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## State changes auto sales tax calculation Oct. 1

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Texans looking to buy a used car from someone other than a dealership may want to break out their calculators, as a new state law going into effect Oct. 1 will change the way sales tax is calculated.

According to Howard County Tax Collector and Assessor

Kathy Sayles, the same 6.25 percent sales tax will be assessed, but how it is assessed will change.

"In the past, when someone bought a car, the 6.25 percent was assessed on what they paid for the vehicle," said Sayles. "If they paid \$4,000 for the vehicle, they knew the tax would be 6.25 percent of that."

"This new law requires that

we check the standard presumptive value, which is provided by the state, on the vehicle, and if it's more than what they paid for the vehicle we have to use that price to calculate the tax."

Sayles said the new law does not effect sales made through a dealership.

"This will affect person to person sales, even sales between

two companies," said Sayles. "The only way it doesn't apply is if the vehicle is purchased through a dealership."

"If the taxpayer disagrees with the amount assessed, they have the option to go out and have the car appraised by a dealership or an insurance adjuster. Appraisals aren't cheap, however, and can run up to \$500. So they are going to

have to figure out what's the best route to go."

Sayles said the formula used to calculate the tax is very complicated, but she would be happy to explain it to anyone interested.

"It's not a situation where you can just sit down and say, 'OK, it's going to be this percent of

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## Dewhurst committed to agriculture

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

Agriculture is a \$13 billion business in Texas, and the state's lieutenant governor said he wants to do everything he can to help ensure a bright future for farmers and ranchers.

David Dewhurst was the keynote speaker at Thursday's Ag Expo at the Howard County Fairgrounds and much of his address was devoted to agriculture and its importance to the State of Texas.

"Agriculture generates \$13 billion in revenue in the State of Texas, and it is one of our biggest employers," Dewhurst said. "Agriculture has been a key to the state's success in the past, and will continue to be so in the future."

To maintain the business' prominence, Dewhurst said he supports several initiatives:

- Maintaining the agriculture exemption — "As long as I'm lieutenant governor, it ain't changing. Don't worry about it," he told the crowd.

- Animal identification program — Dewhurst favors a voluntary program, but said Texas would comply with whatever system the federal government adopts.

- Water — With the state's population expected to double in the next 30 years, Dewhurst identified this as one of the most important issues facing Texans.

"We have some real challenges in front of us, and we're going to have to start planning," he said. "We need to make sure that there's enough water for agriculture for years to come."

- Imminent domain — Dewhurst supports a state constitutional amendment severely curtailing the use of imminent domain and increasing reimbursement for those whose property is seized in such action.

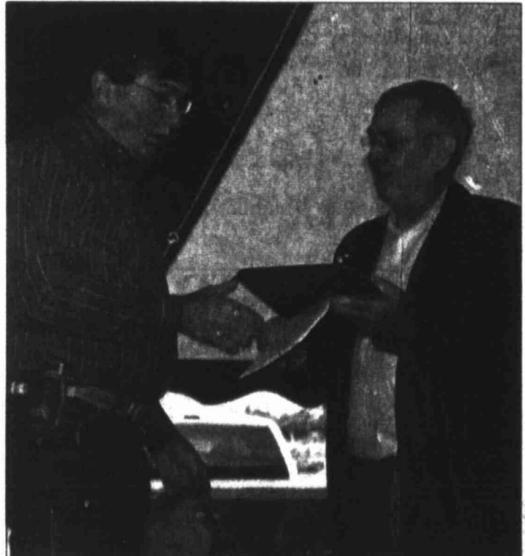
- Property appraisals — He supports a 10 percent cap on increases in property appraisals.

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HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Texas Lt. Governor David Dewhurst addresses the audience during the 2006 Ag Expo and Appreciation Luncheon Thursday afternoon at the Howard County fairgrounds. Dewhurst touched on many of the issues closest to area producers, including water rights and the state's animal identification program.

## Donnie Reid, Co-Op Gin honored at luncheon



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Wendall Walker, left, who manages the Co-Op Gin of Big Spring along with Skinny Higgins (not pictured), accepts the award for 2006 Howard County Ag Business of the Year from Ronnie Wood Thursday afternoon during the annual Ag Expo and Appreciation Luncheon.



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Coahoma farmer Donnie Reid, right, accepts the award for 2006 Howard County Ag Producer of the Year from former winner Rob Haney during Thursday afternoon's Ag Expo and Appreciation Luncheon. The expo and luncheon are sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

Donnie Reid and the Big Spring Co-op Gin were the honorees at this year's Ag Expo Appreciation Luncheon held at the Howard County Fairgrounds Thursday afternoon.

Reid was named Ag Producer of the Year, while the Co-op Gin was named Ag Business of the Year at the annual luncheon, sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

Reid, a lifetime resident of Howard County, is a third-generation cotton farmer who graduated from Coahoma High School and attended Texas Tech University.

He began driving a tractor and working on the family farm at the age of 6 and began farming on his own in the mid-1960s.

He has been active in the Farm Service Administration County Committee, is currently on the board of directors for the Big Spring Co-op Gin and works with Plains Cotton Growers Association and Cotton Inc.

"I'm very touched (by the honor)," Reid said. "There's a lot of real good producers in this county and they all do a great job. I'm just at a loss for words right now."

In presenting Co-op Gin with the Ag Business award, Ronnie Wood lauded it for being a mainstay of the agricultural community for more than 75 years and surviving the Great Depression, as well as crippling droughts in the 1950s and 1990s.

Gin Manager Wendall Walker accepted the award on behalf of co-

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**DINE OUT DAY'S TODAY**

The Spanish Inn, 200 NW Third St., is today's Dine Out Day restaurant for the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

A portion of the restaurant's proceeds that day will be donated to United Way which serves 15 local agencies: YMCA, Victim Services, Girl Scouts, Westside Day Care Center, Westside Community Center, Salvation Army, Northside Community Center, Isaiah 58, Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, CASA of West Texas, Council on Aging, Buffalo Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America, Big Spring Humane Society, Boy's Club of Big Spring and American Red Cross.

**CHURCH BLOOD DRIVES**

On Sunday, both Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the First Presbyterian Church will host a blood drives through the United Blood Services.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church will serve a continental breakfast for those who donate blood.

The church is located at 508 N. Aylesford, 263-7884.

First Presbyterian Church will serve soup and sandwiches for those who donate blood at their location.

First Presbyterian is located at 8th and Runnels, 263-4211.

To sign up to donate or for more information call either church.

**ST. LAWRENCE FESTIVAL**

The 50th Annual St. Lawrence Fall Festival will be held Sunday at the St. Lawrence Catholic Church Parish Hall located on FM 2400 10 miles south of Garden City.

Lunch will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will include barbecued brisket and homemade German sausage with all the trimmings. The meal is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children.

Uncooked sausage will be sold for \$4.50 per pound beginning at 10:30 a.m. in the "Sausage Haus" which is located directly north of the Parish Hall.

All sorts of entertainment booths will be open and several items will be auctioned.

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## Obituaries

### William A. Blalock

William A. Blalock died Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2006, at Hospice House following a lengthy illness. He was born to William Harvie and Delphie (Gaye) Blalock on Aug. 20, 1925, in Marble Valley, Ala. He was inducted into the Army at 18 and served in an antiaircraft artillery battalion during World War II. Following his discharge he moved to Lakeland, Fla., where he graduated from Baptist Bible Institute on May 14, 1954, and was ordained as a minister. He served as pastor at Union Springs Baptist Church near Fayetteville, Ala. He then moved back to Sanford, Fla. where he served as Sunday School Superintendent at the First Baptist Church for five years before moving to Longwood, Fla. There he served in the First Baptist Church for many years as an ordained deacon.

He was a supervisor in all aspects of residential and commercial construction.

Survivors include his wife of 18 years, Bobbie J. Billings; three children, Angela Dolores Chesser and husband, S. Marc of Orlando, Fla., Gordon Wade Blalock of Kentucky and Marilyn Annette Plummer and husband, John of St. Cloud, Fla.; and one brother, Carl Max Blalock and wife, Emmeline of Spartanburg, S.C. His blended family survivors include three children, Shelley Billings, Mark Billings and wife, Mary of Odessa, and Terry Billings and wife, Brenda of Longview; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. From his blended family he is survived by eight grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Dorothy Blalock and Mary Way.

Visitation will be 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday Oct. 1, 2006, at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home. Military graveside services will be 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 2, 2006, at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring with Rev. Jimmy Braswell officiating.

Memorials may be made to Hospice House of Odessa, 903 N. Sam Houston, Odessa 79761.

### Idella Joan Hollis

Idella Joan Hollis, 78, of Sweetwater died Thursday, Sept. 28, 2006, at her residence. Graveside service will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, 2006, at Sabanno Cemetery in Eastland County.

She was born Sept. 8, 1928, in Knott. She married E.H. (Bill) Hollis Jan. 18, 1947, in Rannels County. She was a homemaker. She had been a resident of Sweetwater for 14 years moving from Cross Plains. She graduated from Knott High School in 1946.

Survivors include two sons, Gary Hollis and wife, Brenda K. of Sweetwater, Kenneth Hollis and wife, Brenda D. of Abilene; one daughter, Deborah Lopez and husband, Policirpio of Sweetwater; 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; one sister, Evelyn Kendrick of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband and her parents, James Benjamin and Lucille Sample.

Visitation will be Sept. 29, 2006, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Cate-Spencer and Trent Funeral Home in Sweetwater.

### Imogene Elizabeth Thetford

Imogene Elizabeth Thetford died Sept. 27, 2006, in Odessa. She was born Oct. 21, 1931, in Big Spring to Clyde and Annie Barber. She married Edward Dewey Thetford and they have three children; sons, Eddie Thetford and wife, Jean and James Thetford and wife, Deanna; one daughter, Linda Miller and husband, Carl all of Odessa; 18 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband Edward Dewey Thetford and three brothers, George Barber of Kermit, Jack Barber of Big Spring, and Travis Barber of Odessa.

Pall Bearers will be Ronnie Steen, David Steen, Eddie Thetford Jr., Robbie Thetford, Bobby Thetford, and Lewis Carroll. Graveside will be held Saturday Sept. 30, 2006, at 3 p.m. at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Big Spring with Pastor Jimmy Dennis. Family will receive friends Friday Sept. 29, 2006, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home.

## Infant Car Seats

CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP IS COLLECTING 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.

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## Police blotter

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

- **PATRICK MARTINEZ**, 27, of 1512 Sycamore, was arrested Thursday on a Howard County warrant.
- **THEFT** was reported:
  - in the 1100 block of Lamesa.
  - in the 1700 block of FM 700.

## Sheriff's report

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 52 inmates at the time of this report.
- **JUDY ANN CASTILLO**, 37, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of parent contributing to non-attendance of a student.
- **MARIO ALBERTO YZAGUIRRE**, 49, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of assault with intent to cause bodily injury - family violence.

## Fire/EMS

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

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 600 block of North First Street in Coahoma. One person was transported to SMMC.

## Take Note

- **COAHOMA BAND BOOSTERS** tailgate party will be at 6 p.m. Today at Bulldog Stadium. There will be a concession stand.

- **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.

- **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.

- **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.

## Bulletin Board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

### TODAY

• Signal Mountain Quilting Guild will meet at St. Mary's Church and travel to the quilt shop in Midland. (This Friday only) 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 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

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

## Support Groups

### FRIDAY

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

### SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.

### 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.

### WEDNESDAY

• **RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy**, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 264-1213 for more information.

• **Dual Recovery Anonymous (DRA)**, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Howard County Library Basement Community Room. DRA is a 12-step meeting for those who have a desire to stop drinking and/or using drugs and also have a mental or emotional illness.

All meetings are non-smoking and coffee is not available but members can bring their own coffee or non-alcoholic beverage. For more information, call Deidra F. at 263-0027, ext. 236 during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## 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.

## Lottery

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday afternoon, in order: 0-2-8

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# Jean Porter excited about a chance to visit Big Spring

By THOMAS JENKINS  
Staff Writer

Accomplished actress, singer and dancer Jean Porter left Big Spring for the bright lights of Hollywood more than 70 years ago, but that won't stop the 83-year-old former resident from being at today's homecoming parade.

Porter, who starred in everything from comedies — "About Face" and "Fall In" during the early 1940s — to lead roles opposite actors such as Robert Walker and Humphrey Bogart, will return to Big Spring to take part in the Big Spring High School Homecoming Parade and weekend festivities, but according to the bubbly senior, it's the people of Big Spring that make the trip worthwhile.

"I've been invited to several of our high school reunions, and I've wanted to go for so long," said Porter. "However, it just never seemed to work out. This year I was flat determined to come back and



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Jean Porter, a former Big Spring resident, stars opposite Hollywood great Robert Mitchum in the 1946 film "Till the End of Time." Porter returns to Big Spring today to take part in Big Spring High School homecoming festivities.

visit Big Spring."

Porter said she expects to leave California early

this morning and arrive in Big Spring in time for the parade.

"It's going to be great to see downtown Big Spring again. I used to live near

Runnels Street, but I hear there's a post office where my home used to be," said Porter with a laugh. "I'm just going to have to see that for myself."

Having lived the last 20 years in Encino, Calif., Porter arrived in Big Spring in 1928.

"I remember I was in the first grade," said Porter. "I went to school at the West Ward, and while we moved to Dallas for a short time, we stayed in Big Spring until I was about 12 years old and a junior high student. "When we left Big Spring around 1935, I had always intended to move back. However, it just seemed like every time I wanted to go back I had a job or something else going on that kept me in California. I really missed Big Spring. The people really left a big impression on me. It certainly wasn't the weather that made me want to move back!"

While Big Spring has

left a lasting impression on Porter, the starlet has certainly left a lasting impression on Hollywood.

From 1942 to 1947, Porter was under contract with MGM Studios, landing leading roles in films like "The Youngest Profession," "Bathing Beauty" and "Abbot and Costello in Hollywood."

During that time, Porter also worked with Warner Bros. for "That Hagen Girl" and Columbia Studio to star in four college musicals, including "Betty Co-ed," "Sweet Genevieve" and "Little Miss Broadway."

In 1955 Porter starred opposite Humphrey Bogart as his Chinese girlfriend, Mary Yen, in "Left Hand of God."

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## Fair Quilt represents entire segment of community

By NANCY KOGER

Special to the Herald

Since the Howard County Fair is a completely volunteer enterprise, not funded by the county or city government, the directors welcome fund-raising ideas. Six years ago, during the fair, Joyce Ditto came to the women directors and suggested making quilt that would be used to raise money.

Ditto convinced them that they could get 40 to 50 women involved and make some money for the fair. Before the fair was over that year, the surprised directors had agreed to spend the several hundred dollars for materials, the necessary workers had been contacted, a pattern decided on and a quilt was under way.

Vi Harrold knew of an Amish supply house in Middlebury, Ind., from which to buy the Aida cloth for counted cross



Courtesy photo/Lane Bond  
The squares in this year's Howard County Fair Quilt represent the 50 states.

stitch, as well as patterns and thread. Buying the special cloth in bulk saved money but required

that she, Ditto, Joan Rock and Geraldine Posey (one of the fair directors) cut the cloth into squares, set

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this number.' It's rather complicated," said Sayles. "However, we will be more than happy to explain it to anyone who is interested. The state has given us some examples we can show people

to help them understand, and we have some online resources we can direct them to."

For more information, contact Sayles at 264-2232.

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### AWARDS

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manager Skinny Higgins and the gin's board of directors.

"This is quite an honor; it's very surprising," Walker said. "It's been a pleasure working with the board we've got. They go way above and beyond what's expected of them."

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out the required thread and print the directions for each square kit.

Harrold donated the quilt top that year. The pattern for the squares is an expensive part of the operation. The same pattern was used for the quilt that is offered at this year's fair, which has been on display at the Spring City Senior Citizens Center for several weeks.

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## OUR VIEWS

## We salute:

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

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

## This week we salute:

- The volunteers who helped North Birdwell United Methodist Church personnel in taking 69 orders for the church's Angelfood ministry.
- ALON Refinery personnel for giving the Forsan High School debate team a high-tech shot in the arm by providing a \$7,000 donation to purchase laptop computers and related equipment.
- County Agents Amanda Toerck and Kori Myers, who spent much of this week taking part in their first Howard County Fair.
- To members of the Howard County Fair Board of Directors and all the other volunteers who've made this year's Howard County Fair another success.
- To all the area's farmers and ranchers, as well as the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce for making Thursday's Ag Expo and Ag Appreciation Luncheon a successful and enjoyable event.
- To all those who took part in Saturday's Alzheimer's Walk, raising funds for Alzheimer's patients in our community.
- Volunteers who turned out to help members of Keep Big Spring Beautiful in its cleanup of the Comanche Trail Lake area.
- Lauren Plagens on being named the 2006 Homecoming Queen at Garden City High School during halftime festivities of the Bearkats' game with Abilene Christian.
- Elia Briseno on being named Garden City High School's Band Sweetheart during Friday night's halftime festivities.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we help another person change their mood, Lord, through You and Your word.

Amen

## Confessions of a dangerous pastor

The hardest thing about pastoring a church in Johnson County is that I grew up here. Oh I begged and pleaded with God not to make me a pastor in my hometown. I even added several sincere "please with sugar on tops," a very legitimate prayer in these parts.

I was hoping for Africa or maybe the South Sandwich Islands. I wanted to preach somewhere else and for very good reasons.

You see, I haven't always been "Saved." There was a time in my life when I was about as worthless as a windshield wiper on a goat's rear end.

Like the biblical demoniac of Gaderah, I was forced to stay home and show everybody that God gives crazy people a right mind.

## Stupid is as Stupid Does

I had been a walking contradiction for years. I wore cowboy boots up past my knees, dabbled in rodeo and played football. I ran with dopers, recited poetry in school competitions, played in heavy metal and hillbilly bands, all the while proudly sporting a "Black Power" fist from the comb I left in my nest of a hairdo.

Wearing a red bandanna and a shirt that proudly stated "One in the Oven," I dipped so much snuff I ruined my appendix. I grew a patchy kind of beard when I was 15 and wore my great-grandfather's "overalls" until they disintegrated. I purposely shot my hat with a shotgun and hand painted my Volkswagen beetle with anar-

chy symbols and pro-Republican statements.

I made a bonafide moonshine still and produced alcohol that not only poisoned my friends and me, but when poured directly into a carburetor, would produce flames through the tail pipe. I was a mess.

## Intruder Alert

My first visit to a local church in the early months of 1985 went about as well as JFK's last visit to Dallas. The preacher's kid was a friend of mine and he had recently gotten in trouble in a nameless incident in which the Brewer was said to be involved.

When the preacher saw me sitting on the back pew, he immediately assumed I was there to stake out what I would come back and steal later on.

I was 18 or 19 years old and completely oblivious to the Man of God's malcontent toward me.

"Stop the music!"

He dramatically paused, and then shouting like Sam Kinison, he said, "There's a devil in the house!"

A collective gasp went through the hallowed halls as women began to fan themselves and hold their sweet children closer. Beelzebub himself had slithered into Joshua probably by way of Burlson and the right Reverend was calling him out.

My only thought was, "Wow, what are the odds? My first time in church and I get to actually see the devil." It seemed to me church was not going to be boring after all.

I was right. As my eyes scanned the crowd for Gene Simmons, the preacher pointed his self-righteous finger at me and called me by name. "You

are not welcome in the house of GAWD!"

Tunnel vision is how I would describe it — like I was driving a car and ran out of bridge. There was a strange awkward moment where I just cringed and froze. Then my Texas upbringing kicked in and my jackass ears turned into horns.

In a Hulk-like transformation, and in front of the whole congregation of at least 16 people, I became the devil he said I was.

We had a verbal dispute in which I told him where he could go and it wasn't to heaven. It ended with me doing donuts in the church parking lot in my old Ford pickup while the deacons prophesied against me and spoke in other tongues.

That was 21 years ago.

## Fast Forward

I know what it's like to have a past that you're not very proud of, but I want to encourage you that it is not too late to leave a better legacy. The "Good News" of Christianity is that it's not how you start out, but how you finish that counts.

Jesus Christ in my present day is greater than the shenanigans of my past. I like to say that a little bit of Jesus makes up for a whole lot of stupid.

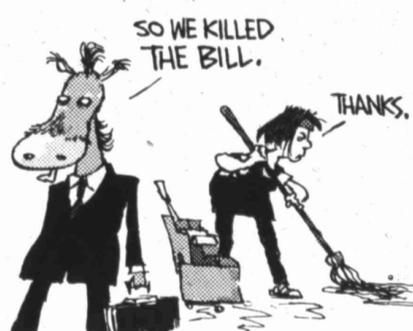
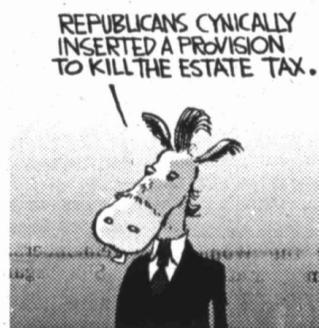
John said it much more eloquently. "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." (1 John 4:4)

I might be in this world, but Jesus is in me and that makes me a winner!

Troy Brewer welcomes your comments. He can be e-mailed at [freshfromthebrewer@opendoorministries.org](mailto:freshfromthebrewer@opendoorministries.org) or by phone at 817-297-6911.



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That's good news for the environment, but bad news for consumers. Supplying electric plants with natural gas resulted in a significant increase in demand, which caused an increase in price as well.

In the late 1990s, with supply in excess of demand, the wellhead price of natural gas remained relatively constant, averaging around \$2 per million Btu (British thermal unit). Wholesale prices began a gradual ascent, and by June of 2005, they averaged a little over \$6. They rose to nearly \$12 by October of 2005m largely as a result of the disruption caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Currently, winter wholesale natural gas prices are expected to average in the \$8 to \$9 range nationally. A renewed focus to make the wholesale price of natural gas more affordable is occurring and includes several initiatives.

First, we need to increase the supply to meet and exceed current and future demand. Almost all natural gas supplies are produced from the lower 48 states and Canada, but additional supplies currently exist in the areas where drilling is not permitted.

Significant reserves exist off the East and West Coasts and in Alaska in the ANWR region (Alaska Natural Wildlife Reserve). Technology exists to provide the exploration and production of reserves in this area in an environmentally responsible and acceptable manner.

Secondly, as consumers, we can reduce demand and improve supply with conservation efforts. There are energy saving tips on our Web site at [www.atmosenergy.com](http://www.atmosenergy.com), and we'll be aggressively promoting conservation to all of our customers in the coming months.

Finally, as the nation's largest pure natural gas distributor, we need to continue to work with our customers to help make paying their monthly bill easier and more affordable. We currently offer a budget billing plan based on a rolling 12-month average that helps reduce the volatile fluctuations in customers' winter heating bills and that option will be aggressively promoted this heating season.

To help the elderly, disabled and families in need pay their natural gas bills, we will continue to sup-

port and promote our "Sharing the Warmth" program.

Last season, our customers generously donated more than \$370,000 through the program nationally, which when combined with our donation of \$500,000, meant that some \$870,000 went toward helping people pay their gas bill in the 12 states where we operate.

We will encourage customers to donate to this program by asking them to simply round up their bill to the next dollar amount and donate this money to the "Sharing the Warmth" program. Our goal is to double the amount the program raised last year to help those in need.

Natural gas already supplies 25 percent of the nation's energy needs and usage is expected to reach 50 percent within 20 years. Natural gas is the cleanest fossil fuel. It produces half the amount of greenhouse gases compared with coal. As noted already, most new electric power plants are fueled with natural gas.

Natural gas is also the preferred source of heat in the winter. It comes out of the furnace at a higher heat and warms homes faster than other sources.

Quite simply, it's clean, efficient and comforting. All of us need to work together to make sure it remains affordable.

Bob Best is chairman, president and chief executive officer of Atmos Energy.



BOB BEST

# Marshall family members working their last county fair

By **NANCY KOGER**

Special to the Herald

The 2006 Howard County Fair has three Marshalls, but they will be absent next year. Bobby Marshall; her husband, Larry; and their daughter, Amy Parker, have been a fixture in the Women's Division for a decade and have decided that the time has come to retire.

From the time they moved to the Knott community in 1992, Bobby entered her homemade bread and was thrilled when she won a blue ribbon. A few years later Director Janeice Barnes asked her to help with registration of canned goods at the fair.

She recruited her daughter, who lives in Knott, along with her husband, Steve, to help. "Amy is a very organized person so she's really a big help," compliments her mother.



HERALD photo/Nancy Koger  
Bobby Marshall (left) joins her daughter and son-in-law, Amy and Steve Parker, in preparing canned goods for display and judging in preparation for the Howard County Fair.

Organization is an important skill for those who take the canned goods entries. Each jar must have a ticket with the maker's name and the product's classification, and each one gets a sticker stamped with one of

ten food classes to enable the judge to assess it correctly. Some contestants bring dozens of jars at one time. However, no one seems to be in too much of a hurry to exchange greetings and visit. "The main thing about doing this is seeing the people who come every year and meeting new ones have never done this before," Bobby noted.

After his wife had been working at the fair for several years, Larry Marshall, pastor of the Knott Church of Christ, decided to join in the fun.

Larry laughingly says, "I was chosen for this position because I'm so sure-footed and have such great coordination." He receives the entries in the antiques division. This year that division will be comprised of antique toys.

All three of them admit that they will miss the

camaraderie and goodwill they've experienced during their years of working as volunteers at the fair, but they'll still have plenty to keep them active. Bobby stays busy substituting in the elementary schools in Big Spring and Larry still preaches at Knott. Amy and Steve have two teenage sons, who keep them occupied.

They agree that more people should work at the fair and enter things they make.

"It's a wonderful fun, happy event," Larry said, "a chance to see folks you don't see but once a year."

Amy adds, "It keeps the county connected."

Her mother summed up their feelings about the job they've been doing for so many years by saying, "It's fun greeting the people and it feels good when you get all their handiwork displayed. We've enjoyed it."

# Lubbock artist displaying her talent at fair

By **NANCY KOGER**

Special to the Herald

A chance meeting with HC Fair board member Geraldine Posey at a cotton convention brought Lubbock artist Laura Lewis to the fair as judge last year. She returned in 2006 to judge and to give a demonstration of how she paints a portrait. Wednesday evening fairgoers watched as Lewis created an oil portrait before their eyes in less than two hours.

Lewis, who has painted since childhood, studied with noted Lubbock artist Glenna Goodacre, the creator of the Women in Vietnam statue in Washington, D.C. "She told me that the darks against the lights give a painting form; if you get those right, you begin to get a likeness," the artist



HERALD photo/Nancy Koger  
Lubbock artist Laura Lewis puts the finishing touches on a portrait she was painting at the Howard County fair.

remembers.

She began her college studies at UT Austin as an art major but became discouraged by the necessary criticism of her work, so she finished college at Texas State

University, trained in the health field as a respiratory therapist and neurodiagnostician. "I have no regrets about the time I spent in the health field. It seemed more secure and practical than a

career in art, and I learned from the experience."

Even while pursuing another career, Laura continued her painting,

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# QUILT

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In the years following that beginning, the quilt has featured some interesting patterns. The second quilt was 50 magnolia blossoms. The next two quilts featured state flowers, followed by state birds. Last year's quilt had a western motif, bordered with brands from the ranches of Texas. Some of the local quilt makers made the patterns for the western quilt.

Some cross stitchers make more than one

square, which are made into pillows. The quilts are extra long in order to encompass the 50 squares.

Some of the people who embroider the squares do not do quilting. When the quilt top is finally assem-

bled, many different quilters have added their expertise to finish it.

The quilt, regardless of the pattern used, fair officials stressed, truly represents the time and talents of an entire segment of the community.

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**B**irthdays ... turning yet another year older — having parties — receiving gifts. Anniversaries: recognition of a notable event — another year together — celebrating the major milestones with loved ones — exchanging remembrances.

These things are very familiar to us here at Howard College as we celebrate our 60th birthday and anniversary! Educational history spanning 60 years is a huge milestone for Howard College and the communities we serve. During this time of celebration, we have a unique opportunity to reflect on our past, assess where we are today and plan ahead for an even brighter future.

In 1945 the citizens of Howard County envisioned a college for locals and returning veterans that would offer a flexible curriculum. In a true pioneer spirit, they voted to create a county-wide junior college district on Nov. 17, 1945. Since classes began on that historic day of Sept. 30, 1946, Howard College has experienced growth beyond the original vision. Due to the interest of leaders in surrounding communities, the Howard College opportunity was

extended to Lamesa in 1972 and to San Angelo in 1973. Then, a return to our roots — on almost the exact same location as in 1945 — another historic event in the life of Howard County would take place. On Aug. 25, 1980, the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf (SWCID), created by the State of Texas and entrusted to the Howard County Junior College District, began offering classes, exhibiting yet another way Howard College had grown to meet the educational needs of our citizens and neighbors.

These are exciting times! Howard College is celebrating our birthday with much pride in what we have been able to accomplish and is planning for our future filled with technology, increased enrollments, new programs and greater community participation. We are so fortunate to receive gracious gifts to our college and foundations which help us offer student scholarships, build new buildings and push the envelope in technology. Without this kind of giving and support, we would not be where we are today, and for that, we are extremely grateful.



We are integrating core concepts of critical thinking into our daily business and our classrooms. We are striving to be a "beacon" of education — life-long learning by thinking, teaching and acting with purpose, skill and confidence. We will continue to share our accomplishments with our communities and integrate our motto,

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celebrate! Our ongoing gift to you is to uphold the vision of the citizens of 60 years ago. I look forward to sharing our stories of success and achievements as we travel down this road together.

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# Howard College board names visual and performing arts building

Special to the Herald

After months of anticipation, the Howard College Board of Trustees took action on Monday to officially name the new visual and performing arts building "Hall Center for the Arts."

The building contains three performance spaces that also received their official names: "Dr. Granville T. Hall Auditorium," "Florence T. Hall Studio Theatre" and "F. Marie Hall Amphitheater."

"The Hall family has made many contributions to Howard College and this community and this is one way for us to show our gratitude and appreciation," said Howard College President Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks.

The \$3.8 million state of the art facility was funded solely through the support of donors with one major contributor making a significant gift to Howard College to make the building a reality.

The building wasn't created overnight and has been in development over the course of approximately nine years.

"We began this journey in 1997," said Sparks, "and it is the product of great teamwork and visionary thinking."

Hall Center for the Arts will be home to all visual and performing arts as well as special events such as lectures, presentations and conferences.

Extensive research was completed in order to assure the facility would meet the immediate needs of students as well as build the foundation for new, innovative programming to help students reach beyond



A view of the front of the new Hall Center for the Arts at Howard College which will be unveiled to the public Saturday afternoon, during the college's celebration of 60 years of classroom instruction.

their current boundaries and explore the possibilities of the world through fine arts.

An official dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony are slated for Saturday in conjunction with the 60th anniversary cele-

bration at Howard College.

The festivities, beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday at the north entrance of Hall Center for the Arts, will include tours and refreshments and is open to the public.

"We moved in a few weeks ago and now we are ready to show off our new house to the community," said Sparks. "We're anxious for everyone to see what a fine facility we have been gifted and share in the

excitement of new possibilities for our students and college."

For more information or details on the arts center's dedication ceremonies, contact Cindy Smith by calling 264-5034.

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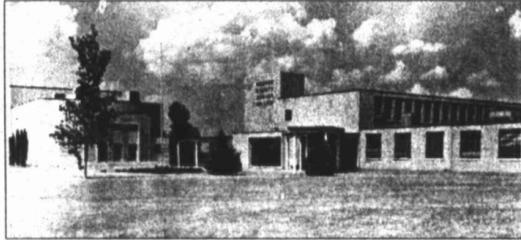
1946: March - E.C. Dodd was appointed first president of HCJC.



September 30, 1946: Howard County Junior College District held its first classes located in the old hospital unit of the Big Spring Army Air Field.

1947: The college was admitted to full membership in the Association of Texas Colleges. This gave full validity to the transfer of credits to other colleges of the state

1949: One hundred acres of land was purchased. This is where the college is currently standing.



1951: Howard County Junior College moves to its present location.

1951: The trustees of Howard College adopted a resolution on Aug. 30, 1951, admitting "all qualified applicants regardless of race, creed, or color," three years before the Brown vs. Board of Education decision.

1956: Four Buildings were added to the campus site and a few enlargements were made.

1959: HCJCD continued to grow with the construction of two dormitories and the Dora Roberts Student Union Building.

1967: The W.A. Hunt Library and the P.W. Malone Math and Science Buildings were completed

1973: Acquired 137 acres in Martin County for an agricultural research and demonstration center.

1974: Howard County Junior College was renamed Howard College.



1979: The Dorothy Garrett Coliseum was opened. The 90,000-square-foot facility has a seating capacity of 6,500 with a cost of \$2.5 million.

Aug. 25, 1980: The Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf was created. SWCID is housed in the one-time hospital of the former Webb Air Force Base. With its inception, SWCID officially became the third college for the deaf in the world and the only community college in the world for the deaf.

1980s: Rodeo arena and livestock pens, baseball field, and occupational building are added to Howard College campus.

1980s: Classes are established at the Federal Correctional Institute, Cornell Corrections and Eden Detention Center

1986: Howard College of San Angelo opened its campus on Executive Drive.

1992: Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks was appointed 6th president.

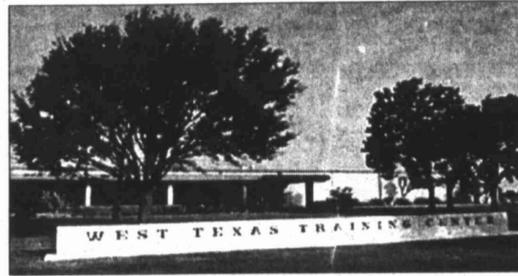
1995: Howard College celebrates 50 years!

1996: Damage is estimated at \$25 to \$30 million from worst hail storm in history on the night of graduation.

1998: SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf continues to grow with the construction of the Burke-Mehan Residential Complex.



2000: SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf opens Diagnostic Center and Activity Center.



2001: Howard College of San Angelo expanded its campus to include the West Texas Training Center.

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# Church News

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### Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church

Elder Steve Clark of Houston will be the guest minister for the Sunday morning worship service at the Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church, 201 E. 24th St. Visitors are always warmly welcomed.

Bible Study is held each Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Anyone desiring further information on either of these services may contact John Wayne Metcalf at 394-4067 or Dennis Walker at 264-1363.

### First United Methodist Church

We, the congregation of First United Methodist Church, would love to welcome you to our services. We regularly meet on Sunday morning for worship at 8:30 a.m. and again at 10:50 a.m. Our senior pastor, the Rev. Dr. Shane Brue, preaches both services. This Sunday his message, "Trivial Pursuits," is based on scripture found in Luke 15:1-10, which is the sixth of a series based on Jesus' parables in Luke.

Sunday School for all ages will begin at 9:45 a.m. The Children's Choir Kickoff Skating Party begins at 4:30 p.m. There will be an Immersed Youth Gathering at 6 p.m.

At 5 p.m. Sunday, there will be a Church Prayer Meeting.

Project Light Class, an ESL course offered through the church, will be held this Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Kid's Club will be every Tuesday from 3:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. All elementary children are invited to attend.

Wednesday and Friday starts with Children's Day Out at 9 a.m. The Noon Luncheon Bible Study will meet in Garrett Hall. The Hispanic Bible Study at 6 p.m. meets this Wednesday in the Men's Bible Class. Youth Break-Out groups start at 6:30 p.m., with junior high at 2505 Rebecca, and senior high at 416 Dallas.

The Family Festival/Lord's Acre will be held Saturday, Oct. 7. Mark your calendars for a great day. The Family Festival with free and fun booths for children and adults, bake sale, silent auction and Grannie's Attic starts at 10 a.m. The live auction/silent auction begins at 1 p.m. There will be movies and popcorn for the children that afternoon and a nursery will be provided. Everyone is invited.

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

### Salem Baptist Church

Salem Baptist Church invites you to worship with us this Sunday beginning at 10 a.m. for Sunday School and 11 a.m. morning service and Children's church, as well as our evening service at 6 p.m.

Our Wednesday prayer service is held at Parkplace at 6 p.m.

Salem Baptist Church is located at the corner of Old Colorado City Highway and Salem Road and pastored by the Rev. Monroe Teeters.

Please call 394-4566 for further information.

### Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

The members of Birdwell Lane Baptist Church invite you to worship with them at 1512 Birdwell Lane. Sunday worship is at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. Midweek services are Wednesday at 7 p.m.

This Sunday afternoon, Birdwell Lane Baptist Church members will join the National Life Chain from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. along Birdwell Lane between 15th and 17th streets. Lawn chairs, water bottles, umbrellas and strollers are welcome and encouraged. This will take place rain or shine.

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7157 or 267-8214.

### St. Paul Lutheran Church

Sunday worship services with Holy Communion will be at 9 a.m. Sunday school and Bible classes 10:15 a.m. Plans are being made for Relay for Life. Tutoring at Marcy Elementary School has begun.

### East Side Baptist Church

Regular Sunday services are at 9:45 a.m. for Sunday school, 10:45 a.m. for family worship and 1:45 p.m. for afternoon praise and worship.

On Wednesday evenings, the youth group meets at 6 and Bible study is held at 7.

"John Wayne" impersonator Gene Howard and "The Roby Wright Family" will be at the

church at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, and 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 22.

A nursery is provided for all services.

### Friends of Unity

A traditional Unity service will be led by the Rev. Jim Sims, minister of Unity Church of West Texas, at 1 p.m. Sunday.

The study group which follows at 2 p.m. begins a study of the book of Revelation.

All services and group studies at the center, located in the Railroad Plaza, are open and visitors are welcome.

### First Christian Church

This Sunday First Christian Church will observe World Communion Sunday. Started by the

Presbyterian Church in 1936, the "World-wide Communion Sunday" was picked up by other denominations, growing in 1940 to become a global, interdenominational event.

Starting at 10:50 a.m., the special service will include liturgical dance, a presentation of breads from around the world and a rendition of "He's Got the Whole World."

The Rev. Ken McIntosh's sermon will be "Table Inter-

Connections" based on the lectionary reading Mark 9:38-41.

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad. Child care is available beginning at 9 a.m. for the Sunday school hour. The youth group will

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# Club News

## Daughters of the American Revolution

The Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter attended the annual Constitution Week Luncheon, hosted by the Capt. Theunis Dey Chapter, at the Petroleum Club in Midland on Tuesday, Sept. 19. Members attending the luncheon were: Sara Tipton, Carole Lawson, June Reid, Mary Schuelke, Sue Ann Damron and Mary Skalicky. The Robert E. Lee High School Air Force Junior ROTC presented colors and the Honorable Michael J. Canon, mayor of Midland, read the Constitution Week proclamation issued by his office. The guest speaker for

the luncheon was Dr. Donald R. May whose program was entitled, "One Nation under God - The Return to Our Constitution." May explained "original intent" versus case law, or legal positivism. He cited three cases in particular: Everson vs. Board of Education; Engel vs. Vitale; and Lee vs. Weisman. He also quoted James Madison, primary author of the Constitution; George Mason, father of the Bill of Rights; and Thomas Jefferson, whose letter first used the phrase, "separation of church and state." The next meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Big Spring Country Club.

## ARTIST

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mostly portraits. When she entered and won a juried art show in Lubbock in 1997, she determined to paint as a vocation. "That win gave me such a boost that I decided to follow my dream and pursue art seriously," she acknowledges. "That sort of relates to the fair, in that winning an award serves as incentive to work at art," she muses. At that time Lewis concentrated on portrait painting, but on a honeymoon trip to Montana in 1993 she was so inspired by the space and the challenge of capturing it on canvas that she began to paint landscapes. "An advantage to painting landscapes is that you are released to paint what is in your mind. When you do a portrait, you are somewhat guided by what is in the subject's mind." She describes her husband as a "computer guy" for the city of Lubbock. "He keeps me going and he keeps my computer going," she said. He has helped her create a computer library of photographs of West Texas skies, which she uses in her landscapes. When she

finds a landscape subject, she searches her library for the best sky to complete the composition. Lewis admits that she likes to try new things, one of the marks of a creative person. "My problem is, I never do the same thing twice." Asked if she teaches art, Laura replies, "I have too many other things that I'm juggling now, but at some point I plan to teach." If the portrait of Posey's granddaughter she painted at the fair is any indication, she will be an inspiring teacher.

## CHURCHES

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meet at the church Sunday afternoon beginning at 4 p.m.

### First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matthew Miles, minister, will speak on text taken from Mark 9:38-50 at worship service on Sunday.

Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. and Take Ten is held at 10:35 a.m.

Sunday is Youth Sunday. Various youth will be leading the worship service.

Following worship, from noon to 4 p.m., we will be hosting a blood drive through United Blood Services.

Soup and sandwiches will be available for those who are donating blood. In addition, the church will have the noon Cowboys-Titans football game available for everyone to see in our new theater.

Youth Group meets from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

Also on Wednesday, Bible study will be held at 5:17 p.m. and choir practice is at 6 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church is located on Runnels between Seventh and Eighth Streets.

For more information, call the church office at 263-4211.

# Blog opens window into life on space station

By MIKE SCHNEIDER

Associated Press Writer  
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — She says space smells like a "burned almond cookie." She praises the wonders of Velcro, and describes the hazards of trying to wash her hair in zero gravity. Space tourist Anousheh Ansari's blog offers uncommon insight into

everyday life on the international space station through the eyes of an American businesswoman. Her 10-day adventure ended last night when she touched down in a Soyuz vehicle on the steppes of Kazakhstan along with Russian cosmonaut Pavel Vinogradov and U.S. astronaut Jeff Williams. "It is hard for me to

write tonight," she wrote Thursday in her last posting from space. "My emotions are high and there are millions of thoughts going through my head." The 40-year-old Iranian-born Dallas suburbanite,

who sometime signed her entries "Space Cadet," paid \$20 million for her adventure. She was a last-minute substitute for a Japanese businessman who failed a medical test for space flight.

# Contract Bridge

Test Your Play

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Three Notrump. North leads the four of spades, and you win South's ten with the king. How would you play the hand?

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2. You are declarer with the West hand at Six Hearts. North leads the ace of diamonds. How would you play the hand?

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| ♦K3     | ♦—     |
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1. The first problem is whether to tackle clubs or diamonds, but it shouldn't take long to recognize the futility of trying to establish the clubs. If, say, you led a club at trick two, a spade would come back, and when you then led another club, the defenders would cash enough spades to set you at least one trick.

You therefore turn your attention to diamonds, where you have to decide the best way to tackle the suit. Oddly enough, the correct approach is not to lead a heart to dummy first, which would force you to cash the remaining top hearts prematurely before trying a diamond finesse. Instead, you lead a low diamond from your hand at trick two, postponing the dia-

mond finesse until the second round of the suit.

After winning the spade return at trick three, you cash the A-K-Q of hearts and then take a diamond finesse. If South started with two or three diamonds including the king — which is essentially your only chance — you are home.

2. It is impossible to go down unless you lose a spade trick (because South has the king) and a trump trick (because one opponent has all three missing trumps). The problem is to make the slam even if both of these conditions exist.

Ruff the diamond and lead the five of hearts to the king. If both defenders follow suit, your troubles are over. At worst, you lose a spade trick.

Now let's assume one defender shows out on the first trump lead. If it's South, you have no problem, since you can pick up North's queen with a finesse. If instead North shows out, you will lose a trump trick, all right, but you will still make the contract by cashing the king of diamonds and ace of hearts followed by four rounds of clubs.

If South ruffs a club at any point, he will be forced to make a losing return, while if he does not ruff, you next throw him on lead with a trump to accomplish the same result.

Note that if you make the mistake of playing the heart ace at trick two, the contract fails if South has the king of spades and no hearts.

Tomorrow: Magic act.  
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## Golf Insider

## IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

## Perfect pitch

For all of your pitch shots, your weight stays in your front hip joint as you swing. But don't just stand there on your front foot and swing your arms up and down as if you were chopping wood. Take care to rotate around your front hip axis as you swing the club.

The less-accomplished pitcher's lower body is very active on the backswing, but dead during the forward swing, leaving the hands and arms to over-manipulate the club. To be a good pitcher, you should do just the opposite: Use minimal leg action during the back swing while your upper body creates the length and leverage necessary for the shot. Then, during the forward swing, use a good deal of leg action, moving the back knee aggressively to the target.

The key to your upper-body action is that while your hands and arms stay low, your club head is elevated above your shoulders by the setting (cocking) of your wrists. This gives you what I call "low hands-high club head": The club head is high enough to loft the ball or, the air, but your arms and hands are under control because they haven't moved very far from where they were at address.

After your hips and upper body turn the club away from the ball, it's your lower body that controls the club face during the downswing. A common mistake is to abruptly stop the arms at impact in an attempt to put a "hit" on the ball. When this happens, your front wrist collapses, sending the club head past your hands in a flipping action that makes controlling the distance of your shot almost impossible.

You can avoid being a "flipper" by keeping your chest moving well into your follow-through. To do this effectively, you must keep your hips rotating as you swing through the ball with no change of pace or speed. In other words, don't add or subtract any energy — simply "hit it with your turn." This keeps you hitting down and through the ball with no unwanted bursts of power.

At the finish, the back of the left hand faces the sky, as does the club face, indicating that the club face never shut down. As proof, you will be able to see the scoring lines on the club face. This is accomplished by allowing no rotation of the forearms through impact.

## Summary

1. The weight starts, stays and finishes in the front hip joint; there is no weight shift as there is for a full swing.
2. There is a hip turn as in a full shot, but not as forceful.
3. There is very little leg action going back; the legs are quiet but the arms are active. This reverses in the downswing where the legs are active and the arms are passive. In the correctly executed pitch shot, the hands and arms feel "dead."
4. The club swings along the body line and the wrists cock the club head upward, producing low hands-high club head.
5. You can see the lines on the club face at the finish because the forearms haven't rotated.



PGA Tour player Tommy Armour III sets the club for a pitch shot using low hands-high club head.



Note how fully Armour has rotated his body even though the pitch shot is only about 20 yards.

## THE GOLF DOCTOR

## Dying for power

I know it sounds simple, but I can guarantee you that the only thing you'll kill when you think "kill" as you swing a golf club is your chances of hitting a good shot. How many times have you watched someone top the ball or hit a foot behind it and look up to say, "I was gonna kill that one."

Your brain is a powerful weapon, so train it to think about "quality distance," i.e. a long ball that's in the fairway instead of the "kill" word, use soothing words and phrases that promote the prerequisites of power — tempo and timing.

To implant the image in your brain of you swinging the club with all the time in the world, video yourself hitting drivers, and then watch it over and over in slow motion while repeating one of the phrases below, or one of your own. Be careful not to critique your golf swing. All you want is to link the visual image to your concept of power under control and the verbal cue.

When these are merged into one image, the phrase will act as a prompt for power. When you repeat it as you play or practice, it will pull up what's attached to it — in this case, your most powerful golf swing.

— T.J. Tomasi

## LINK YOUR SWING TO THESE PHRASES

Here are some anchor phrases that you can repeat as you watch your swing:

- The Sweet Surrender to Gravity
- No Ball Before its Time
- The Ball is on the Arc; I Don't Have to Find It
- Cultivate the Wait
- Effortless Power, Not Powerless Effort
- Passive Power
- Finish High and Let It Fly
- Give the Club Time to Change Directions
- I Give Myself the Gift of Time
- There is No "Now" in My Swing
- "Let" Rather Than "Make"
- Time is Mine
- I Have All the Time in the World
- I Control My Mind and My Time

BYRON NELSON, 1912-2006

## 'A sad day for golf'

'Lord Byron' was revered by all those who knew him

STAN AWTRY  
Cox News Service

Atlanta  
Byron Nelson, who won golf tournaments with his pure swing and fans with his gentle and gracious spirit, died Tuesday at his home in Roanoke, Texas. He was 94.

On the course, "Lord Byron" was best known as a Hall of Fame golfer who won 11 consecutive tournaments in 1945, the year he won 18 events and compiled a record stroke average of 68.33.

Nelson won five major championships in his career.

Off the course, he was known as a man who quietly enjoyed helping other people, whether by sharing his insight into life or by paying their way through college.

"He was wonderful to me personally and wonderful for the game of golf," said four-time PGA Tour winner Billy Andrade. "When you get the name 'Lord,' that means something."

Nelson's death is the final chapter in one of golf's greatest periods. His primary contemporaries were Ben Hogan (nine majors), Sam Snead (seven majors) and Jimmy Demaret (three majors), who all preceded him in death.

"He was the last of that era with Hogan and Snead," said two-time Walker Cup captain Danny Yates of Atlanta. "It's a sad day for golf. It's a big loss of one of the last great ones."

Nelson was born Feb. 4, 1912, on his family's farm in Waxahachie, Texas. He began to caddy at Glen Garden Country Club in Fort Worth, Texas, when he was 10 and once defeated future-great Hogan for the club's caddy championship.

After working as a file clerk in an accounting office and for a bankers' magazine, Nelson decided in 1932 to become a professional golfer. By that time, he had crafted a graceful, fluid, repeatable swing that was so good that the U.S. Golf Association eventually named its robotic club-tester "Iron Byron" in his honor.

"Hogan was a grinder and beat range balls until his hands bled. Nelson was more of a natural,"



CURTIS COMPTON / Cox News Service

Byron Nelson served as honorary starter at the Masters from 1981 until 2001 (above). The golfing legend, who died Tuesday at his Texas home, was widely respected.

## A LEGENDARY CAREER

- In 1945, he had 18 victories, 11 in a row.
- Retired at 34 to spend more time on his ranch.
- Won 52 career PGA Tour events; made 113 consecutive cuts.
- Masters icon: two-time winner, 20-year honorary starter.

said Rand Jerris, director of the USGA's museum and archives. "Any of today's golfers would pattern their swing after him. He was simple, effective and pure. Byron Nelson's swing was full of rhythm and grace."

Nelson won 13 times in 1944, a record 18 times in 1945 and wound up credited by the PGA Tour with 52 victories, sixth on the all-time list. He won 14 other "unofficial" tournaments. He made the cut in 113 consecutive tournaments.

"What Byron accomplished, that goes down to probably one of

the greatest years in the history of our sport," Tiger Woods said recently after winning the Deutsche Bank Championship for his fifth victory in a row. "Consistency, I mean you've got to have one bad week somewhere. He never did. What Byron accomplished there goes down as one of the greatest streaks in all of sport."

Nelson won the Masters in 1937 and 1942, the U.S. Open in 1939 and the PGA Championship in 1940 and 1945. His total might have been shortchanged because most majors were canceled during World War II.

"He won five, but we imagine that he would have won quite a few more if he had played with a full schedule," Jerris said.

In 1946, at age 34, he retired from full-time competition to work his 673-acre ranch. He was elected to the PGA Hall of Fame in 1953 and to the World Golf Hall of Fame in 1974.

## SCHEDULE

All Times EDT  
WORLD GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS  
American Express Championship  
• Site: Hertfordshire, England.  
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday  
• Course: The Grove (7,125 yards, par 71).  
• Purse: \$7.5 million. Winner's share: \$1.35 million.  
• TV: ESPN (Thursday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.; Saturday, 1:30 p.m.; Sunday, 1:30-6 p.m.).

PGA TOUR  
Southern Farm Bureau Classic  
• Site: Madison, Miss.  
• Schedule: Thursday-Sunday  
• Course: Annandale Golf Club (7,199 yards, par 72).  
• Purse: \$3 million. Winner's share: \$540,000.  
• TV: None.

CHAMPIONS TOUR  
Greater Hickory Classic  
• Site: Conover, N.C.  
• Schedule: Friday-Sunday  
• Course: Rock Barn Golf and Spa, Jones Course (7,046 yards, par 72).  
• Purse: \$1.6 million. Winner's share: \$240,000.  
• TV: The Golf Channel (Friday, 2:30-5 p.m.; Saturday, 1:30 a.m., 2:30-5 p.m.; Sunday, midnight-2:30 a.m., 6-8:30 p.m.; Monday, 1:30 a.m.).

LPGA TOUR  
• Next event: Corona Morelia Championship, Oct. 5-8, Tres Marias Residential Golf Club, Morelia, Mexico.  
• Last week: Karrie Webb held off Annika Sorenstam by a stroke in the Longs Drugs Challenge in Danville, Calif., for her four-high fourth victory of the year.

NATIONWIDE TOUR  
• Next event: Mark Christopher Charity Classic, Oct. 5-8, Empire Lakes Golf Club, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.  
• Last week: Cliff Kresge won the Oregon Classic for his third Nationwide Tour victory.

## LEADERS

WORLD RANKINGS	
1. Tiger Woods	22.09
2. Phil Mickelson	8.73
3. Jim Furyk	8.67
4. Vijay Singh	6.99
5. Adam Scott	6.56
6. Retief Goosen	6.16
7. Ernie Els	5.99
8. Luke Donald	5.57
9. Sergio Garcia	5.56
10. Geoff Ogilvy	5.38
11. Henrik Stenson	4.77
12. T. Immelman	4.47
13. David Howell	4.42
14. C. Montgomerie	4.38
15. David Toms	4.23

MONEY LEADERS  
PGA TOUR

Player	Money
1. Tiger Woods	\$8,641,563
2. Jim Furyk	\$6,084,016
3. Phil Mickelson	\$4,256,505
4. Geoff Ogilvy	\$4,228,869
5. Vijay Singh	\$4,125,331
6. T. Immelman	\$3,329,746
7. Adam Scott	\$3,198,858
8. Stuart Appleby	\$3,013,631
9. David Toms	\$2,722,287
10. Luke Donald	\$2,694,742

## LPGA TOUR

Player	Money
1. Lorena Ochoa	\$1,974,122
2. Karrie Webb	\$1,873,753
3. A. Sorenstam	\$1,769,408
4. Cristie Kerr	\$1,472,112
5. Mi Hyun Kim	\$1,263,680

## CHAMPIONS TOUR

Player	Money
1. Loren Roberts	\$1,945,739
2. Jay Haas	\$1,892,027
3. Brad Bryant	\$1,547,200
4. Gil Morgan	\$1,385,765
5. Tom Kite	\$1,320,935

## ASK THE PRO

Q: I have a tough time aiming at the target. Is there a procedure I should use? I already stand behind the ball first, but I still aim too far to the right, my friends say. — L.L., from the Web

A: Golf is basically a find-the-target game, and then, as Harvey Penick said, you need to "take dead aim." To help you pinpoint your target, use a four-point reference system that takes advantage of the way your eyes naturally gauge distance and direction.

Once you have a clear image of your shot, pick a specific target where you want the ball to land. Then pick a marker in the distance — a tree, fence post, bunker or rooftop — in line with your landing area.

Draw an imaginary line back from your distant marker, over the landing area, to the front of the ball. Now, pick out a close-up or intermediate target on that line — a divot, old tee or some other mark. The fourth point is the ball.



Dr. T.J. Tomasi is a teaching professional at Nantucket Golf Club on Nantucket Island, Mass. To ask him a question about golf, e-mail him at: T.Jinsider@aol.com.

# Sports

### IN BRIEF

#### Quarterback Club meeting is Monday

Big Spring High School's Quarterback Club will meet at 7 p.m. Mondays at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

Mark Tissue, the booster club's president, encourages all parents of BSHS football players and fans of the Steers to attend.

For more information, call Tissue at 816-3458.

#### Junior Tennis League continues

A free Junior Tennis League continues at the Figure 7 Tennis Center.

The league, open to players ages 8 through 12, is held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday.

Players should bring their own racquet, or one will be provided when available.

#### Police close book on Owens case

IRVING — Police closed the Terrell Owens case, calling it nothing more than an "accidental overdose." The 911 call that started it all was released, too, revealing little beyond what was already known: that T.O. swallowed "too many pills."

Each piece of evidence that came to light seemed to square with T.O.'s version of events - that he made a mistake, had a bad reaction and was by no means trying to kill himself.

Owens, meanwhile, was back at practice for the first time since breaking his hand Sept. 17 and might play Sunday in Tennessee.

#### Martinez' season ends with injury

ATLANTA (AP) - Pedro Martinez's injury plagued season came to an end - less than a week short of the playoffs.

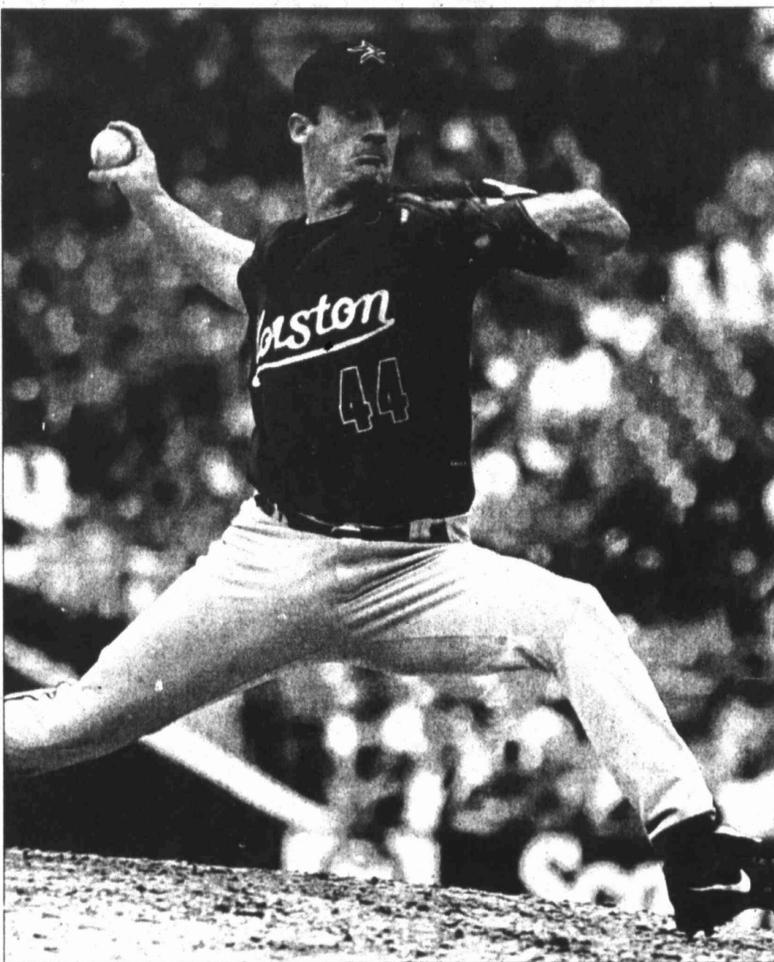
The New York Mets learned that their ace is done for the year with a torn tendon in his left calf muscle.

Instead of pitching Game 1 in next week's NL division series, Martinez will be in the early days of a four- to six-week recovery period. While surgery won't be necessary, there's no chance of the three-time Cy Young Award winner pitching again in 2006, even if the Mets make it all the way to the World Series.

Martinez returned to New York after getting knocked around badly in his final start of the regular season Wednesday night, a 13-1 loss to the Braves. An MRI showed a tear in the left calf - different from the right calf injury that recently put him on the disabled list for a month and was thought to be his major concern.

Orlando Hernandez will now start Game 1 in the best-of-five division series.

To submit a sports item, call 263-7331, ext. 237



Roy Oswalt pitched seven scoreless innings Thursday to night, pushing the Astros' to within a 1/2 game of the St. Louis Cardinals in the National League Central.

# Astros close in on Cards

By ALAN ROBINSON

AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH — The clock hasn't stopped ticking on the Houston Astros, who keep staging one of the greatest stretch-drive comebacks in major league history. No matter how long it takes.

Roy Oswalt picked up a weary bullpen by going seven innings and the Astros ran their improbable late-September winning streak to nine games, enduring a long rain delay before beating the Pittsburgh Pirates 3-0 Thursday.

The Astros moved within one-half game of NL Central-leading St. Louis, which lost 9-4 to Milwaukee on Thursday. The Cardinals have lost

eight of nine to make the Astros' improbable run possible.

The Astros needed nearly five hours to win Wednesday night. This time, they waited 3 1/2 hours just to play. Time is running out on the Astros, who close the season in Atlanta, but it's not stopping them from winning.

The Astros were 8 1/2 games out on Sept. 20.

"We've showed a little bit of grit and determination here to jump back in this race," manager Phil Garner said.

Oswalt (15-8), winning his sixth in a row and fifth straight this month, beat the Pirates for the third time in three starts, allowing only two runs in 20 innings.

# Longhorns install new Jumbo Package

By JIM VERTUNO

AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — When Texas wants size in the backfield for short-yardage situations, the Longhorns go really big.

With 270-pound tailback Henry Melton and 285-pound defensive tackle Derek Lokey taking a turn at fullback, the No. 7 Longhorns' "jumbo" package packs a wallop.

The Lokey-Melton backfield was head coach Mack Brown's idea. Lokey played some fullback and tight end in high school.

"We felt like with Lokey and Henry, that's a big load coming at you," Brown said. "(Lokey) is just mauling people."

"It's a lineman's dream to get to be in the backfield," Lokey said. "It's fun to go in there and do something different."

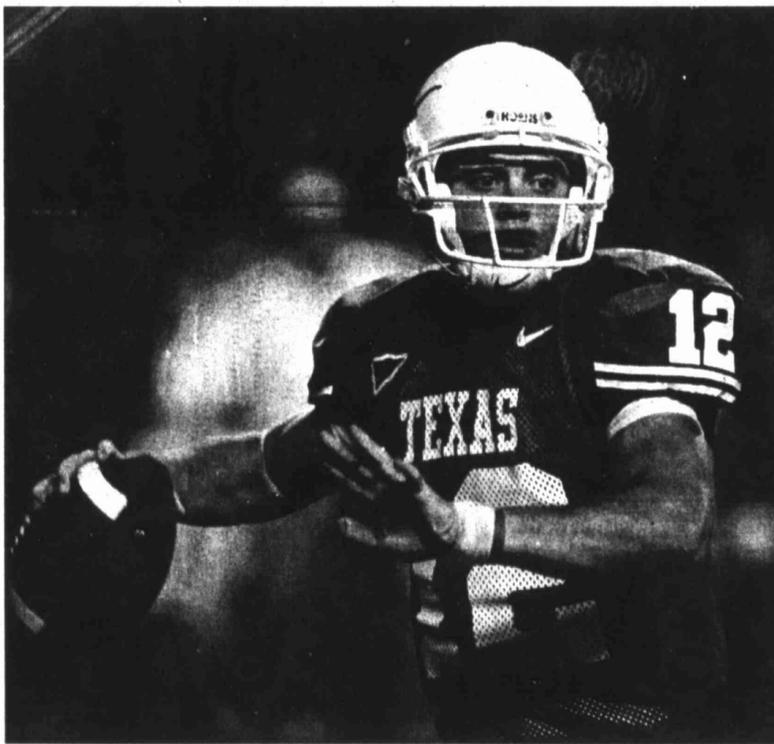
Anytime we need one or two yards, I've got to have my head on and be ready to hit somebody."

Melton has three touchdowns, all from inside the 5-yard line. He emerged as the short-yardage specialist as a freshman last season when he scored 10 TDs.

Lokey said he could carry the ball or catch a pass if the coaches drew up a play for him, but said it won't happen. He said he scored three or four touchdowns in high school.

"I can catch it. (But) they're not going to throw it to me. I can guarantee any defense that," Lokey said.

On defense, Lokey has 12 tackles in four games and three quarterback pressures. He had four tackles against No. 1 Ohio State.



Longhorn quarterback Colt McCoy has plenty of options, and now he has a new backfield

# Tiger takes lead after first round

By DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

CHANDLER'S CROSS, England — The first two weeks in the British Isles have been match play and sour memories for Tiger Woods, whether it was a first-round loss at Wentworth or a resounding loss to Europe in the Ryder Cup.

He returned to stroke play Thursday, and to the top of the leaderboard.

Woods took advantage of a soft course with slick, smooth greens for his best start of the year, an 8-under 63 capped off by an eagle on the last hole that gave him a one-shot lead over Padraig Harrington and Ian Poulter in the American Express Championship.

"I made a couple of putts and got things rolling and got the

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momentum on my side, and just kept rolling, Woods said.

He finished with his best shot of the day. On the 567-yard closing hole at The Grove, which is uphill and played into a breeze, he hammered a driver down the middle and followed with a 3-wood from 267 yards that landed 20 feet from the cup.

Stewart Cink had momentum on his side, too. He hammered Sergio Garcia in Sunday singles at the Ryder Cup, then watched more putts drop on his way to a 6-under 65 that left him tied with Ernie Els.

Woods matched his best score of the year. He also shot 63 in the final round of the Deutsche Bank Championship outside Boston on Labor Day, his fifth consecutive victory. The winning streak ended two weeks ago at the HSBC World Match Play Championship at Wentworth, although it was a European Tour event that does not count in PGA Tour records.

Woods lost in the first round there.

A week later at the Ryder Cup, he had his first winning record (3-2), but it wasn't nearly enough to keep the Europeans from another 18 1/2-9 1/2 victory over the Americans.

As well as he played Thursday on his own, Woods was defensive about his play at The K Club in Ireland.

Had the Ryder Cup been a stroke-play event over five days, he said he did well enough that he would have finished 15th or better.

"I only had one bad day, which was Saturday morning," he said of a fourballs loss with Jim Furyk.

"Other than that, I actually played pretty darn good. I'm only in control of five points, and I got three of five. I did the best I could. I could have holed more putts, certainly, but overall, I thought I played pretty solid."

There was no doubting that on a cool afternoon at

The Grove, a new course just north of London that Woods played for the first time during a practice round Wednesday. Already, it feels like home.

This didn't come as a surprise to Cink.

"When you play the practice rounds, you know the course sets up well for him," Cink said. "The longer hitters are going to have a big advantage because the fairways are wide in some areas. And Tiger, it's his kind of place with softer greens. They might as well just change the course's name to 'Tiger Woods.' It's a prefect course for him."

Woods said he could see the shots, a phrase he has used to describe courses like Torrey Pines, Firestone and Augusta National, where he has won at least four times each.

So, he likes it. But does he love it?

"A couple of more 63s ...," Woods said with a smile.

This one looked routine at times. He made the turn in 29, thanks to a 30-foot birdie putt on No. 3 and an 18-foot chip-in for birdie on the par-3 seventh. Both times, Woods started walking to the hole before the ball even reached the cup, a sign the greens are so pure that players know when shots are going in.

He also got some help from TV.

Woods' tee shot on the ninth was going well to the right and appeared headed over a slope and into thick, knee-high grass. Instead, it banged off the back of a TV cart - the black paint had a scuff mark that showed the dimple pattern of his golf ball - and caromed some 40 yards back into the fairway. Instead of a wedge, he was left with a 7-iron from 190 yards and hit that to 4 feet for birdie.

"That was a huge break," Woods said.

Whether there was a Ryder Cup hangover depended on the player.

Harrington was under enormous pressure last week with the Ryder Cup on his home soil. Although he didn't win any of his five matches, he was relieved that Europe won.

**Red Raiders ready to play A&M; open Big XII season**

By CHRIS DUNCAN

AP Sports Writer  
COLLEGE STATION, — Texas Tech's offense is known for scoring points. Texas A&M's offense is becoming known for, well, it depends.

The Aggies (4-0) rushed 44 times in 55 plays in their 28-24 win over Army two weeks ago, then passed 33 times in 67 plays in last week's 45-14 win over Louisiana Tech.

The divergent game plans have given Texas Tech coach Mike Leach plenty to think about before the Red Raiders (3-1) play at Kyle Field on Saturday.

"They change their offense dramatically each week," Leach said. "They run a lot of offense, you don't see it all in one game and they kind of tailor it to their opponent. What they have in store for us, I don't know exactly."

A&M coach Dennis Franchione said the point is to keep opponents guessing.

"Unless you just have superior talent, you have to be able to keep people off-balance," he said.

Franchione said the offensive variety allows him flexibility to taper game plans for each oppo-

nent. Most of the offense was installed before the season. Now, all Franchione and offensive coordinator Les Koenning have to do is decide what they need each week.

"In the end, it does not get down to how much you do as much as how much you do well," Franchione said.

Sophomore quarterback Stephen McGee seems to have a grasp of the complex-sounding scheme. He's eighth in the nation in pass efficiency and hasn't thrown an interception in 90 pass attempts.

"Our goal as an offense is to be able to attack defenses where we feel like they're vulnerable," McGee said. "We're lucky enough to have the talent and people in place to be able to attack people in different ways."

Defenses haven't done much to stop the Aggies so far. A&M ranks 15th in the nation in offense, averaging 433 yards per game.

"Whenever you have to prepare for so many different things," McGee said of opposing defenses, "that allows us to not be one-dimensional and have to force one style of play. We can attack a vulnerable area."

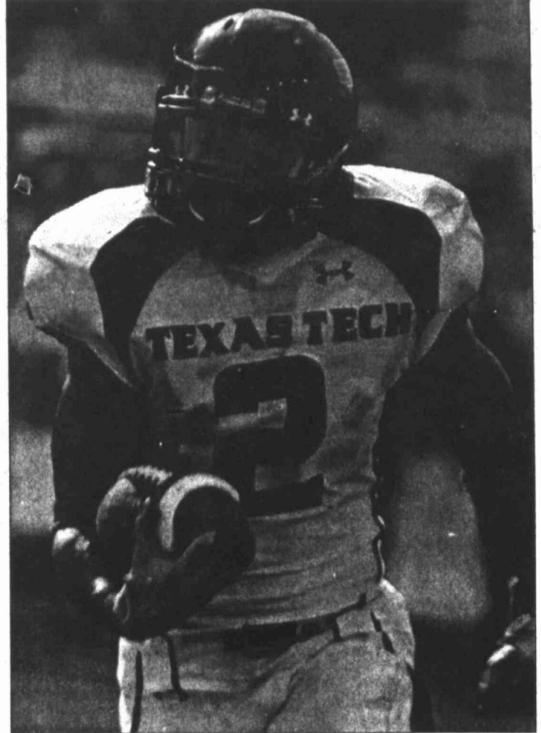


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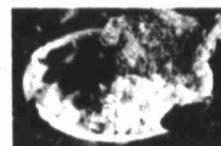
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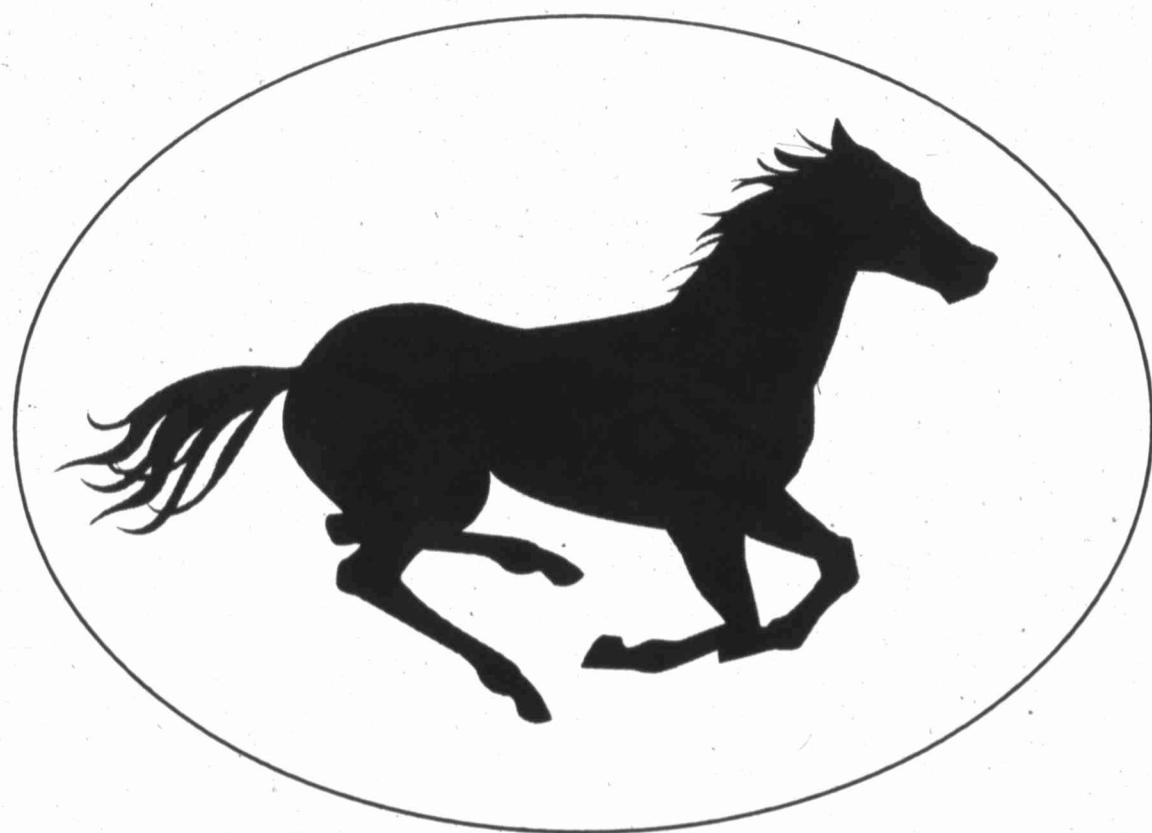
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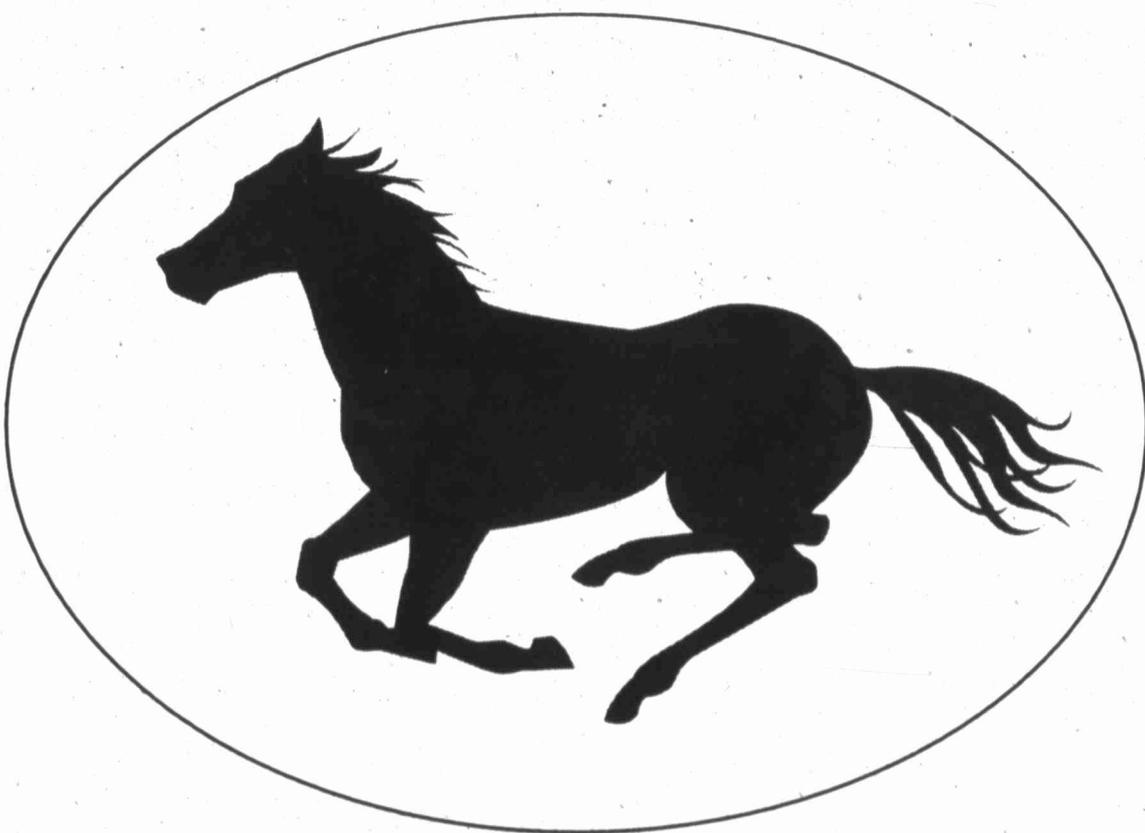
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# TO returns to practice; game status unsure

By JAIME ARON  
AP Sports Writer

IRVING. — Stretching, running routes and catching passes, Terrell Owens was back at practice with the Dallas Cowboys on Thursday an indication he could play Sunday in Tennessee.

Coach Bill Parcells said he might not decide until Saturday morning whether Owens makes the trip, and he'll probably wait until that night to determine whether to use him in the game.

Parcells wants to evaluate all the medical information he can get. That includes details about Owens' broken hand and possibly a mental evaluation based on the events

of Tuesday night and Wednesday, when T.O. was rushed to a hospital amid talk of suicide, a drug overdose and depression.

"I have to, as the coach, rely on other people to keep me informed as to really what's going on," Parcells said. "I can't form my own independent opinion other than those involving, 'Is his hand functional and can he play on Sunday.' If my medical people tell me those things are in place, and then he looks like he's (OK), we'll make that consideration then."

Parcells added that he can only decide whether a player is ready to play "based on performance

and physical conditioning."

"I don't have the expertise to do anything in any other area," Parcells said. "To intimate I do would be wrong."

He pointed to the fact that Owens was released from the hospital after being checked out there.

"I have to rely on the doctors that apparently evaluated him in the hospital," he said. "If they deemed it appropriate to release him, there must be a reason why they did that. I have to assume that was the proper course of action. That's all I can do. I don't have time to go around checking on every little thing."

Owens wore receiving

gloves Thursday with bandages under the right one to protect the broken bone leading to his ring finger. He broke it in a game a week ago Sunday and had a plate screwed in the following day. This was his first practice in pads since.

Parcells said Owens did "everything he was asked to do." He's expected to practice again Friday.

"He seemed to be OK," Parcells said. "There was no visible evidence he was struggling to catch the ball."

Pain pills prescribed following the surgery were at the root of what Owens called a big misunder-

standing that unfolded between the time he was taken by ambulance to an emergency room Tuesday night until he was released Wednesday. Owens gave his side of the story at an afternoon news conference.

"It was just an allergic reaction," Owens said. "It's very unfortunate for the reports to go from an allergic reaction to a definite suicide attempt."

Much of the confusion stemmed from a police report that reached media outlets Wednesday morning, before sections about a possible suicide attempt, drug overdose and depression were

blacked out. None of that was visible once it was officially released, prompting Owens' publicist - the person who called 911 - to lash out at authorities.

"I am just upset that I just feel they take advantage of Terrell," she said. "Had this been someone else, this may not have happened."

Authorities did not immediately respond, citing privacy laws, but on Thursday the president of the Dallas Police Association - which represents Dallas police officers - demanded an apology. See COWBOYS, page 6B

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gy from T.O. and his publicist. "The officers reacted because they were called to this location to do this job. Now they're being put under a microscope by some fancy little football person," Senior Cpl. Glenn White said. "Give me a break. Those officers are 10 times better than this man. ... We police officers don't go out to these calls and make stuff up."

Publicist Kim Etheredge could not immediately be reached for a response. The voice mail on her cell phone was full, and she did not respond to an e-mail from The Associated Press.

The unreleased police report, which WFAA shared with the AP, stated there was an attempted "suicide by prescrip-

tion pain medication," that Owens was described as being depressed and that Owens said "Yes" when asked whether he was trying to harm himself.

According to Owens, the problems began when he mistakenly mixed his prescription pills with supplements he ordinarily takes. The combination left him woozy, and Etheredge, who was with him at his Dallas condo, became worried when he couldn't respond to her questions. Having also discovered an empty bottle of pills, she called for help.

He said he doesn't know what he told emergency responders because, "I was kind of out of it."

Owens went from the hospital to catching passes within a few hours Wednesday. He then showed up to a packed news conference wearing workout gear and his usual wide smile,

seeming more amused than peeved. He apologized for being a distraction, thanked his friends for worrying about him and said he is "not depressed by any means."

"I am very happy to be here," said Owens, who received a \$25 million, three-year deal from the Cowboys in March, four days after the Eagles released him.

"My thing is I have come here to help this team get on a roll, get on the track of getting into the playoffs and winning some ballgames."

Owens has played two games for the Cowboys, catching nine passes for 99 yards and a touchdown. He broke the bone leading to his right ring finger against Washington. The next day, doctors screwed in a plate so the bone could heal without fear of further damage, leaving a 2-inch scar on top of his hand.

**No. 2 Auburn gets past scare from unranked South Carolina**

By PETE IACOBELLI

AP Sports Writer  
COLUMBIA, S.C. — Tommy Tuberville and No. 2 Auburn did everything right from taking on former Gamecocks runner Kenny Irons, to calling for an onside kick at the perfect time to having the right defender in the right place when it mattered most.

It all led to the Tigers' 24-17 victory over South Carolina that kept their unbeaten season alive Thursday night.

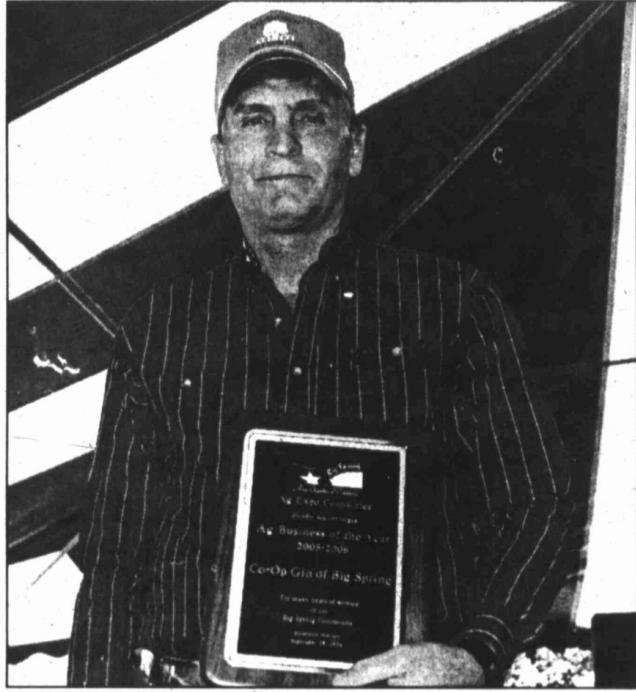
Irons led Auburn (5-0, 3-0 Southeastern Conference) with 117 yards rushing and two touchdowns. Tuberville showed his gambler side with a third-quarter onside kick

that caught the Gamecocks (3-2, 1-2) by surprise. And defensive back Patrick Lee was there to tip away South Carolina's fourth-down, last-second pass to Sidney Rice in the end zone.

"I am not a rocket scientist," Tuberville says, "but I could pretty much figure out it was going to either" Rice or Kenny McKinley, who caught eight passes for 110 yards.

Rice "is tall and fortunately for us, we had our tallest corner on that side," Tuberville said.

Irons had his 10th career 100-yard game - all of them since leaving the Gamecocks after the 2003 season.



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Real Estate for Sale

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Legals

Forsan Independent School District will be accepting proposals for roof replacement on the ten teacherages located in Forsan. Sealed proposals should be hand delivered to the Forsan ISD Business Office at 411 W. 6th, Forsan, TX 79733. Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. on October 6, 2006. You may schedule an appointment for evaluation by calling (432)457-2223, ext. 3. #5090 September 22 & 29, 2006

PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENTS FOR BIDS  
The Big Spring Independent School District shall receive sealed bid proposals for the following areas:

- Supplies & Equipment and Labor & Contracted Services for the Maintenance, Transportation, & Food Service Departments

These bids will form a multi-vendor list for the maintenance, transportation, and the food service departments for securing supplies, equipment, outside labor, outside skilled trades and contracted services. Specifications and bid documents may be secured from the school district's Business Office, 708 East 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720-4648, phone number (432)264-3620. The school district will begin opening bids on October 23, 2006, in the Business Office of the Big Spring Independent School District. The Business Office will continue to receive and open bids through 12:00 noon, November 7, 2006. All bids must be received by 12:00 noon, November 9, 2006, at 5:15 p.m. at their regularly scheduled board meeting. Evaluation of all purchases from this multi-vendor bid shall take into account the following considerations before a purchase order will be issued: purchase price, reputation of the vendor and the vendor's goods and services, quality of the vendor's goods or services, extent to which the goods or services meet the DISTRICT's needs, vendor's past relationship with the DISTRICT, impact on the ability of the DISTRICT to comply with laws relating to historically underutilized business, total long-term cost to the DISTRICT to acquire the goods services, any other relevant factor specially listed in the request for bid or quote documents. The Big Spring Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. #5099 September 29 & October 6, 2006

Legals

AMERICAN SELF STORAGE

Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, American Self Storage which is located at 3314 E. FM 700 Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on Saturday October 7th, 2006, at American Self Storage. Property will be sold to highest bidder for cash. Seller reserves the right to not accept any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property may be sold item by item or in batches, or by the space. All sales are subject to Texas State Sales Tax. Sale is on the contents of: Tenant: Misty Martin Consisting of: Table, chairs and miscellaneous items. #5101 September 29 & October 6, 2006

Legals

CITATION BY PUBLICATION IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: Pablo Jara and wife, Mary Jara  
if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lot 11, Blk 38, of the Government Heights to Bauer Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$7,671.99, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against Pablo Jara and wife, Mary Jara, as Defendant(s), by amended petition filed on the 30th day of August, 2006, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. PABLO JARA AND WIFE, MARY JARA, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5011 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 16th day of October, 2006 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 31st day of August, 2006.

Priscilla Ginnett  
Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.  
#5094 September 22 & 29, 2006

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Venus has done a lot of work in the area of relationships and is now preparing to reap the rewards of her efforts. This she does by donning the sophisticated ball gown of Libran energy — cue the orchestra for the waltz. It's easier to take a graceful and mature approach to romance over the next four weeks. Love is as love does. Help is all around.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Legals

CITATION BY PUBLICATION IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: Lester M Miller, Merle L. Miller, Jack Miller, Wilma Miller Emerson, Mayzelle Miller Waite, Lavella Miller Thompson, Johnetta Miller Hesson, Royce Miller, Oma Miller Burchett, Ricardo Lomas and Evangelina Lomas

if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lot 10, Blk 22, Cole & Strayhorn Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$906.32, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against Lester M. Miller, Deceased, Merle L. Miller, Deceased, Jack Miller, Wilma Miller Emerson, Mayzelle Miller Waite, Lavella Miller Thompson, Johnetta Miller Hesson, Royce Miller, Oma Miller Burchett, Ricardo Lomas and Evangelina Lomas, as Defendant(s), by amended petition filed on the 30th day of August, 2006, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. LESTER M. MILLER, DECEASED, MERLE L. MILLER, DECEASED, JACK MILLER, WILMA MILLER EMERSON, MAYZELLE MILLER WAITE, LAVELLA MILLER THOMPSON, JOHNETTA MILLER HESSON, ROYCE MILLER, OMA MILLER BURCHETT, RICARDO LOMAS AND EVANGELINA LOMAS, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-4823 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

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Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 31st day of August, A.D. 2006.

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Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
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#5092 September 22 & 29, 2006

Tomorrow's Horoscope

19). Your confidence is a direct correlation to the degree to which you believe you have control over a situation. Familiar surroundings embolden you. Rule your roost.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Nothing is as it seems. People who appear to be in charge really aren't. And the low man on the totem pole could indeed hold all the power — especially if this person is a Libra!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You may think you need guidance, but what you really need is a cheerleader! Someone who encourages you and keeps you accountable is worth their weight in gold. However, they might charge the same.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're the star at work. Because you stay calm in the face of the "monster," everyone around you throws more work on your pile. Your reward for being a good sport comes next week.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's easy to have faith in the divine order of the universe when everything's coming up roses. What's harder to do, and more important, is to believe, when things appear so flawed, in the perfection of each moment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Embarrassing moments that you wish you could do over aren't going to matter one iota in the long run. In fact, someone thinks your quirks and odd little habits are incredibly charming.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your brain is like a computer: You can only take in so much information before you need to defrag your hard drive. The stars support your vaca-

tion plans. Work out the details now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Like the song says, you can't hurry love. What the song fails to say is that the waiting is what makes it exciting. Your anticipation of an upcoming event is part of what makes it so wonderful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're not exactly obsessive — just really, really focused. It's that single-mindedness that keeps you on target with your project. Also, now is the time to take on an intern, assistant or apprentice.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It's the perfect day to start a fascinating dialogue with your own subconscious mind. Dreams answer your questions and unravel your problems. Write them down as you remember them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The group is counting on you to be funny. And since you probably can't get out of a situation that has "deadly boring" written all over it, at least do something mischievous to perk everyone up.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's so much you don't know about people you see on an almost daily basis. Ask open-ended questions in a variety of categories. Surprises are in store.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: It's impossible to satisfy everyone, but you're very attractive when you start with you. TAURUS: Love can be found with someone you meet under awkward circumstances.

GEMINI: You're not exactly in an easy-to-please mood, but those who really love you will accommodate you anyway. CANCER: Talented people claim you as one of their own — an eligible romantic partner is in the group. LEO: The busier you are, the more attractive you'll be. VIRGO: The best dates are the ones rich in creativity.

LIBRA: Just as the moon glows in the reflection of the sun, you glow in the reflection of someone who's a star in your life. SCORPIO: Your ex is someone else's current love, which puts him or her in an entirely different light. SAGITTARIUS: You're an outrageous flirt, which is fun for everyone — not just the person with whom you're flirting. CAPRICORN: When you stretch your idea of what others can add to your life, they do the same for you.

AQUARIUS: Make sure you know the plans of those who matter most before you make any that could conflict. PISCES: Infinite possibilities are born out of your faith in someone.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Scorpio knows that there are probably better things to do with his or her time than to pursue an elusive love — but somehow, those other things just don't seem as fun. Libra is the most glamorous and hard-to-get sign of the zodiac now, so naturally Scorpio takes notice. Libra is wise to keep the chase going. Scorpio will go to great lengths to touch the unattainable or taste the forbidden.

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7	Grey's Anatomy	Grey's Anatomy	La Faa Mas Bella	Celebrity Duets (CC)	Ghost Whisperer	Tierra de Pasiones	Deal or No Deal (CC)	Friends (CC) Friends (CC)	Update/Israel Alan Granger	Wash. Week NOW (CC)	Going Tribal (CC)	Movie: The Day the Earth	CSI: Crime Scene Investg.	Movie: Lara Croft Tomb	Movie: Next Friday (CC)	Han, Montana Zack & Cody	College Football:	Announcd (CC)	Doctor Who (CC)
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9	20/20 (CC)	20/20 (CC)	Historias Para Contar	Becker (CC) Friends (CC)	NUMB3RS (CC)	Decisiones	Law & Order (CC)	Movie: Fools Rush In	Movie: Fools Rush In	Tavis Smiley InnerVIEWS	Going Tribal (CC)	Movie: The Potters III	Boston PD	Movie: Lara (CC)	Top 25-Money	Movie: The Luck of the Irish (CC)	MLB Home- town Heroes	Doctor Who (CC)	
10	News (CC) Nightline	News Nightline	Primer Impacto Noticiero Univ.	70s Show Raymond	News Late Show- Friends (CC)	Noti-Telemndo Titulares y Mas	News Tonight Show	05 Movie: Fools Rush In	The Hour of Healing	Charlie Rose (CC)	Stunt Junkies Stunt Junkies	Boston PD	Croft Tomb Raider: The	Jamie Foxx Jamie Foxx	Zack & Cody That's-Raven	Quile Frankly With Smith	SportsCenter (CC)	Doctor Who (CC)	
11	The Insider Jimmy Kimmel	Final Score Jimmy Kimmel	Incognito	King of the Hill Malcolm-Mid	Letterman Late Late	Laura IAI Rojo Vvvo!	Late Night:	Global Force Batty Swann	Global Force Batty Swann	Sign Off	Going Tribal (CC)	Movie: The Innocents	CSI: Crime Scene Investg.	Cradle of Life (CC)	In Living Color In Living Color	Han, Montana Kim Possible	The Contender	Baseball NFL Live	Doctor Who (CC)
12	Live (CC) News (CC)	Live (CC) WGC Champ	Sonadoras	My Wife-Kids Malcolm-Mid	Show The Insider	Programa	Conan O'Brien Paid Program.	Family Guy Futurama	Update/Israel CCM Ministries		Going Tribal (CC)	Movie: The People vs.	Movie: The People vs.	BET After Dark (CC)	Proud Family Sister, Sister		SportsCenter (CC)	Battlestar Galactica	

**DENNIS THE MENACE**

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"When it comes to napping, he's guilty of resisting a rest."

**THE FAMILY CIRCUS**

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"When Jesus was my age and playing with other kids, did his mother make him wear that halo?"

**HAGAR**

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WHAT ARE YOU GETTING DADDY FOR HIS BIRTHDAY?  
I'D LIKE TO GET HIM SOMETHING HE COULD REALLY USE...  
LIKE TWO EXTRA HANDS

**BLONDIE**

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DITHERS IS THE GREATEST BOSS ON THE PLANET!  
YOU CAN SPEAK FREELY, DAG. DITHERS CAN'T HEAR YOU!  
I KNOW, BUT HE HAS EARS EVERYWHERE

**BC**

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THINK TANK

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**WIZARD OF ID**

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I'D LIKE TO SEE THE DOCTOR  
I CAN GIVE YOU AN APPOINTMENT NEXT WEEK  
I COULD BE DEAD BY THEN  
MAKE SURE SOMEONE CANCELS

**AGNES**

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I'M WORRIED... I HAVEN'T LAUGHED IN TWO DAYS!  
SO?  
SORRY IF I DON'T LAUGH SOON, I WILL LOSE THE HEALTH BENEFITS THAT COME WITH IT! I COULD GET VERY SICK FROM ALL THIS SOLEMNITY.  
I'D TICKLE MYSELF, BUT I USUALLY OVERDO IT UNTIL IT BECOMES CRUEL AND I START CRYING.  
GO AHEAD... I'LL MONITOR

**HI AND LOIS**

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CHIP! WAKE UP! YOU'RE GOING TO BE LATE FOR SCHOOL  
DOESN'T YOUR ALARM CLOCK WORK?  
IT DOESN'T HAVE A SHRIEK SETTING

**THE OTHER COAST**

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KOKO, LOOK AT THAT BORDER COLLIE WORK A HERD OF SHEEP, USING NOTHING BUT HAND SIGNALS FROM HIS MASTER!  
DOES THE PHRASE "GET THE SHEEP" MEAN ANYTHING TO YOU?  
WE'RE HAVING ROAST LAMB FOR DINNER?

**SNUFFY SMITH**

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ON MY WAY TO DOC'S, I SEEN SNOOTY OL' MABEL FALL, KER-PLOP, IN A MUD PUDDLE !!  
OH, MY...  
REMINDED ME OF SUMPIN' MY GRANNY USED TO SAY...  
"IT'S TH' LITTLE THINGS THAT MAKE LIFE WORTH LIVIN' !!"

**BEEBLE BAILEY**

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I'M AFRAID YOU HAVE A LITTLE "TENNIS ELBOW"  
SARGE WILL NEVER BELIEVE THAT  
"JANITOR'S JOINT"?  
THE DOCTOR SAID NO MOPPING, SWEEPING OR SCRUBBING WINDOWS

**This Date In History**

Today is Friday, Sept. 29, the 272nd day of 2006. There are 93 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Sept. 29, 1978, Pope John Paul I was found dead in his Vatican apartment just over a month after becoming head of the Roman Catholic Church.

On this date:

In 1789, the U.S. War Department established a regular army with a strength of several hundred men.

In 1829, London's reorganized police force, which became known as Scotland Yard, went on duty.

In 1918, Allied forces scored a decisive breakthrough of the Hindenburg Line during World War I.

In 1938, British, French, German and Italian leaders signed the Munich Agreement, which was aimed at appeasing Adolf Hitler by allowing Nazi annexation of

Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland.

In 1955, a one-act version of the Arthur Miller play "A View From the Bridge" opened in New York. (Miller later turned it into a two-act play.)

In 1963, the second session of Second Vatican Council opened in Rome.

In 1979, Pope John Paul II became the first pope to visit Ireland as he arrived for a three-day tour.

In 1982, seven people in the Chicago area died after unwittingly taking Extra-Strength Tylenol capsules laced with cyanide.

In 1986, the Soviet Union released Nicholas Daniloff, an American journalist confined in Moscow on spying charges.

In 1988, the space shuttle Discovery blasted off from Cape Canaveral, Fla., marking America's return to manned space flight following the Challenger disaster.

**Today's Birthdays:** Movie director Michelangelo Antonioni is 94. Actress Lizbeth Scott is 84. Actor Steve Forrest is 82. Actress Anita Ekberg is 75. Actor Eddie Barth is 75. Writer-director Robert Benton is 74.

**Answer to previous puzzle**

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**Newsday Crossword** ALL BY MYSELF by Raymond Hamel Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
- 1 Type
  - 5 Old sayings
  - 9 Young pigeon
  - 14 Stage award
  - 15 Form a clump
  - 16 Unusual museum piece
  - 17 Spartan queen of myth
  - 18 It has 20+ keys
  - 19 Like some terrain
  - 20 Unprotected chess piece
  - 23 British soccer team concern
  - 24 They're picked to play
  - 28 Bat wood
  - 29 Loupe part
  - 31 24 Across kin
  - 32 Establish
  - 35 Paddock dad
  - 36 The Nanny name
  - 37 Jackie Wilson tune
  - 40 Diving birds
  - 41 Extra-long durations
  - 42 Where the eagles have landed
  - 43 Scrabble 10-pointer
  - 44 Court judges
  - 45 Fr. title
  - 46 Whoever
  - 48 Musical embellishment
  - 52 Like some memos
  - 55 de Mayo
  - 58 Bounce in one's step
  - 59 Dismissive exclamation
- DOWN**
- 1 Reliable
  - 2 Santa-like
  - 3 Newly without
  - 4 Subject of a reading
  - 5 Put the kibosh on
  - 6 Fragments playwright
  - 7 Fifth-anniversary gift
  - 8 Manner of walking
  - 9 Pronunciation symbols
  - 10 47 Down winner as Gauguin
  - 11 WWW address
  - 12 Be unwell
  - 13 "Gee whiz!"
  - 21 Photographer Adams
  - 22 Bewitched neighbor
  - 25 Trial participant
  - 26 Congo dweller
  - 27 Sigh, for one
  - 29 Legal attachments
  - 30 Diamond stats
  - 32 Shopping center
  - 33 Flaubert's birthplace
  - 34 True, as a tuba
  - 35 Cool it
  - 36 Not on the payroll
  - 38 Where Aden is
  - 39 Block off, as water flow
  - 44 Dues recipients
  - 45 In the main
  - 47 Coveted statuette
  - 48 Kick back
  - 49 Infiti alternative
  - 50 Ward off
  - 51 Bill Ford's grandfather
  - 53 Have an aura
  - 54 Ankara cash
  - 55 Mongrel
  - 56 Infuriation
  - 57 Cavs' org.

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