



28 years later, rodeo still fun for everyone

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Coahoma kindergarten students were saddling up and movin' out Thursday morning, as the class presented the 28th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo in fine fashion.

Complete with just about every rodeo event you can think of — from pole bending to bull riding — pint-sized cowboys and cowgirls showed off their hard work in something kindergarten teacher Kathy Nichols said has become a Coahoma tradition.

"We started this way back in 1978, so it's been a long run," said Nichols. "We started out outside with just a couple of events. When we moved to this new building, we decided to do it indoors. And just like Ben (Clements) said, it just gets better every year."

"It started out as a developmental thing. The kids could do physical activities and have to memorize the songs. So it was music, activity and learning, and turned out to be a community affair they won't let us stop."

While the annual rodeo is a chance for parents to see their children perform in front of hundreds of guests in the school's gymnasium, Nichols said

it's simply a way of life for the students.

"This is just so important to the children," said Nichols. "Even when the little brothers and sisters come to enroll, the first question they ask is 'when is the kindergarten rodeo?' We're on second and third generation rodeo participants, so it's a really neat thing."



Nichols

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Don't let that grin fool you — Ty Clark, above, is hard at work during the bull riding competition at the 28th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo. Clark was one of many children chasing that 8 seconds of fame during the Thursday morning event. At left, you couldn't tell renowned rodeo clown Leon Coffee got his first PRCA card in the early 1970s by the splits he does during the rodeo. Coffee was just one of several professional rodeo personalities that helped make the annual event special.

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Fires destroy homes in Amarillo

AMARILLO (AP) — The dry Texas Panhandle plains flared up again as fast-moving wildfires encroached on Amarillo and burned 14 homes.

Facing high winds and desiccated grasses and shrubs, firefighters from numerous departments brought the fires under control within a few hours Thursday afternoon.

Amarillo Fire Capt. Bob Johnson said all 14 residences were mobile homes near the Northside Acres community. Some were vacant.

"It looked like a war zone out there," Johnson said in Friday's Amarillo Globe-News. "It was similar to a tornado coming through. There was so much destruction."

About 400 acres burned in the largest fire, Texas Forest Service spokeswoman Traci Weaver said. There were no immediate injury reports, and the fires were 90 percent contained Thursday afternoon, she said. She said four other structures and a number of vehicles were destroyed.

Weaver said officials were initially concerned because weather conditions were similar to those on March 12, when hundreds of blazes broke out in the parched

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Fire drill reveals serious problems, at jail, sheriff says

By THOMAS JENKINS
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It took less than 60 seconds to fill a cell block with smoke Thursday afternoon, as the Howard County Sheriff's Office conducted a full-scale fire drill at the county jail.

According to Sheriff Dale Walker, some very serious problems with the jail's emergency equipment were identified through the drill, which involved evacuating all of the inmates for more than three hours.

"We have some very serious issues," said Walker. "We evacuated the inmates before we actually began pumping



Walker

the smoke into the cell block. It took less than a minute for the block to fill with smoke and drop to zero visibility, and it took

almost two minutes before the smoke alarms ever went off. If this had been an actual fire, the inmates would have been choked out by the smoke before the alarm ever went off."

And while the ineffectiveness of the jail's alarms may be frightening, Walker said the real

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HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

Local law enforcement officials stand guard as inmates at the Howard County Jail are evacuated from the facility during a full-scale fire drill late Thursday afternoon. Sheriff Dale Walker said several serious problems with the county's emergency equipment were identified during the course of the drill.

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BACKSEAT DRIVER?

NAPLES, Fla. (AP) — A man crashed his car after a pet snake he had wrapped around his neck began attacking him, authorities said.

Witnesses reported seeing Courtland Page Johnson, 30, of East Naples, driving erratically before he crashed his PT Cruiser into several barricades at about 9 p.m. Tuesday. He got out of his car, wrestled with the snake and then drove off, reports said. When authorities caught up with Johnson at his home, he told them he crashed into another car that had stopped short in front of him. After questioning, Johnson admitted he panicked when his snake bit him.

VMC WARNS OF HOAX

Members of the Vietnam Memorial Committee warn that any telephone calls soliciting funds for the committee or the memorial are a hoax and should be reported to the Big Spring Police Department.

VMC members have been told that a person or person has made phone calls in the community asking for donations on behalf of the organization.

The VMC never solicits funds via telemarketing and any calls claiming affiliation or solicitation are illegal, members told the Herald.

To report these calls, call the Big Spring Police Department at 264-2550.

TRASH-OFF IS SATURDAY

The Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off is Saturday — a day when communities across the state, including Big Spring, will be picking up trash.

Locally, volunteers are needed to help collect trash in parks and along roadways and vacant lots. Large trash bins will be located at Heart of the City Park in downtown Big Spring for the Trash-Off. A separate bin will be available for aluminum cans.

Hot dogs will be served at the city park starting at noon, with drawings for prizes and gifts for children who participate.

For more information, contact Pat Simmons at 263-4607.

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Texas Tech names new leader of medical school

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas Tech University didn't have to look far to find a new leader for its medical school. Dr. Steven Lee Berk, regional dean at the university's Health Sciences Center in Amarillo, was chosen Thursday to oversee all four of Texas Tech's medical school campuses.

"I don't underestimate the challenges and frustrations that lie ahead, but I'm very optimistic," Berk said in Friday's editions of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal. "I have great faith in this institution."

Dr. M. Roy Wilson, president of the Health Science Center, said Berk's tenure at the Amarillo campus was an asset.

"To have a dean that understands these issues and who can bring the viewpoint of a regional campus, really can represent that on a larger level, will be very useful," he said.

Berk replaces Dr. Richard V. Homan, who left the post in September to join Drexel University in Philadelphia.

Berk, who will begin his new job on Aug. 1, will be in charge of the medical school campuses in Lubbock, Amarillo, El Paso and Odessa.

Man gets 75 years for shooting at officer

NEW BRAUNFELS (AP) — A Bulverde man was sentenced to 75 years in prison for firing more than 30 shots at a police officer after he was pulled over for speeding on Interstate 35.

Michael Kennedy, 50, was shot three times after he opened fire on Schertz police Officer Richard Kunz last March. Kunz was uninjured.

Kennedy pleaded guilty in January to aggravated assault of a public servant

with a deadly weapon. His Thursday sentencing also included a \$10,000 fine.

Prosecutors said Kennedy may have been driving to settle a score with police when he was pulled over. Police had confiscated a gun from Kennedy for a criminal mischief incident. When pulled over, Kennedy had two handguns and an assault rifle in his car.

Kennedy's defense lawyer said he was attempting "suicide by cop" when he started the shootout. Kennedy has a history of being abused by his father, mental illness and alcohol abuse, his lawyer said.

E85 to be offered at city pumps

AUSTIN (AP) — Thousands of Texas drivers will have the option of using homegrown ethanol-based fuel in Houston and Dallas by the end of the summer.

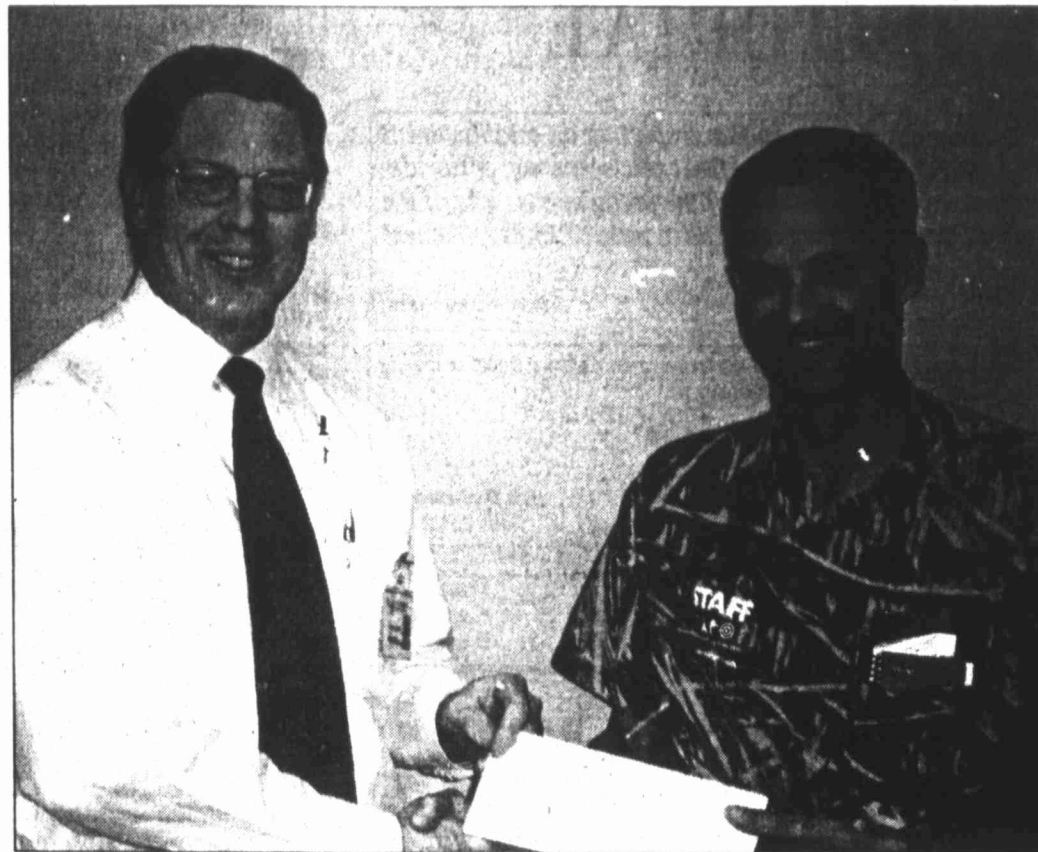
In a collaboration with General Motors Corp., Kroger Co. will begin offering the alternative fuel known as E85 at its supermarket pumps starting in May. The auto manufacturer estimates that 1.5 million ethanol-capable GM vehicles are already on the nation's roadways.

Texans own more of the so-called flexible-fuel vehicles than any other state, said Ken Cole, vice president of GM government relations.

E85, a blend of 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gasoline, is a high-octane, domestically produced renewable fuel that is typically made with corn. It also can be produced from other agricultural waste products such as cottonseed hulls.

"Renewable energy plays an important role in protecting the environment and helping the state meet its future energy needs," Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst said Thursday, during an event to promote the use of alternative fuels in Texas.

MASTER THE MOUNTAIN



Courtesy photo
George Parsley, Scenic Mountain Medical Center CEO, left, hands Ron Alton, state park manager, a donation to help with the Ninth Annual Master the Mountain Fun Run/Walk, which will take place April 8. "Community support of our state park events is a critical part of ensuring the state's continued funding of our very own Scenic Mountain, said Alton.

Would you like fries with that?

ABILENE (AP) — A police chase of a suspected carjacker ended abruptly when the suspect took a wrong turn into a Burger King drive-through.

Abilene Officer Ralph Garcia said he spotted a vehicle that was reported carjacked in Dallas on Wednesday and

started following it.

The car sped away on Interstate 10, got off the highway and then got stuck in the drive-through.

No one was injured during the chase. Two people in the car were arrested and jailed on multiple charges.

FIRE

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region, burning some 960,000 acres and killing 11 people. Since Dec. 26, more than 11,000 fires have burned about 4.9 million acres and

destroyed about 400 homes, according to Gov. Rick Perry's office.

Heavy rains that flooded areas of North and Central Texas over the past two weeks had no influence on the Panhandle, said John Cockrell, a meteorologist with the National

Weather Service in Amarillo.

Amarillo recorded 1 1/3 inches of rain since March 18, he said. But the region's drought carries on.

"When we had these showers it was very helpful, but the effect was not

long-lasting" Cockrell said.

Amarillo has received about 1 2/3 inches this year, which puts it two-thirds of an inch behind. The area receives an average of about 20 inches per year.

Johnson said a lot of

structures were saved but the fire was moving quickly. "It kept jumping highways, too."

Winds were blowing out of the west at 32 mph, with gusts up to 39 mph, National Weather Service officials said.

Temperatures were in the

high 60s with a relative humidity of 12 percent.

The fires were burning about 17 miles southwest of the sprawling Pantex plant, the nation's only nuclear weapons assembly facility.

About 176,000 people live in Amarillo.

RODEO

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"We couldn't do this without Quail and his friends. They come in and do this for free. We try to pay their expenses, but they just turn the checks back," said Nichols, holding several unopened envelopes containing checks for the rodeo professionals, including long-time rodeo clown and Coahoma native Quail Dobbs. "They just won't let us. It's an act of love for the community. It's something truly amazing."

Among the long list of professional rodeo cowboys at the event was Wacey Cathey, nationally renowned bull rider, who said the rodeo teaches children some of life's lessons.

"It's a lot of fun. I really enjoy watching the kids. It surprises me every time I'm here. My favorite part of the rodeo is the bull riding, though," said Cathey with a laugh. "I guess that would be pretty obvious!"

"It's good fun for them to get out and be in front of a large group of people. I think it's real important because it gets them out here in the spotlight, and

that's just a part of life."

Local country music legend Jody Nix has been involved with the Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo for more than a decade.

"This is about 12 years I've been involved with the kindergarten rodeo," said Nix. "It's always a lot of fun to be a part of it. Getting to come down and watch the kids is the most fun for me."

"I think it's really good to get the kids involved. It's good and very wholesome fun. You have some very well known rodeo personalities here — some of the top in their fields. Quail and all of the

teachers are to be commended for keeping this going as long as it has."

World famous barrelman Leon Coffee also helped out with the rodeo, donning the same paint and colorful clothes that have served him over an illustrious rodeo career.

"I've been a professional rodeo clown, bullfighter, barrel man — whatever you want to call it — for a while now," said Coffee with a laugh. "I had a PRCA card in 1973, so I've been around."

Coffee said the event was a very emotional one for him, seeing firsthand the kind of dedication the teachers and event coordi-

nators put into the rodeo to make sure the children not only have a good time, but learn something as well.

"I have yelled-up more right here than I have at 100 or more events I've been to," said a very emotional Coffee. "This one just brings you to your milk because the dedication these teachers have put into teaching them the fundamentals and discipline and production of a rodeo is just outrageously great."

"This is something you have to see. You can't just tell someone about this. You have to experience this to know the enormity

of what these teachers have done. I could talk about it forever, but it just won't do it justice. Words just don't do this justice. You have to come see the kindergarten rodeo in Coahoma."

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DRILL

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problem came when they tried to get rid of the mock-smoke.

"We had horrible problems getting the smoke out," said Walker. "The stand-alone systems we have in place simply didn't remove the smoke. We're going to have to make some serious modifications to the equipment we have up there, including adding some more breathing equipment for the staff."

Walker said the evacuation of the inmates went smoothly, despite at least one uncooperative inmate.

"It took 17 minutes for us to evacuate all of the inmates," said Walker. "We only had one inmate give us any problems during their removal. The jail staff did a great job during the drill. It was really a learning experience for everyone involved."

"I talked to some of the guys with the Big Spring Fire Department and the police department, and

they said they learned a lot from the drill. We also had a lot of help from Big Spring Federal Correctional Institute, which sent over nine of their personnel to help."

Walker said the spectacle — complete with shotgun-wielding officers on the Howard County Courthouse lawn — drew plenty of curiosity from the public.

"I talked to some of the officers outside and they said they had to turn several people away during the drill," said Walker. "The reason we kept the

drill so low-key was because it's a tremendous security risk, both to the public and the inmates."

"If the inmates know the date and time of something like this, it gives them a chance to plan almost anything. We look at it as a great risk. We don't know the intent of onlookers when they approach us, and we have to treat each of them as a

risk."

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

• First, we'd like to extend pats on the back for the organizers and participants of some wonderful activities that have taken place in Howard County the past week. Among them:

— The Coahoma Kindergarten Stick Horse Rodeo. This is one of the most entertaining events in the area each year. We always walk out with a big smile and a better appreciation for the younger set.

— The Big Spring Powwow. In its second year, the powwow is an event we hope will become a tradition in our community.

— The Big Spring Rattlesnake Roundup. Special applause goes to the AMBUCS, who could have decided not to hold the event after having to postpone it last year. However, we were happy the group never really considered that an option. Way to go, folks! Good job.

— West Texas Centers for MHMR, which is hosting its second Hoops, Dreams and Goals basketball tournament today at the coliseum. It's great fun and a real tribute to some very special people. Also, hats off to co-sponsors Howard College and the Howard County Arc.

Now to a few others...

• The Howard College Hawks players, coaches and trainers on an outstanding 2005-2006 basketball season. We could not be more proud of the way you played and the way you represented yourselves, the college and this community.

• All of the Crossroads area students involved in "post-season" University Interscholastic League academic competitions from one-act play to speech to mathematics. There are too many to name here, but we appreciate your hard work and wish you all the best.

• The Lamini-Lusk-Sanchez State Veterans Home and the hard workers and residents there, on the facility's fifth anniversary.

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Pets live better than I do

We've all heard the horror stories about growing old and only being able to afford dog food. The good news?

Dog food seems to be really improving.

Duck into a chi-chi pet store (you know you're there if the berets have chin straps), and you will find the kind of food formerly associated with only the fanciest, er, feasts.

One shop in New York City sells cans of wet food made from duck. Not chuck. Duck. And if Fido — ha, like anyone names their dog "Fido" anymore. Let's say, "Spence" — if Spence gets bored, you can always tempt him with the other options: Chicken with apples. Lamb with brown rice. New Zealand venison with sweet potatoes...

Get me a bowl!
In fact, get me some fur and a collar. Enough with the working gal routine. It's impossible to get ahead. Anyone who really wants to live the life of a yuppie these days has got to grow a tail.

Take housing, for instance. Tail-

free, it can run you \$1 million for a pad where I live — Manhattan. But if you're, say, a gerbil, you can get a "small animal highrise" — a whole building to yourself! — for something like \$30.

Unfortunately, the one I saw at PetCo advertised, "Aquarium not included," so it may be harder to flip. Then again, if you're a rodent, what do you know from flipping?

Flipping property, I mean. Pretty much, you'd be happy to spend your day enjoying all the toys and treats invented expressly for you. Toys like the Critter Chopper — a working motorcycle for hamsters. Treats like "Yogies Real Yogurt Treats for Rats and Hamsters" — available in, of course, cheese flavor. If you're a rabbit, you can always nibble on your "Bunny Ka-Bob" — a metal stick on which master can lovingly skewer your veggies. (Until she gets bored and starts letting your cage smell.) Or you could play with your "Bunny Shake 'n' Chew" — a rattle for bunnies.

Do bunnies really like rattles? They're not talking.

Anyway, while it's good to be a rodent, it's even better to be a cat — and not just for the obvious food chain reasons. Mostly it's because cats have even more toys,

food options and bestselling mysteries written about them. Also, Wal-Mart is selling catnip bubbles. Really! It's good to be a cat.

But dogs are clearly the top of the heap.

Tuckered out after your duck dinner, doggie? PetCo has an entire aisle labeled "Orthopedic beds." Naked children may be sleeping on the streets of Calcutta. But Fido — er — Spence can curl up in spine-massaging comfort.

Come the next morning, he can trot over to day care. Not just any day care. The right kind of day care, carefully structured into playtime (a.k.a., "socialization,") rest time and relief walks. At a place called Biscuits & Bath here in New York, prices start at \$10 an hour, same as baby sitters get for watching two-legged ankle-biters. A toothbrushing costs \$15, though savvy masters may simply shop elsewhere for doggie "breath tabs."

The fact that a dog with minty-fresh breath who brunches with friends, ate duck for dinner and curled up to sleep on a Posturpedic is not living the life that God intended doesn't matter.

He's living a dog's life — the kind most of us can only dream of.

It's enough to give one paw.



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YOUR VIEWS

Poinsettia capital?

DEAR EDITOR,

The news that Big Spring High School would continue the poinsettia program with the Moore Development Board was a great delight to the Festival of Lights members. It invigorates and supports our planning for another spectacular Christmas season this year.

All of us and the community of Big Spring will have the opportunity to further enhance and "brand" our city as the poinsettia capital of Texas. Though much has been done, much remains. During December distinctive, expansive poinsettias exhibits need to greet every visitor at the four highway entrances to our city.

Each home, business and residence should be encouraged to try their own talent with a poinsettia project, and blanket the community landscape from north to south, east to west. It is absolutely essential that ...N-O-W ...a local person or organization take up the promise of local, private production of poinsettia exhibits. If not, we shall surely lose out as the poinsettia capital of Texas.

If resources can be found to electrify the edges and bluffs on our

state park, the "eyes" of Texas will focus on our community. The Settles Hotel displays a special Christmas beacon of beautiful flowers that must continue.

Comanche Trail Park and our historic Spring will remain a focal anchor, yet it can be said that we've only just begun. Despite some times of economic adversity and discouragement — the indomitable spirit of Big Spring has remained strong and resolved. Perhaps we have finally reached the frontier of change.

Thank you, the youth of Big Spring High School, Superintendent Michael Downes and Instructors Nick Roberson and James Redman, Moore Development Board and all of you out there that just know that Big Spring is a very special place in Texas!

PAT SIMMONS AND THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS COMMITTEE

Great edition

DEAR EDITOR,

How refreshing it was to receive the last Sunday's edition of the Herald!

The special supplement seemed to me to be a labor of love put together by the Herald staff. To be able to

read the personal stories of my neighbors and friends, written with such depth of understanding, gave me a decided lift.

We are blessed to live in a community among beautiful people whose lives inspire us to be beautiful, too.

Thank you, Herald, for this gift too.

NANCY PATRICK
BIG SPRING

Thanks Hawks, fans

To the Editor

Many thanks! Thank's to Coach Mark Adams, his assistants and his Howard College Hawks for a great season! Thanks to the players, who never quit!

Thanks to the fans, who never gave up! Thanks to all for a great National Tournament in Hutchinson!

We would personally like to thank all of you from the bottom of our hearts for accepting us into your "family." We will never forget the kindness shown to us by all of you, coaches, players, administration and staff. We are proud of all of you and hope to see you next year, same place, same time.

Go Hawks!

JOHN AND NANCY SAUTTER
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Immigration leniency backfires

At the heart of the immigration debate is the basic issue of the social contract between the governed and the government. The government has broken its side of the contract; now the governed will have to step up and force a solution.

So our bipartisan betters — President Bush and Sens. Hillary Clinton, John McCain and Edward Kennedy — are about to get a lesson in the power of small "d" democracy. And all those marchers, parading through downtown Los Angeles chanting mostly in Spanish and carrying, many of them, Mexican flags — they are about to get the same lesson.

For the past four decades, the government has pursued an open-borders vision of globalism and multiculturalism. At the frontier the cops looked the other way — if there were any cops. In the cities, governments developed elaborate schemes for welfare benefits, racial quotas and bilingualism. In the heartland new immigrants changed the traditional rhythms of small-town and rural life, pushing in Spanish and pushing down wages.

At every turn, pro-immigration propagandists banished honest words such as "illegal" and "alien," substituting instead such bland euphemisms as "undocumented" and "migrant." Finally, every so often the politicians would engineer an "amnesty," and they would promise that such forgiveness for law-breaking was a one-shot deal — even as, of course, they prepared for the next

amnesty, perhaps under a new guise, such as "guest worker" program.

Those who complained about these trends were dismissed as nativists or racists. And not just by the liberal media. *The Wall Street Journal* editorial page campaigned for years on behalf of a constitutional amendment reading, "There shall be open borders." In the minds of many capitalists-utopians, an open world would be a peaceful world, as free markets clobbered the real enemy: big government.

Well, 9/11 ended that reverie. The attack reminded us that we need the state to do its constitutional duty: "provide for the common defense." But as with any lumbering leviathan, change comes slowly. Five years into the war on terror, the people who spend tens of billions of dollars a year on "homeland security" haven't quite come to the conclusion that they really are, in fact, supposed to secure the homeland.

So it was discouraging, if not entirely surprising, to read the headline in Sunday's *Denver Post*: "Mexico is global turnstile to U.S." Not only is the number of people crossing the Southwestern border still rising, but the national origin of those border-crossers is changing, too. Hundreds of those recently apprehended have come from such troublesome countries as Iran, Iraq, Syria and Saudi

Arabia.

But if we are catching these illegals, what's the problem? The answer, of course, is that we are not catching all of them, or even most of them. As T.J. Bonner, president of the union that represents border patrol agents, told *The Denver Post*, "The borders remain out of control." Since the stakes are so high, let's be honest here: Nations don't survive if their governments fail to guarantee the legal structure for a civil society. Immigrants might mostly want to work, but if the political system that receives them fails at the elementary functions of acculturation, then there's no hope for a multicultural future. Multiethnicity is fine. Ethnic and religious pride is fine. But active multiculturalism, defined as a group's disdain for a country's dominant traditions and institutions — that's a proven formula for strife.

So if trends continue, there's a direct line from the open-borders marchers in the United States to the ethnic separatists in France, Yugoslavia, Iraq and elsewhere.

These painful lessons, drawn from contemporary history, are so obvious that one must be truly isolated and insulated not to see them. And if our greatest leaders in Washington haven't gotten the message yet, well, that's proof of their isolation and insulation.

But eventually they will come around — or come to grief at the ballot box. After all, the majority rules.

James P. Pinkerton is a columnist for Newsday.



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WASHINGTON (A Nixon White House selector John Dean, teing on behalf Democratic resoluti censure President l asserted Friday Bush's conduct in co tion with domestic s exceeds the wrong that toppled his f boss from power.

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The Senate, Dean should censure or of ly scold Bush as pro by Sen. Russell Fein resolution. But if action carries too political baggage, senatorial warning order, Dean said.

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Dean appearing at Senate hearing on censuring Bush

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nixon White House counselor John Dean, testifying on behalf of a Democratic resolution to censure President Bush, asserted Friday that Bush's conduct in connection with domestic spying exceeds the wrongdoing that toppled his former boss from power.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, fired back by telling Democrats: "Quit trying to score political points."

The Senate, Dean said, should censure or officially scold Bush as proposed by Sen. Russell Feingold's resolution. But if that action carries too much political baggage, some senatorial warning is in order, Dean said.

"To me, this is not really and should not be a partisan question," Dean told the panel. "I think it's a question of institutional pride of this body, of the Congress of the United States."

He added in prepared testimony that if Congress doesn't have the

stomach for Feingold's resolution as drafted, it should pass some measure serving Bush a warning.

"The resolution should be amended, not defeated, because the president needs to be reminded that separation of powers does not mean an isolation of powers," Dean said in prepared remarks. "He needs to be told he cannot simply ignore a law with no consequences."

Chairman Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said Feingold's resolution has no merit.

"But it provides a forum for the discussion of issues which really ought to be considered in greater depth than they have been," Specter said at the session's open.

At issue is whether Bush's secretive domestic spying program violates the 1978 Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.

Bush has said the National Security Agency's secretive wire-

tapping program is aimed at finding terrorists before they strike on American soil by tapping the phones of people making calls overseas. He has launched a criminal investigation to find out who leaked the program's existence to the New York Times, saying it compromised national security.

Feingold told the panel that censure is not only an appropriate response, but Congress' duty.

"If we in the Congress don't stand up for ourselves and the American people, we become complicit in the lawbreaking," Feingold said. "The resolution of censure is the appropriate response."

But Hatch said that passing a censure resolution would do more harm than good.

"Wartime is not a time to weaken the commander-in-chief," he said.

The title of Dean's 2004 book, "Worse Than Watergate: The Secret Presidency of George W.

Bush," made his view of the administration clear even before the wiretapping program became public.

After The New York Times revealed the program in December, Dean wrote that "Bush may have outdone Nixon" and be worthy not just of censure but impeachment.

"Nixon's illegal surveillance was limited; Bush's, it is developing, may be extraordinarily broad in scope," Dean wrote in a column for FindLaw.com in December.

Dean served four months in prison for his role in Watergate, a political scandal that involved illegal wiretapping, burglary and abuse of power aimed at Nixon enemies. Administration officials were implicated in the ensuing cover-up.

Nixon resigned Aug. 9, 1974, less than two weeks after the House Judiciary Committee began approving three articles of impeachment against him, charging obstruction

of justice as well as abuse of power and withholding evidence.

Dean was summoned to the hearing by Feingold, D-Wis., the author of a resolution to censure, or officially scold, Bush. The measure would condemn Bush's "unlawful authorization of wiretaps of Americans within the United States without obtaining the court orders required" by the 1978 Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said punishing the president, rather than making sure the FISA law has provisions to check Bush's power, is counterproductive.

"Censure is destruc-

tive," Graham said. "Censure breaks us apart at a time when we need to be brought together."

The only president ever censured by the Senate was Andrew Jackson, in 1834, for removing the nation's money from a private bank in defiance of the Whig-controlled Senate.

The censure resolution has attracted only two co-sponsors, Democratic Sens. Tom Harkin of Iowa and Barbara Boxer of California. The Senate's other 41 Democrats have distanced themselves, many saying they want to first see the results of a Senate Intelligence Committee investigation of the matter.

Vessel that capsized off Bahrain overloaded

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — A cruise boat crowded with partygoers made a sudden left turn before capsizing in calm Gulf waters only a few hundred yards off the Bahrain coast, a survivor said. At least 57 people drowned.

Bahrain television quoted the owners as saying the boat, an Arab dhow with high sides, was overloaded when it left port and capsized when most of its 137 passengers moved to one side.

U.S. Navy helicopters and divers stationed in Bahrain with the 5th Fleet ended their search for survivors early Friday after Bahrain authorities said they no longer were needed, a Navy spokesman, Cmdr. Jeff Breslau, told The Associated Press.

Sixty-seven people were rescued but 13 remained missing from the ship, called the al-Dana, Interior Ministry spokesman Col. Tarik al-Hassan said Friday. Some of the missing might have tried to swim ashore since the boat overturned less than a mile off the coast, he added.

"God willing, there will be other survivors," he said. One of the survivors was an unidentified American woman working for the Navy base.

The victims included at least 17 Indians and 13 Britons, officials said.

Palestinian militant commander killed in car explosion, unleashing factional violence

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — A top militant with ties to Hamas was killed by a car bomb Friday, and his followers blamed security forces loyal to Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas' Fatah movement for the assassination.

A shootout at the militant's funeral killed three more people and wounded more than 20, raising the possibility of a wider Hamas-Fatah clash just two days after Hamas assumed power, replacing Fatah at the helm of the Palestinian Authority.

The militant, Abu Yousef Abu Quka, was a senior commander of the Popular Resistance Committees, an umbrella group of about 200 gunmen. About half the group are allied with Hamas, including Abu Quka, and the other half with Fatah. Abu Quka's supporters blamed the Fatah-dominated Preventive Security Services for his assassination.

Hamas has pledged to restore order in the lawless Gaza Strip and West Bank. However, Palestinian security forces, most of them affiliated with Fatah, are involved in the violence, and Hamas has little control over them.

Late Thursday, an offshoot of Fatah carried out its first suicide bombing against Israel since a February 2005 truce, killing four Israelis in the West Bank. Abbas, a moderate who wants to restart peace talks with Israel, denounced the attack. "We as the

Palestinian Authority do not accept it," he said.

Abu Quka was killed Friday when his white Subaru blew up in a Gaza City street. The PRC initially blamed Israel, which denied involvement, and then pointed to the Preventive Security Service. "There is a long history of conflict between us," said PRC spokesman Abu Abir, an Abu Quka ally. "The Preventive Security always tries to demean our members."

Strong earthquakes flatten villages in Iran; at least 66 dead, 1,200 injured

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Three strong earthquakes and several aftershocks reduced villages to rubble in western Iran early Friday, killing at least 66 people and injuring about 1,200 others, officials said.

At least 13 tremors jolted the mountainous region throughout the night, Tehran University's Geophysics Institute said.

The U.S. Geological Survey reported a 5.7-magnitude quake shortly before 5 a.m., followed by a 4.7-magnitude aftershock about 15 minutes later.

The quakes were centered near Boroujerd and Doroud, two industrial centers about 210 miles southwest of Tehran, the official Islamic Republic News Agency reported.

The regional head of emergency response, Ali Barani, said about 200 villages were damaged, some flattened. Barani said hospitals in Doroud and Boroujerd were filled to capacity.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, visiting northern England, expressed her "deep sympathy" to the Iranians and offered assistance. The U.S. military provided aid after a devastating quake in southern Iran in 2003.

Iran says it has successfully test-fired a missile able to avoid radar

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran successfully test-fired a missile that can avoid radar and hit several targets simultaneously using multiple warheads, the military said Friday.

Gen. Hossein Salami, the air force chief of the elite Revolutionary Guards, did not specify the missile's range, saying it depends on the weight of its warheads.

State-run television described the weapon as "ballistic" — suggesting it's of comparable range to Iran's existing ballistic rocket, which can travel 1,250 miles and reach arch-foe Israel and U.S. bases in the Middle East.

"Today, a remarkable goal of the Islamic Republic of Iran's defense forces was realized with the successful test-firing of a new missile with greater technical and tactical capabilities than those previously produced," Salami said on state-run television.

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Courtesy photos
Spring City Senior Center crafts day in January, top photo, had participants creating pressed flower book marks. In March, above, participants created mini spring blossoms, part of the activity each month at the Center, sponsored by Mountain View Lodge.

Club News

Sand Springs Lions Club

The Sand Springs Lions Club met March 20, opened by Johnny Moore, president.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tex Irvin and the opening prayer was worded by Fred Franklin. Nominations for the 2006-2007 officers were approved.

Moore asked the directors to meet and go over the building rental policies and bring them up to date. Anyone wishing to use the building should contact Phillip Reid at 393-5545.

The meal was furnished and served by Phillip and Shyrlee Reid and Bob Madigan.

The Sand Springs Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. each first and third Monday of the month in the Community Center, 131 Scout Hut Road in Sand Spring.

Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution

Five members attended the DAR State Conference in San Antonio March 18-19.

Elected delegate was Mary Schuelke. Alternates were Sue Ann Damron, Carole Lawson and Lora Mae Pollard. Anne Witherspoon was the State Regent's Reception Room Page each evening of the conference. Witherspoon performed in the Junior Bluebonnet Breakfast skit, which was enjoyably enhanced by audience participation.

Astronaut Jim Lovell was the keynote speaker at the National Defense Banquet Friday night.

Lawson and Damron sang in the chorus Saturday night. Songs reflected the DAR motto of "God, Home and Country." Both earned

DAR State Chorus pins for having sung in the chorus the required number of years.

The chapter was awarded 35 certificates of merit for their work during the past year. Schuelke personally received a first place for 30,390 entries made indexing genealogical record books from the DAR Library in Washington, D.C.

The chapter received a third place for their participation in the DAR Bookworm Project. A first place in lineage research, a third place for print articles and print photos and a third place for service to veterans were also received.

The Chapter was recognized for overall excellence in support of the Junior Membership Committee's mission. Damron, Schuelke and Witherspoon were honored for the hundreds of hours of computer work done on behalf of the DAR.

The April meeting has been canceled because of conflicts of interest. The next meeting is at 11:30 a.m. May 13 at the Big Spring Country Club.

General Federation of Women's Clubs

"Celebrate our Empowered Members" is the theme of the 46th annual convention of the General Federation of

Women's Clubs (GFWC) Texas Western District is April 7-8 at the Presidio Activity Center in Presidio.

Luncheon guest speaker will be Texas Federation of Women's Clubs (TFWC) President Barbara Winingham.


All outstanding club programs/projects that each club has accomplished during the year will be awarded.

The Outstanding Clubwoman 2006 will be recognized.

The 2006-2008 Slate of officers will be elected. The Club Merit Award will be given to the club having the most members in attendance.

Send in registration to Teresa Leyva, P.O. Box 1000, Presidio 79845.

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Church News

Mt. Bethel Baptist Church

Worship service is Sundays at 11 a.m. with Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. and Bible study at 5 p.m. at Mt. Bethel Baptist, 630 Sgt. Paredes St. (N.W. Fourth St.)

The sanctuary choir meets for rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. Youth ministry meets Sunday at 5 p.m. and Wednesday at 6 p.m. The Rev. William Vaughn is pastor.

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matthew Miles will speak on text taken from John 12:20-33 at worship service Sunday. Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. and Take 10 is at 10:35.

Activities for the week include: Wednesday,

youth group meeting, 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.; Lenton Bible study, 5:17 p.m. in the chapel; and choir practice, 6 p.m. The youth are selling Easter lilies. Contact a member of the youth program or the church office.

First Presbyterian is located on Runnels between Seventh and Eighth streets.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Holy Communion will be celebrated Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m.

The Inquirers' Class meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday. This is a class for adults who are interested in learning more of the ways and teaching of the Episcopal church. For information about this

class, call the church office at 267-8201.

St. Mary's Lenton program concludes Wednesday. The All-Parish meatless pot luck supper is at 6 p.m. This ends with a brief service of Compline.

For more information about St. Mary's, call 267-8201 or visit www.stmarysbst.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 S. Goliad.

Big Spring Baptist Senior Adult Association

The Big Spring Baptist Senior Adult Association birthday banquet will be hosted by Midway Baptist, 6200 S. Service Road, Big Spring, at 6 p.m. Friday, April 7. All senior Baptist area adults are welcomed.

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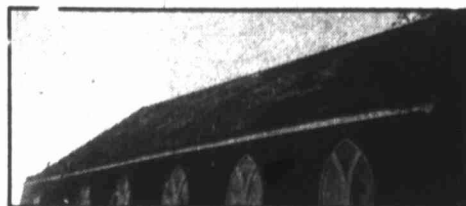
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Easter Sunrise Service

Youth from churches are conducting the Easter Sunrise Service April 16. Comanche Trail Amphitheatre. The service is scheduled for 7 a.m. and will feature a speaking choir and videos. To participate contact Jason Arce at First United Methodist Church, 267-6394.

College Baptist Church

The church, located at 1105 Birdwell Lane, has Sunday school at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday worship services at 11 a.m. Evening worship is at 6:00 p.m. Sunday and Bible meets at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday. For information, call 267-6394.

Cornerstone Church

Worship service is at 10:30 a.m. Sunday. The message is at 11:00 a.m. Children in kindergarten through fourth grade are invited to Sunday school. Childcare is available for newborns through preschool during services.

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

YoungLife

The Web site is younglife.org/sites. YoungLife campers are being organized.

For information on YoungLife camps, contact Shelly Vaughn, area director, at 4819.

New Covenant


Sunday morning worship services are 10:00 a.m. The doors open at 9:00 a.m.

The church is located at 1607 E. Third Street. For more information, call 264-0015 or nccwc1@yahoo.com.

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Youth from area churches are conducting the Easter Sunrise Service April 16 in the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheatre. The event is scheduled for 7 a.m. until 7:50 a.m. and will feature a speaking choir and videos. To participate, contact Jason Archuleta at First United Methodist Church, 267-6394.

College Baptist Church

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

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

YoungLife

The Web site is working. Visit <http://site.younglife.org/sites/bigspring>. The Cruise Night at Sonic to benefit YoungLife camperships is being organized.

For information or to donate to YoungLife, a nondenominational organization for high school students, or WyldLife, a comparable organization for junior high school students, call Shelly Warren, area director, at 432-213-4819.

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Berea Baptist Church

The church is located at 4204 Wasson Road. Service times are Sunday Bible study at 9:45 a.m.; worship at 11 a.m.; evening worship at 6 p.m. Youth meet for a mid-week Bible study Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Adults also meet Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. for Bible study and prayer. The church office is open from 9 a.m. until noon Monday through Thursday. For more information, call 267-8438.

North Birdwell United Methodist Church

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

East Fourth Street Baptist Church

The church is located downtown at 401 E. Fourth Street. Bible study and fellowship in the Sunday school program begins at 9:45 a.m.

It is for all age groups, babies through adults. Morning worship service begins at 11 a.m.

Acteans, Challengers, Royal Ambassadors, Girls in Action and Mission Friends are offered for children and youth Sunday nights at 5.

The evening worship service begins at 6 p.m. Sunday. Wednesdays at 7 p.m., there is prayer and Bible study for youth and adults.

A new ministry, "Backdoor Bible Clinic," is for 4-12 year olds. Exciting music, puppets, stories and crafts are part of this new work.

The church offers a family atmosphere of worship.

The Rev. Rex Clayton is pastor. For more information, call the church office at 267-2291.

First United Methodist Church

Worship services are 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Holy Communion will be observed. The Rev. Dave Ring's Communion Meditation is "A Christian Passover," the Old Testament Scripture text is Numbers 28:16-25. Sunday school meets at 9:45 a.m.

The Centered in Praise Ensemble meets at 3 p.m. Rehearsal for the

Children's Musical is from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m. Sunday. Church Prayer Meeting is 5 p.m.

Junior High Youth meet at 5:30 p.m. and Senior High Youth meet at 7 p.m. Sunday in the Partee Building.

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

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

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

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

Salem Baptist Church

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. with the morning service following at 11 a.m. The Wednesday evening service is at Parkplace at 6 p.m.

Salem Baptist is located at the corner of Salem Road and the Old Colorado City Highway and pastored by the Rev. Monroe Teeters. Contact the church at 394-4655.

Coahoma United Methodist Church

401 N. Main in Coahoma 432-394-4432; the Rev. Donita Lea; Sunday

school, 9:45 a.m. church worship, 11 a.m. Sunday continues the Easter season celebrations through praise and worship.

Wednesday the Mid-High Youth meet at 6 p.m. in the church sanctuary for food, Bible study and buddy projects.

"Prayer is not merely an occasional impulse to which we respond when we are in trouble; prayer is a life attitude." Walter A. Mueller

Friends of Unity

The First Sunday Celebration of Oneness Service will be led by the Rev. Jim Sims, who also leads the higher consciousness studies group Tuesdays at noon. There is a 1 p.m. service held the first Sunday of each month.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

Monday and Tuesday the church is hosting the Big Country Baptist Preachers Fellowship. Mondays service begins at 7 p.m. Tuesdays service are 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Special music, great fellowship, good food and wonderful preaching is all planned.

The church is located at 1512 Birdwell Lane. Sunday worship services are at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. Midweek Services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For further information, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

Thursday, April 6, a city-wide Penance Service is set for 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary, 1009 Hearn St. Friday, April 7, the Stations of the Cross is 6 p.m. at St. Thomas

Catholic Church. Sunday, April 9 is Palm Sunday with a Vigil at 5 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary; Sunday Masses at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary and at 9:30 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Coahoma.

Immaculate Heart Holy Week Triduum services are: Holy Thursday (foot washing) is at 7 p.m. April 13; Good Friday (Veneration of the Cross) 7 p.m. April 14; Easter Vigil (Easter Fire) 8 p.m. April 15; Easter Sunday Liturgies, April 16 at 9 a.m. at St. Joseph's in Coahoma and 10:30 a.m. IHMCH.

For more information, call 267-4124.

St. Paul

Lutheran Church
St. Paul Lutheran Church, 810 Scurry St.,

has Sunday worship service at 9 a.m. with Sunday school at 10:15 a.m. Don't forget the time change. The pastor is the Rev. Wayne Frost. Call the church for seven Bible study groups times and locations at 267-7163.


East Side Baptist Church

Sunday Fun Time, a time of learning and fellowship, is at 9:45 a.m. each week. Family worship begins at 10:45 a.m. with junior church for ages 5-11 during the morning sermon.

The youth meet at 6 p.m. each Wednesday, followed by a church Bible study and praise time. Nursery provided for 4 years old and younger.

East Side Baptist Church is located at 1108 E. Sixth St. For more information, call 267-1915.

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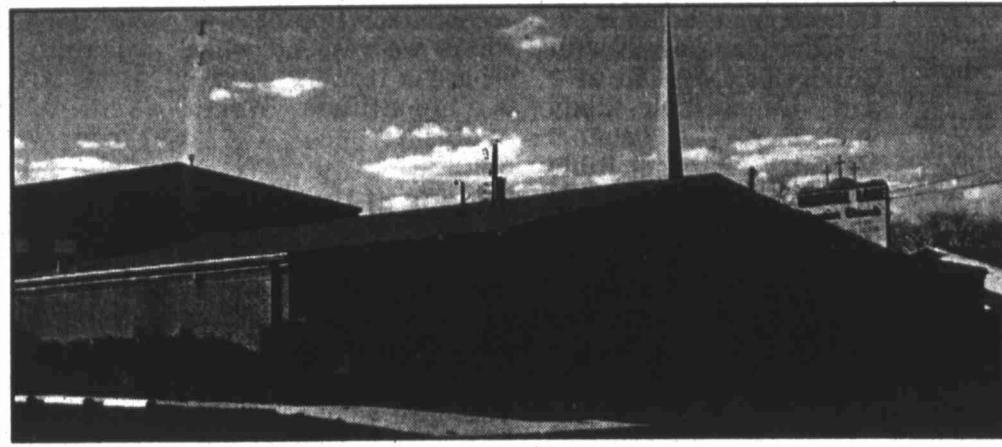
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IN BRIEF

KBSB golf tourney announced for month of April

Keep Big Spring Beautiful will be hosting a golf tournament April 22 at the Big Spring Country Club. The tournament will start at 9 a.m. a cost \$60 per person. The tourney is a 90 person scramble. For more information, contact the country club at 267-5354.

Benefit scramble set at Comanche

A four-man scramble golf tournament will help defray medical expenses for Willie Mendoza is set Sunday at Comanche Trail Golf Course. Entry fee is \$20 per person, which will include a meal. The tournament will begin with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. For more information, contact Char Mendoza at 267-7116 or Billy Pineda at 7116.

HC rodeo team's annual crawfish

The Howard County rodeo team announced its annual H-E-B crawfish boil will take place Saturday, April 29 at the Howard County Rodeo Bowl at 2 p.m. before the How College Rodeo activities take place. The price for a crawfish boil ticket is \$10. Tickets can be purchased the day of the event or ahead of time by calling Howard County Rodeo Greg Kernick at 816-9477. The Howard County rodeo will take place April 27-29.

Coahoma PTA to host dodgeball tournament in April

The Coahoma PTA will be hosting a dodgeball tournament as an elementary playground fundraiser April 14-15. The event will take place April 14 at 5 p.m. in the junior high gym. There are several age groups, but each team must consist of only eight to 10 players. The groups are broken into five different categories: second and third, fourth and fifth, sixth through eighth, ninth through 12th, and adults, 18 and older who are not in school. The cost for each team is guaranteed five games. For more information, contact Laura 267-8660 or Neasa 264-1662.

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G.C., Grady lead way at Bearkat host tourney

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
STANTON — Following the lead set by the Garden City girl's golf team, the Bearkats also took home the team title at their host tournament held in Stanton Wednesday.

The Garden City boy's No. 1 team shot a 341 and beat Grady by 46 strokes. Garden City's No. 2 team took fourth out of seven teams as well.

The Bearkats were led by junior Taylor Niehues'

83 as he finished second individually in the tourney behind Blackwell's Phillip Buckner's 80. Senior Chase O'Brien shot an 85 and finished third and junior Eric Hirt finished with an 86 and was fourth. Senior Sam Long took fifth after shooting an 87 and senior

Cory Multer was sixth overall. Multer fired an 89.

Grady sophomore Justin Tubb led the Wildcats with a 90 and Jonathan Tunnell fired a 93.

Parker McDonald was third on the team with a 100. Clay Mitchell fired a 104.

Garden City's second team was led by junior Cade Halfmann's 98. Junior Evan Jansa shot a 101 and Blaine Walker

recorded a 102. Junior Colton Schwartz added a 108.

Garden City also had some individual medalists who recorded scores. Spencer Plagens shot a 101, while Jared Bradford and Jake Schwartz added 112 and 119, respectively. Witharral followed

Grady with a 388. Blackwell was fifth with a 418 and Meadow and Loop came in sixth and seventh, respectively.

The Grady girl's took second behind the Lady Kats with a 471. Senior Kiersten Russell shot a 114 to lead all Grady shooters. Kenzie Madison and Kelsi Howard both stroked 117s, while Emily Krug fired a 123.

Sandi Cox was the fifth participant as she shot a 135.

HC cowgirls start fast at WTC rodeo

• Kramps, Combs in hunt in two events after opening night

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
SNYDER — The ladies on the Howard College rodeo team came to play again this week. Two of them have strong shots to return Saturday in the short round after putting on impressive performances in long-round first-night action at the Western Texas College rodeo at the Scurry County Coliseum.

"The women are off to a good start and might be able to get an overall team win," said Howard head coach Greg Kernick.

Kasey Kramps and Shelly Combs both have chances to qualify in two different events.

Kramps is leading the breakaway roping event after the first night. She recorded a 2.8 and is leading West Texas A&M's Kendra Warner by 0.5 seconds.

Kramps is also holding down fourth place in the goat tying after recording an 8.9.

Combs is just ahead of Kramps in the goat tying event. She scored an 8.5, but is in third overall. Kaycee Watt of Soul Ross State University scored a 7.9 and is leading the way, while Abbie Marvel of Texas Tech recorded an 8.0. Cornbs' best event is

arguably the barrel race, but she was not on her top game Thursday night. She is still in the top five after one night, but only scored a 14.19.

"Shelly will probably get another one, but it will be close," said Kernick.

Brandi Lee of Western Texas College is leading the barrel race competition after she scored a 13.72.

Combs' teammate, Kendra Watt, also participated in the barrel race and scored a 14.62, but that most likely will not hold up to get her into the short round.

Sophomore Jed Headley is tied for third in the bareback after scoring a 70. He is tied with Steven Dent of Ranger College. Jeremy Cook, also from Ranger, is leading with a 74, while Russell Smith of Frank Phillips College scored a 73.

"That ride is splitting third and fourth right now so it'll be another close one as far as getting another ride Saturday," said Kernick. "I hope he gets it obviously, but you just never know how things are going to turn out."

Lance Cornelius got a no score in the saddle bronc riding event. Former champion Marty Eakin leads the way in that competition with a 76.

Howard's only steer



Howard College freshman Shelly Combs races around the first barrel during the barrel race at the Western Texas College rodeo Thursday night at the Scurry County Coliseum. Combs is currently in the top five after Day 1. She scored a 14.19.

wrestler to go Thursday was Laramie Hall, but an uncooperative steer gave him a no time. Kacey Griffith of Western Texas is leading the way in that event with a 5.3.

Maegan Layton and DJ Allen also competed Thursday night. Layton got a no time in breakaway roping, while Allen was bucked off his bull fairly quick and got a no score.

Lance Jowers and Kevin

Morrissey also got no times in team roping. However, they were not the only ones as just one team — Kelcey Foreman of Eastern New Mexico and Cigi Allen of the College of the Southwest — was able to complete the event. They scored a 13.1 and are in first after the first night.

Jarid Bergland of Western Texas College is leading the calf roping after Day 1. He scored an

11.5. Kurt Stallings of West Texas A&M is second with a 13.2. No Howard calf ropers participated Thursday night.

The rodeo competition in Snyder started back up Friday morning for slack and will continue at 7 p.m. tonight.

The short round will take place Saturday night at 7 p.m. The top 10 competitors from each event advance to the short round.

South Carolina wins NIT title

By DOUG FEINBERG

AP Sports Writer
NEW YORK — South Carolina certainly didn't begin the season hoping to repeat as NIT champions.

The Gamecocks were, however, happy to end it that way and become only the second school to win consecutive NIT titles.

Tarence Kinsey scored 21 points and Tre' Kelley added 20 and seven assists to help South Carolina beat Michigan 76-64 Thursday night.

With four starters back from last year's NIT champs, the Gamecocks began the season with

hopes to graduate to an NCAA tournament berth this season.

That didn't work out, though South Carolina (23-15) made a late run at an automatic bid before losing the Southeastern Conference title game 49-47 to Florida.

Back in the NIT, the Gamecocks made the most of it and joined St. John's as the only teams to win back-to-back championships.

Renaldo Balkman added 10 points, 11 rebounds and six blocks and was named the MVP of the tournament for South Carolina.



Howard College sophomore Jed Headley completes his first run in the bareback riding competition at the Western Texas College rodeo Thursday. He is currently tied for third after scoring a 70.

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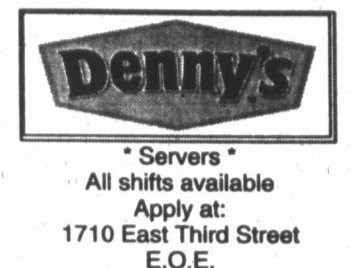
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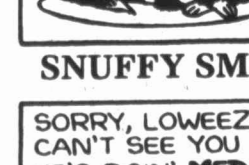
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

The Taurus moon whets the appetite and also makes it more discerning. Taurus is a luxury-loving energy, and while the moon travels through the sign of the bull, she does so in Cadillac style. It's a fine day to go without your credit cards, or you'll surely use them! Everything overpriced and shiny has appeal.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Something you've worked hard for is about to pay off. Enjoy the fruits of your labor. Check to make sure you don't get caught up in trying to fix another's problem. It can't be done.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Whatever the task, you're not alone in your desire to conquer it. Speak up, and others with a similar need will emerge from the woodwork. In the spirit of harmony, you'll reach a group goal.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Use your charm to diffuse a family conflict — hopefully, before it even begins. See disruptions as a call for love. Some people don't know how to get attention except by misbehaving.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your integrity depends on being sure of what you know and act-

ing on that certainty. Today, you'll meet people who confuse the matter, so this is not as simple as it sounds.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're so imaginative. In fact, there's a party going on in your mind. All your favorite icons are invited! Ask them to stay and act as an impromptu "board of directors" to give you opinions about your latest dilemma.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The best of life's circumstances happen in your mind before they happen in reality. The stars encourage you to revel in fantasy for a while — even 15 minutes is enough to start the ball rolling toward your dreams.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The planets feature an unfolding mystery. The wrong conclusion is as easy to reach as the right one. Best not to jump to any conclusion at all and wait for loved ones to tell their side of the story.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your satisfaction with your own performance hinges on the way you manage others. Make it your goal to uncover their victories. If you look for the good, you'll find it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Confidence is built one block at a time but can be destroyed with one solid blow. Do all you can to be the architect of your self worth, not the demolition team.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Agree to disagree, if need be, to keep the peace at home. You

are richly rewarded for your understanding and patience. No one can do it quite like you and mean it as much.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Raise your community profile. It could be as simple as improving your yard or joining the chamber of commerce. Those who are exposed to your charms will respond in ways that perk up almost every aspect of your life.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Romance is star-bounded. Don't forget to fuel up before you fly off into the atmosphere. Keep a calm head and a steady hand on the wheel, and you will enjoy this amazing flight.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: Romance is alternately aggressive and tender under these stars, catching you off guard either way. ARIES: When you're hot, you're hot. (And you're hot.) TAURUS: What you tell loved ones you want and what you really want are two different things. GEMINI: Your schedule may be busy, but the only thing that really matters this weekend is spending time with loved ones. CANCER: You relay the sweet sentiments that others long to hear. LEO: You'll sleep better after you've "made nice" with the one who drives you crazy! VIRGO: You're fast becoming the favorite of that special someone. LIBRA: A crush is like a shooting star — brilliant and fleeting. SCORPIO: People on the periphery strongly affect your most

central relationships. SAGITTARIUS: You're drawn to those who are as high-spirited and refined as you. CAPRICORN: You're loyal beyond the call of duty. Hopefully, your loved one appreciates this! AQUARIUS: Whoever can appeal to your deeper emotions has a chance with you. PISCES: You may try to approach your relationships from too cerebral a place — relax and try to feel it instead.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: It's a week-end of perpetual romance for Taurus and Virgo, two earth signs who are comfortable in the knowledge that no matter what happens, good or bad, they always have each other. These signs complement each other's weaknesses. When Taurus gets stubbornly entrenched in a fruitless line of thought, Virgo nurtures and prods until the bull is unstuck. Likewise, Taurus can save Virgo from self-criticism by singing Virgo's obvious talents until Virgo believes them again.

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Annie's Mailbox : Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: My husband, "George," and I have been caring for my mother-in-law for the past three years. Unfortunately, we can no longer continue and must put her in a nursing facility.



KATHY MITCHELL MARCY SUGAR

The problem is her doctor. He is trying to dictate which facility to put Mom in. He wants her at the place where he is on staff, but we don't like that facility. We much prefer a different home, but the doctor does not have staff privileges there. Now he refuses to fill out any medical forms or turn over her medical records to anyone, and he is generally making our lives miserable.

We have since found another doctor for my mother-in-law who is much more cooperative and whom we like a great deal. Do we have any recourse against the original doctor? Can we report him somewhere? — Fed Up in New Jersey

Dear Fed Up: According to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, your doctor has 30 days to provide the records after receiving a written request from the patient, or whoever the patient has designated. Physicians may not refuse to release a copy of the medical records if they are needed for treatment by another health care provider, although you do need to pay for the costs of reproduction. If Mom's new doctor still doesn't have the necessary information, you can file a complaint with your county medical society or the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners.

Dear Annie: Please help me. My husband has been singing duets with a female vocalist. Could the singing be his way of finding an outlet for his sexual needs? He shows no affection toward me at all. We've had no sex for the past 13 months. I'm not included in his singing practices or the gigs where they perform. This situation is nearly driving

me to a mental breakdown. I've asked him to stop singing with her, and he has, but it hasn't changed his attitude toward me. What should I do? — Singing Solo

Dear Solo: Singing is not likely to be a sexual substitute, but it certainly may be emotionally satisfying to your husband. Is he in love with his duet partner? He obviously had a connection with this woman and didn't want you to be part of it. The two of you need to find your own connection, and this may involve counseling. Ask him to go with you so you can work on your apparent estrangement and find ways to strengthen your marriage.

Dear Annie: I have been quite frustrated at work lately. My coworker, "Alice," does not pull her weight in the office. She's a great person and all, but she just doesn't know very much about her job.

Alice has been here for five years, which is longer than I have, but she knows half as much as I do. She is constantly asking me questions in between talking to coworkers and making my own calls.

We both have key roles in the company, and what we do affects everyone else. Many other employees have complained to their supervisors about Alice, but the manager doesn't do anything about the problem. He actually sticks up for her. I have tried talking with my manager, only to be shot down each time. He protects her on every level.

The stress of being the sole person carrying the weight is really starting to get to me. I would hate to have to take this to the manager's supervisor, but

career. This never would have happened if my mother hadn't had the courage to do what she felt was right. She continued to provide support to me (emotionally and financially), but only as I made progress on my own. My priorities changed and my survival skills (suppressed when not in regular use) were honed when I suddenly needed to worry about what I would eat for the next week.

These parents should do the same. Yes, there is a risk, but are they planning to shelter Jared forever? What happens when they're gone and he needs to start looking after himself when he's 50? — Eternally Thankful to Mom in Canada

Dear Canada: We're glad your mother had the backbone to make you stand on your own two feet — and that you were resilient enough to turn things around. We hope Jared's parents are paying attention.

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Golf Insider

IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

Make a splash on the beach

By T.J. TOMASI
Universal Press Syndicate

In the photos below, PGA Tour player Steve Lowery is practicing a normal, garden-variety greenside bunker shot where the ball sits on top of the sand with a level lie. I call this the splash shot because it's as if the ball is sitting in a small puddle of water. All you have to do is hit slightly behind the ball and splash the water onto the green (along with the ball, of course).

If you learn only one thing about sand shots, it should be to make a long backswing coupled with an even longer follow-through.

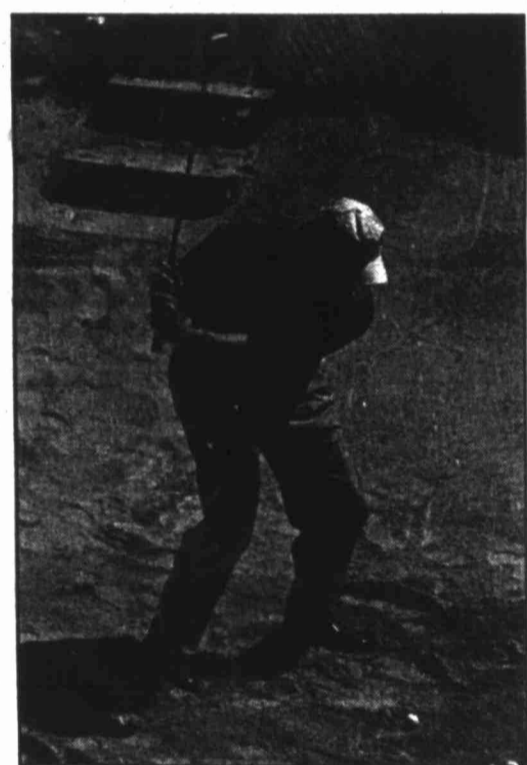
Most amateurs use a short, stabbing stroke, and that makes good sense because the target is only a few yards away. But to become a good bunker player, you must force yourself to make a much fuller arm swing than you normally would for the distance involved, while at the same time fully cocking your wrists.

Notice how high Lowery's club head is at the top of his backswing. Also see how high it is at the end of the swing. This is a result of correct wrist action.

How do you know how much arm swing to use and how hard to swing? The same way you get to Carnegie Hall — practice, and then practice some more.

The splash shot requires that you use the bounce on the sole of your sand wedge to skim through a thin layer of sand behind and under the ball. Note the word "thin." The best players take the least sand, and the key is to splash rather than dig. This enables the ball to ride out of the bunker on a cushion of sand that is lean enough to transmit spin from the club face to the ball.

To do this correctly, you'll need to slice across the ball, so move the ball forward, opposite your front heel, and then open your stance with your club face pointing directly at the target. With your entire body in an open position, you're ready to swing your club with a cut-across action along your body line.



PGA Tour player Steve Lowery demonstrates correct wrist action while practicing his greenside bunker shot.

THE GOLF DOCTOR

Go ahead, make my round

A par is a par, and a bogie is a bogie, but it doesn't make any difference at what point in the round you make a three, a four or a five because they all count the same. And if you believe that, I've got some oceanfront property for you in Idaho.

There are times in every round when your game can swing one way or the other: Good players learn to recognize these "juncture situations" and take advantage of them. This is why stats don't tell the whole story — it's a matter of both what and when. Making a bogey (the what) just as your comeback is under way (the when) can put the brakes on your momentum train. Success at the juncture is a habit

you can develop by (1) understanding the nature of juncture situations, (2) developing an intervention strategy designed to take advantage of a juncture when it occurs, (3) being able to identify a juncture situation.

A good example of a juncture situation occurred on the last day of the 2005 Ford Championships at Doral. Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson were battling for the win in front of a sellout crowd. Woods made a 30-foot birdie putt on the 17th. Then, as Mickelson nearly chipped in for birdie on the final hole, Woods ended the battle with a tension-packed 6-foot par putt for the win. But it was the 17th that turned the tide.

On the last day of the 2005 PGA

Championship, Bob May outplayed Woods and had a chance to deliver a knock-out punch on the 15th. Woods missed the green and left himself a tricky 12-footer for par, while May stuffed it near the flag, leaving himself a 4-footer for birdie. If Tiger missed and May made his (the most likely scenario), May would walk to 16 with a three-shot lead.

This was a juncture situation, and of course the king of junctures ran in his 12-footer for a par. Then May missed his birdie and went on to lose the PGA in a thrilling sudden-death playoff a few holes later. It was "only a par," but it paved the way to another major for Tiger Woods.

—T.J. Tomasi

COMMENTARY



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The Woodses (From left, Earl, Kultida and Tiger's wife Elin) are blessed with the ability to show each other affection. Earl and Kultida have divorced, but are frequently in attendance at tournaments in which Tiger plays.

Woods has his priorities straight

By ALAN TAYS
Cox News Service

Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Tiger Woods will go into the Masters next week favored to win his fifth green jacket.

If he shows up. His father, Earl Woods, has cancer, and was sick enough last week for Tiger to fly to California to see him.

Tiger returned here in time to play his first round in The Players Championship.

Afterward he said of his father, "He's a very stubborn man, which is good. He's fighting as hard as he can. It was good to see."

Tiger indicated he'll return to California this week. He said, "There's a chance I might not play for a while," including skipping the Masters.

Good for him. Good for him for putting family first.

No doubt Earl would oppose such a decision. Tiger said that when he showed up at his father's home, Earl greeted him with, "What the hell are you doing here?"

Earl loves to watch his son play

golf. Watching Tiger win another Masters would bring him great joy. But is that really the point?

Skipping the Masters would do Tiger more good than it would Earl. Considering Earl's precarious health, Tiger has to figure that every chance he gets to see his father might be his last. If he misses a final opportunity, he might never stop second-guessing himself, something we never see him do on the golf course.

For all of Tiger's golf talent, maybe his greatest gift is the family he's been blessed to have. He's 30 years old and his parents are still alive; a lot of us lose them at a younger age. Just the fact that he ever had a loving mother and father in his life makes him more fortunate than many.

The Woodses — Tiger, Earl and mom Kultida — also are blessed with the ability to show each other affection. How many times have we seen Tiger hugging his mom or dad after winning a major championship?

"Just trying to make him understand that I love him dearly," Tiger said unashamedly of his father recently. That's an expression many of us can't make in

private, let alone in public.

It's possible — make that probable — that come Masters week, Earl Woods gruffly will order his son to "get your butt back to Augusta." Then Tiger will have to decide what to do. But at least he'll know he showed his dad how much he loves and respects him. In a world where so many parents and children end up estranged, that's priceless.

So maybe Tiger Woods skips the Masters, and maybe at the end of his career his record adds up to 17 majors, one short of Jack Nicklaus' total.

At that time, it will be worth considering what Nicklaus said last summer at the British Open, his final major:

"I'm not really concerned about what my legacy is in relation to the game of golf," Nicklaus said. "I'm more concerned about what my legacy is with my family, my kids and my grandkids. That's by far more important to me."

In that sense, it's clear that Woods is well on the way to matching Nicklaus in what's really important. Counting trophies and green jackets has nothing to do with it.

Kuchar fights way back into spotlight

By CHIP TOWERS
Cox News Service

Atlanta Matt Kuchar's golf career of late can be summed up this way: He has gone from flourishing in big PGA events to toiling in tournaments with names you can hardly say with one breath.

Take this past week, for example. While the big names were playing for the PGA Tour's richest purse at The Players Championship, Kuchar was struggling to break par in the Chitimacha Louisiana Open, a Nationwide Tour event in Broussard, La., named after an Indian tribe.

Kuchar made the cut there — something he hasn't done a whole lot lately — and finished in a tie for 39th at 4-under 284. The \$2,300 in earnings barely covered his expenses.

Kuchar lost his PGA Tour card after finishing 159th on the money list last season and is trying to play



KUCHAR

his way back on the Nationwide Tour. Suffice it to say, it's not exactly where the former Georgia Tech star and U.S. Amateur champion expected to be at age 27.

"If I had looked in a crystal ball 20

years ago, I wouldn't have seen this," Kuchar said.

Kuchar says he will be back in his element this week. He's bringing his wide, toothy grin and, he hopes, his A-game to the TPC at Sugarloaf in Duluth, Ga., for the BellSouth Classic.

"It's always great to play in front of the hometown folks," said Kuchar, who lists Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., as his permanent residence but still maintains a home in the Atlanta area. "I'm grateful for the invitation and the opportunity,

and I hope to take advantage of it."

So are a lot of people. "The guy certainly has talent," BellSouth Classic tournament director Dave Kaplan, who fielded 51 requests for exemptions this year, said of Kuchar. "You wouldn't have expected him to be in this situation. He's a guy that won the Amateur as a freshman at Tech and was 21st in The Masters and 14th in the [U.S.] Open as a sophomore."

More than anything, Kuchar said, he must manage his game between his ears.

"I've had good times and bad times, but I've always kept a fairly level-headed mentality," he said. "I understand this is the bed I've made. I've got to go back and play some Nationwide events, but there are a lot of guys out here who have played the PGA Tour and have had to take a step back. The key is to not stop enjoying yourself and dig yourself a hole you can't get out of."



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ASK THE PRO

Q: I have a tough time in my club tournaments playing against better players. I get worried about embarrassing myself, and I usually play a lot worse than I normally do. I'm a 20. What can I do to just play my game? — Paula, from the Web

A: The perceptions of reality you create in your brain are just that — Paula's perceptions. You have a choice, as I outline in my book "The 30-Second Golf Swing": In your mind's eye, you can make your opponent bigger or smaller, stronger or weaker, invincible (in which case you'll probably lose) or vulnerable (in which case you'll have a chance

SCHEDULE

All Times Eastern
LPGA TOUR
Kraft Nabisco
Championship
• Site: Rancho Mirage, Calif.
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
• Course: Mission Hills Country Club, Dinah Shore Tournament Course (6,520 yards, par 72)
• Purse: \$1.8 million. Winner's share: \$270,000.
• TV: ESPN2 (Thursday-Saturday, 5-7 p.m.) and CBS (Sunday, 3-5 p.m.)

PGA TOUR
BellSouth Classic
• Site: Duluth, Ga.
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
• Course: TPC at Sugarloaf (7,293 yards, par 72)
• Purse: \$5.3 million. Winner's share: \$954,000.
• TV: USA (Thursday-Friday, 4-6 p.m.) and NBC (Saturday-Sunday, 3-6 p.m.)

CHAMPIONS TOUR
Puerto Vallarta Blue Agave
Golf Classic
• Site: Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.
• Schedule: Friday-Sunday
• Course: Vista Vallarta Golf Club (7,073 yards, par 72)
• Purse: \$1.6 million. Winner's share: \$240,000.
• TV: The Golf Channel (Friday, 6-8:30 p.m.; Saturday, 1:30-4 a.m., 6-8:30 p.m., 10 p.m.-midnight; Sunday, 6-8:30 p.m., 10 p.m.-midnight)

PGA EUROPEAN TOUR
Algarve Open of Portugal
• Site: Portimao, Portugal.
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
• Course: Le Meridien Penina Golf and Resort (6,799 yards, par 72)
• Purse: \$1.5 million. Winner's share: \$250,050.
• TV: The Golf Channel (Thursday, 9 a.m.-noon; Friday, 9 a.m.-noon, 10 p.m.-midnight; Saturday, 8-11 a.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m.-noon)

NATIONWIDE TOUR
Livermore Valley Wine
Country Championship
• Site: Livermore, Calif.
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
• Course: The Course at Wente Vineyards (6,934 yards, par 72)
• Purse: \$600,000. Winner's share: \$108,000.
• TV: None.

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1. Tiger Woods	17.71
2. Vijay Singh	8.74
3. Retief Goosen	8.03
4. Phil Mickelson	7.08
5. Ernie Els	6.95
6. Sergio Garcia	6.47
7. Jim Furyk	5.88
8. David Toms	5.46
9. Adam Scott	4.91
10. Luke Donald	4.83
11. Chris DiMarco	4.77
12. Henrik Stenson	4.40
13. David Howell	4.21
14. Colin Montgomerie	4.20
15. Darren Clarke	4.09

MONEY LEADERS PGA TOUR	
Player	Money
1. Rory Sabbatini	\$2,219,294
2. Geoff Ogilvy	\$2,180,459
3. Tiger Woods	\$2,169,383
4. David Toms	\$2,048,800
5. Chad Campbell	\$1,781,797

LPGA TOUR	
Player	Money
1. Juli Inkster	\$235,243
2. Seon Hwa Lee	\$217,523
3. Meena Lee	\$196,751
4. A. Sorenstam	\$195,577
5. Joo Mi Kim	\$175,452

CHAMPIONS TOUR	
Player	Money
1. Loren Roberts	\$882,880
2. Brad Bryant	\$417,515
3. Tom Kite	\$377,102
4. Don Pooley	\$337,366
5. Jerry Pate	\$332,290

to win). To play golf to the best of your ability, you must become adept at running your own brain. If you don't, there are plenty of people ready to run it for you.

Everyone has strengths and weaknesses, but we generally overestimate our opponent's strengths and underestimate our weaknesses. Unfortunately, we often do the reverse with our own game; we underestimate our strengths and exaggerate our weaknesses.

The next time you face a skilled opponent, whittle her down to a realistic size in your mind, then focus on the strengths of your own game. Give yourself permission to play your best.