

## Obituaries

Robert Eugene Patty

$2 \cdot$Robert Patty, 85, died Wednesday in Abilene. Visitation will be from 6 p.m.
until 8 m . Sunday, March 19,2006 at Buffalo Gap Family Funeral Home, 6449 Buffalo Gap Road. Funeral services will
be at $1: 30$ p.m. Monday March 20,2006 at Aldersgate United Methodist Church with the Rev. Derrell Patterson officiat-
ing, assisted by the Rev. Stan Allcorn ing, assisted by the Rev. Stan Allcorn.
Burial will follow in Elmwood Memorial Robert was born Nov. 7, 1920, in Centerville, Ark.,
Andrew Madison Patty and Maggie Ola (Winter) Patty He attended McMurry College, where he was freshma class vice.president and a member of Kiva Social Club.
Mr. Patty served in the United States Coast Guard Mr. Patty served in the United States Coast Guard
for 22 years. He served in the mounted beach patro during World War II. On Oct. 25, 1942, Robert married Mattie Nell Edens in Big Spring.
He became a journaist in the Coast Guard when $h$ rejoined in 1948, achieving the rank of chief journalist
Mr. Patty and his wife moved to Abilene in 1964 from the Coast Guara Air Station in San Francisco, Calif. From 1965 until retiring in 1983, Robert began a career at McMurry University. He started out as a student recruiter, hen a sports hirormarion irector. He acted as the media center director and managed the also sponsored the Kiva Social Club.
He loved to tinker with cameras and computers. He loved fishing with his grandchildren and loved to tel stories and share a good joke. Mr. Patty was a
Methodist and a member of Aldersgate United Methodist and a
Mr. Patty was preceded in death by his wife, Mattie Feb. 11, 2006. He was also preceded in death by both of
his parents, one son, Freddie Lynn Patty, three sisters his parents, one so
He is survived by one son, Robert Leigh "Bob" Patty Patty of Stratton, Neb.; seven grandchildren, Shannon Marie Patty, Sandra Lynn Patty Rose and her husband Chris, Laurisa Venee Patty, Erin Nicole Patty, Robert
James Patty and his wife, Cathy, Jon Christopher Patty and Emily Elisabeth Patty;, and three greatPatty and Logan Nicole Rose. Wesley Deats, Jim New and Paul Lenk Edens, John Strickland, Jimmy Patty, K.O. Long, Sam Harvy, Tom Wilkins and Chester Dougherty. Memorials may be made to Aldersgate United
Methodist Church, 1741 Sayles Blvd., Abilene 79605 or Methodist Church, 1741 Sayles Blvd., Abilene 79605 or
to McMurry University, 1400 Sayles Blvd., Abilene Online

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## Jennie Kennedy McEvers

13, 2006, in a Burleson hospital. Funeral say, March Christian Christian Church in Big Spring with the Rev. Ken
McIntosh officiating. Interment "ill follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park
Douglas M. McEvers Feb, in Big Spring and marr.ed ceded her in death Feb. 11, 1984.
Jennie was the daughter of Jacob Frank and Maude
Kennedy. She Kennedy. She graduated from Big Spring High School
and from John Sealy School of Nursing in 1938 with registered nurse degree. She worked as a private duty nurse, in area hospitals and served as school nurse with Big Spring Independent School District until her retirement in 1978. She was living in Keene, after
returning to Texas from Oklahoma City Oklahoma City.
Cleburne and Nancy J. Dall of Arlington Heights, Ill.; two granddaughters, Kenda McPherson of Plainview and Janis Henderson of Abernathy; four grandsons, Paul McEvers of Austin, Taylor Dall and Jared Dall,
both of Arlington Heights, Ill., and Richard L, McEvers of Palisades, Colo.; one great-granddaughter, Kellye SoRelle J.D. of Cleburne; four great-grandsons,
Cory Crump of Tikrit, Iraq, Elijah Beck, Ian Boone Cory Crump of Tikrit, Iraq, Elijah Beck, lan Boone
and Ethan Boone, all of Abernathy; twin great-great granddaughters, Madeleine and Isabella SoRelle of
Cleburne; and a great-great-grandson, Thomas 0 . SoRelle of Cleburne.
She was also preceded in death by two sons, Douglas M. McEvers Jr. and Donald P. McEvers, a grandson,
Darrell L. Henderson and a sister, Miriam Kennedy Darrell L. Henderson and a sister, Miriam Kennedy
Wilcox. The family suggests memorials to the American
Cancer Society, in care of Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121 , Big Spring 79721-2121.
Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle \&
Welch Funeral Home \& Crematory of Welch Funeral Home \& Crematory, of Big Spring.
Online
condolences www.npwelch.com.


Ed Wright


Delano Shaw

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Delano Shaw, 69 of Big Spring, died
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Mathis of of Brownwood orriciatiting and Chaplain
Dan Shodix with the VA Medical Center Dan Shadix with the VA Medical Center
assisting. Interment will follow at assisting, Interment
Trinity Memorial Park.
The family will reeceive frie
p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday at the fanereal home. Delano was born Sept. 0 . 1 , 1366 , in Knott to W.A. and Angeline Shaw a pionerer Howard Country family. He
married Claudia Nichols in October 1957 in Bie Spring marr red Claudia Nichols in october 1957 Tin Biespring and she preceded him in death. Delano worked at rina
Oil and Chemical Refinery until retiring. He was Baptist and had served in the United States Army from D557 to 1991. He had served as a delegate to the
Demoratic National Convention during the carrter Democratic Nal
Administration
Administration. Spring; one daughter, Margie Strickland of Big Spring five brothers and four sisters-in-law, Larry Shaw of Knott, Verl and Ioma Shaw of Big Spring, Franklin Shaw of Big Spring and Ronald and Jennie Shaw of Smyer;; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Nelda and Dick Tobias of Arlington and Joann and J.E. Peugh of Stanton; 11 grandchildren; two gre
and numerous nieces and nephew
He was also preced Isaiah Shaw two grandchildren brothers, Marlin Shaw, Gene Shaw and Summer Lee Shaw and one sister, Rhodell Kirby
The family suggests memorials be made to Disabled Washington, DC 20024
Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle \& Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle \&
Welch Funeral Home \& Crematory of Big Spring
Online condolences can be made at

## Jerry Marquez

 17, 2006, at his residence. Funeral ser vices will be held at $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tuesday
March 21,2006 , at the Nalley-Pickle
Welch Rosewood Chapel with Sam Wegch Rosewood Chapel with Sam
Segundo, pastor of Family Faith Victory A memorial service will be held at He was born Jan, 29, 1958, in $\begin{aligned} & \text { in } \\ & \text { Big }\end{aligned}$ Spring and marrie
1987, in Big Spring
Jerry was a lifelong resident of Big Spring and was
driller for Patterson UTI He was a graduate of Bis driller for Patterson UTI. He was a graduate of Bit
Spring High School. He played semi-pro baseball with he Big Spring Cardinals. Methodist Church and had rocently becher Survivors include his wife, Sue Marquez of Bi Survivors include his wife, Sue Marquez of Bie
Spring; four daughters, Nina Marquez, Whitney Sprauez and Kaci Marquez, all of Big Spring, and
Lesley Boelter of Dimmit; his parents, Rosa and Benito Lesley Boelter of Dimmit; his parents, Rosa and Benit Marquez Si. of Big Spring; two brothers, Jimmy io and Melinda Machado of Big Sprin ne grandson; one granddaughter and several nieces and nephews.
He was preceded in death by one sister, Cindy Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle \& Welch Funeral Home \& Crematory of Big Spring
Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

Sheriff's report

## Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday nigh
Winning numbers drawn: $1-5-7 \cdot 10$
Number matching five of five:
Prize per winner: $\$ 6,262$
sold in: Beaumont, Dallas, Houston, an Antonio

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by


Big Spring Hera Weekend Edition

## Bush

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## Bush urges steady course

WASHINGTON (AP) President Saturday Americans for more ecent civil strife has motivated warring political factions to move sentative government. "Our ambassador Iraq, Zal Khalilzad, reports that the violence has created a new sense of urgency among these unity government as quickly as possible," Bush said in his weekly radio address.
"I urge them to continue their work to put aside
their differences, to reach out across political, reli gious and sectarian lines, and to form a government that can confront the ter rorist threat and earn the rust and confidence of all Bush' in advance of a speech he plans to deliver in Cleveland on Monday, the second in a series of talks
marking Sunday's threemarking Sunday's three-U.S.-led invasion of Iraq.
In the speech, Bush will In the speech, Bush will discuss how the United
States is working with States is working with
various sectors of Iraq


President George W. Bush speaks to the Nationa
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Protests mark 3rd anniversary of Iraq invasion

SYDNEY, Australia that- swept across the (AP) - Anti-war protest country in the buildup t

ers marched in Australia, Asia, Turkey and Europe on Saturday in demon-
strations that marked the strations that marked the
third anniversary of the third anniversary of the
U.S.-led invasion of Iraq
with a demand that coaliwith a demand that coalition troops pull out.
Around 500 protesters Around 500 protesters
marched through central marched through central Sydney, chanting "End
the war now" and
"Troops out of Iraq." Many campaigners waved placards branding
President Bush President Bush the
"World's No. 1 Terrorist" or expressing concerns that Iran could be the
next country to face invasion. "Iraq is a quagmire and
has been a humanitarian has been a humanitarian
disaster for the Iraqis," disaster for the Iraqis,"
said Jean Parker, a mem ber of the Australian branch of the Stop the
War Coalition, which organized the march "There is no way forward pation."
Opposition to the war is
still evident in still evident in Australia, which has some 1,300 troops in and around
Iraq. Visiting Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was heckled by campaign ers in Sydney this week, who said she had "blood
on her hands." But Saturday's protest the mass demonstrations
country in the buildup to
the invasion largest Austratia had seen since joining U.S. force in the Vietnam War. The turnout also wa
lower than protesters had hoped in Britain, whose government has been the
United States' United States' stronges supporter in the war.
Authorities shut d streets in the heart London's shopping and theater district for th demonstration, which would attract up 100,000 people, but polic estimated the crowd w about 15,000 people. Some protesters carried porist and other placard pictured Prime Ministe Tony Blair, saying "Blair must go!", Britain has about 8,000 soldiers in
Iraq but plans to pull Iraq but plans to pull out
800 by May. "We are against this war, both for religious reasons and on a humani-
tarian basis, too. No one deserves to be bombard ed," said one marcher, student Imran Saghir, 25.
In Tokyo, about 2,000 people rallied in a downtown park,.
under international law," said Takeshiko Tsukushi, a member of World Peace den


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Bombs, bullets greet Shiites on pilgrimage BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP)-
The Muslim pilgrims road to the holy city of bullets and bombs for
Shiites. Drive-by shoot ings and roadside and bu bombs killed or wounded 19 people, ratcheting up
the sectarian tensions gripping Iraq.
Security forces, including U.S. armored rein
forcements, girded for
more bloodshed leading more bloodshed leading up to Monday's Shiite hol
iday. And north of Baghdad, in the Sunn Triangle, a two-day-old
operation involving 1,500 U.S. and Iraqi troops swept through an are
near Samarra in searct insurgents.
It was in Samarra that
the insurgent bombing of the insurgent bombing of
a Shiite shrine last month ignited days of violence Muslims. More than 500 people died.
Authorities had feared new attacks as tens of
thousands of Shiites many dressed in black banners, converge Karbala, 50 miles south o
the capital, for Monday's 40th and final day o mourning for Imam Muhammad's grandson.

Mourners gather to bid Milosevic farewell BELGRADE, Serbia of thousands of mourners packed a square in fron of Belgrade's federal par liament building Saturday to bid a fina Milosevic, who died while on U.N. trial for some o Europe's worst atrocitie
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Joyce Bruton, 76, died

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Missouri drama
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in play flap
A central Missouri
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ous productions will resign rather than face possible firing. not be able to speak my mind or defend my stu
dents without fear or ret ribution," said Fulton DeVore's students v.cre to perform Arthu drama set during the 17 t
Century Salem witch tr But after a handful of Callaway Christian plained about scenes in the fall musical "Grease
that showed teens smok ing, drinking and kissing, Superintendent Mark Enderle told DeVore to
find a more family-friend-

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercriss thereoff or abriag.
ing the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaccabby to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.


## Our Views

## Hawks bring attention to college, city

Swish! - that's been the sound of the Hawks in their drive to Hutchinson, Thirty-two and 1 and they're not done yet. Congratulations Hawks! We're proud of and hope you bring home a championship. Yes, this week's National Junior College Yes, this week's National Junior College
Athletic Association National Tournament is all about basketball - if you haven't been there, you cannot imagine the intensity and excitement - but the exposure is a slam dunk for Howard College and Big Spring, too the spotlight placed on our college and com munity through the success of the Hawks is bright. All across the nation, basketball fans are looking on the Internet, some of them College, this school that has the No. 1-ranked team in the NJCAA?
team in the NJCAA?" ly to read a bit about the college and the community - "How big of a town is that, any way?" "What's with that name 'Big Spring?'" fine arts center? Wow!'"
Howard College already has a solid reputation on the court, and so does the Western Junior College Athletic Conference - considered one of the toughest juco basketball conferences in the nation, top to bottom
But the scrutiny intensifies once a team qualifies for the national tournament. There's no doubt about it. Everyone takes notice Officials at Howard College report they have received dozens of phone calls from media across the country. It's notable, too, that the Hawks' success has already helped secure two talented graduating high school seniors for the 2006-2007 season
Of course, our college - and community are known for other positive attributes, many of which readily come to mind. Our inten here, however, is not to list what puts Big
Spring in the spotlight, but to note that indeed, the spotlight is on us once again. And to make note that the Hawks' hard work all season will pay off not only on the basketball court, but throughout Howard County. Put another way, having our college and our community placed once again in a positive light is ... nothing but net

## Letter policies

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## |It's acceptable to smile

Random thoughts whtle collection:

You know Big Springers are used to expecting the worst whe It's not that we don't have our re
sons to feel pessons to feel pessimistic every now and then. This tow
God bless its soul, God bless its sol receiving end of mo than its share of ba
news the past few decades. Webb closing,
 oil bust, drought, population declining ... stop me if you've heard all this before.
So, what to make of all this good news all fo madd Three news items in the past few weeks - two on the economic front and one in the sports world

- have folks around town feeling a little bit better about things. The first bit of good news came on the farm front. Just in case a farmer or don't know anyone who knows a farmer, let me be the first to clue you in on a news flash: This year's cotton harve a doozy.
It's big.
Huge.
All that and a bag of chips, too After years of talking to area farmers, I have learned that they to bad-mouthing their fortunes. Again, this is understandable After the last few years of stead drought, sub-standard cotton harvests have become the rule, rather
than the exception. Buan the exception.
But even on the rare year when
talked to would always bemoan the fact that "it could have been better," or "we could have used a little more rain" or "prices could have been a little higher."
However, when I began annual round of telephone calls this year, asking farmers how things were going, comments ranged from "things are looking pretty good" to "this is the best
crop I ever had." crop I ever had. tremendous cotton crop had hands. "tremendous" is entirely appropriate in describing this year's harvest. It is, quite simply Ever.
Ever. for the farmers. What does that mean to me
Lots.
Lots. After Webb Air Force Base closed in the 1970 and the oil boom went belly up in the 1980s, this area became critically depen dent on agriculture. As the cotton rop, so went we, in other words I'll leave the economists to of dollars a good cotton crop it to say that when farmers in this area are smiling, the rest of us should follow suit Then there's the Heritage Square

Announced recently, the project aims to reconvert a number of
downtown buildings into a variety of uses such as apartment com-
plexes, condominiums, restaurants plexes, condominiums, restaurants
and other commercial venues. Developer Ralph Mahoney said the project will do no less than "revitalize downtown." And, if
you've driven through the area recently, you know it's in desper ate need of revitalization. healthy dose of skepticism. After
share of "pie in the sky" promise years. What makes me optimistic this time is that Mahoney and his group are financing the project
completely through private dona tions.
No public money is involved.
None.
OK, that still doesn't mean that anything will come from the proanything will come from the pro-
ject, or that Mahoney's promises will bear fruit. But it does mean that, if worse comes to worse,
we'll be in the same shape as we we'll be in the same shape as we were before the announcement.
And if this thing works? Hoo boy You won't be able to wipe the smile off people's faces with a sledgehammer
And finally, there's the news about the Hawks. I don't even have to preface that by saying
Howard College. Or mention any Howard College. Or mention any-
thing about basketball. You know what I'm talking about. The Hawks, for those of you just emerging from your bomb shelters, are heading to the national
junior college basketball tournajunior college basketball tourna-
ment for the first time in more
than 30 years. pring, competing for a national itle. Ain't that a kick in the head? Regardless of how the tourna-
ment goes, you just know they'll do Big Spring proud.
So there you have it - good news for the farmers, good news for downtown and good news just
for the sheer bragging rights of it for the sheer bragging rights of it
all. Foll. the next few weeks, then, it's perfectly acceptable to sm
you mention Big Spring. you mention Big Spring.

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e-mail at reporter@bigspringher-

## Frist shifts focus to health care

 cal climate before the November midterm election.
His abili
 encourage more Capitol Hill Republicans to demonstrate independence from the White Houseas Frist himself did in denouncing
the Dubai takeover. "With the president right now more separation," Frist said over breakfast in his Capitol office.
"That makes my job a lot harder, That makes my job a lot harder. As he navigates these crosscu
rents, Frist wants to steer the ing rules, immigration, the federal
budget and military spending. But budget and military spending. But
Frist is stepping down from the Frist is stepping down from the
Senate at year end, fulfilling his Senate at year end, fulfilling his he looks beyond the Senate toward the possibility of a bid the GOP presidential nomination in 2008, he is shifting his sights toward another issue long slighted in Washington: a fundament
revision of health care.
evision of health care. the few practicing physicians to serve in the Senate. His medical background hasn't always been : political blessing. It led lust year to his lowest moment in office, of doctors who sa:d Terri Schiavo was in a "persistent vegetative state," only to see their assessment confirmed by the autopsy performed after the brain-damaged
Florida woman died.
and issues from the fight against AIDS in Africa to the Medicare $y$. ascrip tion-drug bill. Often on these projects he's teamed with Democrats
last year, the Senate approved leg islation he sponsored vith Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y


Hats off to Saundra Bloo To The Edrtor:
On March 7, th On March 7, th County had the p American freedom if they so chose. ot geteral pub he scene activ how two weeks day are put togeth
For all to ru months of daily candidates is information, bal upcoming electio written up, sent machines are ma voter lists are put er, voter cards ar precinct is put and complaints with daily Right now, the
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## Your Views

## Hats off to

Saundra Bloom To the Editor. On March 7, the regisCounty had the privilege of exercising their American freedom to vote If they so chose. Most of the general public does the scene activities of how two weeks of early voting and one election day are put together. months of daily prepra tion is dily prepara Candidates are needing information, ballots for upcoming elections are written up, sent off to be loaded for our machines,
machines are checked, voter lists are put togeth er, voter cards are mailed out, material for each precinct is put together, general public praises
and complaints are dealt and complaints are deal Right now ing elections in April, May and even November are being planned. All of this falls to the Election Administrator Saundra Bloom. She has a heart and spirit for the election process. Her dedication and hard work make our voting privileg Jane Hammond Big Spring

## Handwriting <br> on the wall

 To the Editor:Is proximity worth a lars - plus? I am sure this latest proposal to mercial property frem tax rolls will take every penny of that without even discussing the land Chamker We should be able to read the handwriting on even from here. Eve though there is a new parking lot across the street (north of the courthouse) that goes unused the price of a new my built to standards has certainly come down from what we were led to
Imagine the kind of jail facility we could have million dollars and built over on the north side on our own land when the subject was first dis Larry Pick

Anybody listening on the jail issue?

## To the Editor:

I have been following much confusion. How hat prisons are the fastest growing industry believe that the numbers would show that it is a national dilemma.
I have watched the commissioners go from zero action to some action and mum requirement for the taxpayers. And they only did this because the media spotlight was on them. I get the impression that they are less con-
cerned about the expense to taxpayers and more clueless about the whole jail situation. It has become obvious to me that there are several
commissioners
whose commissioners whose done their way and the others follow blindly. Willful, Jeez! What
more proof do we need more proof do we need than of the TCJS executive flow. I won Crooker gave resounding "no."
director, Terry Julian, when he tells them that in posal amounts to a BandAid fix? This is a man who has crunched the numbers and projected into the needs of our very near future. The concrete those beds are filled and we will be looking for space to house the ove I guarantee you that of house will be more costly than it is today. We are not the only community experiencing this, and so space will go at a interesting to know how much higher construction costs have escalated since they started hemming and hawing about doing this. Had they been as
conservative as they want to appear they would have made plans when they were first given a pass on this failing jail. Instead, passes into a mandered those passes into a mandate aware of the past attempt by the city to go in together on a combined law enforcement center. In the city council under city manager Lambert, he attempted to negotiate but Commissioner Bill Time and space are limask questions of both governing bodies about what the savings would mean not in the citizens. 1 am not in the jail busines for what they represent and the job they do. think I know enough to realize that some county inmates go through the
city jail before being transferred to county. In the same building, all transactions would be handled without using gasoline to transfer. I don't know about you but
in this economy gasoline prices are becoming prohibitive. Also, 911 would be housed in the same building at a savings of and dollars for both city heard from other citizens is true, Mr. Lambert's attempt to open up dialogue was not the only time. I can only be positive about my own experi-
ence.
There is no doubt that space will have to be created. Another concern of mine is the suggested location. If all goes as
commissioners
would commissioners would
like, it will be across from the courthouse in what have a project that involved a donation of $\$ 8$
million and the works are under way as I write. The

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inculation a siding Inc. 264-8610 for the purpose of promot
ing Big Spring and gener ating revenue. Does any
body believe that the firs thing they want to make sure is available and obvious is a jail smack dab in the middle of what is supposed to be an inviting
atmosphere? Am ing something?
Citizens need to require more from their elucted officials than a nod of the
head and rubber stamp head and rubber stamping of the chosen few ideas. There seems to be a everyone to do the best
for our community. What I feel is lacking is the ability to interact with each other to make it hap-
pen. It seems that is about who will get credit for something. In doing
so, the people are left out of the equation and the
elected officials do what they force on us. going to cost, there is no question about it. What I believe needs to happen at this stage is to build smart and as cost effec
tively as possible so that tively as possible so that
we can hold the future
expansions
longer time.
Jerry Painter, sheriff of Midland County, is now facing the same thing and
is requesting additional is requesting additional than ours). I believe he
knows the needs better knows the needs better
than anyone in the coun ty. Sheriff Walker should be the knowledgeable one in this area and commis sioners should foll
says he will do whatever
the commissioners direct
him to do when it should be the other way around I am sure the commi sioners would not like for
someone to tell them that they have to be on site in an office to receive the
money that they do for


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Spring City Council, as REBATES

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troubles at a time when he is trying to win reelection to Congress.
Wednesday tors will try to convince the 3rd Court of Appeals to restore the criminal conspiracy and money laundering charges
against DeLay that cost against DeLay that cost
him his post as House majority leader last faii. DeLay also has one other money laundering count against him. State district Judge
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conspiracy part of the charges, saying the conspiracy law DeLay allegedly violated didn't exist at the time of the
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alleged Prosecutors say that it argue their cases before the court Wednesday. Richard Murray dor Public Policy enter for University of Houston said the prosecutors' appeal helps "drag this case out and the con-
gressman really doesn't gressman really doesn't need that."
"Tom DeLay needs
this case to move forward to a favorable resolution before November," Murray said. DeLay faces former
Rep. Nick Lampson in Rep Nov, 7 Lenpsan in
the tion. It's the first time seripurs contender since
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Perry calls special sessior on school finance

By APRIL CASTRO
$\qquad$ Associated Press Writer ensure our schools have a al stream of revenue," AUSTIN - With a Perry said. court-ordered deadline It will be the fourth on Friday lat Rerry 30-day starting special session devise a new way for Texas taxpayers to pay
for the $\$ 33$ billion public education system.
The session will start April 17, giving lawmak ers a narrow time fram to find a solution. Las
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Court ruled that the state's dependence o local property taxes is unconstitutional and
must be changed by June ${ }_{1}$ must be changed by June
isn't the June deadline isn't met, the court
ordered the state to stop ordered the state to stop sending money to Texas'
1,037 public school dis 1,037 public school dis-
tricts until a new tax plan is implemented. "This special session provides legislators of both parties a rare oppor-
tunity to significantly tunity to significantly reduce property taxes,
make substantial reforms to the franchise tax so it
is fairer and broader, and
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 another special session on would not be necessary to generate enough new Those recommendations are expected to be preare expected to be pre-
sented by the end of March. by the end of The money generated from the new taxes will offset more than $\$ 5$ billion that would be lost if
school property taxes are school property taxes are
cut by a third, as most lawmakers hope The court determined
that school districts do
not have discretion to set know we can do both. their own property tax School advocates have rates because the legal been lobbying for more limit was the necessary state money in Texas K-12 rate in most cases. That schools, but lawmakers
makes the property tax are not required by the makes the property tax are not required by the
cap a statewide tax, court ruling to give which is unconstitutional schools any more money in Texas. Replacing the than is necessary for property tax money with funds from various new taxes would allow school The new business tax taxes would allow school could be another sticking
districts more freedom to point for lawmakers, set tax rates, thus satisfy- many of whom might be ing the court. hesitant to adopt a politiPerry said he will issue cally dangerous tax bill a proclamation later that ahead of re-election chaloutlines specific topics lenges in November. that lawmakers will be Already, the special ses-
allowed to address during sion is being used as the session. The scope is sion is being used expected to be limited to "This should have been
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wishes of some other key need to fix $\begin{array}{ll}\text { wishes of some other key need to fix our unconsti } \\ \text { Republicans. } & \text { tutional school finance }\end{array}$ "While I support lower- system," said Comptroller ing local school property Carole Keeton Strayhorn, taxes, which I believe is who plans to challenge the right thing to do for Perry as an independent $\begin{array}{ll}\text { the working families of } & \text { candidate. "In a } \\ \text { Texas, we should not sim- } & \text { Strayhorn } \\ \text { administra }\end{array}$ ply cut property taxes tion, the children and the without improving our teachers will come first. schools," said Republican In the misplaced prioriLt. Gov. David Dewhurst. ties of a Perry adminis-
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Troop 1500, an Austin
alrs Tuesday on PBS.

## Film documents scout troop's efforts to break cycle of crime

| Associated Press Writer |
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| yanks the letter from her mailbox. She leaps onto |
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| God bless you. Mama.' Watching that scene. |
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| mentary airing Tuesday |
| on PBS, Ida Sutter can hardly believe she and |
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nationwide as part of who had been incarcerat- work or get back their
PBS' Independent Lens ed, said Denise Johnston, driver's licenses. series.
The film takes viewers
inside the Hilltop Prison
in Gatesville, about 80
miles north of Austin,
where the girls visit their
mothers once a month. It
also follows the girls
home, where their
fathers, stepfathers and
grandmothers try to
rebuild family lives frac-
tured by drugs and vio-
lence.
The girls capture the
most poignant footage
with their own cameras,
interviewing their moth-
ers with innocent yet
provocative questions
like "Why are you in
prison?"
"It's not just the
answers to the questions
it's the gestures, it's the
silence," filmmaker Ellen
Spiro said. "It's the rela-
tionship between the
mothers and the daugh.
ters that you really see in
a way unfold that would-
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it just been met asking
questions."
While anecdotal evi.
dence suggests the chil-
dren of inmates are more
likely to end up in prison
themselves,
research has been done to
prove that. he program," said Sutter, parole in Dece eber and is now a stay-at-home mom. really good ideas of stuff odo together, to open up emotions that you're try-
ing not to show." Sutter and her 11-year-
old daughter are one of old daughter are one of
four families profiled in
"Troop 1500 airing

County allows company time to provide data

## Tom Green County com-

 management team of Corrections Concepts Inc more time Friday to protion about a proposed faith-based prison. new chief executive for the Dallas-based compamonths to prepare more detailed financial infor mation. But the commissioners didn't set a imetable.Corrections Concepts is the only group to respond for proposals for a 623 inmate prison. No vote has been taken on a man agement contract for th prison
relationship in get order," Watson said in a story in Saturday's San Angelo Standard-Times. ent and locally organized We need time to reorga. nize and do it the right

ed, said Denise Johnston, driver's licenses.
director of the California- And every girl can par based Center for Children ticipate until she's 18, $\begin{array}{ll}\text { of Incarcerated Parents. } & \text { whether or not her mom } \\ \text { Other studies have } & \text { is behind bars. About 15 } \\ \text { found that prisoners' chil- } & \text { girls who don't need the }\end{array}$ found that prisoners' chil-
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regional meet In Pla second row, left to Cordes and the sch



VirgIl "Hoss" Morris was named the Hangar 25 Alr Museum Veteran of the Month for March during a reception at the museum Tuesday evening


These Coahoma Junlor High School students placed at the recent Texas Math and Sclence reglonal meet In Plains. They are, front row, left to right: Robert Guzman and Chris Henry; second row, left to right: Alex Cordes, Jared Ringener and KIrk Hahn. In addition, Hahn,
Cordes and the school's math team qualifiled for the state sclence and math meet, to be held in San Antonio April 7.


Thank You,
Howard County and
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Veteran of the Month

## Flip of the coin keeps

 Morris out of combatBy STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer
Virgil Morris didn't see
combat during the
Korean War, but it was
close - coin-flipping
close.
Morris, who is known
as "Hoss" by his friends,
was honored by the
Hangar 25 Air Museum as
its Veteran of the Month
Tuesday night.
Morris is a retired
welder who, well, welds
in his spare time these
days. But, back in 1947,
he was a wideeyed 17.
year-old who joined the
Air Force to see the
world.
That lasted about 18
months, he said.
"My daddy got me out of
the service because he
couldn't get anyone to
help him work the farm,"
Morris said.
So, it was back to the
family plot in King
County for Morris.
So much for military
life, he thought.
It seems. however, that
the armed forces weren't
finished with him just
yet. In 1951, he received
his draft notice and
switched Air Force blue
for Army green.
After completing basic
training in Fort Dix, N.J.,
he went across the state
to Fort Monmouth, where
he served as a supply
clerk in the Signal Corps.
The Korean War was
raging at that time, and it
looked like Morris might
get called into action in
that conflict.
"They told us ... that it
was between me and
another supply clerk to Morris returned for see who went to Korea," awhile to King County he said. "I didn't want to and learned the welding
volunteer, and neither did trade. the other guy ... so I That led him to Big the other guy ... so Spring in the early 1980 s , and the other supply for OIL Co. during the clerk shipped out to height of the oil boom Korea soon afterward. When oil prices collapsed "I don't know what hap- later in the decade, he
pened to him," Morris went to work for the city pened to him," Morris
said. After his two-year sec- worked until he retired in ond stint in the military, 1995.

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## Sports

IN BRIEF BSHS hasehall team sets date for "Meat the Steors" night The Big Spring base
ball team will have "Meet the Steers" nignt weanesday at
the high school base ball field from $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ to 6:30 p.m.
Besides the high school baseball team bea little league teams will also be rec ognized. There willbe a hamburger supper including chips an Lady Steer Booster meeting announced The Lady Steer meet Monday in the Athletic Training Center (ATC) at 6 pm. For more informa tion, contact Carol Policky at $432-466$
3800 .

## KBSB golf toume

 announced for month of AprllKeep Big Spring Beautiful will be hosting a goir ournamen April 22 at the Big The tournament wil start at 9 a.m. and cost $\$ 60$ per person. The tourney is a fou person scramble. For more informa try club at 267 -5354.

## Coahoma sets dates

 for softhall signups gyue Coahoma United Girls Softball Association havebegun registration for all divisions in soft final -ball and th final days to sign up Thursday at the Coahoma Community Center from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
more info, con tact Pat
$393-5622$.

Umpires needed for B.S. softball season The Big Spring Association is looking for umpires for the upcoming season.
If interested, contact
Luci Ramirez at 432 . $\underset{466-3670 \text {. }}{\text { Luci Ra }}$

## Mickey Owen camp

 dates announced The Mickey Owen Baseball School has camp dates:The camp will take place at the National Little League Field Saturday. The clinic features The firfterent sessions run from $9: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to noon, while the sec ond session goes from ${ }^{12: 45}$ p.m. to $3: 15$ p.m. will concentrate on the general instruc tion of hitting, fielding and throwing, while the late session will discuss position
instruction. The camp is for players age 6 to 12. The cost for one seosion is $\$ 35$, but partic-
ipants can get both ipants can get both tor or to replister contact the Mickey Owen Baseball School
at $1-800-993-8869$.

BSHS begins 4-4A with victory, routs Lake View


Big Spring freshman Shelbl Stewart slings a pitch to the plata during the Lady Steers' 11 1 win over rival Lake View In the team's District 4-4A opener. Stewart got the win on th mound and had two hits and scored one run at the plate.

By TROY HYDE
The Big Spring softball team got 13 hits at the plate and used a big sec-
ond inning to start District 4 -4A season off on the right foot as the Lady Steers downed rival Lake View, 11-1, in five Third-ranked Big
innings. Spring, which improved
to $14-7$ overall and $1-0$ in league play, also got a solid pitching perfor-
mance from freshman Shelbi frewart. Stewart got the win on the mound as she threw all five
innings, allowed just one innings, allowed just one walk five batters, but also recorded five strikeouts.
After getting the Maidens down in order in the first inning, the Lady
Steers got on the board in Steers got on the board in
their half of the first frame. Senior Courtney Rodriguez reached base
on a fielder's choice and on a fielder's choice and
then Stewart singled Britni Rodriguez, who was pinch running for
Courtney Rodriguez, scored on the next play as senior Krista Chesworth field. Big Spring scored six
inning. The ladies recor ed four hits in the inning, but were helped out by
two Lake View errors Senior Magen Watten and junior Brenna Phernetton both reached on errors to start the inning Sophomore Katy Watten
then drove in her sister on an RBI bunt single Junior Amber Sides also
reached base on a bunt single and Courtney Rodriguez knocked in
two later with a single two later with a single
Phernetton and Phernetton and Katy
Watten both crossed the plate Rodriguez' hit. gle after that and senio Krista
smacked in Britn
Rodriguez with an RB Rodriguez
inning after junior Katy Abner delivered an RB ke Vie
run in the third inning as Stewart gave up a walk
and allowed her only hit - a double to the gap. Big Spring threatened in the third inning, bu
left two on base. Lake
View loaded the View loaded the bases in
the top of the fourth
inning but Stewart man inning, but Stewart

Bulldogettes get shut out against 3A Clyde

By TROY HYDE By TROY HYD Sports Editor
CLYDE
Bulldogettes Bulldogettes earned
another win against a big ger school Friday night as the Coahoma softball
team traveled to Class 34 team traveled to Class 3 A
Clyde and came home with an 8-0 shutout victo"We played real well," said Coahoma head coach
Robty Dickenson. "We Robby Dickenson. "We
had 10 hits and played good defense. It was worth the trip because
Clyde is a good team. We responded well."
It was only the second It was only the second
loss of the season for Clyde as it was defeated innings Thursday
Abilene High
Coahoma's game Friday
night ended in night ended in the sixth inning as the game was
called due to darkness. Called due to darkness. the win on the mound as
she gave up five hits in she gave up five hits in
5.1 innings. She had eight 5.1 innings. She had eight
strikeouts and two walks


Lady Kats take fourth at Golden Crane Invite By TROY HYDE
$\qquad$ City girl's golf team trav eled to Crane Wednesda to partici-
pate in
their third golf thir
nament of the year.
The Lady Kats
tled Shot a 434.
Alpine also competed
and took fifth overall and took fifth overall. he Lady Kats were led
 $\begin{array}{lr}\text { Hirt's } & 109 . \\ \text { Mikela } & \text { Barton }\end{array}$ Mikela Barton
and Amy Multer each shot a 111, Halfmann stroked a 118.
Kayla Schwartz also competed
and shot a 136 . blowing
wind and finished fourth overall won the meet with a 91, with a score of 449. while Haley Hise shot a played pretty well despite Valenzuela stroked a 97. playing in a little tougher Danielle Malone and conditions this time Lauren Nutt also shot around," said Garden 'under 100 .
City head coach Ken The Lady Kats' next City head coach Ken The Lady Kats' next
Hoskins. "There was tournament will be Hoskins. "There was tournament will be
strong wind the entire Wednesday at the Gaines Kermit won the meet The tournament will be with a 397, while Wink hosted by Loop.


Howard College freshman Ryan Prultt retreats back to first base ahead of the tag Friday afternoon during the Hawks' doubleheader sweep against Trinidad State. Howard won $7-2$ and $9-6$ and will played another doubleheader Saturday against McCook. Saturday's results were unavailabie at press time.
Gonsoulin, Brown lead way in Hawks' two-game sweep



Former Texas Tech starting courtony yhoto/Pob Fhanhook Naziruddlin, left, and Gillbert Roberts, right, who played
foothall with Naziruddin at Howard Payne University, hang out with some students from Elbow Elementary last Wednesday. The two football players tock time out of their busy schedules to speak with students from
Elbow, Forsan Junlor High and Forsan High School. It Elbow, Forsan Junior ing and Forsanisited the school system.

## Cowboys close to signing WR Owens

By JAIME ARON

P Sports Writer IRVING - Jerry Jones une by taking big risks Now he appears ready to ake one of the biggest owner of the Dallas owboys.
The Cowboys were close to completing a deal with volatile receiver Terrell nvolved in negotiations told The Associated Press on Saturday.
"It's headed in that
direction," said the offiial, who requested contract wasn't finished. Jones has been on vacation in the Caribbean, which could be part of the holdup. Neither he nor Dalrymple immediately returned messages left Saturday by The Associated Press.
Owens' usually talkative advisers are doing
nothing to douse the story, adding to speculation an announcement is
imminent. Agent Drew Rosenhaus refused to comment Friday and didmessages left 0 repeate messages left Saturday.
Owens is among the Owens is among the but he's also been among the most divisive personalities in the game. He left San Francisco on bad terms and was released by Philadelphia last week
after causing more turmoil.
The i
The idea of Owens wear ing a star on his helmet infuriates some Cowboys fans. They're fearful he
will divide the locker room, and they're angry at Jones for pardoning Owens for the way he's treated the franchise.
Owens Owens launched his flamboyant persona in
September 2000 when he September 2000 when he touchdowns at Texas Stadium by running to the team's star logo at midfield. Safety George Teague secured a spot in
team lore by decking Owens after the second one.

## BSHS

Continued from Page 1B
aged to get out of the two in the inning and
 and ended the threat unscathed. The Lady Steers
added two in the fourth and two more in the Che Chesworth got her
third hit of the game in the fourth and then stole second base before Abner drove her around
with an RBI double. Magen Watten and hernetton also got hits later scored.
Needing just two runs o end the game with he mercy rule, the hrough at the plate in the fifth inning. Sides started the inning off with a single and then sophomore Desiree Yanez reached on a bunt single. Courtney
Rodriguez moved the runners over with a game
sacrifice bunt and then Stewart knocked a run-
ner in but was retired ner in but was retired
on a ground out. Big Spring scored its final run of the game after Chesworth's hit was
mishandled by mishandled by Lake View and Yanez ca
across the plate across the plate.
Chesworth went
three-for-four in the game but was not retired at the plate. She
doubled, scored one run doubled, scored one run and had one RBI and
stole one base. Sides had two hits and scored twice, while Stewart went two-for-four with a run and an RBI. Courtney Rodriguez had one hit but also
added two RBIs and Britni Rodriguez scored two runs as a pinch runner. Abner doubled and had two RBIs. The Lady Steers will host arch rival Andrews Tuesday at 4
p.m. in Big Spring. This game should again prove to be big in deciding a district champion as the two teams have battled the past several years on top of the dis-
trict.
Big Spring won both regular season games
last year by $1-0$ scores last year by $1-0$ scores,
but Andrews knocked but Andrews knocked
the Lady Steers out of he Lady Steers out of the playoffs with a $1-0$
win in the regional title win in
game.
time.

## HOWARD

## Continued from Page 1B

 He Hawks are $6-0$ at home this year andimproved to $14-8$ overall mproved to $14-8$ overall played two more wood bat ames Saturday against McCook, but final results were unavailable at press
Trinidad State scored its only two runs off inning of Game 1. Cruz Quezada led off the game with a double and Zach Hoffman later walked. Cody Henry delivered a two-RBI double.
Gonsoulin put the hammer down the rest of the way as he threw six straight shutout innings
in earning his second win of the year. He only allowed two hits in the
final six innings and retired the Trojans in order four times.
The Hawks scored their inning. Fonseca walked and then stole second
base before scoring off Brown's RBI single. Sophomore Will Basom added a single in the nning and Brown second run.
Howard added two more runs in the fourth and scored three runs in the sixth to put the Trojans Pruitt and Dusty Dallas each scored runs in the fourth and sophomore Gabe Marchant added an RBI single. Pruitt, sophomore Daman Aaron and had three straight hits to
Big Spring a

By TROY HYDE
$\qquad$ Former Big Spring basWrightsil who Jerald in 1983, and $\sigma^{-1}$ his in 1983, and his TeamXpress Challenge
will be hosting an elite level basketball tournamerft at the Big Spring ment at the Big Spring
Junior High this Friday


Howard freshman David Fonseca fouls off a pltch against Trinidad State Friday aftemoon at Jack Barber Fleld. The Hawks took two from the Trojans and Fonseca went twofor-
start the sixth inning. was able to get the job Pruitt and Aaron both done. The staff was scored on Storms' two- helped out by eight hits at run single. Storms also the plate and nine runs.
stole a base and scored in
Sophomore stole a base and scored in Sophomore Eamonn
the inning the inning.
Gonsoulin allowed just $\begin{aligned} & \text { Donovan started on the } \\ & \text { mound, but had some }\end{aligned}$ four hits and four hits and
one walk and
struck out six

rough Sunday
The tournament will will both be in town. Also feature several elite level will be teams from AAU teams from around the nation. Wrightsil said a team from San Diego,
which features three of
the nation's top 15 players, and a team from three of the state's top
five players in Class 5A
 control pro

lems. | first |
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| innings |
| 2.1 | innings and allowed five

runs and runs
walked
six batters.
Adrian Bermudez had one run $\begin{aligned} & \text { and two RBIs and Pruitt relieved Donovan and }\end{aligned}$ and two RBis and Pruitt relieved allowed no earned runs
scored twice. Henry had two of and one hit. He did walk
Trinidad State's four hits three batters. Parker and also added two RBIs to lead the Trojans. The Hawks needed ished the game and got but the combined unit no runs on one hit with all six of its runs in the
third inning. Donovan walked four batters in the inning and Steve Moralez and Ben Marshall each had RBI hits.
Howard took the early lead before the Trojan
scored six in the third. It sot two runs in the firs inning as Barret Lowenstein's RBI single scored Fonseca, who
reached with a walk reached with a wak
Basom's sacrifice fly scored Lowenstein. The Hawks added another run in the second inning as Pruitt walked, stole sec
ond and scored the run ond and scored the run.
Following Trinida Fole's six-run third inning, Howard got two more in its half of the third. Fonseca was hit by a pitch to start the inning
and Brown singled. Both and Brown singled. Both The Hawks tied the game with another run in the fourth inning. Dallas doubled and scored off The final three runs the game for Howard were scored in the sixth inning. Aaron reached base on an error to start the inning and then swiped consecutive bases.
Dallas also walked and stole second before both Aaron and Dallas crossed homeplate on Fonseca's two-run single. Fonseca came around to score moments later as Brown
crushed an RBI double. rushed an RBI double. four in Game 2 and improved his batting average on the season to
.429 . Fonseca had two .429. Fonseca had two hits, three runs and three
RBIs and is now hitting RBIs and is now
.366 on the year.

The tournament will take place at the junior high starting at 5 p.m.
Friday and continue at 8 a.m. Saturday. There will also be events taking place Sunday. Wrightsil was a part of the last Big Spring boy's team in Class 5A to have

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## Tucker, Aldridge lead Horns

 to first-round win over Penn By STEPHEN HAWKINS DALLAS $-\overline{\text { Damarcus Aldridge and }}$ andLaM P.J. Tucker in the lineup, the Texas Longhorns were supposed to have an
easier time in the first easier time in the first
round of the NCAA tournament
Unlike last year when Aldridge were without second-seeded Longherns advanced this time duo. But Pene standout things difficult before exas finally pulled out a hight. Victory Friday P.J. said it best, seeds
mean nothing. You got a team today that was going o shorten the game,"
Longhorns coach Rick Longhorns coach Rick get to play one more time If we made mistakes they had a lot to do with

Aldridge and Tucker bailed out the Longhorns (28-6) without much help,
including the Texas guards being held scoreless before halftime when

Penn his first NCAA tour-
ney game, Aldridge had iy points and 10 12 Conference player of the year, added 17 points "We weren't getting any movement,", guard Daniel Gibson said. "They do a
good job packing the middle and stopping things ing, it was a lot easier to
The Ivy League champi only down (20-9) were had the ball when and Fran Dunphy called timeout with $5: 53$ left.
But Eric Osmundson But Eric Osmundson
then missed a 3-pointen Tucker grabbed the drove for the first of con Brad Buckman's blocked put Texas up 45-40. about as good as we can Pennsylvanla's Mark Zoiller shoots from ind underneath basket while being guarded by Texas' P.J. Tucker (2) In the first half during the first round of the NCAA Tournament Friday at the American Alrilines Center in Dallas.
Four years ago, Texas to cheer about early that
advanced to the round of they even drowned out 16 as a No. 6 seed after the Texas pep band dur games in the same arena. Longhorns faithful were The following season, the quietly concerned. San Antonio as a spring. League's player of 'the board to the Final Four. year and top scorer, was from a Tucker was academically $\quad 15$ points. Jaber made only two of ineligible last March nine shots before half when the Longhorns lost time, but his free throw
to Nevada, only their with 6 seconds left gave fourth first-round loss in the Quakers a $23-22$ lead. 15 NCAA trips since the Gibson was the firs tourney field expanded to 64 teams in 1985 Peemed intent on making the second half before
David Whitehurst score in two first-round losses a tying basket inside Longhorns. The Quakers were broke the 25 -all tie, and unfazed by the crowd went ahead for good on
filled with burnt orange Aldridge's breakaway filled with burnt orange Aldridge's breakaway
shirts, and were often layup with 16:37 left. shirts, and were often layup with 16:37 left.
deliberate with their The Texas fans came to $\begin{array}{ll}\text { shots. } & \begin{array}{l}\text { life, though they were }\end{array} \\ \text { cautiously enthusiastic }\end{array}$ the tempo and get the until the consecutive shots we wanted," said
Mark Zoller, who had 13 Mark Zoller, who had 13 "I don't know what you
points for Penn. "It came guys expect. This is the points for Penn. "It came
down to them making big expect. This is the
NCAA $\begin{array}{ll}\text { plays." } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Barnes told a reporter } \\ \text { Still, Penn gave its own }\end{array} \\ \text { who asked the coach if he }\end{array}$ ontingency of only

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## Jets acquire Ramsey from Skins, Dallas cuts Rogers

(AP) - The New York Jets obtained quarterback Patrick Ramsey
from the Washington Redskins Friday for a sixth-round pick in next
month's draft, giving month's draft, giving
them insurance if Chad Pennington is slow to recover from his second shoulder injury in two years.
Meanwhile, the NFL acted on behalf of the
Seattle
Seahawks requesting Seanawks, Minnesota's offer to AllPro guard Steve Hutchinson go to arbitration. It will be heard by a special master
Monday, meaning that Seattle's deadline to match the $\$ 49$ million, six-year offer will be extended past Sunday's deadline.
In his four seasons, Ramsey has started 24
games, throwing for 34 touchdowns with 29 interceptions.
The Jets also are trying to trade disgruntled defensive end John
Abraham to the Seattle Abraham to the Seattle
Seahawks. A person familiar with the negotiations, who didn't want to be identified because the talks were ongoing, said Friday the
Seahawks have presentSeahawks have present-
ed the best trade package for Abraham: a firstround pick.
Atlanta, which has also been talking to the Jets, is only willing to
 agreed to a contract
with the Falcons worth
between $\$ 15$ million and $\$ 18$ million, but no trade with New York is complete.
Atlanta signed veteran safety Lawyer Milloy,
cut earlier this month by Buffalo, as they try to bolster a defense that was shredded late last season.
As for Hutchinson, the
Seahawks and Seahawks and the
league challenged a clause in his contract with the Vikings that requires that if he's not the team's highest-paid offensive lineman after the first year, the final
six years of his contract must be guaranteed. That would be difficult for the Seahawks, because left tackle
Walter Jones is the Walter Jones is the
team's highest-paid lineteam's highest-paid line-
man. The NFL Players Association said it will challenge the appeal, which could go to arbitration.
In other moves Friday: -Green Bay signed sive tackle Ryan Pickett and had Adam Vinatieri in town for a visit. -New Orleans signed former Minnesota RB Michael Bennett as
insurance for Deuce McAllister, who injured a knee last season. The Saints also signed former Seattle linebacker Anthony Simmons and safety Omar Stoutmire.
-Kansas City signed former Denver running
back Quentin Griffin Living it a backup for Larry Johnson if Priest Holmes decides to
retire. retire. -Pittsburgh re-signed cornerback Deshea Townsend, its last remaining unrestricted free agent. The Steelers also signed veteran defensive lineman Rodney Bailey. -Baltimore made tender offers to two restricted free agents, running
back Musa Smith and defensive lineman Jarret Johnson
-Buffalo re-signed Josh Reed, who has been its third wide receiver -Miami signed cornerback Renaldo Hill, a former Raider, to a three-year contract and
re-signed running back re-signed running back
Travis Minor. - Dallas cut offensive tackle Jacob Rogers, who never played in a game because injuries.
-New England signed free agent receiver spent his first four seasons in San Diego. -Former Dolphins quarterback Gus Frerotte signed a three-
year contract with the year contract with the
Rams. -Free-agent guard Toniu Fonoti signed with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.
-Defensive end
Kenard Lang signed a Kenard Lang signed a
three-year contract with the Broncos.


Kansas' Sasha Jaun battles Bradley's Tony Bennett for a rebound In the first half during the first round of the NCAA Tournament Friday at the Palace of Auburn Hills, In Auburn Hills, Mich
Deja Vu: Kansas falls in first round

By JON KRAWCZYNSKI AP Sports Writer AP Sorts Writer
AUBURN HILLS, Mich. "Bow Kansas has a "Bradley Bummer," too. Marcellus Sommerville scored 21 points and made
five 3 -pointers and 13thfive 3-pointers and 13thseeded Bradley handed
the fourth-seeded Jayhawks their second straight first-round exit
with a 77.73 victory in with a 77.73 victory in the
Oakland Regional Friday night.
The Braves picked up The Braves picked up
their first NCAA tournament victory in 20 years and advanced to play fifth-seeded Pittsburgh in
the second round the second round on
Sunday. Unlike the "Bucknell Bummer," a year ago,
missed a 15-footer at the

buzzer to give the 14thseeded Bison an inprob - But the Jayhaw le victory Kansas Bumited (25-8) looked unprepared and 18 turnovers of their looked unprepared and 18 turnovers down the | overwhelmed from the $\begin{array}{l}\text { stretch, and Jeff Hawkins } \\ \text { start in this one. } \\ \text { missed an open 3-pointer }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | The Braves (21-10) led in the corner that would by 14 with $15: 38$ to go, but have tied it with 1 minute let the Jayhawks back in to play.

the game with three Will straight turnovers with free throws in hit two around the five minutes free for a wide open left. By the time the inex- layup, and the Braves perienced Jayhawks sealed the stunner at the $\begin{array}{ll}\text { finally got acclimated to free throw line for their } \\ \text { the NCAA tournament } & \text { first NCAA victory since } \\ \text { pressure and intensity, } & 1986 \text {. }\end{array}$ however, it was too late. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Mario Chalmers made a } & \text { Chalmers scored eight } \\ \text { Maser }\end{array}$ Mario Chalmers made a of his 15 points in the -pointer after one of the final five minutes for play after the second and Kansas, which has lost in play after the second and the first round in back-toBummer, a year ago, a runner in the lane after back seasons for the fir
when Wayne Simien the final one that cut time in school history.

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7 p.m. Grand Entry
Contest Dancing
10 p.m. Close.
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| den salad, pineapple tid- | oatmeal, sausage, grape juice milk Lunch ham | beef wrap, western beans, |
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| bacon cheddar burger). |  | Wednesday: Breakfast, |
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| k; Lunch, chick | Friday: Breakfast, pancakes, sausage-on-a-stick, | scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits, cereal, buttered |
| arroz con queso | orange juice, syrup, milk; | toast, orange juice, milk; |
| , | Lunch, cheeseburger pockets, potato salad, oranges, milk, corn dogs. | Lunch, pepperoni pizza, green beans, garden salad, fruit cocktail, milk, |
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| ple juice, milk; Lunch, aghetti, corn, mixed |  |  |
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| ch, chili-dogs, |  |  |
| tots, pineapples, milk, |  |  |
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## Newcomers

- Harvey Cooper, wife, Glenda, formerly of Fort Worth. He is retired from fession.
Tim Topolski, wife, Paula, formerly of Andrews. He is a commercial specia ist at Auto Zone.
, Water, wife, Maria, former ly of Fife, Wa
er programer.
- Maryann Garza, sons, Santana, 10 Sabastien, 5, daughters, Crystal, 8 , Brisa, 3, formerly of San Antonio. - Ben Silva, wife, Erika, sons Aiden
and Isiah, 5 months old, formerly and Isiah, 5 months old, formerly
Houston. He is employed by StarTek
- Clay Hunt formery of Abilene. He
a fire fighter/E.M.T. for the Big Spring


## Fire Department. <br> - Averie Oliver, formerly of Red Oak

 - Armesha Randelson, daughter LeShas, 10 , son, William, 4, formerly of Riverside, Calif. He works for B.S. Auto\& Repair. - Chris Duvall, wife, Kristin, children Cambry, 5, Kylea, 3, formerly of Hughes Oil \& Gas.

- Kimberly Whitt, daughter, Heather 16, son, Nathan, 10 , formerly of Austin She is a clerk at Travel Centers of America.
Catherine Keeney, children, Daniel 9, Terra, 11, formerly of San Bernardi


## In the Military

U.S. Air Force 1st Lleutenant Floyd Green
U.S. Air Force First Lieutenant Floyd Green of Big Spring was been awarded the Air Force Achievement Medal for service during his deployment to Year - 2005 . Green, a 1997 graduate of BIE Spring High SChool, is attached to the 608th Air Intelligence Squadron. He is the son of the Rev. Floyd and Sandra Green of Big
Spring. Spring.


## Who's Who

Wimothy Schniers
South Plains College $\underset{\text { South Plains College }}{\text { inducted }}$ Schniers of Garden City into the Kappa Mu Kappa of Phi Theta Kappa Internationa
Honor Society Mart Honor Society March 7 at
p.m. in the SPC 7 p.m. in th
It is exciting to see so many young people excelling in the class room," said Dr. Kelvin Sharp, SPC president.
"These
students improving our lives by serving as leaders in the classroom and their own lives. They push SPC to continuously improve a an institution
Requirements for induc an institution offering an associate degree program, complete at least 12 hour of coursework and main tain a grade point average
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million in scholarships exclusively to Phi Theta Kappa members. Also, Phi Theta Kappa awards over $\$ 225,000$ in scholar-
ships each year to memships each year to mem
bers and chapter advi

## Layne Chapman

Layne Chapman has
been selected and has started interning with
songressman Randy Neugebauer, 19th District of Texas, U.S. House of
Representatives. Specifically, Layne has completed some training and in the Lubbock Office. Layne is truly
enjoying the opportunity enjoying the opportunity Texas Tech instead of Oklahoma State University. He is a great
young man and will represent us well Additionally, Layne is
receiving a great deal of support from his parents and his employer. Layne near Ackerly. Layne is
also on the Howard
College Ag Judging team and received strong rec-
ommendations from his

## Autumn George

Autumn George of Big
Spring was named to the Tarleton State University Distinguished Students list for the fall 2005 semes-
To be named a


Timothy Schniers
Distinguished Student, course.
students must be in goo standing with the Many students take University and for fresh- in travel courses. Others men and sophomores, examine the world of have a minimum GPR of work through internships
3.25 with no grade lower
and individual studies than C; and for juniors and individual studies
and still others complete and seniors, have a mini- in-depth explorations of mum GPR of 3.50 with no academic special interest grade lower than C. $\begin{aligned} & \text { courses. Students ar } \\ & \text { encourage to take course }\end{aligned}$ Austin Barton
Austin Barton, a
Coahoma
High School graduate and the son of Debra and Don Barton of Coahoma, spent the
month in Queretaro, Mexico participating in the course Mexico You
Never Imagined: Immersion Course.
Many students $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Many } & \text { students } \\ \text { College }\end{array}$ Austin College in
Sherman spent the month of January in various locations around the
globe. January Term is globe. January Term is
designed to allow designed to allow stu-
dents to take one in-depth course.
Many students take
opportunity to participate opportunity to participate
in travel courses. Others examine the world of work through internships
and individual studies and still others complete in-depth explorations of academic special interest courses. Students are encourage to take courses
outside their declared are outside their declared are
pursued majors.

Lindsay Phillips
Lindsay Phillips, a Big
Spring High Schoo Spring High School grad-
uate and the daughter of Penny and Jim Bob
Phillips, spent in Costa Rica participat ing in a course entitled Spanish in the Tropics. $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Many } & \begin{array}{c}\text { students } \\ \text { College }\end{array}\end{array}$ Austin College in globe. Jan around the globe. January Term is designed to allow stu MEDICAL SPA Dr. Steve Ahmed
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Borden High School
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Borden High School sophomore Rachel Wilson and junior Rowdy Clary won second place at the state UIL speech and

Borden High School speech students earn second place at state UIL contest Rachel Wilson and ond-high speaker for the Rowdy Clary won second entire tournament among $\mathrm{U} \mathrm{U}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{v}$ e r s itty She finished with a perInterscholastic League fect 120 speaker points in CX Meet on the the preliminary rounds. University of Texas cam- She is the daughter of pus.
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Raegan Laurice Fishpaw
7 aegan Laurice Fishpaw, à girl, was born Jan. 27, 2006, in Irvine Calif., at 7:48 a.m., weighing 6 pounds, 2 ounces and was 18.5 inches long. Her parents are Jim and Kim (Middleton) Fishpaw. Her grandparents are John and Cindy Middleton of
Big Spring and Gloria Fishpaw of Bucyrus, Ohio.


Kameron Shae Jackman
7 ameron Shae Jackman, a boy, was born March 8, 2006, at 5:20 a.m. weighing 8 pounds, His parents are Michael and Devyn Jackman of Bi Spring. His grandparents are Auggie and Apri Martinez, Denise Creekmore, Bucky and Tammy Jackman and Lisa Fryar.

naLisa Rose De Los Santos, a girl, was born March h1, 2006, at 2:39an.m. weighing 7 pounds, Her parents are Jaime and Jennifer De Los Santos of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Edward and Ida Rangel and Manuela De Los Santos, all of Big Sprin and Luz De Los Santos of Abilene. Marissa, Jasmine, Augustine and Esperans, Salvador,


Mountaln View Lodge sponsors a reception for the Volunteer of the Month at the Spring City Sede enter. Plctured are Doyce Reed, January volunteer, Eerkist Grubaugh, February volunteer and Norma Perkins, March volunteer.

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Kaylee Lynn Kinsey
7 aylee Lynn Kinsey, a girl, was born March 6, 2006, at $2: 31 \mathrm{p.m}$. weighing 8 pounds, 14 ounces Her parents are Ashley and Billy Kinsey. Her grandparents are Julie and Wayne Johnson and Tina and Ricky Kinsey.


Raul Mendez III
R aul Mendez III, a boy, was born March 11, 2006 at 7:42 p.m. weighing 6 pounds, 12 ounces and
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## Regional economic conference set in Lubbock

LUBBOCK - About 60 state speak at 9:30 a.m. about the busi and federal agencies will partici Economic Opportunity Forum March 22 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The forum, hosted by Texas Tech University and the State of Business Discussion Outreach Committee, will be held in conjunction with one of several small business summits held
across the state by the governor's across the state by the governor's
office. Gov. Rick Perry wil

State hospital top employees to be named

## Special to the Herald

Big Spring State Hospital's highest-achieving employees ing the iospital's yearly commendation awards ceremony Wednesday afternoon in the hospital's

## Commendation award win- ners are selected on their work

 performance, attendance and supervisor evaluations. A committee of past award recipients Big Spring State Hospital CEO Ed Moughon and Assistant CEO Jok Simons also will hand out award cer$10,15,20$ and 25 years.Employees who have been particular fields during the past year also will be recog. nized. They are Roe Lynn Fuqua, RN, RN of the Year; Chris Lopez, LVN, LVN of the
Year; James A. Clark Psychiatric Aide of the Year;
Melissa Adams, ATD Employee of the Year; and of the Prophet, Social Worker of the Year.
psychiatric hospital serving peuple living in 58 counties in West Texas and the Texas Panhandle.

## Public Records



The theme for the one-day forum is "Selling Texas One will be a full day of discussion and education on a variety of top ics of concern to small-business es. How to get financing from myriad sources, HUB certifica to do business with the state are the major topics to be discussed. Participants will have an opportunity to network with
city/state/federal procurement city/state/federal procurement
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The forum is The forum is sponsored by
Texas Tech University, HUB
Discussion Workgroup Outreach Committee Workgroup Outreach the South Plains Forum exhibits and workshops are free to the public. The the
luncheon is $\$ 20$ per person. To register or to obtain more information about the forum, contact: Lorenzo "Bubba" Sedeno, Texas Tech University manager of HUB
operations, at (806) $742-4440$ or operations, at (806) 742-4440 or
bubba.sedeno@ttu.edu

Patterson-UTI concludes its embezzlement investigation
$\underset{\text { Patterson-UTI }}{\text { SNYDER }} \quad$ Energy Inc. said Friday it has finished an investigation into the alleged embezzlement of $\$ 77.5$ million by officer and that no other officials knowingly took part in the scheme. The oil and gas drilling company also said it share in 2005, compared to 56 cents per share in
2004 . Analysts expect the company to earn $\$ 2.16$ per share, according to a pol by Thomson Financial. the profit forecast in its request for a 15-day
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The company described the results of the ember zlement investigation in an amended financial
report for 2004 , which it also filed Friday with the

The company said for mer CFO Jonathan D.
Nelson used phony invoices to divert $\$ 77.5$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { million from } \\ \text { November } & 1958 \text { to } \\ 2005\end{array}$ Authorities say he spent plane, an airfield, a cattle ranch, a truck stop homes and vehicles.
Nelson resigned November and is sched uled to go on trial in May
The SEC obtained an order freezing his assets Nelson's lawyer did no immediately
The company acknowl edged that it failed to
maintain effective internal control over financial reporting at the end of it made for 2004 , rependin Patterson-UTI drills oil and gas wells for explo ration and production companies in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, eight Canada.



March Madness fouls out with bosses


Coahoma FFA student's steer wins Grand Champion at Houston Grand Champion Junior Market Hereford Steer in
the Houston Livestock Show went to Berkley Iden of the Houston
$\underset{\text { Larry, Iden's steer weighed in at } 1,213 \text { pounds }}{ }$ Iden, 15, a member of Coahoma FFA, has been years. She previously placed second and sixth at the show.
Judge Jack Ward of Kansas City, Kan., said, "This animal is a well-balanced steer that has a good length of body."
by frank barnako MarketWatch
WASHINGTON - March Madness is being treated like a tion. Several company executives in the nation's capital say they have closed employees' Internet access to CBS SportsLine.com men's basketball tournament "When we started to look at once you get past the bandwidth issue, , it's also a business focus issue," said Derek van Bever, research officer at Washingto
Corporate Executive Board Corporate Executive Board.
The prospect of the compan 1,400 employees watching games over the 19-day tourney was just too much. "Is there any good reason to run this risk?" van Bever answer is no."
Another employee, at a major defense contractor, told the Post his firm has also cut access to the March Madness portal on CBS SportsLine.

Companies better get used to Raul Fernandez, according to Object Video, which uses video technolog't to assess threats to critical operations such as air ports and oil refineries. "It's a phenomenon that businesses said. "It's not just basketball; it's also 'Desperate Housewives.' For me, it falls into the category under trusting employees to get A spokesman Martin Corp. spoid for Lockheed Mapet Corp. said he wouldn't be upset "if my guys want to get a sandwich and during their lunch break watch a game. However, if some are screaming and shout
ing" when they're supposed to be working, that would be a prob lem. Nationally, distractions caused by the NCAA tournament wil
cost the economy an estimate $\$ 3.8$ billion in lost worker produc tivity, said John Challenger, chie executive officer of Challenger.

Continued from Page 4C said Schmidt, who is now or Rapp Collins Worldwide in rrving, Texas. "Once upon a time, the
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would freak people out. would freak people have BlackBerries and TiVos and cell phones that take pictures.
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fied, that value has been eflated as well." In an interesting bit of syn talk last fall on the same subject before seeing the Gartner report, entitled: "Is the IT Profession Dying in the U.S.?" His short answer. "No, bu Schmidt drew on his years in the IT business for
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ship, and skills in communication, negotiation and networking are becoming imperatives for IT careerists. "Many times, people will discount these as 'soft' skills important," he said. "But pure techies are not going to survive."
Schmidt says he thinks the effects of outsourcing may not prove as devastating as some have predicted. "Enough peosourcing," he said. "It takes a pretty patient individual to
manage an offshore project."
wave of churn in the job market? Morello's advice for IT professionals: Choose an area of expertise, develop habits of ongoing learning and build strong relationships that will help cement employability. Schmidt's colleague, Mark Zahorik, who is Rapp Collins'
chief information officer has chief information officer, has survival in the IT business. "People who know 'how' will always work for those who know 'why,"' he said. To survive, tech folks will
need to understand the need to understand the
answers to questions like, "Why is this technology going to enable a business objec- company in the markets Zahorik adds that he's honed his business skills at Rapp Collins, particularly as the market research firm began offering some of its proprietary technological applications to clients. By selling
the IT component as a product on the open market, rather than simply a staff function, he's sharpened his busines, understanding of the func tion.
Schmidt offers this litmus "Ask yourself, 'Would patent myself?' If you define yourself as a specialist in a single technology, then you're said. "All you're doing is placing your bet on a specific technology or application, rather than your own unique
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#### Abstract

this looks like. Don't shortchange yourself, you are capable of greatness. if you still don't believe from a Libra. GEMINI (May 21-June think of to simplify your life. The more straightforward your activities are, the more time you'll have to pursue what you really enjoy. CANCER (June 22-July 22). Try many options until you find the one you until you find the one you are most passionate are most passionate belly will give you clarity of purpose, without which all actions are merely reactions. Don't be sucked in by the promise of a quick buck. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). This would be a highyou simply won't have it. The more nonsensical and irrelevant an activity seems, the more attracted you'll be to it


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

Dear Annie: My hus
band and I recently spen two nights at the home o his best friend, "Bob," and Bob's wife, "Mary. We slept in a nice, pri
vate, heated room above the garage. We've don this before, and it's always worked out great. our stay, the weather turned icy. Since the quarters involved climb ing 14 treacherous out we should Mary decided bedroom. (She and her husband have separat rooms.) Their house also has a sofa bed, however, and Ithought it would be rather than sleep ther from her room. We eve tually agreed on that Later, Mary told us she wanted us to sleep in her more private I it was couldn't possibly do that I said my mother raised me not to intrude on
someone else's personal space. She insisted it was more convenient because she didn't want to tiptoe morning. I refused.
Finally, Mary said she'd never felt so insulted and was upset because I kep using the word "personal as if there was somethin or she had a hygien problem or something. I, stand why she kept insisting we sleep in her bed
when we'd already made up the sofa bed. Mary stomped off to her husband and I, and my the sofa bed. The next morning we left early. I them would give us both time to cool off, but it's now a week later, and there are still hurt feelings.
polite guest in her house and did not want to put
her to any trouble. Was she wrong to insist on the bedro
Dear Sue: You were both wrong. Mary should not
have insisted that you use her bedroom knowing that you were uncomfortable doing so. You, on the to be considerate and ended up being a pain in the neck. Leaving without speaking compounded the Mary and Call or write her you would not want this minor tiff to wreck a you'd like to pretend it
never happened. And do

it soon.
Dear Annie: Six years ago, I bought a computer
thinking it would help me keep in contact with family and friends. But ever address, I have been bombarded with tons of jokes, which I have come to detest.
I don't need a computer endless games Solitaire, so if I wan read jokes, I will cancel my Internet service renew my library card and save $\$ 22$ a month. If
my friends and my friends and family phone or meet me for lunch. Do others feel this way, or am I just - Weird in Indiana? Dear Indiana: You are
not alone, trust not alone, trust us, to-delete joke collections over chain letters that make you feel guilty if
you don't send them on to
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should ask regular offeu ers to take you off thei stop forwarding lists and stop forwarding stuff you
have neither the time nor inclination to read. Yo also can block the e-mails honor your request. Dear Annie: In respons you helpfully mentioned
that she should contac her local YWCA or state
Department of Labor for job counseling and other assistance for displace
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most successful students are those who seek a life change, and we are there path. - Debra Crawford ${ }_{\text {Director of }}^{\text {pat }}$ Information, Colorado Mountain, College Glenwood Springs, Colo.
Dear Debra Crawford Dear Debra Crawford
Community colleges are wonderful resource for those seeking to improve
their lives through education. Thank you so much tion. Thank you so much
for writing. Dear Annie: My 84-year-old mother was nursing home after a fall. Mom has lived alone for
few years, she's gone
downhill.
I am 500 miles away, but my brother lives nearby, and he did everything in her apartment. When she fell down, she was for rehabilitation. After evaluating her, the doc-
tors came to the concluors came to the conclu-
sion that she can no longer live alone. Mom is not aware that she is in the facility per-
manently. She knows she needs 24 -hour knows she she believes it's tempo ary. Mom refuses to use her walker and waits for a er she needs to go. Therapy is the only place
she gets exercise. She cries and carries on that she wants to go home asking us to come get her. When we tell her she cannot leave, she threatens to walk home.
to her that the nursing home is best? Her quality of life is so much better there. Not only does she are people around her are people around her
constantly. My brother other every day, as do other family members.
I'm not sure she appreciates it. Should we be
doing more? - Helpless doing more? - Helpless
in North Carolina Dear Helpless: mother may recognize her need to be in the home,
requires that she receive some help adjusting to and dealing with any pos sible depression. any possible depression. Some nursing homes have a
social worker on staff and also an independen ombudsman assigned to help address such issues. The phone number for the ombudsman should be not, ask the administra. not, you also can speak with the admissions coor dinator or one of the nurs es to find out if the home has an arrangement with to provide therapeuti services.
Dear
Dear Annie: I have coached high school sports for 15 years. At the end of every season, we
have an "Awards Night" where we recognize each student-athlete, and w also honor a few student who have given their all to the sport. there is always at least one person who complains that his or her child didn't get one of these "special" awards. This season, we had two parents who were particuchildren had lackluster years and lost all enthusiasm for the sport. When their children didn't receive honors, the par-
ents labeled me as unfair and retaliated by unfair aging their kids not to

Please tell parents they Po their children a disservice by teaching them hat they are always enti-
thed to the top award Being gracious when one oses and being happy for teammate who has accomplished something special are qualities that and team unity than grab bing a trophy to fulfill the vicarious needs of a par Dear - Caring Coach Dear Coach: There always will be parents
who expect their children to get better grades and higher honors, deserved or not. These children often go through life thinking they are entitled convinced they are fail convinced they are fail parents do them no favor

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## The Spider

During Mark Twain's days as a newspaperman, he was the editor of a small Missouri paper.

One day, he received a letter from a subscriber stating that he had found a spider in his p pper and asked if this was an omen of good or bad luck.

Twain repli申d, "Findmg a spider in your paper is neither good nor bad luck. The spider was merely looking of er our pager to see which merchant was not advertising so that he could eo to that store, spint kis wet across the door and lead a life of undisturbed peace


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## DIVERSIONS




David Bloomer/Paramount Classics/KRT
Salma Hayek and Colin Farrell star in. Paramount Classics' "Ask the Dust."


## 'Ask the Dust' is worth the effort

When exiting the theater showing "Ask the Dust," don't tell anyone, including yourself, what you thought of the movie.
Give it time to grow on you. And it will. "Ask the Dust" becomes more impressive every time you think about it. Even viewers who never think about a movie will connect with those aspects of this LA eulogy that carry universal resonance.
Director and screenwriter Robert Director and screenwriter Robert bring the late John Fante's atmospheric novel of 1930s Los Angeles to the screen. The once-forgotten, now-revered novelist created an indelible portrait of lonely people on the fringes of LA's literary and cinematic circles. None of his characters would have a 90210 zip characters would have a 90210 zip
code, but they are fascinating indicode, bu
Obviously, the City of the Angels, in this case tarnished angels, fascinates Towne. His earlier screenplays for "Chinatown" and "Shampoo" captured the essence of Los Angeles in different decades. As expected, he and Fante prove complementary creative bedfellows.
In adapting the Fante novel, Towne accomplishes an extremely difficult feat: He actually makes writer's block seem exciting. Towne is one of the most literary yet accessible of filmmakers, and every frame of "Ask the Dust" indicates his respect for writers. Even the opening credits have a background of turning pages.
The writer in question, Arturo Bandini (Colin Farrell), has traveled west to make his name in American literature. Like Philip Seymour Hoffman's Truman Capote, he's absolutely certain of his genius, but Farrell's Bandini is easier to like. Still, he's plagued by the self-absorption that consumes many writers.
To his dismay, he discovers that he can hardly create a sentence. He also discovers that 1930s Los Angeles is rife with prejudice. His landlady (sharply played by Eileen Atkins) crisply informs him that Atkins) crisply informs him that
she does not accept dogs, Hispanshe does not accept dogs, Hispan-
ics or Jews. Bandini is relieved that she at least has no pronounced prejudice against Italians.
The two women who become vital parts of his LA scene, smolder-

## By PHILIP WUNTCH

 The Dallas Morning Newsing Mexican waitress Camilla (Salma Hayek) and desperate Jewish caregiver Vera (Idina Menzel), have long been familiar with prejudice. Somewhat to his surprise, Bandini discovers that he is' not entirely free of prejudice, and his treatment of both women fluctuates between reluctant tenderness and harsh insensitivity
Bandini, it seems, is nearly a total innocent. His passion is for words rather than any form of personal contact, but he ultimately proves responsive.
Farrell is surprisingly convincing at registering innocence. But he never shies away from Bandini's less endearing traits. He also captures the character's arrogance, petulance and social limitations.

Hayek reveals Camilla's sensuousness in every gesture, proving more than a match for Bandini in several important areas. She also registers occasional vulnerability and neediness. Menzel, who won considerable praise on Broadway for her roles in "Wicked" and "Rent," wrenches your heart as the frantic, wounded Vera. Donald Sutherland is eerily effective as Bandini's shadowy, possibly shellshocked neighbor. You may think you're watching his "Day of the Locust" character 30 years later.
Most of the film's action is internalized, but director Towne creates an exciting earthquake that plays an integral part in the story. He and superb cinematographer Caleb Deschanel create haunting visuals of retro Southern California.
Whether or not you're familiar with John Fante, if you like novels, you'll like "Ask the Dust." It's melancholy and leisurely, and it's worth the effort.

## ASK THE DUST

Grade: B
Starring Colin Farrell, Salma Hayek, Idina Menzel and Donald Sutherland. Directed by Robert Towne. R (language, sex, full nudity, violence). 117 mins. In limited release.

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## A come-from-behind winner

## 'Dreamer' is far-fetched, but a warm tale of determination

Stories of hard-luck horses and the people who love them have galloped across movie screens for decades. From "National Velvet" to "My Friend Flicka" to "Seabiscuit," the horse that comes from behind is beloved by Hollywood.

In "Dreamer," the horse Russell), trains racehorses. is an elegant chestnut thor- When Sonador suffers a pooughbred named Sonador, tentially career-ending inSpanish for "dreamer." Her jury in a race, her owner young cheerleader is Cale fires the trainer and orders Crane (Dakota Fanning), the horse destroyed. Inwhose father, Ben (Kurt stead, Ben Crane takes Sonador as part of his severance pay, hoping to reha bilitate her for breeding. Cale befriends the horse and learns to read the "Racing Form" with her grandfather (Kris Kristofferson), a trainer whose relationship with his son is chilly, even as he funds Ben's hopes of breeding a champion. Sonador proves infertile, but her injured leg heals enough for her to run again.
Crane puts the horse in his daughter's name and conditions the filly for a return to racing. In the tradition of storybook horses, Sonador's comeback is at the Breeder's Cup Classic, one of thoroughbred racing's most prestigious events.
The slow-motion race action shows how Sonador threads her way through a rugged field of horses toward the finish line.
The film was inspired by the true story of Mariah's Storm, a promising horse who broke her shinbone in a 1993 race but returned to the track a year later, winning eight more races.
The DVD includes a fea-

ture on Mariah's Storm and a segment on taking care of a horse, featuring Fanning and many of the film's 40 horses. Another bonus illustrates how the race scenes were filmed, with cheering crowds and careful choreography of the ful choreography of the
running horses. Russell, running horses. Russell also offer commentary on their roles.
While "Dreamer" re quires hard-core horse afi cionados to suspend disbe lief - an injured filly strid ing to victory in the Classic, a race always won by male horses? - it supplies a look at determination family bonding and the horse of many a dreamer.

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| ESPA | Wree to Wire Drag Race |  | Drag Race ${ }^{\text {Stree }}$ |  | Snowmoblie Racting |  | Poker: 200 <br> Horn | Poker: 2004 |  | Horn | Women's Colle | ge Basketball: | ICAA Second | Round | Wm. Basketbal |  |
| ESPW | MLB Proseason Baseball: Dodgers at Mariins |  |  |  | 1st and 10 Burning <br> Movie: **\$ "The Enforcer" (  |  |  |  |  | SportsCenter (Live) |  | College Besketball: NIT Second Round -- Teams TBA |  |  |  | College Basketball |  |
| USA | Hovie: ** Zeglonnaliv" (1900, Action) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Law Order: CI |  | Law \& Order: SVU |  | Movie: *** "mitoterable Cruelly" (2003) Premiere. |  |  |  |
| D ME | Investigative Aeports (CC) |  | Arrline (CC) \|ainime (C) |  | Family Plots \|Family Plots |  |  |  | American Jus |  | Cold Case Files (CC) |  | Million Dollar | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Dog } \\ \hline \text { Auctions (N) } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Dog the Bounty Hunter (CE |  |
| - T | A Baby Story | Baby | Cloen Sweop (CC) |  | Trading Spaces (CC) |  | While You Were Out (CC) |  | Martha (N) (CC) |  | Overhaulin: Biggest Beate |  |  |  | Overhaulin' | 192 Cuth |
| (8) MCK | Spongeetob | Spongoeiob | Neutron | \|Neutron | Oddparents Oddparents |  | SpongeBob | [Drake \& Jo | Ned's School | Danny P | Oddparent | Neutron | SpongeBob | All Gro | Full House | Hi-links ( N |
| Tras | Premlershlp Soccer: Tearms to Be Announced. (Taped) |  |  |  | March Madness Coaches |  | Monte Cario millions |  | Chris Myers | Sports List | Chris Myers | AFL Weekly | Chris Myers | Poker | Best Damn Sports Stow |  |
| (8) TM | Milamil Vice French Twist' |  | Bonanza "The Deserter' |  | Gunsmoke "Liat" (CC) |  | Leave | Andy Griffith | All in Family | Santord | Good Times | Good Tim | Lutie House | on the Pral | Andy Griftith | Santord |
| - METV | Milesion | Dosign | Design-Dime | Designeri | House | Designer | That's Clever Landscape <br> Modern Marvels (CC) |  | Renovation <br> Wodern Marvels ( |  | Curb Appeal |  | Designed <br> Shootoutl (CC) |  | Decorating | Curb |
| - HET | Nilagare: A History of the Falls (CC) |  |  |  | Modern Marvels (CC) |  |  |  | Francis Bacon |  |  |  |  |  |
| -3 SC. | Twillight Zone ${ }^{\text {Twillght }}$ Zone |  | Twillight Zone \|Skull Itlend |  | Rlpley's Belleve H or Not! |  | The $x$-Files "Ouagmire" $n$ |  |  |  | Stargate SG-1 Fair Game* |  | Morie: ** "Not of This Earth" (1995) Michael York. |  |  |  | "How to Make a Monster" <br> Movie: "Walkout" (2006) $\cap$ |  |
| 200 HEO | (12:00) Movie: | Wallout" | movie: \#*k ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Vanlly Foffr" (2004) Reese Witherspoon. PG-13 (CC) <br>  |  |  |  | "Don' Tall Mom the Babysither's Dead" |  |  | (6:15) Movie: ** "A Cinderentia Story" (2004) 'PG' (CC) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 220) SHOW |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Movie: \#-'Beyond Bonder' (2003) Angolina Jolie. 'R' |  |  |  | ${ }^{(6: 45) ~ M o}$ | ** "Without a Paddil" (2004) 'PG-13' |  |  | "Open Wr" |  |  |
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| - IWES | Law a Order: SVU |  | Nowe | The Tonight Show-Jay Leno |  | Late Night-Conan O'Brien |  | Solimeta | The Tonight Show-Jay Leno |  | Late Night-Conan O'Brien |  | ${ }^{\text {Paid Program }}$ | Earty Today | Bu | Early Today |
| - TBS | Sointeld (CC) [Solintold (CC) |  | (10:15) | *** "Twlster" (1996) (PA) Helen HumL. |  |  | (12:15) Move: | *** ${ }^{7}$ | (1996) (PA) Helen Hume. |  | (2:15) Movie: *s "Two II by Sea" (1996) Denis Leary. |  |  |  | inters | Parent 'Hood |
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| - TM |  |  | Happening1 | Cheers (CC) | Night Court | Santord | All in Family | Cheers (CC) | Andy Griffith | Andy Griffth | Top 10 Notal | le vehicles. | Unexpected | Moments | Comedy | Comedy |
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| 220 SHOW |  |  | The L Word last Dance" |  | Supermodel **s "Girr" (19 | [(11:45) Movie: | *** "The Woodsman" |  | (1:15) Movie: : **x "Harvard Man" (2001) 'R' (CC) |  |  |  | Movies "Gafmy Hunter" (2004) 'NR' (CC) |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { d Foses" } \\ & \hline \text { "Doelvering" } \\ & \text { "Wth" } \end{aligned}$ |
| (250) TMC | $\begin{aligned} & (30) \text { Movle: "Open Water" } \\ & (845) \text { Wove: "Teachling ITra } \end{aligned}$ |  | Tingo (CC) | (10:20) Movie: |  |  | Movie: $\ddagger$ \% "m | anhooon" (2003) | NR' (CC) | (1:25) Movie: | *8 "Freadbach | $\boldsymbol{*}^{\prime \prime}(2002)$ |  |  |  |  |



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| (3) KPEJ | Hatchett | \| Hatchett | The Tyra Banks Show (CC) |  | Judge Brow | Judgo-Brown | $\text { Montel Williarns } \cap \text { (CC) }$ |  | King of Hill | Stimpsons | My Wifo | ymo | Bones ( N ) | ) (CC) | dol | Unan |
| KOSA | As the World Turns $\cap$ (CC) |  | Guiding Light $n$ | $n(C)$ | Friends (CC) | Drew Carey |  |  | Now | BS Ne | New | Ent. Tonigh | Practice | Courting Al | Criminal mind | (N) $\cap$ |
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| (1) KWES | Passions $\cap$ (CC) |  | Maury (CC) |  | Dr. Phill $\cap$ (CC) |  | News Edition |  | News | C | News | Be-millionaire | Doal or No Doel | 0 ( N$) \cap$ (C | Law 4 Order | N) $\cap$ (CC) |
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| (2id TDC | The New Detectives (CC) |  | The FBI Flies (CC) |  | The FBI Flles (CC) |  |  |  | Cash Cab | Cash Cab | Extreme Engineering (CC) |  | ou Noed to Know |  | Myy heusters (CC) |  |
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| (2PIIE | Star Trok: Next Gener. |  | Star Trek: Next Gene |  | Star Trek: Next Gener. |  | Maximum Exposure $\cap$ (CC) |  | Wildest Pollice Videos |  | CSI: Crime Scene Invsigtr. |  | CSI: Crime Scene Invsigtt. |  | Wovie: "Pushing Tn" (1999) |  |
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| 688 ESPN | NBA Access |  |  |  | Bes | Poker: 2004 |  | Best of Horn <br> SportsCenter (Live) (CC)  |  | College Baske |  | Eerinal - Teams TB |  | College Basketball |  |
| [5] ESPN | MLB Preseason Baseball: Philles at Braves |  | Uniled Stales al |  |  | SportsCenter (Live) |  |  |  | Interruption | NBA | NBA Basketball: Miami Heat at Detron Pistons (CC) |  |  |  |
| [10) USA | (12:30) Movie: | : *x "Anerah | *: Earthquake in | In New York" (19 | 1999) Tom Skerrit | It. (CC) | Movie: *** "Intolerable Cruelty" (2003) (CC)City Contidential (CC)American Justice: |  |  |  | Law 8 Order: SVU |  | Law Order: CI |  | Law Order: C |  |
| 373 A ${ }^{\text {de }}$ | Biography "Dr. Phir (CC) |  | Biography "Jodie Foster" Jodie Foster (CC) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cold Case Files (CC) |  |  |  | Inked (CC) | Inked (CC) |
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| (30) NCK | SpongeBob | SpongeBob | Neutron | Neutron | Nicktoons TV | Nicktoons TV | Sponge | Dra | Ned's Scho |  | Danny Pha | Oddparen | Neut | SpongeBob | All Grow | Wild land Am |  |
| [3] FXS | Baylor Sports | Long |  |  | UnimateBet.net Poker Challenge |  |  |  | Pok | Sports List | Chris Myers | Big 12 Show | SW Sports | NHL HoCl |  |  |
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| 56 HGTV | Mission | Design | Design-Dime | Designers | House | D Designer | That's Clever | Landscapers | Renovation | Weekend | Curb Appeal | House | 1 Want-Bathe | Kitchens | I Want That | Landsca |
| 6 HIST | Napoleon: Rule Europe |  | Napoteon: Rule Europe |  | Napoleon: Rule Europe |  | Napoleon: Rute Europe |  | Napoleon: Rute Europe |  | Modern Marvels (CC) |  | Modern Marvels "Trucks" |  | Modern Marvels (CC) |  |
| 6 SCIIP | Proof Positive: Paranormal <br> (12:30) "White Noise" (CC) |  | Proof Positive: Paranormal |  | Pripley's Believe H or Not! |  | The $x$-files 'Wetwired $n$ |  | Stargate SG-1 ${ }^{\text {Leogacy }}$, $n$ |  | Ghost Hunters $\cap$ (CC) rue Underdog Story" (2004) |  | Ghost Hunters $\cap$ (CC) Big Love "Viagra Blue" (CC) |  | Ghost Hunters $\cap$ (CC). |  |
| E00 HBO |  |  |  Sopranos <br> $* * *$ Real Sports $\cap$  <br> "No Small Affair" (1984) 'R  |  |  | Movie: *** "The Laramie Profect" $\cap$ "The SpongeBob SquarePants Movle" |  |  | (5:15) Movie: "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" (2004) |  |  |  | Big Love "Viagra Blue" (CC) The Sopranos $\cap$ (CC) Movie: "Sky Captain and the Workd of Tomorrow" (2004) |  |  |  |
| 220 SHOW | (12:30) "Dirty Deeeds" (2002) |  |  |  |  | Movie: | meline" (2003) F | Paul Walker. PG | (13) (CC) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 250 |  |  | ( $\mathbf{2}: 10$ ) Movie: * | * "Bookies" | (2003) $\mathrm{A}^{\prime}$ |  | (3:40) Movie: *\% "Triggermen" (2002) $\cap$ ' R |  |  | (5:20) Move: *** "Crime Spree" 'R' |  |  | Movie: **** "The Crying Game" (1992) $\cap$ ' $\mathrm{R}^{\prime}$ |  |  |  |






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| $\omega^{1 / 8}$ TBS | "My Beat Frrend's" | (10:10) Movie: | *** While | You Were Sloeping" (1995) |  | Family Guy | iturame | The Oblongs | Mr. Snow-Bob |  | Family Gu | Futurame | The Obiong: | Mr St | Prent 'H |
| 13 MLM | Light of the Southwost | The Hour of tealing |  | CCM | Betty Swann | Updatelsra | CM | Light of the So | unwes |  |  | Hour o: He | ealing | Cnristian | Richard P . |
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| 20. TDC | A Haunting (N) | The FBI Files -Deadly Trair |  | The FBI Files (CC) |  | Shouldn't Be Alive |  | Haunting |  | Paid Progi | Pr | Paid Program | Paid Pro | Pard Program | Paid Program |
| (2) AMC |  | Halloween" (1978, Horror) |  | (11:15) Movie: "Croature From the Black Lagoon" (1954) |  |  |  | "Abominabte Snowman of Himalayas' |  |  | (2:45) Movie | Hallom | (1978. |  | Ons |
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## Don't ask Keith about Bush, ask him about fried bologna

Toby Keith isn't who you think, whatever that may be.
To "blue-staters," the country singer represents a barbaric, knuckle-dragging jingoism where might makes right and opposing viewpoints are unwelcome, if not heretical. To "redstaters" - arguably his core fan base - Keith is a pro-Bush, pro-war man's man who doesn't take any crap from those effete liberals on the East Coast.
To hear Keith tell it, he's an entertainer, end of story.
"'You shouldn't care if I'm voting for Clinton or voting for Bush; you should care who you're voting for," Keith says during a lengthy phone conversation from a tour stop in Louisiana. (As it happens, he's voted for both: Keith says he is a lifelong registered Democrat who voted twice for Bill Clinton and twice for George W. Bush).
"The people who say the most are the people who matter the least. Just because we're entertainers or songwriters, nobody should give a damn what we have to say," he says.
Plenty of people gave a damn in 2002, when Keith released the single "Courtesy of the Red, White and Blue (The Angry American)" from the album "Unleashed." The song, a response to the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, became a cultural flashpoint as people lined up to either denounce or embrace its sentiments. Commentators were so busy stirring up controversy around the lyrics - "You'll be sorry that you messed with / The U.S. of A. / 'Cause we'll put a boot in your ass / It's the American way," was the part most often cited that many missed what Keith says was the point.
"I wrote Courtesy of the

Red, White and Blue' ... for the people that were going to have to go round up the bad guys who flew those planes into the towers. That was it," he says. "That's the whole point of that song. It's about justice and security, OK? But you never get a chance to tell your side of the deal. You just have to put it out and say, I support the fathers and daughters and mothers and brothers who are going to have to go over there and' find these people, and it's going to be nasty, and God bless you for Toby Keith is greeted warmly at Edwards Air Force Base.
having the honor to go try to do this.'
Although controversy over the song marked the most turbulent period in Keith's career, it also helped elevate Keith above the crowd in country music. It certainly didn't hurt his popularity - "Unleashed" and a follow-up, 2003's "Shock 'N Y'all" have each sold more than 4 million copies. His latest, last year's "Honkytonk U," has already sold more than 1 million copies while earning some of the best reviews Keith has received. Born in Oklahoma in 1961, Keith grew up watching his grandmother play country music in a beer joint she owned - his own version of Honkytonk $U$ and remembers how much the music awed him.
"Listening to her band play every night, I was just mesmerized," he says. "I would sit and just think, man, how important they
are to get up there and be able to make this great music and get these people here to eat and drink and see this band.
He calls themexperience "life-altering," and says he knew then, at 11 years old, that he wanted to make music.
"It was like my life was set out for me when I was a kid, that this was what I was going to do," he says. "I didn't know if it could happen, but this was the strongest urge I had, was to just follow this path. I didn't know, honest to God, if it was going to happen, but in my mind, it wasn't if. it was when.
"When" came with his first album, a self-titled effort in 1993. He has since released eight albums of new material, a Christmas record and a handful of hits compilations, and he has another studio album scheduled for release in April.

But music isn't all Keith has been working on. Instead of renegotiating his contract with Dreamworks last year, Keith left to start his own record label. He also lent his name to a restaurant at Harrah's in Las Vegas and has completed filming on a movie, Broken Bridges," that fea tures Kelly Preston, Burt Reynolds and Tess Harper Due out late this summer, the movie traces the story of a singer-songwriter played by Keith who leaves home, gets strung out on fame and then liquor and returns, a has-been, to discover his old flame has been raising their child.
"It was quite an experience, and probably the most creative thing I've done in maybe a decade,' Keith says.
Although Keith isn't in volved in the daily operations of I Love This Bar \& Grill at Harrah's, he did approve the menu, which
meant choosing food he would want to eat. Instead of pecan-encrusted catfish, he specified cornmeal. And if the restaurant was going to serve meatloaf, well, then, how about a cold meatloaf sandwich, too? Keith says he even in structed the kitchen staff how to make the restaurant's best-selling item: a fried-bologna sandwich.
"It's ,. become a little thing," he says. "Everybody comes up and goes, Man, I went to your restaurant in Vegas and it's awesome. ...' I'm just sitting back here grinning.
Nevermind the political controversy. Think of Keith and think of a singer, an actor, an entrepreneur. Or just think of him sitting there, grinning.

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    ## A Small Prayer

    by K. Rae Anderson
    When we get thrown off track, Lord, You put us back on

