

## High Court: City Hall can seize homes

By MATT APUZZO

Associated Press Writer

NEW LONDON, Conn. — Word of the U.S. Supreme Court decision spread around Bill Von Winkle's part of town like news of a passing relative. "Hello?" he answered his cell phone. "Yeah, we lost. I know, hard to believe, huh?"

Von Winkle and six other homeowners in this small waterfront community lost a groundbreaking high court

**"The message of the case to cities is yes, you can use eminent domain, but you better be careful and conduct hearings."**

—Thomas Merrill, law professor

decision Thursday when justices ruled that City Hall may take their property through eminent domain to make way for a hotel and convention center.

"I spent all the money I had," said Von Winkle, a retired deli owner, of the properties he bought in the Fort Trumbull neighborhood. "I sold sandwiches to buy

these properties. It took 21 years."

The court's decision drew a scathing dissent from Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, who argued the decision favors rich corporations.

The fight over Fort Trumbull has been raging for years. New London once was a center for the whaling industry and later became a manufacturing hub. More

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## Calming influence

*Despite giving birth, Trudy fulfills her role in pet therapy program*

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Devotion in a dog is nothing new — but then there's Trudy's case.

Trudy, a two-year-old Chinese Pug, has been a fixture at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home for more than year.

Her owner, Kathy Ferron, a nurse supervisor at the home, uses Trudy as part of the facility's pet therapy program, in which dogs are used as companions for the home's residents.

According to all reports, Trudy is very good at her job — so good, in fact, that she didn't let a trifling matter like impending motherhood stand between her and her duties.

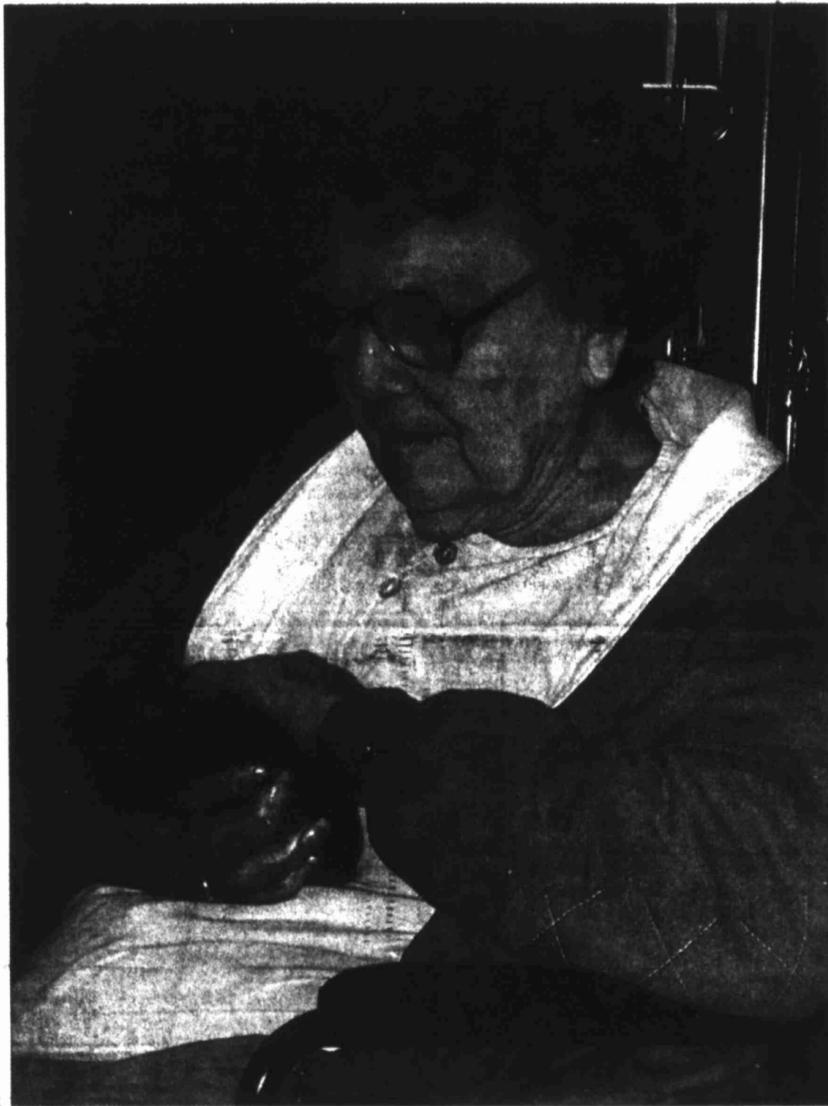
When Ferron discovered a few months ago that Trudy was pregnant, she decided to keep bringing her to the home every day.

When Trudy's condition made even walking an iffy proposition, she'd still be found at the home, being wheeled from room to room in a red wagon.

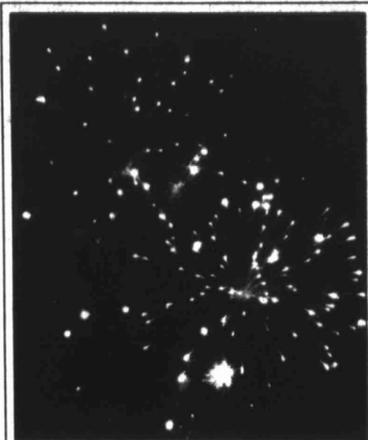
So, it's hardly surprising to learn that when Trudy's big day arrived on June 12, she'd give birth at her home away from home.

With resident Mary Bullard, a retired Army nurse, acting as midwife, Trudy gave birth to six healthy puppies — two males and four females.

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Mary Bullard, a retired Army nurse now at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home, holds a pair of Chinese Pug puppies born at the home June 12. Bullard acted as midwife during the births.



HERALD file photo  
Fireworks stands may operate from today through July 4, according to state law. However, Big Spring prohibits the discharge of fireworks inside the city limits.

## Fireworks sales begin; fire marshal urges caution

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

For many area residents, the July Fourth holiday means family, fun — and of course, fireworks.

While fireworks, which went on sale today across the state, can create a beautiful spectacle for miles, there's no denying one simple fact: They are incredibly dangerous.

Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray said people wanting to have fun with fireworks this holiday should observe some simple rules to help keep themselves and their neighbors safe.

The most obvious concern, according to Condray, is where you decide to "pop" your fireworks.

"It is against the law to discharge fireworks in the city limits," Condray reminds the public. "If you're going to light fireworks you need to find a place in the county that you have access to and have permission to be there, especially if it is on private property."

Fireworks thrill-seekers planning to celebrate the holiday with their

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## Big Spring incurs moderate hike in sales tax rebates

By BILL MCCLELLAN

News Editor

Sales tax rebates rose modestly this month for Big Spring, which snapped the \$2 million mark, according to the Texas Comptroller's Office.

Big Spring received \$316,697.92 this month, up 6.81 percent when compared to the \$296,479.66 taken in during June of 2004. For the first six months of 2005, Big Spring has collected \$2,102,482.44, an amount ahead of last year's col-

lections by 6.3 percent.

Most area communities received positive sales tax rebates when compared to a year ago, according to the Comptroller's Office.

Coahoma received \$4,358.56 for the month, up 6.1 percent when compared to the \$4,107.93 received a year ago. For 2005, Coahoma has received \$28,926.13, a pace that is 6.76 percent higher than 2004.

After experiencing strong increases for most of the year, Forsan took a step backward in

rebates. Forsan received \$5,132.71 this month compared to \$6,879.57 in June 2004, a decrease of 25.39 percent. For the year, Forsan has received \$35,770.45, an increase of 30.97 percent.

Rebates went up 8.82 percent for Abilene, comparing June 2005 rates of \$2,187,238.72 to June 2004 rates of \$2,009,790.63. For the year, Abilene has received \$14,496,434.63, up 8.08 percent.

Andrews enjoyed a double-digit increase. The \$74,219.05

received this month is a 10.58 percent increase compared to the \$67,115.27 collected in June 2004. For the year, Andrews has collected \$498,570.32, up 14.57 percent.

Brownfield took in \$47,608.77 this month compared to \$59,754.90 a year ago, for a decrease of 20.32 percent. For the year, Brownfield has taken in \$425,411.08, an increase of 5.87 percent.

Colorado City collected \$31,369.50 for June 2005. That's a 7.21 percent setback when

compared to the \$33,808.79 the Mitchell County seat collected in June 2004. For the year, Colorado City has collected \$222,959.71, up 1.37 percent.

Fort Stockton collected \$108,139.61 this month, 7.88 percent less than the \$117,396.40 taken in during June 2004. For the year, Fort Stockton has received \$728,118.31, up 4.33 percent.

Kermit had another strong month, comparing the

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### YOU CAN HELP

• Road to Recovery, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call LaWanda Hamm at 263-7827.

• The Mobile Meals program, which delivers to the elderly and home-bound, needs volunteers. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed. If you can volunteer, call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

### SEABEES INVITATION

MAGNOLIA, Ark. (AP) — At age 81, Fola Coats might seem a little old to join the Navy. But the great-grandmother recently received a letter inviting her to enlist in the Seabees of the Naval Reserve.

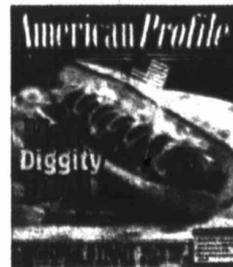
"I laughed when I got (the letter)," she said. "I told (my family), I can't wait to get my uniform."

Coats' husband served in World War II and two of her sons were in Vietnam.

"I guess they figured we were a great military family," she said.

The letter suggests she should volunteer for the Seabees.

### COMING THIS WEEKEND



Cover Story: Americans eat 20 billion hot dogs each year, according to the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council. So when, how and why did

hot dogs become standard American fare and what makes a great-tasting dog? That depends who you talk to.

## Obituaries

### Billy James Hutcheison

Billy James Hutcheison, 58, of Houston died June 3, 2005, at his home. A memorial service was conducted June 6, 2005, at the Crowder Funeral Home in Webster.

He was born June 24, 1946, in Big Spring. He served his country during Vietnam as a soldier in the U.S. Army, where he was highly decorated. He later worked as a conductor for 37 years with Union Pacific Railroad.

He is survived by his wife, Liz; three sons, Michael Zilai, Ryan Grayson and Brock Hutcheison; one sister, Barbara Hohman and husband, Rick; one brother, Bobby Hutcheison and wife, Ginger; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, father Bernard Hutcheison and mother Opal Hutcheison, of Big Spring.

*Paid obituary*

### Ann Pierce

Ann Pierce, 79, of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 22, 2005, in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services are 3 p.m. today, June 24, 2005, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel with the Rev. Rick Cunningham, minister of 14th and Main Church of Christ, officiating.

She was born Jan. 5, 1926, in Weatherford and married Doke Pierce Oct. 16, 1944, in Weatherford. She came to Big Spring in 1945 and worked for Big Spring Independent School District as a cashier. She had been a member of 14th and Main Church of Christ since 1945.

Survivors include her husband, Doke Pierce of Big Spring; two sons, Donald Pierce of McKinney and Larry Pierce of Richmond, Va.; one daughter, Barbara Mamoulides of Houston; two sisters, Wanda Sipes and Billie Stokes, both of Bridgeport; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Blain and Ethel Waters, one sister, Nona Knibbe and two brothers, N.J. "Dick" Waters and Jim Waters.

The family suggest memorials be made to a favorite charity.

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

### Bobbie Jean (Wiggie) Johnson

Bobbie Jean (Wiggie) Johnson, 57, of Brownfield died Thursday, June 23, 2005, in Brownfield. Funeral services are 2 p.m. Saturday, June 25, 2005, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Dwayne Wheat, pastor of Berea Baptist Church and the Rev. Chris Seaton, pastor of Abundant Harvest Church in Brownfield, officiating. Interment will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Sept. 4, 1947, in Big Spring. She lived in Big Spring most of her life and attended Big Spring schools. She had lived in Brownfield for the past 10 years. She was a member of Abundant Harvest Church in Brownfield.

Survivors include her mother, Wanda Lee of Big Spring; and numerous other family members and friends including her caregiver, Krista Moran.

She was preceded in death by her father, Robert "Bob" Lee.

The family suggests memorials to Abundant Harvest Church, 101 S. Fourth, Brownfield 79316 or to Berea Baptist Church, 4204 Wasson Road, Big Spring 79720.

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

### John Marino

John Marino, 81, of Big Spring died at 5:55 a.m. Friday, June 24, 2005, at the Veterans Administration Hospital. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### James 'Jim' Corbell

James "Jim" Corbell, 80, of Colorado City died Wednesday, June 22, 2005, in an Abilene hospital. Services are pending with Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

## Support groups

#### FRIDAY

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

#### SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8-9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

• West Texas Gluten-Free Awareness Support Group meets from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. at Memorial Hospital west campus in Midland. Call Barbara at 432-520-2119 for more information.

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## Police blotter

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

- **MELISSA GAY YOUNG**, 36, of 800 Lancaster, was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault class C/family violence.
- **DEBRA MOLINA**, 40, of 405 N.W. 11th Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **THEFT** was reported:
  - in the 600 block of Linda.
  - in the 2300 block of Wasson.
  - in the 1200 block of 11th Place.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
  - in the 700 block of Fourth Street.
  - in the 1000 block of Stadium.
  - in the 800 block of FM 700.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported:
  - in the 1500 block of 17th Street.
  - in the 2700 block of Ann.

## Sheriff's report

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

- **DAVID VILLAREAL JR.**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for burglary of a vehicle and a charge of burglary of a vehicle.
- **GERALD D. AYERS**, 47, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of issuance of a bad check.
- **MICHAEL WAYNE PETERSON**, 50, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of issuance of a bad check.

## Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 100 block of N. Broadway in Coahoma. Service was refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. Service was refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 4000 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2100 block of Cecilia. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 600 block of Harding. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 300 block of S. Main Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to the VAMC.

## Take note

• **THE BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL OLDTIMERS** (those who graduated before 1940) are planning a reunion for the annual BSHS Homecoming Sept. 16-17. Anyone able to attend a reunion Sept. 17 should call 432-267-2900 and leave phone and address information.

• **MAMIE ROBERTS TURNS 100** years old and a special, come and go birthday celebration begins at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Mountain View Lodge, 2009 Virginia. Friends are invited to stop by and wish her happy birthday. Call 263-1271 for more information.

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

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

• **HIGHLAND FOURTH OF JULY PARADE** is set for July 2 at the corner of Highland Drive and Stonehaven. Line-up at 9:15 a.m., parade begins at 10 a.m. For more information, call Shayla Seymore at 267-4854 or Linda Kay at 267-8427.

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

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

• **COAHOMA PATRIOTIC PARADE** begins at 10 a.m. July 2. Celebration continues in Coahoma Park with a car show, food booths and vendors.

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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](mailto:editor@bigspringherald.com)

#### TODAY

- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Spring City Senior Citizens Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

#### SATURDAY

- Railroad Museum at the corner of Second Street and Main Street is open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Free admission. Call 432-559-3409 for more information.
- Mamie Roberts honored with a come and go birthday celebration for her 100th birthday at Mountain View Lodge at 2:30 p.m. Public invited.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.
- YoungLife and Sonic Drive-In and the Big Spring Car Club present Cruise Night beginning at 7 p.m. at the Sonic on Gregg Street. Call Shelly Warren at 264-1234 for more information.

#### MONDAY

- Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the north-west door. Call 263-2786 for more information.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in La Posada Restaurant.
- Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at 500 S. Main St., in the Dorothy Lamb Meeting Room of the Howard County Library. The public is welcome.
- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

## Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:

- Winning numbers drawn: 9-15-16-30. Bonus Ball: 16.
- Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0.
- Number matching four of four: 3. Prize: \$3,733.
- Number matching three of four, plus Bonus Ball: 30. Prize: \$45.
- Number matching three of four: 926. Prize: \$20.
- Number matching two of four, plus Bonus Ball: 605. Prize: \$20.
- Number matching one of four, plus Bonus Ball: 3,750. Prize: \$7.
- Number matching Bonus Ball alone: 6,274. Prize: \$5.
- Estimated jackpot for Monday night drawing: \$425,000.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:

- Winning numbers drawn: 12-13-14-23-28.
- Number matching five of five: 1.
- Prize per winner: \$33,276.
- Winning tickets sold in: Killeen.
- Matching four of five: 125. Prize: \$120.
- Matching three of five: 3,756. Prize: \$9.
- Matching two of five: 35,229. Prize: \$2.
- Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-4-4

## Weather

Tonight—Clear. Lows in the mid 60s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday—Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday night—Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 60s. South Winds 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday—Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday night—Partly cloudy. Lows around 70.

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

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

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

Tuesday night—Mostly clear. Lows around 70.

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

Wednesday night—Mostly clear. Lows around 70.

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

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\$28,235.99 received in June 2005 to the \$23,840.20 received in June 2004. That's an increase of 18.43 percent. For the year, Kermit has received \$451,508.61, up 6.19 percent compared to a year ago.

Lamesa took in \$61,680.99 this month, an increase of just 1.11 percent when compared to the \$61,001.98 received in June of 2004. For the year, the Dawson County seat has received \$285,314.00, up 6.45 percent.

Lubbock, which increased its sales tax from 1.25 to 1.5 cents in November, saw rebates soar by 38.19 percent this month. The city received \$3,014,686.03, compared to \$2,181,431.06 in June 2004. For the year, Lubbock has received \$20,363,110.56, up 34.96 percent.

Midland collected \$1,797,245.24 this month, up 6.97 percent compared to the \$1,680,087.61 collected a year ago. For the year, Midland has received \$12,080,648.87, up 11.31 percent.

Monahans witnessed rebates go up 13.3 percent, comparing this month's collections of \$78,355.60 to June 2004's \$69,156.80. For the first six months of 2005, Monahans has received \$498,408.37, an increase of 13.88 percent.

Odessa received \$1,253,583.66 this month, a 14.46 percent increase when compared to the \$1,095,158.31 received in June 2004. For the year, Odessa has received \$8,291,732.60, up 11.87 per-

cent. Pecos collected \$58,315.39 this month, 4.75 percent less than the \$61,227.49 received in June 2004. For the year, Pecos has collected \$425,139.67, up 10.25 percent.

San Angelo managed \$1,159,086.04 in the year's sixth month, up 4.18 percent when compared to the \$1,112,475.12 received in June 2004. For the year, the Tom Green county seat has collected \$7,627,884.63, up 3.88 percent.

Snyder collected \$133,333.65 this month, up 4.4 percent when compared to the \$127,707.33 the Scurry County seat received in June 2004. For the year, Snyder has struggled. The \$803,302.80 collected for the year is down 11.75 percent when compared to the first six months of 2004.

Stanton, which raised its tax from 1 cent to 1.75 cents in November, continues to experience strong increases in sales tax rebates. The Martin County seat collected \$20,991.11 this June compared to \$9,690.30 a year ago — an increase of 116.61 percent. For the year, Stanton has received \$127,799.47, up a whopping 94.38 percent.

Sweetwater received \$162,526.87, a 23.85 percent hike when compared to the \$131,225.48 received in June 2004. The Nolan County seat has topped the \$1 million mark at \$1,088,955.92 for the year, up 14.01 percent.

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Herald photo/Steve Reagan

Trudy, a Chinese Pug, nurses her puppies at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home Thursday afternoon. The puppies were born June 12 at the home, with one of its residents acting as midwife.

**TRUDY**

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"We just wheeled her into the activity room and announced that the activity of the day would be Trudy giving birth," Ferron said. "And the residents just flooded in."

Most new canine mothers are leery of humans coming too near to newborns, but Trudy seems to be taking her celebrity status in stride. As Ferron talked about her dog, residents and nurses alike would stream by, cooing over and petting both Trudy and her puppies.

"It's unusual for a momma dog to be so

sharing," Ferron said, "but she's been wonderful."

Eventually, Trudy will go back to her "regular" duties at the home, and most of the puppies will be sold. But Ferron said she will likely keep one of the litter to accompany Trudy on her pet therapy rounds.

"They're a very therapeutic, calming influence," Ferron said of the therapy dogs. "We have one lady who sometimes gets very agitated, but when we put one of the dogs on her lap, she calms right down."

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**COURT**

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recently the city has suffered the kind of economic woes afflicting urban areas across the country.

City officials envision a commercial development including a riverfront hotel, health club and offices that would attract tourists to the Thames riverfront, complementing the adjoining Pfizer center and a proposed Coast Guard museum.

Most homeowners sold their properties to make way for wrecking crews, but seven families stubbornly refused to sell. Collectively, they owned 15 houses.

"The U.S. Supreme Court destroyed everybody's lives today, everybody who owns a home," said Richard Beyer, owner of two rental prop-

erties in the once-vibrant immigrant neighborhood.

Nationwide, however, legal experts said they don't expect local governments to rush to claim homes.

"The message of the case to cities is yes, you can use eminent domain, but you better be careful and conduct hearings," said Thomas Merrill, a Columbia law professor who specializes in property rights.

In his majority opinion, Justice John Paul Stevens said New London could pursue private development under the Fifth Amendment, which allows governments to take private property if the land is for public use. He said the project the city has in mind promises to bring more jobs and revenue.

"Promoting economic development is a traditional and long accepted

function of government," Stevens wrote. He added that local officials are better positioned than federal judges to decide what's best for a community.

He was joined in his opinion by other members of the court's liberal wing — David H. Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen G. Breyer, as well as Reagan appointee Justice Anthony Kennedy, in noting that states are free to pass additional protections if they see fit.

The four-member bloc typically has favored greater deference to cities, which historically have used the power of eminent domain for urban renewal projects.

At least eight states — Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Maine, Montana, South Carolina and Washington — forbid the use of eminent

domain for economic development unless it is to eliminate blight. Other states either expressly allow private property to be taken for private economic purposes or have not spoken clearly to the question.

**FIREWORKS**

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collection of Roman candles, sparklers and other assorted explosive displays should also remember to keep a few simple tools around while lighting up the West Texas sky.

"Make sure to have lots of water or a shovel where you can put out a fire," he said. "Discharge the fireworks on a hard surface like a parking lot, something paved, concrete or on a dirt road. Light them on the ground and then quickly move away and don't let children light them."

Condray said fireworks enthusiasts should scout out a path to take away from the direction of the fireworks before igniting

them and remember to use some common sense while handling explosives.

"Don't ever hold the fireworks in your hand and don't point them at other people," Condray said. "Those things can backfire and they can catch your clothes on fire."

Firework duds — pieces that have been lit but don't explode — still present a danger and Condray recommends dumping them into a tub of water.

"Fireworks can be dangerous for long time after they've been discharged," he said. "Sparklers also can stay hot for a long time. Kids can burn their hands on them."

While many area residents won't be able to resist the color and beau-

ty of fireworks this July Fourth, Condray recommends skipping the live fireworks this year and instead enjoy the warmth of friends and family.

"As windy as it has been here lately, there is a tremendous fire risk out there," he said. "And while we've received more rain than usual, there's still a serious danger there. There's a lot more grass on the ground. "I wish people would choose to celebrate by sitting around with the family, friends and loved ones instead of popping fireworks. But if you are going to celebrate with fireworks, please be careful."

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play

This week we salute:

- Big Spring Retired Senior Volunteer Program and Canterbury Retirement Homes, sponsors of Thursday's workshop designed to help senior citizens cope with depression.

- Members of the board of directors for the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, and to Jack Buchanan, named grand marshal for the annual rodeo parade.

- Organizers of the Howard-Glasscock Old Settler's Reunion and honored families, the Reads and Carters.

- David Justice, on his return to our community as the warden at FCI Big Spring.

- Big Spring High School students Tapley Holguin and Manoj Thangam, who placed in the top 10 at the National Forensics League national Speech Tournament in Philadelphia.

- Members of the United Methodist Action Reach-out Mission by Youth, who have been repairing homes all week in Big Spring.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

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Better dead than fed, PETA says

Don't be fooled by the slick propaganda of PETA, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals. The organization may claim to champion the welfare of animals, as the many photos of cute puppies and kittens on its website suggest. But last week, two PETA employees were charged with 31 felony counts of animal cruelty each, after authorities found them dumping the dead bodies of 18 animals they had just picked up from a North Carolina animal shelter in a Dumpster. According to The Associated Press, 13 more dead animals were found in a van registered to PETA.



DEBRA SAUNDERS

The arrest followed a rash of unwelcome discoveries of dead animals dumped in the area. According to veterinarian Patrick Proctor, the PETA people told North Carolina shelters they would try to find the dogs and cats homes. He handed over two adoptable kittens and their mother, only to learn later that they had died, without a chance to find a home, in the PETA van.

"This is ethical?" Proctor railed over the phone. "I don't really think so."

This is not the first report that PETA killed animals it claimed to protect. In 1991, PETA killed 18 rabbits and 14 roosters it had previously "rescued" from a research facility. "We just don't have the money to care for them," then PETA-Chairman Alex Pacheco told The Washington Times. The PETA shelter had run out of room.

The Center for Consumer Freedom, which represents the food industry, a frequent target of PETA campaigns, released data filed by PETA with the state of Virginia that shows PETA has killed more than 10,000 animals

from 1998 to 2003. "In 2003, PETA euthanized over 85 percent of the animals it took in," said a press release from the lobby, "finding adoptive homes for just 14 percent. By comparison, the Norfolk (Va.) SPCA found adoptive homes for 73 percent of its animals and Virginia Beach SPCA adopted out 66 percent."

The center's David Martosko considered PETA's hefty budget — reportedly, \$20 million — and many contributions from well-heeled Hollywood celebrities, then figured, "PETA has enough money in the bank to care for every unwanted animal in Virginia (where it has its headquarters) and North Carolina."

Except PETA apparently prefers to spend donations not caring for flesh-and-blood animals entrusted to it, but on campaigns attacking medical researchers, meat eaters or women wearing furs. It is as if PETA prefers the idea of animals to animals themselves.

Why does PETA kill animals that might otherwise find a home? I repeatedly phoned PETA, but I never reached an official who would answer my questions. PETA's website spun the story under the banner, "PETA helping animals in North Carolina," with an emphasis on its efforts to "solve the animal overpopulation in North Carolina."

Here's more: "PETA has provided euthanasia services to various counties in that state to prevent animals from being shot with a .22 behind a shed or gassed in windowless metal boxes — both practices that were carried out until PETA volunteered to provide painless death for the animals." Make that painless deaths for animals that could have found love.

Besides, PETA always has been about killing animals. A 2003 New Yorker profile included PETA top dog Ingrid Newkirk's story of how she became involved in animal rights after a shelter put down stray kittens she brought there. So she went to work for an animal

shelter in the 1970s, where, she explained: "I would go to work early, before anyone got there, and I would just kill the animals myself. Because I couldn't stand to let them go through (other workers abusing the animals). I must have killed a thousand of them, sometimes dozens every day."

That's right. PETA assails other parties for killing animals for food or research. Then it kills animals — but for really important reasons, like because it has run out of room.

Martosko hopes animal lovers will learn that their donations will do more good at a local animal shelter than at PETA. "For years," he added, "we thought that PETA just cared for animals more than they cared for humans. But now it seems they don't care much for either."

No lie about not caring for people. In 2003, Newkirk hectored late Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat because a terrorist blew up a donkey in an attempt to blow up people. Newkirk also told The New Yorker the world would be a better place without people. She explained why she had herself sterilized: "I am opposed to having children. Having a purebred human baby is like having a purebred dog — it's nothing but vanity, human vanity."

Now you know. People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals doesn't really like people. PETA has no use for ethics. And PETA kills animals.

Note to readers: My husband, Wesley J. Smith, is a senior fellow on animal rights issues at the Discovery Institute.

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Giveaways to big corporations continue

As that great American, Deep Throat, never said, "Follow the money." (The line is by William Goldman, who wrote the movie, "All the President's Men").

Keeping your eye on the shell with the pea under it is not easy when the right-wing echo chamber continually takes up new chapters in the culture wars — the dread case of the senator who didn't, in fact, say the United States is as bad as the late Soviet Union and the equally grave perennial constitutional amendment to prevent the menace of flag desecration.

Meanwhile, largely unnoticed and unreported, the drumbeat of giveaways to big corporations continues: unnecessary tax breaks for the undeserving, more green lights for the rampant exploitation of the environment, and all manner of theft and skullduggery.

Seriously, this administration is starting to look like that old television show in which contestants lined up their shopping carts in a grocery store and, on the signal, began running around throwing every valuable item they could find in their carts. Whoever grabbed the most high-priced items won. The contestants here and now are corporations and lobbyists.

The amusing case of the congressman whose house was bought by the founder of a defense firm for \$700,000 more than it was worth is being exceptionally well-reported by the congressman's hometown paper, the San Diego Union-Tribune. You will not be amazed to learn the congressman in question (Randy Cunningham) oversees the committee that grants contracts to that very defense firm.

The story gets better by the day — the congressman lives on a yacht in D.C. owned by the defense contractor, and employees of the defense firm say they were

threatened with firing if they did not give to the company PAC. Well shut my mouth!

Meanwhile, the Senate has endorsed the Bush administration's do-nothing policy on global warming by approving a measure that avoids mandatory reductions of heat-trapping pollution. These are the same bozos who refuse to require better mileage per gallon from the auto industry, even though the technology is readily available.

The Senate also passed an inventory of offshore oil and gas resources, apparently a step toward drilling in coastal waters that are now off-limits to the oil companies. See above reference to bozos.

Now here's a jewel of a giveaway to those deserving citizens, the tobacco companies. The Justice Department suddenly dropped its request from \$130 billion in the long-running tobacco case to \$10 billion. Justice Department lawyers say political appointees at the top of the department were responsible for the decision.

The tobacco industry contributed a total of \$54.1 million in individual, PAC and soft money from 1989 through last year, according to Capital Eye, a newsletter put out by the Center for Responsive Politics. Seventy-five percent of its contributions have gone to Republicans.

In addition, the tobacco industry has spent hundreds of millions on lobbying over the same years. In 1998, the tobacco companies settled with several states for a reported \$246 billion. Individual states have won settlements larger than \$10 billion, yet the federal government is apparently planning to run a national anti-smoking campaign on a fraction of that. One expert witness for the government said he had been asked to change his testimony on how much such a program would cost, but refused to do so. This action has several names — sell-out, cave-in, giveaway and payoff among them.

When this administration's Department of Interior promises

you that increased grazing on public lands will improve the quality of rangelands, do you believe it? Would your answer be influenced by news that once again the advice of scientists in the field was ignored by the political appointees in charge?

A government biologist and a hydrologist, both retired from the Bureau of Land Management, said their conclusion that the proposed new grazing rules might adversely affect water quality and wildlife, including endangered species, was excised and replaced with language justifying less stringent regulation.

"They rewrote everything. It's a crime," said one of the scientists. The ranchers are happy about the proposed new regs, but how happy are they going to be when the rangeland deteriorates?

And how many times are we going to let the administration get away with just changing science to suit its own political purposes?

The R's have passed an energy bill that increases our dependence on foreign oil by 85 percent by 2025, according to a 2004 report by the Energy Information Administration. No wonder the White House has to keep changing the science in these reports.

One striking feature of the bill is a nifty little waiver for the manufacturers of MTBE that lets them avoid liability suits filed since September 2003. MTBE is a toxic substance now working its way into various water supply sources. The waiver is worth billions to the manufacturers of MTBE, who happen to be clustered in the home districts of Majority Leader Tom DeLay and Texas Rep. Joe Barton, who is chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. Surprise!

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# Church News

## Prayer, Praise Rally at Pops in the Park

A special Prayer and Praise Rally opens the annual Pops in the Park event beginning at 6:30 p.m. July 3.

The churches of Howard County are sponsoring a Prayer and Praise Rally at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater just before the symphony and fireworks.

Plans include testimony from a U.S. soldier who served in Iraq, along with other dynamic testimonies and prayer from local residents and area pastors. Music will be provided by The King's Men, an eight-person, high energy gospel singing group from College Baptist Church.

The entire evening is free, and everyone is invited to attend the Prayer and Praise Rally. For more information, call 263-0556.

## Midway Baptist Church

This week, Girls in Action members are in camp in Floydada and the youth are off to the Youth Evangelism Conference in Dallas.

Sunday morning, the Rev. Jim Binnix will present the message, "Throwing in the Towel" from John 13:1-7.

Sunday evening is birthday recognition for the month of June with a monthly ice cream social immediately following the evening service.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m.; worship service is at 11 a.m.; Team Kids, Royal Ambassadors, GA's and Youth meet at 5 p.m.; the evening service is at 6 p.m.

The Wednesday evening fellowship meal begins at 5:30 p.m. children's choir and youth begin at 6 p.m.; adult Bible study and Little Dribblers begins at 7 p.m.

The church is located at 6200 S. Service Road. For more information, call 263-6274 or e-mail midway@crcom.net.

## Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

Everyone is welcome to worship at 1512 Birdwell Lane.

Sunday night will be youth night. They youth will take up offering, bring devotions, sing special music and serve homemade ice cream for the fellowship.

Sunday worship services are at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. Midweek services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For information call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

## Baptist Temple Church

Baptist Temple Church is going on safari June 26-30.

Vacation Bible School 2005: "Kingdom of the Son: A Prayer Safari" will travel through the Lord's Prayer from 6:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. The kick-off party is at 4:30 p.m. Sunday with activities and hot dogs.

The public is invited to a community-wide baby shower to benefit Birthright. Shower items and donations benefit Birthright with items to pass out to expectant parents to encourage them to choose life for their babies. The shower will be from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday at Baptist Temple Church.

Times for church services and activities are: Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.; Sunday morning service at 10:45 a.m.; Sunday evening service at 6 p.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting at 7 p.m.

Baptist Temple is located at 11th and Goliad. For more information, contact the church office at 267-8287 or visit the Web site at www.baptisttem-

plechurch.org.

## Friends of Unity

The Rev. Jim Sims leads Tuesday's discussions at noon. Teaching from the book "Rising in Consciousness," by Joel S. Goldsmith, he gives opportunities for others to ask questions and make contributions to the discussion.

Unity Church of West Texas shares the Rev. Jim Sims for a traditional service on the first Sunday of each month. Faith affirmations are shared and the songs of Unity are sung. Call 267-8783 for information.

## East Side Baptist Church

"Sunday Fun Time" is at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday, followed by family worship at 10:45 a.m.

July 3, "Earley Praise" will be singing the gospel of the Lord. At 2 p.m., that same afternoon, the church will host a gospel concert featuring Early Praise, Marvin Stewart, and the Robby Wright Family. Call 267-1915 for more information.

## St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Everyone is invited to attend worship services at St. Mary's Sunday. Holy Eucharist is celebrated at 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary's Inquirers' Class is Tuesday, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit our Web site at www.stmarysbt.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 S. Goliad.

## VBS at Berea Baptist Church

Vacation Bible School at Berea Baptist Church will begin Monday and continue through June 30. The

school will be from 9:30 a.m. until noon each day and will include music, Bible study, games, refreshments and a mission emphasis. Kids from age 3 through fifth grade are invited to be a part of Rambling Road Trip.

The theme for 2005 is "Which Way Do I Go?" VBS. As ramblers (a.k.a. kids) cruise along "Route 254," better known as Psalm 25:4, they will see natural wonders, big cities, theme parks and more as they discover the choices that they make daily affect their entire journey.

By choosing God as their guide, they are sure to arrive at the ultimate destination — a relationship with Jesus.

The Rev. Ted Kiser and the team from Calvary Baptist Church in Oak Cliff will be here working with Berea to provide an excellent experience for the kids.

Members of the team will be out in the area Saturday afternoon to meet kids and to provide information about VBS for them and their parents.

At 11 a.m. Sunday morning, Kiser will speak and some of the team members will be telling what they have experienced to date in their own ramble down Route 254. Other team members will sing during the service.

Berea is located at 4204 Wasson Road.

For more information or to request rides, call 267-8438, or e-mail at pdwheat@crcom.net.

## YoungLife

Three YoungLife Big Spring leaders are escorting 12 local high school students to Frontier Camp in Buena Vista, Colo., July 2-10. Donations are accepted to cover the cost of this trip.

A special fund-raiser is set to begin at 7 p.m.

Saturday at Sonic Drive-In. YoungLife is a non-profit Christian organization for high school students. For more information or to contribute to YoungLife, call 264-1234.

## Calvary Baptist Church

Calvary Baptist Church is located at 1200 W. Fourth Street. Preaching services are at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and Wednesday Bible study is at 5 p.m.

## Cornerstone Church

Cornerstone Church, an Every Nation Ministries church, has worship service beginning at 10:30 a.m. Children in kindergarten through fourth grade are invited to Sunday children's activities.

The New Youth, for grades five and six, study Creationism at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The Youth for grades seven through 12, also meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The youth are raising funds for a national conference in Nashville, Tenn., in July.

Cornerstone, located at the corner of 12th and Owens streets, offers a family atmosphere of praise and worship. Childcare is available for newborns through preschool. Call Pastor Craig or Cherise Felty at 263-3072 with any questions.

## First Church of the Nazarene

Family ministries night is Wednesday. The family night meal is in the fellowship hall from 5 p.m. until 6:15 p.m. The cost is \$5 for adults; kids ages 3-10 are \$3; and 2-years-old and younger eat free. Maximum cost per family is \$20.

Several activities are planned from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Wednesday

which are: a women's Bible study in the gym classroom under Salt Shaker; gym games for the senior and junior high age; adult class one with Leonard Hadley in the Commons; adult class two with Bob Goodwin in the Fellowship Hall's northwest classroom; discipling class with Pastor "B" in the conference room; home builders' fellowship with Tommy and Teresa Welch in the Fellowship Hall's northeast classroom; and Wednesday Night Kids in the Kid's Building.

Choir rehearsal is in the sanctuary from 7:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Worship begins at a new time Sunday. Coffee, donuts and fellowship time is 9 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. and Sunday Celebration is at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary. Children's Church and KinderChurch is in the Kid's Building. Sunday night Celebration of Praise is at 6 p.m.

## New Covenant Worship Center

New Covenant Christian Worship Center has an exciting experience planned for July. Pastor Michael and First Lady Bella Willard and staff personally welcome everyone to any of the worship services offered at New Covenant.

"Super-Sunday" worship service is at 4 p.m. July 10. Johnny W. Allen of Miracle Temple Church of God in Christ of San Angelo will be the special guest speaker.

Wednesday at 6 p.m. is mid-week worship service. The doors open at 5:45 p.m. and Sunday morning worship services is at 11 a.m. The doors open at 10:45 a.m. The church is located at 1607 E. Third street.

For more information, call 264-0015 or e-mail nccwc1@yahoo.com.

## A Pastor's Message

In Alan Wright's book "A Chance at Childhood Again," he shares the story of playing halfback on a peewee football team.

According to his recollection, sometimes the peewee line in front of him blocked, and sometimes they didn't.

An additional part of Alan's responsibilities was to return punts and kickoffs. To borrow his thoughts, he didn't exact-

ly cherish the job.

In fact, the kickoff returns ended in what Alan called "near-death experiences."

One really tough game was against the Police Club.

"The Police Club," Alan writes, "could have held its own against most NFL expansion teams." He goes on to say:

"I would take my position to receive the kick alongside another run-

ner back. There I was. I looked like a kick receiver. I stood at the proper spot. I poised myself in the ready position. I awaited the kick.

"Little did anyone know that I prayed, 'O Lord, I beg Thee, do not let this ball come to me. Let it go out of bounds. Let it go to my teammate. But whatever you do, don't let it fall into my hands! And don't let me fall into the hands of the Police Club

defenders.'"

Have you been there? Most of us despair of situations where we're over-matched. Most of us, that is, except David. His challenge to Goliath rates as one of the all-time great Bible stories.

It also contains a lesson for us to learn.

The lesson is that David had his naysayers. For example, there is his

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## Club News

### The Neighbors & Newcomers Club

The Neighbors & Newcomers Club of Big Spring elected new officers in May.

The 2005-06 officers are: President Angie Byerly; first vice president Pat Mireles; second vice-president Pat Fleming; secretary Lora Warren; treasurer Nori Pruet; social/activities chairman Bernandine Grissett;

and publicity chairman Ann Ward.

Several summer activities were planned. Participation in the Community Angels Auction was discussed. A "Girl's Day Out" was planned for June 9. Other summer activities will include walking at 7:30 a.m. at Comanche Trail Park and swimming aero

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brother, Eliab, who is miffed that David even shows up.

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At that, Joseph quietly folded up his list of questions and put it back in his pocket.

David ignored his critics and faced the giant. He placed full trust in God to walk with him into battle. The rest is history.

The Rev. Dennis Teeters is pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Club News

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bics Monday-Wednesday-Friday at 10 a.m. at the YMCA.

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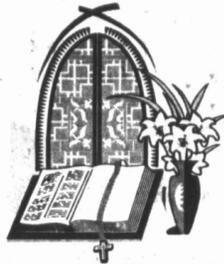
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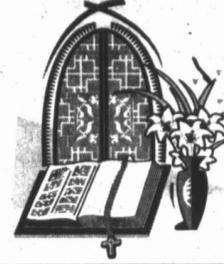
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#### Quarterback Club meeting scheduled

The Big Spring High School Quarterback Club will have its next meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 5, at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

Parents of all junior high and high school football players are encouraged to attend.

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

#### Meeting slated for volleyball

Jason McAden, the new head coach of Big Spring High School's Lady Steers volleyball program, has scheduled a 6 p.m. Monday meeting at Steer Gym for prospective players.

All girls interested in playing high school volleyball are invited to attend.

#### Coahoma tourney beginning today

The annual Coahoma Ragball Tournament will be today through Sunday at the Coahoma softball park. Registration will be 5 p.m. Friday.

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

#### Coahoma sets dates for baseball camp

Coahoma High School has set its 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 mandated by UIL rules.

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

The camp will be led by Coahoma coach Brad Harman.

For more information, contact Harman at 816-3258.

#### "Best of the rest" set for end of month

Comanche Trail Golf Course will hold its "Best of the Rest" two man partnership golf tournament Saturday and Sunday.

The tournament costs \$160 per team.

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

For more info, call 264-2366.

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

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

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

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

For more information, call the country club's golf shop at 267-5354.

## NCAA hits Baylor men's basketball team hard

By KRISTIE RIEKEN  
Associated Press Writer

Baylor can finally look toward the future of its men's basketball team rather than the program's scandalous past.

The Bears were banned from playing nonconference games for one season and placed on five years' probation by the NCAA on Thursday for numerous rules violations found after a former player murdered a teammate in 2003.

Coach Scott Drew, who like many of his players wasn't around when the infractions occurred, said his team was disappointed but is looking forward to the 2006-07 season — when the Bears will regain their scholarships and be eligible for all games.

"Our program continues to focus on the future, and we know that it is bright," Drew said. The sanctions imposed Thursday involved basketball program violations found after

former player Carlton Dotson murdered teammate Patrick Dennehy in 2003.

While Gene Marsh, chairman of the Division I Committee on Infractions and a professor of law at Alabama, said the murder was not directly part of the committee's calculations for punishment, he said it was never far from his mind.

"I don't think you can look at this case without that being a part of what you think," he said. "The murder has defined the

public's perception of Baylor's image. I can't say that I would ever stop thinking about that."

Marsh said he believes it is the first time the NCAA has instituted a partial ban on regular-season games in basketball.

He said the committee seriously considered banning Baylor's program for a season.

"As a repeat violator, they were subject to the death penalty," Marsh said. "Their penalties and their approach saved their basketball season."

## Spurs take championship

### Duncan earns a third Finals MVP trophy

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — While the San Antonio Spurs drenched their newest golden championship trophy in champagne, sweat and tears, the MVP award was safe and dry.

Tim Duncan stashed that prize atop a tall refrigerator in the back corner of the Spurs' locker room. He wanted both hands free to party — a bottle in one, a video camera in the other.

Besides, he knows which trophy really matters.

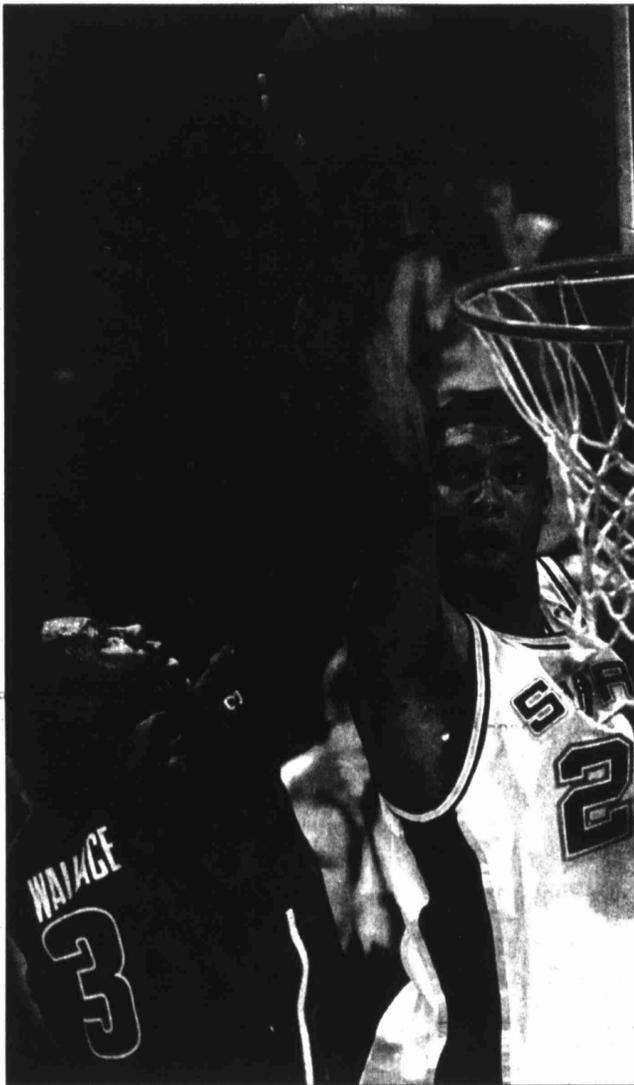
The Spurs won their third NBA title in seven seasons Thursday night, outlasting the Detroit Pistons 81-74 in Game 7. The NBA Finals swelled in intensity and thrills through two weeks to the second half of the clincher, when Duncan finally put on a performance worthy of a player with his resume, skills and hardware collection.

Duncan had 25 points and 11 rebounds, scoring 17 points after halftime while urgently demanding the ball. If this defense-dominated series was a referendum on Duncan's career, as many suggested, he passed by a paper-thin margin after seven games of dogged campaigning — and he couldn't do it alone.

"I hate to be repetitive, but (it's) perseverance," Duncan said. "We just stuck with it. We just kept on pushing. We just kept on fighting. We believed in what we were doing, and we believed that if we did it the right way, we could get it done."

The last two NBA champions stretched the finals to a seventh game for the first time since 1994. Given the chance, Detroit and San Antonio probably would have played seven more games at this same level of parity and excitement.

Little separated them after the blowouts of the first four games: just Robert Horry's heroics in Game 5, the Pistons' impressive poise in Game 6 and, finally,



San Antonio's Tim Duncan takes a shot over Detroit's Ben Wallace in the third quarter of Game 7 of the NBA Finals. The Spurs claimed the NBA title and Duncan scored 25 points en route to his third Finals MVP Award.

Duncan's indomitable will at the close of perhaps the worst playoff series of his career.

Duncan is the only player who was on all three of coach Gregg Popovich's championship teams in San Antonio — and with three MVP awards in the finals, he joined Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson and Shaquille O'Neal in an exclusive fraternity.

"It's definitely an honor," Duncan said, "but this team has so many MVPs."

Duncan barely won the voting over Manu Ginobili, who added a second ring to his Olympic gold medal. The freewheeling Argentine forward cemented his international stardom in this series and its final game, scoring 11 of his 23 points in the fourth

quarter — including six in the final minute.

Duncan and Ginobili carried the Spurs against Detroit's inflexible defense, scoring 33 of San Antonio's 43 points after halftime. The Spurs never trailed in a final quarter spent clinging to the smallest advantages.

"It's tough, and it always is, but somebody has to lose," said Chauncey Billups, last season's finals MVP. "Unfortunately, it was us this time, but I'm proud of the heart we showed."

During the celebration, Tony Parker wore a French flag around his shoulders and Ginobili cavorted in shorts from the Argentine national team. Commissioner David Stern's urgent move to globalize his league should benefit immeasurably from the Spurs' successes — and their smart, defense-oriented game, shared with Detroit, continues to thrive against all other innovations.

Richard Hamilton scored 15 points for the Pistons, who were a few shots and a few minutes shy of their second straight title. Seven trying months, starting with the infamous Palace brawl and ending with a come-from-behind win in the conference finals, ended just short of a second title.

Still, the Pistons got into Duncan's head early and often in this series — something that might be useful if the teams get together again next summer. When they forced Duncan to miss eight straight shots in Game 7, they seemed capable of winning another surprising title. "I'm just as proud of my team as I was (on) June 16th last year," said Larry Brown, referring to the date of last season's title-clinching win over the Lakers.

The Detroit coach is headed for a hospital visit after next week's draft to determine whether he's healthy enough to continue coaching.

"And I'm proud of their team. ... There's a perfect example of playing the right way. Emotionally, you want to win badly, but I also recognize the fact that another team deserved it."

## Florida tops Arizona State, now will face Texas

By RICK GANO

AP Sports Writer

OMAHA, Neb. — Alan Horne came back to the dugout with a brace on his knee and needing crutches to walk. That's how much the injured pitcher wanted to be part of Florida's celebration.

The Gators are heading into uncharted waters after earning their way into the championship round of the College World Series with a 6-3 victory over scrappy Arizona State on Thursday night. After a fan interference call went against them, the Gators hit three home runs.

"Florida's got four or five as good a hitters as I've seen this year," Arizona State coach Pat Murphy said. "They can bomb the ball."

Florida will play Texas in a best-of-three championship series for the national title, beginning Saturday. This is already the Gators' best showing

at college baseball's showcase event in their fifth appearance.

"We've worked really hard for this, getting up at 5:30 in the morning for fall practice and to run the stadium," said Matt LaPorta, whose long homer in the fifth was his Division I-leading 26th of the season.

"We knew we had the team to get this far."

Tommy Boss (9-4), who came in when Horne left with a leg injury in the fourth inning, got the victory after throwing 5 2-3 innings of shutout relief.

Horne threw a pitch to Joey Hooft in the fourth inning and then fell off the mound in pain. After staying down for several minutes, he was helped off the field.

"It's in his hamstring area. The simple answer is that he's day-to-day," Florida coach Pat McMahon said.

"You need to know how tough he is," Boss said. "When he came back in the dugout and Coach asked him how he was, he said

we had to get this one wrapped up so he could pitch again this weekend."

After the Sun Devils took a 3-0 lead in the first two innings, Brian Leclerc homered in the fourth to get the Gators (48-21) within one.

Adam Davis hit a three-run shot off reliever Brett Bordes (5-7) to put Florida ahead in the fifth, and LaPorta followed with his solo homer.

A fan interference call seemed to really get the Gators rolling in the fourth.

"We were all pretty upset," Davis said. "We decided in the dugout to use it as a bit of fuel. That's what we did."

Plate umpire Bill Davis called Florida's Brandon McArthur out after a fan reached for his foul pop near the screen and prevented Sun Devils catcher Tuffy Gosewisch from catching it.

Davis' ruling prompted a heated argument from Florida coach Pat McMahon. The umpires conferred, but the call stood.

Leclerc, the next hitter, hit a two-run shot off starter Jason Urquidez.

"I just took a step back and looked at Coach Mac and he was pretty upset. I wanted to put a smile on his face," Leclerc said.

"Leclerc got us going and we needed that," McMahon said. "That became a spark for us and a lot of guys added to that."

Gosewisch said the call was correct.

"When the fan interfered, I had the ball right above me glove," Gosewisch said. "I don't know if it lit a fire under them. Getting behind that next batter and having him hit a home run lit more of a fire than that call did."

Arizona State (42-25) had won three straight elimination games after losing its CWS opener, including a 6-1 win over Florida on Wednesday.

The Sun Devils had two on with one out in the top of the ninth before Boss retired the final two batters to set off a Gators celebration.

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1908 Alabama.

**ESTATE SALE, 1402 Runnels.**  
Saturday, 8:00-? Furniture,  
dishes, clothing, miscellaneous  
items.

**ESTATE SALE, Friday & Saturday,**  
8:00-6:00. 2221 Lynn  
Dr. Living/ dining room, 2  
LaZBoys, collectibles, tools,  
clothes, linens, etc. Everything  
Goes! Must Empty House!

**ESTATE SALE: Complete**  
House/30 years worth of Stuff.  
3206 Cornell Ave., Friday, 24th  
& Saturday, 25th. 8:00-?

**FIVE FAMILY Garage Sale,**  
309 Washington Blvd. Saturday,  
8:00-? Furniture, clothes,  
linens, toys, glassware, lots of  
decorative items, TV, carpet,  
and baby furniture.

**Garage Sales**

**FOUR FAMILY Garage Sale,**  
3226 Drexel. Saturday, June  
25th. 8:00a.m.-? Burritos!  
Drinks! Household items,  
clothes, tools, etc. Too many  
items to list!

**FOUR FAMILY Garage Sale,**  
Saturday, 8:00-3:00. 2307  
Grace. Lots of good stuff! And  
Burritos!!

**GARAGE SALE at 1301 Utah**  
Friday 9am-4pm, Saturday  
9am-1pm. Furniture, lawn-  
mower, dryer, clothes & lots of  
misc.

**GARAGE SALE Saturday 25**  
from 8am-12pm 2405 Allendale.  
Books, toys, crafts, girls  
clothes, men's shirts, levis, fabric,  
fish tank and table, & adult  
diapers.

**GARAGE SALE, Saturday,**  
8:00-12:00. 1806 Benton.  
DVD's, stage lighting system,  
baby bed, costume jewelry,  
miscellaneous items.

**GARAGE SALE, 1704 Alabama.**  
Saturday, 8:00-12:00.  
Washing machine, clothes,  
toys, and lots of misc.

**Garage Sales**

**GARAGE SALE, 103 Wash-**  
ington Blvd. (in back). Saturday,  
7:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.

**GARAGE SALE, 123 Hooser**  
Road. (SandSprings). Friday &  
Saturday, 8:00-? Baby & toddler  
clothing for girls, toys,  
carseats, full-size bed, furniture,  
home decor, lots more.

**GARAGE SALE, 1308 Lexington,**  
Saturday, 7:30-12:00.  
Clothes, furniture, TV, lots of  
miscellaneous.

**GARAGE SALE, 2204 Lynn**  
Dr. Friday 8:00-2:00, Saturday,  
8:00-12:00. Bed, clothes,  
kitchen items, lots misc.

**GARAGE SALE, 2504 Larry**  
Dr. 8:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Saturday  
Only! Furniture, womens  
plus & Jr. clothing, Sega system,  
toys, computer parts and  
more!

**GARAGE SALE, Saturday,**  
8:00a.m. 2715 Carol.  
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captains bed with drawers,  
washer, dryer, total gym, bicycle,  
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Garage Sales

**GARAGE SALE**, South 87 across from Buffalo Fina. Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 8:00-1:00. Good kids clothes, Lincoln welder, ladies Rockies, lots of miscellaneous.

**GARAGE SALE**-Saturday June 25 from 8am-1pm at 1307 College-Clothes, baby items, toys, 13" & 19" color TVs, camping tents & lots of misc items

**HUGE BACKYARD Sale**, 2706 Central Dr. Many, many items, something for everyone! Friday & Saturday, 8:00a.m.-1:00 p.m.

**INSIDE SALE**, 1903 South Gregg. Tuesday -Thursday, 1:00-5:00, Friday & Saturday 10:00-5:00. Clown & Cow Collectibles, shower curtains, high chair, exercise equipment, lots more.

**INSIDE SALE**, 901 East 4th. Saturday, June 25th and Saturday, July 2nd. 7:00a.m.-? Wedding dress, camcorder, microwave and lots of miscellaneous.

**LEFTOVER GARAGE SALE ITEMS**. The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteers resale shop, "The Chalet" at 2nd and Rannels accepts all usable and in good/working condition appliances, furniture, household items, children's items, and good clothing. Hours Mon-Fri. 1:00-4:00.; Sat. 10:00-4:00. Call 263-0528 or 268-7536 for more information. Sorry we do not pickup. Volunteers are also needed to work at the resale shop.

**MOVING SALE** 1301 Mesquite Saturday only 8am-5pm. No early birds! Everything must go.

**MOVING/ GARAGE Sale**, 1309 Douglas. Saturday & Sunday, 9:00-1:00.

**ONE DAY Only!** Garage Sale! Sunday, June 26th at 1:00 P.M. at 1801 Winston in back!

**SALE**, 910 N. Lamesa Hwy. Lots of 25c items. Burritos and shaved iced. Antiques and more! Friday & Saturday.

**SATURDAY, 8:00 to 1:00.** Round dining table, chairs, cabinet, dresser, DVD/ VHS movies, carpet, kitchenware, video shelf, misc. Good Buys! 5310 Wason.

**TWO FAMILY** carport sale: vacuum cleaner, microwave, pictures, knickknack, lost of misc., few antiques. Friday 8-1, Saturday 8-2 at 3213 Auburn.

**TWO FAMILY** Garage Sale, 1502 Nolan. Saturday, 8:00-5:00. Lots of good items, too much to list!

**YARD SALE**, 412 Edwards Blvd. Saturday, 7:00-? Coca-Cola collection, junior clothes sizes 0-9, shoes 7-7-1/2, golf stuff and lots more miscellaneous. Come and See!!

**YARD SALE**, Saturday, 8:00-2:00. 803 West 18th. Treadmill, dresser, clothes from children to 3X, misc. items.

Garage Sales

**YARD SALE**, 8319 N. Service Rd. 1.5 mile east of Moss Lake Rd. Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Drywall & paint equipment, Coca-Cola bottle collection, miniature car & truck collection, bar size pool table, antiques.

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PO Box 425  
Big Spring, TX 79721

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The **FORSAN ISD** is accepting applications for the following position: Custodian - Elbow Elementary Campus. Applications may be mailed to P.O. Drawer A, Forsan, Texas 79733 or faxed to (432)457-2225. If additional information is needed, please contact the Administration Office at (432)457-2223 ext. 2. Applications are also available online at <http://forsan.esc18.net>.

**CITY OF Big Spring** is accepting applications for the position of Firefighter/Paramedic through July 13, 2005. Testing will be on Saturday July 16, 2005. Applications may be obtained at City Hall (432-264-2346) 310 Nolan, Big Spring, TX 79720 or from website: [www.ci.big-spring.tx.us](http://www.ci.big-spring.tx.us) The City of Big Spring is EOE.

**TUBING TESTER** operator/derrick person. Must pass drug test. Good wages. Call Jesse, (432)267-5818 after 7:00 p.m. only!

Help Wanted

**TRUCK DRIVER** Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Manufacturing and Logistics Division has an immediate opening for a Correctional Transportation Officer - Truck Driver position, posting no. 024381DL, located at the Daniel Unit in Snyder, Texas, \$2036.00/Monthly. Successful completion of Texas Department of Criminal Justice's freight transportation road test must be completed before the closing date of the position. The following must be turned in with application: Class A Commercial Driver's License (CDL) with X endorsement, and a current CDL physical certification card issued within the last two years. To Apply: A complete Job Description, Qualifications and Applications are available at [www.tdcj.state.tx.us](http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us) or contact Manufacturing and Logistics Human Resources at 936-437-6531. Submit a State of Texas Application and Driver's Application for Employment to Missy Atchley, TDCJ, Manufacturing and Logistics, PO Box 4013, Huntsville, Texas 77342 (overnight thru UPS, Fed-EX, Airborne - 861 IH 45N, Rm. 112, Huntsville, Texas, 77320; overnight thru the postal service - PO Box 4013), by 07/01/05 at 5:00 PM.

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Real Estate for Rent

**304 East 20th**, 2 Bedroom, 1 bath. Garage, fenced yard, window units. No HUD. \$325/month, \$195/deposit. Call (432)263-8005 or 816-1330.

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## BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

If imagination is the highest form of human intelligence, then the Aquarius moon is the smartest in the lunar cycle. Albert Einstein said he liked to think that the moon was there, even if he wasn't looking at it. This Aquarius influence makes itself known in subtle but powerful ways. Like a breath of pure oxygen, it invigorates on a cellular level!

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). The thing about facing reality is, whose reality should you face? Yours is different from his, which is different from hers ... perhaps none of them are right. So today, the only thing to face is your fantasies!

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Having talent is different from being the talent. Dare to be the talent in an upcoming enterprise. Special accommodations can be made for you in order to make you as comfortable as possible.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Nobody does anything

(fabulous) right the first time. Keep going. You might need plenty of vigorous tries that don't amount to anything in order to get to the success you so desire.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You have the power to help improve someone's life drastically — and all you have to do is offer guidance. A few well-chosen words will be more effective than a long, drawn-out conversation.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Go about your social life loaded with the best tools: possible conversation topics to draw out of your hat when things get rough. Everyone will think it's so refreshing to talk to someone interested in things other than him or herself.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You honestly believe there's no excuse for not being great. So, you work until you are confident nothing and no one can make you feel insecure. Somehow you're able to take the high road in every situation that arises.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Introductions are laced in luck. When you meet someone wise, witty and warmhearted, figure out how you can keep in touch. People like this don't come along every

day!  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Science has shown that almost any new behavior repeated over 21 times will become a habit. But today's stars speed up that process. Practice your new behavior often today — you become what you do.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Energy comes in spurts — pace yourself well. Do not let a trivial problem fester into something bigger. The best way to prevent upset is to focus on it at all. Just drop it.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When work is over, let it really be over. Give yourself permission to relax — that means don't take materials that can wait until Monday home with you. When you get back to work, things will go twice as fast as before.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). A mentor would do you wonders. Find one. With a few sharp ideas, your approach to business will transform into a more profitable system. You make killer connections while out and about tonight.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Changing what you think changes how you look. Don't be surprised if someone you know well

doesn't even recognize you for a moment. Involvement in charity brings unsuspected rewards and probably new love.

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:** If you can make someone feel good about themselves this weekend, they will never forget you. **ARIES:** The more you learn about your partner or (prospective partner), the better you are able to love. **TAURUS:** If you remain open, this weekend features many moments that take your breath away. **GEMINI:** Someone you love throws you a curve ball, but if you remain calm and centered, you can hit one out of the park. **CANCER:** Hang on to that someone who makes you feel wonderful. **LEO:** Dates might have difficulty finding common ground due to nerves. Planning ahead will help you calm down. **VIRGO:** Romance makes you see the miracle in everyday happenings. **LIBRA:** You can have the feeling of being in love without actually being in love with anyone in particular. This attracts love like crazy! **SCORPIO:** Have patience with a loved one who is still learning what you need. **SAGITTARIUS:** Establish a loving habit

— it will easily take hold now. **CAPRICORN:** More than what you say or do, it's the essence of you that matters to a loved one. **AQUARIUS:** Know the difference between true love and relationships of convenience — and then be that difference. **PISCES:** You'll change your mind about someone.

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** What a sensational couple Taurus and Capricorn are. They are two earth signs who seem entirely self-sufficient, but who need each other more than they realize! This weekend, they'll take turns relying on each other for all kinds of things, ranging from the practical to the esoteric. Every time they come through for each other, the bonds of love are fortified.

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

Dear Annie: I am a 33-year-old, divorced, childless woman. Most of the men I have dated have children. I am now dating "Mike," who is very sweet to me, but he can be rather defensive when it comes to his 8-year-old son, "Zachary."

I don't like the way Zack speaks to me or to other adults. When we first met, I said, "Hey, buddy! Nice to meet you." He replied curtly, "My name isn't Buddy," and he did not respond to me for the rest of the evening. Mike said it was because he is shy, but I think he's rude.

On another evening, we



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

went to dinner with my family. My father had a beer with his meal. At the end of the evening, Dad said goodbye to Zachary. The boy looked straight at my father and told us he "would not speak to him because he drank beer." Mike never said a word.

When the teachers have issues with Zachary's behavior, Mike disregards them, saying he does not believe everything the teachers say. While he will tell Zachary not to act up in school, he will not discipline him.

Mike and I have been dating for 10 months, and Zachary still doesn't know we have a relationship. Mike feels that it's too soon after the divorce, but the split was two years ago. Can you help me? — Feeling Slighted

Dear Slighted: We feel sorry for Zack. He's 8 years old, his parents are divorced, and he's having a hard time with it. Of course, Mike should teach him how to be more respectful, but he feels too guilty to do it.

Please suggest to Mike that he get counseling for Zack, and maybe take some parenting classes so he can learn how to raise his son with love and appropriate discipline. Encourage Mike to speak up when Zack is rude, but otherwise stay out of it as much as possible.

Dear Annie: I am female nurse, 46, married with two small boys, ages 7 and 8. Ten years ago, my brother was diagnosed with hemochromatosis. I had a physical recently and told the doctor to check for this. My serum iron came back slightly high, and I have now had the lab test to diagnose this disorder.

I am protected somewhat, because I still menstruate and lose iron each month, but if I had let this go until after menopause, I could have developed arthritis, heart disease, liver disease, diabetes, etc. Please tell your readers that having a serum iron test could save their lives.

Treatment is simple: Donate a pint of blood. I would like to know if there are other middle-aged females with this so I do not feel alone. Thank you. — Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Lawrence: We guarantee you are not alone. Hemochromatosis, or iron overload, is a genetic metabolic disorder that causes iron build-up in major organs. You can have it, or be a carrier, and not know it. For more information, contact the American Hemochromatosis Society ([americanhs.org](http://americanhs.org)) at 1-888-655-IRON (1-888-655-4766).

Dear Annie: This is in reference to the letters about men wearing pantyhose. My wife and I have three sons. One day at the store, I noticed my wife was buying a large amount of pantyhose. I asked her if she was stocking up. She said no, they were for our older boys, who were in high school at the time. She told me that they wanted the pantyhose for football season.

In our town, it gets very cold in the winter, and the boys wear pantyhose under their uniforms to keep warm. Apparently, the light weight of the pantyhose was ideal for both warmth and movement. There may be other reasons why a man or boy might wear pantyhose other than being a cross-dresser. — Dad Out East

Dear Dad: We're glad to know it. And we hope Mom takes advantage of the sales. Pantyhose for football-playing boys can get expensive.

Dear Annie: I am the single, male parent of an 11-year-old daughter who has never given me a lick of trouble. Last week, while at a store, an unruly and truly annoying little boy threw a fit because his mother wouldn't purchase a particular item. As a last-ditch effort to get what he

wanted, the little boy looked his mother squarely in the face and called her a four-letter word.

I was appalled. I'm not a perfect parent, but I'd like to contribute a few child-raising standards that have worked with my daughter:

1) Treat your child with respect. In order to earn respect, you must give it first. Teaching a child to respect others is also teaching a child to respect herself.

2) Babies are babies. A 2-year-old cannot be expected to sit still at a table and act like an adult. Know what is age-appropriate behavior.

3) Communicate with love. When a child is having a tantrum, set him down to think about it and understand the reason. It's important to make them realize whose problem it really is and how they can help themselves solve it. If the tantrum persists, send the child to his room, and remember, 15 minutes is like an hour to a toddler.

4) Set guidelines, standards and schedules. Bedtime is bedtime, bath time is bath time, homework time is homework time. Once in a while, a little extra awake time is a good reward for doing a chore, etc. If they're too young to make their bed, make it for them, but have them place the pillows, etc., so they feel they're capable of making worthy contributions.

5) Set goals. Buy a piggy bank. Teach the rewards of saving for something they can truly call their own. Learning the value of money and good decision-making at an early age is priceless.

6) Teach your child the word "no" — and stick with it.

7) Identify and choose your battles. Be prepared to give in. It's OK to forfeit the silly conflicts.

8) Let them grow. Give them responsibility. Allow them to pick out an outfit, a hair ribbon or the color of their toothbrush.

9) Educate, educate, educate. Don't be a wimp. Drugs, sex and menstrual cycles are a part of life. Grow some spine, and hit it head-on. Let them know bit by bit what this world is about before the

world does it without you knowing.

10) Gain their trust. Always tell them you love them and that your world is so much better with them here. Teach your child that no matter how bad something may be that she can ALWAYS come to you, no matter what, because you love her more than anyone. Never judge. Never be acid tongued. Never say never. — Trenton, N.J.

Dear Trenton: You have given some excellent advice, and we hope our readers will grab a few magnets and stick your words on the fridge for future reference.

Dear Annie: I am 51 years old and getting married (for the second time) to the man of my dreams. I want to wear something special, not a dowdy old ladies' suit. Would a traditional long gown look silly? — Young-at-Heart Bride from Ohio

Dear Bride: While we wouldn't go for the frilly look, you certainly can wear a long, elegant white gown if you so choose. Congratulations to you both.

Dear Annie: Tell "Still Brewing in Michigan" to lighten up. I took off my wedding band 49 years ago because it was too dangerous to wear at work. I could sever a finger if it got caught in machinery. My wife fully understood, and after 50 years of marriage, it proves a little band of metal is not necessary for a loving and loyal commitment. — Ten Fingers in Ohio

Dear Ohio: Several men told us they don't wear wedding rings because of the danger of getting them caught while working. Our thanks to all who wrote.

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### DENNIS THE MENACE

6-24

"YOU'RE GONNA FEEL REALLY BAD WHEN I TURN INTO A 'CHAIR POTATO.'"

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

6-24

"Then Jesus fed a whole bunch of people with just five slices of bread and two fish sticks!"

### HAGAR

6-24

"I'VE DISCOVERED A NEW WATER ROUTE YOUR MOTHER CAN TAKE ON HER TRIP BACK HOME..."

"OH, GOOD! WHAT'S IT CALLED?"

"THE RIVER OF NO RETURN!"

### BC

6-24

WHY DO YOU SUPPOSE WORLD TRAVELERS HAVE THOSE 'FOREIGN CITY' STICKERS ALL OVER THEIR BAGS?

TO REMIND THEM OF ALL THE PLACES THEIR LUGGAGE HAS BEEN THAT THEY HAVEN'T.

### BLONDIE

6-24

WOW, THIS LOOKS LIKE A PRETTY EXPENSIVE RESTAURANT!

I AM HENRI AND I'LL BE YOUR WAITER THIS EVENING.

THE BOSS TOLD ME ABOUT IT. WATCH THIS!

THIS IS PIERRE. HE'LL STAND HERE AND SCOFF AT YOU IF YOU ORDER THE LEAST EXPENSIVE ITEMS ON THE MENU.

BOY, YOU WEREN'T KIDDING!

### WIZARD OF ID

6-24

HE'S SENDING ME TO A SPECIALIST.

WHAT DID THE DOCTOR SAY?

WHAT KIND OF SPECIALIST?

AN ACCOUNTANT.

### This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, June 24, the 175th day of 2005. There are 190 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On June 24, 1948, Communist forces cut off all land and water routes between West Germany and West Berlin, prompting the western allies to organize the massive Berlin Airlift.

On this date:

In 1314, the forces of Scotland's King Robert I defeated the English in the Battle of Bannockburn.

In 1509, Henry VIII was crowned king of England.

In 1647, Margaret Brent, a niece of Lord Baltimore, was ejected from the Maryland Assembly after demanding a place and vote in that governing body.

In 1793, the first republican constitution in France was adopted.

In 1908, the 22nd and 24th president of the United States, Grover Cleveland, died in Princeton, N.J., at age 71.

In 1915, more than 800 people died when the excursion steamer Eastland capsized at Chicago's Clark Street dock.

In 1940, France signed an armistice with Italy during World War II.

In 1968, Resurrection City, a shantytown constructed as part of the Poor People's March on Washington, D.C., was closed down by authorities.

In 1975, 113 people were killed when an Eastern Airlines Boeing 727 crashed while attempting to land during a thunderstorm at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport.

In 1985, a federal judge in New York found former Wall Street Journal reporter R. Foster Winans guilty of illegally using his position at the paper in a get-rich-quick insider-trading scheme. (Winans served eight years in federal prison.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Al Molinaro is 86. Comedian Jack Carter is 82.

Movie director Claude Chabrol is 75. Musician Mick Fleetwood is 63. New York Gov. George Pataki is 60. Rock singer Colin Blunstone (The Zombies) is 60. Reggae singer Derrick Simpson (Black Uhuru) is 55. Actor Joe Penny is 49. Reggae singer Astro (UB40) is 48. Rock singer Curt Smith is 44. Actress Danielle Spencer is 40. Actress Sherry Stringfield is 38. Singer Glenn Medeiros is 35. Singer Solange Knowles is 19.

Thought for Today: "There is a way to look at the past. Don't hide from it. It will not catch you if you don't repeat it." - Pearl Bailey, American singer and actress (1918-1990).

### AGNES

6-24

LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT... I SPEND MY ENTIRE LIFE TRYING TO KEEP MY SKIN INTACT, AND YOU JUST WANT TO WALTZ IN, CUT A GAPING ACCESS HOLE AND RUMMAGE AROUND?!

YES.

WELL, IT'S MY APPENDIX, MISTER! GOD ENTRUSTED ME WITH IT'S CARE! NO CHUNKS OF THIS CHICK ARE GETTING CHOPPED OFF UNTIL I GET THE OK FROM HIM!

YOU COULD GET SICK AND DIE.

HE SAID TO GET SNIPPING.

### Newsday Crossword

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**ACROSS**

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- 5 Moral value
- 10 L minus IX
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- 14 Strict disciplinarian
- 16 Hankering
- 17 Gender factor
- 19 Move erratically
- 20 Northern state
- 21 Romanian tennis pro
- 23 Try to prevent
- 24 Tic-tac-toe nonwinner
- 26 Bull in a china shop
- 27 Comedian George
- 29 Massachusetts university
- 32 Cyclists' sport, for short
- 35 Perceived
- 36 Buddy, in Bordeaux
- 37 South American capital
- 39 Religious belief
- 41 Management level
- 42 One of the Musketeers
- 44 Boat movers
- 46 White-hat wearers
- 47 training
- 48 Continues
- 50 Literary monogram
- 51 French season
- 52 Mother-of-pearl
- 56 By chance
- 59 One or the other
- 60 Bar order

**DOWN**

- 1 Group of six
- 2 Ted, to Caroline
- 3 "If I'm wrong I'll eat..."
- 4 Astronomical length
- 5 "Cope Book" aunt
- 6 Chinese belief
- 7 British battleship designation
- 8 Decal direction
- 9 Robin Cook thriller
- 10 Diplomatic incident of 1798
- 11 Grazing areas
- 12 Bus Stop playwright
- 15 Mississippi River explorer
- 18 Cajun veggies
- 22 Torment
- 24 Spread in a tub
- 25 Deleting
- 28 NL Central team
- 30 Counterfeiter catchers
- 31 They're dubbed
- 32 Don't keep to oneself
- 33 Star in Cetus
- 34 December purchases
- 36 Candy-shop display
- 38 Pennsylvania sect
- 40 Horse hair
- 43 Climber's tool
- 45 NBAer
- 48 Used-car transaction
- 49 Detroit's first name
- 53 OAS member
- 54 Freshen up
- 55 Put up
- 56 Trail
- 57 Literary alias
- 58 Hunted animal
- 59 House of Lords title
- 62 Yang's counterpart
- 63 Came across

### HI AND LOIS

6-24

CHIP IS PUTTING TRIXIE TO BED - HE WANTS TO SING HER A SONG.

HOW SWEET!

TODAY'S KIDS LIKE THEIR LULLABIES LOUD!

### Answer to previous puzzle

MAYA TABS SHOAZ  
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RAUL JULIA OMAHA  
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LESSENS ESE  
PEAL SNORTS  
SONG ERIE IZAAK  
THE ADAMMS FAMILY  
AISLE HOSE ALES  
TOTEMS SATE  
OAK YELLOWS  
SCRANTON LAURA  
ALIBI JOHNASTIN  
GOMEZ ASEA SEND  
ADELE KEMP ORGS

### THE OTHER COAST

6-24

VICKY, YOUR LEFT-OVER TOFU AND KELP CASSEPOLE IS STARTING TO STINK.

WELL, DON'T PUT IT IN THE TRASH CAN, IT MIGHT ATTRACT RODENTS.

IT'S MORE LIKELY TO REPEL THEM.

### SNUFFY SMITH

6-24

MY THUMB HURTS SUMPIN' AWFUL, DOC !!

ALL THAT FANCY SHUFFLIN' AN' DEALIN' FINALLY TOOK ITS TOLL !!

YA DON'T MEAN...

YUP, A CLASSIC CASE OF CHEATER'S THUMB !!

### BETLE BAILEY

6-24

I'VE GOT IT!

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# Golf Insider

## IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

### That peaceful, easy feeling

By T.J. TOMASI  
Universal Press Syndicate

Annika Sorenstam makes it look so easy. And it all starts with a stress-free, one-piece takeaway.

No doubt you've heard TV analysts refer to a "beautiful, one-piece takeaway," but they almost never tell you exactly what makes it "one piece." Consequently, when golfers try to duplicate it, they mistakenly concentrate on "one" element, such as swinging the club handle or turning the left shoulder.

But the fact is, "one-piece" doesn't refer to a single element of the swing, and zeroing in on a single body movement creates a jerky, inconsistent move away from the ball. Instead, you should focus on moving the club with the big muscles of your central core located around your belly button.

In your golf swing, some movements are sequential and some are simultaneous. The takeaway is an example of a collection of simultaneous, upper-body movements where the club head, your hands, arms, shoulders and chest all turn away from the ball as a unit — one piece.

In the first photo below, Sorenstam is executing a perfect one-piece takeaway. At address, her elbows and hands form a triangle that is maintained as the club swings away from the ball until her hands are past her right foot. After that, the momentum of her arm swing will cock her wrists.

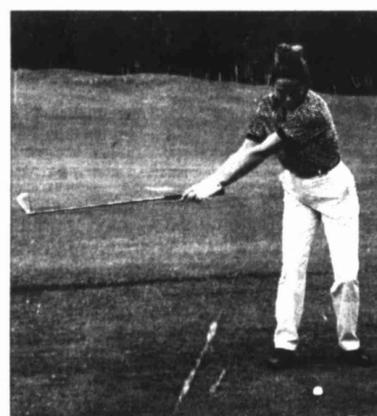
There is no lifting, pulling or pushing, only a seamless blend of "up" with the arms and "around" with the body. Everything moves as a unit, which is why her swing looks so unmanipulated and peaceful.

In contrast, our amateur golfer, in the second photo, lets her arms run away from her body. She looks stiff and unathletic with little chance of returning the club face to square at impact.

To swing like Sorenstam, make your core the "master mover." Think of your navel as the back of your triangle, and start your swing by simply rotating your navel so your upper body turns away from the ball as a unit.

But here's a caution: Make sure that at the end of your takeaway your club shaft is over your toe line just as Annika's is in photo 1. To check it, lay a club on the ground that connects your toes, then make your takeaway so that both shafts (the one in your hands and the one on the ground) are in line.

This is a great drill to use on the golf course whenever your swing starts to slip a bit. Yes, it's against the rules to lay a guide club down while you swing, but you can do it before or after your shot while you're waiting for someone else to play. It should help you to produce that peaceful, easy feeling you need to hit good golf shots.



The amateur golfer (bottom) looks stiff and unathletic in her take away compared with Annika Sorenstam (top).

## U.S. WOMEN'S OPEN

# Open champion could be surprise

By ALAN TAYS  
Cox News Service

West Palm Beach, Fla. Maybe the United States Golf Association should play a U.S. Women's Open at a Disney theme park. What better site for a tournament with a penchant for producing a Cinderella story?

Hilary Lunke. Janet Anderson. Catherine Lacoste. Fay Crocker. That's a grand slam of one-hit wonders, players who won an Open but no other professional events before or after.

And how about this list of Cinderellas who go to do the happily-ever-after thing — become frequent winners after making the Open their first pro victory? Perhaps you've heard of Donna Caponi, Laura Davies, Jane Geddes, Mary Mills, Liselotte Neumann and Sandra Spuzich.

Oh, yes, and someone named Annika Sorenstam.

So when the women tee off on Thursday at Cherry Hills Country Club near Denver, what kind of winner will begin to emerge? Will it be Sorenstam, who already has won the year's first two majors? Will it be another proven Open campaigner like Meg Mallon, the defending champion? Or will it be another Cinderella?

Someone like, say, 17-year-old amateur Morgan Pressel?

"My plan is to try to go out there and try to win it," Pressel said last week after winning her sectional qualifier in Heathrow, Fla., by seven shots. "I don't think that's out of my grasp. I'll give it a shot; I don't see why I can't win it."

Pressel then went to Daytona Beach, Fla., and won one of the most prestigious tournaments in junior golf, the Rolex Girls Junior Championship. On the way home to get some sleep before an early-morning flight to Colorado, she remained confident.

"I played well in the qualifier; I played well (in the Rolex Junior Girls Championship)," she said. "I'm going to go into the Open with high hopes."

The Open will be Pressel's sixth professional event. French amateur Catherine Lacoste was playing in only her third pro tournament when she shocked the golf world by winning the 1967 Open in Hot Springs, Va.

Lacoste was 22 when she scored a two-stroke victory over Susie Maxwell and Beth Stone at the Virginia Hot Springs Golf & Tennis Club's Cascades Course.

Lacoste remains the only amateur to win the Open, but she almost was matched in that feat by Jenny Chuasiriporn in 1998. Chuasiriporn, a 20-year-old rising senior at Duke, made a 45-foot putt on the 72nd hole at Blackwolf Run in Wisconsin to tie Se Ri Pak, then fought Pak to another draw in the next day's 18-hole playoff, finally succumbing on the second hole of sudden death.

Pak, just 20 herself, became the youngest winner of the Open.

Fay Crocker was one of the oldest winners of the Open when she went wire to wire in 1955 at Wichita (Kan.) Country Club. Crocker, a Uruguayan pro who was one month short of her 41st birthday, was making her third appearance in the Open when she defeated Louise Suggs and Mary Lena Faulk by four shots. Crocker was not an LPGA Tour regular; the Open was her only U.S. tournament annually from 1950-61.



Morgan Pressel first qualified for the U.S. Women's Open when she was 12 years old. Now, at 17, Pressel thinks she can contend for the championship.



Paula Creamer tied for 13th in the Open last year as a 17-year-old.

Janet Anderson was a tour regular, albeit a winless one, when she won the Open in 1982 at Del Paso Country Club in Sacramento. Anderson, who had dropped out of Slippery Rock University to try tournament golf, was in her fifth year as a pro and had showed promise, with nine top-10 finishes in 1981, including two seconds. At Del Paso, she beat four players by six shots.

Before Hilary Lunke won the 2003 Open in a playoff with Kelly Robbins and Angela Stanford, she had played in 26 events, with a best finish of 15th. But by winning at Pumpkin Ridge in Oregon, Lunke became the first player to win the Open after advancing through local and sectional qualifiers.

Pressel is more concerned with recent LPGA history, which shows that teenagers are succeeding in tour events like never before. Last year Michelle Wie, then 14, and Paula Creamer, then 17, tied for 13th in the Open. In 2003 Aree Song, then 17, finished fifth in the Open. Last month Creamer made the Sybase Classic her first tour victory. And last week at the McDonald's LPGA Championship, Wie finished second and Creamer tied for third.

"I know that I can play with them," Pressel said. "Paula's always thought that I've been pretty equal if not at some times better, so to see her go out there and win shows that 'Why can't I do it?'"

Can another Cinderella win the Open? "I certainly think it's possi-

ble to happen again," said Hall of Famer and ABC broadcaster Judy Rankin. "I think it's an extreme longshot. It's not because of talent. You have to add experience and the nerves to get it done when it comes down to the weekend or the last nine holes."

Rankin thinks a softer setup of Open courses in the past 20 years has decreased the chances of having an unlikely winner.

"I think '85 was when a more reasonable setup started," Rankin said. "I don't mean to say by 'more reasonable' that they have made it easy. Because that is so wrong. But it used to be who would be left standing."

"I don't think it always identifies the best player. I think it identifies the player who handles those conditions the best for that week."

Rankin is impressed with the aggressiveness and fearlessness displayed by young tour players such as Creamer.

"It's not just young golfers. It's young people. I also think, certainly in the women's game, it has become popular and fashionable to work your way into playing a professional event pretty young. So you're coming out seemingly quite young, but not truly as a rookie. We think of a rookie as somebody who's just getting their picture of professional golf. Maybe they've played two or three (professional) tournaments in their lifetime. But that's really not the case anymore with these young amateurs that are very good."

For Pressel, it's not about what has or hasn't been accomplished. It's what she believes she can do. "Nobody qualified for the Open as a 12-year-old, and I did it," she said. "I'm going to go and I'm going to play well and hopefully I can make something happen."

"Whether someone has done it before is beside the point."

## SCHEDULE

All Times EDT  
U.S. GOLF ASSOCIATION  
U.S. Women's Open  
Site: Cherry Hills Village, Colo.  
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.  
Course: Cherry Hills Country Club (6,749 yards, par 71).  
Purse: \$3.1 million. Winner's share: \$560,000.  
TV: ESPN2 (Thursday-Friday, 5-9 p.m.; Monday, if necessary, noon-playoff conclusion) and NBC (Saturday, 3-6 p.m.; Sunday, 3-6:30 p.m.).

PGA TOUR  
Barclays Classic  
Site: Harrison, N.Y.  
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.  
Course: Westchester Country Club, West Course (6,839 yards, par 71).  
Purse: \$5.75 million. Winner's share: \$1,035,000.  
TV: USA (Thursday-Friday, 4-6 p.m.) and ABC (Saturday-Sunday, 3-6 p.m.).

CHAMPIONS TOUR  
Bank of America Championship  
Site: Concord, Mass.  
Schedule: Friday-Sunday.  
Course: Nashawtic Country Club (6,729 yards, par 72).  
Purse: \$1.6 million. Winner's share: \$240,000.  
TV: The Golf Channel (Friday-Sunday, 1:30-4 p.m., 9-11:30 p.m.).

PGA EUROPEAN TOUR  
French Open  
Site: Versailles, France.  
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.  
Course: Le Golf National, Albatross Course (7,214 yards, par 71).  
Purse: \$4.3 million. Winner's share: \$716,750.  
TV: The Golf Channel (Thursday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 8-11 a.m.).

NATIONWIDE TOUR  
Northeast Pennsylvania Classic  
Site: Moosic, Pa.  
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.  
Course: Glenmaura National Golf Club (6,933 yards, par 71).  
Purse: \$450,000. Winner's share: \$81,000.  
TV: None.

## LEADERS

| WORLD RANKINGS          |       |  |
|-------------------------|-------|--|
| 1. Tiger Woods, USA     | 14.12 |  |
| 2. Vijay Singh, Fiji    | 12.55 |  |
| 3. Ernie Els, SAf       | 10.34 |  |
| 4. Phil Mickelson, USA  | 8.97  |  |
| 5. Retief Goosen, SAf   | 7.63  |  |
| 6. Sergio Garcia, Spn   | 7.34  |  |
| 7. Adam Scott, Aus      | 5.96  |  |
| 8. David Toms, USA      | 5.37  |  |
| 9. Chris DiMarco, USA   | 5.34  |  |
| 10. Kenny Perry, USA    | 4.90  |  |
| 11. P. Harrington, Ire  | 4.82  |  |
| 12. Davis Love III, USA | 4.69  |  |
| 13. Luke Donald, Eng    | 4.66  |  |
| 14. Stewart Cink, USA   | 4.40  |  |
| 15. Angel Cabrera, Arg  | 4.38  |  |
| 16. Darren Clarke, Nir  | 4.00  |  |
| 17. Stuart Appleby, Aus | 3.90  |  |
| 18. Jim Furyk, USA      | 3.78  |  |
| 19. Justin Leonard, USA | 3.74  |  |
| 20. M.A. Jimenez, Spn   | 3.71  |  |

| MONEY LEADERS     |  |             |
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| PGA TOUR          |  |             |
| Player            |  | Money       |
| 1. Vijay Singh    |  | \$5,510,257 |
| 2. Tiger Woods    |  | \$4,800,290 |
| 3. Phil Mickelson |  | \$4,251,253 |
| 4. David Toms     |  | \$3,339,463 |
| 5. Kenny Perry    |  | \$2,515,246 |

| LPGA TOUR           |  |             |
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| Player              |  | Money       |
| 1. Annika Sorenstam |  | \$1,503,238 |
| 2. Cristie Kerr     |  | \$831,602   |
| 3. Lorena Ochoa     |  | \$762,288   |
| 4. Paula Creamer    |  | \$636,740   |
| 5. Rosie Jones      |  | \$432,153   |

## THE GOLF DOCTOR

### Take sting out of golf elbow

Golf elbow, which most often manifests itself as pain at the inside of your elbow (tennis elbow is on the outside of your elbow), occurs when the tendon that attaches the forearm muscles to your elbow swells and becomes sore.

There are several causes for this, the most common of which is overuse and/or overload of the muscles. If left untreated, the elbow can deteriorate, develop bone chips, scar tissue and even arthritis.

There are several things you can do to prevent golf elbow:

1. Use shafts specially designed to dampen vibrations.

2. Improve your golf swing (see your PGA pro) so you'll strike the ball more

often on the sweet spot.

3. Many of today's tour players are wearing copper or magnetic bracelets. There is no hard evidence that the bracelets help, but like chicken soup, it can't hurt.

4. The newest research shows that a combination of essential fatty acids and antioxidants that you can buy over the counter appears to be an effective treatment for golf elbow. The nutritional supplements omega-3 (fish oil) and omega-6 (borage oil), and vitamins A, B6, C and E turn the trick, according to Soren Mavrogenis, a physiotherapist with Denmark's Olympic Committee.

5. Don't hit off mats on the driving range. If you must, use a rubber tee so the ball is just above the mat's surface, and keep your practice sessions short.

## ASK THE PRO



Dr. T.J. Tomasi is director of instruction at Lyman Orchards Golf Club in Middlefield, Conn. To ask him a question about golf, e-mail him at: [TJinsider@aol.com](mailto:TJinsider@aol.com)

**Q:** I'm confused around the greens because I don't know which club to use. I read an article in Golf magazine that said it's best to chip with different clubs. But on the Golf Channel, one of the teachers said to stick with one club, the sand wedge. What's your opinion? — S.R., via e-mail

**A:** It isn't a good idea to automatically reach for your wedge on short shots because you're introducing side spin. You won't know whether the ball is going to run, check-up, or slow down then skid. The more loft you use the more inconsistent your chipping will be, so always use the least loft you can.

Develop the habit of asking two questions around the green: Can I use my putter, and if not, can I use a low-lofted club like a 6- or

7-iron to chip it?

Obviously, you can't roll the ball when conditions prevent it, for example, when the grass your ball must roll through is too long. But that's a judgment call, and your scores will reflect how well you make the call.

Basically, the accuracy of your shot decreases as the height of the club increases during the back swing because the higher the club gets, the harder it is to return it correctly at impact. So the general rule is, if you can putt it, do so.

If you're not using your putter, your next choice is the least-lofted club that will carry the ball onto the green about one or two paces and then run the rest of the way to the hole. To do this, keep your weight on your front side and make the stroke with minimal wrist cock.