



Moore board OKs funds to keep line here

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

The board of directors for Moore Development gave the go-ahead on a \$400,000 loan for Fiber Glass Systems in hopes the local manufacture will locate a new production line at its Big Spring facility.

The board voted unanimously in favor of the eight-year loan, which includes a payroll credit.

"They are looking at approximately \$1.8 million investment total, including the building and the equipment that would go into the new line they will be building," said board member Mike Niklasch.

Niklasch said Fiber Glass Systems approached Moore Development for Big Spring for assistance for the expansion, which could bring more than two dozen new jobs to the

"We really don't know what their decision will be at this point. We need to present this to them and hope they accept it."

Niklasch

area.

"They are looking to expand from one production line to two, which will increase employment from 25 to 30 employees at a minimum," said Niklasch.

"In order to do that, they need to build another building next to their existing building to move all of their fitting production into. Presently, half

See **MOORE**, Page 3A

GIVING FOR OTHERS



Karina Garcia, a donor services technician with United Blood Services, gets a blood donor ready inside the UBS Blood Mobile at Wal-Mart Supercenter Monday afternoon.

HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Son of Big Spring man killed in action in Afghanistan

Herald Staff Report

The son of a Big Spring man was recently killed while serving in Afghanistan.

U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Clinton T. Newman was killed north of Deh Rawod in central Afghanistan when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle Feb. 13.

Newman, the son of Fred Newman of Big Spring, entered the Army as a private under the delayed entry enlistment program in 1996, one year before graduating from Pleasanton High School.

In 2001, he entered the Army Reserve and graduated from the Civil Affairs Specialist Reclassification Course. He was then assigned to the 321st Civil Affairs Brigade out of San Antonio.

He first deployed to Afghanistan from June 2003 until February 2004.

In March 2005, he completed the Basic Airborne Course and then redeployed to Afghanistan with the 492nd Civil Affairs Battalion out of Phoenix. He was promoted to staff sergeant in June 2005.

Family members said he

possessed an adventurous spirit and love of learning, and always gave 100 percent of himself to everything he did.

"It was that adventurous spirit that led him to join the Army," the family said in a statement. "He loved the camaraderie, structure and discipline that he found there."

"He was a loving, generous son and brother who was extremely loyal to his family and friends," the family added. "His strong desire to do the honest and upright thing for himself and others served as an inspiration for his family."

Newman's military honors include the Meritorious Service Medal, three Army Commendation Medals, Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and

See **NEWMAN**, Page 3A

U.S. Army photo

Staff Sgt. Clinton T. Newman, the son of Fred Newman of Big Spring, was killed in Afghanistan Feb. 13.



Head of Haitian Women of Miami, Marleine Bastien poses for a photograph next to Carla, 23, right, and Sabrina, 28, both illegal Haitian immigrants. In March, Congress will debate whether to legalize up to 11 million illegal migrants or compel them to leave the country.

KRT-Miami Herald photo/Barbara P. Fernandez

Congress to debate whether migrants can stay in the U.S.

By **ALFONSO CHARDY**

Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — The stage is set for one of the most contentious congressional debates in a decade: whether to legalize up to 11 million illegal migrants or compel them to leave the country.

Heading into a congressional election year, though, politics may trump policy, with nothing getting done.

President Bush, in his State of the Union address, repeated his proposal that Congress should pass a temporary worker program for illegals — allow-

Illegal migrants in the U.S.

- Almost one in four illegal immigrants live in California — followed by 14 percent in Texas, 9 percent in Florida and 7 percent in New York.
- Most arrived after 1990.
- 57 percent are from Mexico, followed by 24 percent from other Latin American countries — mostly in Central America; 9 percent from Asia, 6 percent from Canada and Europe and 4 percent from Africa and other countries.
- Illegal migrants work mostly in agriculture, construction, restaurants and other service industries.
- Average annual income: about \$12,000

ing them to stay in the country and work legally for a period of time to be determined. His plan avoids use of the term "amnesty," a code word for green cards that would eventually

See **ILLEGALS**, Page 3A

INDEX

- Classified 3-5B
- Features 5A
- Obituaries 2A
- Opinion 4A
- Sports 1-2B



Find us online at:
www.bigspringherald.com

To reach us:
Please call 263-7331. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you miss your paper, please call (432) 263-7335 before 7 p.m. weekdays and noon Sunday.

SISD BOARD TO MEET

ACKERLY — Sands Consolidated Independent School District trustees will consider several measures pertaining to the May 13 general election when they meet at 7 p.m. today in the board room.

Trustees are expected to approve orders officially calling for the election, as well as motions naming Janette Brown as early voting clerk and election judge.

- In other business, trustees will consider:
- Approval of the school calendar for the 2006-07 school year.
 - Approval of an additional 20 percent homestead exemption.
 - Approval of local policy updates.
 - Personnel matters.

EARLY VOTING BEGINS

Area voters will have the chance to cast their ballots in the political party primaries beginning today, as early voting began this morning in the Howard County Courthouse. Early voting will continue through March 3, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Thursday and Friday, early voting will be held until 7 p.m. to accommodate voters who cannot get to the polls until after work. The early poll will also be open from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday.

The Republican and Democratic primaries will be held jointly, with election day set for March 7.

For more information, contact Sandra Bloom at 264-2273.

HOT SAUCE HOTHEAD

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa (AP) — Talk about a hotheaded reaction to hot sauce. Authorities were looking for a man they say vandalized a bathroom at a Mexican restaurant.

Two men ordered some tacos at Taco John's drive-thru around 8 p.m. Friday. After receiving their food, they pulled over in the parking lot and one of the men walked into the restaurant and yelled at employees for putting hot sauce on his tacos, police said.

The employee told the man the restaurant doesn't put hot sauce on its tacos. The man then walked into the men's bathroom and cracked the tank on the toilet.

Obituaries

June Kennemer



June Kennemer, 70, of Luther died Monday, Feb. 20, 2006, in Hospice of Midland Inpatient Unit. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2006, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Earl Blair, retired Methodist minister, of Canyon and Mr. Larry Marshall, minister of the Knott Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Jan. 5, 1936, in Howard County to Imogene and Pat Boatler. In high school, she was a cheerleader and a leader in the Pep Squad. She graduated from Sterling City High School in 1954 and was Salutatorian of the class.

She married Hollis Kennemer in October 1955 in Sterling City. She was a homemaker and was also involved in the family's farming operations. She was a lifetime resident of Howard and Sterling Counties. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Big Spring.

The loves of her life were her husband, children and grandchildren. June was a people person, enjoying everyone and loving to help others.

She was also a lover of animals and pets. Her hobbies were sewing and cooking; she especially loved cooking for family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Hollis Kennemer of Luther; two sons, Edward Kennemer of Luther and Mark Kennemer of Ackerly; four grandchildren, Chad, April, Audra and Meredith; and several nieces and nephews, including Jan Rambo and Greg Blair; four brothers-in-law, Earl Blair, Truman Kennemer, Clyde Kennemer and Aubrey Kennemer.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her twin sister, Jean Blair.

Pallbearers will be Eugene Clanton, Jeff Alexander, Roddy Cathey, C.E. Boyd, Tommy Wegner and Art Blasingame.

The family suggests memorials to Relay for Life, in care of Diane Wood, Box 254, Coahoma, 79511.

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

Paid obituary

M.D. 'Doug' Whitley



M. D. "Doug" Whitley, 92, of Big Spring died Sunday, Feb. 19, 2006, at his residence following a long illness. Private family services will be held at a later date.

He was born July 7, 1913, in Moshien to Elizabeth and Samuel Whitley. He married Laura Clark Jan. 20, 1944, in San Diego, Calif., and they came to Big Spring in 1956. He taught physics and chemistry at Big Spring High School for more than 20 years and then at Howard County Junior College until retiring. He was a veteran of World War II and a member of the First United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Laura Whitley of Big Spring; three sons, Glenn Whitley of St. Louis, Reed Whitley of Hobbs and Kerry Whitley of Dallas; one daughter, Beth Whitley of Houston; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; three brothers; and four sisters.

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

Jane M. Eason

Jane M. Eason, 57, of Big Spring died Monday, Feb. 20, 2006, in a Dallas hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Goldie E. Anderson

Goldie E. Anderson, 82, of Big Spring died Monday, Feb. 20, 2006, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Staff Sgt. Clinton T. Newman

Staff Sgt. Clinton T. Newman, 26, of San Antonio, was killed in action in central Afghanistan Feb. 13, 2006. Funeral services are 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2006, at the First Baptist Church in Pleasanton, with burial to follow in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. today at the Hurley Funeral Home in Pleasanton. The family requests, in lieu of flowers, that donations be made to the Fisher House, a project at Brook Army Medical Center that provides housing for the families of soldiers recovering at the facility.

Make donations in the name of Staff Sgt. Clint Newman to Fisher House Manager, 3623 George C. Beach Road, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234.

He was born July 5, 1979, in Midland, and entered the U.S. Army in the Delayed Entry Enlistment Program in 1996. He graduated from Pleasanton High School in 1997.

He re-entered the U.S. Army in 1999 after completing his overseas service and served 15 months in Germany as an operations sergeant to the 1st Armored Division.

He re-entered the U.S. Army in 2001 and was deployed with the 321st Civic Affairs Brigade in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in June 2003 and was promoted to sergeant. He returned from Afghanistan in February 2004.

He returned to Afghanistan in March 2005, with the 492nd Civic Affairs Battalion and was promoted to staff sergeant in June 2005.

Clint's military awards include the Meritorious U.S. Service Medal, three Army Commendation medals, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service medals, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Mobilization Device, Armed Services Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, the Parachutist Badge and he was named Army Reserve Soldier of the Year in 2000.

His posthumous awards include the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, the Meritorious Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal with the Bronze Star, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" for Mobilization Device and the numeral "2" Device, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal and the Combat Action Badge.

He was a loving, generous son and brother who was extremely loyal to his family and friends. He was a true patriot who served his country proudly for nine years. His quick wit, contagious smile and loving spirit will be dearly missed by all his family and many friends.

He is survived by his father, Fred Newman and stepmother, Debra of Big Spring and his mother, Debbie Agnew and stepfather, Bill of Pleasanton; his brothers, Robby Newman and his fiancé, Cindy Paul of Verdi and Tye Newman of San Antonio; his grandparents, Paul and Lorena Crosthwait of Kerrville and Kawana Newman of Big Spring; stepbrothers, Joey Agnew of San Marcos and Brian Agnew of Austin; his girlfriend, Julia Conrath of San Antonio; and two aunts and an uncle, including Marilyn Newman of Stanton.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Tom Newman.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hurley Funeral Home in Pleasanton. Online condolences may be made at www.hurleyfuneralhome.com.

Paid obituary

Support Groups

THURSDAY

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

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1500 block of Kentucky Way. Service was refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1400 block of East 18th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 2000 block of Rickabaugh. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT/TRAUMA was reported in the area of Interstate Highway 20 East. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of Johnson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of Young. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3400 block of West

- Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of W. 17th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2900 block of West Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of Birdwell Lane. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of George. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1000 block of Birdwell Lane. One person was transported to SMMC.



★ RE-ELECT ★
JERRY KILGORE
COUNTY COMMISSIONER
PRECINCT 2
★★★★★★★★

JERRY KILGORE will:

Work to promote increased efficiency and economy in county government through the continued use of sound business management principles.

- ★ Insist on cooperation between county and city government.
- ★ make every effort to support future growth and economic development of Howard County
- ★ Support and understand the need for a strong county road system
- ★ Be responsive to the needs and desires of the people of Howard County.

Vote For A Man Who Has Proven Leadership, Integrity and Responsibility And Who Will Continue The Revitalization Of The Functions And Properties Of Howard County.

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Jerry Kilgore, 2729 E. 29th, Big Spring, Texas 79720

Police blotter

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

- DUSTY DAWN NALLEY, 27, of 538 Westover Road, was arrested Monday on a Howard County warrant.
- JAMES CURTIS HAYES, 43, of 107 W. 19th Street, was arrested Monday on charges of public intoxication and theft.
- STEVEN BATEMAN, 26, of 1308 Sheppard Lane, was arrested Tuesday on charges of Class C assault/family violence, criminal mischief and unlawful restraint.
- THEFT was reported in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported in the 1400 block of Benton.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 400 block of Johnson.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 4100 block of Parkway.

Sheriff's report

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

- GINOVON ESPARZA ROJAS, 22, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- ADELA PEREZ DEANDA, 37, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of cruelty to animals and bondsman off bond for theft by check.
- GARY JAMES MIEARS, 29, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while license suspended and charges of disregarding a stop sign, violation of a promise to appear, no driver's license, failure to report an accident and minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage.
- KATHRENE ANN CHAVARRIA, 34, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of bondsman off bond for credit card or debit card abuse.
- GLENDA KENNEDY, 65, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on an Ector County warrant for assault.
- SHAWNA LYNN QUERTON, 23, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- RONALD SHIPMAN, 63, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- RONALD WAYNE STINSON, 26, was arrested Saturday on a charge of reckless driving.
- ROBERT LEE MORENO, 21, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- DAVID CHRISTOPHER PETREE, 22, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- PAUL SIMON RUIZ, 22, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- RANDY ALLEN MCKINNEY, 51, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated - open container.
- BILLY JOE MARLER, 17, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief.

Weather

Tonight...Mostly cloudy with isolated showers. Lows in the lower 40s. Southwest winds 15 to 20 mph shifting to the northeast around 10 mph after midnight. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Wednesday...Mostly cloudy. Cooler. Highs in the mid 60s. Northeast winds around 10 mph shifting to the north in the afternoon.

Wednesday night...Mostly cloudy with isolated showers. Lows in the lower 40s. Northeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 7-9-14-20-21.
Number matching five of five: 1.
Prize per winner: \$30,695.
Winning tickets sold in: League City.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 1-3-28-30. Bonus Ball: 31.
Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: none.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-0-4

NORMAN HARRIS, M.D.
OBSTETRICS-GYNECOLOGY
Board Certified
PPO PROVIDER FOR:
HEALTH SMART • UNITED HEALTHCARE • PRONET
CHAMPUS • BCBS • AETNA • HUMANA • BEECH STREET
ACCEPTS MEDICAID
Obstetrical Care at Midland Memorial Hospital & Odessa
Morning Appointments Now Available!!
267-8226 1-888-729-BABY
616 GREGG STREET
Serving Big Spring 16 Years
NEXT CLINIC VISIT 2-23-06

BIG SPRING HERALD
www.BigSpringHerald.com
Big Sky, Big Heart, Big Spring
432-263-7331 Missed Your Paper:
(Main Switchboard) 432-263-7335
432-264-7205 (Fax) (Mon.-Fri. 8a.m.-7p.m.
Sun. 8a.m.-noon)

Susanne Reed Publisher/Adv. Manager... Ext. 250
John A. Moseley Managing Editor... Ext. 230
Duane McCollum Circulation Manager... Ext. 244
Tony Hernandez Production Manager... Ext. 256
Dianne Marquez Business Office Manager... Ext. 255

The Big Spring Herald is a member of The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Texas Press Association, West Texas Press Association, Texas Daily Newspaper Association, The Associated Press.
Published afternoons Mon. thru Fri. and Sunday mornings, except Christmas Day. All materials copyrighted.
POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431/Big Spring, TX 79721. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas.
USPS 1431-48 USPS 0065-940 ISSN 0746-6811
BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: \$8.65 monthly; \$93.42 yearly (includes 10% discount). MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$12.50 monthly Howard & Martin Counties; \$13.25 elsewhere.

Yates' attorney asks judge to prohibit children's pictures

HOUSTON (AP) — The image of 7-year-old Noah Yates floating face down in the murky brown water that filled a bathtub after he and his four siblings were drowned is something Andrea Yates' defense attorney doesn't want jurors to see during her second capital murder trial.

Yates' attorney George Parnham filed 30 pretrial motions, which were made public Monday, including one requesting "any and all photographs" of her children not be shown to jurors during the trial set to begin March 20.

Parnham claims the photographs could cause jurors to be unfairly prejudiced or serve to confuse and mislead them.

Prosecutor Alan Curry said the images are evidence of Andrea Yates' crime.

"It is not unusual for us in a murder case to introduce photographs of the victims," Curry said. "They are unpleasant to look at because we are involved in a murder case."

Poll: Texans willing to pay more taxes for education

AUSTIN (AP) — The majority of Texans said they would pay more in state taxes to provide more money for public education,

according to a newspaper poll. A statewide poll conducted by The Dallas Morning News shows that 52 percent of Texans said they would pay more in state taxes if the money went to schools, while 39 percent opposed an increase.

"It's interesting that Texas, which has always said no more taxes, no more taxes, no more taxes, is willing to say OK to this," pollster Mickey Blum said. "But you find this all over the country, that the one issue that will open up the pocketbooks — and we all hate taxes — it is education."

Blum & Weprin Associates Inc. of New York conducted the poll, which surveyed 1,482 registered voters by telephone Feb. 9-15. It has an error margin of plus or minus 3 percentage points. The newspaper released the poll Tuesday.

Of Republicans, 46 percent said they would not be willing to pay more taxes for schools and 44 percent said they would. They were the only voter group unwilling to pay more.

GOP governors threaten to block port deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two Republican governors are threatening legal action to block an Arab company from taking over operations in major U.S. ports and some GOP lawmakers say the deal

should be closely examined. In the uneasy climate after the Sept 11 terrorist attacks, the Bush administration decision to allow the transaction is threatening to develop a major political headache for the White House.

New York Gov. George Pataki and Maryland Gov. Robert Ehrlich on Monday voiced doubts about the acquisition of a British company that has been running six U.S. ports by Dubai Ports World, a state-owned business in the United Arab Emirates.

The British company, Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., runs major commercial operations at ports in Baltimore, Miami, New Jersey, New Orleans, New York and Philadelphia.

Hopes dim for lives of 65 Mexican miners

SAN JUAN DE SABINAS, Mexico (AP) — Relatives of 65 Mexican coal miners trapped underground for almost two days by a gas explosion grew increasingly desperate as hopes dimmed that any survivors would be found.

Rescue crews worked through the night, tunneling feverishly through dirt and rock. Officials said that while there was still a chance of finding survivors from Sunday's explosion at the Pasta de Conchos mine, prospects were slim.

MOORE

Continued from Page 1A

of their building is producing pipe and the other half is producing fittings, and they need to move the fitting line all the way out into another building."

Niklasch said the expansion could have a positive impact on the local economy.

"The number of jobs is very attractive. The wage rate they will be making is also very attractive," said Niklasch. "Currently, most of their employees are — even the newer ones — are averaging \$25,000 to \$30,000 a year, plus benefits. There's a lot of growth potential in that, even from just 25 or 30 jobs, because if they end up putting on second shifts and things like that, they will need even more people. You're looking at about \$500,000 or above in payroll per year."

And while the board of directors passed the measure unopposed during Monday night's meeting, Niklasch said it's not a sure deal, with the com-

pany looking at some of its other sites as well.

"We really don't know what their decision will be at this point," said Niklasch. "We need to present this to them and hope they accept it. They are also looking at a site in San Antonio, which we don't believe they are looking at seriously because of the cost to add on at that location. They also have a facility in Wichita that already has the floor space. But they would prefer to put it in Big Spring, something they have already mentioned to us."

"What it all comes down to is communities are competing for jobs," he added. "That's what it has all come down to."

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232.

700 Auto Sales
2900 E. FM 700 • Big Spring, TX 79720
267-AUTO
(2886)
267-3955 or 268-3251
Jake Smith - Sales Billy Smith - Owner

Pizza Inn.
Tuesday Senior Buffet
Only \$4.49 With Tea
Call For Details
1702 Gregg
263-1381

NEWMAN

Continued from Page 1A

Service Medals, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Armed

Forces Service Medal and the Parachutist Badge.

Posthumously, he was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal,

Afghanistan Campaign Medal and the Combat Action Badge.

His civilian education included attendance at the University of Texas-San Antonio, where he studied criminal justice.

Newman is survived by his

father and stepmother, Fred and Debra Newman of Big Spring, and his mother and stepfather, Debbie and Bill Agnew of Pleasanton.

Complete obituary information is on page 2A.

ILLEGALS

Continued from Page 1A

ally make them eligible for citizenship.

Many in Congress, however, oppose Bush's proposal — especially many conservative Republicans who view even a temporary worker program as amnesty and are lining up against the president. Moderate Republicans and many Democrats want a bill that would enable illegals to seek green cards.

The debate, expected to begin in March and last months, marks the most sweeping effort to amend immigration law since 1996 when Congress made it mandatory to deport foreign nationals convicted of aggravated felonies. If reform leads to some form of status for illegals, it would be the most extensive revamp in 20 years — since a 1986 amnesty under President Reagan made about 2.7 million illegal migrants eligible for green cards.

Whether opposing sides will compromise, especially in a midterm election year, is hard to predict. Interviews with several key senators, representatives, their aides, Bush administration officials and immigration experts reveal several possible scenarios — including one in which reform fails, leaving the illegals in hiding.

In another, the Senate approves a temporary worker bill that eventually makes some illegals eligible for green cards under strict conditions that would require sponsorship by a business and some knowledge of English and U.S. history. Another scenario calls

for only a temporary worker program, without green cards — along with tougher border enforcement and a requirement that illegals leave the country first to claim their work permits.

Those watching from the sidelines — experts on immigration in their own right — say it's likely nothing will happen, that the status quo will prevail despite a flurry of lobbying from both sides.

"At the first hint of a stalemate in the Senate and the House, Congress may try to pass the elections first and delay this to 2007," said John Keeley, director of communications for the Center for Immigration Studies, a think tank that favors immigration controls.

One leading pro-immigration advocate agreed. She said the charged political atmosphere may preclude consensus on such a polarizing issue.

"It could be that nothing happens," said Angela Kelly, deputy director for the National Immigration Forum. "It all depends on whether it happens close to the elections or not."

Ira Kurzban, a Miami lawyer who is considered a national authority on immigration law, said he believes legislation will pass — but it may feature only toughened laws that could reduce the rights of immigrants.

"It's too early to tell what will happen in the end," Kurzban said. "But it seems like the people pushing enforcement have the upper hand at this point."

Kurzban was referring to people like Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., the lawmaker with the most influence on the immigration debate — at

least for now, because his bill is the first to pass either house of Congress.

On Dec. 16, the House passed Sensenbrenner's bill 239-182 to establish criminal penalties for illegal migrants, compel verification of whether foreign employees are legal in the country, build fences along portions of the Mexican border and toughen laws under which convicted foreigners can be deported.

Sensenbrenner's bill is devoid of a temporary worker program, but Sensenbrenner is not opposed to such a proposal — as long as illegals leave the country to get permits.

"I'm not philosophically opposed to a guest worker program," Sensenbrenner said.

Veteran congressional aides believe the Senate eventually will pass a bill featuring legalization, though it could stop at only temporary work permits without a link to green cards.

If the bill that prevails features only a temporary worker program, then Republican Sens. John Cornyn of Texas and Jon Kyl of Arizona may emerge as the Senate's immigration bill managers.

But if a bill containing a bridge to green cards passes, then Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz.; Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.; and Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., would be the likely Senate leaders in the debate because their bills offer illegals the ability to apply for permanent residence.

Congressional aides said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., is working on an immigration bill that would tighten enforcement. Also

working on his own bill is Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Several influential senators have expressed support for Specter's work-in-progress, including Republican Sen. Mel Martinez of Florida and Democratic Sen. Barack Obama of Illinois, who have jointly issued a set of immigration reform principles they support.

Both would give illegals status — Martinez with certain strict conditions and Obama more liberal-ly.

"To fix the illegal immigration problem we have to recognize that there has to be a way to account for the 11 million plus people that are already here, unaccounted for, working for the most part," Martinez said.

He rejected the notion of forcing illegals to leave the country to seek permits abroad. "I believe that is not workable or feasible," he said. But Martinez echoed President Bush's rejection of a guest worker program that leads to amnesty.

"They have to pay a penalty. They have to go back to the line for citizenship. They have to have ... hoops that they'd have to go through," he said.

In a joint letter to Specter Dec. 15, Martinez and Obama proposed

offering temporary work permits after payment of a fine and without excluding access to green cards.


Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., who has not endorsed any pending comprehensive Senate immigration bill except one that would allow the children of illegal immigrants to seek residence, said it's impossible to predict what kind of immigration reform bill may prevail.

Nelson said he leans toward legislation that permits all or some of the illegals "who have had certain years of residence and can show gainful employment to apply for legal status."

Sensenbrenner said that for comprehensive immigration reform to prevail, all sides will have to concede something. "Whether that's going to happen or not, I don't know."

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288
June Kennemer, 70, died Monday. Funeral Services will be at 2:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.
M. D. "Doug" Whitley, 92, died Sunday. Private family services will be held at a later date.

Put Some Representation In Your District.



Elect Gerald (Jerry) Middleton As Your Congressman for the Texas Congressional 85th District.

There are many issues that are facing all of us, coming up in the near future.


My main goal if I am elected is to bring the voice of the people of the 85th district to Austin. Small Business Owner Jerry's for the last 8 years. Married to Joyce, two boys, Robert & Carl. NRA "A" rating for the 2006 Election Cycle.

Education: High school with some college
Business background: Efficiency expert, machinist, tool & die maker, Bookkeeper, purchasing agent, inventory controller, heavy equipment operator, welder, luthier & farming.

E-Mail electjerry@aol.com

Paid political ad by citizens to elect Gerald Middleton Congressman for the 85th District.

ELECT ROY DON BEAUCHAMP
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4



Republican Primary is March 7, 2006.
Early voting begins February 1, 2006 and ends March 3.

Vote for Roy Don a successful business owner with integrity and leadership who wants to insure the development of Howard County.

Your Vote for Roy Don will Assure Progress

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Roy Don Beauchamp, 1307A Gregg St., Big Spring, TX 79720

FULLMOON, INC. ROOFING

Commercial • Residential • Industrial • Insured • Bonded • Three Million General Liability

Between You & The Elements...

REASONS TO CALL

- Ranked Top 25 Roofing Contractors in Texas
- Owens Corning Preferred Contractors
- Save \$100's to \$1000's On Your Next Roof

When You Want The Best



FREE ESTIMATES!
CALL (432) 267-5478
BIG SPRING, TEXAS
HENRY BACKES



EDITORIAL

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

-FIRST AMENDMENT

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the Editorial Board of the Big Spring Herald unless otherwise indicated.

Susanne Reed
PublisherJohn A. Moseley
Managing EditorBill McClellan
News Editor

YOUR VIEWS

Be sure and vote

TO THE EDITOR:
By extraordinary chance, I sat adjacent to a dinner table of city officials from another part of Texas. Their conversations amounted to a thesis on voter apathy in their towns they unknowingly shared with an interested ear. The perplexity of what to do about it was equal to their opinions of the loss and cost to their communities in ramification of pride, politics and influence. The final answer — "it would take a distinguishing personal commitment of each individual voter to make a difference for the whole community. After they departed in dismay — one was left wondering if any of them would eventually find the success they sought for their towns — and... that such a possibility was available to Big Spring."

Fast forward several months — to election time last year. The good wife, always eager to share new life experiences — confided she/we had volunteered to be election officials to work at one of the many Big Spring polling places.

Like the little boy who commented after wrestling a porcupine — "I don't ever want to do that again" — hats off and admiration for those fine people who do that chore for us. In this person's opinion, the voting process, through the passage of time and to the fault of absolutely no one, has accumulated some unnecessary friction. The county office charged with elections valiantly labored under difficult duress. A personally remembered problem — at one time approximately one of five voters entering the polling place door was at the wrong polling place.

What is the value of a vote? Speaking numbers — without reference to any party, candidate or position — Howard County has 17,627 registered voters — Big Spring 12,295. If everyone would vote —

what could be expected from this treasure chest of influence? Some include: 1. Texas governors and candidates would be more likely to stopover in Big Spring during Midland to Abilene trips. 2. Our United States representatives would be encouraged to continue maintain the expense of an outreach office and assistant here in Big Spring. 3. Our state senator would be encouraged to continue maintaining an outreach office and assistant here. 4. Our influence would be raised to the power of three or four times — based on comparison to typical voter turnout in other and larger cities. 5. We'd demonstrate, by example, to our children and tomorrow's generation — a profoundness well beyond what they might learn in required school government courses. 6. A unique community pride and awareness would likely prevail with the realization that we could accomplish a standard few other communities seldom achieve... voting in overwhelming numbers.

Is that possible? In the small nation, Israel "90 percent of voters cast a ballot. They were ashamed of the small turnout." 7. More local candidates — often referred to as "favorite sons" would be encouraged to seek office and we might become by reputation the mighty "swing vote" city. Voting in Howard County has been made easier and less confusing. The number of polling places has been reduced over one-half. New equipment is in place. An election official — with duties only to elections and personnel training — has been appointed.

Our small population needs every vote to be cast. In the future — when we're called on to vote — let's do it. Our future could be in our vote.

BOBBY McDONALD
BIG SPRING

LETTER POLICIES

The Herald welcomes letters to the editor.

- Limit your letters to no more than 300 words.
- Sign your letter.
- Provide a daytime telephone number, as well as a street address for verification purposes.
- We reserve the right to edit for style and clarity.
- We reserve the right to limit publication to one letter per 30-day period per author.
- Letters that are unsigned or do not include a telephone number or address will not be considered.
- Letters should be submitted to Editor, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721. They can also be e-mailed to editor@bigspringherald.com

Here's your tax dollar on drugs

If you want to understand how difficult it is to cut the federal deficit — it will surpass \$400 billion in the 2007 budget — take a look at the Byrne grants. Named after New York City police officer Edward Byrne, who was killed by drug dealers, the grants have provided annually about \$500 million to local law-enforcement efforts since the program was signed into law by the first President Bush. Critics on the left and the right consider the program to be ill-conceived and ineffective, and they've urged Washington to eliminate the grants. But Congress keeps pouring millions into the program.

David Mulhausen, a policy analyst with the conservative Heritage Foundation, considers the Byrne grants to be mostly "pork projects." He sees "a big accountability problem."

Mulhausen is not alone. The White House Office of Management and Budget studied the Byrne grants and gave the program a 13 percent rating for results and accountability. That's an F.

Last year, the National Taxpayers Union and Citizens Against Government Waste signed a letter urging congressional appropriators to eliminate the Byrne grants.

No such luck. President George W. Bush, to his credit, has departed from his big-spending ways in seeking to reduce — and now to eliminate — Byrne grants, as part of the administration's ongoing post-9/11 effort to streamline U.S. Department of Justice funding in order to maximize the money spent on homeland security. According to the OMB, the Bush administration and Congress have reduced Byrne-grant funding by two-thirds since 2001.

Alex Conant of the OMB explained that "federal law-enforcement funds need to be

spent where they are most effective, and Byrne grants have failed to demonstrate significant effectiveness."

Tom Finnigan of Citizens Against Government Waste noted how the administration has tried to figure out which programs don't work and de-fund them — "and yet Congress earmarks these funds every year, year after year."

And, "If (members of Congress) can't cut programs that are ineffective and wasteful, then it just shows they are incapable of spending restraint." Too true.

That's the problem. Columnists and fiscal watchdogs all agree that federal spending is out of control. Democrats are having a grand time slamming Bush for his big spending, but as soon as Bush tries to cut an actual program, it becomes a vital endeavor, the loss of which will be harmful to hardworking taxpayers.

Pork-happy lawmakers rush to defend the program. Sens. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, Mark Dayton, D-Minn., and Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., all have boasted that they want to keep bankrolling Byrne grants. If you come from farm country, you talk like Leahy — and hail the grants as important for "a rural state." Or you say that the funding is essential to fight methamphetamine abuse — as Harkin and Dayton argued — even though local officials are charged with enforcing those laws.

You would never guess that Byrne grants also funded bad law enforcement — most notably the Tulia scandal, which began when Bush was the governor of Texas. A white investigator of a Byrne-funded task force testified against dozens of black residents in Tulia,

Texas, for dealing cocaine. They were convicted, even though no drugs were presented as evidence at trial. Later, Gov. Rick Perry pardoned most of the Tulia convicts, and onetime defendants reached a \$5 million settlement with local officials.

Bill Piper of the Drug Policy Alliance, which opposes the war on drugs, believes that abuses such as the Tulia travesty occur when "the federal government is handing money out like candy" and there is no real accountability.

Piper also argues that "the war on drugs is an area that you could cut without political consequences." Alas, there also are no real consequences, because Congress keeps sneaking the money back into the budget. I would agree, except that the press releases sent out by Byrne-loving senators suggest that there is little upside in cutting drug-war spending.

As the National Taxpayers Union's Paul Gessing noted, "The people who have the most at stake lobby very hard, whereas it's hard for the average citizen to keep track of this stuff."

I fault Bush for not vetoing his first farm bill, which enabled Congress' big spending. Now that he is trying to do the right thing, he stands alone. If the president can't push Congress to kill a program that is 13 percent effective, then he can't cut anything, because there is no will to spend responsibly in Washington.

E-mail Debra J. Saunders at dsaunders@schronicle.com. To find out more about Debra J. Saunders, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

COPYRIGHT 2006 CREATORS SYNDICATE INC.



DEBRA SAUNDERS

ADDRESSES

• **GEORGE W. BUSH**
President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

• **JOHN CORNYN**
U.S. Senator
Washington, DC 20510-4305
Phone: 202-224-2934

• **RANDY NEUGEBAUER**
U.S. Representative (19th Cong. District)
1510 Scurry
Big Spring
Phone: (432) 264-0722

• **RICK PERRY**

Governor
State Capitol, Room 2S.1
P.O. Box 12428
Austin, 78711
Phone: (512) 463-2000

• **KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON**
U.S. Senator
703 Hart Office Building
Washington, 20510
Phone: 202-224-5922

• **PETE LANEY**
State Representative
Texas 85th District
P.O. Box 2910
Austin, 78768
Phone: (512) 463-0604

• **KEL SELIGER**
State Senator
401 Austin, suite 101

Big Spring, 79720
(432) 268-9909

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OFFICE — 264-2200.
BEN LOCKHART, COUNTY JUDGE — Home: 263-4155; Office: 264-2202.

EMMA BROWN — Home: 267-2649.

JERRY KILGORE — 263-0724; Work (Jerry's Barbers): 267-5471.

BILL CROOKER — Home: 263-2566.

GARY SIMER — Home: 263-0269; Work (Ponderosa Nursery): 263-4441.

BIG SPRING

CITY COUNCIL

Russ McEwen, Mayor — Home: 263-0907; Work (Russ McEwen Insurance): 267-1413.

GREG BIDDISON — Home: 267-6009; Work (Greg's Grill): 267-7121.

W.A. "WOODY" JUMPER — Home: 263-0782; Work (BSSH): 267-8216.

STEPHANIE HORTON — Home: 264-0306; Work (VA Medical Center): 263-7361.

JOANN STAULCUP — Home: 263-4980.

GLORIA McDONALD — Home: 263-4835.

JOANN KNOX — Home: 816-9083; Work (BSISD): 264-3635.

Who wants to be a lawyer?

Who wants to be a lawyer? The answer seems to be, almost 10 percent fewer people than last year, when applicants were 5 percent lower than the 100,000 high point reached after the dot-com collapse. Has law school lost its allure since Calista Flockhart gave up on "Ally McBeal"? Is "Boston Legal" not enough? "The more lawyers out there," speculates David Kelly, the creator of more successful law shows than anyone else and probably the most envied law school graduate around, "the more people there are to warn other people not to become lawyers."



SUSAN ESTRICH

It's true that there are plenty of unhappy lawyers out there, and plenty of good reasons to explain the unhappiness. Many of today's lawyers entered what they believed would be a gentlemanly profession only to find themselves in a cutthroat business. The days when a young law student might routinely go to a firm fresh from school and spend a lifetime there have gone the way of confidential salaries, a relic of the past.

Ever since Steve Brill's "American Lawyer" broke the code of silence more than two decades ago on what lawyers earn, the traffic between firms has intensified, and the pressure on firms to tie compensation to rain-

making has led those who don't compete to wither on the vine.

Some lawyers make more than ever before, but even more work harder, and even fewer have the security that a partnership once promised. It's harder to make partner; good work alone is rarely enough without the ability to drum up business; and making partner only intensifies the pressure to produce. Moreover, if money is your thing, you can always make more in business than in law.

And yet for all that, it seems to me that there has never been a better time — or rather, a more important time — to study law. It's not because we need to litigate more, but because the rule of law has never counted for so much.

For starters, you don't have to be a lawyer to find that law is an essential part of everyday life. No matter what you do, you need to understand how law fits in, and at least on occasion how to manage the lawyers you need to hire.

There is almost no business or enterprise, profit or nonprofit, from the largest corporation to a school or community group, where knowledge of the law isn't invaluable. You can spend your time cursing the legalization of our society, or you can recognize reality and triumph over it. We have disputes, and law is the way we resolve them. Governments regulate, and law is the result of it.

But lawyering isn't simply about reacting or dealing with the worst instincts of government and individuals, it is about building a better and more just society, around

the world. Law today is an international calling, and the call has never been more urgent.

If we have discovered anything in recent years, it should be that waging war is far easier than drawing the legal blueprints for mutual accommodation and peace. It took far less time for us to conquer Iraq than it has to create a state living under the rule of law. The bravest men and women in Iraq today are the ones who volunteer to enforce the rule of law, whether on the streets as members of the police or in courtrooms as judges and lawyers. Our ability to exit is measured by their potential and their success.

At home and abroad, whether in the Schiavo case or the Saddam trial, judges are far too easy targets for politicians and demagogues. But they are the essential checks and balances in our society, as essential to democracy as free elections, more central to individual freedoms than a written constitution, the ultimate arbiters of the rule of law.

In the end, Shakespeare was wrong. Kill all the lawyers, and you kill the rule of law. And then we are left not with a better society, but a lawless one.

To find out more about Susan Estrich, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

COPYRIGHT 2006 CREATORS SYNDICATE INC.

Christy's Quill

Some households may plunge to extremes on account of having only one toilet.

Growing up, we had only one restroom in our home.

Five people. One bathroom. Not pretty.

My dad didn't have many requests, but the one he did have was this — *Please be bathed and out of the bathroom by the time I get off work.*

This was tricky, because he worked out in the oilfields and didn't have a set schedule.

When we'd hear his truck pull up in the driveway, we would suddenly remember the plea and race for the bathroom.

He would come in, hear us running water and all hopes of a hot bath would be drowned.

Because we had only one bathroom, I found that beating my siblings

to the restroom was an important key to survival.

Many a fight erupted over the length of time that was spent in that tiny little room. How could such a small space cause so much tension?

I recollect the days when it could take at least half an hour to tame my mane. Brushing teeth and making faces were very time consuming, albeit necessary, grooming processes.

My sister would stand outside the door, pounding away. Things could turn on a dime, however, and the next day, she'd be

in there and I'd be beating on the door, begging her to hurry up.

A family came to our home one day to borrow toilet paper.

My mom, who'd loaned them sugar, flour, eggs and milk, almost dropped her jaw. This was the living end! (No pun intended.)

When I met Ron, he showed me his home.

The first thing I noticed was that it had dual bathrooms. Two bathrooms!

This was the life. It only took one day of marriage for me to realize what I'd missed out on during my childhood. No more trips to a local convenience store because our bathroom was occupied.

Now I had my own! If I wanted to take an

hour on my hair, no one cared. If I wanted to read a book while soaking in a bubble bath, there was no one to stop me.

Personally, I think it's been one of the secrets to our longevity. We are going into our 15th year (of marriage.)

After we were grown and gone, my parents moved into a different house. Two bathrooms. Peace at last.

My children, on the other hand, know nothing of the hardships having only one bathroom can heap upon a family.

They've had the easy life.

Two sinks, two toilets, two showers are all they've ever known.

They know nothing about door-pounding,

knockdown, drag-out wars over who gets to go into the restroom first.

They've never had to plead their cause before an angry mob of four other needy family members.

When they grow up and leave home, I hope they know enough to purchase only homes that come equipped with plumbing for the masses.

Christy Alton is married to her park ranger, Ron and they have two children. Along with taking care of her family, she is substitute teacher, a piano teacher and a full-time college student.



CHRISTY ALTON

Bird Poop

As the door at the Humane Society opened, the director, Jo Stone, expected another furry friend.

Instead, she was surprised to see a barn owl carried inside a man's coat. After the bird was placed in a carrier, its rescuer told her he had found it "just down the road" on the Interstate.

When Jo called us about the barn owl, we were grateful that the motorist, who sensed that something was wrong with the bird, had taken the time to turn around and go back to check on it.

Impervious to move-

ment or sound, the owl offered no resistance as we removed it from the carrier. For it to be so passive was an indication of possible head trauma.

As Dr. Scott Burt and I examined the owl the next day, we found only one abnormality. On the bird's back, the underlying feathers, which provide insulation, were tan-



BEBE McCASLAND

gled and matted. The downy feathers elsewhere were in perfect order.

This caused us to wonder if the owl had been caught in the turbulence of a large truck and landed in water or thick, moist grass. Gazing straight ahead, the bird was like a zombie.

For two days, the owl was fed a liquid diet. South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation Center was contacted.

Their "owl lady," Gail Barnes, recommended continuing liquids until the bird could be transported to Lubbock. While increasing in strength, the owl still showed no signs of sight or hearing.

On the third day, it was stable enough to travel. The Center had their vet-

erinarrians x-ray the bird for any fractures; there were none.

All of us agreed, the bird had "had its bell rung!"

It might recover if given time and careful feeding. For several more days, the bird received liquids. Then it progressed to minced mice that were force-fed.

Each day progress was seen. One evening, several thawed mice were placed in its carrier. The next morning, the mice were gone. The bird had come back!

With the owl eating on its own, it was placed in a mew for exercise. It responded so well it graduated to the large flight cage, where it proved it was ready and eager for

release.

Exactly three weeks from the time the owl was found, it was returned for release on an area ranch.

Escorting this small miracle were Barnes and her husband, Larry. Important for the bird's return to the wild was for it to be near Big Spring.

At the ranch, the bird was placed in a stable that has been adapted for the release of wildlife. That evening, a ranch employee opened the stable doors.

Sensing its freedom, the barn owl immediately



Courtesy photo
A barn owl is nature's premier mousetrap.

flew past the person, circled the barn, headed northeast, never slowed down and disappeared from sight.

Bebe McCasland is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.

RE-ELECT Ben Lockhart
Republican Candidate For **COUNTY JUDGE**
Howard County
Early Voting Feb. 21 - March 3, 2006
ELECTION DAY MARCH 7, 2006

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Ben Lockhart, 300 Main, Big Spring, TX 18642

Coronado Hills Apartments
1 Bedroom • \$375 • 2 Bedroom • \$475 • 3 Bedroom • \$575
801 W. Marcy • 432-267-6500
Big Spring, Texas 79720

Pool, Private Patios, Covered Parking & Washer - Dryer Conn.
2-3 Bedroom

"Remember...you deserve the best!!"

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

WTG Gas Processing, L.P. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 20137 which would authorize continued operation of the East Vealmoor Gas Plant located 16 miles north of Coahoma on Texas FM 846 in Howard County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

18700

Your Tax Refund Right At Your Fingertips

Leave the paperwork to these professionals to get you the best possible return!

It's Tax Time... Don't Be Scared We Can Help Get Your Money* In 24 - 48 Hours

World Acceptance Corporation
World-Class Loans & Tax Service
Over 600 Tax Offices Nationwide To Serve You!

121 E. 3rd • Big Spring, Tx 79720
432-263-4962

THE TAX SHOP
207 W. 10th St. 264-7563
BEHIND THE MEDICINE SHOPPE

ROD LEWIS JEANINE HUSKEY
TAX PREP E-FILE RAPID REFUNDS
COMPARE OUR RATES

Tax Time GET TAX REFUNDS FAST
Instant Refund Up To **\$1,688**
With RAL Approval

FREE ESTIMATES

Branch Manager
Diane Viera
110 West 3rd Big Spring
263-1138
Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30
Sat. 8:00-12:00
"Se Habla Espanol"

Evening Hours Vary

FAST CASH
Tax Refund Loan Within 24 Hrs*
e-file

Tax Associates
Sam Castro - 15 Yrs. Experience

• BIG SPRING • 406 Runnels (Across from Bargain Mart)
432-264-6134

• MIDLAND • 1015 Midkiff, Suite D
432-689-3787

Se Habla Espanol
*With RAL Approval

H&R BLOCK®
tax, mortgage and financial services

1512 S. Gregg
Big Spring, TX 79720
Tel 432-263-1931
Fax 432-263-1402
jrichmond@hrblock.com www.hrblock.com

TEXAS FINANCE
1011 Gregg St. • Big Spring, TX
263-6914

Joann Palacios
Manager

e-file

INCOME TAX REFUND LOANS
ADVANCE LOAN within seconds upon approval
UP TO \$1000.00
beginning January 2nd

*Restrictions Apply

- /Tax preparation available
- /Open year round
- /No cash needed
- /10 yrs in the Electronic Tax Filing Business
- /Certified Tax Specialist

FREE Electronic Filing with Paid Tax Preparation

Tomorrow's Horoscope

The Sagittarius moon is in her last quarter, urging us to put a fire under our special projects to get them done ASAP. Nothing new will get any luck until what's old has been wrapped up. You may have to bring in outside forces (workers, subcontractors, etc.) to finish the job faster, and such efforts are well worth the money.

A R I E S (March 21-April 19). Put your energy where it will matter. People feel comfortable resonating at their usual tone, so don't worry about trying to give a lift to someone who is terminally pessimistic.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Wouldn't it be lovely to bury yourself in a den of books? It would benefit you greatly, according to your stars. Whatever your project is, you'll save yourself a lot of time and trouble by doing more research.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your individual personality is served well by outfitting yourself with an offbeat look, ride or vocabulary. Your style is what attracts new friends and clients today. Revel in it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you feel lost or scared or both, sing a silly song. Levity is your key to success. Return to a more childish view of the world, and your problems are met with more imaginative answers.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Build your personal mystery — it's like a secret weapon. When you're discreet, you attract new friends and business associates who are intrigued

by what they don't know about you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You internalize the energy of the newspaper headlines. Look for rays of hope instead. Complicated projects are featured. Give them the necessary contemplation!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your attitude is more important than your actual productivity. It's more important than the facts or the results. A winning attitude makes you a winner, even if you have lost by logical standards.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The stars affect you like music. You are encouraged to play along with the "instruments" you have — your fresh point of view, your talents, your physical being. Put your whole self into the symphony, and sing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). People around you seem willing to do what you need them to do. Being willing is not action. Action is the test. If the task cannot be crossed off the list by tonight, you have assigned it to the wrong person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You can be an overachiever, but now is a perfect time to use that drive to a good end. Can you put in hard work and still remain stress free? Absolutely!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When the whimsical Dr. Seuss quipped, "There is no one alive who is Youer than You," he most certainly was talking about an Aquarius. Your originality is even more original tonight.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're looking for something to believe in now, when everything seems a bit ethereal and foggy. Start with you. Believe in your breath, your heart and your body.

Go from there. **ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "Will you please tell me about the significance of Leo traversing Saturn?"

Saturn is the great taskmaster of the zodiac — a teacher, but more than a teacher. He is a guru, the sage on the mountain, an instructor for the body and soul — what the Japanese would call the "Sensei." People are often fearful of his orders, just as those in boot camp are fearful of what their next "exercise" is going to be. Lessons don't always have to be painful to be learned. That is the most important thing to keep in mind right now if you happen to be a Leo. When Saturn transits your sign, many of his lessons are directed in a very personal way toward you. If you are a Leo, this is a time of great personal growth — that is, if you accept the work. If not, the universe will be very persistent in putting obstacles in your path. Things just start happening to you to get you moving. On a global level, Saturn transiting Leo will bring lessons pertaining to the media. On the other side of this transit will be a shift in the laws, ethics and practices pertaining to media and entertainment.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Dashing leading man Billy Zane takes the Piscean trait of adaptability to extremes with the transformation that he makes within himself for each and every role. Zane is intense, emotional and handsome — some Pisces have all the luck. 2006 will deliver Zane even more of that luck when, at the end of the year, he lands his dream role.

© 2006 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

Dear Margo

Dear Margo: My husband and I have had the best and the worst over 25 years of marriage, during which we've seen at least three different therapists. He had two consecutive adulterous affairs about five years ago for which we received counseling.

Things seem better now, but I still have my doubts. One of our counselors advised him against nurturing close business or platonic relationships with women in his professional and social circles. The counselor told him they emotionally replaced our own relationship that we were trying to rebuild.

Over the last three years, there has been a female colleague with whom he's maintained frequent contact, even though they are no longer employed by the same corporation. I have pointed out to him that this particular relationship makes me feel quite uneasy. I have met her,

and in some very distinct ways she reminds me of his second mistress.

I have discovered he is deceptive about the frequency of their communication. Every time I use his computer, her instant message icon flashes up to say she's online. Her number shows up frequently on our cellular bill. He says it's all business, but she contacts him about home decor, parenting tips or just to show him pictures of her new baby.

He assures me the relationship is not a threat to our marriage and tries to encourage us to be friendly. Do people really change after multiple sessions of therapy? — K.P.B.

Dear K.: Some people do change as a result of therapy. Unfortunately, your husband doesn't seem to be one of them. The fact that you told him this particular "friendship" is problematic for you, yet he insists on continuing it, says quite a lot.

Were I you, given your history, I would tell him that cooling it with this woman is the least he can do for you — and the marriage. If he chooses not to, then tell him you have finally found the wall... the one with the handwriting on it. You might want to follow that up with "Goodbye, and good luck."

Dear Margo is written by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter. All letters must be sent via e-mail to dearmargo@creators.com. Due to a high volume of e-mail, not all letters will be answered.

© 2006 MARGO HOWARD
DISTRIBUTED BY CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.



HOLIDAY MATHS

NOBODY ASKS FOR IT

Help STOP Sexual Assaults
Call 263-3312
Rape Crisis Services/Big Spring

ELECT

MORGAN

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

★ Positive Vision of the Future ★ Commitment to the Community
★ Business Background ★ Experienced Leadership

"A New Voice in County Leadership"
Please Vote for Mark Morgan for County Judge in the Republican Primary
Early Voting Begins February 21 at the Howard County Courthouse
Pd. Adv. Pd for by Mark Morgan for Howard County Judge Campaign 805 Scurry, Big Spring, TX 79720



Drew Mouton
Republican For State Representative
District 85

Uncommon Leadership & Experience

Throughout his 28 years in West Texas, Drew has proven his commitment to our West Texas communities.

Common West Texas Values

- Strong Public education
- No public tax dollars for private schools
- Competitive teacher salaries
- Protect our water rights
- Fiscal responsibility throughout state government

"I will appreciate your vote in the March 7 primary."

Paid political ad paid for by Mouton for State Representative, P.O. Box 1030, Big Spring, TX 79721, Katie Grimes, Treasurer.



SALE on all Digital Hearing Aids This Week @ Livingston

At Livingston, we carry all brands and styles — my training allows me to select from the wide variety of choices to make the selection best for your specific hearing loss. Call today for your personal hearing check-up.

—Kay Patten, Board Certified Hearing Instrument Scientist

"I knew I needed help with my hearing and now it's great to be able to hear and understand in a crowd. With Livingston's wonderful help and understanding, it has opened a whole new world!" — Mary Shaffer

COUPON
ALL HEARING AIDS ON SALE
SAVE 30-50%

Digital hearing aids starting as low as \$595.

These services are being offered FREE for a limited time only! Call today and schedule an appointment to have your hearing checked. You can also receive a free demonstration of the newest digital technology.

FREE Ear Scan

FREE Hearing Evaluation

FREE Speech Understanding Test

Save 30-50% on all digital hearing aids this week!

Low Price Guarantee
If you find a lower advertised price on an identical hearing aid at any local retail competitor, we will beat their price by 10% when you buy from us. Just bring us the competitor's current ad, or we'll call to verify the item's price that you have found. Competitor's remanufactured, discontinued, and used hearing aids are excluded from this offer.

LIVINGSTON 211 Johnson St. in Big Spring 267-7052
Audiology and Hearing Aid Centers

We accept Medicaid patients.

Little needs days a...
signu...
upcom...
taking...
Spring...
The...
take p...
p.m. to...
through...
will be...
a.m...
Satu...
Any...
in yo...
league...
or for...
tion...
league...
fact...
Rosen...
9984 o...
Randy...
264-66...
263-531...

Cross...
leagu...
board...
The...
Youth...
Associ...
a bo...
tonigh...
the up...
The...
begin...
for mc...
or to...
board...
tact D...
at 432...
Due...
day o...
had to...
tonigh...

Legen...
dies a...
FOR...
(AP) —
one of...
voices...
genera...
time...
the B...
died...
He...
Beach...
the w...
Red...
woma...
s...
Gow...
broade...
1944 a...
call t...
Bowl...
as 13...
and 16...
He al...
famous...
in...
In...
becam...
play-b...
the Re...
team...
Sox in...
year st...
the W...
for NE...
the lo...
the Sports...

Willia...
drug...
out ne...
MIA...
Troub...
back...
is app...
drug...
force...
Dolph...
out th...
person...
the...
If th...
result...
would...
fourth...
NFL's...
abuse...
Prev...
tests...
juana...
test if...
other...
said...
spoke...
anony...

IN BRIEF

Little League umpires needed, signups days announced

Little League signups for the upcoming season are taking place at the Big Spring Mall. The signups will take place from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. tonight through Friday and will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Anyone interested in umpiring Little League baseball games or for more information on the Little League signups, contact Chuck Rosenbaum at 432-816-9984 or 432-263-1792 or Randy Phillips at 432-264-8600 (day) or 432-263-5314 (night).

Crossroads football league to hold board meeting

The Crossroads Youth Football Association will hold a board meeting tonight concerning the upcoming season.

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and for more information or to be a coach or a board member, contact Daphne Castilaw at 432-714-4688.

Due to a conflict, the day of the meeting had to be changed to tonight.

Legend Gowdy dies at age of 86

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Curt Gowdy, one of the signature voices of sports for a generation and a long-time broadcaster for the Boston Red Sox, died at 86.

He died in Palm Beach after a long battle with leukemia, Red Sox spokeswoman Pam Ganley said.

Gowdy made his broadcasting debut in 1944 and went on to call the first Super Bowl in 1967 as well as 13 World Series and 16 All-Star games. He also called the famous "Held!" game in 1968.

In 1951 Gowdy became the main play-by-play voice on the Red Sox broadcast team. He left the Red Sox in 1966 for a 10-year stint as "Game of the Week" announcer for NBC. He also was the longtime host of the "American Sportsman" series.

Williams falls fourth drug test, could be out next season

MIAMI (AP) — Troubled running back Ricky Williams is appealing a positive drug test that could force the Miami Dolphins star to sit out the 2006 season, a person familiar with the case said.

If the positive test result is upheld, it would be Williams' fourth violation of the NFL's substance-abuse policy. Previous positive tests were for marijuana. But the latest test involved a drug other than marijuana, said the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Strong fourth quarter sends G.C. to next round

By TROY HYDE

TRENT — A strong fourth quarter and solid free throw shooting led the Garden City boy's basketball team to a bi-district playoff victory against Aspermont Monday night.

The Bearkats outscored Aspermont, 16-5, in the fourth quarter and made 14 out of 16 shots from the line and won the game,

53-41.

"Our defense in the fourth quarter was great and we were able to keep them off the boards," said Garden City head coach Koby Abney. "We hit our free throws in the fourth and got the ball in the right people's hands."

The game was close with about three minutes to play, but three or four straight buckets on offense paired with three or four straight stops on

defense allowed the Bearkats to pull away, said Abney.

"We've handled clutch situations well all year long," he said.

The game was tied at 14-14 after one quarter and Garden City (21-6) led by three at halftime. Aspermont cut the lead to one after three quarters, but Garden City pulled away in the fourth. The Bearkats also made eight of 10 shots from the line

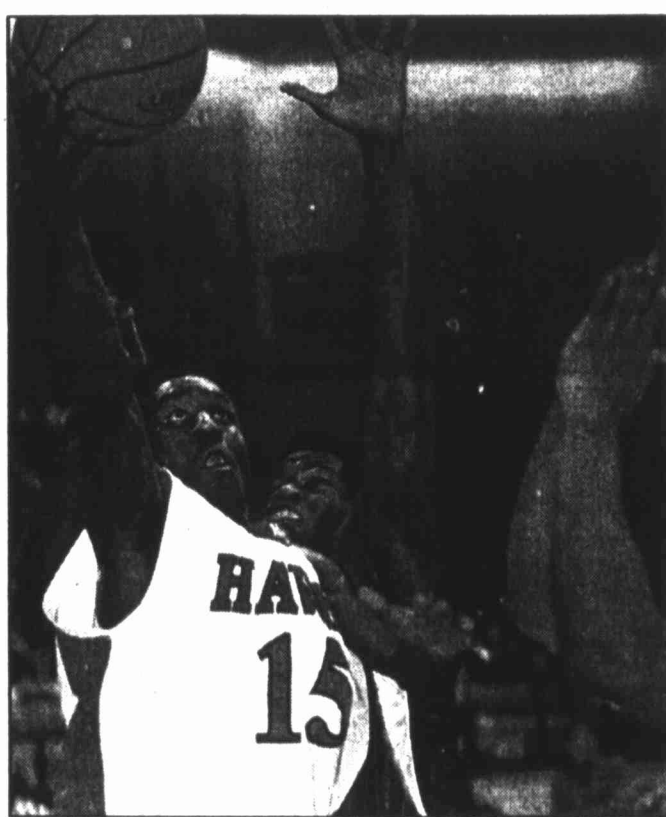
in the final period.

Junior Taylor Niehues scored a game-high 20 points to lead Garden City, while senior Shaun Maxie added 10 points. Senior Cory Multer scored eight points, including two-for-two from the foul line, and juniors Alex Halfmann and Colton Schwartz added seven and six points, respectively.

The Bearkats move on to face Witharral —

Abney's former school — either Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Details for the Area Championship game will be known after Witharral's girls play their playoff game tonight. Abney said the game could be played in Lamesa and the Bearkats will shoot for Friday.

"They're my second favorite team in the region because its where Coach (Ken) Hoskins and I came from," said Abney.



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard College sophomore Dezmon Harris scores two of his 17 points against Odessa College Monday. The Hawks extended their win streak to 27 games with a 30-point victory.

Howard moves closer to league title with victory

By TROY HYDE

The No. 1 ranked Howard men's basketball team extended its winning streak to 27 games Monday as the Hawks routed Odessa College, 86-56.

With three games to go in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference, Howard is 11-0 and has a two-game lead over arch rival Midland. One more win gives the Hawks the conference title outright. They are the only team which has clinched a spot in the Region 5 Tournament next month.

The Hawks had little trouble with Odessa College Monday night. They took an early lead with aggressive pressure defense and the offense was led by sophomore Charles Burgess and freshman Benny Valentine.

Odessa stayed within single digits for a good part of the first half. The Hawks did not pull away until the end of the first 20 minutes.

They closed the half with six straight points and led 44-27 at the break.

Howard extended its lead early in the second half with seven straight points. Burgess began the half with a 3-pointer and hit a jumper moments later.

Odessa's Sean Jackson kept the Wranglers in the game for awhile, but Howard continued to pull away as it proved too much for the league's fourth place team.

The Hawks finished the game on a 15-4 run and won by 30.

Burgess scored 16 of his 24 points in the second half. Valentine scored 21 points, while sophomore Dezmon Harris added 17.

The Hawks hit eight 3-pointers and went 20-for-23 from the foul line. Jackson led Odessa with 22 points, while Severin Gates added 14.

The Hawks travel to South Plains Thursday and have their final home game Monday against Frank Phillips.

Steers can't hold lead, lose to Central in season opener

By TROY HYDE

SAN ANGELO — The Big Spring baseball team had two leads Monday against San Angelo Central, but couldn't hold either one of them and dropped its first game of the season, 10-7, in San Angelo at Nathan Donsky Field.

Central scored the first two runs of the game, but Big Spring scored five runs in the top of third inning, highlighted by a grand slam from junior Lance Tissue, and took a 5-2 lead. Central added one in its half of third to cut the lead to 5-3 and regained the lead in the

Howard wins in final at-bat

Hawk softball team's bats wake up late against Ranger

By TROY HYDE

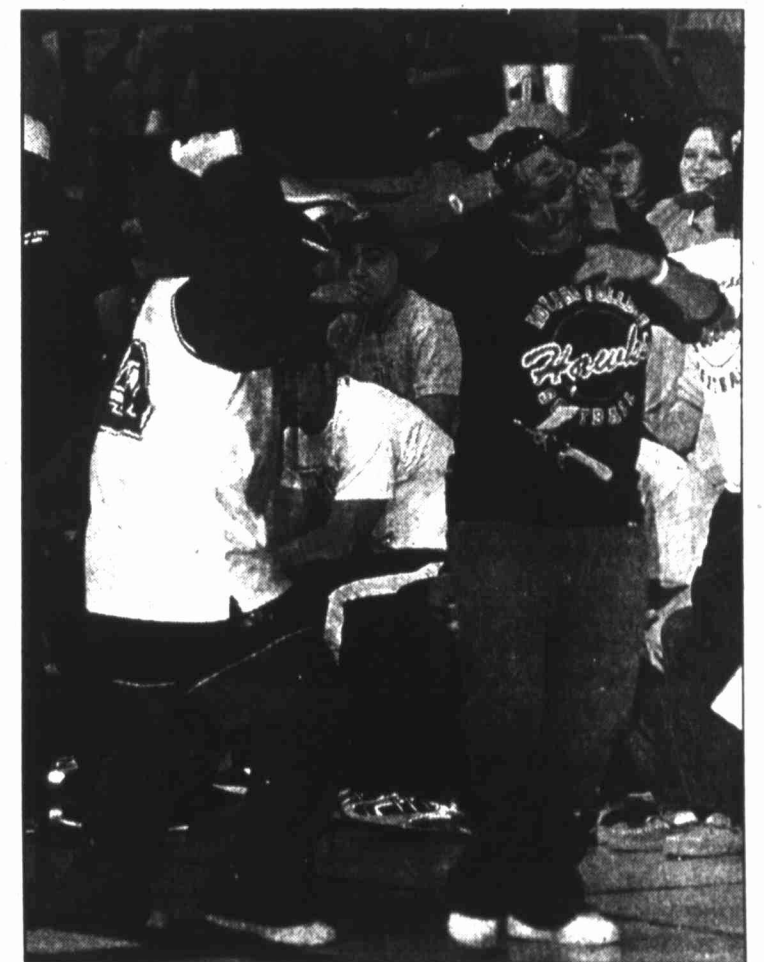
It took awhile for the offense of the Howard College softball team to wake up Monday afternoon, but the bats got going just in time to secure another win over Ranger College.

The Hawk women scored three runs in the final two innings and took care of Ranger at Foundation Field, 3-2, to improve to 12-4 on the year.

"I am not sure where the offense was, but we took the weekend off and when you have a few days off you can lose something," said Howard head coach Kelly Raines. "I should have gotten them some work over the weekend."

There was supposed to be two games on the day, but a serious ankle injury to Ranger starting catcher Meagan Jackson ended the day with just one game complete. The second game started, but was cancelled in the second inning with Ranger up 2-0. Jackson was taken off the field on a stretcher and taken immediately to a hospital in Big Spring for surgery. There was no other report available at press time.

The only offense through the first five innings in Game 1 was a home run in the fourth by Ranger infielder Lanea Meyer off Howard starter Paige Ruiz. Ruiz, a sophomore, struck out six batters through the first three innings and got out of three different jams



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
The Howard College Hawk and Howard sophomore Paige Ruiz enjoy a dance during a break at the Hawk men's basketball game Monday. Ruiz struck out 11 batters on the mound Monday afternoon as the Howard softball team improved to 12-4 with a 3-2 win over Ranger College.

with runners in scoring position.

Freshman Honda Rodriguez' diving grab at second base in the first inning saved two runs and then Ruiz also got out of a bases loaded jam in the sixth inning and faced a runner in scoring position in the seventh.

"Paige can be as good as she wants to be out there and I have no problems with the pitching right now," said Raines.

Howard grabbed the lead in the sixth inning. Freshman Laura Lopez reached base on a single and scored on an RBI triple by Jessica Garcia.

Garcia then scored the go-ahead run after an errant throw back to the pitcher by Jackson.

"Jessica's swinging the bat extremely well right now and when she sees it well she hits it well," said Raines.

The lead was short-lived as Ranger tied the game in the top of the seventh. Valerie Hardenburg reached on an infield single before scoring on an RBI double by Toni Lyles.

The Hawks were able to win the game in the seventh though. Abby Wilson reached on an

See HAWKS, Page 2B

Hawk women fall to undefeated OC

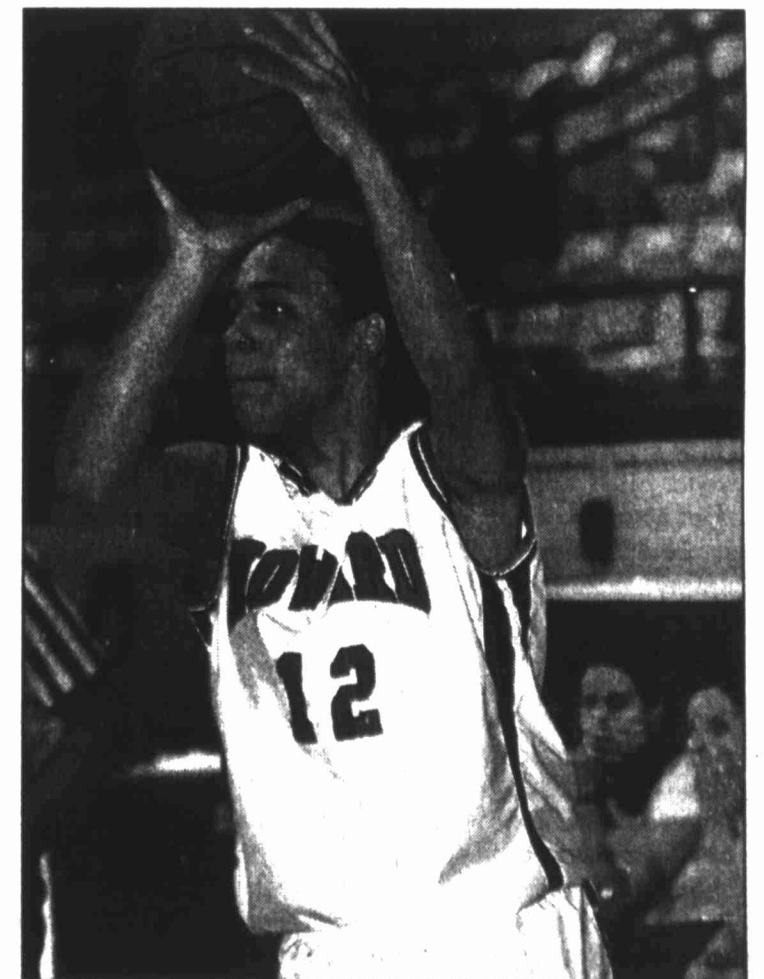
Fairley scores 21 points in Howard loss

By TROY HYDE

The No. 3 ranked Odessa College Lady Wranglers were just a bit too much for the Howard College women's basketball team Monday. The Hawk women got 21 points from Latoya Fairley — 15 in the second half — but still wound up on the losing end, 74-52.

"We can take a lot of good things from this game, but we lost this game in the first half because we turned it over too much and gave them too many second-chance points," said Howard head coach Earl Diddle.

The Hawks trailed 41-24 at halftime, but fought back into the game in the second half. Freshman Kim Gilyard and sophomore Jennifer Pena scored a layup and a 3-



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard freshman Kim Garcia puts up a jumper against Odessa College Monday. The Hawk women lost to the undefeated Lady Wranglers and dropped to 8-19 overall.

See STEERS Page 2B

See WOMEN, Page 2B



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard sophomore Latoya Fairley dives for a loose ball against Odessa College Monday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Fairley scored 21 points to lead the Hawks, but Howard lost the game.

HAWKS

Continued from Page 1B

error to lead off the inning and then was pinch ran for by sophomore Bethany Rose. Rodriguez got Rose to second on a sacrifice bunt and then Rose scored one batter later after a walk-off RBI double by freshman Alisha Rams. "That was exactly what Alisha needed to do," said Raines. "She knows the

game and knew she had to drive her in if we wanted to win and she came through for us."

Ruiz got the win on the mound as she gave up two earned runs on eight hits, while striking out 11 and walking two.

Both Rams and Garcia went three-for-three to lead Howard at the plate. Garcia was a home run away from the cycle.

Both Ranger runs in the second inning of Game 2 were unearned as Howard committed three errors.

"We've got to work on that in practice," said Raines. "We have to be tougher mentally."

The Hawks will play two more games at Foundation Field Friday at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., but this time the games are inside the Western Junior College Athletic Conference as El Paso CC comes to town.

"They are pretty fast and can score runs so we are going to have to keep them off the bases," said Raines.

STEERS

Continued from Page 1B

fifth with three runs. Big Spring took back the lead in the sixth with two runs, but Central finished off the Steers for good with a four-run sixth. Big Spring threatened



Tissue

with runners on second and third in the top of the seventh, but couldn't get anyone across the plate.

Senior Andy Lasater started on the mound for

Big Spring, but did not get a decision. Abel Morellon took the loss. Senior Kyle Piercefield also had an extra base hit for Big Spring as he doubled.

The Steers travel to Snyder to play a double-header Friday beginning at 3 p.m. They do not play at home until March 7.

WOMEN

Continued from Page 1B

pointer, respectively, and then Fairley scored the team's next 11 points, but Howard still trailed by 15.

Freshman Kim Garcia hit a 3-pointer and Gilyard scored on a layup right after Fairley's 11th point to cut the deficit to 10. The Hawks got to within 10 points again with 7:24 to go in the game before Odessa went on a 14-0 run to seal the deal. Odessa head coach Nate Altenhofen stopped play for nearly two minutes to check with the scorer's table for the right

score and that took what momentum Howard had away as the Lady Wranglers finished the contest strong, according to Howard assistant coach Eric Rodewald.

"We lost the game in the first half, but did a better job running our offense against Odessa's zone in the second half," said Diddle. "Overall, we played well defensively, but we missed a few assignments and good teams will take advantage of miscues."

Pena fouled out with 12:13 to play in the game. She finished with nine points as she connected on three 3-pointers.

"Latoya had a lot better second half, but losing Jen killed us," said Diddle.

Helen Roden led all scorers with 22 points. Chandra Jones scored 17 points and LaD'esha Stoudemire added 14 points as the Lady Wranglers improved to 25-0 on the year and 10-0 in the WJCAC. They clinched the No. 1 spot out the WJCAC with the win and remain the only women's team in the region to qualify for the postseason.

The Hawk women dropped to 8-19 overall and 2-8 in conference play.

**BIG SPRING LITTLE LEAGUE
Registration 2006 Season
BIG SPRING MALL**



**Register February 18 - February 25
Mon.-Fri. 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Saturday 9:30 am - 7:00 pm
BIG SPRING MALL**

CHILDREN 5-16 Who live within Big Spring Little League Boundaries are eligible to enroll. Registration required even if child played previously, at least one parent or legal guardian must be present and an original or state-certified copy of child's birth certificate is required.

CALL: CHUCK ROSENBAUM 263-1792



Bedtime Stories

SNOWBALLS AND SANDCASTLES

Have you ever made a snowball? Have you ever made a sandcastle? Do you live in a place where there is snow? Do you live in a place where there is sand? This story is about two boys. One lived in a place where there was always snow. One lived in a place where there was always sand. Bert and Bart were their names.



Bert lived in the cold, snowy place. He loved the snow. He loved the cold weather. He didn't even mind that there was always snow and ice everywhere he went. He even had a bob-sled. He loved to ride that bob-sled down the snowy hills. Sometimes he would spend the whole day, pulling the bob-sled up the hills, and riding the sled down again. Sometimes he would go very fast. Sometimes he

would go very slow. All the times were fun on the bob-sled.

But Bert loved making snowballs most of all. He would gather some freshly fallen snow, roll it around in his hands, and pack it until it made a beautiful, round ball. He always made targets for his snowballs. Sometimes, he would put tin cans on a fencepost and try to knock them off with the snowballs. One time, he threw a snow-



ball at his dad and hit him right on top of his noggin. His dad made a bigger snowball and splattered Bert with it. Bert never did throw another snowball at his dad!

Bert had always wanted to build a sandcastle too! But there was no sand where Bert lived! Only snow and

ice! Bart lived near the ocean. He always had lots of sand



to play with. He loved to build sandcastles. Every morning when he did not have to go to school, he would walk down to the beach and start building his sandcastles. Some of his sandcastles were really pretty. They looked like real



castles. They even had moats around them. Do you know what a moat is? Will you look in your dictionary,

tomorrow morning and find out what a moat is and why castles had moats? Will you tell all your friends what a moat is?

Bart had always wanted to make snowballs too! But there was no snow where he lived. Only sand and water.

But, this is a bedtime story and you know that Bert and Bart will get their wish, don't you?

One bright, cold, very cold, morning, Bert's dad said to him, "I want to get away from all this cold snow and ice for a while. Let's go on a



trip. Let's go some place where it's warm." Bert was very excited about this. "May we go to a beach where there is lots of sand? Please, let's go to a beach," he said. "I want to build a sandcastle!"

Off they went to find a

place of sand and warm sunshine! They traveled very far from home. They finally had gone far enough! They found a place where the weather was warm, and it was near a beach, and there was lots of sand. Bert could hardly wait to build his very first sandcastle!

There was just one problem! He had never built a sandcastle! He didn't know how! He needed help!

There just happened to be another little boy close by on that beach who knew how! Do you know what that little boy's name was? Of course, it was Bart! Bert was very happy to show Bert how

to build a sandcastle. Those two little boys became friends that day! And, they

er! And, they both made some very pretty sandcastles!

After Bert and his dad had been at the beach for a little while, they

sadly had to tell Bert they were going back home. Back to the ice and snow! Back to the snowballs and bob-sleds! "Snowballs and bob-sleds," Bart cried, "May I visit you someday? I have always wanted to make snowballs, but I have never seen snow, so I would not know how!" "I will show you how," Bert said, "For you showed me how to build sandcastles when I did not know how!"

Year after year, Bert and Bart visited each other. They still do! Now, each one of them knows how to make snowballs and sandcastles! Do you?

GOOD NIGHT!

Big Sp
Tuesd
An
K
Any
Wed
Quit
Pho
an
16162
Busin
The Big
need d
various
surance
tation.
Cont
710 Sc
SPR
THIS N
sponsib
tent of
ads. Be
a busin
tunity w
miliar, p
Better
703-276
www.bb
1511
Qu
Jim
Fin
Feb
Wa
Cha
HO
HO
Cu
Re
Pa
A
R
Ro
Ca
Pain

CLASSIFIEDS

710 Scurry

263-7331

www.bigspringherald.com

Announcements

KEY KREATIONS
Videography
* Any Special Occasion
* Weddings
* Quincemas
* Photo Slide Shows
Angie Key
325-573-0828
325-660-1769
angiekey6@aol.com

Didn't Get Your Paper?
Call 263-7335
Mon-Fri. 8am-7pm
Sun 8am-noon
HERALD
16162

Business Opportunity

The Big Spring Herald always need dependable carriers for various routes. Must have insurance and reliable transportation.

Apply in person.
Contact Duane McCollum
710 Scurry (432)263-7331

HERALD

THIS NEWSPAPER is not responsible for the specific content of the National Classified ads. Before investing money in a business/employment opportunity with which you are unfamiliar, please call the National Better Business Bureau at 703-276-0100 or visit www.bbb.org

Cemetery Lots

CEMETERY LOT at Trinity Memorial Park, Garden of Sharon. \$900.00. Call Bobby Thurman toll-free (866)608-9302.

Help Wanted

DELL'S CAFE is looking for part time cook helper. Come by 1608 East 4th Street. Please No Phone Calls.

Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez
Texas State Veterans Home
1809 N. Hwy 87
Big Spring, Tx 79720
(432)268-8387
(432)268-1987 fax

is currently seeking the following positions:

LVN'S
(Full time or Part Time)

Certified Nurses Aides
(2-10pm & 10pm-6am shifts)

Cooks/Dishwasher
Experienced in an hospital/institutional setting preferred
Wages Commensurate on Experience
to include an excellent benefits package.
Equal Opportunity Employer

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN wanted. Applicant must have experience in electronic circuitry, testing and troubleshooting. Salary commensurate with experience. Competitive benefit package, profit sharing, 401K. Apply in person with a resume at Parker Hannifan, 2109 Front Street, Big Spring, Texas (across from Manager 25 Museum).

Help Wanted

Assistant Manager/Collector Security Finance is now taking applications. We offer benefits, competitive pay, and advancement opportunities. Apply in person at 501 E. 3rd.

ATTENTION! Needed 23 people to lose up to 30 lb. within the next 30 days. 100% Natural 100% Guaranteed. Call 800-695-6920.

AVON WANTS YOU! Avon is looking for women of all ages and a "few good men" that want to add at least an extra \$300 to \$500 a month to their income by selling our 100% guaranteed product to family and friends. We now offer accelerated earnings through our Leadership program, affordable insurance, a rep savings plan, products discounts up to 50% and more. Call your independent rep, Natalie at (432)270-2125 now!

BEST HOME Care has full time RN position available. Great working hours with competitive pay and sign on bonus. Apply at 111 E. 7th, Suite C, or call 263-3851.

BEST HOME Care is seeking qualified individual to fill position of community liaison. Excellent salary with chance to earn bonus pay. Apply at 111 E. 7th, Suite C.

HUSBAND/WIFE TEAM needed as Dorm parents for basic Child-Care Facility. Salary plus room & board, benefits. Call Texas Pythian Home, 8:00-5:00, Monday-Friday (817)594-4465 or visit our web site www.pythianhome.org

Help Wanted

COMMERCIAL CARPENTER NEEDED

Interior trim and finish out carpenter and general laborers needed immediately for construction project in Big Spring. Call Sandy at (432)264-9894 or (325)585-5273 (cell). Equal Opportunity Employer.

Help Wanted

DO you have at least 3 years Carpentry & Painting experience. Transportation to and from job sites. Willing to work. Apply at Texas Workforce or call (432)267-2296.

Help Wanted

WE'RE GROWING! RN

with homehealth experience helpful but not needed to join our dynamic team of health-care professionals. We are a locally owned company who cares about our clients and our employees!

- * Full Time
- * Great Pay
- * Vacation & Sick Time
- * PAID Health Insurance
- * 401K
- * Great Work Environment
- * Paid Mileage

Please come by or mail resume to:

InHome Care, Inc.
1104 Scurry
Big Spring, Tx
79720

EXTRA! EXTRA!
Newspaper Carriers NEEDED!
Earn spending cash, have fun and meet new people. We are looking for energetic people to deliver the news to homes in many areas...
For more information call
Duane McCollum
Big Spring Herald
(432) 263-7331

BUSINESSES & SERVICES

\$1.89 Per Day; 6-Month Contract \$1.58 Per Day

Call 263-7331 to place your ad today!!

<p>AUTO PARTS</p> <p>WESTEX Since 1947</p> <p>14 Acres of dismantled vehicles 20,000 sq ft. of Warehouse storage Specialize in late model quality auto parts Foreign and domestic parts for cars, trucks, mini-vans, 4x4 and sports utility vehicles Hrs. 8 a.m.-6:30 W/Day 8 a.m.-12 p.m. SAT 1511 Hwy 350 • (432) 263-5000</p>	<p>CARPET</p> <p>CARPET SALES and Construction Management Draw Plans & Estimates Kenny Thompson 270-0548</p>	<p>YOUR AD</p> <p>PUT YOUR AD HERE CALL 263-7331 Herald Classifieds BIG SPRING HERALD</p>	<p>CONCRETE</p> <p>MARQUEZ FENCE CO. All types of fences & repairs. Concrete work, carports. All work guaranteed. Free Estimates Benny Marquez-Owner 267-5714</p>	<p>CONCRETE</p> <p>J. T. Builders Remodeling • Drywall Ceramic Tile • Electrical Plumbing • Roofing Brick & Concrete Work Driveways • Sidewalks Fireplaces • Stucco Swimming Pool Decks JOHNNY TALAMANTEZ (432) 213-0882 Cell (432) 263-2110 Res. 108 E. 11th PLACE BIG SPRING, TX. 79720</p>	<p>DIRT WORK</p> <p>DECKER'S FARM SUPPLY & NURSERY We do Dirt Work, Brush Hog, Backhoe, Bulldozing, Small Grubbing Jobs and Will Clear Lots. 432-756-3444</p>
<p>FENCES</p> <p>Quality Fence Co. Jimmy Marquez-Owner Finest In Fencing Wood & Chainlink Free Estimates 432-270-7508</p>	<p>YOUR AD</p> <p>PUT YOUR AD HERE CALL 263-7331 Herald Classifieds BIG SPRING HERALD</p>	<p>FENCES</p> <p>AGUEDO'S Pipe Fencing - Wire Fencing - Fencing Welding - Dozer Work Buy and Sell Pipe SANTIAGO ACEVEDO Loraine, Texas Cell: 325/242-2087 Home: 325/787-2361 Cell: 325/242-8578</p>	<p>FENCES</p> <p>B & M Fence Co. COMMERCIAL • RESIDENTIAL GET OUR PRICE & COMPARE FREE ESTIMATES ROBERT MARQUEZ 263-1813 • 1-800-825-1289 1000 Lanes Hwy. • Big Spring</p>	<p>HOME IMPROVEMENT</p> <p>DOORS/GARAGE DOORS/OPENERS Home Repair • Carpentry Sheet Work Repaired/Replaced Kitchen & Bath BOB'S CUSTOM WOODWORK 409 E. 3RD 267-5811</p>	<p>HOME IMPROVEMENT</p> <p>AFFORDABLE HOME MAINTENANCE •Renovation •Repairs •Maintenance Quality Work You Can Trust Satisfaction Guaranteed NO JOB IS TOO SMALL! Russ Crain (owner) 432-270-2585</p>
<p>HOME IMPROVEMENT</p> <p>R S HOME REPAIR Custom Wood Decks, Remodel, Carpenter, Painting, Plumbing, Minor Electrical FREE ESTIMATES Garage door repair, Appliances installed 816-3030</p>	<p>HOME IMPROVEMENT</p> <p>Gibbs Remodeling New home Construction • Room Additions Dry Wall Hanging & Finishing Ceramic Tile • Installation & Repair All Remodel Needs Of Any Room In Your Home. Call 263-8285</p>	<p>HOME IMPROVEMENT</p> <p>Speedy Construction We Do It All! Residential & Commercial Ceramic Tiles, Cabinets, Drywall, Textures, Plumbing, Electrical AC, Roofs, New Additions & Lawn Service Phone: 432-263-2911 Cell: 432-816-3832</p>	<p>LAWN SERVICE</p> <p>MOWING • ALLEYS HAULING • TILLING TREE TRIMMING STUMP REMOVAL CALL 432-267-5460 CELL 816-6150</p>	<p>PEST CONTROL</p> <p>SOUTHWESTERN A-1 PEST CONTROL Since 1954 432-263-6514 2008 Birdwell Lane Max F. Moore www.swalpc.com mm@swalpc.com</p>	<p>RENTALS</p> <p>VENTURA COMPANY 432-267-2655 Houses • Storages Commercial Buildings 1003, 07, 11 E. 11th Pl. For rent/sale 511 Galad 1811 Main 204 11th Place</p>
<p>ROOFING</p> <p>PALACIOS ROOFING & HOME IMPROVEMENT Roofs, Room Additions, Ceramic Tile, Fences, Painting Insured & Bonded Home Phone# 432-263-8430 Cell# 432-213-0363</p>	<p>ROOFING</p> <p>JOHNNY FLORES ROOFING Shingles, Hot Tar & Gravel. All type of repairs! Work Guaranteed. Specializing in Hot Tar Roofs and Doctor of Repairs! Free Estimates!! Big Spring & Surrounding Areas. 267-1110</p>	<p>STORAGE</p> <p>AAA Mini-Storage Special 1/2 OFF on Select Units Now Have Large or Small Units Available, We Store It All! Now Accepting Visa & Mastercard 3301 E. FM 700 263-0732</p>	<p>TAX SERVICES</p> <p>FAST CASH On Income Tax Refund Refund Loan Within 24 Hrs. TAX ASSOCIATES 408 Runnels Call (432) 264-6134 "Do Hobbli Regenerat" "With RAL Approval"</p>	<p>TREE TRIMMING</p> <p>DURAN'S TREE SERVICE Holiday Specials Tree Removal Specialist. Minor/Major trimming, stump removal, flower bed cleaned, hedges trimmed. Prices negotiable. (432) 570-9817 (432) 238-6770, cell.</p>	<p>TREE TRIMMING</p> <p>LUPE'S TREE TRIMMING More than 20 years of experience. Stump grinder available. For Tree Trimming and removal. Call Lupe Villalpando 432-268-8406</p>

TUESDAY

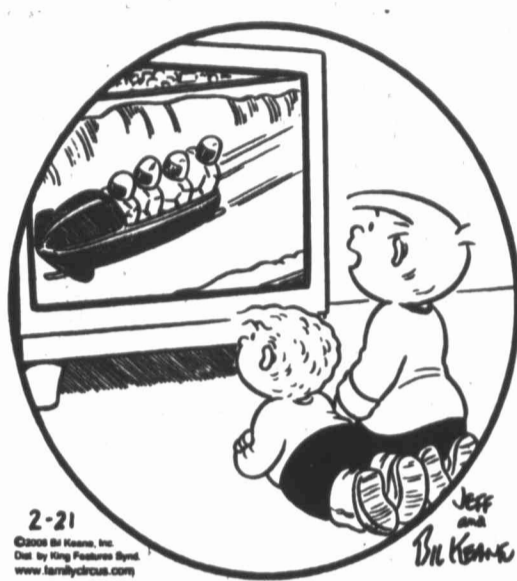
	WFAA(2)	KMID(3)	UNI(4)	KPEJ(5)	KOBA(7)	KYLE(8)	KWES(9)	WTBS(11)	KMLM(12)	KOCV(13)	DISC(20)	AMC(21)	SPIKE(22)	TNT(23)	BET(29)	DISN(27)	ESPN2(28)	ESPN(29)	SCIFI(32)
	Dallas	Midland	Spanish	Odessa	Odessa	Telamundo	Midland	Atlanta	Odessa	Odessa	Discovery	Classics	Spike TV	Atlanta	Black Ent.	Disney	ESPN2	ESPN	Sci-Fi
6	News (CC)	News (CC)	Perseguita	My Wife-Kids	News (CC)	La Yornista	News (CC)	Raymond	Booker	News-Lover	Dirty Jobs (CC)	Classics	CSI: Crime	Law & Order	Live	Phil of Future	Interruption	College	Movie: Blood
7	Accordino-Jim	Accordino-Jim	Contra Viento	American Idol	News (CC)	Cuervo, Dasso	XX Olympic	Friends (CC)	Upfront	News (CC)	MyBusters	Murphy, Paul	CSI: Crime	Law & Order	Movie: How	Movie: Stella	Basketball	Wrestling	Movie: Blood
8	Accordino-Jim	Accordino-Jim	Alborada	NCIS (CC)	NCIS (CC)	Pasioneros	Star and-City	Light of the	Frontline	Frontline	Dirty Jobs (CC)	Classics	CSI: Crime	Law & Order	Groove Back	Dayton (CC)	College	Movie: Octopus	
9	Boston Legal	Boston Legal	Vachos	My Wife-Kids	CSI: Crime	Decisiones	70s Show	Noticias	Independent	Independent	Shut Justice	Movie: Incom	King of Vegas	The Crossover	ComiView	American Dign	Costa (CC)	Alabama at	Movie: Octopus
10	News (CC)	News (CC)	Primer Impacto	Becker (CC)	Becker (CC)	Late Show	70s Show	Noticias	Fort Magana	Fort Magana	Deadliest	Movie: Incom	Most Amazing	Cold Case	In Living Color	Zack & Cody	Quilts Frankly	SportsCenter	Movie: Deep
11	Ent. Tonight	Ent. Tonight	La Hora	Becker (CC)	Becker (CC)	Late Show	70s Show	Noticias	Sign Off	Sign Off	MyBusters	Split Awards	CSI: Crime	The X-Files	Jamie Foxx	Phil of Future	Knight School	Gamernight	Movie: Deep
12	Live (CC)	Live (CC)	Amigas y	Becker (CC)	Becker (CC)	Show	70s Show	Noticias	Sign Off	Sign Off	Dirty Jobs	Split Awards	CSI: Crime	The X-Files	Jamie Foxx	Phil of Future	Knight School	Gamernight	Movie: Deep

DENNIS THE MENACE



"THAT DOES IT! I'VE GOT TO FIX THAT SCREEN DOOR. IT'S LETTING IN TOO MANY PESTS."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"I bet the old guys like that sport 'cause they get to sit down."

HAGAR



BLONDIE



BC



WIZARD OF ID



AGNES



HI AND LOIS



THE OTHER COAST



SNUFFY SMITH



BEEBLE BAILEY



This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 2006. There are 313 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Feb. 21, 1965, former Black Muslim leader Malcolm X, 39, was shot to death in New York by assassins identified as Black Muslims.

On this date:
In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.
In 1916, the World War I Battle of Verdun began in France.
In 1925, The New Yorker magazine made its debut.
In 1947, Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 seconds.
In 1972, President Nixon began his historic visit to China as he and his wife, Pat, arrived in Shanghai.
In 1973, Israeli fighter planes shot down a Libyan Airlines jet over the Sinai Desert, killing more than

100 people.

In 1975, former Attorney General John N. Mitchell and former White House aide H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman were sentenced to two and a half to eight years in prison for their roles in the Watergate cover-up.

In 1986, Larry Wu-tai Chin, the first American found guilty of spying for China, killed himself in his Virginia jail cell.

In 1995, Chicago adventurer Steve Fossett became the first person to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean in a balloon, landing in Leader, Saskatchewan, Canada.

In 2000, consumer advocate Ralph Nader announced his entry into the presidential race, bidding for the nomination of the Green Party.

Today's Birthdays:
Fashion designer Hubert de Givenchy is 79. Movie director Bob Rafelson is 73. Actress Rue McClanahan is 71. Actor Gary Lockwood is 69. Actor-director Richard Beymer is 67. Actor Peter McEnery is 66. Film/music company executive David Geffen is 63. Actor Alan Rickman is 60. Actress Tyne

Daly is 60. Tricia Nixon Cox is 60. Sen. Olympia J. Snowe, R-Maine, is 59. Rock musician Jerry Harrison (The Heads) is 57. Actor William Petersen is 53. Actor Kelsey Grammer is 51. Country singer Mary-Chapin Carpenter is 48. Actor Jack Coleman is 48. Actor Christopher Atkins is 45. Rock singer Ranking Roger is 45. Actor William Baldwin is 43. Rock musician Michael Ward is 39. Blues musician Corey Harris is 37. Country singer Eric Heatherly is 36. Rock musician Eric Wilson (Sublime) is 36. Rock musician Tad Kinchla (Blues Traveler) is 33. Actress Jennifer Love Hewitt is 27. Singer Charlotte Church is 20.

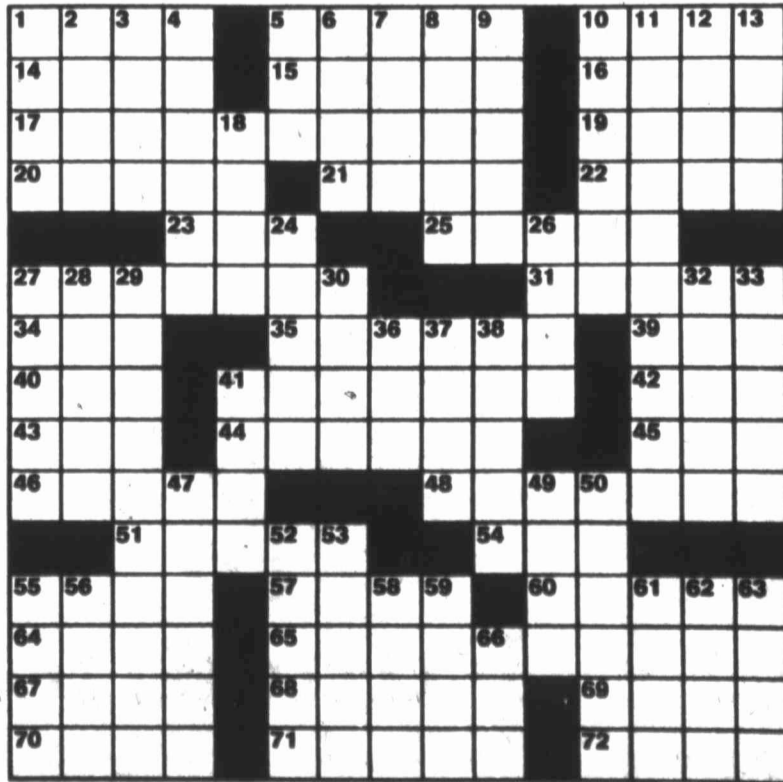
Answer to previous puzzle
MARS FIGS STASH
GLOBE UNIT TABOO
MILLARD FILLMORE
STEEL LETRE EVER
COAX AIDE
MASTED VCRS LIVE
ACTI DEAL EATEN
GROVER CLEVELAND
MIRRED HIFI BLUE
ADE IPOD SEALED
RUTH NARC
IMON IAGO LOADS
THOMASJEFFERSON
COMER AREA ESSO
HASTE REED STEW

Newsday Crossword

WRAPAROUNDS by Gail Grabowski

Edited by Stanley Newman
www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
- 1 Sharif of film
 - 5 In the neighborhood
 - 10 Con game
 - 14 Broad valley
 - 15 Nonpoetic writing
 - 16 Soft drink
 - 17 Versatile musician
 - 19 Highways: Abbr.
 - 20 Pose again
 - 21 Editor's notation
 - 22 Draw with acid
 - 23 Cry audibly
 - 25 Wild West show
 - 27 Some TV anchors
 - 31 tube (tire part)
 - 34 Boxer nicknamed "The Greatest"
 - 35 Place of worship
 - 39 Stinging insect
 - 40 Tin Tin
 - 41 Like a bright evening sky
 - 42 Before, in poems
 - 43 Massachusetts fish
 - 44 Human being
 - 45 Coffee-to-go topper
 - 46 Piece of gravel
 - 48 Small sizes
 - 51 Cake serving
 - 54 VCR button
 - 55 Bothersome one
 - 57 Swiss peaks
- DOWN**
- 60 Question again
 - 64 Jump
 - 65 County-fair prize
 - 67 Born Free lioness
 - 68 Fall zodiac sign
 - 69 Hand-cream ingredient
 - 70 Very pale
 - 71 High-school composition
 - 72 Hackman of Hollywood
 - 6 Spheres
 - 7 Parka, for one
 - 8 Lou Grant actor
 - 9 Resulted in storm-door insert
 - 11 Southern region
 - 12 Actor Baldwin
 - 13 Prepare, as potatoes
 - 18 Molecule part
 - 24 Singer Midler
 - 26 Cut calories
 - 27 DEA agents
 - 28 Writer T.S.
 - 29 Frame holding a pane
 - 30 Within reach
 - 32 Spooky
 - 33 Marsh growths
 - 36 "Is it Miss or ___?"
 - 37 Raindrop sound
 - 38 Cruise ship
 - 41 Went fast
 - 47 Employee check amount
 - 49 Actress Garr
 - 50 Sore-ankle soother
 - 52 Gone With the Wind actor
 - 53 Immigration island
 - 55 Not guilty, for one
 - 56 Snake-like swimmers
 - 58 Taverns
 - 59 Blood components
 - 61 Competent
 - 62 Part of ASAP
 - 63 Leg joint
 - 66 Bit of sun



Wacky Facts

- The first full-length movie with sound was "The Jazz Singer," released in 1927.
 - In 1893, Thomas Edison built the first movie studio, nicknamed "Black Maria," in West Orange, N.J.
- World Almanac for Kids

KID NEWS

Copyright 2006 Chicago Tribune

Distributed by Knight Ridder/Tribune

Character Box

"I still get loving letters from children. Most of them think I'm still a little girl."
— Shirley Temple, who at age 6 became the youngest person ever presented with an Oscar. The special Academy Award was presented for "outstanding contribution to screen entertainment" in 1934.

YOUNG TALENT

Child stars have place in Academy Awards history

By NANCY CHURNIN
The Dallas Morning News

Now that the Oscar nominations have been announced, everyone is looking back at some of the great movies of the past year.

"The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" and "War of the Worlds" are two films that feature kids in starring roles. Each of these movies was nominated in several categories, such as sound mixing, visual effects and costume design. "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" is nominated for art direction. And a movie featuring two boys, "The Squid and the Whale," about a family dealing with divorce, is nominated for best original screenplay.

But what about the actors? Have child stars ever been nominated for their roles? Not this year, but young actors and actresses have been up for Oscars before.

In 2004, "Whale Rider" star Keisha Castle-Hughes, then 13, was the first child to be nominated for best actress. Keisha didn't win, but she followed a long line of kids who have been nominated. And some have actually won: Three girls received the best supporting actress award. Here's a look at the winners and what happened to them after their big nights.

PATTY DUKE AGE: 16
Movie: "The Miracle Worker"
Year: 1962

As a kid: She was a television veteran before becoming a Broadway star in "The Miracle Worker" and a film star playing Helen Keller in the screen version. She followed



Patty Duke, in blue, won an Oscar for "The Miracle Worker," and Tatum O'Neal, far right, won a gold statue for "Paper Moon."



Anna Paquin proudly holds her Oscar for her role in "The Piano."

with her successful series "The Patty Duke Show," but her career faltered after "Valley of the Dolls." **As an adult:** She continues to make television movies, including an adaptation of her autobiography, "Call Me Anna." She's won three Emmys, including one for a television version of "The Miracle Worker" in which she plays Keller's teacher, Annie Sullivan. Her son, Sean Astin, starred as Sam in the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy.

TATUM O'NEAL AGE: 10
Movie: "Paper Moon"
Year: 1973

As a kid: The daughter of actors Ryan O'Neal and Joanna Moore, Tatum O'Neal became a star as a con artist playing opposite her father in "Paper Moon." She became the second-highest-paid child star of her time for her second movie, "The Bad News Bears."

As an adult: It's been hard for her to find adult roles, although she continues to work. She married and divorced tennis star John McEnroe.

ANNA PAQUIN AGE: 11
Movie: "The Piano"
Year: 1993

As a kid: She beat 5,000 competitors for the part of the daughter who talks for her mute mother (played by Holly Hunter) in "The Piano." She continued to dazzle as Jane Eyre in Franco Zeffirelli's adaptation of the Charlotte Bronte book and as the girl who helps her father teach geese

to migrate in "Fly Away Home."

As an adult: She continues to impress as an adult actress, starring as the mutant Rogue in "X-Men," a sensitive girl in "Finding Forrester," and the sergeant's daughter in "Buffalo Soldiers."

IT'S AN HONOR TO BE NOMINATED

Here's a list of nominated child actors and the age at which they were nominated.

ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE

- ★ Jackie Cooper, 9, for "Skippy" in 1931.
- ★ Mickey Rooney, 19, for "Babes in Arms" in 1939.

ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE

- ★ Brandon De Wilde, 11, for "Shane" in 1953.
- ★ Sal Mineo, 17, for "Rebel Without a Cause" in 1955.
- ★ Jack Wild, 16, for "Oliver!" in 1968.
- ★ Justin Henry, 8, for "Kramer vs. Kramer" in 1979.
- ★ River Phoenix, 18, for "Running on Empty" in 1988.
- ★ Leonardo DiCaprio, 19, for "What's Eating Gilbert Grape" in 1993.
- ★ Haley Joel Osment, 11, for "The Sixth Sense" in 1999.

ACTRESS IN A LEADING ROLE

- ★ Keisha Castle-Hughes, 13, for "Whale Rider" in 2004.

ACTRESS IN A SUPPORTING ROLE

- ★ Patty McCormack, 11, for "The Bad Seed" in 1956.
- ★ Mary Badham, 10, for "To Kill a Mockingbird" in 1962.
- ★ Linda Blair, 15, for "The Exorcist" in 1973.
- ★ Quinn Cummings, 10, for "The Goodbye Girl" in 1977.

Molly Motley contributed to this report.



COURTESY OF WALT DISNEY PICTURES
In "Eight Below," Paul Walker stars as a man determined to rescue eight sled dogs trapped in Antarctica.

Inside an icy adventure

At the bottom of the earth in Antarctica, the biggest storm in more than 20 years is brewing. Exploration guide Jerry (Paul Walker) and geologist Davis (Bruce Greenwood) manage to make it back to their base camp with the help of Jerry's trusty companions, his eight sled dogs.

They arrive to find that everyone is forced to immediately evacuate the area. Jerry must say goodbye to his dogs, but not before he vows to return. With the aid of his ex-girlfriend, Katie (Moon Bloodgood), and his quirky best friend and cartographer, Charlie (Jason Biggs), Jerry goes on a hair-raising rescue journey to return to his dogs. That's the story behind "Eight Below," the new movie inspired by a true story.

Time For Kids kid reporter Sam Rubinroit sat down with both the human and canine stars of "Eight Below" and the film's director, Frank Marshall. He also spent time with Maya and Max, the two leading dogs, and their trainer, Sally Souza.

TFK: How did you find the dogs?

MARSHALL: I cast them like I'd cast a human character. They brought in a bunch of dogs and I said I like that one, and that one. I felt they all had to look different so the audience wouldn't have trouble saying which dog is that and which is that.

TFK: Where did most of the dogs come from?

SOUZA: Most of these dogs were actually rescued from Alaska, Northern British Columbia (Canada) and the United States.

TFK: What was it like to have half of your co-stars be dogs?

WALKER: I liked it. People are all right, and dogs are a little better. They don't give you attitude.

BIGGS: (jokingly) You know what's a good idea, I think, in order to get the actor to do what they're really supposed to do, throw them in a harness and pay them with treats. I know you'd get a lot more out of me. Throw me a Milkbone, and I'll do whatever you want.

TFK: What was the most exciting scene to film?

WALKER: Any time I was on the dog sled. That was my favorite. I loved being behind those dogs.

TFK: Do you think the dogs enjoyed the filming process?

MARSHALL: I think they loved to be in the snow. They loved to be up there and they loved to work. It was really fun to be with them every day, and they enjoyed it, so it made us enjoy it every day.

TFK: What's your biggest training tip for kids to try at home?

SOUZA: The biggest tip is for kids to spend time with their dog. The biggest thing (dogs) like, they're social, they love it when you're around them. They love it when you play ball, when you take them for walks. Just take some quality time and spend it with them.

— Sam Rubinroit, 13

© 2006 Time Inc. All Rights Reserved. TIME FOR KIDS and Timeforkids.com are registered trademarks of Time Inc.

We Support Newspapers In Education

ALONUSA

Big Spring Farm Supply

The Big Spring Refinery

WNB Western National Bank Member FDIC

FIRST Bank of West Texas Member FDIC

STC Surety Title Company