to give their bodies to embryos and fetuses.

Given that even women and girls are protected from having their bodies used against their will be the already born, what are the legal grounds for forcing them, against their will, to give their bodies to the unborn?

> JULIE A. ROBICHAUD SAN ANTONIO

TO THE EDITOR:

I don't know the whole story on what is going on with Leslie Hooper. I know he is in charge of code enforcement, a very difficult

I spent nine years on the city council, three of them as mayor pro tem. Leslie is undoubtedly one of the finest employees the city has. His honesty and integrity are above reproach. I cannot imagine him losing his cool unless highly, highly provoked.

As a fellow Vietnam vet, I know how painful it is when someone challenges your patriotism. I can only imagine how difficult it is for a practicing Jew to be called a

Leslie Hooper is the type of person we need more of.

> **CHUCK CAWTHON BIG SPRING**

TO THE EDITOR:

We as a community are deeply disappointed that Big Spring did not get the Air Force's Introductory Flight Training Program. However, we have much to be proud of in our effort to win that contract. That effort proved our different city and county entities could work together and influence a company as large and prestigious as the Boeing Company to be our partner.

Moore Development, city officials and staff, Howard County, Howard College, the Industrial Foundation, the Airpark and other individuals and entities, I'm told, all joined together, worked long hour and collaborating with Boeing, came up with what was hoped to be a winning proposal.

The bid was not successful. However, all involved learned a lot—and, this experience should not be wasted. We should use this experience and newfound knowledge to seek and find companies

and businesses that will come to Big Spring and give a needed shot in the arm to our depressed community. The citizens of Big Spring had the

foresight to approve an economic development corporation. Such an organization is a necessity in today's environment to compete for businesses, industry and new organizations. Most all communities, large and small, now have economic development activities. And, it seems all relocating companies expect some financial assistance or incentives to bring them to your

community. As I drive into my subdivision in Big Spring, there are eight homes for sale before I reach my driveway. Common sense tells me that we have no choice but to do everything we can to bring new business into this area. We need new resign dents to buy houses and keep our property values and tax revenue from falling. Our schools need new students to keep our revenue from the state from dropping. We need new people to deposit money in our banks, to support our local car dealerships and to patronize every other business in town.

We must take advantage of the knowledge gained in our efforts to win the Air Force contract. Now is the time to use all of our resources and skills to bring in new business. The world is out that our community had the interest and confidence of the Boeing Company and that this community can and will work together to entice development in our area.

We must now go forward with new confidence and renewed pride in our community, and with determination to pursue and bring in the businesses and industry we need for the economic benefit of all

> JUDY LITTLE **BIG SPRING**

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing in response to the article in the paper on June 16. This is in reference to he reprimand of Leslie Hooper.

Having been a past city employee, I know that some of our citizens can be a bit vocal. Sometimes it is hard to hold your tongue when you are being verbally abused. I don't fault Hooper at all for his participation in this dialogue with Bailey.

When someone calls you a Nazi, a commie, Gestapo and you know you have served your country well, its fighting words. Its a wonder Mr. Hooper restrained himself to just a verbal reply.

Its a shame that someone like Bailey, who is violating the law, should take such actions as he did. Someone knows he needs a permit and ignores the rules the rest of us follow and then purposely provokes one in the hopes of having him respond so he loses his job, is a sorry individual indeed.

I know Mr. Hooper very well and am proud to be a veteran of Vietnam myself. I am proud Mr. Hooper stood his ground. When he stood his ground, he stood it for all of use who served and those that gave the ultimate price.

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# Nascent embryo debate raising many questions

By ROBERT DODGE

The Dallas Morning News

**WASHINGTON** — The kernel of today's debate over human embryos may have been planted in 1780 when Italian priest and scientist Lazzaro Spallanzani developed the first artificial insemination techniques using dogs.

Whatever the origins, science has made it possible for more than a quarter-million otherwise infertile American couples to bear children. But the advances have outpaced politics and law, leaving the nation facing an emotional debate about the fate of 400,000 embryos frozen at the nation's 430 fertility clin-

The once-private world of patients, doctors and fertility clinics is now the latest front in the battle over when human life begins. Hanging in the balance are thousands of frozen embryos and the rights of the couples who created them.

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"The key issue is whether couples will continue to have the right to make dispositional decitheir sions about embryos," said John Robertson, a reproductive ethics expert and a law professor at the University of Texas School of Law at Austin.

A resolution will be difficult. The issue is tangled in abortion politics and has drawn President Bush and leaders on Capitol Hill into the fray over legislation that would expand federal funding for using in stem-cell embryos research.

On one side, which embryos. includes people of faith, are reproductive rights advocates and those who support embryonic stemcell research. They have different views about when human life begins and want to preserve the rights of couples regard-

ing their embryos. On the other side are religious conservatives who believe each embryo represents a human life and oppose their destruction or donation for research. They are behind a number of church-based programs that urge families to "adopt" excess embryos.

"This religious perspective," said Susan Crockin, a Massachusetts attorney who specializes in reproductive law, "is supported by the current administration, which means we will see increasing attempts to legislate embryo adoption and make it public policy."

Today's debate is largely shaped by two 1970s milestones — one legal and one scientific.

In 1973, the Supreme Court affirmed a woman's right to privacy and upheld the right to choose in the landmark Roe vs. Wade case. And then, in 1978, scientists made headlines with the birth of the first test-tube baby. Since then, the status of

hotly debated. The largely unregulated fertility industry has recognized embryos as the property of the couples who provided the egg and sperm. And state courts have upheld that view,

mostly in divorce cases

where couples disagreed

human embryos has been

There are few federal or state laws regulating fertility clinics or the disposition of embryos. Legal experts say nine states have statutes that address embrvo donation. Louisiana has given embryos near human status, requiring fertility

embryos. In 2003, Texas enacted a statute making a fertilized egg an individual for the purpose of homicide and other criminal laws. But the code makes an exception for medical procedures that allow couples to determine the fate

clinics to help find adop-

tive parents for unused

of their embryos. The debate was pushed into the national spotlight again last month when the House, including 50 Republicans, voted to end restrictions by the president on federal funding of stem-cell research.

To highlight their opposition, the White House and Republican leaders on Capitol Hill played host to families with children created in vitro and "adopted" by other couples.

"An embryo is a person," declared House Majority Leader Tom DeLay.

Bush has threatened to veto the stem-cell bill if the Senate approves it. But he sidestepped a question about what should be with done leftover embryos, even though his administration has provided \$1 million to promote so-called adoptions.

"The issue that involves the federal government is whether or not to use taxpayers' money that would about the future of their end up destroying that the creation of embryos.



Doug and Heather Hutchens, of Argyle, with their 3-year-old identical twins Ben, left, and Sam and 1-year-old son, David. The Hutchens' boys were conceived using frozen embryos from Snowflakes, a Christian nonprofit group.

life," the president said. Religious conservatives know they could never win a fight to end or limit—dures to create families.

Far too many couples, for infertile people using including people of faith, have used artificial proce-

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risk factor, a National

Institute on Aging study

suggests. It is not clear if

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harming inflammation.

this technology is tremendous," said Dr. Arthur Caplan, an ethicist at "The political support University

# Scientists finding earliest signs of Alzheimer's in bid to prevent the disease

By LAURAN NEERGAARD

**AP Medical Writer** 

WASHINGTON - A subtle change in a memory-making brain region seems to predict who will get Alzheimer's disease nine years before symptoms appear, scientists reported Sunday.

The finding is part of a wave of research aimed at early detection of the deadly dementia — and one day perhaps even preventing it.

Researchers scanned the brains of middle-aged and older people while they were still healthy. They discovered that lower energy usage in a

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the hippocampus correctly signaled who would get Alzheimer's or a related memory impairment 85 percent of the time.

"We found the earliest predictor," said the lead researcher, Lisa Mosconi of New York University School of Medicine. "The hippocampus seems to be the very first region to be affected."

But it is too soon to offer Alzheimer's-predicting PET scans. The discovery must be confirmed. Also, there are serious ethical questions about how soon people should know that Alzheimer's is approach-

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part of the brain called be done to forestall the that just 10 years ago disease early in life, or a aside, a big quest is to disease

Still, the discovery may provide leads to scientists searching for therapies to at least delay the onset of the degenerative brain disease. It already affects 4.5 million people in the U.S. and is predicted to strike 14 million by 2050 as the population ages.

Moreover, researchers are honing in on lifestyle choices that may help protect the brain in the first place.

"It's exciting that we can even talk about prevention," said William Thies, scientific director of the Alzheimer's ing when nothing yet can Association. He noted

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there was hardly any research into that possibility.

Among the findings presented Sunday at the association's first Alzheimer's prevention

 People who drink fruit or vegetable juice at least three times a week seem four times less likely to develop Alzheimer's than nonjuice drinkers, according to a study of 1,800 elderly Japanese-Americans. The theory is that juice contains high levels of polyphenols,

compounds that may play a brain-protective role.

because already was at work, but social activity is mentally stimulating.

A brain-healthy lifestyle

stroke were more impordevelop ways to identify Alzheimer's before symptoms emerge.

> Think of it as hunting the equivalent of the cholesterol test Alzheimer's, Dr. Neill Graff-Radford of the Mayo Clinic said.

> He measured blood levels of different types of beta amyloid, the sticky protein that makes up Alzheimer's hallmark brain plaques, in 565 people.

Those with lowest ratios of a particular amyloid type were three times more likely to develop dementia within five years.







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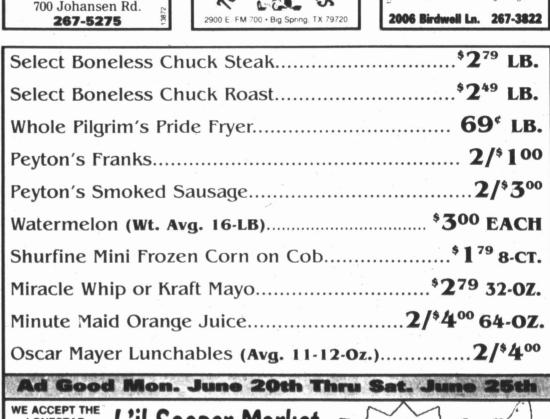
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# Rice leaves open possibility Bush will bypass Senate on Bolton

By DOUGLASS K. DANIEL **Associated Press Writer** 

WASHINGTON State Secretary of Condoleezza Rice is keeping open the possibility that President Bush will bypass the Senate to get John R. Bolton installed as U.N. ambassador temporarily if Democrats persist in holding up a confirmation vote.

Rice, on a trip to the Middle East and Europe, commented in a round of interviews television Sunday as Democrats defended their attempt to block a vote on Bolton's

city kills at least 20 Iraqi policemen

police and hospital officials said.

Mohammed Ali of Irbil Hospital.

miles south of Irbil, police said.

Mohammed said.

IRBIL, Iraq (AP) — A suicide car bomber killed 20

traffic policemen and wounded 100 Monday outside the

unit's headquarters in this northern Kurdish city,

Iraq's insurgency appeared unfazed by two massive

U.S.-Iraqi military offensives against militant smug-

gling routes and training centers west and north of

Baghdad, mounting attacks that have killed at least 85

in the past two days — including 30 people on Monday.

The bomber in Irbil was wearing a police uniform

when he slammed his car into a gathering of some 200

traffic officers during morning roll call in a courtyard

behind the headquarters at 8 a.m., police Lt. Sulaiman

At least 20 died and 100 were wounded, said Dr.

The attack occurred on a main street that leads to the

Irbil, one of two major cities in Iraq's northern

Kurdish region, has enjoyed autonomous rule under

Western protection since 1991. The area has been

largely sheltered from the incessant violence wracking

the remainder of Iraq, but has seen several major

The attack came a day after a suicide bomber walked

into a crowded Baghdad kebab restaurant near the

heavily fortified main gate of U.S. and Iraqi govern-

ment headquarters at the Green Zone, killing at least

23 people — the deadliest attack in the capital in just

over six weeks. A total of 45 people were killed in

insurgent assaults throughout the country on Sunday.

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) — Fierce fighting

**between Taliban rebels and** Afghan security forces left

18 insurgents and three others dead, a day after the

U.S. military pounded suspected rebels in airstrikes

Three U.S. troops were slightly wounded when a

bomb exploded near their armored Humvee in Paktia

A Taliban spokesman, meanwhile, claimed his fight

ers had assassinated a kidnapped Afghan police chief

and five of his men for collaborating with the U.S.-led

Eleven rebels were killed in an hour-long firefight

province on Sunday, said U.S. military spokesman Col.

bombings blamed on militant Muslim groups.

Eighteen Taliban, three others killed

in fierce fighting in southern Afghanistan

that killed as many as 20, officials said Monday

oil-rich northern Iraqi city of Kirkuk, which is 50

nomination. They said Roberts "has already spo- That appointment lasts administration's refusal to turn over intelligence information is delaying an up-or-down decision.

Democrats say they want to check a list of 36 U.S. officials against names - instially blacked — that Bolton requested and received from national security intercepts he reviewed. They rejected a list of seven names offered last week by Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Rice, in Jerusalem, said

those nature of inquiries."

Asked on "Fox News Sunday" whether Bush would consider a recess appointment of Bolton a temporary placement that does not require Senate approval — Rice said: "We'll see what happens this week."

The Senate plans to take a July Fourth recess in two weeks. Under the Constitution, a president can make an appointment during a Senate recess without the chamber's approval of the nominee. ABC's

ken to the issue of the only through the next one-year session Congress — which in this case would mean until January 2007.

> It was unclear whether Rice's statement was an indication that the administration would seriously consider a recess appointment for Bolton or whether it was meant to increase leverage for White House bargaining with Senate Democrats.

"What we need to do is we need to get an up-ordown vote on John Bolton," Rice said on "This

"Let's find out whether, in fact, the Senate — in its whole, in its entirety intends and wants to confirm him. That's all that we're asking."

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., predicted that Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., would fail in an effort late Monday to end the filibuster. He said Democrats are standing for principle by delaying the vote until the administration provides what they seek.

"Once we get it, we can have an up-and-down vote immediately," Biden said "Face the CBS'

to let the administration tell us we're not entitled to exercise our oversight responsibility. If we give up on this, we might as well forget about oversight."

Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., told ABC that a recess appointment would send to the United Nations an ambassador "who lacks the confidence of the United States Senate."

That, he said, would "cripple" Bolton as he goes to the world body and damage his standing with the Senate.

before dawn Monday after attacking a government WORLD BRIEFLY: office in the Washer district of Helmand province, said Haji Mohammed Wali, a spokesman for the governor. The district government chief and an Afghan soldier Suicide car bomber in northern Kurdish

As Egypt ponders elections, Rice making a case for democracy

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice made a forceful case for democracy in the Muslim world Monday, telling Egypt's conservative government leaders "the fear of free choices can no longer justify the denial of liberty."

Rice's remarks were to some 700 invited government officials, academics and other guests at the American University in Cairo. The setting is notable, both because Egypt plans multiparty elections in the fall and because the Bush administration has made no secret of its dissatisfaction with political progress and the treatment of opposition figures by the government of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

"For 60 years, my country, the United States, pursued stability at the expense of democracy in this region, here in the Middle East, and we achieved neither," Rice said. "Now, we are taking a different course. We are supporting the democratic aspirations of all people.'

She noted that President Bush, in his second inaugural address, said the U.S. would not try to impose an American style of government on the unwilling and that the goal of his administration was to help others find their own voice.

Anti-Syrian candidates headed to parliamentary majority in Lebanon

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Lebanon's anti-Syrian opposition appeared assured of a majority in the new parliament, early election results showed.

If those results hold up, they are certain to put the country on the road to ridding itself of Damascus' control nearly two months after the withdrawal of the

The campaign of anti-Syrian opposition leader Saad Hariri and a pro-Syrian leader acknowledged the outcome from the fourth and final round of elections in northern Lebanon Sunday even before the official results were out.

As news of the apparent win spread early Monday, women and children waved flags and danced on the streets of the port city of Tripoli, capital of the north. Motorcades of cheering, honking supporters drove through Beirut, the Lebanese capital, in celebration.

The latest developments capped months of political upheaval since the February assassination of Rafik

Hariri that sparked mass anti-Syrian protests and led to the Syrian army withdrawing from Lebanon in April, ending 29 years of dominance.

Pro-whaling nations suffer setback at whaling commission meeting

ULSAN, South Korea (AP) — Pro-whaling countries failed to muster a majority Monday at the annual whaling commission meeting in a setback for their hopes to control its agenda and overturn a ban on commercial whale hunts.

A pair of Japanese proposals were defeated. The first, to delete discussion of whale sanctuaries from the fiveday meeting's agenda, was voted down 29-28. The second, to introduce secret balloting, failed 30-27.

Both tallies were seen as a test of whether whaling advocates have built a majority among the 66 members of the International Whaling Commission.

A majority would give pro-whaling countries broad authority to set the commission's agenda. However, it would still fall far short of the three-fourth's vote required to overturn the moratorium on commercial whaling.

The Cambridge, England-based commission that regulates whaling banned commercial hunts in 1986, handing environmentalists a major victory in protecting species that were near extinction after centuries of whaling.

Norway holds the world's only commercial whaling season in defiance of the ban. Japan kills whales for what it describes as scientific research, but sells the meat. Japan, Norway and other nations this year are expected to take more than 1,550 whales.

Negative publicity from missing teen case a concern in tourism-focused Aruba

ORANJESTAD, Aruba (AP) - As the mystery of a missing Alabama teenager drags into a fourth week. Arubans complain their peaceful little island is getting

And they worry that if the disappearance of 18-yearold Natalee Holloway isn't solved soon, Americans might get scared away, depriving the island of a prime source of revenue.

"We were just one happy island with one happy people and it seems everything has changed," said Marcus Wiggins, the boss of Steve Gregory Croes, a tourist boat disc jockey who was arrested Friday in the case. "We just want the old Aruba back."

Tourism accounts for 70 percent of the gross domestic product of Aruba, a Dutch protectorate of 97,000. The island welcomes 728,000 visitors each year and an additional 550,000 cruise ship passengers. More than 70 percent are from the United States.

## FBI managers admit they didn't seek out terrorism expertise after Sept. 11

By JOHN SOLOMON

James Yonts.

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON - The FBI vowed to build national expertise for fighting terrorists after the Sept. 11 attacks, but the supervisors who crafted that war plan now say Middle East and terrorism experience haven't been important for choosing their agents.

"You need leadership. You don't need subject matter expertise," Executive Assistant Gary Director Bald recently testified in a little noticed employment case now catching the eye of Congress. "It is certainly not what I look for in selecting an official for a position in a counterterrorism position.'

The lawsuit, brought against the FBI by one of its most accomplished pre-Sept. 11 terror-fightagents, provides ing sharp contrasts between bureau's public promises and the reality of how it has chosen the agents who run its war on terrorism.

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sworn testimony obtained when he moved to headby The Associated Press, quarters to oversee antisenior FBI managers terrorism strategy two argued repeatedly that years ago. when asked Middle East and anti-terrorism experience aren't Eastern culture and historequired for promotion and that they see little difference between solving a nice." traditional crime and a terror attack.

Watson, the FBI's terrorism chief in the two years after Sept. 11, 2001. "A crime scene in a bank robbery case is the same as a crime scene, you know, across the board."

Watson couldn't describe the difference between Shiites and Sunnis, the two major groups of Muslims. "Not technically, no," Watson answered when asked the question.

Bald, the FBI's current anti-terrorism chief, said his first training in that

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In hundreds of pages of area came "on the job" about his grasp of Middle ry, he replied: "I wish that I had it. It would be

FBI agent Bassem Youssef has questioned "A bombing case is a under oath many of the bombing case," said Dale bureau's top leaders, including Director Robert Mueller and his predecessor, Louis Freeh, in an effort to show he was passed over for top counterterrorism jobs despite his expertise. Testimony from his lawsuit was

recently sent to Congress. Those who have held the bureau's top terrorism-fighting jobs since Sept. 11 often said in their testimony that they and many they have promoted since — had no significant anti-terrorism or Middle East experience.

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### Aid to Israel

Does the U.S. get its money's worth?

Israel and Egypt are the two largest recipients of U.S. aid. For its "participation" in the Gulf War, Egypt was forgiven its indebtedness of \$9 billion. Israel pays its bills. It receives \$2.8 billion every year. Of that amount, \$2.0 billion is for military aid and \$0.8 billion for economic aid. It's fair to ask whether this is a good deal for the American taxpayer.

"American aid to Israel

is a two-way street.

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greatest defense bargain."

What are the facts?

The only democratic country in the Middle East. Israel is the only genuinely democratic state in the Middle East. It is committed to freedom and equality. and the rule of law. It embodies the fundamental values that are in tune with those of America and that America has traditionally supported. Israel's military and political importance in the Middle East and its strategic position stabilize the entire area, including the oil fields of the Persian Gulf. During the Cold War, it was America's indispensable

rampart against the inroads and expansionist ambitions of the Soviet Union. It is now a western bulwark against the aggressive intents of Iran and other bellicose nations that threaten the interests of the United States. It is a most

reliable partner in the promotion of Western strategic interests and in the stabilization of the Middle East. Over 20% of its budget goes for defense, compared to 7% in the U.S. and less than 1% in Japan. Israel has one of the best armies in the world. Its navy and air force are the major deterrent forces in the eastern Mediterranean.

Israel effectively secures NATO's southeastern flank, without having a single American soldier stationed in its territory. Still, the superb military installations, the air and sea lift capabilities, the equipment and food storage capacity, and the trained manpower to maintain and repair sophisticated U.S. equipment are instantly at hand in Israel. It is the only country in the area that makes itself available to the United States, in any contingency

Only fraction of aid stays in Israel. There is no other country in the Middle East except Israel that can be considered to have a stable government or populace friendly to the United States. There is much danger that any military aid to Arab countries, and military equipment given or sold to them, will suffer the same fate as the untold billions of dollars and priceless military secrets that were lost to our enemies in the

debacle of Iran. Is Saudi Arabia more stable? Egypt? Jordan? Kuwait? Judge for yourself!

Only a fraction of the aid given stays in Israel. By far the largest share remains with American defense contractors.

McPherson, former administrator of the Agency for International Development, estimated that every billion dollars of aid to Israel creates 60,000 to 70,000 jobs in the United States.

Compared to the \$2.0 billion yearly military aid to Israel, the U.S. contributes more than \$130 billion(!) every year to the defense of Europe and more than \$30 billion to the defense of Japan, Korea, and the Far East. Over 300,000 U.S. troops are stationed with NATO and over 30,000 U.S. troops in the Far East. In contrast, not one single U.S. soldier needs to be stationed and put at risk in Israel. U.S. military analysts estimate that the U.S. would have to spend the equivalent of \$150 billion a year in the Middle East to maintain a force equivalent to Israel's.

There are many other benefits that the U.S. military derives from Israel. Israel is the only country that has gained battlefield experience with U.S. weapons. This experience is immediately conveyed to the U.S. Enormous quantities of captured Soviet weapons and defense systems were turned over to the U.S. military for analysis. Israel, in the light of its experience, continually modifies U.S. weapons systems. For instance, Israeli scientists have made over 200 improvements in the F-15 alone and similar improvements, mostly in avionics, in later-generation planes. It would be more in line with reality if military aid to Israel were classified as part of the defense budget, rather than as "aid" Israel is truly America's unsinkable aircraft carrier in the Middle East. Former President Reagan put it well: "The fall of Iran has increased Israel's value as perhaps the only remaining strategic asset in the region on which the United States can fully rely." American aid to Israel is a two-way street. Aid to Israel is America's greatest defense bargain.

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#### B.S. Country Club ets junior clinics

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

through August 4: Both clinics will be Tuesdays Thursdays from 9 a.m.

to 11 a.m. The junior clinic costs \$150, while the advanced junior clinic costs \$200.

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

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

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

#### Coahoma's annual ragball tournament set for end of June

The annual ragball tournament which place 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 informa-

tion, contact Patric Robinson at 432-393-622 or Randy Clanton at 432-393-5338.

#### Coahoma sets dates for baseball camp

Coahoma High School and head baseball coach Brad 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.

It is also for ages 6-18, but no Coahoma High School students can attend as mandat-

ed by UIL rules. Each camper will need to provide shoes, cap, glove, and one baseball, but you are also allowed to bring

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

Proper techniques in hitting, fielding, pitching and baserunning will be taught.

The campers can expect a T-shirt, certificate as well as other possible prizes and awards.

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 today at 7 p.m. in the Big Spring ATC.

For more info, contact Gene Piercefield 816-1134.

# Eakin, Wood take over lead in rodeo's final night

#### Steer wrestlers take center stage at Big **Spring Rodeo Bowl**

#### By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

Four competitors at the 72nd Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo had either a better time or score than competitors in their events the previous two nights, but the results came in two events.

Wood Leland Silverton and Bill Herbert of Marble Falls both had better scores Saturday in the saddle bronc competition than Lance Kelly had during Thursday's opening night, but only one walked away as champi-

And that was Wood as he recorded an 81, while Herbert turned in an 80 to take second place.

Kelly, who is from Queensland, Australia, took third after scoring a

Wood took home \$1,064 for his efforts, while Herbert grabbed nearly \$800.

The same situation occurred in wrestling Saturday as Barry Simpton of Del Rio and Monty Eakin of Slaton found themselves in a battle for first. Simpton, who went fourth Saturday, turned in a 4.6 to take over the lead from Robert Lehrmann, who was timed in 4.9Thursday night. However, Eakin bettered

third. Eakin took home \$902 after the victory, while Simpton settled for \$746. The 0.1 second differential cost Simpton more

than \$150. There were no changes in the tie down roping, bull riding or barrel racing competition after

Saturday's run. Trent Cormier of Houma, La., scored an 88 in the bull riding competition Friday night and that score held up as Cormier took home \$1,112 for his victory.

Greg Fuller of Dimmitt third and \$634. and Rowdy Thomas of Fritch each scored 85s to finished tied for second. Both riders took home

Abilene's Tommy Guy scored a 9.5 in the tie Department defeated the down roping on the rodeo's opening night and no one bettered that mark in the final two nights. His win was worth \$1,418, but Shay Good of Midland



Lubbock's Scot Quick throws down a steer during the steer wrestling competition Saturday. Quick was not quick enough in the event as Monty Eakin of Slaton was crowned champion in the event, while Del Rio's Barry Simpton placed second overall. Both Eakin and Simpton's times were under five seconds.

took home \$1,174 for his second place time of 10.1, which was captured Saturday evening.

Dustin Bell of Lubbock also performed well Saturday as he took home third place and \$929 after recording a time of 10.7.

Miami's Jim Locke had a better time than Guy However, Eakin bettered after scoring a 9.3 Simpton two competitors Saturday, but a break of later with a time of 4.5. the barrier on his way out Lehrmann ended up of the chute cost him the first place trophy as 10 seconds were added to his

overall time. The Gainesville duo of Tana Avens and Jessica Love were the big winners in the barrel racing competition as their top times from Friday held up after Saturday's run.

Avens won the event with a time of 16.77, while Love scored a 16.91. Avens took home \$857, while Love walked away with more than \$745. Sheila Zant of Odessa scored a 17.05 Saturday and walked away with

County's Howard Jennifer Driver competed Saturday, but did not place in the top eight after she scored a 17.91.

The Big Spring Fire Spring Police Department in the calf dressing competition Saturday, while Tuff Quinn of Big Spring won the mutton bustin' event.

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Del Rio's Barry Simpton attempts to tackle a steer during

the steer wrestling competition Saturday during the final

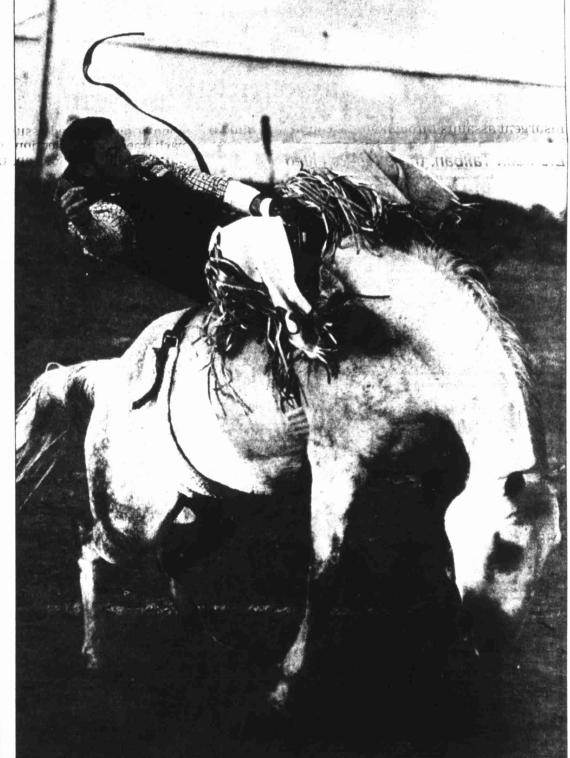
night of the 72nd Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and

Rodeo. at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. Simpton, who is a

former champ in the event, scored a 4.6 in the event

Saturday, but was outdone by Monty Eakin of Siaton, who

won the rodeo with a 4.5.



Waller's Clint Cannon competes in the bareback riding competition Friday night at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. Cannon scored an 81 for the ride and eventually was crowned champion in the event, taking home \$950 for his efforts. Luis Escudero competed Saturday and scored an 80 to finish in second place, while Stetson Herrera's 79 turned in Friday night held up for third.

#### 72nd Annual Big **Spring Cowboy** Reunion and Rodeo Champions

Saddle Bronc: Leland Wood

Bull Riding: Trent Cormier,

Tie Down Roping: Tommy Guy, 9.5

Eakin, 4.5

Barrel Racing: Tana Avens.

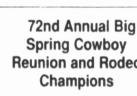
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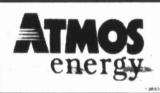
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### Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS The annual entrance of the mishaps occur the sun into Cancer marks the summer sol-This stice.

year, the Sagittarius moon creates a productive transition. Burn through this action packed day, the longest of the year,

by preparing

HOLIDAY MATHIS

for upcoming events. Don't wait until the last minute to pack your bags! Note: Being ready for adventure is also about having an open mind.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The weekend has altered you in some subtle way so that once familiar environments now seem outer space. Colleagues and neighbors are aliens. From this POV, you can appreciate your daily routine with a glad heart.

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morning. So when the litspilled juice, forgotten files and minor traffic jams — put your focus back on those 10 feel-good reasons.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The kinds of tasks that come up are the ones nobody wants to volunteer for, and yet, everyone benefits from their completion. So be the bigger, bolder human, and take on the responsibility. You won't be sorry.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Dreams — the ones "they" say are "unreasonable" — don't have to make sense in order to come true. The luckiest thing is to let your imagination put you back where you belong.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Though you'd like to spend the bulk of your time nurturing a relationship that has given you much joy, it's time to take your own interests a bit more seriously. You and a loved one can grow separately without growing apart.

22). Financial stability is that sends its roots down is nearly finished, and

job, a different job or a better job. Sometimes it's simply about trying on a new attitude and then watching your bank account grow. Leave room in your intellect for luck to happen.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your way of getting a job done is off the beaten path. Many will be skeptical as to whether your strange methods will work at all. Einstein said, 'Logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere."

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You know you can do better, and in that knowledge is the responsibility to actually do better. Pull your shoulders back, and give them a dose of who vou really are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's no time to waste today. Of course, reading and relaxing aren't wasteful at all! Look for love where loving people will gravitate. Remember, you teach people how to treat you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. Jan. 19). You're like a tree

grows as high as it can. You simply don't stop. A new acquaintance has the potential to become a valuable, trusted compan-

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Choose a muse! When you are inspired, you'll be doubly productive. There are temptations this afternoon. Overindulgence is a potential detriment to your energy levels, so monitor yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You expand your horizons easily now because you're not afraid. Make friends, read books, develop skills. You're so involved in seeing and doing all you can that it doesn't feel at all like work.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUES-**TIONS: "I'm a 46-year-old Libra who has done so many things in my life. I've been writing seriously for the past 10 years and have written two novels. I really want to make my living at this and I enjoy it so much. My first novel was represented but not sold. My second novel

not always about getting a as deep as possible and I've got to find a new agent. Will I have the success I dream of with this career?"

Yes. Your sign has a special relationship with the arts and metaphorical thought process. Your well-honed aesthetic helps you add detail and specificity to your work. But most importantly, you work well with the professionals you trust, are not defensive about notes and are able to rewrite using expert help. The key to making your living writing has more to do with energy flow than it does talent. Right now you are excitedly looking to a future where you're a professional writer, and that's exactly the spirit you must keep. When you start getting rejection letters, the tendency is to begin to worry and fear that it will never happen for you. Fight this tendency and remain in the optimism that surrounds you now, and you'll attract the success you so desire.

If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com.

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

Dear Annie: It's the middle of the night, and I can hardly type because my blood pressure is sky-high and my hands are shaking and my nose is bleeding. Why? Because a few days ago, I came across a leather bag belonging to my husband and it was filled with homemade movie tapes with pornographic titles.

I've read letters in your column from wives who were shocked after finding their husbands' secret porn caches, and I started thinking I needed to know what kind of porn "Jim" was into, in case he was a pedophile or gay, so I went back and looked again.

Each tape had a note on it, addressed to my husband, describing in detail the porn within. The good news is that it's all adult, straight porn. The bad news is that it doesn't explain why he is not interested in having sex

with me. Apparently, Jim has been corresponding for years with a group that exchanges tapes of private sex acts. He received the most recent tape just a week ago. I have to wonder what his contribution is to this group, since we don't have sex. In the 15 years we've been together, we've had sex maybe 10 times, and lately, not at

We've already been to counseling together and separately. Jim told his counselor that I was a "cold fish." I'm not a prude, Annie. I love sex, even though I have to do it by myself. Now I feel cheated out of an important part of my life. It's as if I am married to someone I don't know.

I'd rather leave him than have the necessary conversation. Please tell me what my next step should be. — Having a Stroke in Pennsylvania

Dear Having a Stroke: Nothing like a good shock to get the heart racing. Jim may be one of those men who only becomes sexually excited when watching others. In any event, he has been keeping a major secret from you, and you are not finding sexual and emotional satisfaction in your mar-

riage. Decide if Jim has other qualities that make the marriage worth saving. If so, wave one of those tapes in front of his nose and insist on joint coun-



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thought they were mak- about his sexual procliviwilling to do this, you can kiss your marriage good-

Dear Annie: I was married to "Dina" for 27 years and was always close to her side of the family. Her brother was my best friend (that's how Dina and I met). Dina passed away three years ago.

Last summer, I began dating "Gloria," and I believe we eventually will marry. The problem is, Dina's nephew (the son of my best friend) is getting married next May. Gloria's daughter just announced that her wedding will be on the same day. How do I decide which wedding to attend? I can't do both because of the distance. Gloria thinks I should be with her. What do you say? —

Need a Clone Dear Clone: Let's deal with the simplest solution first — can Gloria's daughter change the date her wedding? Otherwise, your nephew should take precedence. He is a member of your extended family, you are his father's best friend, and you have known him his entire life. If Gloria is a class act, she will let you go without complaint.

Dear Annie: I read the letter about the child who was the recipient of rude comments about her appearance because she didn't look like her parents. I, too, had a redhaired daughter, while my wife and I are brunettes. Whenever anyone made a comment, I answered matter-of-factly: "She was born a week late. It's from rust." — Alan Out East

Dear Alan: We love it. Dear Annie: My daughter is a very sweet, smart and overweight child. I am frustrated because we serve nutritious, balanced meals at home, don't eat out much, don't keep junk food in the house and are involved in physical exerseling so Jim cannot lie cise programs. The prob-

lem is that we have no mind. The thing is, I don't control over what she eats when she is not at home.

Yesterday in school, there were cupcakes for a child's birthday, and at afterschool care, they gave out candy bars. There is food everyplace she goes, whether it's a friend's house, church, Girl Scouts, dance class,

Naturally, we have spoken with her about healthy food choices. But can you really expect a kid to turn down junk ing too much of it. Then I ties. If both of you aren't of bites? Even most adults be surprised when life can't do that. folks, help us out:

1) Don't offer food to a child unless you are SURE it is OK with his/her parents.

2) If you must provide food to a child, please have fruits or vegetables, and water to drink. And give these foods to ALL the children. Please don't insult the overweight children by singling them out.

3) If the parent sends along a healthy snack for a child, please see that

he/she eats ONLY that. 4) Reinforce good food choices and discourage bad ones.

5) Consider not having food at every gathering. It isn't necessary.

Thank you very much. Melissa's Mom

Dear Mom: If your child eats a healthy diet at home and gets regular exercise, an occasional treat should not present a problem. You are right. however, that our snack choices tend to run to the rich and creamy, instead of the fresh and healthy. It certainly wouldn't hurt for those who regularly care for children to offer fruits and vegetables as snacks, instead of the usual high-fat, high-calorie treats.

Dear Annie: I just finished reading the letter from "R.," whose wife was upset when he came home with a prescription for Viagra. What is wrong with these women who don't want to be intimate with their husbands? Don't they realize withholding sex may cause their husbands to seek that attention elsewhere?

I am a middle-aged woman. I remarried a year ago and wish my husband would get Viagra. I can count on both hands the number of times we have been intimate. It's extremely frustrating and, I must admit, the thought of cheating has certainly crossed my

want somebody else. I want my husband. So, I'm waiting patiently.

To those ladies who are holding out: Your husbands want YOU. They love YOU. They don't see your middle-aged spread, your stretch marks or your crow's feet. And to the men who are holding out: Your wives don't see your spare tire or bald spot, and they've gotten over the shock of washing your dirty underwear.

If you continue to hold food, or take just a couple out on your spouses, don't imitate "Desperate Housewives."

 Not Desperate, But Hopeful

Dear Hopeful: We agree that both men and women must make the effort to be sexually and emotionally responsive to their spouses, or they risk destroying their marriages. Here's one more:

Dear Annie: "R." got what he deserved. Like many men, he thought showing up ready for sex was all it would take. I knew my husband had a prescription for Viagra, but he would take it without telling me and ended up disappointed when I wasn't also ready. I am a loving wife, but I don't come with an on/off switch. It took marriage counseling for my husband to see that the pill worked magic for him, but not for me. If men don't bring regular maintenance to their relationships, Viagra might as well stay in the bottle. A pill is like a spice, adding flavor to a meal, but it should not be confused with the meal itself. -Stuttgart, Germany

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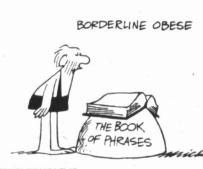
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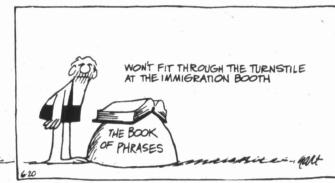




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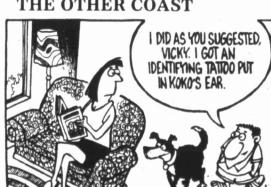


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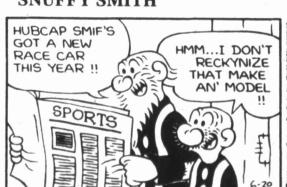


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## This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, June 20, the 171st day of 2005. There are 194 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in

History: On June 20, 1782, Congress approved the Great Seal of the United

States.

On this date: In 1756, in India, a group of British soldiers was imprisoned in a suffocating cell that gained notoriety as "Black Hole Calcutta"; most died.

In 1837, Queen Victoria acceded to the British throne following the death of her uncle, King William

In 1893, a jury in New Bedford, Mass., found Lizzie Borden innocent of the ax murders of her father and stepmother.

In 1898, during the Spanish-American War, the U.S. cruiser Charleston captured the Spanish-ruled island of Guam.

In 1943, race-related rioting erupted in Detroit; federal troops were sent in two days later to quell the violence that resulted in more than 30 deaths.

In 1947, Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel was shot dead at the Beverly Hills, Calif., mansion of his girlfriend, Virginia Hill, apparently at the order of mob associates.

In 1967, boxer Muhammad Ali was convicted in Houston of violating Selective Service laws by refusing to be drafted. (Ali's conviction was ultimately overturned by the Supreme Court).

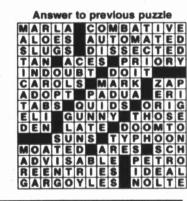
Ten years ago: U.S. Air Force Captain Jim Wang, a radar officer, was cleared of wrongdoing in a friendly fire attack on two U.S. helicopters over northern Iraq in 1994 that resulted in 26 deaths.

One year ago: The Arab satellite TV network Al-Jazeera aired a videotape from al-Qaida-linked militants showing a South Korean hostage begging for his life and pleading with

his government to with-

draw troops from Iraq. Today's Birthdays: Actress Olympia Dukakis is 74. Actor Danny Aiello is 72. Movie director Stephen Frears is 64. Singer Anne Murray is 60. TV personality Bob Vila is 59. Tina Sinatra is 57. Rhythm-andblues singer Lionel Richie is 56. Actor John Goodman is 53. Singer Cyndi Lauper is 52. Rock musician Michael Anthony (Van Halen) is 51. Musician John Taylor is 45. Actress Nicole Kidman is 38. Movie director Robert Rodriguez is 37. Actor Josh Lucas is 34. Actor Peter Paige is 31.

Thought for Today: "Love your enemy \_ it'll drive him nuts." \_ Anonymous.



## **Newsday Crossword**

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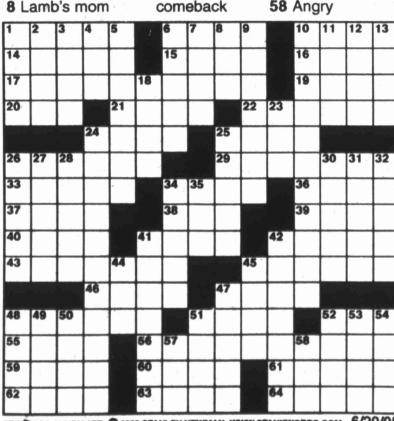
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