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# Absence rule eased for extracurricular activities

But Big Spring ISD students must continue to maintain acceptable academic standards

By STEVE REAGAN

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Staff Writer

As long as Big Spring Independent School District students maintain their grades, trustees are willing to make it easier for them to pursue extracurricular activities.

During their regular meeting Thursday evening, BSISD

number of excused absences for maintain at least an 80 average Superintendent students involved in extra-curricular activities, provided those students maintain acceptable academic standards.

ties ranging from athletics to more allowed for post-district University Interscholastic League academics may now accumulate up to 20 excused absences a year, trustees voted to extend the plus an extra five days if they

in all their classes.

Until now, students could amass up to 12 excused absences a year because of Students involved in activi- extra-curricular activities, with or state level events.

"Many of those students have now exceeded their limit and are now taking (non-excused) absences," **BSISD**  Downes told trustees.

Downes, High School Principal Mike Ritchey and Athletic Director Tim Holt studied the issue before recommending an extension on the number of excused absences.

"The athletic department has mandated tutorial sessions for anyone who has less than an 80 average ... and state 'No Pass, See BSISD, Page 3A

Michael No Play' rules state you can't participate in extra-curricular activities if you don't maintain at least a 70 average," Downes said. "Personally, I have no problem with unlimited excused absences, because if the students' grades drop, they can't participate anyway.

Trustee Mike Dawson offered

# Hangar project might take off

Moore Development hires local architect to begin design

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The Moore Development for Big Spring board of directors voted in favor of retaining local archi-Phil

Furqueron to begin preliminary designs for a proposed hangar at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark during

its Furqueron

meeting. Directors met in executive session to the discuss matter, which first was

Wednesday

brought before the board last month by Kent Sharp, executive director for the economic development corporation.

Sharp said he and the board will be looking closely at the prospective project.

"We have to look at the size of the hangar we number west side," said Sharp.

existing concrete. The board is studying all of the cost variables and utilization variables."

According to Sharp, the demand for hangar space at the airpark is definitely there, making it an attractive option for the economic development

"The viability of getting a site location chosen and building the building is certainly there. We've got the money and we have the resources," Sharp. "We have everything in place to put the building up. The real question of viability is can we get a prospect in there once the thing is built?

"If we just had one or two prospects, I wouldn't do it. I wouldn't be pushing this hard for it. The fact of the matter is we've not only had six and lost one, but we continue to have inquiries each month about hangar space.'

According Sharp, a of recent want to build, see what inquiries from aircraft kind of concrete it has and related companies under it, and look at the looking for hangar space master plan and the cost to locate their operations of the east side versus the has his and the board of

"Not just the cost of the See HANGAR, Page 3A

### 'THE BOYS NEXT DOOR'



Becky Garcia gives Clayton Vickers a kiss on the cheek in a scene from "The Boys Next Door," a production of the Howard College theater department. The Tom Griffin play continues at 8 p.m. today, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday at the Practical Arts building on campus, with a 2:30 p.m. matinee set for Sunday. Garcia, from Weslaco, and Clayton, a Forsan High School graduate, were among several theater students earning awards at the Texas Community College Theatre Festival recently, where the play won the Award of Excellence.

### **UW** wraps up year on solid note

**Overcomes** 'donor fatigue'

By LYNDEL MOODY

Special to the Herald

\$254,340 — That's the total brought in from the 2006 United Way campaign.

Franklin Weber, acting president, announced the number during United Way of Big Spring and Howard County's annual meet-

ing Thursday, calling the effort "the most successful campaign ever

Acknowledging campaign fell short of its \$300,000 goal, Weber said the final amount is a statement of the giving nature of the community considering the "donor fatigue" arising from the charity efforts for the victims of the Indonesian tsunami and Hurricane

Katrina. "There was more outpouring of charity in the world than ever," Weber said.

The announcement came late this year because of lagging donations, executive director Cynthia Scott said.

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# Scouts set for Pinewood Derby races Saturday

By THOMAS JENKINS

Church's Garrett Hall.

Staff Writer Get ready, get set... Go!

That's exactly what area Boy Scouts will be doing Saturday, as the organization's Lone Star District prepares to hold its annual Pinewood Derby Races from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the United Methodist

According to David O'Neill, children that participate. district executive for the West

"The three essential purposes of the Boy Scouts is to create better citizens, build physical and mental fitness and build ethical decision making in the young men who are part of the program. Through all of the activities that we do, the boys are learning those values."

Texas service area, the day of scouting and the boys just want crafts, earning their science racing the handmade model cars isn't just about winning or losing, but about instilling the right ideas and values in the

one thing — fun," said O'Neill. badges and going to meetings, "The boys want to have a good time, and of course the parents that will be with them throughwant them to have fun. But out their lives. while the boys are going out

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### HAWKS TO LEAVE SUNDAY

Howard College's Hawks, returning to the National Junior College Athletic Association National Basketball Tournament for the first time since 1969,

will leave Big Spring at 8:30 a.m. Sunday from the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum park-The public is invited to "cheer on" the

Hawks as they begin their trip to

Hutchinson, Kan. The Region V Tournament champion and Western Junior College Athletic Conference champion Hawks are No. 1 in the NJCAA and sport a 32-1 record. The Hawks open tourney play at 1 p.m. Wednesday against Sheridan College.

### **A&M** SCHOLARSHIPS

The Howard County A&M Club is accepting applications from students who are currently enrolled at Texas A&M University or graduating high school seniors who have been accepted at the university for the fall 2006 semester.

Students must be Howard County resi-

dents and enroll for at least 12 hours. More information and an application may be found on the club Web site at clubs.aggienetwork.com/howard-

countyamc/. Deadline for applications is April 1. For further information, contact Jerry Foresyth, scholarship chairman, at 263-3532 or 270-5051.

### TECH LOSES LIBRARY

LUBBOCK (AP) — Potential sites for the George W. Bush presidential library were narrowed to three Thursday when the selection committee eliminated a bid led by Texas Tech University.

The decision pares the finalists down to Southern Methodist University, Baylor University and the University of Dallas.

In a statement, the selection committee did not provide a reason for taking Texas Tech's bid from the running.

The school had partnered with Midland College, forming what it called the West Texas Coalition, in hopes of building the library that's expected to cost at least \$200 million

### **Obituaries**

### **Joyce Bruton**



Joyce Bruton, 76, of Sand Springs died Thursday, March 16, 2006, at the Southern Specialty Rehabilitation Center in Lubbock. Funeral services are 2 p.m. Monday, March 27, 2006, at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Sunday at Myers &

Smith Funeral Home.

She was born Oct. 8, 1928, in Big Spring to Jewel and Robert Fields. She married Charles Bruton June 3, 1947, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death June 6, 2000. She was an operator for Southwestern Bell Telephone for 25 years, retiring in 1974. She was a lifetime resident of Howard County

She is survived by one daughter, Lesa Gamble of Sand Springs; one son, Richard Bruton of McAllen; two grandsons:; one stepgranddaughter; two stepgrandsons; one sister, Bobbie Cornelison of Fort Worth; two brothers, Robert Fields of Odessa and Alton Fields of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

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

### **Ed Wright**



Ed Wright, 78, of Big Spring died Thursday, March 16, 2006, in a Lubbock hospital. Funeral services are 2 p.m. Monday, March 20, 2006, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Raford Dunagan and the Rev. Joel Miller officiating. Entombment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park Mausoleum.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the funer-

He was born Oct. 20, 1927, in Range, Okla., and married Mildred Marple in 1950 in Goodwell, Okla. She preceded him in death Nov. 2, 2005.

He worked for Fina Refinery for 32 years and for Cabot Carbon Black for 12 years. He came to Howard County in 1950. He was a member of North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Lloyd Kitten of Slaton; a brother and sister-in-law, Bob and Betty Wright of Carson City, Nev.; two aunts; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family suggests memorials be made to North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church, 2702 N. Birdwell Lane, Big Spring 79720 or Women's Protective Services.

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

### Ora Mae Meli



Ora Mae Meli, 75, of Fort Stockton died March 11, 2006, in Odessa. Services were at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 16, 2006, in the First Presbyterian Church in Fort Stockton with the Rev. Dr. Jim Miles officiating. Burial followed in the East Hill Cemetery.

She was born Nov. 19, 1930, in Sabinal and married John Meli Dec. 23, 1995, in Fort Stockton. She had lived in Fort Stockton since 1958 and was a home-

She is survived by her husband, John Meli of Fort Stockton; son, Bobby Felts and his wife, Debbie of Big Spring; daughter, Vicki Kime and her husband, Don of San Angelo; sisters, Viva Mc Devitt of El Paso, Barbara Henley of Dallas and Mary Whetstone of Webb City, Mo.; and five grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Fort Stockton Funeral Home.

### Estela B. Garibay

Estela B. Garibay, 55, of Midland died Wednesday, March 15, 2006. Evening services are today, March 17, 2006, at 7:30 p.m., conducted by Manuel Hernandez in the Pipkin Funeral Hoe Chapel. Funeral services are Saturday, March 18, 2006, at 11 a.m. at Templo Jerusalem Assembly of God in Midland.

She was born July 14, 1950, in Ojinaga, Chihuahua, Mexico to the late Eleutero and Petra Bustamante. She was raised and educated in Ojinaga, Chihuahua Mexico, and married the late Victor Garibay in 1972. She worked for West Wood Hospital until her retire. \* • RELY FOR LIFE DODGE BALL TOURNAMENT Assembly of God.

ents, brother, Heiberto Bustamante and sister, a call 264-4108. Manuela Bustamante.

She is survived by four sons, Danny Garibay, Darrell Garibay, James Garibay and Jerrell Garibay, all of Midland; two daughters, Traci Garibay Madrid and Daisy Lerma, both of Midland; one brother, Emilio Bustamante of Midland; five sisters, Eilda Pineda and Elodia Hernandez, both of Andrews, Socorro Rios of Big Spring and Elvira Sebian and Nettie Rodriguez, both of Midland; eight grandchildren; and numerous uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home in Midland. Online condolences may be e-mailed to Pipkin@nts-online.net.

### Diana Jewett

Diana Jewett, 51, of Big Spring died Thursday, March 16, 2006, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

### **Delano Shaw**

Delano Shaw, 69, of Big Spring died Thursday, March 16, 2006, in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

### **Police blotter**

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

- · CLIFTON GRIGG, 49, of Lamesa, was arrested Thursday on two local citations.
- WILLIAM JOSEPH RICHARDS, 36, transient, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxica-
- NATHAN HOUSTON CAHOON, 44, of 309 W. Fifth Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of
- THEFT was reported in the 200 block of Marcy.
- TERRORISTIC THREATS were reported:
- in the 2000 block of Virginia. - in the 200 block of Ninth Street.
- CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported: - in the 200 block of Marcy.
- in the 1200 block of 11th Place.
- · CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1000 block of Main Street.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 200 block of Ninth Street.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 700 block of Scurry.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was
- in the 2000 block of Virginia.
- in the 1000 block of Main Street.

## Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the fol-

- TOMMY ANTILLEY, 32, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of theft.
- ANDREA DENISE GILBERT, 33, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of theft.
- MATILDE RODRIGUEZ JR., 59, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- ROBERTO VARGAS-SANCHEZ, 50, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for indecency with a child - sexual contact.
- DALLAS INEZ JORDAN, 36, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- HOLLY LYNN GREEN, 50, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of felony theft by check.
- · LINDA GAIL MITCHELL, 47, was arrested Thursday by DPS on a charge of hindering secured
- JAMES EARL HINKLE, 54, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid and possession of a controlled substance.
- JUAN ALBERT LOPEZ, 22, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of criminal mischief/family violence and terroristic threats on a family member causing fear or serious bodily
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 2600 block of East 24th Street.

### Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of Birdwell. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 700 block of Johnson. Four people were transported to
- · TRAUMA was reported in the 4200 block of Hamilton. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of Northeast Ninth Street. Service was refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of East
- 13th Street. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of Interstate Highway 20 and North Highway
- 87. Service was refused. TRAUMA was reported in the 4500 block of North Gail Highway. One person was transported to SMMC.

### Take note

- COAHOMA ISD FACILITIES MEETING is 7 p.m. Monday in the Coahoma High School library. For more information, call 394-4290.
- ment in 2003, and attended Templo Jerusalem at 10 a.m. March 25 in the Goliad gym. \$5 per person to play; four men and four women to a team. She is preceded in death by her husband and par - Sponsored by the Yellow Dogs. For more information,
  - ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION at 6 p.m. today at the Eagle's Lodge, 703 W. Third. \$5 admission and food will be served until 8 p.m. Call 263-6862 for more information.
  - AMERICAN LEGION FISH FRY begins at noon Saturday. Delivery is available from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday. Dine in or carry out available. \$7 per plate. The legion is located at 3203 W. Highway 80. Call 263-2084 for more information.

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### **Bulletin board**

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### **TODAY**

- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant. • Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell
- Spring City Senior Citizen's Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

### **SATURDAY**

- · Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Goliad and First streets for a meal with a meeting to follow
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third. • Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

### **MONDAY**

- The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association meets in the Cactus Room at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Lunch will be served at
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the La Posada Restaurant.
- DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams St.
- Christian Singles Fellowship meets from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Youth Hall. All singles in the community are invited for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.
- · Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

### Weather

Tonight...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 40s. East winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday...Cloudy. Chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some thunderstorms may be severe with large hail and damaging winds in the afternoon. Highs in the upper 50s. East winds 10 to 15 mph. The chance of

rain is 50 percent. Saturday night...Cloudy. Chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some thunderstorms may be severe

with large hail and damaging winds in the evening. Lows in the mid 50s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph. The chance of rain is 50 percent.

Sunday...Mostly cloudy. Chance of showers and thunderstorms. Warmer. Some thunderstorms may be severe with large hail and damaging winds in the afternoon. Highs in the upper 60s. South winds 10 to 15 mph. The chance of rain is 50 percent.

Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Chance of showers and thunderstorms in the evening...Then isolated showers and thunderstorms after midnight. Some thunderstorms may be severe With large hail and damaging winds in the evening. Lows in the mid-40s. The chance of rain is 50 percent.

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Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s. Tuesday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper

### Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday

Winning numbers drawn: 4-30-32-35 (numerical order). Bonus Ball: 8.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Estimated jackpot for Monday night drawing: \$700,000.

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery: 4-9-14-22-30

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-0-5

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**CHIPPEWA** Wis. (AP) - Mo trucks are red an are yellow, but only one color truck built for t department of Iris Pa. - green.

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"Though these reports

have been isolated to just

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B baby food and Mom's

Organic Choice line, as a

company, we are commit-

ted to absolute and com-

plete food safety," Herron

Herron added that H-E-

B will launch a full inves-

tigation into the incidents

and work closely with its

baby food suppliers to

ensure all safety mea-

sures are being taken

when manufacturing the

H-E-B is encouraging

anyone who has any H-E-

B baby food or Mom's

Organic Choice product

in their pantries to be

sure to remove it and take

it to their nearest H-E-B

Customers with any

questions or concerns can

H-E-B customer service at

store for a full refund.

### UW

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Sizable donations were still rolling in by the time of the wrap-up party held in December, Scott said, with several large corporate campaigns unaccounted for.

Thursday's announcement is good news for the 15 area agencies which receive funding from the United Way.

The United Way allocations committee met with the agencies at the end of 2005 for the two-day process of doling out **\$165,000**.

That number came from adding an estimate of the unaccounted corporate donations and subtracting campaign expenses and salaries, projected shrinkage of pledges not paid and monies donated in federal campaigns which are earmarked for agencies outside the local United Way campaign, Scott added

Since some of corporate campaigns came in slightly higher than projected for that process, Scott said the agencies will receive a little more than the percentage originally allotted toward them.

With allocations dropping from \$178,481 in 2005, agencies will see less funding than last year.

"Our agencies knew

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The first Cub Scouts to

participate in a pinewood

derby were from Cub

Scout Pack 280c of

Manhattan Beach, Calif.

The event was originated

by Cubmaster Donald

Murphy, and was run in

Clubhouse May 15, 1953.

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more specifically in the

last 12 months — we've

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directors' attention.



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moods

Bob Scott, past president of United Way of Big Spring, installs new board members Lori Martinez and Eve Nieto during the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County annual meeting Thursday. The 2006 campaign brought in a little more than \$254,000.

coming into the allocation secure some of the annual process that they would see less money than last year," Scott said. "Our agencies are really good about asking for only what they need."

With the United Way campaign falling short its goals in recent years, the board will take some steps toward trying to remedy that problem.

The agencies themselves may have to play a stronger role in helping

very solid. They would

have located here and

brought with them the

business they had already

secured. One of them was

with Southwest Jets and

the regional jets like

American Airlines and

Continental are starting

to fly. One was for paint-

ing and the other was for

The event was later pub-

licized in the October 1954

plans for the track and

repair and maintenance.

revenue from the campaign, Weber said.

Scott said the United Way plans to spend more time during the year in educating the community about the services and community impact of the agencies.

In other business, officers installed during the meeting were: Weber, president; Clay Grizzle, first vice president; Kevin Armstrong, second vice

"In the end, this is still

a speculative investment.

What's the risk involved?

The risk involved is that

you put about \$2 million

into a project and a build-

ing that sits out there and

does nothing. I think the

chances of that happening

are very slim, however.

It's going to be utilized

somehow. It's just the

president; Furgueron, secretary; and Tim Yeats, treasurer.

New board members are George Parsley, Lori Martinez and Eve Nieto.

They join current members Irene Bustamante, Michael Downes, Leslie Elrod, Kim Howell, Brett Kinnman, Jesse Mendoza, Sara Myers, Cheryl Truszkowski, Pam Welch, Roy Worthy and Gladys Thompson.

best utilization of that

building would be to have

an aircraft-related indus-

try in there employing

about 100 people in jobs

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### Officials: Marijuana images not illegal

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**Herald Staff Report** 

H-E-B announced today

that it has issued a recall

of its entire H-E-B Baby

Food and Mom's Organic

As of today, all H-E-B

baby food and Mom's

Organic Choice product

lines was removed from

shelves due to a few cus-

tomer reports of pieces of

glass being found inside

the baby food jars of H-E-

B peas, carrots and apple-

Locally, a spokesperson

at the H-E-B grocery store

on Gregg Street con-

firmed that these prod-

ucts have been removed

from the shelves as of this

Winell Herron, H-E-B

Group Vice President of

Public Affairs, said there

have been no reports of

injuries associated with

the incidents, but the

company is taking the

sauce.

morning.

Choice product lines.

WINSTED, Conn. (AP) Having marijuana in your house is illegal, but having marijuana images on your house is not, according to town officials.

Five months after Christopher Seekins was arrested and charged with cultivating marijuana in his home, neighbors have complained about the giant marijuana leaves he has spray-painted on the outside of his home on High Street.

"There's no reason anybody should have a problem with it," Seekins said Wednesday.

Town officials said the marijuana paintings apparently do not conflict with local laws.

"There's nothing in the property maintenance code that deals with writing on your house," Joe Beadle, chief code enforcement officer, said.

Seekins says the large leaves are in support of the cause of the legalization of marijuana. He believes firmly in the usefulness of hemp, the coarse fiber of the cannabis plant, from tex-

803 W. 3rd

tiles to paper products.

"People have the wrong impression about it," Seekins said.

In October, police said they found 100 plants inside Seekins' house, along with grow lights, fertilizers and portable

Police charged Seekins, 26, with cultivating marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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and tell them you want to paint their trucks red," Fire Chief Greg Kessel said.

The Darley Corp. of Chippewa Falls also was time — St. Patrick's Day Day in 1993.

- for delivery of the

Plans called for the truck called "Leprechaun No. 2" to roll into the village department of Irishtown, northeast of Gettysburg Friday to become part of "Don't go to Irishtown the all-volunteer fire department that also serves Oxford Township. But it's not the first

such holiday delivery. A Darley fire truck also delivered to picked an appropriate Irishtown on St. Patrick's

three blocks of wood. Since that time, an estimated 40 million fathers and sons have participat-

ed in races. the Manhattan Beach O'Neill. "At the end it is a

Pack of Cub Scouts racing

little wooden cars of various shapes and colors on issue of Boys' Life, with little plastic wheels down the magazine offering a 32-foot plywood track.

"But that is only a small wheels, four nails, and gets a kit with a block of to attend. wood, four nails for axles, and four plastic wheels. Then, based on the rules. he shapes and paints his block or wood into a form "It's a lot of fun," said to race down the track."

A concession stand will be available for refresh-

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found acceptable.
"I think that will be

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ments, with funds raised going to the scouting program. The competition is open to the public, and O'Neill encourages anycar, which featured four part of it. Each Cub Scout one interested in scouting

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### OUR VIEWS

# We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- Big Spring native Ralph Mahoney for his vision and determination to improve the downtown area with the proposed Heritage Square, and with it, the quality of life in our city.
- The Howard College Hawks, conference and regional tournament champions. Your success brings pride to everyone in Big Spring, Hawks! We wish you continued success at the national tournament in Hutchinson, Kan.
- Mayor Russ McEwen on an inspiring "State of the City Address" Tuesday and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce for organizing and putting on the community luncheon.
- The Howard College theater department for bringing its award-winning production of "The Boys Next Door" home to Big Spring. If you didn't see it Thursday, you can still go nightly at 8 p.m. through Tuesday with a 2:30 p.m. matinee Sunday — in the Practical Art building on campus.

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To the Editor:

As a Big Spring resident, I am, of course, delighted by the new developments and opportunities which are coming to Big Spring and Howard County.

Still, I could not help but be troubled by the story I saw in last Thursday's Herald regarding the possibility that the county might decide to use the property of a fellow Big Spring citizen as a location for a new jail.

While I am sure that the new jail is necessary, I am mainly troubled by the fact that, because the property owner did not want to sell his property, the chilling specter of eminent domain was immediately invoked as a potential method of overriding his wishes.

I cannot, of course, speak for Mr. Knight, the property owner in question. By this time he a place where all the citimight have decided to sell the barber shop he has owned for so many years. If so, I only hope he made the decision on his own,

and not against his will. Whatever his, or the county's eventual decision, I am still troubled, because I have been hearing stories recently of an ernment officials will not upsurge throughout the force that sale through nation in the use of eminent domain, which is the excuse some government agencies use to seize the property of their citizens, simply because it is legal

to do so. Some stories, horror stories I call them, even involve the seizing of small homes in order to allow for the building of larger ones, so that the taxing entity can reap

larger tax payments!

Larger tax payments! This has actually been determined, in some places, to be a sufficient and valid excuse for the use of eminent domain.

Let's not let Big Spring or Howard County become one of those places ... places where a property owner can never be certain from one day to another that he truly is secure in the home or business into which he has poured his heart and soul ... places where the owner of a small home or business has to fear that someone might want to build a larger home or business where the original owner's home or busi-

ness is located. Instead, let's do something wonderful! Let's rise above the imperious tactic of eminent domain and become an example to the rest of the nation as to what it is like to live in zens, including the government officials, know, respect, and genuinely like each other.

If the owner of the barber shop currently in question or the owner of any property in a future situation does not want to sell. I hope that our gov-

eminent domain I hope that, instead, they will look around for abandoned properties, or for properties that owners actually want to sell, and seek another, more compassionate solution.

Let us, as a community, never resort to eminent domain.

> **Lucy Arcand Big Spring**

# We can do better; don't ask how

es, Republicans are experiencing great difficulties right now, but the good news - politically speaking — is that Democrats are in even worse shape. While they can feast on their anti-Bush cuisine between elections, they're eventually going to have to come up with a menu of their own.

Today, they not only have no menu; they don't even have recipes for basic dishes. Their problem is not that they have too many cooks in the kitchen, but none. All of their chefs are in the Republicans' kitchen, = and they don't know

how to return to their own. Their negativity alone is not going to get them back into the White House or majority status in Congress. Eventually — by all rights, it already ought to be too late — they're going to have to come up with an agenda.

But so far they can't be bothered. They're busy — doing the people's work in slandering President Bush and nobly ferreting out the "culture of corruption." Their self-appointed function is to undo, rather than do.

Democrats promised to produce their legislative agenda by November 2005, to give voters a full year before the 2006 elections to absorb their proposals. One wonders what they were doing the rest of 2005, or since 2001, for that

But one need not wonder. The answer is that they excused themselves from developing an agenda because Bush-bashing was a far safer, easier and more satisfying pastime. One can only imagine the irresistible temptations they face to delay the unveiling of their

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sure-to-be earth-shattering blueprint. Once they do, they won't be able to focus the nation's attention as sharply on the evils and incompetence of President Bush. The release of their plan, in fact, will be an annoying distraction. But worse, it will require them to stand behind and defend something of their own.

As it turned out, November 2005 came and went. Dem honchos decided it was too early to release the plan. Too early? Too early for what? Surely not too early for a nation they have been telling us is in dire trouble. No, too early to allow them to best capitalize on the plan's publication.

Not to worry. They said they would have the plan ready by January. Once again, the party with all the answers failed again to give us any of them. They have since scheduled and missed two more "deadlines," but House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi assures us the document will be ready in "a matter of weeks."

Just so there is no confusion here, the "plan" concerns their proposed legislative agenda. They can't even get their act together on domestic issues. But they're in even more chaos when it comes to ideas about the War on Terror, especially Iraq.

What do they suggest we do? Withdraw outright? No, that's just the Murtha/Clooney brigade. The Biden faction wants us to withdraw soon, but only if the political conditions in the country don't improve. That's bold of you, Joe.

What does John Kerry want? Who could ever know? The poor man didn't even tell us during the entirety of his laborious presidential campaign. Not long ago, he and his fellow geniuses were demanding more troops, then quickly reverting back to their withdrawal demands.

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Democrats sure have relentlessly slammed Bush over not discovering a magical solution to neuter these two "Axis of Evil" charter members. On one side of their mouths, they say Bush is not being tough enough and is doing nothing. On the other, they issue dire warnings that he might actually do something.

Meanwhile, they tell us we aren't doing enough to capture Osama, "the tallest man in Afghanistan." Forgetting their childishly myopic view of the War on Terror, this mantra is wearing thin. Do they really believe President Bush isn't doing everything he can to find Osama and al-Zarqawi? If so, perhaps they can tell us where they are, or explain why the military they so love has not yet produced them.

The sad truth is that the Democrats have articulated no plan for the WOT or Iraq because they don't have one. Their worldview tells them — facts and reality be damned — that this war is largely a matter of our failure of diplomacy, international relations, and shortcomings in winning the hearts and minds of the murderers who want to kill us.

Their platitude, "We can do better," is not likely to fool enough voters when they can't even do "better enough" to produce a plan. The only thing they're better at these days is naysaying. But if such empty slogans end up working, this country is headed for worse trouble than even these professional critics can imagine.

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# Reality blowing up in our faces

t's hard to keep up with George W. Bush's shuttles between internationalism and isolationism. You may recall he first ran for office declaring he was against nation-building and other such effete, peacekeeping efforts. None of that do-gooder, building-a-better-world stuff for him — he couldn't even be bothered to learn the names of the Grecians and Kosovians.

Until Sept. 11, except for staring deep into Vlad Putin's ice-blue eyes and concluding the old KGB shark had soul, Bush evinced little interest in foreign affairs

Then he literally became an internationalist with a vengeance. Absolutely everybody signed up to help go after al-Qaida in Afghanistan — offers of help gushed in. Next came the campaign to bring down Saddam Hussein because he had weapons of mass destruction, including a nuclear weapons program. Unfortunately, most of the rest of the world didn't think Iraq had much in the way of WMD, or at least felt the United Nations inspectors should be given more time to see if they were there.

The unseemly haste with which Bush pushed toward an unnecessary war alienated many of our closest allies, and the Bush team could not have made their contempt for those allies and the United Nations more clear.

So for a while we were the new imperialists and disdained the rest of the world. We didn't need anyone — we would go our own way, and good riddance to the United Nations, what a bunch of wusses they were. It was the season of

hubris, arrogance and rudeness. In the ultimate "up yours," Bush named John Bolton ambassador to the United Nations. Bolton is a man so undiplomatic, not to mention so anti-U.N., that half the administration was appalled by the idea. These were the days when mental pygmies outside the administration were dismissed as the "reality-based community."

The senior Bush adviser famously quoted by Ron Suskind explained, "We are an empire now, and when we act, we create our own reality." Gosh, that was an exciting time.

Unfortunately, reality uncharitably refused to conform to the Bush administration's demands — in fact, reality kept blowing up in our faces. In Afghanistan and particularly in Iraq, reality turned out to be downright ugly about not obliging our blithe president.

Several months after our invasion of

Iraq, it turned out we had actually invaded in order to bring democracy to that lucky little country. In the odd, dreamlike way that Bush policy morphs, all the conservatives began to pretend we had always gone in to create democracy and anyone who suggested otherwise was misremembering that pesky reality.

Indeed, so dedicated were we to the promotion of democracy around the world that it was the very first principle of our foreign policy. And if we still aren't too keen on nation-building — well, we'll just outsource it to Halliburton and let them worry about it. And what a fine job they're doing.

So here we are, internationalists again, and Bush sets off for India, where he promptly reversed decades of American foreign policy to exempt India from the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty. It had been our policy since Nixon was president to refuse to share nuclear energy technology with nations unwilling to agree to the nonproliferation regime. Both India and its mortal enemy, Pakistan, became nuclear-armed powers in 1998, leading to the truly horrific possibility of a nuclear arms race on the subcontinent.

Having made this lamentable

deal, Bush then proceeded to Pakistan, which naturally feels insulted and slighted at not getting the same deal. This is particularly unfortunate, as President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan is critical to the control and capture

of al-Qaida.

Bush, who dropped the entire subject of Osama bin Laden like a hot rock in 2003, is now back to saying we want to capture him. Having offended Pakistan, our critical ally, Bush then returned triumphantly to — ta-da! — send exactly the wrong message to Iran. Just in time, showing the Iranians that if they persist in developing nuclear weapons, they, too, will eventually be rewarded like India. Naturally, this in turn strengthens the hard-liners in Tehran and undercuts the pro-Western reformers. What were they thinking? Does anybody here know how to

play this game? So far, it looks as though Bush does better on foreign policy when he's being an isolationist. Maybe he should just stay home and cut taxes for the rich some more, or go expose some CIA agent for political payback against her husband, or just spy on a lot of American pacifists.

When I heard him deploring xenophobia (that's fear of foreigners) on the Dubai Ports deal, I did a double-take. Michael Chertoff of Homeland Security again has said the trouble with homeland security is that it threatens trade — all important, all sacred trade, profits above all. For the umpteenth time, it is not only possible, but smart to insist on adjusting free trade for labor standards, for environ-

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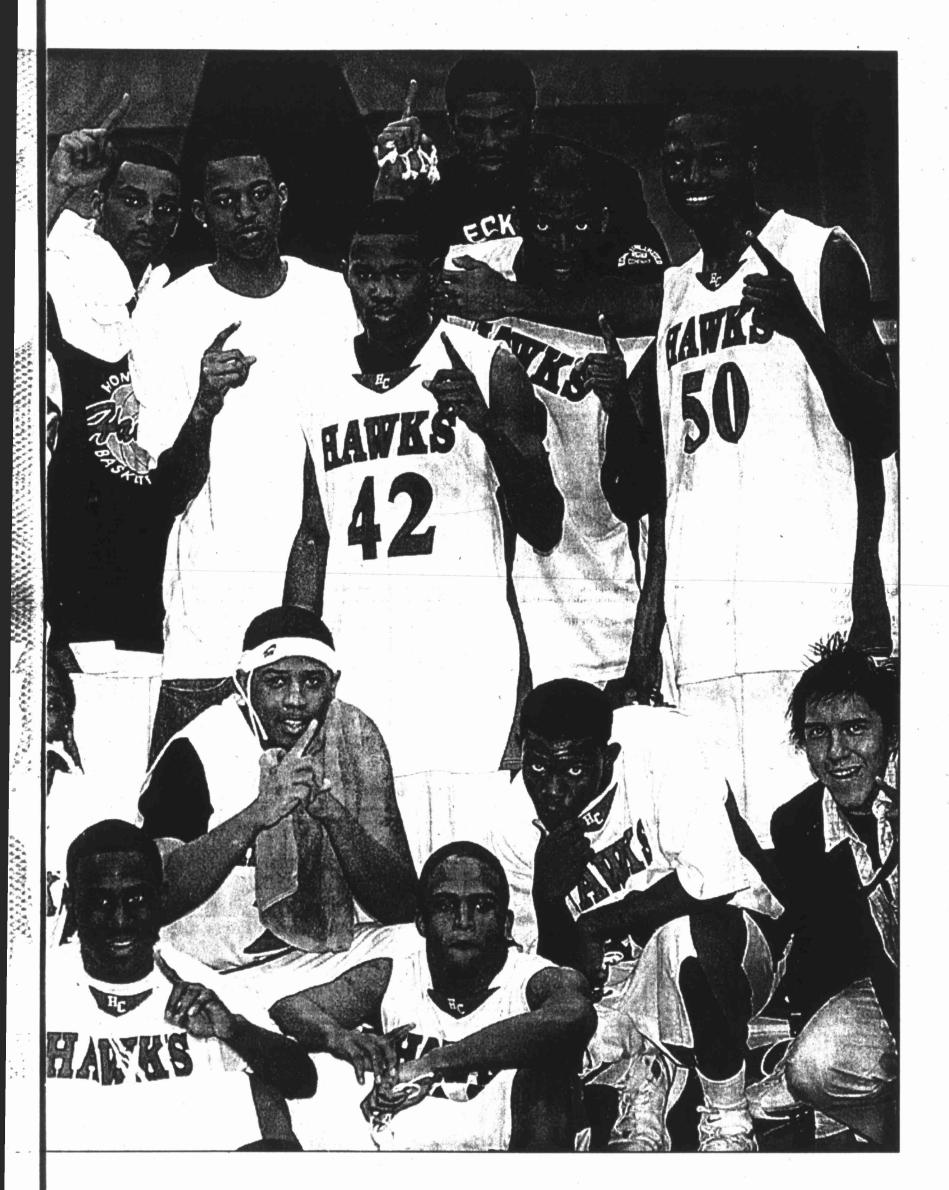
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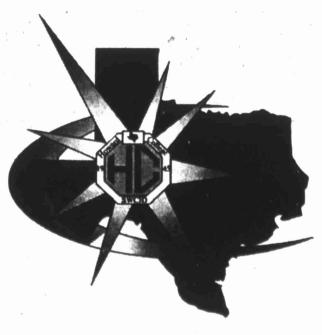


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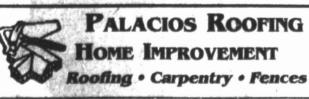
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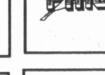


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For those who say the book is just a story, they simply do not understand that deception is part of the book's power.

Although a work of fiction, this book claims to meticulously researched and it goes to great lengths to convey the impression that is based on fact.

"The Da Vinci Code," Brown has made many factual errors and outright untruths, large and small, about many subjects, including art, history and theology.

the premise that the famous artist, Leonardo Da Vinci, used his art to communicate secret knowledge about the Holy Grail.

It then claims that early Christians did not see Jesus as divine and it criticizes the also Church, claiming it kept secret thousands of texts that details Christ's humanity.

book is that Jesus was firmed in theological lan-Mary married to Magdalene and they had at least one child, whose descendants formed a French royal dynasty in the Middle Ages that continues through the pre- read St. John's Gospel,

has been kept throughout the ages by a shadowy cult called the Priory of

Brown's' book is a mess of contradictions.

Brown blames 'the Vatican' for his plots and conspiracies that are alleged to have taken place centuries before there was any Vatican to

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He claims Leonardo Di Vinci doesn't give Jesus a chalice in his famous painting of "The Last

Brown better check again to see how many cups are there.

Brown calls Mary Magdalene the victim of a Catholic smear campaign without pausing to wonder why she has been proclaimed a Catholic Saint for her real, courageous, true-life story as given to us in the Gospels.

The book teems with historical misinformation. The claim that the emperor Constantine shifted the Christian day of worship to Sunday is simply false.

We know from St. Paul and other New Testament writers that soon after the Resurrection of Jesus Christians Christ, replaced Saturday with Sunday as their day of worship.

What Constantine did The book begins with in March 321 was to decree Sunday to be a day of rest from work. He did not make Sunday the day of worship for Christians; it already was that from the first centu-

> Brown also tells is that under pressure from Constantine, the bishops of the Council of Nicea in 325 were forced to declare Christ divine.

However, at that coun-A major premise of the cil, the bishops conguage what had already been held for centuries about the divinity of Christ, as given in the Gospels.

Would Brown please which has St. Thomas Supposedly, that secret calling Jesus "My Lord and My God?"

Decades before John's Gospel was finished, St. Paul's letters repeatedly reaffirmed it once again in the famous Creed, which is still professed by most Christians every Sunday.

When putting forth his case for goddess worship, belittles

Christianity. He assures us that virtually all the elements of Catholic ritual - the altar, communion and so on - were taken directly from earlier pagan mystery religions.

Jewish

However, Brown should go back and read the Old Testament about the most important feast for all the Jewish people, which was the Passover.

Jesus was a Jew and it was in the context of the Passover the night before he died that Christ gave us the new Paschal Mystery that we today call the Mass, or the Eucharist.

As regards to the Priory of Sion, this is a modern fabrication based on a series of forgeries committed by a French conman.

There is no historical evidence for a Priory until the 1950s.

The facts, or the lack of them, are important and should be addressed, but the greatest danger of "The Da Vinci Code" is that it reinforces relativistic, irrational attitudes by pretending to satisfy the mind while manipulating the emotions.

Christians enamored with this book, or those who think it is harmless entertainment, should reconsider the impact of the novel and re-examine claim Christianity has been a long, bloody lie and that Jesus is a mere mortal.

The Rev. Bishop Michael Pfeifer of the Catholic Diocese of San

### **Big Spring Symphony presents 'A Celebration of 20th Century Music'**

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The Big Spring Symphony and Chorus presents "A Celebration of 20th Century Music" at 8 p.m. April 8 in the Municipal Auditorium.

This is the fourth and final subscription concert of the season and will be conducted by Dr. Keith Graumann, music director.

The evening's concert begins with "Overture to Candide," by Leonard Bernstein, followed by "Four Dance Episodes from Rodeo," by Aaron Copland.

Also or the program are favorite works b lassical pops composer, Leroy Anderson.

"Buglers Holiday," also by Anderson, will features trumpets Michael Santorelli of Midland and Jose Luis Gonzales and John Oliveros, both of Big Spring.

Members of the Big Spring Symphony Chorus join the orchestra in the second half of the program in a performance of the "Porgy and Bess Suite," by George Gershwin.

This is only the second public performance of this particular arrangement by principal guest conductor John Giordano.

Featured soprano soloists are Joyce Bradley, singing "Summertime' Claudette and Forward, per-"My forming Man's Gone" and

"Leaving Today." Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students and are

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### East Fourth Street Baptist Church

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The evening worship service begins at 6 p.m. Sunday. Wednesdays at 7 p.m., there is prayer and Bible study for youth and adults. A new ministry, "Backdoor Bible Clinic," is for ages 4-12 year olds. Exciting music, puppets, stories and crafts are part of this new work.

Sunday nights at 5.

The church offers a family atmosphere of worship. The Rev. Rex Clayton is pastor. For more information, call the church office at 267-2291.

### Salem Baptist Church

There is a special speaker this Sunday at 6 p.m. Stormie Barrett, a student the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf, will tell about her upcoming mission trip to the Amazon. A fellowship meal will follow her presentation. Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. with the morning service following at 11 a.m. The Wednesday evening service is at Parkplace at 6 p.m. Salem Baptist is located at the corner of Salem Road and the Old Colorado City Highway and pastored by the Rev. Monroe Teeters. Contact the church at 394-4655.

### First United Methodist Church

Worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Sunday. The Rev. Dave Ring's message is "Getting Through Tough Times;" the gospel Scripture text is Matthew 16:21-25. Sunday school meets at 9:45 a.m.

The Big Spring District United Methodist Women meet Sunday from 2:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. The Centered in Praise Ensemble meet at 3 p.m. Rehearsal for the children's musical is from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m. Sunday. Junior High Youth meet at 5:30 p.m. and Senior High Youth meet at 7 p.m. Sunday in the Partee Building.

Tuesdays Kid's Club is. from 3:30 p.m. until 5:15 p.m. 'I he Symphony Chorus meets at 7 p.m.

Wednesdays begin with Children's Day Out at 9 a.m.; Lunch/Bible study is at noon. The Hispanic Ministry has Bible study at 6 p.m. in the Men's Bible Class. Also, handbell practice is at 6 p.m., Combined Youth Bible Study is at 6:30 p.m. and Chancel Choir rehearsal is at 7 p.m.

Thursday features Women's Bible Study at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Special prayer times are observed in the chapel Thursday at and Friday at 7 a.m. Friday at 9 a.m. is Children's Day Out.

First United Methodist Church is located at 400 Scurry. For more information on any of these programs, call the church office at 267-6394.

### Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

Sunday worship is at 10:55 a.m. and at 5 p.m. Midweek services is at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

April 3-4, the church will host the Big Country Baptist Preachers fellowship. There will be good preaching, special music and great fellowship. The ladies are meeting

Saturday to discuss a Mother-Daughter banquet they are planning for May.

The church is located at 1512 Birdwell Lane For further information, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

### St. Paul Lutheran Church

Church services are 9 a.m. Sunday. Sunday school and adult Bible classes are at 10:15 a.m.

Small group Bible studies are throughout the week. Call the church for times and locations. The Rev. Wayne Frost is the minister.

St. Paul Lutheran Church is located at 810 Scurry St. Call 432-267-7163 for more information.

### Mt. Bethel Baptist Church

Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m., followed by morning worship at 11 a.m. Evening Bible study and Youth Church are both at 5 p.m. Sunday. Wednesday, Youth Church is at 6 p.m. The church is located at 630 Sgt. Paredez (NW Fourth

### College Baptist Church

The church, located at 1105 Birdwell Lane, offers Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and Sunday worship services at 11 a.m. Evening worship is at 6 p.m. Sunday and a Bible study meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For more information, call 267-7429.

### **Cornerstone Church**

Worship service begins at 10:30 a.m. Sunday and the sermon is "Four ships that will keep you from sinking," at 11 a.m., part of the Back to the Basics Children in series. kindergarten through fourth grade are invited to Sunday children's activities. Childcare is available for newborns through preschool during regular services. A Biblical **Foundations** class begins at 9 a.m. Sunday.

The church is located at 12th and Owens streets. Call 263-3072 with any questions.

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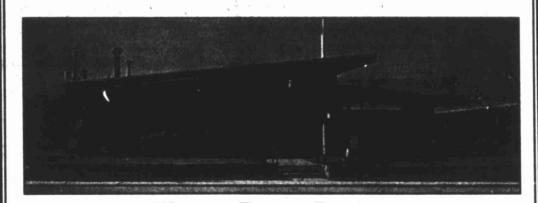
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### **Big Spring Art Association**

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By profes-**DINGUS** sion, Dennis

is a nurse surgical assistant who works at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. He has a

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degree in fine arts in music and after working as a band director for two years, he decided the profession was not for him.

He was also a church choral director for 10 years and knew that he did not want to do that as a lifetime commitment, so he went back to school to become a surgical nurse assistant.

Dingus had long desired to draw or paint portraits and in his free time began to read and study the techniques of drawing the human figure. After many trials, he found Lee Hammond's book, "How

to Draw Portraits from Photographs," and made himself a promise to read it cover to cover and do all the exercises presented in the book.

Another influence was the works of Charles Barque, a French artist in the 1800s whose methods are continuing to be taught in the art schools

Among his students were Renoir and Picasso. Barque's book of lithographs was lost in the 1820s, but was recently rediscovered.

After much research, Dingus was fortunate enough to get a copy of Barque's book form the Dehash Museum in New

York City. This has also been an influence for his artistic

efforts. In 2005, Dennis entered some of his drawings in a juried show in Midland.

There were 200 entries, but only 80 were accepted for the show and Dennis' work was one of the 80.

Although he didn't win any ribbons, he said he felt honored to be selected to show his work.

Dingus still prefers to draw the human figure, but has begun to branch out and include landscapes, florals and still life setups in his artistic

At the next meeting, Dingus shares his story of

Serving time begins at 5:30 p.m. and ends at 7:30 p.m. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted. A book fair will be held in conjunction with the supper. This is donation only. Children's books are also available.

The congregation of North Birdwell United Methodist Church has chosen this way of saying thanks and welcoming to the community of Big Spring. The chili supper is an annual event and gift to the community.

North Birdwell United Methodist is located at 2702 N. Birdwell. Worship service is Sunday at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school following at 10:45 a.m. Sunday night devotion services are at 5 p.m.

more information, call **Church News** 267-8438.

### Coahoma United nization for high school Methodist Church

Sunday, Jacoby Jones and Chelsey Pruitt will lead the worship service with praise and song beginning at 11 a.m. Immediately following the morning worship service, the Mid-High Youth are providing a "Potato Bake" to raise money to help those students par-

ticipating in Spirit Wind. Wednesday, the Mid-The church is located at High Youth are meeting 1607 E. Third street. For at 6 p.m. at the church more information, call sanctuary for food, Bible 264-0015 or study and buddy projects. nccwc1@yahoo.com. Thursday, the CUMC

meets at 7 p.m. New leaders are Bennie Sunday school is at 9:45 and Debra Johnson.

Administrative Council

The Rev. Donita Lea is pastor. The church is located at 401 N. Main in Coahoma. For more information, call 432-394-4432.

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A revival is scheduled for Monday-Wednesday at 7;30 p.m. at the church, located at 302 E. 11th Place. The Rev.

**Holy Mission Church** 

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A work day is set for Saturday from 8 a.m. until the clean up is finished.

Activities of the week include: Monday, Session and Encouragers meetat 6 p.m.; Wednesday, Lenten Bible study at 5:17 p.m., youth group meets from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. and choir practice starts at 6 p.m.; Working Women's Bible study is at 7 p.m. Thursdays.

A youth fund-raiser luncheon is set after church Sunday, March 26. The theme is Hard Rock Café and will provide members with hamburgers and entertainment. There is no charge for the event but donations are accepted. All donations will help finance the youth mission trip in June. The youth are also selling Easter

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St. Mary's Lenten program continues Wednesday. The program is the study of The Seven Deadly Sins. The All-Parish meatless Pot Luck Supper is at 6 p.m. We will end with a brief service of Compline.

For more information St. about Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit the Web

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# Holt earns second straight state appearance

By TROY HYDE

**Sports Editor** For the second straight year, Cortnee Holt, a sophomore from Big Spring High School, will participate in the Class 4A state powerlifting meet in Killeen.

Holt qualified first this past weekend at the regional tournament in Abilene. And she has dominated the region all year long, winning every meet she has participated in and earning the meet's best lifter in the first four meets of the season.

"My dad started me out when I was 12 and he takes me and the other athletes through "boot camp" and a lot of other weight training stuff," said Cortnee Holt, whose father is Big Spring Athletic Director and head football coach Tim Holt. "It has helped me build as an athlete."

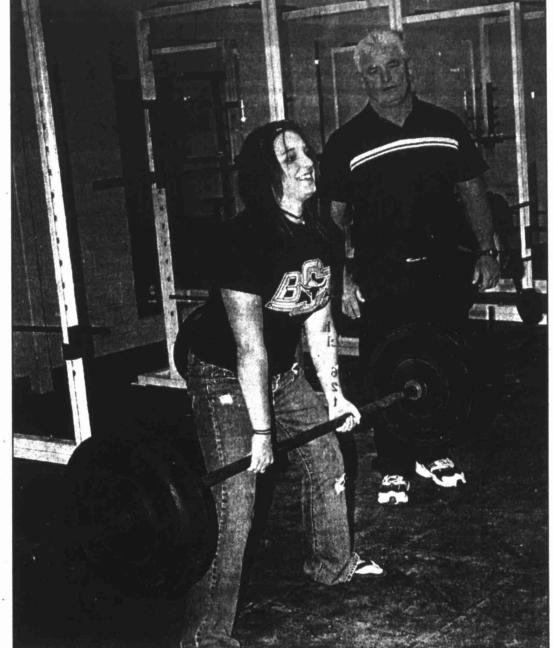
Adding powerlifting was one of the new things Coach Holt did to the athletic program at Big Spring. And according to him, doing so was more about the other sports than just powerlifting.

"Powerlifting is a great motivator for all the other sports," said Coach Holt. "It is great for the offseason workouts. We don't lift weights just to lift weights.'

Cortnee Holt, who finished 10th at the state meet last year, is ranked in the top five entering this year's meet, but is just 30 pounds off second place.

Courtney Gathright of New Caney has a total of 940 pounds (the total weight is squat+bench+dead lift) and is 110 pounds ahead Garcia's 830. Tiffany

Ferguson totals 810, while Cortnee Holt Greenville's Joanne



Big Spring sophomore Cortnee Holt demonstrates the dead lift with father and Big Spring Athletic Director Tim Holt Thursday morning before leaving for Killeen to take part in the giri's state powerlifting competition. The meet takes place today and Holt will participate In the 181-pound class. She enters the meet with the fourth best score in her class.

mark at the regional tournament this weekend.

"Realistically, I think getting in the top three is lifter she could win it. something that can hap- There's always a chance pen," said Cortnee Holt. for good and bad days." "One girl is way ahead of Cortnee Holt currently the rest and two others squats 330, benches 130 of second place Leeza are just a few pounds better."

"If she can up her total more.

Rodriguez are both at 800. just a few pounds she has Cortnee Holt set that a strong chance to walk away with at least second and then if something goes wrong with the top

into the top two at the Big Spring powerlifting state meet, she knows it

"I am going to have to just go out there and throw weight on that I am not used to lifting and see what happens," said .Cortnee. "I need to take a risk and just go after it."

The most important lifts at any meet, according to Barnes and Coach Holt is and dead lifts 340. To get the dead lift and the

squat. and coach Keith Barnes adds, will most likely take or lose meets with their lifter by 230 pounds. She bench press,"

Barnes, who will be taking his first girl participant to the state meet. "The squat and dead lift are the winning lifts."

The state powerlifting meet, which takes place in Killeen starting today, features 12 girls from each classification.

"Just getting into the top 12 is impressive to me," said Barnes. "Hopefully the success she has had will filter into the other female athletes around the school. We are starting to get more interest from others."

Cortnee has been busy since powerlifting started this season. She spends the athletic period lifting weights and then attends track practice after school before going back to weight room to finish the night. She is somewhere around the ATC every night until about 7:30 p.m.

"She's been lifting since she was in the sixth grade and the best thing is she is young and has two more years to go," said Barnes. "I want her to compete hard and push the limit at state. We can't worry about what someone else did, but if she's close to anyone I think she'll put the weight on and get it. We'd like to get in the top two. A lot of this is mental and she just needs to believe she can do it."

Cortnee Holt won the Odessa Permian meet with a total of 680 pounds. which was 70 pounds more than second place. She then followed that up with a first-place finish in Coahoma as she was the only participant at 181 and scored a 725.

She then traveled to MIdland Lee and grabbed another first as she "Most lifters don't win defeated the second best said totaled 785 at that meet.

# Aggies pull off upset, shock red-hot 'Cuse

(CAA) fournament

By MARK LONG

**AP Sports Writer** 

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Maybe the Big East was overrated. It would be hard to

argue against that after the opening day of the NCAA tournament. Acie Law scored 23

points, including a dozen in the final 2:25, and helped 12th-seeded Texas A&M upset fifth-seeded

Syracuse 6 6 - 5 8 Thursday night in t h e Atlanta Regional.

It was the third loss in as many games for the new expanded Big East, which sent a record eight teams into the field of 65.

Wichita State pounded Seton Hall 86-66 in Greensboro, N.C., and Marquette was knocked off by Alabama, 90-85 in San Diego earlier

in the day. It also ended an improbable run for the Orange senior Gerry McNamara. The star guard carried Syracuse through the Big East tour-

nament last weekend and helped the team secure an automatic berth in the NCAA field. Before the conference tournament, the Orange seemed destined to be left out of the NCAAs.

But the Aggies (22-8) had better fortune in this one — thanks to Law.

The left-hander scored 14 points in the final eight minutes, almost single-

> Texas A&M into the second round. He finished 7of-17 from had seven rebounds and five assists and gave the Aggies their first NCAA tournament victory since 1980.

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"I don't think whole lot of people around the coun-

try think we're a powerhouse program, so if we win a couple of games, it's going to surprise some people," guard Chris Walker. "We enjoy that. We enjoy opening people's eyes doing things that they didn't expect us to do. I think that's what it's all about."



KRT photo/Tom Fox, Dallas Morning News

Texas A&M guard Acie Law, left, lays up a shot past Syracuse's Louie McCorskey in the first round of the NCAA basketball tournament Thursday at the Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena, in Jacksonville, Fla.

In the tourney for the first time since 1987. A&M advanced to face fourth-seeded LSU on Saturday and became yet another No. 12 seed to take out a fifth seed in the first round. It's happened at least once every year since 1989, and twice Thursday. No. 12 Montana upset Nevada earlier in the day.

McNamara was held to two points — tying his career low - and the Texas A&M section was chanting "overrated, overrated" at him on several occasions.

He was 0-for-6 from the field and missed all five shot from behind the 3point line.

tirade last week defending McNamara, who was picked as the conference's "most overrated" player by unidentified Big East assistants in a Syracuse area newspaper, and also was called overrated by a columnist from the school newspaper.

He responded by hitting big shot after big shot in an MVP performance, leading the Orange to a Big East tournament title. But he left that magic in Madison Square Garden.

McNamara was scoreless most of first half against A&M, until he sank two free throws with 36 seconds remaining. But he didn't score again.

Terrence Roberts led Boeheim went into a the Orange (21-12) with 16

points.

Syracuse trailed by 11 early in the second half, but whittled the lead down to 45-41 with 8:13 remaining. Then Law

took over. He had a putback and two free throws to push the lead back to eight, then later scored 10 consecutive points for the Aggies. He had two driving layups, a transition basket and sank four free throws. He added two more free throws — finishing 8-for-8 from the charity stripe — with 15 seconds to play.

Joseph Jones was the only other A&M player in double figures. He had 12 points rebounds.

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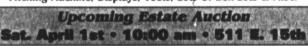
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Greeting: The petition of SHARON ARNOLD, Petitioner, was filed in the Court of Howard County, Texas on the 8 day of JUNE, 2005, against CUR-TIS ARNOLD, Respondent, numbered 43846, and entitled "In the Matter of the Marriage of SHARON ARNOLD and CURTIS ARNOLD This suit requests divorce. The Court has authority in this suit

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF WHITING OIL AND GAS CORPORATION TO CONSIDER UNITIZATION AND SECONDARY RECOVERY **AUTHORITY FOR THE** WOULD HAVE EAST SIDE UNIT,

**WOULD HAVE** (CLEARFORK) FIELD, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public and to all interested persons that under the legal authority and jurisdiction of Title 3, Oil and Gas, Subtitles A, B, and C of the Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 26, 27 and 29 of the Water Code, and TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. art §§ 2001 et seq. (2006), the RAILROAD COM-MISSION OF TEXAS will hold a hearing on April 27, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. at the William B. Travis State Office Building, 1701 N. Congre Avenue, Austin, Texas. This hearing will be conducted in conformity with the TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. art. §§ 2001 et seq. (2006). For room assignment, on the date of the hearing please check the bul-lentin board in the first floor tobby. Persons planning to attend this hearing are urge to contact the applicant (see service list) immediately prior to the hearing date to be sure that the hearing will proceed on the scheduled date.

This hearing will be held to consider the application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation for unitization and secondary recovery authori for the Would Have East Side Unit Would Have (Clearfork) Field, Howard County, Texas. Applicant will submit evidence showing that the unit has been approved by in excess of 65% of the royalty interest and in excess of 85% of the operating interests in the unit.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Michael McElroy, at (512)327-8111. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Railroad Commission, Office of General Counsel, (512)463-6848

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### Tomorrow's Horoscope

out-of-line. may of mankind. to want bring a camera - on the other hand. you may not. This is the HOLIDAY kind of stuff that fuels MATHIS the crime of blackmail. land of limbo. The sun and Pluto are at

the back of your mind. This is not real. Let it go. ARIES (March 21-April 19). Is the world conspiring to make you something other than that which you are? It certainly feels this way now. Whatever you do, don't stay mad. Get happy, and approach the problem

odds, agitating a worry at

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

The Scorpio moon tonight

amplifies a subconscious

and

desire to get

Crazy

You

orice more. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The obstacle you perceive as a giant wall between you and your object of desire is really more like a trick door. Find the lever, and the whole thing will turn on its axis to let you down a secret tunnel to what you

want. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Serenity depends on creating peace in your life immediately. So finish an argument and be done with it, never to debate the topic in this form again. This might best be done by letting the other person win.

CANCER (June 22-July **22). It took thousands of commit to it.** 

years of evolution and innovation to get to this place where you can take a hot shower more or less whenever you desire it. You're so lucky when you celebrate this and other miraculous achievements

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Don't embark on a pursuit because it is merely interesting — find something you feel passionately about! In regard to special relationship, tonight you will leap from the

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Winning the affection of a child is no small feat. If you have done so, consider yourself a major success. If you have not, work on that now, while the stars amplify your playfulness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Make health your top priority and other (utterly unrelated) personal goals are more easily attained. A connection with an Aquarius can get you through complicated red tape.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Maybe you feel guilty about a purchase. Let it go. Chalk it up to doing your part to improve the economy. Nothing good comes of emotionally beating up on yourself for any reason.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). A mixed bag of responsibilities is frustrating. All you want is to feel, at the end of the day, that you've actually accomplished something. Act on psychic hunches, then pick one goal and

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It's a cheerful, high-energy Attention comes your way naturally — you don't have to work hard for it. Your love life heats up in the evening over the most mundane of tasks.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You feel that life is on hold while you wait for the paycheck, the answer or the right person to show up. Sure, results take longer than you'd like, but the wait is to your benefit.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). This is a fantastic day to measure and review your financial portfolio. Shopping is also favored. Whether it's a week's worth of groceries or a computer, you'll be able to aptly assess your needs and invest just the right amount.

LOVE WEEKEND FORECAST: ARIES: Though you can't make someone else happy, you're committed to creating an environment where "happy" can happen. TAURUS: You're in a spontaneous mood — go with it! Just make sure the gas tank is full. GEM-INI: With a loving heart, you accept the best and worst loved ones have to offer. CANCER: The total picture of your love life is being obscured. Trust that there's more. LEO: Relaxation techniques help you be as fabulous as vou can be in crucial social situations. VIRGO: The twist in your romantic plot leads you somewhere surprising. LIBRA: There is always more to DICATE, INC.

attended a fancy wedding.

As I was leaving the

reception, a man looked

up from a table across the

clothes

started laughing. I have

never seen a man with

such a red face. He

explained that he meant

regular clothes instead of

I still smile when I

Dear F.: We're smiling,

Dear Annie: Please help

me. I'm in love with my

priest. I'm a widow, and

"Father Patrick" and I are

the same age. In fact, we

knew each other about 20

years ago, before he

Twice in the last few

weeks, Father Patrick has

asked me to meet him for

coffee, and we had so

much fun talking and

laughing that I forgot the

time. When I last saw him

at church, he shook my

hand and continued to

hold it while talking to

me. Sometimes he looks

into my eyes and blushes.

I'm fairly certain Father

Patrick feels the same

Should I break this off

for his sake, or try to

explain that all we can

have is a casual friend-

ship and I don't want to

make him uncomfortable?

If I am wrong about his

feelings, I would feel like

a fool. If I am right, am I

a hypocrite for loving

him? Do I have to be the

tough one? — Clerically

Dear Confused: It's not

uncommon for women to

develop crushes on their

clergymen, priests in par-

way I do.

Confused

entered the priesthood.

remember the incident. -

too. Thanks for a good

Everyone gasped

my uniform.

on.

and

room and said hello. It

the story. Don't be afraid to ask, probe or be interested. SCORPIO: Surrounded by friends, you feel bold enough to make a romantic gesture that you otherwise might not attempt. SAGITTAR-IUS: You offer the solid home life a love interest really needs. CAPRI-CORN: Made a mistake in your romantic judgment? You can take quick steps to reverse the situation. AQUARIUS: Play it cool with that hard-to-read prospect. PISCES: Focus on friendship first, and the romance will sweep you up when you least expect it. OF THE COUPLE

WEEKEND: Scorpio and Pisces are a stellar match two water signs who can become so connected they can feel each other's joys, pains, victories and pleasures. Sometimes, they even get it confused about where one person ends and the other begins. Time away from each other is needed every season or so in order to get back in touch with their autonomy, but this weekend, they are inseparable as usual.

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

Dear Annie: Last year, after a bitter divorce, my husband's sister and her children moved in with us. "Betty" promised she would get a job as soon as the kids were settled. Of course, once school started, Betty felt she couldn't work because the kids were in a new school and she wanted to be available if the school needed her. ex-husband Betty's

sends child support and pays the health and car insurance bills. I don't know how much money my sister-in-law receives each month, but she says she is unable to afford a place of her own. Meanwhile, the kids have and do whatever they want. They are spoiled brats who never lift a finger around the house. Betty used to help out, but now is "too busy with the children" to do anything

at all. It has been a long year, and I miss my privacy. My husband feels the same but says he can't ask his sister to leave. We talked with our pastor, who suggested we give **Betty a timeline** to find her own place and tell her we'll help her reach her goal.

I'm afraid Betty is just teo comfortable with the living arrangements and in no hurry to leave. What should we do? Is there a support group for a family that is being taken advantage of? — Stressed-Out Sister-in-

Law **Dear Stressed Out: Betty** may have been overwhelmed after the divorce, and your home provided a refuge, but after a year, it's time for her to get it together. The current arrangement is not healthy for her children. They need to see their mother as a strong, independent woman.

Your pastor gave you good advice. Help Betty look for a job, after-school day care for her children and an affordable apartment, and tell her you expect them to be in their own place within the next three months. In the



MARCY SUGAR

meantime, assign chores for everyone in the house. Your place needs to be a bit less cozy.

Dear Annie: I need advice on how to get the law changed for fathers to have some kind of say on how their kids live.

My ex-wife left me, taking our four children and moving in with an abusive man who has hit her several times. He also is physically abusive toward my kids. I know he spanked my 3-year-old daughter until my ex intervened and pulled him off.

Social Services has denied me help, and the police act as if I'm some sort of criminal for wanting my children out of that environment. Can you offer me any assistance? — Stuck in Biloxi,

Dear Biloxi: We aren't sure why neither the police nor Social Services has been helpful, although we would imagine Social Services has been inundated and understaffed since Katrina. Please try the Center for the Prevention Child Abuse (www.mscpca.com) serving southern Mississippi, at 3201 D Ave., Gulfport, MS 39507. It's now up and running. Someone there should be able to advise you about available resources in your area.

Dear Annie: This is for "All Cleaned Up in Montreal," who asked if it was a compliment when someone told her she "cleaned up real nice."

ticular. We're not saying it can't be reciprocated, but it is unwise to make that assumption or do anything to promote it.

You don't need to say anything to Father Patrick and risk embar-I used to be a waitress at rassing either of you. You DICATE, INC.

a truck stop. One day, I need to retreat. Be too busy to meet him for lunch. If you have a problem that requires counseling from clergy, make an appointment at church. turned out to be the bread Respect him enough to deliveryman from the stop tempting him (or truck stop. Then he thinking that you are). If added, "You look nice Father Patrick wants something more, he will take steps in that direction. And you can indulge vour fantasies with a copy of "The Thorn Birds."

Dear Annie: I am a 49vear-old woman, and I have lost approximately 30 percent of my hair. I have many symptoms of hypothyroidism loss, weight gain, fatigue, constipation), but my blood work is normal.

My internist and dermatologist say my hair loss is hereditary, although no one in my family has had this problem. However, my mother was hypothyroid, but was treated for it and didn't have hair loss.

I don't think any of my prescriptions are causing it, and I haven't changed my diet. I've been told my health insurance company probably won't pay for me to see an endocrinologist since my blood work says there's no reason for it. Can you help me? — Going Bald

Going Dear Bald: Women can lose their hair for a number of reasons, including aging, stress, infection, a hormonal imbalance or immune disorder, or too many braids and perms. However, since your mother was hypothyroid, and you have some of the symptoms, this possibility should be pursued more thoroughly. A standard blood test will pick up only so much. Ask your doctor to refer you to an endocrinologist for more detailed tests. Your insurance should then cover it.

Annie's Snippet for St. Patrick's Day: For each petal on the shamrock. this brings a wish your way - good health, good luck and happiness, for today and every day.

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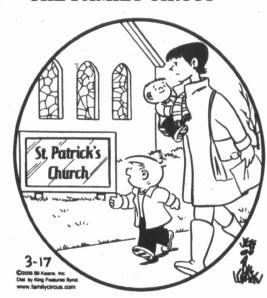
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### DENNIS THE MENACE



"HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY! PINCH ME, I'M IRISH!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"That church should have GREEN windows!"

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**AGNES** 





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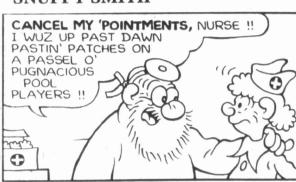
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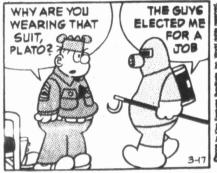


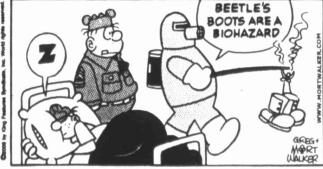






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### This Date In History

Today is Friday, March 17, the 76th day of 2006. There are 289 days left in the year. This is St. Patrick's Day. Today's Highlight in History:

One hundred years ago, on March 17, 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt first used the term "muck-rake" as he criticized what he saw as the excesses of investiga-tive journalism in a speech to the Gridiron Club in Washington.

On this date: In A.D. 461, according to tradition, St. Patrick — the patron saint of Ireland died in Saul.
In 1776, British forces evacuated Boston during the

Revolutionary War. In 1910, the Camp Fire Girls organization was

formed. (It was formally presented to the public on this date two years later.) In 1941, the National

Gallery of Art opened in Washington D.C.

In 1950, scientists at the University of California at

Berkeley announced they had created a new radioactive element, "californium."
In 1958, the U.S. Navy launched the Vanguard I

satellite. In 1966, a U.S. midget submarine located a missing hydrogen bomb which had fallen from an American bomber · into Mediterranean off Spain.
In 1969, Golda Meir became prime minister of

In 1992, 28 people were killed in the truck bombing

of the Israeli embassy in

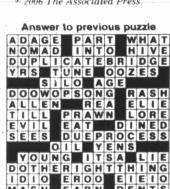
Buenos Aires, Argentina.
Today's Birthdays: The
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Siemaszko is 45. Writerdirector Rob Sitch is 44. Actor Rob Lowe is 42. Rock singer Billy Corgan is 39. Rock musician Van Conner. (Screaming Trees) is 39. Actor Mathew St. Patrick ("Six Feet Under") is 38. Actor Yanic Truesdale is 37. Rock musician Melissa Auf der Maur is 34. Rock musician Caroline Corr (The Corrs) is 33. Actress Marisa Coughlan is 32. Singer Stephen Gately is 30. Rapper Swifty (D12) is 29. Thought for

"Television is a device that permits people who haven't anything to do to watch people who can't do anything."

— Fred Allen, American comedian (1894-1956).

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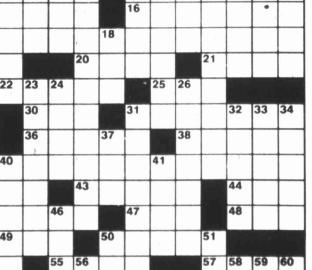
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All Times EST PGA TOUR

**Bay Hill Invitational** 

· Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

• Purse: \$5.5 million. Winner's

· Television: USA (Thursday-

(Saturday-Sunday, 2:30-6 p.m.).

**LPGA TOUR** 

**Safeway International** 

· Site: Superstition Mountain,

· Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

Club, Prospector Course (6,620

• Purse: \$1.4 million. Winner's

Channel (Thursday, 8-10 p.m.;

p.m.; Monday, 7-8:30 a.m.).

Friday-Sunday, 7-8:30 a.m., 8-10

**CHAMPIONS TOUR** 

**Toshiba Classic** 

Country Club (6,584 yards, par

· Site: Newport Beach, Calif.

Schedule: Friday-Sunday.

· Course: Newport Beach

• Purse: \$1.65 million.

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**LEADERS** 

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3. Retief Goosen

4. Phil Mickelson

6. Sergio Garcia

7. David Toms

9. Adam Scott

10. Luke Donald

14. David Howell

15. Davis Love-III

11. Chris DiMarco

12. Colin Montgomerie 4.34

13. Michael Campbell 4.22

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**PGATOUR** 

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2. Geoff Ogilvy \$2,142,234

3. David Toms \$2,048,800

4. Tiger Woods \$2,033,000

5. Chad Campbell\$1,683,377

6. Luke Donald \$1,409,603

7, Stuart Appleby \$1,329,362

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9. Vijay Singh \$1,237,969

10. J.B. Holmes \$1,108,620

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5. Lorena Ochoa \$127,914

**CHAMPIONS TOUR** 

5. Gil Morgan \$281,666

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2. Tom Kite

4. Don Pooley

1. Seon Hwa Lee

3, A. Sorenstam

1. Loren Roberts

2. Meena Lee

4. Joo Mi Kim

8. Jim Furyk

Winner's share: \$247,500.

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Saturday-Sunday, midnight-

2:30 a.m., 5-7:30 p.m.; Monday,

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Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

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NATIONWIDE TOUR

· Next event: Louisiana Open,

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Club (7,172 yards, par 72). · Purse: \$1 million. Winner's

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• Course: Superstition

• Television: The Golf

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By THOMAS JENK

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By MARSHA STURD

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Staff Writer

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Golf Insider

IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

### Fans you don't want

To maintain the relationships set up at address between your arms, body and the target, a small but very important amount of trunk rotation must accompany the movement of the arms as the club starts away. Otherwise, the shaft will be forced to spin, wrenching the club face out of position.

Rolling your hands and arms during the backswing, a mistake called "fanning," incorrectly positions the club head behind you as you swing the club up to the top. When combined with a premature fold of the right elbow,

the fan can be fatal.

There are two ways to fan the club: (1) by rolling the front forearm (left for a right-hander), and (2) by rolling the entire front arm. The left-arm fan occurs during your backswing when your left arm lifts off the chest and creates a gap that breaks your arm-to-body power connection.

When your left arm stays against your chest (as it should), but your hand and forearm rolls (as they shouldn't), you've got yourself a left-

Fanning usually means the club face will be open at the top of your swing (toe pointing to the ground). The left-arm fan also makes it easy to overswing because, without your chest to block it at the appropriate point, your left

arm can swing out of control. Of course, this isn't the whole story because sometimes the fan can cause the face of your club to be shut (looking at the sky) at the top of your swing. Unless you like to hit rip hooks, you'll have to do your best chicken wing through impact to compensate, holding off

your release with a mega-loss of power. Fans are power sappers because they spin your club face, creating the need for powerleaking compensations. Once you experience the weak, slapping action through impact, you'll agree that fans like this, you don't need.



The player in the striped shirt (above) has bent his right arm and rolled his forearms, twisting the club face well behind his heel line and thereby trapping the club head behind him. Even though he's just started his swing, he has already introduced the need for a major-league compensation to free the club head from its trapped position. In contrast, PGA Tour player Notah Begay (below) keeps the club head in front of his chest by keeping his right arm extended (but not stiff) and his forearms quiet, with no rolling or fanning during the takeaway. All Begay needs to do from here is cock his wrists and right arm, and he'll be in a perfect "compensation-free" position at the top of this swing.



### COMMENTARY



**DAMON HIGGINS / Cox News Service** Luke Donald's steady play has made him filthy rich at 28. Now, he's after a bigger payoff

# Hear that roar? It's Luke, not Tiger

By DAVE GEORGE Cox News Service

— beating Tiger Woods.

Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. uke Donald, 160 pounds and relatively short off the tee, has declared himself ready to move up in class to the PGA Tour's super heavyweight divi-

Fact is, the thrill of landing a knockout-style birdie on the final hole of the Honda Classic on Sunday has him looking for some truly serious title bouts in the near future. Today, Mirasol and a two-stroke victory Tomorrow the world. And that's the world, mind

you, according to Tiger Woods. "You have to start believing you're the best player in the world, that's the first step," said Donald, who steadied himself with a couple of steely par saves on the back nine Sunday while

others were wavering "You know, can I beat Tiger on any given round? Sure. So why can't I beat him in a tourna-

ment? Tiger's 10 major championship wins might serve as a fair top-10 list of reasons why not, but Donald's not backing down from that or any other challenge. He means to be the next great British player, picking up where Nick Faldo left off, and isn't

afraid to say it. This cool hand Luke, mind you, has no failure to communi-

"You see a lot of players when they get close to him (Tiger), they seem to either give it to him or he doesn't have to do too much special," Donald said. "He just knows that his golf is going to be good enough to get it done. Sometimes he lets the other play-

ers feel like they have to do more. "I think if you can kind of get into the mentality that you don't have to do any more, you just do what you know to do. Hopefully that will keep me going to get up to Tiger's level. I don't need to practice that much harder. I think I've got to change my men

All this burly brainpower from one steady march through the Honda field? Mirasol seems to

have created a monster in its last week as host for this event.

Tom Fazio's stingy Sunrise Course puts a premium on hitting fairways and greens, not just tearing the cover off the ball. That worked beautifully for Donald, whose 290-yard driving average ranked 64th in Honda's 73-player weekend group. It could work again in coming majors, if Sunday's back-nine 34 in the wind and the wackiness of a Mirasol finish is any indication.

Gee, you think Luke might have a thought or two on that

tonic "Do I think I can win majors? Absolutely," he said Sunday after a 12-under-par championship effort that perfectly matched the winning effort of Todd Hamilton two years ago at the Honda. Yes, that's the same Todd Hamilton who went on to win the British

Open four months later. "I think I have a great game for majors," Donald said. "I'm very steady. That's the main reason why I think if I keep playing the way I'm playing, there's no reason why I can't strive to be the

best player in the world.' Cheeky, this kid, if you can call the winner of more than \$10 million in worldwide prize money at the age of 28 anybody's junior.

The confidence to call on Tiger's competitive streak, in this case, is downright inspirational. Donald is no clone. He's determined to stand out, to stand up, and that goes double after a couple of close calls last season on the PGA Tour.

He led an elite-field in The Players Championship through 54 holes but closed with a 76 in storm-tossed conditions that pushed the tournament deep into Monday afternoon.

The other near miss is particularly noteworthy since Donald shared the third-round lead at the Buick Invitational at La Jolla but lost to a hard-charging Tiger. Hey, it happens to everybody

out here. To hear a player pledging that he is bound and determined to change the world order, why, that's rare courage in an industry where simply getting along is

more than sufficient to get stinking, filthy rich.

Stephen Ames veered off the reservation just a bit at last month's Match Play Championship, suggesting that he might have a chance to pull off an upset if Tiger continued a particularly wild streak off the tee. Tiger's response was to beat Ames 9 and 8, as thorough a drubbing as one player can put on another without violating the rules of country-club deport-

ment and the game of golf itself. Ames tied for seventh place at the Honda with a Sunday 68 and took the Western Open last year, which means he is a pretty good player. Donald was the guy holding the trophy aloft last Sunday afternoon, though, which means

at the moment he is better. It means that he is feeling it, too, the need to succeed, and in

progressively higher orbits. In the kooky corporate world of the PGA Tour, this \$990,000 victory wasn't even Donald's biggest paycheck. He got that in December at the Target World Challenge on the Tour's silly season schedule. First place paid \$1.3 million that day in non-official Tour money, and the victory came against a field that was smaller but better than the Honda's.

"This (Honda win) was a little different," said Donald, who shot 64 in the final round to win the Target event, one that Tiger had won twice previously. "This was leading from the front and almost was more encouraging for myself, just to know that I could hang on from the front, as well."

The Brits haven't had a player this polished in some time. What Donald said Sunday in the flush of victory was far short of an international incident, though. It was the confident announcement of a young player convinced he can raise his game to the highest

This is the way winners think. To hear them speak it, in a manner that is neither shy nor offensive, is the sound of thunder on the horizon.

It's stirring, and it makes no sense whatsoever to ignore it.

### **ASK THE PRO**

Q: This may be a dumb question, but my son and I were just wondering about this because it happens all the time. Say we are playing a really crowded golf course (we have a foursome), and we are trying to "keep the pace." I tee it up and hit my ball far, but close to out of bounds. I say, "I

is out of bounds. I know that I was supposed to hit a provisional ball on the tee, but I didn't. I take the ball and place it on the line that I thought it went out of bounds. I am not going to go all the way back to the tee area to tee

The question is: Am I now hitting my third or fourth shot? I believe it would be my fourth shot, but most of my buddies say I am hitting No. 3. I know there is a difference if I had hit my ball in a hazard and not out of bounds. Can you help me on this? — Y.T., from the Web

A: Playing strict rules of golf, you have to re-tee because the OB penalty is of two parts: (1) stroke and (2) distance, so you tack on a stroke and hit it again (distance). When you arrive at your next shot, you lie three and are hitting four (one-stroke penalty, plus the stroke it took you to hit it OB, plus the stroke it took you to hit it to

where you now lie). But you're playing by a "common sense" set of rules, and I think you're correct to do so (OB is the worst rule in golf for wast ing time). If you want to match the OB rule, you'd be playing your fourth shot, just as you would if you'd gone back to re-

Here's a quick way to add up your score when you go OB off the tee — total the

### THE GOLF DOCTOR

### How to be a golfing 'Nostril-domus'

"And laying his finger aside of his nose, "And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose. Even though Clement Moore's poem doesn't say which side of his nose Santa was using, being a male, he no doubt put the digit to the left side in order to focus on the task at hand — fitting himself into a chimney space

that didn't match his circumference. Santa blocked his left nostril knowing that unilateral nostril breathing influences lateralized cognitive performance — a finding discovered by a group of professors in the department of psychology at Montana State

University. The researchers investigated how one-nostril (unilateral) breathing influences spatial performance, and found that unilateral breathing affects performance differently in

Males' spatial performance (like fitting into a chimney or visualizing a low-flying 9-iron shot to a tucked pin) is better during rightnostril breathing, whereas females' spatial performance is better during left-nostril

breathing These differences within and between sexes may exist because unilateral nostril breathing differentially activates the two hemispheres of the brain and thereby facilitates performance.

Can using the correct nostril be a harbinger of a good golf shot? To become a golfing 'Nostril-domus," work this into your golf game during your preshot routine. When you're standing behind the ball, visualizing your shot, block one nostril and take a deep breath, then go to your ball and hit the shot.



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think I can find it," but when I get there, it

strokes you take and add two.

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