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# City council: Put 'em out

## Council OKs no smoking ordinance in 5-2 vote

Second reading expected Sept. 12.

#### By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council approved the first reading of a ban on smoking in public with a 5-2 vote Tuesday evening, bringing the controversial ordinance closer to becoming local "If you

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Greg Biddison, in voting against the ordinance

places, including offices and office buildings that are open to the public, restaurants and department stores. Bars and lounges would be exempt.

Council member Greg Biddison, who voted against the ordinance, said whether or not to allow smoking in a business should be left up to the business owner.

"I'm a non-smoker, but I've had a restaurant that was smoking, and it got pretty foggy in there," said Biddison. "I've also had a non-smoking restaurant. However, I believe it was my choice. If you don't like the smoke, you don't have to go to a restaurant that allows smoking. Either way, I think it should be left to the choice of the business owner."

Council member Manuel Ramirez Jr. said the choice should remain with the business owner, not the municipality.

"As I was told by someone, this is America and I shouldn't be told how to run my business," said Ramirez. "If they want to smoke, they will come in. If I choose to make my business a smoking business, they will come in or they won't. It's their choice to smoke, and it's my choice to smoke. We're all grownups here."

Ramirez's likening of the matter to the choice of whether or not to smoke caught attention

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Local teacher Vicky Stewart expresses her support of a city-wide ban on smoking in public places during Tuesday night's meeting of the Big Spring City Council.

## Citizens plea for, against smoking ban in public places

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Area residents and business owners practically packed the Big Spring City Council Chambers Tuesday night for the first reading of an ordihance that would ban smoking in public buildings, expressing both support and condemnation for the measure.

The 5-2 vote in favor of the ordinance, which drew nays from council members Greg Biddison and Manuel Ramirez Jr., came following emotional presentations by a halfdozen area residents, including local teacher Vicky Stewart.

Stewart said she's seen smoking from three different perspectives, and the bottom line is how it affects children.

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"I support your ban on smoking in public places. It would be beneficial to the health of the individuals sitting in these restaurants and other places where smoking is being carried on ..."

Ronnie Wood, speaking in favor of the no-smoking ordinance

pleasant thing.

"As a parent, I hope that my own children who are now 27 and 24, will con-"I want to speak on tinue with their efforts behalf of three groups of not to smoke. However, people I represent," said my main concern is as a Stewart. "When I was a teacher in this communichild, my father — who ty. We represent what we want our children to see

## Officials: Enrollment going well at Howard College

#### By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Fall registration at Howard College campuses is on track to match last year's numbers, officials said.

With several days of registration left to go, about 2,000 students have enrolled for classes at HC campuses in Big

Institute for the Deaf.

College Registrar Donna said enrollment Merrick breakdown by campus was 882 in Big Spring, 1,069 in San Angelo, 38 in Lamesa and 11 at SWCID, with more expected in the next few days.

Registration will be held today in Lamesa, she said. Spring, San Angelo, Lamesa Also today, about 200 students

and SouthWest Collegiate at Big Spring High School are puses last fall yielded 2,731 expected to enroll for concurrent classes at Howard.

San Angelo registration continues through the end of the week, and on-site registration at SWCID will be held Thursday, Merrick said.

"Right now, we're pretty much on target for what we

did last fall," she said. Fall registration at all cam- See COLLEGE, Page 3

students, she noted.

Unlike past years, when class registration resembled a mad rush more than anything, Tuesday's affair at the Big Spring campus was a much more sedate affair, Merrick said.

That's because a vast major-

## **Howard County Republicans scramble** to put candidate in county judge race

#### By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

It's up to the secretary of

That's the message delivered to members of the Howard County Republican Party Tuesday morning during a special meeting at the county courthouse, as the group awaits a decision on whether or not it can make a new nomination in the wake of county judge candidate Mark Morgan's announcement he is pulling out of the

"The current Republican nominee, Mark Morgan, has stated his intention to withdraw due to time constraints, but has not yet officially done so," said Durand-Hollis. "The Republican Party is committed to giving the voters of Howard County a choice on election day.

"To that end, the party will do everything in its power to ensure a qualified candidate is on the ballot for county judge in November. Currently, the party is awaiting an opinion from the

elections division of the Texas Secretary of State's Office concerning our options regarding a nominee."

If the Secretary of State's Office gives the party the green light to name a new candidate. the party will have until Tuesday to come up with a new county judge hopeful.

However, if the state office pulls the plug on the local Republican effort, the party will be forced to take a different

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**HERALD** photo/Thoma Margarita -**Durand-Hollis** talks during a meeting of the county Republican Party Tuesday.

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#### FAMILIES OF THE YEAR

The Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas has announced the three families to be honored at this year's Family of the Year Banquet, Oct. 26, at Green Tree Country Club in Midland. Big Spring: Ken and Elesha McMeans Family, Sharissa, RoChelle, and

Midland: John and Lisa Cherry Family, Hayden, Haley and Holden. Odessa: Mike and Phyllis George

Family, Jay, Ryan and Phil. The banquet will feature guest speaker and best selling author Carol Kuykendall. For information about sponsorships and tickets call, (432) 563-4144.

#### PEP RALLY SET THURSDAY

The annual community wide pep rally will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday at the

Comanche Trail Park amphitheater. Athletes from all Big Spring High School fall sports, including football, volleyball, swimming, cross country and tennis, as well as the band and cheerleaders, will participate in the event.

The Big Spring Steers' football season begins Sept. 1 at home when they host Odessa High School.

Tim Holt, the athletic director/head football coach at Big Spring ISD, will address

The pep rally is free to the public. For more information, call at 264-3641.

#### **UW DINE OUT DAY**

Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg, is the Dine Out Day restaurant Friday for United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

A portion of the restaurant's proceeds that day will be donated to United Way. Also, make plans now to attend the United Way luncheon Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist

Church's Garrett Hall. Tickets, \$10 each are available at the chamber of commerce, the United Way office at 808 Scurry or the Fist Bank of

West Texas. United Way of Big Spring and Howard

County serves 15 local agencies.

## **Obituaries**

Gladys 'Joy' Loudamy

Gladys "Joy" Loudamy, 80, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2006, in a local nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

#### Arnold Tonn

Arnold Tonn, 76, died Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2006, at his residence. Funeral services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home

#### Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. Southeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Thursday...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. South winds around 10 mph. Friday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. South

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Monday night...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s.

#### **Take Note**

- H-E-B GROCERY WILL HOST A BLOOD DRIVE from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday. The bloodmobile will be in the H-E-B parking lot. Sign up online in advance if you wish at www.unitedbloodservices.org
- CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP IS COL-LECTING INFANT CAR SEATS AND CARRIERS. These are given to new mothers who cannot afford them. To donate your old or new car seats and carriers, call Karen Allen at 263-3517 or leave a message at Christ Community Fellowship, 263-love. All donations are appreciated.
- · ROAD TO RECOVERY, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call Nancy Koger at 267-7809.
- NEW LIFE MINISTRIES Church of God In Christ is holding a soup kitchen every second and fourth Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 204 N.W. 10th. The meal is free

Call 264-0771 for more information

- THE PET PATROL helps locate lost pets and owners of found pets. To volunteer or for more information, call Melanie Gambrell at 267-PETS (7387).
- HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM IS COLLECTING RECIPES to be included in a 2006 cookbook which will display memories of Big Spring over the years. Share your memories and your recipes. Contact the Hangar at 264-1999 for recipe forms.
- HOME HOSPICE HAS COOKBOOKS with nearly 500 recipes on sale for \$18 with proceeds to benefit Hospice House. Recipes submitted by volunteers, coordinators and owners of Home Hospice. Call Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599 for more information.
- ODYSSEY HOSPICE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS to work in the office and perform patient services. For more information or to volunteer, call 263-5999.
- THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM that delivers meals to the elderly and homebound needs volunteers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.
- LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST TEXAS is accepting appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.
- CHRIST'S COMMUNITY CHURCH is looking for infant cars seats to be given to needy families. Call Karen at 263-3517 or the church at 263-5683.



2303 Goliad

(432) 267-3857

## **Police blotter**

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Tuesday and 7 a.m.

 CYNTHIA LERMA, 31, of Stanton, was arrested Monday on two local capias warrants.

 BRITTANY SHIANNE FRITZ, 18, of 2502 Larry, was arrested Monday on a charge of theft.

• CHRISTOPHER CASTANUELA, 21, of 4117 Muir, was arrested Tuesday on two local warrants and a local citation.

LAUREN RACINE SMITH, 18, of 2625 Chanute, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of interfering with an emergency phone call.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1300 block of Tucson.

 ASSAULT/CLASS C was reported in the 500 block of 18th Street.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT was reported in the 2500 block of Chanute.

ROBBERY was reported in the 700 block of Owens.

## Sheriff's report

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

 ROBERT RAMIREZ GONZALES, 41, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of bondsman off bond for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

 CAROL ANN SCAGGS, 59, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of violation of parole.

• CYNDI LERMA, 31, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of issuance of a bad check.

 BRITTANY SHIANNE FRITZ, 18, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.

• JUAN ANTONIO CANTU, 45, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of

• MARY ELLEN GALAN VIASANA, 36, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. DARCY SUIMEI TREVINO, 20, was arrested

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Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxica- GARY LYNN WILLIS, 45, was arrested Tuesday by DPS on a charge of possession of a controlled sub-

 ROBERT C. KIDDER, 49, was arrested Tuesday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

## Fire/EMS

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

 MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block Lancaster. One person was transported to the VAMC. MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of

Runnels. One person was transported to the VAMC. MEDICAL was reported in the 800 block of Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to the VAMC.

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 TRAUMA was reported in the 700 block of North Owens. One person was transported to SMMC.

 TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of 10th Street and Gregg. Service was refused.

## **Around Town**

- HERITAGE MUSEUM is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.
- HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday.
- POTTON HOUSE, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into Heritage Museum, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

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• Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

 Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

· Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe. · Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard

College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479.

• Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 221 Main. Meal served. Meeting at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

 Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.

• 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 Citizens Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

**SATURDAY** 

• Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

• 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. A different program is offered every week. Enter through the south side door off 10th Street. Call 263-2786 for more information.

• Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

### Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 7-12-26-30-33. Number matching five of five: none.

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

## **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-

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.

#### **GOP**

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route, according to Durand-Hollis.

"If we can't name a new candidate, we'll have to look at a write-in candidate," said Durand-Hollis. "The deadline for Mr. Morgan to withdraw is Friday, and because of circumstances he will have to do so by the end of Thursday."

Morgan's opponent, local rancher Mark Barr, said now it's simply a matter of "wait and see."

"It came as a shock to me," said Barr, who won a contested Democratic Primary in March. "It was kind of bittersweet. I've really been looking forward to the campaign, which has given me a chance to get out in the county and meet people and find out what's going

"At this point we're just going to have to wait and see what the Republican Party is going to do. I would think they would need to find someone they think can win, and that may be hard to do at this point."

For more information on becoming a write-in candidate for the November race, contact Durand-Hollis at 264-0973.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

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### Wednesday, August 23, 2006

# Council approves 2006-2007 city budget

#### Councilwoman Stephanie Horton provides lone 'nay' vote, says council should cut taxes

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

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Big Spring City Council approved the first reading of its \$32.2 million budget Tuesday night on a 6-1 vote following a public hearing that drew no comments from residents.

The budget, which manages to come in approximately \$346,000 below expected revenues for the fiscal year and provides for a number of improvements to city facilities, including T-hangars at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark and an automatic meter reading program for the city water department, didn't get a thumbs-up from everyone, how-

Stephanie Councilwoman Horton blasted the fiscal plan, which is based on a 71.63 cent per \$100 valuation tax rate, saying the city should lower taxes and "cut people a break."

ple that do not have the money. We have people that can't afford a penny increase," said Horton. "We have got to consider these people, and to just go ahead and prepare (the budget) with the high taxes and just say, "Let's do it,' and not prepare what we would be out of if we didn't. What if we didn't do the increase?"

Mayor Russ McEwen rebutted Horton's claim the council wasn't informed of the tax rate the budget was built upon.

"I believe the staff, in fact, appraised us of that Mrs. Horton, during the budget work sessions," said McEwen. "And I felt the council was very well directed in the fact that if your valuation didn't go up, you're going to be paying the same taxes this year that you did last year. So I feel that...'

"I feel that we could look at giving the people a break,"

even try and we could have! That's what I'm speaking to the facts, and I just want to be heard tonight. I just want to be heard."

A public hearing concerning the tax rate drew no comments from area citizens.

And while Horton isn't pleased with the final revision of the budget, municipal water customers will certainly have a reason to cheer, as Peggy Walker, director of city finance, said there will be no water rate increases at this time.

"They (Colorado River Municipal Water District) say our rate should not change," said Walker. "There will be some variation depending on the amount of water we purchase. But at this point, the staff doesn't recommend any kind of rate increase or passthrough based on CRMWD's rates. So there will be no

"I have to fight for these peo- interrupted Horton. "We didn't change. There are no rate pal cemetery. increases.

During budget work sessions. CRMWD officials projected a rate increase that totaled nearly \$230,000, which would have translated into a 12-cent per gallon increase for city water cus-

Included in the 2006-2007 budget are:

\$26,000 for playground equipment for Birdwell Lane

• \$326,163 in cost of living and merit pay scale raises. \$200,000 for the city's water

line replacement program. Several expenditures for the

Big Spring Fire Department Medical Emergency Services, including \$28,500 for field data software, a pair of defibrillators at \$22,000 and a new van-style ambulance for \$70,000.

• \$40,000 for the construction of a stone chapel at the munici-

• \$23,500 to match a \$211.500 grant from TxDOT for runways and airfield lighting at McMahon Wrinkle Airpark; \$100,000 to match a \$150,000 grant from TxDOT for the construction of new aircraft hangars.

• \$160,000 for five new police vehicles.

• \$240,000 for repairs and rehabilitation of equipment at water treatment plants.

The council also appointed local resident Frank Parker to the board of directors for Moore Development for Big Spring Inc. during the meeting. Parker will take over for board member Joyce Crooker, who stepped in to fill an unexpired term last

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#### **PLEA**

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ter example than to say we don't approve of smoking in public places.'

**Business owner Scott** Emerson, the proprietor of a local tobacco shop, said he felt the matter went much deeper than just the convenience of smoking in a public place.

"I do not believe that your designation of public places is correct," said Emerson. "My private business is open to the public, but it is still my personal property. I pay taxes on it and I collect

sales taxes for you. I real-

Emerson wasn't the only local business owner to speak against the ordinance, as Katy Strain, speaking on behalf of Red Mesa Grill öwner Cindy McGuire, also voiced her opposition to the mea-

"Places have chosen to

choice," said "We Strain. should allowed, as private business owners, to make the deci**cio**n ourselves whether to be smoking or non-smok-"We

**Rick Dyer** 

ly think my rights as a citizen of Big Spring are slowly being erased, and I wish you, as a council, would rethink this issue just because I don't think you have any place in small business to tell a property owner what they can do."

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all agree the most areas affected are restaurants

Do you have an opinion on the city's smoking ban? Send your letters to the Herald at P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring 79721 or by e-mail to editor@bigspringherald.com

and bars, as most other places already have laws that you cannot smoke. Customers will select where they want to go, and that will dictate the smoking rule in the indiestablishment vidual

through free enterprise. No one has the right to force owners to alter their own business. That is a fact that is protected by the Constitution."

Also among the speakers was local businessman Ronnie Wood, who said he feels he has a somewhat unique perspective of smoking and its cost to the health and well being of the commu-

"I'm a cancer survivor. I've spent numerous weeks and months at the M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston and seen first hand what cancer can do to people," said Wood. "Realizing tobacco and tobacco smoke doesn't cause all forms of cancer,

it does cause a lot of them.

"I support your ban on smoking in public places. It would be beneficial to the health of the individuals sitting in these restaurants and other places where smoking is being carried on, and I support anything you or any other city can do to eliminate that. As a health risk, it's an extremely expensive thing to pay for all of the things that go on to help resolve all of those illnesses."

Barbie Jones, a representative of the American Cancer Society, also expressed her support of the ordinance and urged the city to remove language from the order that would allow restaurant owners to create sealed include separate heating and air conditioning sys-

"Second-hand smoke has contributed to a lot of

different health issues with our citizens, but the most are with our children," said Jones. "Between 150,000 and 300,000 upper respiratory tract infections happen yearly and 26,000 new cases of asthma are treated every year because of second-hand smoke. It makes asthma worse every year for up to 1 million children, and that's just the children. That doesn't take into account the adults that have the same problem.

"I would recommend to the council that you do not make an exception for businesses to have separate heating and air conditioning systems to allow smoking sections. By not allowing it at all, you level the playing field for all businesses, some of which do not have the money to provide these types of facilities.

"People are not going to stop going out to eat just because they can't smoke their cigarettes," she said. "Just like non-smokers have continued to go out to eat, even though we have to deal with the smoking."

Local resident Rick

Dyer disagreed with Jones, saying the ordinance was a violation of his rights. "I've talked to people, and I'm upset about this because I have rights. too," said Dyer. "If you

don't want to smoke, that's fine. We're over on the other side of the building. I don't know where she (Jones) got her information from, but she didn't go out and talk to the public."

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#### **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Arnold Tonn, 76, died Wednesday. Funeral Services are pending.



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Councilwoman Stephanie Horton, who reminded Ramirez of the dangers of second-hand smoke.

"I've been in the health second-hand Horton said plainly.

Knox compared the ordi-

nance to state laws that

someone owns the business and purchases the property," said Knox. "However, I'm certainly glad that at some point many cities and states say if you're going to cook

place where we govern our businesses in order to

smoothly ... because we

didn't have the long lines

of 300 to 400 students we

Officials expect registra-

tion figures to rise signif-

icantly in the next few

days. Late registration at

the Big Spring campus

will be held Monday

through Friday beginning

at 8:30 a.m. each day.

usually get."

protect our citizens." The most emotional

observation from the council came from Councilwoman Gloria McDonald, however, who said she received many calls on the issue, but one that stood out head and shoulders above the rest.

"I had a lot of calls about this. Some of them were against the ordinance, but I'd have to say about 80 percent of them were for it. But the most unusual call was from an 11-year-old supporting it," said McDonald very emo-

tionally.

Final reading of the ordinance is expected to be considered during the Sept. 12 meeting of the council.

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field for many years, and many people come in that have cancer and have never smoked. However, the person that they are living with does. It's from smoke,"

Council member Joann

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ity of students - more

than 600 — registered

"The students loved it,"

Merrick said of online

registration. "There were

no long lines. It went so

govern the preparation and sale of food through licensing and inspections, saying the ordinance is protecting the public.

"I respect the fact that foods then you're going to follow sanitation rules. The United States is a

> When all is said and done, Merrick said she is hopeful the Big Spring campus will have around 1,300 students enrolled in classes.

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OUR VIEWS

## Let's remember that voting is real patriotism

re you truly patriotic? Buying and displaying patriotic symbols ... just waving the flag isn't enough. The real test to determine how patriotic we here in West Texas is to simply look at the number of people who vote.

You see, exercising one's right to go to the polls, participating in the determination as to who will govern us, is probably the most patriotic thing most of us will ever do.

And there's no question in our collective mind that voting is a far greater show of patriotism than waving a flag or wearing the red, white and blue.

So, if you aren't registered, get registered.

The cutoff date to register in order to vote in the November general election will be here quicker than most realize.

Howard County residents will have until the first part of October to register to vote in the November election, but county officials are urging would-be voters not to wait until the last minute.

Those wishing to cast a ballot in the coming election, which is expected to include several multi-million dollar bond issues locally, must register by Oct. 10, according to Howard County Election Administrator Saundra Bloom.

Voters who hold a yellow voter registration card will be able to use them in the November election since they are good until the end of

December 2007, Bloom said. If you're one of those who aren't sure about the status of their registration, find out. You can get more information by simply calling Bloom at 264-

2273."If they haven't received their card or aren't sure if they're registered, all they have to do is come by the office," said Bloom. "They can fill out the voter registration card and their card should be mailed to them in time for the

November election. "For those who can't get out, they can call us and we'll mail them the form. They can fill it out and just mail it back to us. It's a very easy process.'

Bloom said the registration cards require a Texas driver's license or identification card number, or the last four digits of the prospective voter's Social Security number.

Several bond issues — at a combined \$35 million — are expected to find their way onto the November ballot.

Not to mention the numerous state and national offices which will be determined with our

So make sure you're registered this year and

then make sure you go to the polls.

It is, after all, the truly patriotic thing to do.

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#### A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We determine our own destiny, Lord, may we decide to walk with You.

Amen

## Prayers ask for Castro's demise

me superstitious, credulous, gullible, irrational I don't care! All I know is that I witnessed a miracle when I hung up my favorite painting on my living room wall back on July 31.

I had purchased the painting — by the late Cuban artist Manuel Mesa — more than a month earlier. But since my home had been undergoing renovations, I had kept it in a box until the construction dust had settled.

I didn't want dirt damaging my new work of art.

The painting, created in 1952, is an image of a bunch of Cubans playing musical instruments, dancing and paying tribute to Our Lady of Charity, the Cuban version of the Virgin Mary. It's called "Un Toque de Violin Para La Virgen" or "Playing Violin for the Virgin."

She is Cuba's patron saint, the one to which Cubans, myself included, have been praying for centuries, the one we always hoped would free us from the Fidel Castro dictatorship. Her image, in the background of the party, is the main reason why I bought the painting.

And so there I was, admiring my new acquisition — a reprint of the original oil on canvas — and asking myself how much longer Cubans would have to wait to throw such a wild party. How

much longer would we have to pray to our Lady of Charity before she granted us our greatest wish?

That's when my phone rang. It was my friend and colleague Mike Kelly, who spoke with a tone of urgency.

"Miguel, do you know what's going on in Cuba?" he asked. "Put on your TV. Fidel Castro has been operated. He is real sick and he has delegated his power to his brother Raul."

I didn't tell Mike my immediate reaction. He was going to think I'm crazy. But I told myself "wow, I have a miraculous painting!"

It was created in 1952, some seven years before Castro rose to power. But the image on my wall had taken a new significance. Now I know what those Cubans are celebrating.

When I turned on the TV, following Mike's instructions, I saw South Florida Cubans already celebrating. But I kept staring at my painting, because it was telling me more than the television.

After 47 years of the Castro dictatorship, our prayers had been answered.

For the next couple of days, my phone didn't stop ringing. All my non-Cuban friends wanted to know how I felt about Castro's illness and impending death.

"Do you think he is already dead?" they would ask.

"God, I hope so," I would say.
"Frankly, I would have preferred if he is overthrown and dragged through the streets of Havana. But I'll take anything — cancer, a stroke, a bullet, you name it!"

Some people found it hard to accept that we Cubans would celebrate someone's demise, that we would rejoice over an illness, that we would pray for someone's death.

"So how do you feel about Osama Bin Laden?" I would ask. "Should he be dead or alive?"

That was usually enough to make my point. But for those who needed further clarification, I explained that men responsible for the death of thousands, like Castro and Bin Laden, don't deserve to live.

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I explained that many of those dancing in Miami streets may have lost friends and relatives to Castro's firing squads, or spent years in Castro dungeons for political prisoners, or risked their lives on a raft to flee from the continent's most repressive regime, or lost a lifetime of work, sacrifice and accomplishments because the dictator decided to confiscate their businesses, properties and other possessions.

I explained that among the celebrants there were many young, U.S.-born Cubans whose parents or grandparents died in Miami while waiting for their homeland to be free.

"How do you not want him dead?" I would ask. "How do you not pray for God to put an end to so much suffering?"

Frankly, had I known my painting's miraculous effect, I would have hung it up a lot sooner.

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# Big Island's narrow, winding roads

e'll go back to the Big Island of Hawaii. We did a lot in the week we were there, but there are so many more things we want to see and do.

Like malasadas. Portugese donuts. We never had any. They are hot items on the BI. When we went to a bakery to get some, they were sold out.

I also want to spend more time at Polulu, one of the most scenic spots.

I want to perhaps stay at Waimea, voted one of the top places to live in the U.S.

I want to visit the seahorse farm between Kona's airport and harbor.

TUMBLEWEED

We had visited Oahu and Kawai before and fell in love with both of those islands, but the Big Island seems to be more diverse. The beautiful flowers and trees are there, for sure. At intersections of main streets in Kona, acres of pink and white bougainvillea drape the hillsides.

We visited coffee and macadamia plantations; saw bananas, papayas and mangos ripening on trees. We saw fan palms and coconut palms. Coconuts fall from trees without much notice and some people get huft every year when a coconut bonks them on their heads.

We went to the Sheraton nearly every night to watch the manta rays feed on plankton. The hotel has a big overlook and shines bright lights into the water so visitors can see the huge sea creatures maneuver along the rocky shoreline. The manta rays have a wingspan of 16 feet and their movements are mesmerizing.

We drove along the island's perimeter, stopping occasionally to visit a waterfall, intriguing valley, or botanical garden.

Most roads are only two lanes and if you can drive 40 mph. you're doing well. We watched pilot whales accompany us when we took a boat ride in the Pacific.

We watched giant sea turtles come ashore to lay eggs. We lunched at a beachside

restaurant and saw people of all ages play in the surf with boogie boards.

We stood at high overlooks and

looked down at places where the water meets the land.

The Pacific's water is warm, and near the shore, it displays at least half a dozen colors — from deep blue to a light turquoise. We went to the place where the

Hawaiian Islands were first formed by tons of lava shot into the air from a volcano. We walked through clouds of steam coming from deep inside the earth. We had a picnic while watching boiling lava hit the sea.

Perhaps our greatest adventure was watching a sunset from the top of Mauna Kea, the tallest volcano on the island (elevation 13,792 feet). From sea floor to summit it towers more than 5.6 miles. The summit is covered with observatories, which attract astronomers from all over the

world. Big Island residents ski and snow board on the summit in the winter when it is covered with snow. We wore heavy parkas and big

gloves when we were there in late July. The temperature was 32 degrees, quite different from the 100-degree weather along the coast.

The Big Island is 120 miles north to south, 100 miles east to west.

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## Wednesday, August 23, 2006

top! Did you hear that? You have to listen very carefully for it. It is the sound of the approaching Friends of **Howard County Library** Book Sale. Friday, Sept.

15 at 10 a.m., the doors to the basement will open and hordes of people will be galloping downstairs to snatch up books,

HOLLIS **McCright** 

records and books on tape/CD. The sale will contin-

Saturday, Sept. 16, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Donations are still

being accepted. You can bring boxed or bagged books to the Library during regular library hours. We would rather not take Reader's Digest books, magazines or icky/dirty books. If you have books in good, clean condition, please bring them in.

New books have just been processed and are ready to be checked out. Margaret George (in a review from Publishers Weekly) depicts with bravado, grace and eloquence the grand spectacle surrounding Helen of Troy.

In "Helen of Troy," the author's research enlivens a bold story pulsing with romance and sacrifice, omens and battles. Helen's noble Spartan parents try to defy the fates when a seer foretells the tragedy Helen and her legendary beauty will cause, but, as the myth of Helen demonstrates, destiny cannot be altered. George's extraordinary storytelling abilities shine in her portrayal of Helen as both a conflicted woman who abandoned her homeland and child for true love, and as a legendary figure whose beauty and personal choices had epic consequences.

A couple of biographies are in. "Before the Legend: The Rise of Bob Marley" (B MAR B) by Christopher John Farley, is the story of Bob Marley, a reggae star who brought the sound of third world countries out to the masses. From interviews of close personal friends, his wife, children and bandmates. an entirely new view emerges. For golfing enthusiasts, John Daly is a maverick. A recovering alcoholic, bellicose in nature and a tremendous golfer, Daly and coauthor Glen Waggoner exposes his inner

demons in "My Life In & Out of the Rough."

Merrill Markoe, in her new book "Walking in Circles Before Lying Down" (F MAR M), delivers a light-on-its-paws account of dog-lover Dawn Tarnauer's canineled quest for love. Twicedivorced Dawn is the product of a dysfunctional family. Her dog, Chuck, begins talking to her after dud radio-DJ boyfriend Paxton dumps her. Though other dogs can also suddenly communicate with Dawn, Chuck remains the leading pooch as he plies his master with sage advice and astute observations. Dawn goes through losing her job, getting mixed with wacky men, etc. When Chuck runs away, Dawn may realize that unconditional love is not a guarantee, unless it comes from a dog. Now cats are a totally different concept.

Some mysteries just in: P.J. Tracy's "Snow Blind" (a Monkeewrench novel); "Prey for a Miracle" (a Sister Agatha mystery) by Aimee and David Thurlo; and — this is a new author for the library — George Pelecanos has written

"The Night Gardner." New Non-Fiction: "The One Percent Doctrine: Deep Inside America's **Pursuit of Its Enemies** Since 9/11" by Ron Suskind is a troubling portrait of the war on terror, America's intelligence agencies and the Bush administration's politicized incompetence. Journalist Suskind follows the triumphs and failures of the "invisibles" — the counterterrorism experts at the NSA, the FBI and especially the CIA — as they painstakingly track terrorists' communications and financial transactions, interrogate prisoners and cultivate elusive al-Qaeda informants.

This is perhaps the most detailed, revealing account yet of American counterterrorism efforts and a hard-hitting critique of their direction.

Have you watched "Shalom in the Home" on TLC? It is where a rabbi interacts with a family to try and change behavior so that the family becomes a strong, positive, loving family. In "Ten Conversations You Need to Have With Your Children" (649.7 **BOT S) author Shmuley** Boteach writes about how to really touch and communicate with your children. Topics range from how to develop intellectual curiosity, know who you are and what you want to become and to be a fearless and courageous person.

#### There are truly some

magical strategies. This is an interesting book: "All the President's Children: Triumph and Tragedy in the Lives of **America's First** Families" (973.099 WEA D) by Doug Wead. He has researched the lives of all the presidents and writes about what happened to each child. Al Gore's book "An Inconvenient Truth: The **Planetary Emergency of** Global Warming and What We Can Do About It" (363.738 GOR A) has arrived.

A new cookbook has arrived: "Big Sky Cooking" (641.597 BRO M) by Meredith Brokaw is a combination travel book and cook book. Beautiful photos of the Big Sky country coupled with some great recipes. Something a little less pretentious is Rachel Ray's "Express Lane Meals" (641.555 RAY R). She talks about what to have on hand for quick, easy meals on the go.

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Hollis McCright is manager of the Howard County Library.

## Why not check this out? Befuddled in Big Spring

nother school year has begun and once again supplies were purchased. Accompanying me to the store was my son, John, who has started his freshman year at Forsan. As the school year approached I mistakenly assumed the list would be short: Pens, pen-

cils, notebook paper, a binder that would suffice. Because

we had supplies left from previous years, he was set and ready to go, or so I thought.

ANDREIA MEDLIN

N o instead he came home with two lists that included items we didn't already have. Once again, I was befuddled.

Back we went to get batantibacterial teries, wipes, book covers and a straight edge (whatever that is).

Whatever happened to using paper bags for book covers? They were a heck of a lot cheaper and could be customized per the owner's discretion.

Five were purchased at almost \$4 each for something that looked like a shower cap. Convenient for those who study in the shower. At least the binding will book's remain dry. Who cares about the pages?

Next on the list was the "straight edge." To me a straight edge would be a

piece of notebook paper folded in half a few times and creased with a fingernail. Worked well enough when I was in school.

Scratching my head and looking around to see if the other parents were doing the same, we searched. And searched some more.

However, I didn't see anything like that hanging on the shelves so we finally settled on a long metal ruler. Then it occurred to me that the students are not allowed to have toothpicks at school because they could be used as a weapon.

This really had me scratching my head.

Why would anyone choose a toothpick as a weapon? The way they are made these days it would snap in two as soon as it made contact. That is if it didn't break before you got it out of it's plastic wrapper.

Black or blue and red ink pens were on the list too. Hmmmm. And what about that straight edge?

No, I'm not a malicious person and I certainly don't want to give any such ideas, but some things do make my scalp itchy.

Like why people wear their pajama's and fuzzy slippers to the store.

Anyway, we made it out of the store with everything and truthfully the

list is shorter. Fortunately, I only have one to buy for, so our expenses are small compared to families with

several children. Thank goodness for the Salvation Army, which provides for the less fortunate, and businesses like StarTek which help out their employees.

We count our blessings. We look forward to another school year. John will be provided two meals and I don't have to worry about him being alone at the house while his father and I are at work. Oh yeah, and he is learning lots of stuff, too. Things that reserved for the "Gifted and Talented" when I was in high school. If befuddlement were a course I would have been an honors student.

If you notice a me tooling around town in my mini-van scratching my head I'm probably wondering why there are so many cigarette butts on the ground.

And where the heck did I put my pocket ashtray?

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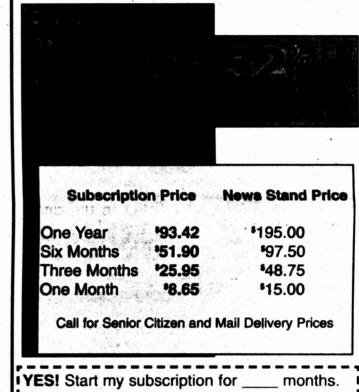
bidding shown. You're unlikely to beat the contract on high cards alone, so you lead the king of spades, hop-When dummy shows up with three spades, your wishes are answered, since East is marked by the bidding with a singleton spade even though he plays the discouraging deuce on your king. He cannot have a doubleton spade - with tha holding he would have started a high-low signal.

However, you must not be so swept away by the brilliance of your analysis that you hastily continue with the ace and another spade. East would ruff, all right, but South would then take the rest of the tricks after drawing trumps and discarding dummy's diamond loser on one of his high spades.

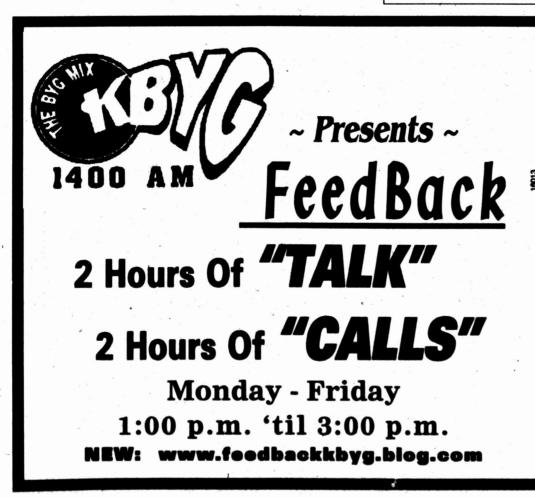
Instead, you should lead a low spade at trick two rather than the ace. Once you do this, South is doomed East ruffs and returns a diamond, and you now have declarer over a barrel, since you're bound to score a spade and a diamond to put the contract

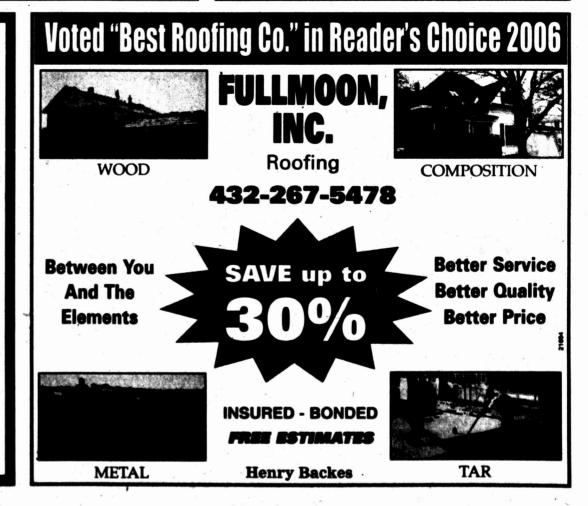
In fact, South will probably go down two - 200 points - against this defense. After East returns a diamond at trick three, South will probably draw two rounds of trumps and lead a club to the queen, hoping to discard his diamond loser on the acc of clubs if the finesse succeeds. This attempt to salvage the contract would fail, and after you collect a giamond and a spade, you would have a right to congratulate yourself for a wellplanned defense.

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#### Fires continue in Texas

CADDO (AP) — Firefighters constructed fire breaks and attacked hot spots Tuesday as they battled a series of fires burning in West Central Texas.

The Caddo II Complex fire in Stephens and Palo Pinto counties has been burning since last week, consuming about 7,500 acres. Rugged and rocky terrain dotted with canyons makes it difficult to contain the fire, said Texas Forest Service spokeswoman Traci Weaver.

Helicopters and firefighters on Tuesday doused the flames with water, built breaks to stop the fire and burned pockets of fuel that could feed the blaze. The Caddo II Complex, which is made up of four fires, remains about 50 percent contained, Weaver said.

It started Friday night in an area about 85 miles west of Fort Worth and burned a hunting cabin on Saturday. The Caddo II Complex fire is believed to have been sparked by a truck with a blowout riding on

Lightning sparked another fire in Palo Pinto County that has consumed more than 1,780 acres. It was about 95 percent contained by Tuesday, the Texas Forest Service said.

Lightning also caused several small fires in East Texas, officials said.

This is the worst year on record for wildfires, which have already claimed more than 1.9 million acres across the state since January.

#### Cameron County jails meeting state standards

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Cameron County Jails are now complying with state standards, and a remedial order issued against the county over the facilities' problems could soon be lifted.

An inspection of the county's jail system conducted by staff from the Texas Commission on Jail Standards last month found the facilities were in compliance, according to public records.

"We did very well," said Chief Deputy Gus Reyna. "We were found satisfactory."

Cameron County had faced possible action by the Texas Attorney General's Office for failing to comply. During a May meeting, the state commission voted to request the Attorney General's Office take action to enforce the remedial order, public records show.

The commission didn't discuss lifting the remedial order during a meeting this month. It could be lifted during the commission's next meeting in November, The Brownsville Herald reported for Wednesday editions.

The commission initially addressed the August 2003 remedial order to Cameron County Judge Gilberto Hinojosa and former Sheriff Conrado Cantu. It said there wasn't enough staff to handle inmates.

Understaffing and other setbacks persisted through the years, continuing the order into Sheriff Omar Lucio's administration, which took office on Jan. 1.

Problems found included inmates not being properly classified or housed accordingly, a portion of the smoke and fume removal system at Detention Center I not working properly and intercoms at the downtown facility and the fire alarm system at the Carrizalez-

Rucker Detention Center not functioning.

#### Los Fresnos principal cuts students' hair

LOS FRESNOS (AP) — Los Fresnos High School Principal Virginia Miller had an answer for several male students whose hair reached below their collars when they returned to school. She pulled a pair of scissors from her desk and gave them a trim.

About four boys needed to have their hair cut last week to meet the school's dress code, said school district spokeswoman Birdie Rodriguez.

The boys were given three options, including having their hair cut at school, Rodriguez said.

"They chose to have their hair trimmed at the bottom so it would not go on beyond their collar. It was all voluntary," Rodriguez said in a story in Wednesday's Valley Morning Star.

The other options are in-school suspensions for the rest of the day or a call home to have someone take them to get their hair cut. The options are listed in the school handbook given to the nearly 2,200 students, Rodriguez said.

Miller will continue to use her scissors for trims if students come to school with their hair too long and choose that option, Rodriguez said.

Roy Morris, a junior, said he tried to take in-school

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suspension but that Miller insisted on the other choice.

"She just said basically, 'I want to cut your hair,'"
Morris said.

#### BP holds off on building on Pelican Island

GALVESTON (AP) — BP PLC has shelved plans to built a liquefied natural gas facility in Pelican Island. The U.K.-based energy giant said it chose to hold off for now on the \$650 million project because of economics, not the resistance its encountered.

"There has been tremendous support within Galveston but at the same time, this was strictly a business decision: It was not related to litigation and has nothing to do with Galveston politics," said BP spokesman Neil Geary.

BP officials said Tuesday they still plan to renew a \$50,000 lease option with the Galveston Wharves board for the 185-acre site.

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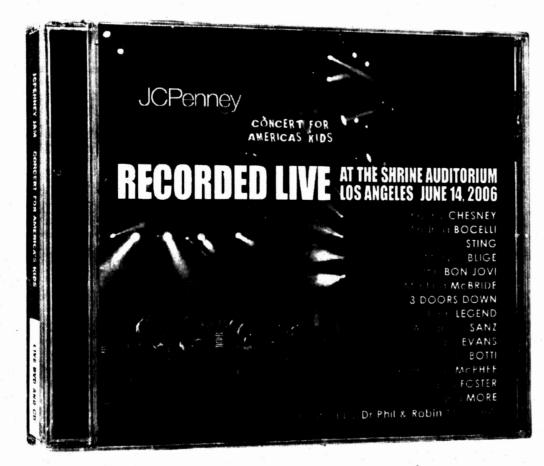


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## Devil Rays stymie Rangers' playoff plans

By The Associated Press

The Texas Rangers playoff

drive stalled in Florida. Rocco Baldelli and Ben Zobrist hit consecutive sacrifice flies in the seventh inning, helping the Tampa Bay Devil Rays beat the

Rangers 5-3 Tuesday night. Michael Young hit a two-run single for the Rangers, who have lost the first two games of a fourgame series against the Devil Rays. Texas is 6 1/2 games behind the AL West-leading Oakland Athletics.

"Nobody likes to lose ballgames, no matter where it is,"

Matthews Jr. said. "I don't care if it's in Tampa Bay, or Yankee Stadium, or in Oakland. You've got two choices. You can spend the night mad about it, or you can make the adjustments like we did in Detroit and come back out and do what you've got to

In other American League action, it was: Seattle 6, New York 5; Los Angeles 4, Boston 3; Detroit 4, Chicago 0; Baltimore 6, Minnesota 3; Toronto 4, Oakland

3; and Kansas City 5, Cleveland 2. In National League games, it

Texas center fielder Gary New York 8, St. Louis 7; San Diego 1, Los Angeles 0; Florida 7, Washington 5; Pittsburgh 5, Atlanta 3; Milwaukee 4, Colorado 1; Philadelphia 6, Chicago Cubs 3; and San Francisco 7, Arizona

> Texas came to Tampa Bay after taking three of four at Detroit.

Baldelli's flyball off Vicente Padilla (12-8) tied it at 3, and Zobrist drove in the go-ahead run on a drive to center. Travis Lee extended lead to 5-3 with an eighth-inning homer off Ron

Mahay. Shawn Camp (5-1) struck out was: Cincinnati 14, Houston 0; two in a perfect seventh.

Seth McClung earned his second save despite loading the bases in the ninth. McClung allowed back-to-back singles to Ian Kinsler and Gerald Laird, then walked pinch-hitter Matt Stairs before retiring Young on a game-ending flyout.

'You're always nervous at the end," Devil Rays manager Joe Maddon said. "You've got one of the best hitters, the guy who won the All-Star game, up with the bases loaded, two outs in the ninth. I don't like that at all. I've always felt, if I was going to start

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# Other receivers benefit with T.O.

By JAIME ARON

**AP Sports Writer** 

SHREVEPORT, La. -Here's a juicy bit of news: Not having Terrell Owens the last few weeks actually has been a good thing

for the Dallas Cowboys. Don't get the wrong idea. The Cowboys definitely would've rather had their new lead receiver on the field, both to work with the rest of the offense and to cut down on the chatter generated by his lingering ham-

string problem. But his absence has forced more balls to be thrown to the unproven players fighting for backup jobs, and that's helped coaches sort through one of the team's biggest con-

cerns of the preseason. Undrafted rokie Sam Hurd and returning pracsquad member Jamaica Rector seem to have taken the most advantage. After showing enough in practice last week to earn playing time with starting quarterback Drew Bledsoe, both fit in well with the first-teamers in a 30-7 victory over the New Orleans Saints

on Monday night. Hurd caught three passes for 30 yards, including a 13-yard touchdown that he had to fight off a defensive back to grab. Rector had three catches for 32 yards, all on that same scoring drive, including a 5-yarder on third-and-4 from the 23 that he made despite his defender being

flagged for pass interference. "I'm excited about the way they have played," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said. "It makes me feel good about me not breaking my neck to find

another receiver.' Owens missed much of training camp because of a hamstring injury that may require further eval-Crayton, the projected No. 3 receiver, also has been out with an injury. Players were off Tuesday, with practices resuming Wednesday at team head-

quarters. It's uncertain whether Owens will join the club then or for the next preseason game, Saturday



Dallas Cowboys receiver Patrick Crayton reaches for the goal line during a Cowboys practice in Oxnard, Calif., earlier this month. With Terrell Owens sidelined by an injury, the Cowboys' other receivers have benefitted from additional playing

Parcells was in no mood to discuss T.O. after the

Saints game. "I'm tired of talking about it, I really am, Parcells said. "Let's talk about the guys who were

here and played." Terry Glenn was the most spectacular, providing a one-handed touchdown catch around his defender's head that uation this week. Patrick should remind everyone Owens won't be Dallas' game-breaking threat. He finished with 71 yards on four catches, showing no signs of problems with blisters that caused him to miss some

time in training camp. Terrence Copper, the only receiver on the roster besides Owens, Glenn

Francisco. Coach Bill caught a pass in a regular-season game, had two

catches for 32 yards. Miles Austin, another undrafted rookie, helped his chances with a 48yard touchdown catch from backup quarterback

Tony Romo. Even before the top three receivers were hurting, the Cowboys already were looking for more candidates. acquired one from Denver, but that trade voided was Friday because of a failed physi-

cal. More moves could be in the works. And there's always the waiver wire once teams begin cutting players, with Dallas likely most interested in veter-

Crayton Presuming

holds his job, Hurd is the likely front-runner for the fourth spot because he's learned the routes for all three receiving positions. He often works with Owens after practice and has made enough plays on the practice field for Bledsoe to trust him in

the game. For instance, consider this conversation before Hurd's touchdown: "I told him in the huddle to throw it up, and I would make a play for him," said Hurd, who did exact-

ly that. Coaches seem eager for Rector to succeed, too. They appreciate his hard work, especially in 'the weight room. He half-jokingly calls that a must because, "I'm the smallest

"I kind of try to balance things out with my strength," said Rector, who is 5-foot 10. 186

pounds. Rector's status could depend on whether the Cowboys keep five or six receivers. It also depends on whether Skyler Green is among them since Parcells considers him strictly a kick returner. The fourth-round pick had 37 yards on four punt returns Monday night, most on a 22-yarder, and took his only kickoff, 13

vards: "He's in a tough battle for a job," Parcells said. "He's caught every punt that we've had this preseason. I can't give him any more work than that."

#### night at home against San and Crayton to have dude on the team." Is there a muzzle in the commissioner's desk, too?

By JIM LITKE

**AP Sports Columnist** You have to admire Bryant Gumbel's chutzpah, if not quite

his timing or choice of words. He bit a hand that's under contract to feed him this season outgoing NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue's ring finger, no less — and got off with just a

warning. This time. Next time, though, Gumbel had better be right not just about what he says; but when and how he says it.

Eight days ago, the eponymous host of HBO's "Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel," and soon-to-be

play-by-play broadcaster for the NFL's in-house network. addressed his closing remarks to incoming commissioner

ans.

Roger Goodell: "Before he cleans out his office," Gumbel said, "have Paul Tagliabue show you where he keeps Gene Upshaw's leash. By making the docile head of the players union his personal pet, your predecessor has kept the peace without giving players the kind of guarantees other pros

take for granted. "Try to make sure," he added, "no one competent ever replaces Upshaw on your watch." What Gumbel said about

Upshaw being outmaneuvered by Tagliabue over guaranteed

salaries is dead on. Unlike their NBA and MLB counterparts, NFL players never see all the money or years promised in the splashy deals they sign. But that doesn't mean none of the dollars are guaran-

teed. To get around the salary cap introduced in the 1993 collectivebargaining agreement, NFL owners began negotiating "signing bonuses" — essentially lump-sum payments — and deferred most of the big salary years until the end of contracts, by which time few players are

still playing for teams that sign them.

No one denies the system is good for owners who like to take chances. But it can backfire, too, if a player is released. traded or waived too soon. That's how Redskins boss Dan Snyder, for example, got stuck with a \$92-million payroll in 2000, when the cap was only \$67

million. The players no doubt would like all their money guaranteed. but they haven't minded taking the other side of that bet, either. Considering the average career

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS The Virgo sun says get down to business! While you're at it, see if you can make it faster, cheaper and better. Virgo energy quests to improve upon itself. Additionally, the

moon is new. SO there's a pervasive feeling that all things are possible. Keep it simple, though. Focus in on one thing you'd like to change, and start the =

process. ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're unique and needn't compromise your vision or imitate others, even others who are doing something well. It's a fine day to insist on saying, doing and having it your

HOLIDAY

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Today's choices are of a moral and ethical variety. Stay in your own good graces, living by the rules you've written for yourself, and the rest of the universe will support

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Thrilling, boring, uplifting, terrifying, mundane and magical — all words you might use in any given moment to describe long-term love. Everyone in your inner circle is there for a good

CANCER (June 22-July

proper procedure and etiquette, even if it feels unnatural to you. You get better with practice. If you're not sure what's appropriate, ask a Capricorn person.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Brainstorm new career ideas. Your cosmic teammates are Cancer and Virgo people, each with a different and effective way of motivating you. A mentor can deliver you from trouble before you fall into it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Character is more important than talent, brains or brawn. You're not torn — you know who you are. The stars illuminate the right decision, and all you have to do is agree to it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't have a problem worked out yet, but that's what friends are for. Bounce ideas around to see if a solution emerges. (If you can think out loud in front of someone, this person is a friend, indeed.)

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If what you want is terribly impractical, not to mention unaffordable, the answer isn't to throw up your hands in defeat. Rather, persist in thinking bigger, stranger and more outrageously bold.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The planets show you earning your status as the official sign of wanderlust. Long ago, you started running, and you're running still. 22). Correct protocol is You'll see some beautiful important. Follow the places when you follow

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're changing inside and will mirror this by altering your environment. You discover what you want by getting rid of what you don't want. Start with your closet, using it as a metaphor for your life!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). How can the key to getting what you want be not caring whether you get it? Your air of detachment is so effective in attracting what you want, it could permanently change your strategy.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Something you thought you understood now seems more puzzling than ever. Study is lucky. All it takes is one moment of clarity to illuminate the answer to several prob-

**ASTROLOGICAL QUES-**TIONS: "I'm a Virgo, and I've been in a relationship with a Taurus off and on for seven years. Now, he's ready to fully commit, but now I'm in love with a Scorpio who's slow to commit. What should I

Virgo and Taurus people are two earth signs who are, if you read all of the star-guides, meant for each other. Have you considered the fact that his readiness to commit may be in direct correlation with the fact that you're no longer interested in him? Well, the irony isn't lost on me. Even more interesting is the fact that just as your Taurus readies himself, you're inter-

ested in someone else. My prescription for you will be so much fun, if you let it be. Rx: Wake up! You're not ready to settle in ... you've only just begun to know yourself! It's not necessary for you to be with either suitor. Enjoy yourself. Date someone of every sign of the zodiac, just to get to know the many "yous" who'll emerge from the Be free! process. (Typically, this is so difficult and yet so necessary for Virgo women — but if you need permission, this is it!) Sail! **CELEBRITY PROFILES:** 

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

Dear Annie: My son and his wife have become so absorbed in their own problems and priorities that they seem to have completely lost interest in anything or anyone else, including us. When they visit, they talk only about themselves and their two daughters. If we attempt to talk about things going on in our lives, our daughter-in-law either talk right over us or quickly change the subject back to their daily issues.

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Dear Mother: First, do an honest appraisal of your side of the conversation. Is it possible you talk a lot about your problems, your aches and pains, your financial diffi-

months

culties, your health? Many children don't want to hear these things, and your daughter-in-law's chatter may be her way of heading you off at the

Even so, these visits should include more giveand-take. It's OK to tell your son that his onesided conversation makes him seem rather selfabsorbed. But if you are looking for a sympathetic ear, Sonny doesn't appear to be a good candidate. We recommend developing your friendships, joining social organizations or talking to a counselor.

Dear Annie: I am 11 years old and a vegetarian. My sister is 23. She makes fun of me because I don't believe in eating animals. For example, instead of referring to beef as beef, she calls it "dead cow."

This bothers me a lot, because I know she does it to hurt me. She only says things like that when I'm around. I have asked her to stop, but whenever I do, she just says, "You know I'm kidding," and rolls her eyes.

I am not sure why she is so mean about it. I have never tried to convert her into a vegetarian (not that I could if I tried). I love my sister very much, but how can I get her to stop? Hurt and Confused

Dear Hurt Confused: We don't think your sister is trying to hurt you. We think she is teasing you, and although she finds it funny, you obviously don't. We will tell you, however, that it is in your best interest to develop a sense of humor about such teasing, because this won't be the only taste of it you're going to get in your life. Those who can roll with the punches do better than those who can't.

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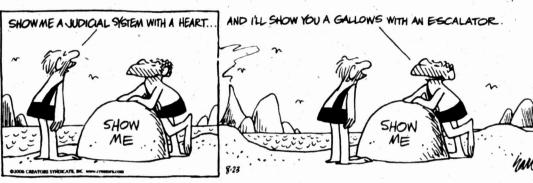
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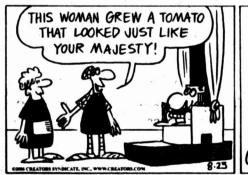




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#### This Date In History

By The Associated Press Today is Wednesday, Aug. 23, the 235th day of 2006. There are 130 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 23, 1927, Italian-born anarchists Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were executed in Boston for the murders of two men during a 1920 robbery. (Sacco and Vanzetti were vindicated in 1977 by Massachusetts Michael S. Dukakis.)

On this date:

In 1754, France's King Louis XVI was born at Versailles.

In 1775, Britain's King George III proclaimed the American colonies in a state of "open and avowed rebellion.

In 1914, Japan declared war against Germany in World War I.

In 1926, silent film star

Rudolph Valentino died in New York at age 31. In 1939, Nazi Germany

and the Soviet Union signed a non-aggression treaty in Moscow. In 1944, Romanian prime minister Ior Antonescu was

dismissed by King Michael, paving the way for Romania to abandon the Axis in favor of the Allies.

In 1960, Broadway librettist Oscar Hammerstein II died in Doylestown, Pa. In 1972, the Republican

national convention, meeting in Miami Beach, Fla., nominated Vice President Spiro T. Agnew for a second In 1982, Lebanon's parlia-

ment elected Christian militia leader Bashir Gemayel president. (However. Gemayel was assassinated some three weeks later.)

1986, Gennadiy Zakharov, a physicist assigned to the United Nations, was arrested by the FBI and charged with espionage. (Zakharov's arrest was followed a week later by the arrest of journalist American

Nicholas Daniloff in the Soviet Union.)

Today's Birthdays: Movie director Robert Mulligan is 81. Actress Vera Miles is 76. Political satirist Mark Russell is 74'. Actress Barbara Eden is 72. Actor Richard Sanders is 66. Ballet dancer Patricia McBride is 64. Former Surgeon General Antonia Novello is 62. Country singer Rex Allen Jr. is 59. Singer Linda Thompson is 59. Actress Shelley Long is 57. Actor-singer Rick Springfield is 57. Country singer-musician Woody

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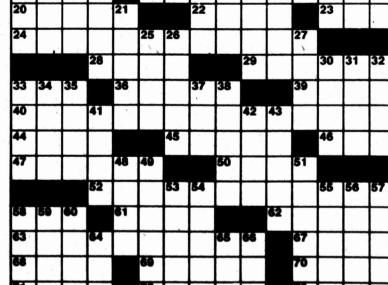
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## Oklahoma banned players from working at car dealership

By JEFF LATZKE

**AP Sports Writer** 

CITY OKLAHOMA Oklahoma has banned its athletes from working at a car dealership where two football players — including the team's starting quarterback — broke NCAA rules by accepting payment for more work than they performed.

The university, in a report to the NCAA released Tuesday following an open records request by The Associated Press, said it banned athletes from working at Big Red Sports and Imports after Oklahoma's compliance staff received "poor and inappropriate treatment" from the dealership's previous manage-

Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops tice or class times." dismissed starting quarterback Rhett Bomar and his roommate, offensive lineman J.D. Quinn, on Aug. 2 after the university's compliance staff uncovered the violations. After the dismissals, Stoops said that Bomar and Quinn "knowingly" broke the

The dealership is under new management, and the current owners cooperated with the university's investigation, according to the report.

In the report, the university said it compared athletes' time cards with class schedules. summer workouts, practice schedules and other time commitments and found no evidence that other athletes were "paid for working during prac- athletes did not know how to there and "doing the right

Seven athletes worked at the dealership during one summer four washing and detailing cars, and three moving cars around Big Red's lots. For Bomar and Quinn, whose names are redacted from the report, the university found "substantially more hours" claimed on W-2 forms than were listed on a time card report.

The university report states "the employment records maintained and provided by Big Red for temporary summer employment were also at times incomplete or in conflict with other records they maintained on the same employee."

The report indicates some

use the dealership's time card system and did not have time card records for several weeks at the beginning of their employment. It also shows that the time card reports "frequently" would have a clock-in time but no clock-out time.

The amount of the extra benefit received by the players was redacted from the report, but it indicates athletes generally were paid \$10 per hour.

Bomar's father, Jerry Bomar, told The Oklahoman the overpayment was "between \$5,000-\$7,000."

In an interview with Oklahoma investigators, Stoops said he called Big Red manager Brad McRae in 2004 or 2005 to make sure his players were

things, make sure they're working hard, um, and to make sure things were done right."

"I had specifically asked to make sure, um, that they're working the hours they're supposed to work, that they're getting paid as they should, that they're treating them like you would your other employees,' Stoops said in the interview.

Oklahoma's internal investigation was sparked by an anonymous e-mail to university President David Boren on March 3. The university previously had investigated the circumstances by which tailback Adrian Peterson bought a car and then returned it to the dealership several weeks later, determining it did not violate NCAA regulations.

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a team, he might be the first player I'd pick, Michael Young."

Texas went 2-for-12 with runners in scoring posi-

'We got our chances," Young said. "We just didn't get it done. I'm sure we'd like to get some of at-bats those tonight."

Scott Kazmir struck out eight in six innings.

allowing three runs, four hits and one walk. It was his third start since missing almost three weeks with left shoulder inflammation, and he is winless in six starts since a 2-0 two-hitter over Boston on July 3.

The 22-year-old left-hander became the Devil Rays' career strikeout leader with 378, breaking the mark set by Victor Zambrano (372). Kazmir was acquired from the Zambrano in a four-play-

er deal on July 30, 2004. "A little bit ironic,"

Kazmir said. "I'm just grateful for the Devil Rays taking a chance on me with the trade, and now giving me all this New York Mets for experience and being able to come up and learn at

the major league level."

Padilla, making his first start after serving a fivegame suspension for hitting Juan Rivera of the Los Angeles Angels with a pitch on Aug. 15, gave up four runs and 10 hits in 6 2-3 innings.

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lasts only a few seasons, veterans and high draft choices wind up pocketing about half the dollars they sign for.

Those players — as opposed to a fifth-round pick who gets little up front and is often gone when the season kicks off are Upshaw's constituents. And anybody who thinks he hasn't been listening to that first group hasn't been paying attention.

Tagliabue was the NFL's outside legal counsel before he became commissioner in 1989. and one of the first people he phoned from his new office was Upshaw. They'd already met in court over a union lawsuit seeking free agency, and they met again soon after that call for a low-key dinner in Washington D.C.

While all their subsequent sit-downs haven't gone quite as smoothly, the salary cap was \$34.5 million that first season and it will be \$102 million this

Gumbel presumably knew that when he mentioned "the leash," even though Tagliabue called that remark "about as uninformed as anything I've read or heard in a long, long time." Unfortunate as the wording was, the timing of Gumbel's remarks might have aggravated the commissioner even more.

Tagliabue and Goodell, his chief lieutenant, did much of the heavy lifting on the collec-

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tive-bargaining agreement reached with the NFLPA in March. Ever since, they've faced charges from some owners that Upshaw, for once, managed to turn the tables on the league.

The last thing Tagliabue wants as he prepares to exit stage left is a mudslinging match with Gumbel, who's demonstrated on more than one occasion that he knows his way around a mess. Tagliabue does, too, which explains his vague threats about Gumbel being afflicted by "buyer's remorse," and his questioning whether "his desire to do the job and to do it in a way that we in the NFL would expect it to be done."

Keep in mind that Tagliabue wasn't all that happy with

ESPN's "Playmakers," an overwrought soap opera about the lives of fictional NFL players. And just like the real-life NFL players, the show didn't make it to the end of its run. But rather than cancel Gumbel even before he starts, what Tagliabue — a lawyer by training and temperament — probably intended was to put him on notice. That way, the next time Gumbel says something the league doesn't like, Goodell can say he was warned.

Gumbel was an interesting choice as an NFL broadcaster from the outset. He had to be approved by Tagliabue, who knew his reputation for candor and must have hoped that independence would only help raise the credibility for the relatively new NFL Network.

Maybe because they're so familiar with risks, players are hesitant about choosing sides.

"We talk about the right to freedom of speech," said **Buffalo safety and NFLPA** president Troy Vincent, "but I was always taught that if I don't have anything positive to say, especially about my peers or brother, then don't say anything at all."

That won't be the case with Gumbel. But the next time he pushes the envelope, he should remember that if the commissioner has a leash in that drawer, chances are good there's a muzzle somewhere in there, too.

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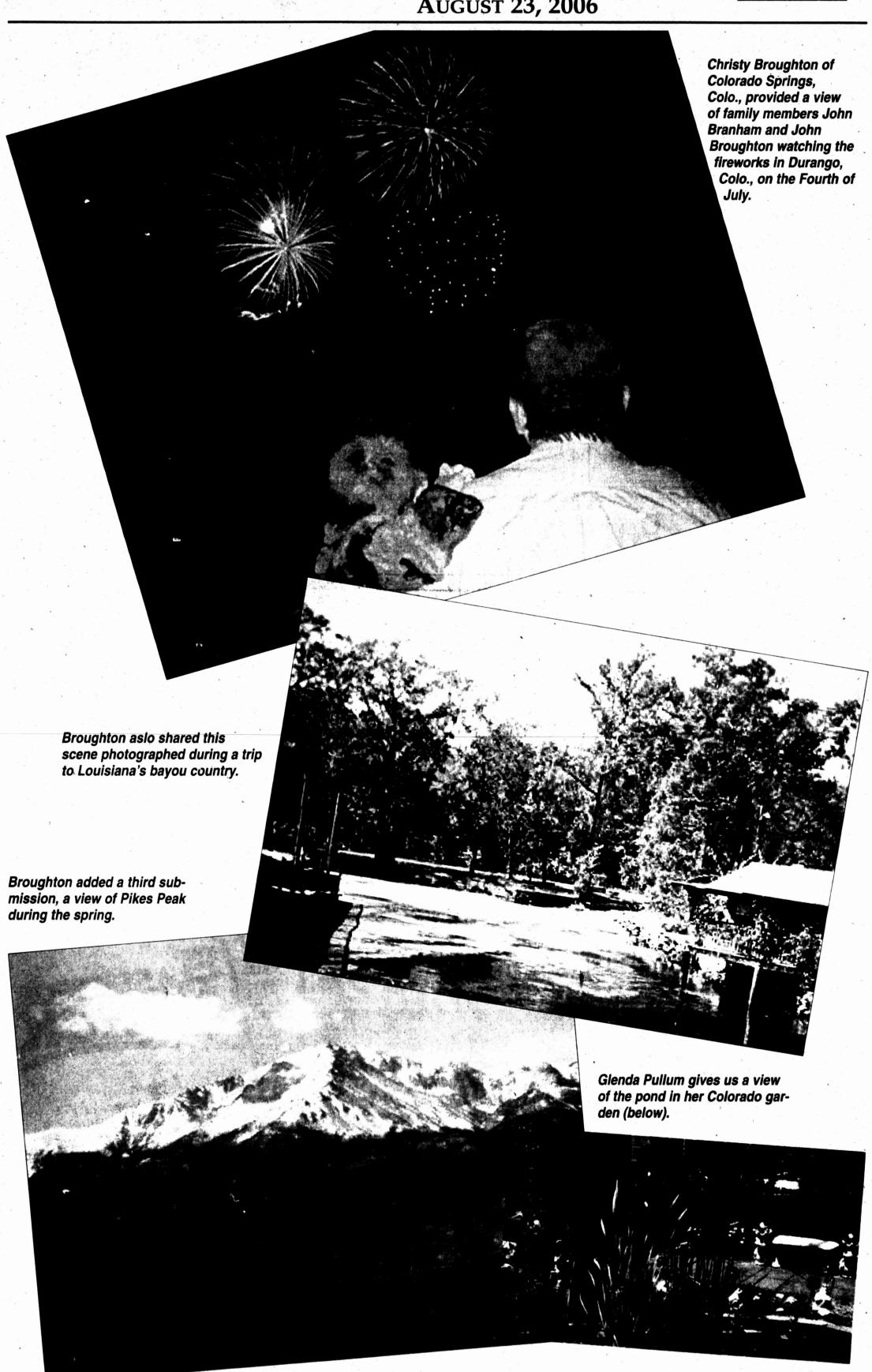
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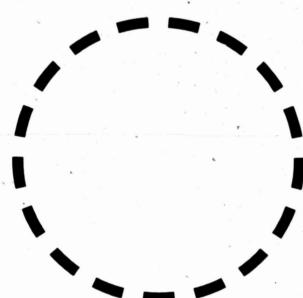
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