

## Bake sale to assist family hit by tragedy

□ Drive-through event set for 7:30 a.m. Friday in front of the VA Medical Center.

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**  
News Editor

Employees at the West Texas VA Health Care System are sponsoring a fund-raiser Friday for an area veteran and his family who have met with recent tragedy.

Beginning at 7:30 a.m. Friday, there will be a drive-through bake sale along the front drive of the medical center. Proceeds will go to help the family of U.S. Marine Sgt. Rodney Lane.

Their story is one of heart-wrenching grief.

Lane, an eight-year veteran, had flown to Midland International Airport on Aug. 1 following shoulder surgery at Camp Lejeune, N.C. At the same time, his wife Bonnie and children India, Colin, Asia and August, piled in their GMC Suburban and left the family home in Colorado City en route on Interstate 20 to pick him up. However, the vehicle began experiencing problems and Bonnie headed back to Colorado City.

According to the Department of Public Safety, the Suburban stalled near the top of a grade and was struck by an 18-wheeler whose driver did not have time to take evasive action. The car caught fire.

One-year-old India died at the scene; 5-year-old Asia passed away Monday at a Lubbock hospital from injuries received in the wreck. Bonnie, who had also been hospitalized, was

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HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Greg Brown, a single surface class hang gliding competitor, takes off from the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. Brown, who traveled to the Big Spring area from Santa Barbara, Calif., is just one of the many pilots competing in the U.S. Hang Gliding Championship, which continues through Saturday.

Competition is fun, but ...

## California glider enjoys connecting with nature

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

While the "big dogs" chase the national title during the U.S. Hang Gliding Championship, some pilots take a more laid-back approach to the contest, paying more attention to the view than any trophy or award.

Greg Brown, a single-surface class hang gliding competitor from Santa Barbara, Calif., is that kind of pilot.

"We drove out here, so it was a pretty good journey. We've been in Big Spring since Friday," said Brown, who is competing in the championship, which continues through Saturday at the

*"It's the only thing I've ever done where time just stops. You're just completely in the moment. There's no past and there's no future, you're just focused on what's happening right here, right now. I really love it."*



Brown

McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. "I've had some really good flights so far, mainly on the practice days. I'm in the single surface class, which is the lowest division in this competition. We're one division down from the sport class and two divisions down from the

open class, which is the pre-world contest."

Brown said he got his taste for flight from paragliding, a sport many hang gliding pilots also compete in.

"I started paragliding in Venezuela in about

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## Festival will focus on flight, big dose of fun

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

The Hangar 25 Air Museum will help close out the U.S. Hang Gliding Championship Saturday, as museum officials get ready to host the first-ever Big Spring a Gliding and Flight Festival.

Featuring everything from plane rides to fun and games for the entire family,



Wallace

Museum Administrator Heather Wallace said the festival — which will be held on the airpark apron near the museum — will offer area residents a different way to enjoy the competition.

"We wanted to do something that would give the spectators a little more than just watching the gliders take off," said Wallace. "We hope this will help them appreciate flight and everything that goes into it."

Wallace said festival-goers will have the chance to win or purchase plane rides from its airpark neighbor, the U.S. Flight Academy, which is expected to have three different types of planes on hand between 8 a.m. and noon.

According to information released by the festival committee, the academy will offer rides in a Cessna 150 — one passenger at a time — for \$30 per ride; a Cherokee 140 — also one passenger at a time — for \$50 per ride; and a 310 Twin Engine — which seats four — for \$300 per ride.

For those with more of a competitive streak,

### SATURDAY SCHEDULE

• 8 a.m. until noon — Festival-goers will have the chance to win or purchase plane rides provided by U.S. Flight Academy. All rides will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

• 8 a.m. until evening — "Big Spring's Got Talent ALL Talent Show," with open slots throughout the day for talents ranging from singing and dancing.

• 10:30 a.m. — Dog and Master Look-Alike Contest

• 1 p.m. — Peanut Spitting Contest

• After 2 p.m. — Instructional flights for ultra lights and hang gliding, \$49.99 - \$100.

• 3 p.m. — Horseshoe pitching contest

• 4 p.m. — Dr. Kilgore's One Man Band will perform and accept donations for local veteran families.

Wallace said the festival will offer several contests during the day.

"We're going to have a pet and owner look alike contest at 10:30 a.m.," said Wallace. "That should really be a laugh for everyone. We're also planning to have peanut spitting contest at 1 p.m., and a horseshoe pitching contest at 3 p.m."

Dr. Kilgore's One Man Band is expected to perform at 4 p.m., but according to event committee member Debbye Val Verde, the good doctor won't be the only performer.

"We're going to offer a

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## TXU teams with Northside to help with energy costs

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

For the third straight year, TXU Energy is partnering with Northside Community Center to help needy families pay their electricity bills.

The center will receive about \$24,000 this year from TXU as part of its Energy Aid program. NSCC will then use the funds to help low-income households with their electric bills.

Energy Aid is funded by cus-

tomers and TXU employee contributions.

For every \$1 donated by customers, the company chips in an additional \$5.

"All of that money goes to back to the community to help needy families," said Kim Campbell, program manager for Energy Aid. "There are no administrative costs associated with this program."

Bobby Armstrong, acting



Campbell

executive director of the center, said such aid is greatly appreciated.

"I talk to a lot of people who need help, and every one of them has a story," Armstrong said.

"Every story gets sadder and sadder, and there's more of them now."

"The money that is donated in Howard County stays in Howard County," he added. "So people in Big Spring making donations are helping their friends, families and neigh-

bors." Families seeking assistance need to apply at NSCC. There, their income and expenses will be reviewed to see if they qualify for the program.

"There are some rules we have to follow as to the amount of the bill we can pay. Plus, we can only pay for one bill every 12 months," Armstrong said. "We cannot pay for deposits or fees, only for actual electrical usage."

TXU customers wishing to contribute to the program can

do so by calling 877-281-6359, or by completing the information on the back of their monthly bill.

Families seeking assistance are asked to call the center at 263-2673 or come by the office at 108 N.E. 8th between 9 a.m. and noon and 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@big-springherald.com.

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### AFTER HOURS COMING

Scenic Mountain Medical Center Reflections Unit, 1601 W. 11th Pl., will host a Business After Hours from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17.

Business After Hours is a Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce program designed to encourage networking and to showcase sponsors.

Everyone is invited to exchange business cards and bring a guest.

There is no admission charge. Door prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be served.

The Reflections Geriatric Psychiatry Unit, located on the fourth floor at Scenic Mountain, has been recently redecorated.

### FREE POCKET ASH TRAYS

Keep Big Spring Beautiful is participating in the pilot for this program sponsored by Keep America Beautiful. They have picked up about 3,500 cigarette butts in a five-block area downtown. Keep Big Spring Beautiful members will be giving away free pocket ash trays this Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Main Street between the courthouse and the post office. "We are encouraging the installation of ash receptacles for several locations downtown," a spokeswoman said.

"We will scan the area again in late September and our hope is there will be very few cigarette butts in the area."

### MARANATHA OPEN HOUSE

Maranatha Baptist Academy is holding an open house in conjunction with the start of the 2006-2007 school year.

The public is invited to drop in between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Friday to tour the school and glimpse the academy's learning environment.

In operation since 1980, Maranatha has a fully qualified staff to meet the growing needs for individualized instruction, said Dr. Lillian Bohannon, administrator. "We are celebrating 26 years of educating students in Big Spring," Bohannon said, "and we would like to invite the public and former students to drop by. Come by and share a cup of coffee and visit with us."



## Obituaries

## Bonnie Cole Snell

Graveside services for Bonnie Cole Snell, 93, of Ackerly, will be held Today, Aug. 10, 2006, at 10 a.m. at Lamesa Memorial Park with Elwin Collum officiating, under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

Bonnie passed away Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2006, at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Veteran's Home in Big Spring. Bonnie was a retired farmer in the Ackerly area. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II under General Patton in North Africa and Italy.

He married Faye Brooks on Sept. 24, 1945, in Ackerly. She passed away Dec. 16, 2004.

Survivors include a daughter, Beverly Jeffcoat and husband Alvis of Big Spring; and two grandchildren, Krista Jeffcoat of San Angelo and Kara Mellas and husband Ray of San Angelo.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ed and Alice Snell, sisters Cora Brady, La Fayette Keel and Mae Pattie, and brothers Rueben, Martin, Huey and Irvin Snell.

Pallbearers will be Ray Mellas, Krista Jeffcoat, Kara Mellas, Matt Snell, John Snell and Alvis Jeffcoat.

The family suggests memorials to Home Hospice of Big Spring.

Paid obituary

## Curtis Wood

Curtis Wood, 95, of Zephyr, formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2006, in Comanche. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Rick Austin officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born June 4, 1911 in Laneville to Jessie and Minnie Wood. The family came to Howard County in 1920 where he lived until moving to Zephyr 32 years ago. He was a member of the Church of Christ. He married Ruby McCluskey Jan. 4, 1961 in Lamesa.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby Wood of Zephyr; and 15 nieces and nephews.

His nephews will serve as pallbearers. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

## Terry Bailey

Terry Bailey, 34, of Plano, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Aug. 7, 2006, at his residence. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Mount Bethel Baptist Church with the Rev. Ernest Wilson officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 23, 1971, in Big Spring. He was a member of Mount Bethel Baptist Church. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 1990 and was a lifetime resident of Big Spring until 2000. He graduated from culinary school in Dallas and was employed as a chef in Dallas.

He is survived by two sons, Damien Bailey and Macy Bailey, both of Big Spring; a daughter, Tia Bailey of Big Spring; mother, Mary Lou Williams and her husband Freddie Williams of Big Spring; father, Manuel Marquez and his wife Adelinda of Colorado City; two sisters, Nadine Marquez Peckenpaugh and her husband Harold of Hurst, and Fulani Williams of Big Spring; three brothers, Freddie Williams Jr. and Manuel Marquez Jr., both of Big Spring, and Timothy Marquez of Midland; a grandmother, Juanita Marquez of Big Spring; and several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

## Helen Palmer

Helen Palmer, 83, of Abilene, formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, Aug. 10, 2006, in an Abilene nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

## Support Groups

## MONDAY

• Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers meets the first and third Monday of the month. For more information, call Nancy Hale at 398-5239.

## TUESDAY

• The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 6 p.m. the last Tuesday of the month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Wednesday and 7 a.m. today:

- **STELING MCINTOSH**, 23, of 1110 E. 16th Street, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- **ROBERT RUTH**, 37, of Monahans, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **UNLAWFULLY CARRYING A WEAPON** was reported in the 200 block of Benton.
- **THEFT OF A FIREARM** was reported in the 300 block of Tulane.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1700 block of Wasson.
- **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - TWO OUNCES OR LESS** was reported in the 300 block of Tulane.
- **POSSESSION OF A DANGEROUS DRUG** was reported in the 300 block of Runnels.
- **POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE** was reported in the 300 block of Runnels.
- **ASSAULT/CLASS C** was reported in the 4000 block of Parkway.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 2500 block of Dow.

## Fire/EMS

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

- **RICKY DALE MARTIN**, 52, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of theft.
- **CARLOS RODRIGUEZ**, 52, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **MICHELLE WHITE MCELROY**, 34, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of fraudulent placement of facsimile signature/seal.
- **PAUL VIERA JR.**, 20, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on charges of evading arrest or detention and open container.
- **LEVY RICHARD PACHECO**, 26, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on a charge of failure to identify - giving false information.
- **IRENE JIMENEZ HINOJOSA**, 41, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on charges of bondsman off bond for driving while license suspended and bondsman off bond for theft (two counts).
- **DUSTIN WAYNE BROWNING**, 22, was arrested Wednesday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 17000 block of North FM 1584.

## Sheriff's report

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

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 500 block of Tulane. Service was refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 100 block of E. Marcy. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1200 block of Lloyd. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1600 block of Kentucky Way. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **AUTOMOBILE FIRE** was reported near the intersection of 16th Street and Mesa.

## Take Note

• **COAHOMA PTA'S** membership drive starts at Coahoma Elementary school during the Meet the Teacher program between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. tonight. PTA members will have water bottles, magnets and spirit ribbons for sale. Also, if you pre-ordered school supply packs, those can be picked up.

• **MEET THE TEACHER** at Coahoma Elementary School is Thursday. Multi-Age Meeting for kindergarten through third grade is at 5:30 p.m. in Cafeteria. Meet the Teacher for prekindergarten through six grade is from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. School starts Monday at 7:55 a.m.

• **KENTWOOD ELEMENTARY IS INVITING PARENTS** to "meet the teacher" from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. Monday, Aug. 14, in their student's classroom. Also, parents are invited to an open house and burger bash from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday in the school cafeteria.

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## Bulletin Board

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## TODAY

- American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.
- The Prospector's Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at 606 E. Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. For more information contact Lola Lamb at 263-3340 or Doyle and Virginia McClain at 263-8407.
- Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-2005 for more information.
- Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

## FRIDAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281.
- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Spring City Senior Citizen's Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area senior citizens are invited.

## SATURDAY

- Big Spring Flight Festival, 8 a.m. until 7 p.m., on the Hangar 25 Air Museum apron. Dog and master look alike contest, peanut spitting contest, horse-shoes, airplane flights and hang gliding flights, talent show, food and game both vendors.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

## MONDAY

- The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association meets in the Cactus Room at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. in the First Christian Church of Big Spring, 911 Goliad.

## Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Friday...Partly cloudy. Highs around 100. South winds around 10 mph.

Friday night...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 70s. South winds around 10 mph. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

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

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.

Sunday...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s.

Sunday night...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Monday...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Monday night...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 70. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Tuesday night...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.

## Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:  
Winning numbers drawn: 9-19-24-25-31.  
Number matching five of five: 0.

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:  
Winning numbers drawn: 2-5-13-22-28-43.  
Number matching six of six: 0.  
Number matching five of six: 24. Prize: \$1,873.  
Number matching four of six: 1,650. Prize: \$40.  
Number matching three of six: 31,462. Prize: \$3.

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-1-6

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# Security tightened at DFW, IAH

DALLAS (AP) — All Texas air travelers should get to their airports earlier than usual Thursday after security was tightened at Dallas-Fort Worth International and Houston Bush Intercontinental airports.

Passengers will be barred from carrying liquids and gels aboard flights, including beverages bought at airport concessions stands. U.S. security officials explained that only liquids emerged as a risk from the investigation in Britain.

The security was tightened before dawn Thursday after British officials broke up what they described as a terror plot.

Fort Worth-based American Airlines, Houston-based Continental Airlines and suburban Chicago-based United Airlines were specific targets of the plot, two counterterrorism officials said Thursday, speaking on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the situation.

British officials said the plan was to simultaneously blow up several jetliners en route to the U.S. using explosives smuggled on board in carry-on bags.

At DFW, where American is based and hubbed, airport spokesman Ken Capps said extra police and K-9 units had been mobilized. Those units are patrolling terminals and parking garages.

Similar measures have been taken at Bush Intercontinental in Houston, where Continental Airlines is based and hubbed. Airport spokeswoman Marlene McClinton urged domestic travelers to arrive two hours before departure, and international travelers to allow three hours.

U.S. officials have banned all carry-on liquids and gels, including beverages bought at airport concessions stands. Infant milk and formula are exempt from the ban if an infant is with an adult passenger. Also exempt are insulin and prescription drugs when the name on the label matches that on the boarding pass, Capps said.

## British authorities thwart terrorist plot to blow up several aircraft

LONDON (AP) — British police said Thursday they had arrested 21 people in connection with a terror plot against airlines traveling from Britain to the U.S. which was "intended to be mass murder on an unimaginable scale."

London's Heathrow airport, the busiest airport in Europe, was closed to most European flights Thursday morning after officials raised Britain's national security alert to its highest level — suggesting a terrorist attack may be imminent. Huge crowds formed at security barriers.

Police carried out the arrests overnight in London, its suburbs and Birmingham as part of a major covert counterterrorism operation that had lasted several months, Deputy Commissioner Paul Stephenson said. The identities of those arrested were not immediately released.

Police said searches were continuing in a number of locations.

"We have been very successful in arresting those we were targeting but this is a lengthy operation, and no doubt there will be further developments," Stephenson told reporters outside the headquarters of the Metropolitan police.

## Israel to put new offensive in Lebanon on hold to give diplomacy a chance

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel will hold back a new ground offensive in Lebanon until the weekend to give cease-fire efforts another chance, senior government officials said Thursday, a day after Israel's Security Cabinet approved a major expansion of the month-long war.

But prospects for a quick cease-fire resolution by the U.N. Security Council were uncertain, with the United States and France still divided over a timetable for an Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon.

France wants Israel to pull out once hostilities end, while the United States backs Israel's insistence on staying in southern Lebanon until a strong interna-

tional force is deployed, which could take weeks or months.

In fighting Thursday, Hezbollah claimed it destroyed 13 Israel tanks in south Lebanon. The Israeli military declined comment. On Wednesday, 15 Israeli soldiers were killed in Lebanon, the deadliest day for Israeli soldiers in the war.

The deeper push into Lebanon was approved by Israel's Security Cabinet. During the tense six-hour meeting, ministers received constant updates on the rising Israeli military casualties in Lebanon.

## Bird flu monitoring expands nationally

WASHINGTON (AP) — Monitoring of wild migratory birds to prevent a deadly bird flu virus is expanding to cover the entire nation and U.S. territories in the Pacific.

The stepped-up testing will be done by scientists in the lower 48 states, Hawaii and other Pacific islands. They will begin keeping an eye out for the deadly H5N1 strain of the avian flu that has killed more than 100 people, mostly in Asia.

In Alaska, where the first migratory birds began arriving, monitoring started just before summer.

"This move to test thousands more wild birds throughout the country will help us to quickly identify, respond and control the virus if it arrives in the United States," Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns said Wednesday. "Because we cannot control wild birds, our best protection is an early warning system."

Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne said more coordinated monitoring by federal agencies, states and universities "will be important this fall as birds now nesting in Alaska and Canada begin their migration south through the continental United States."

The Agriculture and Interior departments are providing \$4 million to state agencies to collect samples from specific species of migratory birds winging along four major U.S. migratory bird flyways.

# LANE

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released following treatment.

Several fund-raisers have been set up to assist the family, including the one locally.

"WTVHCS employees invite the community to drive by the VA on Friday morning to help Rodney and Bonnie Lane with the tremendous heartache they have experienced in the past 10 days," said Iva Joe Hanslik, VAMC community relations coordinator.

"This will be the first 'drive-thru' on the front steps of the medical center. Citizens in our community can make a contribution to the Lane family and purchase some wonderful baked items without having to get out of their vehicles," she said.

Because employees are donating their time and baked items, the sale will end around 9:30 a.m. Any baked items remaining after that time will be delivered to the Lane family in Colorado city.

Memorial services for the children are sched-

uled for 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Colorado City.

## MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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# EDITORIAL

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## OUR VIEWS

### Donations needed for Herald to put papers in schools

The Big Spring Herald is now in the process of getting its 2006-2007 Newspapers In Education started with its goal being to reach as many students as possible this year.

To do that, as we've noted before, we need all of Howard County's help.

Last year, some more than 50 teachers signed up for the program and we delivered more than 1,000 newspapers to classrooms each Tuesday.

Unfortunately, there were not enough sponsors to keep the program continuing throughout the school year.

We don't want that to happen again.

In fact, we'd like nothing better than to increase the total number of newspapers provided to local schools this year to a level the program has never reached.

Requests for sponsorships are being sent to Big Spring businesses in hopes of amassing the \$10,000 needed for the program to be successful.

In addition, Herald representatives will be contacting local businesses and individuals in the coming days, seeking sponsorships.

Gold sponsors are those that donate \$5,000 or more to the program; silver sponsors would be those contributing \$2,500; bronze sponsors contribute \$500; classroom sponsors provide \$125 to the program annually; and scholastic sponsors provide \$50.

As with any such program, however, even the smallest of donations is appreciated.

"That's why businesses that sign up to provide \$40 per month will again be recognized as bronze sponsors," explained Herald Circulation Manager Duane McCollum, who coordinates the program. "And we will be recognizing sponsors throughout the year."

Those interested in contributing to the program at any level can contact McCollum by calling 263-7331, ext. 244. He can also be contacted for more information by e-mail at circulation@bigspringherald.com.

School principals will be receiving packets announcing the program's sign-up and will include flyers which will be distributed to teachers.

But to really make the program work, we need partnerships in this NIE effort.

This will be a wonderful year to use newspapers in classrooms. This fall's congressional, gubernatorial, state senate and state representative campaigns are in full swing and the Herald's coverage of those races is just one the important tools teachers will have at their disposal as a result of using the newspaper in their classrooms.

"The newspaper is not only true living history book of current events," Herald Publisher Susanne Reed noted, "it's also a tool for teachers to use in a variety of subjects."

In addition, the NIE program is also intended to help create the newspaper reading habit in students.

While we freely admit we want young people to become newspaper readers, enhancing our business in the future, our commitment to the NIE program is much more than an effort to secure our role for the future.

We remain steadfast in our belief that newspaper readers are the best-informed segment of our society. And by creating a life-long habit of newspaper reading, we make sure that tomorrow's voters and the leaders they elect are both well educated and well informed.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we seek You out, Lord, as our expert on life.

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## Democrats' gloating is premature

While liberals are licking their chops in anticipation of the demise of conservatism, Democrats are proving they are incapable of capitalizing on any electoral difficulties Republicans might encounter in November.

Washington Post columnist E.J. Dionne recently argued, "that this is the week in which conservatism reached the point of collapse." He said the Republican's hypocritical support of an increase in the minimum wage was symptomatic of "profound fissures within the right." He listed differences among conservatives over Iraq, immigration, stem cell research and federal spending.

Dionne said, "Between now and November, conservative leaders will dutifully try to rally the troops to stave off a Democratic victory. But their hearts won't be in the fight. The decline of conservatism leaves a vacuum in American politics. An unhappy electorate is waiting to see who will fill it."

I believe Dionne makes some valid points about certain internecine struggles on the right. But he misdiagnoses the basic problem, overestimates its significance and completely ignores the left's deeper internal difficulties.

Most problems on the right are not due to a failure of conservatism as an effective ideological approach to policy and culture, but to the Republicans' failure to govern as conservatives.

While conservatism's image might be suffering, conservatism itself is hardly declining and remains alive, well, and anxiously waiting for its party to return. As Karl Rove correctly observed, the country remains mostly "center-right." Neither inept Republican

politicians nor an unpopular war change that fact.

Admittedly, the political right's "big tent" is under strain on certain important issues. A schism has developed between open borders advocates and those favoring stricter immigration law enforcement. And Libertarians, ordinarily strong allies of conservatives, are increasingly disenchanted with the war and with social conservatism, though their myopic focus on economic issues militates against their abandoning conservatives, since liberals are irredeemably worse on economic issues.

But modern conservatism has never been about only economic issues. Social issues have always been vitally important. And while we enjoyed a seeming respite from consuming foreign policy concerns following the Cold War, it was only a matter of time before a new enemy bent on world domination would fill the void left by the implosion of Communism.

It might take some time for those in denial about the evils and prevalence of radical Islam to wake up to the nature and unavoidability of our enemy, but most Americans will eventually rally around these truths. This could involve some shifting in political alignments, and some will probably be holding their noses in joining with conservatives against this menace, but the ineluctable forces of history will pressure them to do so. Even Neville Chamberlain finally awakened to Hitler's global designs.

Yes, there are also differences among conservatives on the war and overall foreign policy, with the sharpest disagreement being between so-called neoconservatives and paleoconservatives. Though these labels are oversimplified and even misleading, philosophical differences indeed exist.

Some put more faith in the civilizing capacity of democracy than others. But even many of those

agnostic about the ultimate compatibility of Islam and democracy believe we had to remove Saddam Hussein despite our inability to guarantee that Iraq would be a stable and reliable ally in perpetuity.

Any attrition in conservative ranks due to the war will probably be more than replenished by those dissatisfied with the political left's growing anti-war extremism and with the Democratic Party's continuing impotence at crafting an alternative policy agenda — about anything. So before E.J. Dionne and his colleagues take their victory lap they need to explain how the anxiously anticipated "decline of conservatism" can result in a windfall to a Democratic Party that can't agree whether to come back to the real world or surrender completely to its fringe crazies.

Newsbusters blog noted that on ABC's "This Week," former co-host Cokie Roberts stunned George Stephanopoulos with her observation that if Ned Lamont defeats Joseph Lieberman in Connecticut, it will be "a disaster for the Democratic Party."

Roberts said, "pushing the party to the left is pushing the party to the position from which it traditionally loses." If other Democratic senators read a Lieberman defeat as a prescription to "play to your base," you will "get just a total chaos."

What Cokie seems to recognize is something E.J. Dionne has yet to grasp: No matter how tough things get for conservatives, Democrats are inescapably hostage to their militant base and otherwise ill-equipped to lead the world against the global Islamofascist jihad — facts not lost on most voters.

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## No guts, guys; no grace either

Do you think the Bush administration is going after the press? The San Francisco Chronicle said on the front page Aug. 3, "Cameraman Jailed for Not Yielding Tape," whereas The New York Times was reporting, "U.S. Wins Access to Reporter Phone Records." I'm feeling like a bunny trying to outrun a pack of wolfhounds.

Sometimes the press enjoys scaring itself or pretending it is about to be made into a bunch of martyrs. This is not one of those times. We are under full attack now, and it is time to fight. I am not infuriated by the performance of the press so far, but I am disgusted. Bob Novak is the most notable traitor, but others are leaping for political favors as they rush to insist *The New York Times* shouldn't print the news (and occasionally, quite old news at that). I fail to see how Fox News and other right-wing outlets have so little imagination they cannot picture themselves in the same corner come a Democratic administration.

What goes around comes around and all that good stuff, but to set it up so that payback is hell for yourself is tragically, deeply dumb.

I have watched the D.C. press corps play courtier to Bush since he openly insulted Helen Thomas, who is not only a first-rate journalist, but a lady as well.

Shame on you all. No principle, no guts, no grace. On another topic, I was talking to a guy named Andy the other night when he observed that unlike President Bush, he had learned first-hand that diplomacy works

with skunks. He was speaking of skunks, the striped, tail-up-bad-sign kind, but they seem a perfect metaphor for the rest of what he laughingly calls Bush's diplomatic strategy — at which point the proper response is to ask, "What diplomatic strategy?" Has anyone seen a foreign policy lately? Does anyone still know what containment means? These are, after all, the people who were against arms control because Bill Clinton was for it.

One feels like Casey Stengel looking at the early Mets: "Doesn't anybody here know how to play this game?"

In the most contemptible act of irresponsibility imaginable, the neo-cons who pulled together to start this war now reject any responsibility for it. Mr. Wolfowitz is busy running the World Bank; it's no longer his business.

The rest of this crew of moral pygmies are too frightened of Dick Cheney to point out that this entire war is a disaster, or a FIASCO as Thomas E. Ricks, author of the new book "Fiasco" puts it.

I think the Bush foreign policy — when in doubt, send Condi Rice home — was a public relations ploy to keep the Israeli-Lebanese war going long enough so that Americans won't notice Iraq has completely collapsed in the meantime. And it has collapsed. I suggest our military figure out how to get out of there before they lose an entire army on the way.

In Washington, the sophomore wienies who now staff the administration are far too terrified of Cheney to speak up, even if they had enough sense to notice it's going rather badly. Oh, for heaven's sake — send Cheney back to South Texas so he can shoot at caged birds there.

The Wizard of Oz had more credibility.

I think they're running around the Middle East looking for a red heifer. (For those of you who don't read your news straight from the Book of Revelations, a red heifer is needed to set off the Rapture. We're working on it.)

Well, if you can't get any global action from this outfit, how about some plain old legislation?

Nope. The Republicans' latest effort was to pass a callous imitation of a minimum wage increase (\$2.10 an hour over two years) after 10 years with no raise. They may fall over in gratitude. And, in the same bill mind you, this crew of crazed phil-anthropists insisted on another multibillion-dollar cut in the estate tax. For really, really rich people. Rep. Zach Wamp, gloatingly told the Democrats, "We have outfoxed you."

Outfoxed? A tiny increase in the minimum wage and a huge tax cut for multimillionaires. Does this make any sense? Does this even make politics?

In a splendid display of incompetence, the Republicans went on to make hay of pension reform plans. Meanwhile, I have yet another complaint to lodge against George W. Bush. "The man is a moron!" is not political debate. Not helpful. Not even prudent, as his old man would say. But that is precisely what he leaves us saying: "But, he is a complete moron."

Someone needs to pick up this discussion and point out that at least he's our moron and say something encouraging like someday maybe he'll learn to pronounce nuclear. We can count on him not to change his mind about stem cell research no matter what people learn. And, the only foreign leader he's necked with is female.

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# Compass: Stylish, fun, functional; but certainly not an off-road Jeep

By MATT NAUMAN

San Jose Mercury News

The automotive landscape is littered with brands that didn't evolve with changing times and changing buyers.

In recent years, Toyota decided to create Scion once it realized it wasn't viewed as a trendy choice for young car buyers. And Oldsmobile worked itself into a lather trying to convince buyers it wasn't making their father's cars anymore. But buyers were smarter, and saw Oldsmobile still was making their grandfather's cars, and the brand dried up and went away.

Now Jeep stands and looks at its future. It remains one of the industry's most iconic offerings, with a heritage of 60-plus years that can be traced to World War II. With that history, the brand evolved an off-road image based on the ability of its vehicles to tackle extreme trails, like the Rubicon Trail in the Sierra.

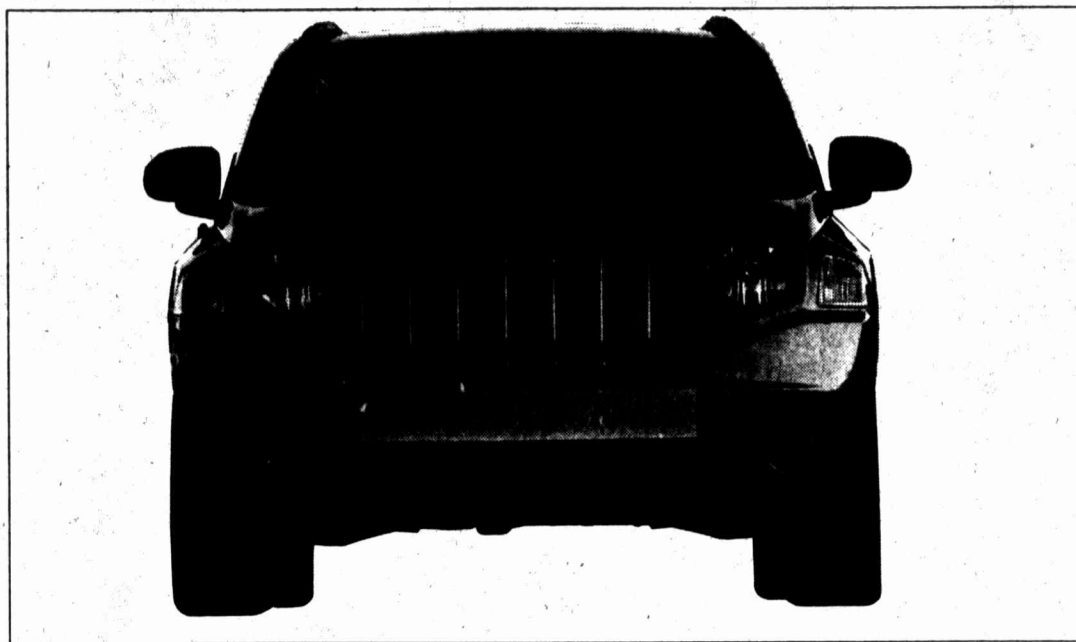
As new Jeeps have been added — Grand Cherokee, Liberty, Commander — they've added luxurious touches, and higher prices, but kept what the company describes as "trail-rated," its catch phrase for the ability to go four-by-fouring just about anywhere.

That basically stops with this summer's arrival of the 2007 Compass. It's a small crossover-utility, which means it's really a car that looks like a sport utility vehicle. Jeep marketers note that the CUV segment is booming, with sales expected to double by 2010 and triple by 2016.

There are buyers, many of them female, who want some of the rugged cachet that Jeep offers, but who have no plans whatsoever to add winches, outrageously high suspensions, coolers filled with 16-ounce beers and other serious off-road essentials.

The question, then, is whether this soft-road vs. off-road Jeep hurts the brand. And it remains unclear what that answer will be. Certainly, having a cheap Jaguar has hurt that brand's image, but adding an SUV hasn't harmed the power of the Porsche brand.

Here's what I can tell you after spending a week in a Jeep Compass. It's a stylish, functional and fun small car/wagon/SUV/CUV. And with starting prices ranging from \$17,025 to \$21,180, it's likely to be seen as an affordable alternative to other



crossovers.

First, although the Compass isn't trail-rated, Jeep designers made sure it looked like a Jeep. That includes the brand's usual seven-slot grille and tall windshield. Our test model was painted an outdoorsy shade of green. Heck, even the owner's manual came wrapped in something that looked like a knapsack.

And our Compass was a 4x4 model, complete with a handle to lock the four-wheel-drive system in place when drivers encounter snow or sandy terrain. In Compass press materials, Jeep publicists even include the usual specifications found with an off-road-worthy vehicle, data like approach angle, break-over angle and ground clearance. (It's 8.4 inches, by the way.)

The base Compass is a front-wheel-drive model. That's appropriate because this is a vehicle made for around-town driving, for family commuting. Jeep expects typical buyers will be in their early 20s to early 40s with a median annual income of \$60,000. About half will be college-educated, and many — though Jeep doesn't say how many — will be women.

Later this year, the new Jeep Patriot arrives. While it also shares a platform with the Dodge Caliber, as does the Compass, the Patriot comes in a more macho, traditional SUV package. I've heard that Jeep put both the Compass and the Patriot in front of focus groups, and that women liked the Compass and men liked the Patriot, so they decided to build both of them.

The Compass comes with a 2.4-liter four-cylinder engine with variable-valve timing. It makes 172 horsepower and 165 pound-feet of torque. A five-speed manual is the standard transmission, and an automatic with

continuously variable transmission (CVT) is a \$1,150 option. Fuel economy, as rated by the government, is 25 mpg in the city and 29 mpg on the highway with the five-speed manual and 23/26 with the CVT. Those numbers are good, but not great.

On the road, the Compass is perfectly acceptable. I thought the ride was solid and comfortable. Acceleration isn't breathtaking, but the CVT did a fine job of using the power from the engine.

Inside, the Compass has a comfortable five-passenger cabin with decent cargo room (22.7 cubic feet) behind the rear seats. That cargo space has a vinyl floor for utility and a retractable cover for security.

But it's the functional bits that set the Compass apart. Second-row seats split and fold to accommodate a variety of passenger and cargo needs. Put both seats down and cargo room grows to 53.6 cubic feet. The front passenger seat folds flat, too, to absorb longer items.

Neat touches abound, from a rear dome light that includes a removable flashlight, to a speaker inside the rear hatch that resembles a boombox and flips down to provide tailgate party entertainment. The armrest has storage for a cell phone or MP3 player. The glove box is large, and there's another open-storage shelf above it.

Our test model, a Limited 4x4, has some surprises considering its \$23,500 as-driven price. That list included leather seats, 18-inch aluminum wheels and both 12- and 115-volt power outlets. The list of standard safety equipment includes stability control, traction control, anti-lock brakes with brake assist and six air bags.

The very similar Dodge Caliber just earned the

government's five-star rating for frontal crashes, so I'd expect the Compass to do the same.

The Compass points Jeep in a new direction, and for buyers who want affordability, function and the Jeep badge, it's not a bad path to follow.

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## 2006 Property Tax Rates in Glasscock County

This notice concerns 2006 property tax rates for Glasscock County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
Last year's operating taxes	\$2,262,798	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Last year's debt taxes	\$9,312	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$2,272,110	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Last year's tax base	\$551,047,160	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Last year's total tax rate	\$4.12326/\$100	\$0.0000/\$100	\$0.0000/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$2,272,110	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$674,447,420	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$3.36884/\$100	\$ -0/\$100	\$ -0/\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$3.36884/\$100		

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes and holds hearings.)

This year's rollback tax rate:	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$2,262,798	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$674,447,420	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
= This year's effective rate	\$3.35504/\$100	\$ -0/\$100	\$ -0/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$3.62344/\$100	\$ -0/\$100	\$ -0/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0/\$100	\$ -0/\$100	\$ -0/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund.	\$3.62344/\$100	\$ -0/\$100	\$ -0/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$3.62344/\$100		

### Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Glasscock County adopts a 2006 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$3.36884 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2005 taxes by \$621.

### Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	\$1,100,000

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the Glasscock County Tax Assessor/Collector's Office.

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And waiting to say 'Ha! I never did that!'

Today my son turns 14. When he was born, the most frequent comment was how much he looked like me.

In fact, my mother said it appeared as if I had created him all on my own. (I had help, I promise.) But as he has grown, he looks more and more like his dad, thank goodness. He has the same high cheekbones, green eyes and cleft chin as his father. However, his transition into young adulthood has been a challenge for him.



ANDREA MEDLIN

Because of his short stature, he is often mistaken for being younger than 12. Which is fine with his dad and I because it means free or reduced fees into many venues, not to mention children's menus. But John Warren doesn't see it that way and takes great offense at being considered a "kid." In fact, on our last trip to a restaurant he told me, his brow furrowed, his eyes sparkling intently, tension in his voice, "If they give me a kid's menu I'm going to be very upset."

Unfortunately, he just won't go for my explanation that he will think differently when he's grown and has children of his own. Getting him into a theme park at a reduced rate or some other venue for free just doesn't jibe with his, "I'm a man now and don't you forget it," mentality. I can't wait to see him with a child or two in tow and telling his 5-year-old, "If they ask how old you are say you're 4. Don't ask me why, just do it."

Then I can say, "Ha! I never did that!"

Oh, how we change and how making a living changes us and how we think. Gone are the days of easy birthday present shopping. Being a teenager, he can no longer be placated with a toy sword. He's had dozens over the years of every shape and size ranging in price from a dollar to \$15. Those days are gone. A video game junkie, he now will settle for no less than the latest X-Box 360 scam, I mean game, that puts a \$60 dent in my pocketbook. But, being the only child lends itself to such perks. And he does work for his monthly allowance.

He is the unofficial groundskeeper of our home, keeping our yard mowed so that the cats can see where they're doing their business. That's very important ... mostly to the cats. And they must be kept happy. We haven't figured out why yet though.

Anyway, we've tried to teach him what is most

important in life like being the best he can be, taking pride in himself and being respectful of himself and others. As far as him being a teenager and the typical image that evokes, I can't complain. He has the much-anticipated teenager attitude about us as parents and I have received that, "Oh my God my mother has the brain of a flea," look more than once. But as far as staying out of trouble I couldn't ask for better.

The worst I can recall is when he fought the school bully, ending the boy's tyranny over students and staff. John had a week of in-school suspension and the two actually became friends. One of my fondest memories is of when he was tirelessly entertaining his younger cousins with his combination of karate moves/stooge-like slapstick and potty humor with plastic sword in hand.

There has been no greater joy than having him as my child and I look forward to the coming years with the usual parental anxiety. But I have confidence that he will be nothing short of wonderful.

Until then, I hope his dad and I can point him in the right direction with the tools he will need to succeed as an adult. Those include a keen sense of humor — necessary for dealing with drive-through windows and people buying lottery tickets at the convenience store, enjoying life, and picking up girls (well, maybe not that just yet), realizing that things aren't always as tragic as they seem and the understanding that life is what you make it.

Now, if I could only get him to pick up his socks.

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The Howard County A&M Club proudly awarded scholarships for the 2006-2007 school year to (front row) Brennan Bailey, biomedical engineering; Jessica New, business; Haley Caldwell, biology (pre-med); Ashton Evans, pre-med (optometry); Jarrod Price, engineering, pre-law (back row); Ross Rhoton, political science; Trey Thornton, chemical engineering; Corey Green, aerospace engineering; and Trevor Bibb, business-agriculture. Also pictured are Diana Newton, scholarship chair, and Don Knight, donor. Courtesy photo

## BROWN

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992," said Brown. "I met a guy down there that's an instructor and he got me into it. When I came back to the states, I didn't do it again for a long time. I moved to Santa Barbara in 1997, and I still didn't get back into it, but I saw a lot of people flying.

"I started paragliding again in 2001, and I still do it quite frequently. A couple of years after I got back into paragliding, I decided to start hang gliding. I had a lot of friends that were into it and I wanted to give it a shot.

"There's a pretty big flying community in Santa Barbara, so it's pretty easy to get involved," he

added. "You see them out flying a lot."

When asked why they fly and compete, many of the world's top pilots will talk about awards and titles. For Brown, however, it's just a love for the outdoors.

"For me, it's very similar to the reason people get involved with any kind of outdoor sport," said Brown. "Whether it's backpacking, hiking or biking. I just love connecting with nature, and when you're up there in the sky, it's absolutely quiet and peaceful. The views are magnificent, and you get the chance to fly with the birds.

"It's the only thing I've ever done where time just stops. You're just completely in the moment.

There's no past and there's no future, you're just focused on what's happening right here, right now. I really love it."

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## FESTIVAL

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talent show throughout the day," said Val Verde. "We have open slots for talents ranging from singing and dancing to the bizarre."

Displays ranging from classic cars to model aircraft will also be available to the public, according to Val Verde.

"After 2 p.m. there will also be instructional flights for ultra lights and hang gliders," said Val Verde. "They range in cost between \$50 and \$100."

Festival-goers should bring their appetites, according to Wallace, as the day will be filled with plenty of tasty treats.

"I've talked to several of the vendors planning to attend, and there's going to be something for everyone," said Wallace. "We'll have pineapple drinks, barbecue, fajitas and funnel cakes, just to name a few."

For more information on the festival or to sign up for the talent contest, contact Hangar 25 at 264-1999.

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The key to success in many deals lies in visualizing what the situation will be after, say, nine or 10 tricks have been played.

This is not as difficult as it might seem. To illustrate, consider this deal where South is in three notrump.

Declarer allows East's jack of spades to hold the first trick, and East then exits with the ace and another spade to the king, dummy discarding a diamond. At this point, South can count eight top tricks — six clubs, a heart and the spade already won.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.  
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## IN BRIEF

### CGA schedules

#### tourney for Sunday

The Chicano Golf Association of Big Spring has scheduled its regular monthly tournament for Sunday at the Comanche Trill Golf Course.

Players must sign up before 9:30 a.m. Play will begin at 10 a.m.

For more information, call 264-7166.

### Registration starts for youth football

Sign-ups for the Crossroads Youth Football Association will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring Mall.

Registration for the league, which is open to players and cheerleaders in grades K through 6, will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the mall.

Registration dates for the league are:

• Friday, Aug. 18 — 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

• Saturday, Aug. 19 — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, contact Daphne Coates at 714-4688.

### Hunter education class this weekend

The next hunters education course will be held Saturday and Sunday, beginning at 8 a.m. in the Big Spring Area of Chamber of Commerce building.

Cost of the course is \$15 per person.

State law requires that persons wishing to hunt in Texas who were born Sept. 2, 1971, or later must successfully complete a hunters education course.

Students must be 12 years of age to be certified.

For more information, contact Steve Poitevint at 264-7033 after 5 p.m.

### Over 80 Scramble slated at BSSC

An Over 80 Scramble benefiting the Big Spring Shrine Club has been scheduled for Aug. 19-20 at the Big Spring Country Club.

The combined ages of each two-person team must be 80 or more.

Entry fees are \$60 per player plus golf cart rental. Play will begin with a 1 p.m. shotgun start both days. Entry includes barbecue on the course both days.

For more information, call 267-5354.

### Season tickets now on sale at BSHS

Fans of the Big Spring Steers football team who have had season tickets in the past can buy season tickets at the Big Spring High School ATC.

Previous ticket holders have through today to buy tickets. The general public may purchase tickets beginning Monday.

Sales are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

For more information call Kay Cook at 264-9882.

## DeRosa homers help power Rangers to 14-0 win

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. — Mark DeRosa couldn't imagine a more emphatic way to demonstrate that the Texas Rangers' season is far from over.

DeRosa hit three-run homers in consecutive innings, and the Rangers hit five homers Wednesday in a much-needed 14-0 victory over Barry Zito and the Oakland Athletics.

It's only August, but the Rangers felt they were teetering on the edge of yet another lost season after dropping the series opener Monday and then blowing a four-run lead in a 7-6 loss Tuesday night.

In the final series of a 10-game trip, they needed a momentum-turning win — and with 17 hits and seven dominant innings from Vicente Padilla, the Rangers earned the biggest shutout victory in Coliseum history. They also avoided a three-game sweep that would have left them 7 1/2 games behind the first-place A's in the AL West.

"At 7 1/2 back, I don't want to say you're done, but we'd have a lot of work to do, and we've got to have other teams do some dirty work for us," DeRosa said. "At 5 1/2 back with 40-something games left, we've still got a good chance."

Carlos Lee scored four runs and went 4-for-5 with his first homer for Texas, while Rod Barajas and Gary Matthews Jr. also hit solo homers to stop the A's six-game winning streak and the Rangers' four-game losing skid.

"I think our guys were pretty focused on this game," Texas manager Buck Showalter said. "We wanted to finish this road trip strong and get home. ... We were real close to having a great road trip, but we are where we are, and we still have a lot of con-

tact with where we want to get."

In other American League games, it was: Minnesota 4, Detroit 3; New York 7, Chicago 6; Cleveland 4, Los Angeles 0; Seattle 2, Tampa Bay 0; and Toronto 4, Baltimore 3.

In National League action, it was: New York 4, San Diego 3; Cincinnati 8, St. Louis 7; Colorado 3, Los Angeles 1; Arizona 5, San Francisco 3; Houston 14, Pittsburgh 1; Philadelphia 9, Atlanta 3; Washington 5, Florida 2; and Milwaukee 6, Chicago 3.

DeRosa, the light-hitting infielder with just 25 homers before this season, went 4-for-5 with a career-high six RBIs in his first career multihomer game. He has been a veritable slugger recently, with three homers in his last two games — and his first career grand slam last Friday in Los Angeles.

"It's nice to be able to explode like that," DeRosa said of the Rangers' revival.

One night earlier, DeRosa struck out in the ninth inning — and his swing hit A's catcher Jason Kendall in the elbow, forcing umpire Jim Joyce to make a game-ending interference call.

But DeRosa connected in the fifth against Zito (12-8), who gave up four homers and 11 hits. DeRosa then added another three-run drive off Brad Halsey in Texas' seven-run sixth inning — and this one glanced off a banner advertising the Oakland Raiders' upcoming season high above the left-field fence.

Padilla (12-7) cruised for the Rangers, allowing six hits — all singles — and getting an embarrassment of run support to win for the sixth time in eight starts.

Zito, who had won four of his previous five starts, never retired the side in order and managed just two strikeouts. Though he was 10-4 since mid-May, he has allowed 18 runs in



MCT photo/Bob Pepping/Contra Costa Times  
Texas Rangers teammates Carlos Lee, left, and Mark Teixeira, right congratulate Mark DeRosa after his home run in the fifth inning against the Oakland A's at McAfee Coliseum in Oakland, Calif., Wednesday.

his last four starts.

"I was leaving balls over the middle," Zito said. "I just couldn't get the ball down, and I wasn't finishing the changeup."

Texas already led 2-0 before sending 19 batters to the plate and scoring 11 runs in the fifth and sixth innings. Matthews and Mark Teixeira joined DeRosa with two hits apiece in those

innings, culminating in Jerry Hairston's two-run double.

While the Rangers relaxed, the A's got frustrated: Outfielder Milton Bradley was ejected for the first time in more than two years, a departure that followed a sixth-inning popout.

Lee hit the Rangers' first homer, connecting on a solo shot in the first inning.

## T.O. still focus in Cowboys' camp

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

OXNARD, Calif. — Terrell Owens ran hard, made cuts and came to some quick stops while catching passes Wednesday, but did so during two post-practice sessions with a fourth-string quarterback, not with the rest of the Dallas Cowboys starters.

Owens capped his morning workout by hauling in a long pass at the back of the end zone, slowing immediately to make sure he stayed in bounds, then walked to the locker room. He did more of the same in the afternoon, then said he's feeling "81 percent" healthy.

"I'm close," said Owens, who wears No. 81. "I play a skill position. My legs are my livelihood. I have to be smart in this situation."

Owens missed two practices Wednesday, the ninth and 10th since he first felt the twinge Aug. 2. He still considers himself day-to-day and reiterated that he doesn't expect to play in the pre-season opener Saturday night in Seattle.

"Everybody knows Bill has a rule: If you don't practice, you don't play," said Owens, referring to coach Bill Parcells. "At this point it wouldn't be beneficial and smart to jump into full action. My endurance is not where it was before I got hurt."

Owens said he and Parcells still haven't discussed his injury. He did talk about it with team owner Jerry Jones, who had been gone from camp since Friday, attending the Hall of Fame ceremony then the NFL owners meetings. Jones said he would speak to reporters Friday.

"Everybody's on board," Owens said. "This is an investment in myself that Jerry's made. Obviously he wants me to be smart and be honest with myself for the benefit of the team."

Owens has never had a hamstring problem before. An MRI taken Saturday showed no damage, but he was concerned enough to have flown in his own doctors, trainers and an oxygen chamber that speeds recovery.



MCT photo/Ralph Lauer/Fort Worth Star-Telegram  
Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Terrell Owens catches passes after training camp practice in Oxnard, Calif., Wednesday.

His treatment has included ultrasound and a hot tub before a workout, riding a stationary bicycle to get the blood flowing, then ice afterward.

"I felt like maybe the last day and a half it's gotten better," he

said. "The pain has subsided a little bit. I'm just going to go as I feel and try to increase things that I do every day. I have a great training staff here, a great strength and conditioning coach. They're not going to put me in

harm's way. They're doing a smart job as far as letting me kind of monitor how I feel."

Owens called his treatment "a group effort" between his people and the team's.

His decision to seek outside help raised some eyebrows, as has his lingering pain since the MRI was clear. He considers all the speculation ridiculous, but he expects the scrutiny after all the highly publicized incidents that marred his tenures in San Francisco and Philadelphia.

"Anything I do is magnified much more," he said. "I've learned to deal with it. It's not anything that's going to push me back on the field."

His relationship with Parcells also is under the microscope. This injury has been the first test, despite Parcells' denials.

For instance, it seemed strange that Parcells did not include Owens on Wednesday when talking about players who will miss the upcoming game because of an injury.

"I just don't know for sure," Parcells said. He later acknowledged, "I guess it would look like" he isn't going to play because Owens has gone so long without practicing.

Asked what Parcells has told him, Owens said: "He is not a doctor. He is getting all his information from the trainers. ... He knows I am hurt."

While the team practiced in the morning, Owens stepped up his rehab work, aggressively running forward and backward while being tugged by a resistance band. He also did more stretches and leg lifts than in recent days.

When practice ended, he even jogged from his stationary bicycle to the team huddle, a trek he's almost always made at a more leisurely pace.

Once most players left the field, he jogged to catch some balls from receivers coach Todd Haley. He reached back for a nice one-handed grab and another time sped up to try tracking down an overthrow. He frequently slowed quickly after passes arrived.



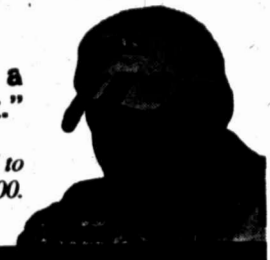
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"I could go work on my car for a week and not make it that fast."

— Matt Kenseth, on finishing second to Jimmie Johnson in the 2006 Allstate 400.



## Back in the hunt

After a long drought, driver Jeff Burton is in contention for the Nextel Cup title

By JIM UTTER  
McClatchy Newspapers

Jeff Burton finds himself this season in perhaps one of the best situations of his career to compete for a Nextel Cup Series championship. With five races remaining to qualify for the Chase for the Nextel Cup, Burton is third in points entering Sunday's AMD at the Glen at Watkins Glen (N.Y.) International. Burton's 174-point cushion over 11th place — the top 10 are guaranteed a spot in the Chase field — virtually assures his inclusion in NASCAR's postseason absent a complete meltdown by his Richard Childress Racing team.

An opportunity to run for the championship would continue RCR's resurgence as the team hasn't had a driver qualify for the Chase in its first two seasons. It could also mark a career turning point for Burton.

The 39-year-old native of South Boston, Va., has 17 Cup wins in his career, but hasn't visited Victory Lane since the 2001 season. Having failed to finish no better than 12th in points over the past four seasons, Burton has enjoyed this season's resurrection.



Jeff Burton is in third place in the 2006 Nextel Cup Series points standings.

The only thing missing in his turnaround this season is a win. Even that isn't all that important. A victory certainly isn't required to qualify for the Chase, or even to win the championship. "You don't have to win to get in but obviously the goal of every team is to (go to) every race track to win. That is why I say we aren't as good as we need to be," Burton said.

"When we are good, someone is always a little better. We have to find a way to step it up so when we are at our best, no one else is better. We haven't done that yet. "In my eyes, we need to improve, we need to continue to improve and we need to use these races to do that, and the only way to do that is to go out there and run hard and try to beat everybody."

Burton does not appear overly concerned about the lack of a victory. He is more impressed with his team's ability to put him in position to win on a weekly basis. "That's how you win races in this sport, is you continually knock on the top five. You continually knock on the top 10. You do those things, and you catch a day when it's right," Burton said.

"Rarely in this sport do you see people that run, you know, 15th, 20th, win a race. It's about continuing to put yourself in position. We just continue to do that; our days will come."

Burton's RCR teammate Kevin Harvick is also deeply immersed in the championship race, yet he owns a victory earlier this season at Phoenix. Harvick, however, doesn't think the victo-

Year	Wins	Top 5s	Top 10s	Points position
1997	3	13	18	4th
1998	2	18	23	5th
1999	6	18	23	5th
2000	4	15	22	3rd
2001	2	8	16	10th
2002	0	5	14	12th
2003	0	3	11	12th
2004	0	2	6	18th
2005	0	3	6	18th
2006	0	4	13	3rd

ry doesn't make much difference between the teams. "Jeff has been really consistent week in and week out to make things happen. Those guys have been solid; we have been solid. It is just a matter of continuing to make those things happen," Harvick said.

"That is going to be the hard part. But I think both teams are solid, and all three teams are communicating well. The drivers get along and communicate well, as well do the crew chiefs; they are all on the same page.

"That is the thing we have to keep going to keep the success up."

From team owner Richard Childress to the drivers of his Cup teams, all of RCR

seems to have enjoyed a resurgence of success. Personally for Burton, there is satisfaction in the return to the championship-contender status he once enjoyed several years ago.

"Honestly it feels good, but at the same time, I am always looking at the next race. I really don't look at what we did three weeks ago. As a matter of fact, if you asked me where we raced four weeks ago, I would have to go look at a calendar," he said.

"I have been here before; I don't feel pressure. I don't feel like, 'Oh my gosh, we are in this championship hunt, we can't make a mistake.' I don't feel any of that. I just feel like we are racing."

### RANKINGS

#### THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

1. Jimmie Johnson (car No. 48): Doing what teammate Jeff Gordon used to do — coming out of nowhere to win races. Last week: 1.
2. Matt Kenseth (car No. 17): Now has four top fives in the past five races at Indianapolis but still hasn't won there. Last week: 2.
3. Kyle Busch (car No. 5): The call to stay out late at Indy picked up positions — and points — for this team. Last week: 4.
4. Jeff Burton (car No. 31): This car from the first half of Indy plus Johnson's in the second would have lapped the field. Last week: 3.
5. Kevin Harvick (car No. 29): Ran up front all day at Indianapolis. He's never finished worse than 15th at the

### RANKINGS

#### THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

6. Denny Hamlin (car No. 11): Rookie has finished no worse than 17th since his runner-up run at Richmond in May. Last week: 6.
7. Mark Martin (car No. 6): Martin has finished outside the top 10 at Watkins Glen only once in the past 17 years. Last week: 9.
8. Jeff Gordon (car No. 24): If he makes the Chase this year, the points he salvaged at Indy might be the dif-

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#### THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

9. Tony Stewart (car No. 20): A fourth victory in five years at Watkins Glen would do this team a world of Chase good. Last week: 11.
10. Kasey Kahne (car No. 9): Hangs on to the final spot in our top 10 because he has four victories this year. Last week: 5.

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#### THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

- ference. Last week: 8.
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## Crew chief Knaus allows patience to temper goals

After Jimmie Johnson dominated in winning the Coca-Cola 600 at Lowe's Motor Speedway in May 2004, crew chief Chad Knaus talked about how it wasn't quite perfect. "A perfect weekend is something I still want to achieve and we have not been able to do," Knaus said. "I want to go out there in qualifying practice and be fastest, sit on the pole, be fastest in both race practices and win the race. That's a goal I have."

Something has changed in the past two years as Knaus has picked up a little more, shall we say, seasoning in the business of Nextel Cup racing. "We kind of learned the tortoise-and-the-hare bit, I guess. I don't know, I guess I am getting old," Knaus said after Johnson won the Allstate 400 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway on Sunday. "I guess after a period of time you learn that if you kind of hang out a little bit, the race might start to come back to you."

It was not by design that Sunday's race got away from Johnson early. A tire went flat on Lap 39 and, as it started to shed rubber it began tearing away at some sheet metal on the left front of the No. 48 Chevrolet.

Johnson managed to limp the car around the 2.5-mile track carefully enough to minimize the damage but fast enough to keep from losing a lap. Johnson, however, was still in a hole as he restarted 38th on a track where passing is not easy.

He also faced uncertainty about his tires. Knaus had seen an issue during Saturday's practices, and NASCAR was worried enough that it scheduled two early-race cautions to allow teams to check tires. While woes didn't develop on a broad scale,

Johnson's tire failure forced Knaus to make changes on the car that he hoped would prevent further difficulties. There was no way to be sure though. "I took it kind of easy trying to get through traffic," Johnson said. "I was afraid of abusing that tire. But after I got two good runs without Chad being nervous over the radio telling me about the left front, I just got really aggressive and drove the heck out of the car and got the job done."

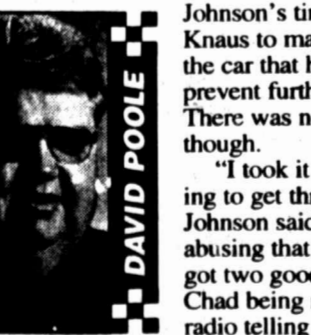
Boy howdy, did he ever. Johnson was leading by Lap 117 and into his home-run trot by the time a yellow came out on Lap 142. Even though he restarted eighth with 14 laps left after taking four tires, Johnson got back up front in time to lead the final 10 laps and make it clear the day's decisive comeback had been completed.

Johnson has yet to win a title, finishing second twice and fifth twice. He had led the points coming into Indianapolis in each of the previous two years, only to have finishes of 36th and 38th derail momentum.

That's why Knaus came to Indianapolis with the tempered goals of both starting and finishing in the top 10. "We've come to this race track and we've struggled," said Knaus, who not only celebrated his 35th birthday Saturday but also signed a contract extension with Hendrick Motorsports. "We've had bad things happen, we've had crashes, we've had blown engines, poor runs."

"I did see it as a personal momentum-breaker for myself because it's something that we had not been able to conquer. I just wanted to come here and try to make peace with it."

Then, oddly enough, things worked out perfectly.



DAVID POOLE

### THIS WEEK'S RACE

**AMD AT THE GLEN**  
Where: Watkins Glen International, an 11-turn, 2.5-mile paved road course located in Watkins Glen, N.Y.  
When: Sunday at 1:35 p.m. (all times ET). Qualifying is 3:10 p.m. Friday.  
TV: NBC.  
Radio: Motor Racing Network.  
Purse: \$4,705,975.  
Last year's winner: Tony Stewart.  
Worth mentioning: The deepest in the field a race winner has started at Watkins Glen was 18th by Steve Park in 2000. Fifteen of the 23 races have been won from a top-five starting position.  
Greg Biffle has finished 30th or worse in his three races at the Glen.

### POLL POSITION

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION**  
It's NASCAR road race time again. On a scale of 1 to 10, where would you rank the race at Watkins Glen?  
Cast your vote at: [www.thatstracin.com](http://www.thatstracin.com)  
**LAST WEEK'S QUESTION**  
While preaching patience and punting some of his rivals on the race track, Tony Stewart has likened his place in stock car racing to that of Dale Earnhardt, the late seven-time champion. What do you think about that?  
Number of votes: 5,452

Response	No. of votes	Percent
Whoa! As one observer put it: Tony Stewart couldn't carry Dale Earnhardt's helmet.	3,337	61%
Doesn't matter. Drop the rag and let's race.	1,161	22%
No problem. Stewart is a champion and deserves some respect.	954	17%

### STOP 'N' GO

**RANDOM THOUGHTS**  
Here is a simple principle that NASCAR could use to guide its decision-making process each week on displaying the caution flag: If there is a wreck, there is a caution. Whether it's the first lap, last lap or every lap. No one can legitimately argue with NASCAR choosing to err on the side of driver safety.

Jeff Burton has no wins and more points than any other driver in the past 10 races. He is also firmly entrenched in the top 10, nearly certain to compete in the Chase for the Nextel Cup. Tell me points racing doesn't pay off.

The 26-race cutoff for qualifying for the Chase is also likely to prove a turning point for those not in the Chase as well. With no shot at the championship, look for several teams changing drivers to make the swap early to get a head start on 2007.

— Jim Utter

### BY THE NUMBERS

**NEXTEL CUP POINTS LEADERS**  
The top-40 drivers as of Aug. 6:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. Jimmie Johnson	3124	21. Scott Riggs	2102
2. Matt Kenseth	3017	22. Elliott Sadler	2069
3. Jeff Burton	2749	23. Reed Sorenson	2065
4. Kevin Harvick	2733	24. Dale Jarrett	1980
5. Kyle Busch	2733	25. Bobby Labonte	1965
6. Mark Martin	2712	26. J.J. Yeley	1927
7. Denny Hamlin	2648	27. Robby Gordon	1891
8. Jeff Gordon	2627	28. Jeff Green	1845
9. Tony Stewart	2619	29. Joe Nemechek	1822
10. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	2612	30. Dave Blaney	1812
11. Kasey Kahne	2575	31. Ken Schrader	1750
12. Greg Biffle	2497	32. Sterling Marlin	1699
13. Kurt Busch	2438	33. Kyle Petty	1690
14. Carl Edwards	2380	34. Jeremy Mayfield	1647
15. Casey Mears	2279	35. David Streamer	1605
16. Brian Vickers	2251	36. Travis Kvapil	1422
17. Clint Bowyer	2224	37. Michael Waltrip	1409
18. Ryan Newman	2204	38. Tony Raines	1353
19. Jamie McMurray	2173	39. Scott Wimmer	1281
20. Martin Truex Jr.	2123	40. Terry Labonte	979

### BUSCH SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-20 drivers as of Aug. 5:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. Kevin Harvick	3627	11. Reed Sorenson	2408
2. Carl Edwards	3253	12. Jason Leffler	2387
3. Denny Hamlin	3154	13. John Andretti	2355
4. Clint Bowyer	3093	14. Jon Wood	2314
5. J.J. Yeley	2991	15. Ashton Lewis	2259
6. Paul Menard	2701	16. Todd Kluever	2239
7. Greg Biffle	2670	17. Stacy Compton	2215
8. Kyle Busch	2656	18. David Green	2203
9. Johnny Sauter	2521	19. Burney Lamar	2187
10. Kenny Wallace	2505	20. Danny O'Quinn Jr.	2166

### TRUCK SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-10 drivers as of Aug. 4:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. Todd Bodine	2307	6. Ted Musgrave	2055
2. Johnny Benson	2125	7. David Starr	2037
3. Rick Crawford	2120	8. Terry Cook	2014
4. David Reutimann	2110	9. Dennis Setzer	2005
5. Ron Hornaday	2070	10. Mike Bliss	1998

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Mercury, that plucky messenger of the zodiac, stalks into the sign of the lion. It's the second time this year that Mercury has made the s a f a r i through this jungle of the sky. This time around, it's going direct, and so is our communication style. Loud and proud is the motto, and if you're wrong, at least you're strong.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). There are plenty of reasons you can be proud. Write them down! Celebrate your small wins, too, so you'll have something to build on. These days, it's all about momentum.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). The spirit of competition is alive. You're sensitive to how others feel about you — not always good — but sometimes,

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you have to chalk it up to the game you're playing, nothing personal. Employ more of your sensual charm!

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). It's your day to be lazy and lucky. Find the correlation between doing absolutely nothing and creating good fortune. (The universe was born of nothing, and most of everything is nothing, plus a few particles.)

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Gossip is a big energy suck — unless you're gossiping to the person you're gossiping about. Then, it goes under the banner of working through your "issues." This could ultimately free your energy instead of spend it.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). The questions seem overblown, impossibly complex and way too important. Luckily, the answer is right in front of you. Maybe it's as simple as going for a walk — exercise is a wonder drug!

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Everyone who contributes to the social mix is taking a risk. Give yourself credit for that! If you're not as eloquent as you'd like to be, shake it off and keep going. The best people eat their feet from time to time.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've earned the right to be unreasonable once in a while. Loved ones want to please you, but they don't know how until you dare

Tomorrow's Horoscope

to ask for what you really want. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You can be so profound! Often, you accomplish this through carefully executed silences. Also, you're a master of stillness. You can use these powerful skills to attract an admirer now.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Inside, there are secrets that you're willing to let out only for a moment through your artistic talent. This afternoon, you feel that you are hardly in control of your creation — a muse works through you.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Around certain people, you feel you can let go and pour yourself into the moment. Other people make you want to control the minutia of everything. You're most successful today when you seek the former and avoid the latter.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You spend your day pitching out interesting ideas, insights, jokes and plans. The wonderful part is that everyone seems to get you — the stars help you adjust your wavelength to your various audiences.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). There's a time to do nothing, and this isn't it. Work it. If you leave it up to others to motivate you, you'll get nothing accomplished. Push yourself. Through self-discipline, you prove yourself as a leader.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS

"I am a 16-year-old female, and I'm in a relationship at the moment, and it's been on and off for almost four years now. I love him very much — he's an Aries. We sometimes get into fights, and I feel like he always starts it. I hate to fight with him, but he flips out sometimes. Do you think I should continue this relationship? If so, what can I do to stop the fights?"

If I were your mother, I would tell you that you're too young to have a relationship with the same boy for four years. I would say, "Break up! Cool off! If you still feel the same in a decade, you can try again!" But I'm not your mother. I'm your astrologer. As your astrologer, my advice is — break up! Cool off! If you still feel the same after your Saturn return, then you should get married. Aries men are the warriors of the zodiac, ruled by Mars, and they have the hot temper to prove it. They can learn to channel their rage into passionate motivation to succeed in life. Some are rage-a-holics, addicted to the thrill and release of "going off." Run — don't walk — away.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Life. What's it all about? These and other questions are on the list for Leo Halle Berry, who has recently taken time out of the limelight to restore her Leo creativity — well, as far out of the limelight as she can manage to get, which isn't so far. She's conquered the glamorous life, and now I believe she'll jump into learning how to enjoy simpler and more profound pleasures — in other words, real life.

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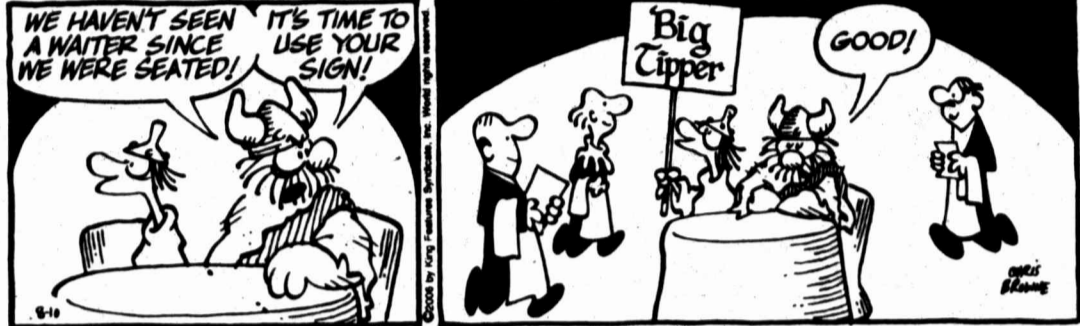
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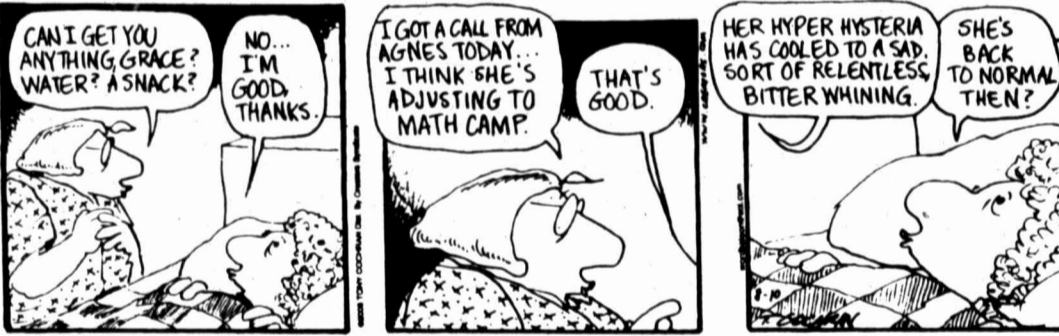
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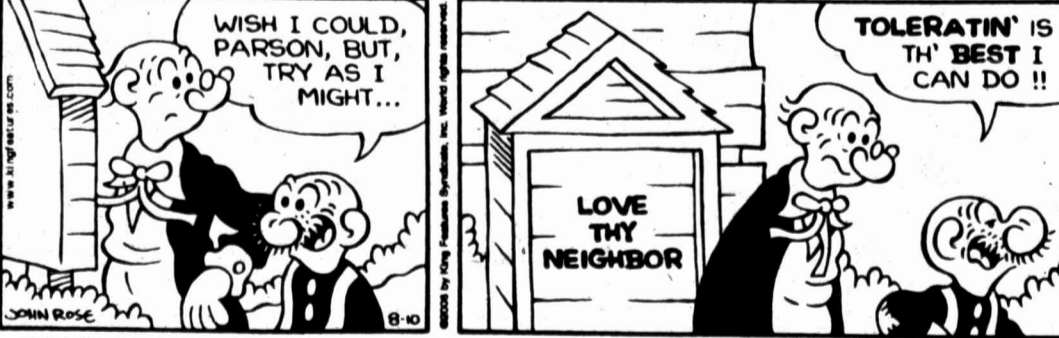
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