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Budget source of smiles at BSISD

Trustees plan to give raises, make much-needed repairs

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

A "perfect storm" of events have conspired to leave Big Spring Independent School District in its best budgetary shape in years.

Sharp increases in property valuations and state aid mean that the district

will be able to cut its tax rate by 13 cents and still finance a significant pay raise for teachers and a lengthy wish list of long-delayed projects this year.

Unlike past events, Thursday's BSISD budget workshop did not involve protracted debate about which budget items to cut. Instead, trustees

found themselves in the welcome, if somewhat unfamiliar, position of being able to grant almost every budgetary request brought to their attention.

Superintendent Michael Downes called it "the perfect storm" — so many events going right at the same time to put the district in prime budgetary

shape for the coming year.

First was an increase in state revenue as a result of a recent legislative overhaul of the school financing system. That, combined with a projected increase of valuations within the district of at

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Forsan's Wes Miller, right, works with fellow team members recently at the Johnson Space Center in Houston. Miller was among almost 300 high school students who participated in the center's High School Aerospace Scholars Program.

Courtesy photo

Lofty aspirations

Forsan youth enjoys experience at NASA

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Wes Miller will probably never go to Mars, but he might have at least a small say on how and when we get there.

Miller, 18, of Forsan, recently returned from a week in Houston, where he joined almost 300 other Texas high school students as part of the High School Aerospace Scholars Program.

During the event, which was held at NASA's Johnson Space

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— Wes Miller

Center, Miller and his cohorts busied themselves by planning and designing almost every aspect of a

future trip to the Red Planet.

Miller, who caught the aeronautics bug a long time ago, and would like to become an engineer, said he became interested in the program while attending a day-long seminar hosted by NASA officials at Howard College a year ago.

"I heard about this and decided to go down there and see what it was all about," Miller said. "I liked it, and decided to stick with it."

Miller applied for and was nomi-

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Dry conditions, fireworks a bad mix

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

It wouldn't be the July 4 holiday without fireworks, but area officials are urging residents to place a limits on the pyrotechnics this year.

Dry conditions during the spring and early sum-

mer have prompted Howard County Judge Ben Lockhart to issue a ban on outdoor burning, as well as a limited ban on fireworks for the coming holiday.

The limited fireworks ban covers primarily aerial fireworks such as bottle rockets and missiles,

Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray said.

"Basically, any aerial firework on a stick or with a fin is prohibited," Condray said.

The ban does not prohibit common fireworks such as firecrackers, sparklers or Roman Candles. Just because the

sale of those items are allowed doesn't mean, however, that officials are welcoming their use.

"The use of any fireworks is prohibited within the (Big Spring) city limits," Condray said. "And we're going with

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The Highland South Fourth of July Parade will get rolling at 10 a.m. Tuesday. Residents of Highland have been putting on the parade for more than 20 years.

Neighbor to neighbor

Highland South Parade has been going on for more than 20 years now

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Shine up your wagons and scooters, and get ready to decorate your mailboxes and houses as the annual Highland South Fourth of July Parade gets ready to make its way through the neighborhood.

Shayia Seymore, coordinator and spokesperson for the event, said the Highland South Parade has become a tradition in the community, located on the north side of South Mountain.

"The residents of Highland have been putting this parade on for more than 20 years," said Seymore. "There's a lot of pride here in Big Spring, and this parade means a lot to everyone."

The parade, which is set to get under way Tuesday at 10 a.m., will begin with registration, according to Seymore.

"Everyone that plans to participate in the parade will begin meeting at 9:15

Meanwhile...

Coahoma will hold its annual Freedom Parade at 10 a.m. this Saturday.

Lineup will be at the football stadium north of the community and the parade will proceed south on North First Street to the Interstate 20 service road.

Car and tractor shows will follow at the city park.

a.m. at the corner of Stonehaven and Highland Drive," said Seymore. "We're going to award prizes in a number of categories including bikes, golf carts, wagons, horses, scooters, roller blades, walkers, children's battery operated vehicles and ATV 4-wheelers."

"In the ATV category, we're asking that the driver's of the 4-wheelers be at least 21 years old. We'll

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GASOLINE PRICES CLIMB

HOUSTON (AP) — Fourth of July holiday motorists will find gasoline more expensive in Texas this weekend, according to a weekly AAA Texas gasoline price survey released today.

The survey found that retail regular, self-serve gasoline prices averaged \$2.80 per gallon across the state, 2 cents higher than last week and a July 4 holiday record for Texas.

The national average price at the pump was \$2.87, up 2 cents.

The state's most expensive gasoline is in the Houston area, where regular, self-serve averaged \$2.89 per gallon. The cheapest was in Corpus Christi at \$2.60.

BEATING THE HEAT?

AUSTIN (AP) — Electric companies would be prohibited from disconnecting services for the elderly and other vulnerable customers during the hottest summer months if the state's Public Utility Commission approves a request from a consumer advocate group.

The Office of Public Utility Counsel asked the PUC to ban electric companies from disconnecting services for certain residential customers who didn't pay their electric bills. The moratorium would end Sept. 30, after the hottest summer months. The PUC had made no decision Thursday, but would review the request, said Terry Hadley, a PUC spokesman.

He's NO MONKEY

SAN MATEO, Calif. (AP) — Andrew Padilla first saw the monkey in the backyard of his Palo Alto home, by a fence. He thought it must be a squirrel.

It turned out to be a marmoset — a long, long way from its native home in the rain forests of South and Central America.

"I wanted to adopt him," Padilla said. "He was so cute and friendly."

Padilla said he fed the stray monkey bananas and crackers before calling the Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA.

"We thought, 'Sure. What have you been drinking?' But when our officer arrived, there he was," said Scott Delucchi, spokesman for the SPCA.

Obituaries

Willa "Willie" Poindexter



Willa "Willie" Poindexter, 72, of Big Spring, died Thursday, June 29, 2006, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 PM Saturday, July 1, 2006, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Pastor Carroll Kohl officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 PM to 8 PM Friday at the funeral home. She was born on October 21, 1933, in Old Hickory, Tennessee.

Willie had worked at Big Spring Hardware for two years and then owned and operated Willie's Cafe for 14 years. She loved her family and friends, especially her great-grandchildren. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include two sons and a daughter-in-law, J. Mark and Jane Jones of Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Jerry "PeeWee" Jones of Big Spring; one daughter and son-in-law, J. Darlene and Otto Meyer of Anna, Illinois; one brother, Bob Poindexter of Peoria, Illinois; one sister and brother-in-law, Delores and Don Allison of Peoria, Illinois; seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

The family suggests memorials to Home Hospice, 111 E. 7th, Suite A, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to Hospice House of Odessa, 903 N. Sam Houston, Odessa, Texas 79761.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Diego Olague



Diego Olague, 76, of Big Spring died Wednesday, June 28, 2006, at his residence. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. James Plagens, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He was born July 1, 1929, in Big Spring to Gregoria and Manuel Olague. Diego married Elva Rubio Jan. 23, 1949 in Big Spring. He worked for Texas and Pacific Railroad for 15 years and then worked for Bettie Womack Construction until retiring. Diego was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. His hobbies were his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Elva Olague of Big Spring; three sons, Diego Olague, Jr. and his wife Norma of Edinburg, Orlando Olague and his wife Priscilla and Arthur Olague and his wife Cruz, all of Big Spring; a sister, Paula Ortega of Big Spring; nine grandchildren, Lisa Salinas and her husband Robert, Suzanne Olague, John Olague, and Diego Olague, all of Edinburg, Tessa Olague and her husband Gary Watkins of Big Spring, Orlando Olague, Jr. and his wife Jessica of Arlington, Arthur Olague, Jr. and his wife Heather of Lubbock, Aaron Olague and his wife Nikki of Odessa, and Adrian Olague of Big Spring; 10 great-grandchildren, Justin Olague, Gary Watkins, Brinly Watkins, Kaeman Watkins, Aaron Michael Olague, Shawn Marcus Olague, Jazmyn Salinas, Darian Salinas, Nathan Salinas and Gabriella Olague.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Johnny Olague; two brothers, Manuel Olague, Jr. and Tomas Olague; and three sisters, Jovita Villareal, Francisca Yanez and Irene Alarcon.

Pallbearers will be Arthur Olague, Jr., Aaron Olague, Orlando Olague, Jr., Justin Olague, Diego Olague, John Olague, and Adrian Olague.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Paid obituary

Police blotter

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

• **BAKUL BOB PATEL**, 31, of 300 Tulane, was arrested Thursday on a charge of disorderly conduct.

• **ADRIAN YANEZ**, 19, of 1501 Wood, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

• **JOSE MANUEL JIMENEZ JR.**, 31, of 301 N.W. 10th Street, was arrested Friday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.

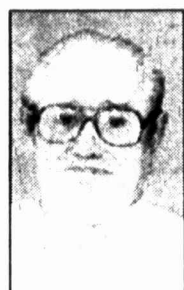
• **ERINEO SANCHEZ**, 30, of 1513 Sycamore, was arrested Friday on a charge of assault Class C - family violence.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.

• **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - TWO OUNCES OR LESS** was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 3200 block of Auburn.

Willie S. Garcia



Willie S. Garcia, 90, of Iraan, formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, June 28, 2006, in a McCamey hospital. Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 1, 2006, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Joe Guerra officiating. Interment will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

A prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

He was born July 9, 1915, in Poth and married Margarita Mata Aug. 5, 1937, in Sinton. She preceded him in death Sept. 11, 2005.

Mr. Garcia was a longtime resident of Big Spring and had worked as a farmhand for the Weaver family for many years. He moved to Iraan in 1993. He was a christian.

Survivors include four daughters and three sons-in-law, Elizabeth Jimenez of Big Spring, Elodia and Fred Gutierrez of Coahoma, Maggie and Tom Templeton of St. Mary's, W. Va., and Emily and Rosalio Montejano of Iraan; one son and daughter-in-law, Tony and Yolanda Garcia of St. Mary's, W. Va.; 33 grandchildren; and numerous great grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by two sons, Willie Garcia Jr. and Adolph Garcia.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Diabetes Association, Midland Office, 10 Desta Drive, Suite 220E, Midland, Texas 79705.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Richard Salazar

Richard Salazar, 54, of Big Spring died Thursday, June 29, 2006, at Vista Care in Lubbock. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Sheriff's report

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

• **DAVID REY GONZALES JR.**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for failure to identify - giving false information.

• **MATTHEW CASEY O'BRIEN**, 27, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of arson.

• **KEITH D. KELLY**, 23, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.

• **JOE ERNEST VALENCIA JR.**, 23, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for resisting arrest, search or transportation.

• **SACKIE ROBERT BRITO JR.**, 26, was arrested Thursday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• **CHRISTOPHER LEE PARTRIDGE**, 22, was arrested Thursday by DPS on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• **WALTER CLAYTON JOY**, 19, was arrested Thursday by DPS on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **MARCUS ARMENDAREZ**, 42, was arrested Friday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated - third or more offense, open container.

• **KEVIN DEWAYNE ROGERS**, 32, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of bondsman off bond for possession of a controlled substance.

• **ROSELLA PEARL HUDSON**, 51, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

• **JAMES JOHN HOLMESLY**, 44, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

Fire/EMS

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

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of Birdwell Lane and Morrison. Service was refused.

• **TRAUMA** was reported in the 14000 block of Old Gail Highway. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **TRAUMA** was reported in the 800 block of Scott. Service was refused.

• **GRASS FIRE** was reported in the 1600 block of Hilltop Road. Fire was out on arrival.

Bulletin Board

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

TODAY

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

Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 13-19-29-30. Bonus Ball: 27. Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0. Estimated jackpot for Monday night drawing: \$225,000.

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Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 6-14-15-21-25. Number matching five of five: 0. Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-8-7

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Deadline for Monday, July 3rd Paper
Friday, 3:00 PM

Deadline for Tuesday, July 4th Paper
Monday, 10:00 AM

Deadline for Wednesday, July 5th Paper
Monday, 4:00 PM

Retail & Classified Displays
Deadlines Are As Follows:

Deadline for Monday, July 3rd Paper
Friday, 10:00 AM

Deadline for Tuesday, July 4th Paper
Friday, 12:00 PM

Deadline for Wednesday, July 5th Paper
Monday, 4:00 PM



Contract Bridge

Pre-emptive Defense

South dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♦ A J 10 4
♥ 8 3
♦ 9 5 4 2
♣ J 7 6

WEST
♦ K 6 2
♥ —
♦ A 7 6 3
♣ A K Q 9 4 2

EAST
♦ Q 9 8 7 3
♥ J 9 4 2
♦ 10 8
♣ 10 5

SOUTH
♦ 5
♥ A K Q 10 7 6 5
♦ K Q J
♣ 8 3

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ 2♣ Pass Pass
4♥

Opening lead — king of clubs.

Assume you hold the West hand and declarer gets to four hearts as shown. You lead the K-Q of clubs, everyone following suit, and the question is what to do next.

It seems normal to continue with the ace of clubs, which certainly looks harmless enough, but if you do you will regret it later on. South will ruff and play the ace of trumps, learning that your partner started with all the missing trumps. He then

makes the contract by leading a spade to dummy's ace and finessing the ten of hearts, losing only two clubs and a diamond.

However, the best play at trick three is a low spade! The chief purpose of the spade shift is to try to force declarer to play dummy's ace of spades before he discovers that all the outstanding trumps are in one hand. You know that, but declarer doesn't — and you should try to take advantage of this knowledge by leading a spade at trick three instead of an innocuous third round of clubs. (If South has the queen of spades, it is unlikely the spade shift will cost anything.)

It must be granted that if you shift to a spade at trick three, declarer might see through your scheme and finesse the ten of trumps at trick four. However, players capable of doing this are few and far between. Besides, you shouldn't be playing bridge against people that smart!

The bidding strongly suggests that South's trump holding is something like the one he actually has, or possibly an eight-card suit headed by the A-K-J. The best way of dealing with either of these possibilities is by compelling South to commit himself before he finds out what the situation really is.

Tomorrow: There's only one right play.

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nated by State Sen. Kel Seliger for the full program, which was held at NASA earlier this month.

The program was developed in 1999 to encourage more students to pursue studies and careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

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also have mailbox and house categories for Highland residents that want to participate."

Seymore said the parade will come to an end near the intersection of Highland and Goliad, where participants will get the chance to participate in a Fourth of July party.

"We'll have live music from Jackie Henty, who is going to sing for us this year," said Seymore. "We'll also have refreshments and other activities following the parade. We really hope the com-

More than 1,500 students have participated since the program's inception, officials said.

While the program is designed to encourage students to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, it also provides a chance for students to see the facilities and equipment used in these fields. Participants will visit the Space Center and its various components, such as Mission Control, laboratories, training facilities and flight simulators.

"It was really cool," Miller said of the massive facility. "It's kind of like being inside itself. They even have their own police station and fire

department."

And the experience only reinforced his dream of becoming an engineer someday.

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least \$60 million, means that trustees can approve a state-mandated 13-cent cut in the tax rate and still pull in significantly more money than last year.

"It's kind of scary," said BSISD Business Manager Sandra Waggoner, who put together the preliminary budget. "State financing is going up ... plus our appraisals are going up, which is a very unusual thing — and all that hit us at the same time."

And trustees decided not to look a gift horse in the mouth.

"We need to go ahead with these projects, and we need to take care of our people," said trustee Phil Furquerson. "The longer you put off these projects, the more they end up costing."

First on the trustees' list is a \$161,208 raise in teacher salaries. Under guidelines approved Thursday, returning

teachers will receive raises of between \$3,500 and \$4,424 this coming school year, Downes said.

Teachers new to the district will receive \$3,260 more this school year.

Instructors aren't the only ones targeted for raises. The district plans to chip in more than \$166,000 in salary increases for administrators, paraprofessionals and auxiliary employees.

Then there's the so-called "wish list" — a lengthy list of projects that had to be put off for the past several years because of budget constraints. But with those constraints off — at least for this year — almost all of those projects received a green light from trustees.

The major items on the list include resurfacing of the east and west side parking lots at Big Spring High School (\$202,000), three new school buses (\$226,000) and state-man-

dated bleacher repairs at several district schools (\$120,000).

Also on the list is \$315,000 for instructional technology. In past years, that money has come from Austin ISD as part of the "Robin Hood" agreement between them and Big Spring. With that agreement likely not to be continued, money for the district's technology department will have to come mostly from local sources in the future.

While all the good news is certainly welcome, officials were uncertain if it signified the start of a trend, or was merely a one shot banana.

"I really think this is a one shot deal this year," Waggoner said. "I think we'll have a little more money than in the past, but a lot of that will go to funding state mandates. Plus, a lot will depend on what our property valuations do."

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Senior Circle

Scenic Mountain Medical Center Chapter

Invites you to join our...

July 2006 Activities

July 5 * Wednesday
• Sit & Be Fit - 10:30 AM
• Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 AM

July 6 * Thursday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 AM
• Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 AM

July 7 * Friday
• Pot Luck & Bingo - 11:30 AM
(Red / White & Blue Day)

July 10 * Monday
• Lunch Bunch & Birthdays
"Bean's World Cafe" - 11:30 AM
• Games - 1:00 - 3:00 PM

July 11 * Tuesday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 AM
• Coffee @ Parkplace - 10:00 AM
• Supper Club "La Posada" - 5:30 PM

July 12 * Wednesday
• Sit & Be Fit - 10:30 AM
• Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 AM

July 13 * Thursday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 AM
• Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 AM
• "BUNKO" - 5:00 - 6:30

July 14 * Friday
• Meet & Greet "Root Bear Floats & Ice Cream Taco Salads" - 2:00 - 3:00 PM

July 17 * Monday
• **New Mexico Casino Trip - 9:00 AM - ?**
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July 18 * Tuesday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 AM
• Coffee @ Marcy House - 10:00 AM
• Supper club "Hunan's" - 5:30 PM

Interested in becoming a member of Senior Circle? Look for our flyer in this Sunday's Big Spring Herald. Great discounts, great friends, great fun!!

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EDITORIAL

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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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:

- Mike Ritchey, Big Spring High School principal, for driving the rental truck full of band equipment to New York City for the Big Spring High School band and its performance at Carnegie Hall.

- Last week was a busy week, which brings up a bevy of salutes ... among them:

- Organizers and participants in the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Parade.

- The Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Association, for putting on another good show, despite being rained out Thursday night.

- Organizers of the Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion, and to pioneer families the Burns and the Weavers.

- Mauel Ramirez Jr., who won a runoff election to win the District 2 seat on the Big Spring City Council. Also, our thanks to outgoing councilman Woody Jumper.

- William H. "Pop" King, Carl Dale Reid and Earnest Alexander Richters, World War II veterans who will serve as grand marshals during Saturday's Coahoma Freedom Parade which gets under way at 10 a.m.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we not play ostrich, Lord, but be open with You through prayer.

Amen

'Marriage thing' a 'pretty good thing'

Oh the things we find.

Sometimes we hear the phrase, "They have a marriage made in heaven," implying that some marriages are just destined to be good. This kind of thinking suggests that marriage has a life all its own and the only way to find out if you've got a good one is to "give it a shot."

A lot of marriages that have started out that way have actually ended with actuals involved, especially here in Texas. That's not a good way to do things.

Proverbs 18:22 says, "He who finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favor from the Lord."

I like that scripture but it does not say that every marriage is a good thing. You could also read it like this: "He who finds a spouse as a result of the favor of the Lord finds a good thing." In another words, the Brewer is convinced that most marriages do not fall down from heaven but probably bubble up from hell's septic tank.

Ladies, if your husband's idea of loading up the dishwasher is getting you drunk, you've found a really bad thing. Gentlemen if your wife has made you a millionaire but you were a multimillionaire before you got married; you have found a terrible thing.

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A Fairly Good Thing

If your marriage has not looked like a good thing in a long time the Bible promises hope through the favor of God. The Hebrew word for favor here is the Hebrew word "CHEN." I have several of those where my neck is supposed to be. It means God's Grace and God's grace is God's Power.

If I were you I would drill into God's favor like a gold well in Johnson County. You get God's favor, God's grace and God's power by hanging on to Him in two different areas. Here is a scripture I'm making famous at Open Door Ministries.

Proverbs 3:3 "Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart: So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man."

The balance of mercy and truth are needed every day in a happy marriage. Mercy is forgiveness and forgetting faults, while truth is dealing with issues and confronting problems. This is what pours the power of God into a marriage that works.

The Brewer has percolated romance with his bride for more than 17 years now. During that time, Leanna and I have counseled hundreds in marriage and several out of tying the knot. A few from

our Top 10 list of basic Bible principles that make marriage a really good thing goes something like this.

1. God wants a husband and wife to "Leave & Cleave" (Gen 2:24). Solve the mother in law issue. Get away from her quickly.

2. Opposites attract but they do not stay together long term and if they do, they do not stay happy. The Bible has a lot to say about being equally yoked. (Amos 3:3 and 2 Corinthians 6:16).

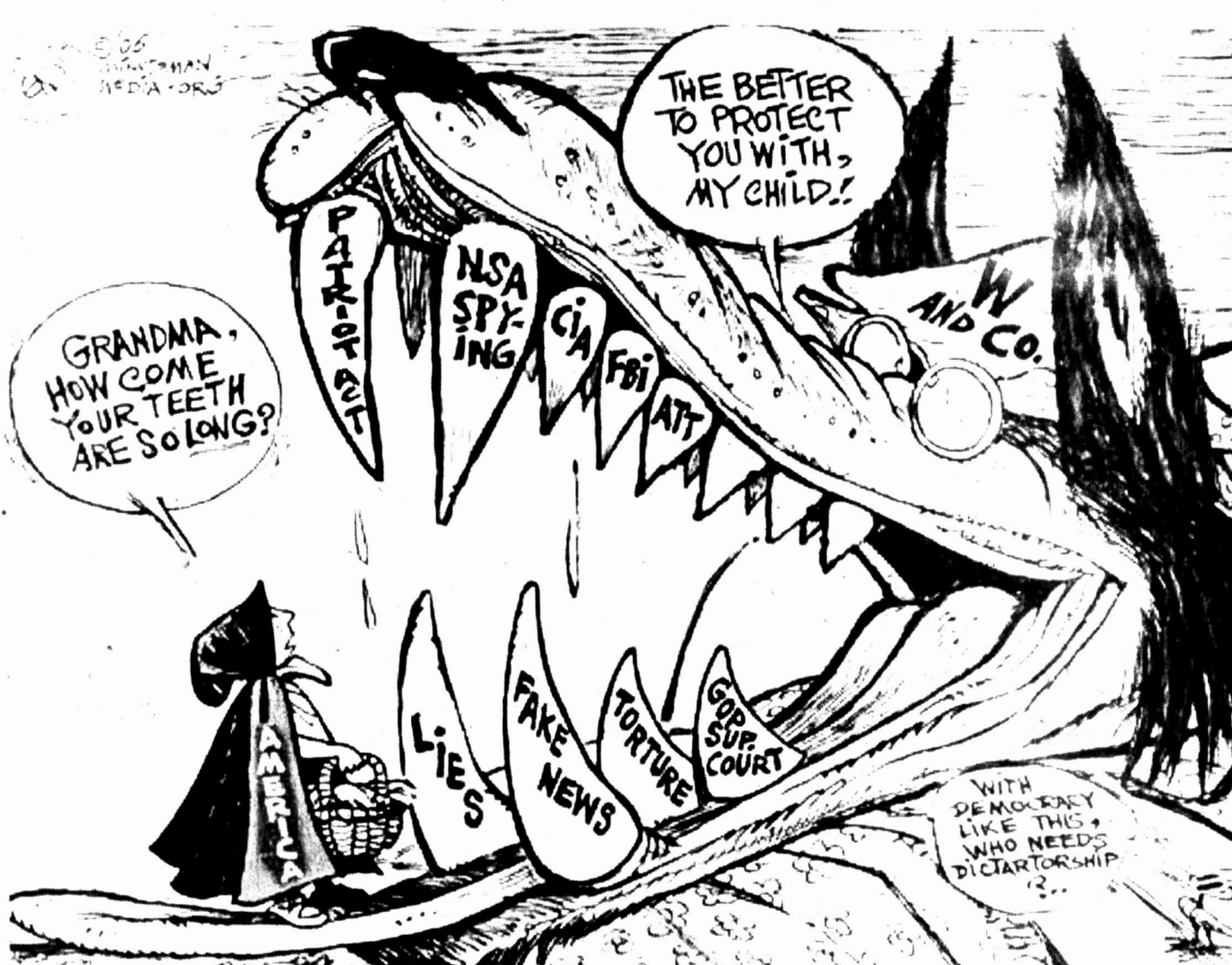
3. Working on your marriage means working on you. Not on your spouse. If you are ready to have a better marriage you are the one that has to change.

4. Keep your priorities straight. God is first. Your spouse is second; your kids are third and then your ministry or vocation.

A Really Good Thing

I could go on but let me say this, Jesus Christ calls himself the resurrection and the life and that also applies to marriages. When Jesus shows up in your marriage, life shows up in your marriage. This means that no matter what condition your marriage is in today, there is still hope for a really good thing.

Troy Brewer welcomes your comments. He can be e-mailed at freshfromthebrewery@opendoorministries.org or by calling 817-297-6911.



Angelina needs to do a little more

Well, CNN hit a new low in smarmy as it hyped a "special edition" of "Anderson Cooper 360" last week: "Angelina Jolie: Her Mission and Motherhood," featuring Cooper's big scoop, the "first interview" with Angelina Jolie since she had her baby.

Start with Cooper, the glam, my-pre-cious feelings correspondent whose ascent to cable TV news stardom steam-rolled over avuncular veteran newsmen Aaron Brown and depressed the news slot's ratings for months. Add Jolie, the tattooed ex-wife of Tinseltown bad boy Billy Bob Thornton, fresh from Namibia, where she had a baby with a trendy Hollywood name — Shiloh Nouvel Jolie-Pitt — sired by a movie star who just last year was someone else's husband. And here's an eye-roller: They're Talking About Poverty in the Third World.

It promised to be a package of everything annoying about celebrity culture — the rich and statuesque preening as they bemoan the plight of the destitute and forsaken.

Not so. As a goodwill ambassador for the United Nations Refugee Agency, Jolie, 31, is doing important work as she spreads the word about people who have noth-

ing. They don't have homes. They don't have food. They don't have the medicine they need. The children don't have parents who can care for them. The parents have lost children to hunger or disease. They all lack a home country that can protect them.

Jolie was first exposed to the refugee issue at an amputee camp in Sierra Leone. "The child I met in Sierra Leone was the first child that I ever met who was about to die and who died the next day," she explained. It was heartbreaking to see a child "in that state" and "all by himself." The experience transformed her.

Was the interview silly? Sure, especially when Cooper wanted to know if childbirth was different than adoption. Duh. Still, Jolie seems to understand that she has to offer up nuggets on life with Brad Pitt in exchange for airtime discussing the sad plight of the world's refugees.

On the refugee situation, she was savvy and compassionate. Speaking on refugees from Rwanda, she noted: "They really are the most vulnerable people in the world. They really don't have an option for — it's not just that they're poor. It's not just that they're hungry. It's not just that it's that they are in fear of — of — for their lives. They are going to be persecuted for their race, their religion, their nationality."

Jolie is one of many celebrities to focus on Sudan's Darfur region, "where the slaughter of Africans by Muslim militias — the

Janjaweed, they're called — has created one of the worst refugee catastrophes on the planet today. And it's happening right now."

Last year, when Jolie adopted an AIDS orphan, a little girl whom she named Zahara, she did not know whether the child was HIV positive. (Later, Jolie was glad to learn the girl does not have HIV.) She noted, "The upsetting thing was that I was sat down and it was explained to me that — that, don't worry, because, in this country, it's not a death sentence." So the actress is working to spare children in countries where it is a death sentence.

I like Jolie's message of hope. Celebrity interviews often emit a vampire-like quality, as breathless interviewers feed on stars' personal tragedies and setbacks and the celebrity victim comes across as the latest pouty facelift with a story that says, "Poor me."

For Jolie, the focus is on the truly poor, and the many things Americans can do for them if they open their wallets. She sees the suffering, but also she sees the resilience of people who have endured unspeakable loss — yet it is not too late to help them.

Now, Angelina, think of little girls in this country who see you as a role model. Marry your baby's father

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Church News

Coahoma United Methodist Church

Please join CUMC at 11 a.m. Sunday for our service of prayer, posting of colors and communion.

Monday will be "Funday Monday for the Youth" from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the church.

Wednesday, the youth will meet at 6 p.m. for Bible study and activities, followed by Praise Band worship at 7 p.m.

Our 100th Anniversary Committee meeting is set for 10:30 a.m. Wednesday. Call the church if you need more information.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

Let's remember the Fourth of July with a safe and happy holiday celebration and here in America in God We Still Trust!

Sunday services are at 10:55 a.m. and at 5 p.m. Midweek services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church is located at 1512 Birdwell Lane. For further information or a ride to church, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

First United Methodist Church

We at the First United Methodist would like to welcome you to join our worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m.

On this Independence Sunday, Pastor Brue's message will be "Dependence Day." Gospel scripture is from Proverbs 3:5-6. Flags will be presented by the Boy Scouts. Sunday school for all ages will begin at 9:45 a.m.

A special guest musical presentation from Prison Ministry Singers will pre-

sent "His Children" during both worship services. A church prayer meeting will be held at 5 p.m. Sunday. There will be a combined youth activity at 6 p.m.

Tuesday and Friday, the Project Light Class will meet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and Friday begin with Children's Day Out at 9 a.m.

Golden Link will meet Wednesday at 11 a.m.

Noon lunch/Bible study will not meet this Wednesday but instead will have a S.A.M.'s Air Conditioned Independence Day Celebration at 6 p.m.

The Hispanic ministry will have Bible study at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Men's Bible Class. Also on Wednesday is Combined Youth Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.

Special prayer times are observed in the chapel Thursday at noon and Friday at 7 a.m. The office will be closed July 4.

The sixth and seventh grade camps to Ceta Canyon set for July 10-14 are now taking applications.

The UM Army (senior high mission trip) is scheduled for July 16-22.

Upcoming events to plan for include Vacation Bible School, "SET SAIL", to be held July 24-28, from 9 a.m. to noon. Volunteers, donations, drinks and cookies are requested.

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

First Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Matt Miles, minister, will speak on text taken from Mark 5:21-43 at the 11 a.m. worship

service Sunday.

Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. and Take Ten starts at 10:35 a.m.

Opportunities for the week include Wednesday, Youth Group at 5 p.m. and Bible study at 5:17 p.m., followed by choir practice 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.

Holy Mission Revival

Pastor Pauletta Allison and Prophetess Debra Fowler will hold an old fashioned Holy Ghost explosion revival at 7:30 p.m. July 11-14 at 302 E. 11th Place. For more information, call 267-3672.

Friends of Unity

This Sunday, the Rev. Jim Sims will lead the First Sunday Celebration Service at the Center at 1 p.m. Following that, at 2 p.m., will be a quiet meditation time and a group discussion on the power of faith.

All activities are at the Center, located in the east boxcar in the Railroad Plaza are open.

First Christian Church

July is filled with activity with young people off to church camp, guest ministers, Vacation Bible School and more.

Vacation Bible School will take place in the evenings July 19-20. This year's VBS will be inter-generational. Titled "Friendship First!" the experience will begin each evening at 6 p.m. with dinner and singing, followed by sessions for three age groups: children, youth and adult.

First Christian is spon-

soring nine young people for church camp in July. July 9, the church will hold a brief commissioning service during the worship hour to send off these young people as ambassadors of the church and Big Spring.

Summer worship begins at 10:50 a.m. on Sundays.

Guest ministers will fill the pulpit July 2, 16 and 30 because our minister will be out of town for a church camp session and vacation.

Our guest pastors will be the Rev. Ernie Williams of Lubbock; the Rev. Dan Shadix, chaplain at the VA Hospital;

and John Pennington of Abilene.

Finally, the adult Sunday class Disciples will begin a new study on the Ten Commandments starting Sunday, July 9.

First Christian currently has three Sunday

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School classes: one for pre-teen and teenage girls, one for older adults, and one for adults. A new class for pre-teen and teenage boys will be started in August.

Baptist Temple Church

We would like to extend an invitation to those who are looking for a place of worship to join us Sunday. We are grateful to live in a free country and invite you to share in the freedom we enjoy to study God's Word through our Sunday School and worship.

In our morning worship service we will deal with the thought of being "Free

Indeed." Then we will gather again at 4 p.m. to have a cookout. Bring what you would like to cook on the grill as well as additional food to complement a cookout. We will eat around 5 p.m. Afterward, we hope to view a good Christian movie, either C.S. Lewis' classic "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" or Michael W. Smith's "Second Chance."

We are located at 11th Place and Goliad. Join us for Bible study at 9:30 a.m. and worship at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. We offer Bible study classes for all ages.

Our Ladies Ministry will meet Monday, July 10. All women are invited to bring a dish and join

them.

If you are interested in a Spanish worship service, we sponsor Iglesia Bautista Roca Eterna. Our Spanish pastor is Luis A. Pena Sr.

For more information, call 267-8287 or check out our Web site at www.baptisttemplechurch.org.

East Side Baptist Church

Come join us in celebrating freedom Sunday at 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday's sermon will be "Great Words of Freedom."

Sunday evening service will be at 5 p.m. this week, with Wednesday evening Bible study at 7 p.m.

A nursery is provided for all services.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

St. Paul Lutheran

Church is located at 810 Scurry St. Worship services, 9 a.m., Sunday school and Bible classes, 10:15 a.m. Holy Communion will be served. This week's focus

for chaplains in the war zone to distribute is disposable razors. The treat for the week is any kind of chewing gum. For more information, call 267-716 3.

Club News

TOPS No. 1756

Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756, meets at the First Christian Church of Big

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FIREWORKS

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heavier enforcement of these ordinances this year because of the dry conditions.

"That's one of the big reasons we go through all the time and money on Pops in the Park — to give people a safer alternative," he added.

If the annual Pops extravaganza — featuring more than 10,000 individual fireworks — isn't enough to sate your desire to see things go boom this holiday, Condray offers some tips on how to safely deal with fireworks.

"First, people need to make sure they have the

landowner's permission before they set off fireworks," he said. "Secondly, they need to make sure children never light fireworks ... and that they have adult supervision any time they handle a firework."

Condray also cautions people to have plenty of water or sand handy in case of a sudden fire and to steer clear of fireworks that fail to go off.

"Those are still live fireworks," he said of duds. "You need to soak it in water ... Never try to re-light it."

Finally, Condray advises caution in lighting fireworks. Never, for example, hold a firecracker in your hand while lighting it, he noted.

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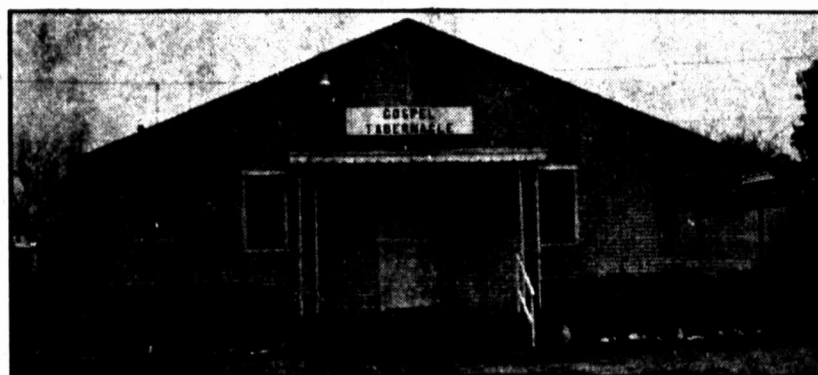
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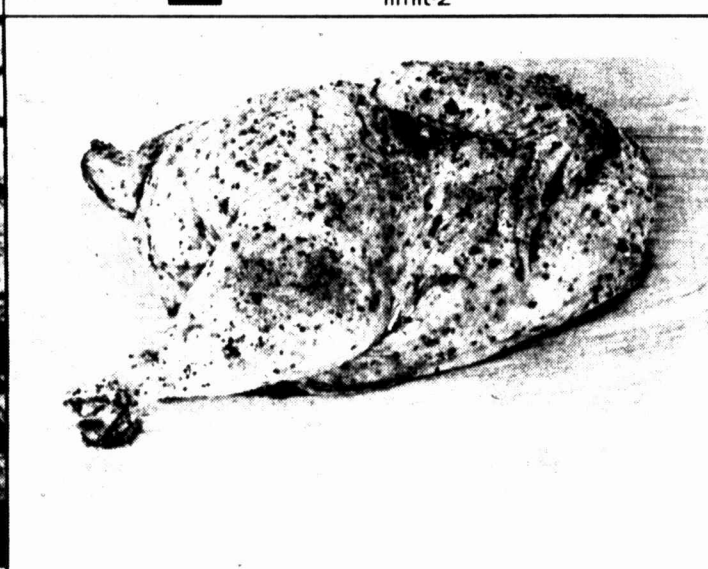
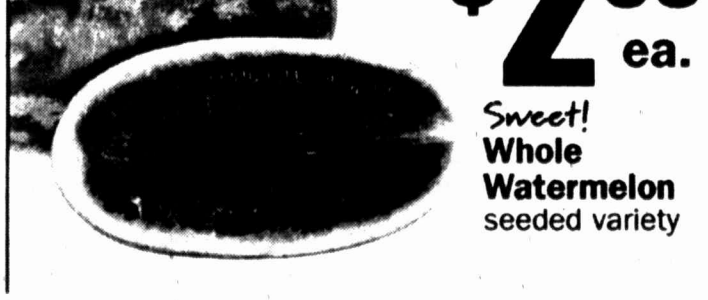
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IN BRIEF

Softball tourney set for July 15-16 at Cotton Mize Park

The first-ever Ball Busters Softball Tournament will take place July 15-16 at Cotton Mize Field inside of Comanche Trail Park.

The tourney costs \$125 per team and trophies and T-shirts will be awarded to the top three teams. There is also a six home run limit.

For more information, contact Amador Rios at 432-466-1128, Pete Carrillo at 432-816-1245 or Abel Rios at 432-213-2115.

Sandlot softball tourney slated for this weekend

A softball tournament hosted by the Big Spring sandlot softball team will be held Saturday and Sunday at Cotton Mize Park inside of Comanche Trail Park.

The top three teams will receive trophies, the top two teams get T-shirts and there will also be MVP and golden gloves honors awarded as well.

For more information, contact Ben Flores at 267-4226 or 816-1262.

BSGSA to hold ragball tournament

The Big Spring Girls Softball Association (BSGSA) will be having its annual co-ed ragball tournament today and Saturday at the Roy Anderson Complex.

The cost of the tourney is \$110 per team and each team will play at least six games.

Interested participants can register at the complex between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. June 30. The first game starts at 7 p.m.

For more information, contact Ron Shafer at 432-213-3747.

BSHS announces softball camp for middle of July

Big Spring head softball coach Jennifer Reyes, along with her assistant coaches, will be having a softball skills camp July 10-14.

The camp will run from 8 a.m. to noon daily and is for first through ninth graders. It also costs \$25 per participant.

For more information, call 263-8527 or 270-2711.

HC sets boys summer basketball camp dates

The Howard College men's basketball coaching staff and players will be conducting two camps this summer and both camps will take place in July.

For more information, call 264-5040. Enrollment is limited.

Doping scandal strips Tour de France of favorites

By JAMEY KEATEN

Associated Press Writer

STRASBOURG, France — Favorites Jan Ullrich, Ivan Basso and other cyclists were barred Friday from the Tour de France in the biggest doping scandal to hit cycling in years.

The decision to prevent Ullrich, Basso and others from racing threw the sport's premier race into upheaval the day before it begins.

Tour director Christian Prudhomme said the organizers' determination to fight doping was "total."

"The enemy is not cycling, the

enemy is doping," he said.

Riders being excluded will not be replaced, meaning a smaller field than the 189 racers originally expected.

It's the biggest doping crisis to hit the sport since the Festina scandal in 1998 nearly derailed the Tour. The Festina team was ejected from the race after customs officers found a large stash of banned drugs in a team car.

Basso, winner of the Giro d'Italia, and Ullrich — the 1997 Tour winner and a five-time runner-up — were among more than 50 cyclists said to have been implicated in a Spanish doping

probe that has rocked the sport for weeks.

Basso and Ullrich's teams said Friday that because their names had come up in the probe they were being withdrawn from the Tour. Ullrich's T-Mobile squad said it also suspended rider Oscar Sevilla and sporting director Rudi Pevenage because of their involvement.

Basso was returning to Italy, his team said.

Tour officials did not immediately say how many other riders were barred from the race.

The Spanish doping scandal erupted in May when police carried out arrests and raids, seiz-

ing drugs and frozen blood thought to have been prepared for banned, performance-enhancing transfusions.

Since then, the names of riders said to have had contacts with Eufemiano Fuentes, a doctor among those arrested, have leaked in Spanish media. Ullrich was among those named.

Then, after more leaks Thursday, Spanish authorities released details from the probe to Tour organizers and other cycling bodies, showing which riders were implicated in the investigation. It was on the basis of that official information that Tour teams decided to act.

Giants finish off Rangers, 2-1

By JANIE McCAULEY

AP Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO

The San Francisco Giants are about to embark on their longest road trip of the year, one that could define their season with 11 games against division opponents.

A strong homestand should give them some much-needed momentum.

Omar Vizquel hit a go-ahead single with two outs in the eighth inning to lift the Giants to a 2-1 victory over the Texas Rangers on Thursday, completing a three-game sweep.

"It was good, and it gave us a little confidence," Vizquel said of the team's 6-3 homestand. "We were playing American League teams. It would be nice if we can play against the National League like that. We have a tough road trip ahead of us that's going to decide where we stand."

Little-used Jason Ellison hit a sacrifice fly to drive in the Giants' first run in the second and scored on Vizquel's single to right off Francisco Cordero, who relieved Scott Feldman (0-2) after he allowed Ellison's leadoff walk and a sacrifice bunt by Eliezer Alfonzo.

Cordero came in to face pinch-hitter Jose Vizcaino with one out, and Vizcaino grounded out to shortstop to move Ellison to third.

Jonathan Sanchez (2-0) recorded two outs in the seventh for the win, getting Mark Teixeira to ground into an inning-ending double play. Jeremy Accardo finished for his third save.

In other interleague games, it was: Pittsburgh 7, the Chicago White Sox 6; Oakland 6, San Diego 5 in 14 innings; Boston 4, the New York Mets 2 1; Philadelphia 4, Baltimore 0; Toronto 8, Washington 4; Cincinnati 6, Kansas City 5; and Seattle 3, Arizona 2.

In the only NL game, Milwaukee beat the Chicago Cubs 5-4.

Texas lost its fifth straight game and has scored only 11 runs during the skid. This marked



MCT photo/Dan Rosenstrauch/Contra Costa Times
San Francisco Giants catcher Eliezer Alfonzo reaches out to catch a foul ball off the bat of Texas Rangers pitcher John Kameron in the third inning. The Giants defeated the Rangers, 2-1, Thursday at AT&T Park in San Francisco.

the Rangers' first losing road trip of the year (1-5).

"We faced some good pitching, but we've got to do better than this," said Teixeira, mired in an 0-for-15 slump and hitless in four games for his longest drought since Sept. 23-26, 2004. "Jason Schmidt is one of the best. We knew we weren't going to get seven or eight runs off him. You've got to scratch and claw for two or three and we weren't able to do that."

The Giants had their first three-game home sweep since April 8-10, 2005, against Colorado.

Vizquel had two hits and Pedro Feliz had a hit and scored a run for the Giants, who faced a left-handed starter for the

second consecutive game.

San Francisco leaves town for an 11-game road trip against NL West foes — San Diego, Colorado and Los Angeles — leading into the All-Star break. The trek includes a doubleheader Saturday against the Padres to make up an early rain-out.

Schmidt, making his first career appearance against Texas, saw his winless stretch reach four starts with his third no-decision during that span since winning six straight decisions. He still has a six-game home winning streak.

After allowing a leadoff single to Gary Matthews Jr. to start the game, Schmidt got nine straight outs before Mark

DeRosa's triple to right-center leading off the fourth. DeRosa scored to tie the game at 1 on Teixeira's fielder's choice after third baseman Feliz booted a routine grounder by Michael Young for an error.

Feliz was part of a great play in the fifth, when the Giants turned a rare 5-6-4 double play. Feliz charged John Koronka's bunt, threw to shortstop Vizquel covering third, then Vizquel fired to second baseman Ray Durham at first to get the pitcher.

"That's a big lift for everybody," Schmidt said. "I was pumped up. That's the kind of defense they've played all year."

Schmidt escaped a jam in the seventh.

Four tied for lead at Buick

By PAT EATON-ROBB

Associated Press Writer

CROMWELL, Conn. — After six months of worries and heartache, Harrison Frazer's mind is at ease.

He has a healthy new baby — and a share of the lead heading into the second round of the Buick Championship.

Frazer's third child, Slayden, was born June 19 by emergency Caesarean section. Moments before, the baby roiled onto his umbilical cord and his heart stopped beating for a few seconds.

Slayden and his wife, Allison had lost the baby's fraternal twin about 12 weeks into the pregnancy, and Allison had been in and out of the hospital with other complications.

Also in the last six months, Frazer's wife's grandmother died, his 3-year-old son had intestinal surgery and his 7-year-old broke his arm.

"There was a time that I thought, 'You know what? I'm going to walk away for a while. It's just too hard, too hard to leave, too hard to do this. Too hard to focus.'"

But, the baby is fine. The rest of the family is healthy, and Frazer is excited to be back after a five-week layoff.

On Thursday, he shot a 5-under par 65, good enough for a share of the first-round lead at the Buick Championship with Heath Slocum, Peter Lonard and Scott Verplank.

Former U.S. Open champ Corey Pavin, Memorial winner Carl Pettersson, Darron Stiles, Camilo Villegas, Todd Fischer and Ron Whittaker opened with 66s, and former Buick Championship winners Olin Browne and Brent Geiberger were in a 12-player group at 67.

Defending champ Brad Faxon struggled with six bogeys and finished with a 4-over 74.

Frazer has made just seven cuts in 15 events this year.

Henin-Hardenne leads way into fourth round

By STEPHEN WILSON

AP Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Justine Henin-Hardenne became the first player to reach the fourth round at Wimbledon on Friday with another routine win in straight sets.

The third-seeded Belgian beat 34th-ranked Anna Chakvetadze of Russia, 6-2, 6-3 in 65 minutes on Court 2, known as the "graveyard of champions" because of its history of big upsets.

There was no danger of a sur-

prise this time as Henin-Hardenne overwhelmed the 19-year-old Russian with 23 winners, closing out the match with a touch drop volley to break serve. Chakvetadze had just six winners, along with 15 unforced errors.

Henin-Hardenne, the Wimbledon runner-up in 2001, won the French Open last month for her fifth major title. By winning Wimbledon, she would complete a career collection of all four Grand Slam titles.

In her first two matches,

Hardenne dropped just four games.

Friday's match was briefly interrupted at 5-2 in the first set when a ball girl fainted as the temperature reached 82 degrees. She received treatment on the side of the court.

Scheduled on Court 1 on Friday was three-time defending champion Roger Federer, facing a third-round match against 77th-ranked Nicolas Mahut of France, winner of the 2000 Junior Wimbledon.

Lleyton Hewitt, the 2002 cham-

pion, was back to finish his match against South Korea's Lee Hyung-taik. They split the first four sets Thursday before play was suspended by darkness.

Saturday's program will feature aging former champion Andre Agassi, playing in his final Wimbledon, against young dynamo Rafael Nadal, trying to make his breakthrough on grass.

"He's a very confident, great competitor," Agassi said. "Needless to say, very talented and fit. So it's going to be a hard match."

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IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR GAME

Sources that power your game

By T.J. TOMASI
Universal Press Syndicate

There are three sources of power you can take advantage of to create distance: mechanical, positional and muscular. All three are used in varying combinations when you swing the club, but every player has a dominant power source that is determined by his or her body type — average build (a Leverage player), tall and thin (Arc player) or stocky (Width player).

1. Mechanical Advantage: The Leverage Swing

Mechanical advantage is the specific arrangement of your muscles and bones that allows you to move your body in an efficient and powerful way. Levers, such as the 90-degree angle formed by your front arm and the club shaft, are multipliers of power in your golf swing.

Leverage players utilize the hinging and straightening of levers (their arms and wrists), stretching and coiling of their muscles, and a tight, centered hip rotation to generate power. Fred Funk, Steve Elkington and most LPGA players are prime examples from the pro ranks.

2. Positional Advantage: The Arc Swing

A certain amount of power (energy) can be conferred on an object by virtue of its position. For example, if a BB is dropped from the first floor, it bounces harmlessly off your head. If it's dropped from the 100th floor, it could go right through you. In your golf swing, this is the power of Arc — the height and distance your club head travels from address to impact.

During the Arc swing, the club head moves away from you, and then up and over your body. All else being equal, the farther your club head travels, the more powerful your swing will be. The Arc player spends the most time of any player in the height dimension, generating power from an upright swing with the club traveling on a wide, high arc.

Fred Couples, Davis Love, Julie Inkster and Pat Hurst are Arc players.

3. Muscular Advantage: The Width Swing

Width players spend much of their backswing pushing the club away from their body while relying on a strong upper-body rotation to deliver a powerful hit to the ball.

Craig Stadler, Bruce Lietzke, Duffy Waldorf and Laura Davies are excellent examples of Width players who use their upper torso to good effect. They are truly muscularly advantaged players who smash the ball.

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A Leverage Swing like Robert Allenby's (above) favors a more modestly built individual with balanced proportions. The Leverage Swing is the simplest motion; it creates the fewest angles as the club head rotates around the body.



The Arc player is a combination of a swinger and a hitter, with a flowing swing that turns violent as the hands reach impact. The body type that should utilize the Arc Swing is thin-chested and flexible, with long arms in relation to the trunk, just like Charles Howell III, shown here.



Nationwide Tour player Kevin Stadler demonstrates muscular advantage, i.e., a Width player's ability to use physical strength to produce club head acceleration. The stronger his muscles are, the more power he can produce.

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PAULA CREAMER, 21
• Career wins: 2
• 2006 top-10s: 6
• 2006 earnings: \$367,285

NATALIE GULBIS, 24
• Career wins: 1
• 2006 top-10s: 1
• 2006 earnings: \$11,111

SARAH BETH, 21
• Career wins: 0
• 2006 top-10s: 0
• 2006 earnings: \$0

REBECCA, 21
• Career wins: 0
• 2006 top-10s: 0
• 2006 earnings: \$0

Glamour girls

LPGA players are being pushed to new heights

By STAN AWTRY
Cox News Service

Newport, R.I. — With an 8-year-old pro on his left arm and a 6-year-old pro on his right, Dan Burger is no different from the other fathers of the Newport Country Club. He is 15 yards behind the first hole of the Newport Country Club and his two daughters, Sarah Beth, 21, and Rebecca, 10, are growing more anxious by the moment — can hardly wait to see the object of their affection.

Paula Creamer. "We ordered these tickets the first day they went on sale," said Burger, a Boston dentist, whose daughters, Sarah Beth, 21, and Rebecca, 10, were waiting for the requisite Paula Creamer set: pink shorts and a striped pink shirt. "They had to see Paula."

An hour earlier, sisters Sarah Beth and Rebecca Carlson of Tallahassee, Fla., were waiting beside the ninth green. Their goal: a Morgan Pressel signature on their caps. "She's a good player," said Rebecca, 10. "And she has a good attitude," said Sarah Beth, 12.

It's all familiar to LPGA star Natalie Gulbis.

"I remember when I was a little girl," Gulbis said after signing dozens of autographs and giving her Tuesday practice round for the U.S. Women's Open.

Gulbis, Creamer and Pressel, and to a lesser degree, Miyazato and Brittany Lantieri, are the heart of the young wives of talent the LPGA is counting on to define its organization. Players and promoters know it, too. The LPGA campaign — "These Girls Rock" — was extended one more season to include the latest set of newcomers. All will participate in this week's U.S. Women's Open.

"These girls are young, they're good-looking, they're athletic, they're vibrant, and they dress cool," Hall of Famer Juli Inkster said earlier this season. "I think right now we're at the most popular point that we've ever been with the media and with the fan

base." The LPGA's marketing and promotion department is working hard to make sure the girls are seen. The U.S. Women's Open is the first of a series of events that will feature the girls. The LPGA is also working to make sure the girls are seen. The U.S. Women's Open is the first of a series of events that will feature the girls.

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Bodies in motion

There's a principle of physics called the conservation of momentum, an intimidating name for a common occurrence in our everyday experience. It's the reason a towel snaps or a whip cracks, and it's why you need a seat belt.

When your car is traveling at, say, 50 mph and you slam on the brakes, everything that's not tied down keeps going forward. It's the same in your golf swing: Stop one part of your body and another part takes over.

This is important because, as you swing back to the ball, your chest is turning along with your hips and shoulders. If you stop your chest before you get to the ball, your arms

and hands will keep going, causing you to release the club early with a weak, slapping action that drastically reduces the power of your swing.

Your lower back gets the jolt that should be reserved for your golf ball, while your ball receives a gentle cuff that sends it nowhere near the target.

If you're hitting a lot of weak shots and more than your share of pull, work on keeping your trail side moving through impact.

Watch Annika Sorenstam and you'll see the key concept that governs the trail side of your body during your downswing: Everything that is moving should keep on moving.

—T.J. Tomasi



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 TJinsider@aol.com

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1. **Posture:** Stand with your feet shoulder-width apart, knees slightly bent, and your back straight.

2. **Address:** Place the ball in the center of your stance. Tuck your chin down and look at the ball.

3. **Backswing:** Turn your torso and hips back together. Keep your arms and hands relaxed.

4. **Downswing:** Turn your torso and hips forward together. Keep your arms and hands relaxed.

5. **Follow-through:** Finish your swing with your torso and hips turned forward. Keep your arms and hands relaxed.

6. **Balance:** Stay balanced on your feet throughout the swing.

7. **Tempo:** Practice your swing at a consistent tempo.

8. **Relaxation:** Stay relaxed throughout the swing.

BY THE NUMBERS

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Age of the youngest U.S. Women's Open champion, Se Ri Pak, in 1988. Michelle Wie (16), Morgan Pressel (18) and Paula Creamer (19) are contenders to break that record.

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Help Wanted

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MIDLAND, TX 79711

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NURSES UNLIMITED, Inc. Seeking Caring Individual to supervise personal care attendants in the home. Must have 60 hours of college or 2 years experience supervising others in a medical setting. * 401K

* Paid Vacation Days
Contact Nadeen at 1-800-458-3257
M-F, 8AM-5PM E.O.E.

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TAKING APPLICATIONS for Backhoe Operator, Maintainer Operator and CDL Driver. Contact Cline Construction at (432)267-6006.

THE MARTIN COUNTY Hospital District of Stanton is seeking a **FULL TIME RECEPTIONIST FOR A PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE.** Please contact Alison Israel, CFO at 610 N. Saint Peter, Stanton, Texas or call (432)756-3345 ext. 226.

TRUCK DRIVER

Helena Chemical Company, a national agricultural-chemical company, has an immediate opening for an experienced truck driver. This position will make deliveries, load and unload product, utilize a forklift, and perform general warehouse duties. Requires high school diploma or equivalent, CDL with HAZMAT endorsement. We offer an excellent working environment and outstanding compensation and benefits package. For consideration, please apply in person: Helena Chemical Company 100 S. St. Peter Stanton, TX 79782 Pre-employment drug screen required. EOE M/F/V/H

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Miscellaneous

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Miscellaneous

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267-5444 263-5555

1104 NOLAN (rear). Two bedroom, one bath. No pets. Call (432)267-3841 or 517-0642.

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2805 ENT. 3 Bedroom, refrigerated air, \$460. month. 1410 Robin. 3 bedroom, \$400. month. 1410 Park. 2 bedroom, \$300. month. (432)267-7380.

614 STEAKLEY. 3 Bedroom, 1 bath, \$425. month, \$200. deposit. **446 ARMSTRONG.** 4 Bedroom, 1 bath, CH/A, \$435. month, \$200. deposit. Call (432)263-1792, 816-9984.

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712 GOLIAD. 3 Bedroom. Stove furnished. Washer & dryer connections, CH/A. \$550. month, \$275. deposit. No HUD. No Bills Paid. Call (432)267-2296.

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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Date: _____

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Write one word on each line:

Up to 25 words: ☐ Sunday Only \$19.50 ☐ One weekday only \$12.25 ☐ Two Consecutive Days \$16.50 ☐ Three Consecutive days \$20.25 ☐ Four Consecutive Days \$23.50 ☐ Five Consecutive Days \$25.75 ☐ Six Consecutive Days \$27.00 ☐ Two weeks \$51.00 ☐ Three Weeks \$64.50 ☐ Four weeks \$75.00 ☐ Garage Sales (3 days) \$16.75
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	Dallas	Midland	Spanish	Odessa	Odessa	Telemundo	Midland	Atlanta	Odessa	Odessa	Discovery	Classics	Spike TV	Atlanta	Black Ent.	Disney	Sports	Sports	Science Fic.
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11 PM	Entertainment	Jimmy Kimmel	Incognito	King of the Hill	Leherman	Laura	Al Rolo Vivo	Late Night	Sign Off	Jeopardy	Puppet Master	Movie: The	CSI: Crime	Movie: Once	Movie: Once	Movie: Once	Boxing: Friday	Boxing: Friday	Stargate
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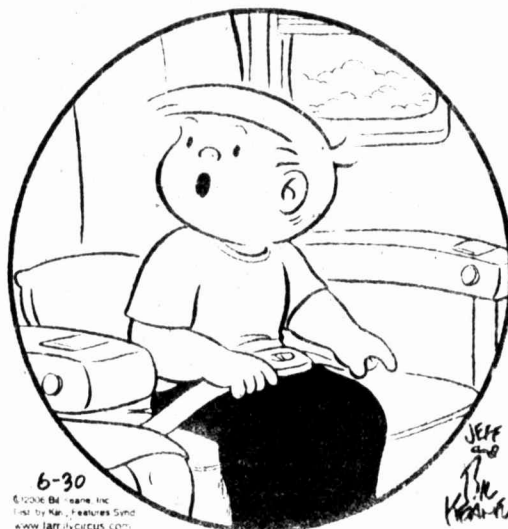
DENNIS THE MENACE



"HAVE FUN, DEAR... BUT DON'T GET DIRTY."

"SO... WHICH DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"They oughta have glass-bottom planes, so we can see what we're flying over."

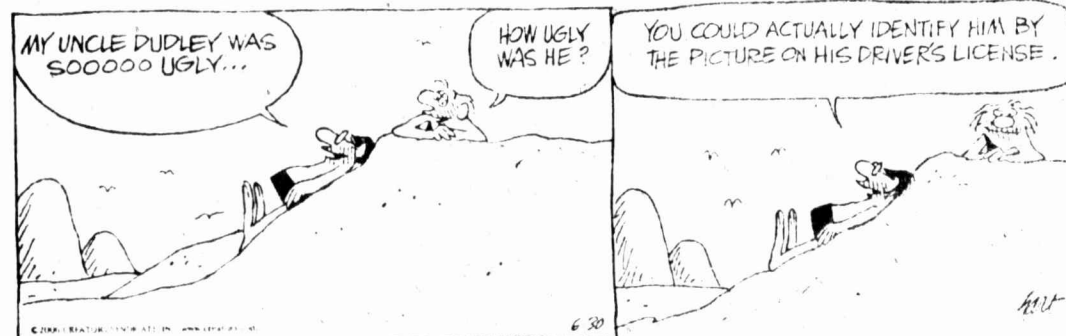
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, June 30, the 181st day of 2006. There are 184 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 30, 1986, President Theodore Roosevelt signed into law the Pure Food and Drug Act and the Meat Inspection Act.

On this date:

In 1859, French acrobat Blondin (born Jean Francois Gravelet) crossed Niagara Falls on a tightrope as 5,000 spectators watched.

In 1921, President Harding appointed former President Taft chief justice of the United States.

In 1934, Adolf Hitler began his "blood purge" of political and military leaders in Germany.

In 1936, the novel "Gone with the Wind" by Margaret Mitchell was published in New York.

In 1952, "The Guiding Light," a popular radio program, made its TV debut on CBS.

In 1963, Pope Paul VI was crowned the 262nd head of the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1971, a Soviet space mission ended in tragedy when three cosmonauts aboard Soyuz 11 were found dead inside their spacecraft after it had returned to Earth.

In 1971, the 26th Amendment to the Constitution, lowering the minimum voting age to 18, was ratified as Ohio became the 38th state to approve it.

In 1985, 39 American hostages from a hijacked TWA jetliner were freed in Beirut after being held 17 days.

In 1986, in a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court ruled that states could outlaw homosexual acts between consenting adults (however, the nation's highest court effectively overturned this decision in 2003).

One year ago, Federal Reserve policymakers boosted the federal funds rate by a quarter-point to 3.25 percent, the ninth such consecutive increase. Spain became the third country to legalize gay marriage.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Lena Horne is 89. Actor Tony Musante is 70. Actress

Nancy Dussault is 70. Singer Glenn Shorrock is 62. Rock musician Hal Lindes (Dire Straits) is 53. Actor-comedian David Alan Grier is 51. Actor Vincent D'Onofrio is 47. Actor Rupert Graves is 43. Boxer Mike Tyson is 40. Rock musician Tom Drummond (Better Than Ezra) is 37. Actor Brian Bloom is 36. Actor Brian Vincent is 36. Actress Monica Potter is 35. Rhythm-and-blues singer Fantasia ("American Idol") is 22.

Thought for Today: "The good Lord set definite limits on man's wisdom, but set no limits on his stupidity... and that's not fair!" — Konrad Adenauer, German statesman (1876-1967).

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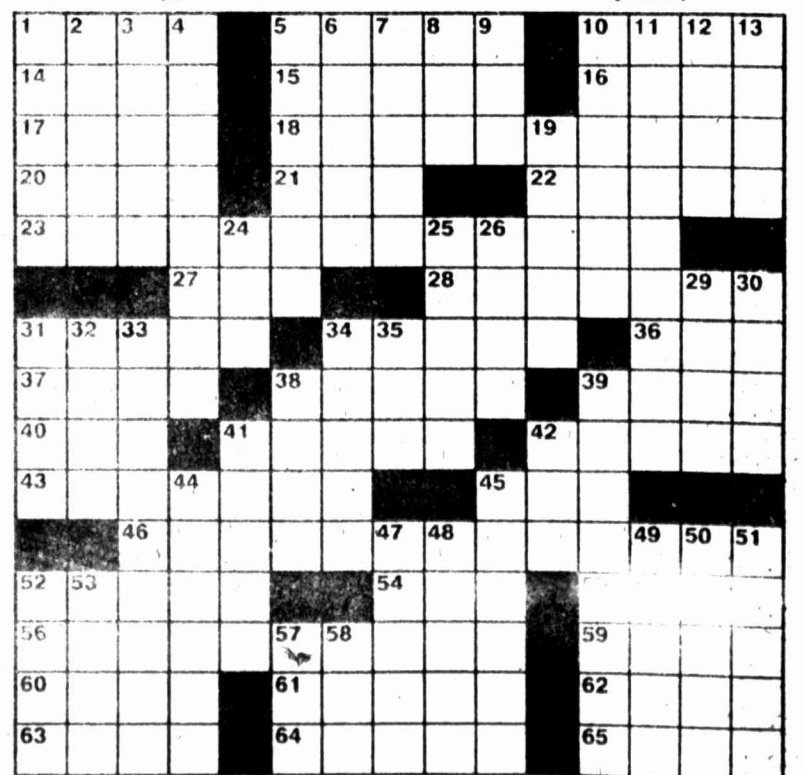
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- 1 Urgent letters
 - 5 Weasel cousin
 - 10 Silver-screen stinker
 - 14 Poetic ravine
 - 15 Anthony Adverse author
 - 16 John Wayne's home state
 - 17 Rain-deprived
 - 18 Laura Dern film of '86
 - 20 Munro's pen name
 - 21 Feedbag morsel
 - 22 Blood partner
 - 23 Richard Gere film of '84
 - 27 High points
 - 28 Car-wash step
 - 31 Quick increase
 - 34 Secret rendezvous
 - 36 South American resort
 - 37 Superlative rating
 - 38 Puglist's ploy
 - 39 Author Ferber
 - 40 Sistine Chapel depiction
 - 41 He spoke for Rubble
 - 42 Liability's counterpart
 - 43 Cub's mom
 - 45 Fields persona
 - 46 Fred Astaire film of '57
 - 52 Common computer font
 - 54 Pray: Lat.
 - 55 Greedy one's want
 - 56 Ben Affleck film of '04
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- 1 "Stop your sloop!"
 - 2 Isaac's mother
 - 3 The same
 - 4 Treat for the feet
 - 5 Wooden shoes
 - 6 _ once (suddenly)
 - 7 Popeye's punching bag
 - 8 2005 Oscar director
 - 9 SASE part
 - 10 Top off
 - 11 Affectionate pair
 - 12 Is short by
 - 13 Way to go
 - 19 D-sharp equivalent
 - 24 Choose (to)
 - 25 "Bye, Bye, Bye" group
 - 26 Damage, so to speak
 - 29 Small square
 - 30 Cashmere source
 - 31 Loses vigor
 - 32 Dismissive exclamation
 - 33 Not wished for
 - 34 Splits in two, perhaps
 - 35 _ Tin Tin
 - 38 Criticism
 - 39 Ballpark figure
 - 41 Scarlett O'Hara, e.g.
 - 42 NASA affirmative
 - 44 Objectivity obstacles
 - 45 Prepared fish
 - 47 Transparent fabric
 - 48 Senator Hatch
 - 49 Without nominal value
 - 50 Telejournalist Van Susteren
 - 51 Genders
 - 52 Open a tad
 - 53 Work over
 - 57 Way out there
 - 58 Day-__ paint



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