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United Way donations falling far behind

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

As the head of the local United Way, Cynthia Scott is by nature an optimist — but she's also realistic enough to admit that this year's fund-raising drive faces an uphill struggle.

More than a month into the 2005 campaign, the United Way has not even reached a quarter of its goal of $300,000, Scott said Tuesday.



Scott

Without exact figures at hand, Scott said the UW campaign had raised between $45,000 and $50,000. In comparison, at this stage of the drive last year, the drive had raised more than $40,000 just from one division.

That division, the Pacesetters, is lagging far behind 2004's efforts. The division, which collects individual donations in excess of $1,000, has collected only $15,000 so far, she said.

The Community division, which collects small individual donations, has collected about $2,300 so far this year, down from $5,400 at this time last year.

All of which has caused Scott to admit that things could be going better.

"It's mainly because of Pacesetters ... they're supposed to set the pace, and they're at about a third of where they were last year, so that's definitely a cause for concern," Scott said.

This year's drive is not totally devoid of good news, however. Big Spring Independent School District employees have exceeded their contribution last year by $3,000.

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UNITED WAY FACTS

Goal: $300,000

Raised so far: Between $45,000 and $50,000.

Serves: 15 local agencies.

Campaign ends: Nov. 11

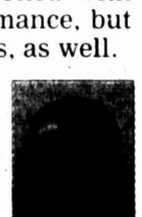
To help: Call Cynthia Scott at 267-5201, go by the United Way office at 808 Scurry or send a donation to P.O. Box 24, Big Spring, 79721.

No child left behind report due

❑ Big Spring ISD trustees convene at 5:15 p.m. Thursday.

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

The federal No Child Left Behind program is not only concerned with student performance, but that of teachers, as well.



Downes

As part of NCLB mandates, the Big Spring Independent School District will release results of its Highly Qualified Teacher Report when trustees hold their regular monthly meeting at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in the high school board room.

"Because of the No Child Left Behind program, we have to annually report to the state and federal government on the status of our teachers, whether they're highly qualified or not," said BSISD Superintendent Michael Downes. "This is the first year for this report."

Following a variety of grading criteria, teachers during the 2004-05 school year were evaluated and then rated either Highly Qualified or Not Qualified, Downes said.

Based on those guidelines, 96.28 percent of Big Spring teachers were rated Highly Qualified, he noted.

Of the remainder, most have either left the teaching profession, were not rehired for the current school year or are undergoing remedial training.

Also Thursday, trustees will hear from a parent appealing a disciplinary action taken against a BSISD student.

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KRT photo/Charles Dharapak

Rep. Tom DeLay (R-TX), the Majority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, speaks to the media. DeLay was indicted by an Austin grand jury in September on conspiracy charges regarding campaign donations.

Fighting back

DeLay lawyers subpoena prosecutor Earle, accusing him of misconduct

By LARRY MARGASAK
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Indicted Rep. Tom DeLay's attorneys turned the tables on a Texas prosecutor Tuesday, delivering a subpoena to compel his testimony about his conduct with grand jurors.

Defense attorney Dick DeGuerin, who contends there was misconduct by prosecutors, said Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle refused the subpoena at his Austin office when he declined to sign a paper acknowledging its delivery. Earle said he had voluntarily accepted the subpoena.

The subpoena is part of the defense tactic to have charges dismissed before trial against DeLay, R-Texas, who was obligated to temporarily step aside as House majority leader when charged with conspiracy and money laundering in a state campaign finance investigation. DeLay has denied any wrongdoing.

DeGuerin wants Earle and two of his assistants to testify, alleging prosecutors had improper contact with two grand juries that indicted DeLay and one that refused to file charges.

DeGuerin said he would have Earle's

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Atmos playing the 'rate game,' says McEwen

City council to join investigation into energy company surcharge

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

It's just part of the "rate game."

That's what Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen thinks of Tuesday night's decision by the city council to join a steering committee aimed at investigating an Atmos Energy surcharge approved by the Texas Legislature earlier this year.

McEwen said the surcharge, which was intended by the legislature to help the energy company improve its infrastructure, is yet another situation where a utility company is forcing West Texas cities to go to the bargaining table for rate increases.

"It's one of those things that are just so frustrating," said McEwen. "You play a game. It's that 'rate game' that we do every single time where these people are saying they need a rate that's higher than what they actually need, and then they adjust it down almost every single time."

McEwen said Atmos' interpretation of the law — and the definition of infrastructure — leaves much to the imagination, a claim more than 20 cities in the company's service area are contesting.

"The legislation, as we understand it, is for infrastructure, meaning pipes and those types of things," said McEwen. "What we're seeing in the Atmos filing is $1,000 chairs and $4,000 personal computers. I don't know exactly what those kinds of things are."

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Todd Darden, director of public works for the city, said the committee, spearheaded by Geoffrey Gay of the Lloyd Gosselink law firm in Austin, will investigate the filing with all attorney fees to be reimbursed later by Atmos.

"The way we understand the law, it is to allow them to make improvements to their infrastructure," Darden told the council. "Replacing such things as pipelines or gas meters — that type of improvements. What we've found through analyzing the filing is there is some data in there that doesn't meet our estimation of the law. It includes office, equipment and computers."

Darden said the resolution, which passed unanimously Tuesday evening, will give the steering committee a 45-day period to investigate the proposed surcharge.

"We want to make sure we're getting the best

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DON'T LOOK UP!

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — If you're walking under the chair lift at the South Carolina State Fair — watch out for spit!

About 80 mostly middle school-aged kids were caught spitting on people from the ride Monday, according to the Richland County Sheriff's Department.

Spitting from rides has always been a problem, and students observing the Columbus Day holiday didn't help. Saturday will be bad, too, police said.

Those caught spitting are taken to a sheriff's substation until their parents come for them, and they are not allowed to return to the fair this year.

The annual 11-day event ends Sunday.

DINE OUT DAY

Greg's Grill, located inside the Big Spring Mall, will be the Dine Out Day restaurant Friday for United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

A portion of the restaurant's proceeds that day will be donated to United Way.

The following Friday, the Dine Out Day restaurant will be Gale's Sweet Shoppe. Then, on Oct. 28, the Dine Out Day restaurant will be La Posada.

United Way of Big Spring and Howard County serves 15 local agencies. For more information about United Way, call 267-5201.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

The annual Blessing of the Animals will be held beginning at 5:30 p.m. today at St. Mary's Church, 10th and Goliad.

According to the church, the point of the service is to help everyone become more thankful for their pets and more aware of their responsibilities for all of nature.

Dogs, cats, goldfish, sheep, snakes and stuffed animals have been blessed in the past.

There will be no collection but donations of dog and cat food for the Howard County Humane Society will be appreciated.

Every pet — suitably restrained — is invited.

Obituaries

Jeremy J. Balios Jr.

Jeremy J. Balios Jr., infant son of Misty Mayo and Jeremy James Balios Sr., of Big Spring died Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2005, in an Odessa hospital. Funeral services are 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, 2005, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Jeremy was born Aug. 25, 2005, in Odessa.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his twin brother, Jordan Ray Balios; his grandparents, Brenda Balios, Mark Balios and Virginia Dianne Mayo, all of Big Spring; his aunts and uncles, Jordan Dean Balios, Brandi Mayo and Jason Mayo, all of Big Spring and Kristi Mayo of Midland.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Ray Mayo.

The family suggests memorials be made to Odessa Regional Hospital, NeoNatal Unit, 520 E. Sixth Street, Odessa 79761.

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

'Cleo' Byers

"Cleo" Byers, 97, of Big Spring died Saturday, Oct. 8, 2005, in a local hospital. Funeral services are 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2005, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Arnold Tonn, pastor of Spring Tabernacle, officiating. Interment will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Oct. 8, 1908, in Mart and married James Troy Byers July 25, 1925, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death Sept. 19, 1958. She came to Big Spring in 1911 and worked as a licensed vocational nurse at Cowper Hospital for 18 years and at the Bennett House for eight years. She had been a member of First Baptist Church since 1925.

Survivors include three sons, Dewey Byers of Big Spring, James L. Byers of Kingsland and Melvin Byers of Siloam Springs, Ark.; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and eight nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by two daughters, Bonnie Melton in 1991 and Janetta Whetsel in 1999, two sisters, three brothers, one grandchild, two brothers-in-law and two sisters-in-law.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society in care of Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring 79721-2121.

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

Take note

• **AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 BARBECUE** begins at noon Saturday. Carry-out is available until 1 p.m. Plates are $7. The post is located at 3203 W. Highway 80. Call 263-2084.

• **BIG SPRING NEIGHBORS AND NEWCOMERS** meet at 11:45 p.m. Thursday at the Big Spring Country Club. For more information, contact Ann Ward, publicity chairman, at 263-5650.

• **MARCY ELEMENTARY FALL FESTIVAL** is set for 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. Oct. 22. Chili dogs, nachos and frito pies are some of the items available to purchase. Tickets are 25 cents each and may be purchased at the door. Children may wear costumes, but frightening costumes are not allowed.

• **BSHS JUNIOR CLASS TAILGATE FUND-RAISER** set for Oct. 28 before the football game in the parking lot of Memorial Stadium. Parents are selling hamburgers or cheeseburgers, chips, drinks and cookies for $5. All proceeds go toward the junior-senior high prom. Call Angela Phernetton at 213-3119 for more information.

• **HOWARD COUNTY MUZZLELOADERS RENDEZVOUS** is set for Thursday through Sunday on Old Gail Road in Vealmore. For more information, call 264-0024.

• **POTTED FALL MUMS TO BENEFIT THE BSHS CARNEGIE HALL BAND TRIP** are on sale now at Johansen's Nursery for $15 while supplies last.

• **PAVING THE ROAD TO CARNEGIE HALL FALL FESTIVAL** is set for Saturday at the high school. Proceeds from the concessions and rides will be used for the BSHS band trip in June of 2006. Band students have the $10 tickets for the festival on sale. Or call 267-1325 for more information or to buy a ticket.

• **EARLY DISMISSAL FOR BIG SPRING STUDENTS** Nov. 4 for the football game in Plainview. Bauer Elementary sidmisses at 2 p.m.; all other elementary and secondayr schools dismiss at 2:15 p.m. Call 264-3600 for more information.

• **DENISE ZUBER WAS BORN AUG. 8, 1968 TO A GONZALES FAMILY IN BIG SPRING** and placed for adoption. She now lives in Minnesota and hopes to contact relatives in Big Spring. Anyone with information may e-mail her at nan_del@earthlink.net with Big Spring Adoption in the subject line. Or write to her, Denise Zuber, 9173 Vincent Ave So., Bloomington MN 55431-2155.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. today:

• **FRANCISCO JESUS NIETO,** 26, of 1901 Hilltop, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of burglary of a building.

• **ANDY YBARRA,** 33, of 1404 Tucson, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated - second offense.

• **GEORGE COKER,** 54, of 105 W. Eighth Street, was arrested Tuesday on a Howard County warrant.

• **CHRISTENE BEAM,** 24, of 1308 E. 17th Street, was arrested Tuesday and held for the HCSO.

• **THEFT** was reported:
- in the 900 block of Willia.
- in the 300 block of Owens.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 1000 block of Third Street.

• **ASSAULT/CLASS C** was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg Street.

Sheriff's report

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

• **JOHNNY RAY PAYNE JR.,** 26, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of theft of services and criminal trespass.

• **JEREMY JAMES WHITE,** 26, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• **NICK HERNANDEZ,** 27, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated - second offense.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following activity:

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of Pennsylvania and Martin Luther King Blvd. Two people were transported to SMMC.

• **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to the VAMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 100 block of Jonesboro Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 300 block of N.E. 11th Place. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **TRAUMA** was reported in the 400 block of N.E. 10th Street. Service was refused.

Weather

Tonight...Increasing clouds. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s. South winds around 10 mph shifting to the northwest after midnight.

Thursday...Mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 60s. East winds around 10 mph.

Thursday night...Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s. Southeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Friday...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 70s. Light and variable winds.

Friday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s.

Saturday...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 70s.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s.

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.

Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s.

Monday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.

Monday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.

Lottery

The jackpot in the multi-state Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to $77 million Tuesday.

None of the tickets sold for Tuesday's $65 million drawing matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball. The next drawing will be Friday.

The winning numbers from Tuesday's drawing were: 24-30-42-53-54. The Mega Ball number was 20.

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Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 7-14-20-22-34.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

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TODAY

• Blood drive sponsored by Senior Circle is set for 9 a.m. unil 3 p.m. in the parking lot of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. To make an appointment, call Anita Cline, Senior Circle advisor at 268-4721.

• Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

• Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.

• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

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

THURSDAY

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

• Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

• Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.

• Friends of the Library meets at noon in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

• Big Spring Main Street meets at noon in the Railroad Museum located at Second and Main streets.

• American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.

• The Prospector's Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at 606 E. Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. For more information contact Lola Lamb at 263-3340 or Doyle and Virginia McClain at 263-8407.

• Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-5650 for more information.

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

FRIDAY

• Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Members bring their own lunch. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281.

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

• Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• Big Spring High School Harley Davidson Pep Rally at 3 p.m. at Blankenship Field. Public invited.

• 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

• American Legion Post No. 506 barbecue begins at noon. 3203 W. Highway 80. Call 263-2084.

• Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Goliad and First streets for a meal with a meeting to follow.

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

• Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

Support groups

THURSDAY

• Narcotics Anonymous, non-smoking discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 N. Hwy 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

FRIDAY

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon 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.

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AG: Give Miers time to explain her views to nation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Alberto Gonzales asserted Wednesday that Supreme Court nominee Harriet Miers would bring "a unique brand of experience" to the high court and that critics will feel comfortable when they get to know her.

Gonzales, himself once considered a leading candidate for a vacancy there, said there is "nothing unique or earth-shattering" about Miers' nomination and said people should give her time to say who she is and what she believes.

President Bush "has a wonderful track record" in naming judges, Gonzales, a longtime Bush aide and confidant, said in an interview on ABC's "Good Morning America.

He said the Miers nomination "is consistent with that model."

"She is a person who believes in judicial restraint, understands the proper role of a judge," Gonzales said. "She is uniquely qualified. She will bring a diversity of experience."



KRT photo/Chuck Kennedy

White House Counsel Harriet Miers, President Bush's nominee to serve as an associate justice on the Supreme Court, meets with Senator Sam Brownback (R-KS), in his office on Capitol Hill.

"She is going to bring, in my judgment, a unique brand of experience to the court that will strengthen the court," Gonzales added when asked about criticism, much of it from conservative Republicans, that Miers lacks legal stature for the job.

As confirmation hearings commence, likely in November, people will have a chance to learn more about Miers, who succeeded Gonzales in the position of White House counsel, he noted.

Gonzales said he shares Bush's confidence in Miers' confirmation prospects and predicted that the controversy will fade after people have had an "ample opportunity" to hear from her.

He also reiterated Bush's statement that Miers was not asked to state her views on the Roe v. Wade decision giving women a constitutional right to abortion.

"There is no litmus test at the White House," Gonzales said.

Asked in an interview on FOX News Channel's "Fox & Friends" about criticisms of cronyism from some Democrats because of her longtime friendship with Bush, Gonzales said, "I don't think you should be disqualified from being considered for an important position simply because you have a relationship with the person making the decision on who to nominate."

Iraqis reach breakthrough on constitution; bloc drops opposition

By LEE KEATH
Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — At least one Sunni Arab party said it would now urge its followers to approve Iraq's constitution in this weekend's referendum following a breakthrough deal on the charter reached by Iraqi negotiators.

Under the deal, the two sides agreed on a mechanism to consider amending the constitution after it is approved in Saturday's referendum. The next parliament, to be formed in December, will set up a commission to consider amendments, which would later have to be approved by parliament and submitted to a referendum.

The agreement, reached Tuesday, boosts the chances that the draft constitution will be passed in Saturday's nationwide vote. Shiite and Kurdish leaders support the draft and the United States has been eager to see it approved to avert months more of political turmoil, delaying plans to start a withdrawal of U.S. forces.

In return, the agreement guarantees Sunni Arabs the ability to try later to introduce major changes they want, aimed at reducing the autonomous powers that Shiites and Kurds would have under the federal system created by the charter.

"The important principle here is that this provides an assurance (to Sunnis) that this constitution is not the end of history but is subject to amendment," said Ridha Jawad Taqi of the Supreme Council of the Islamic Revolution in Iraq.

U.S. officials have pushed the three days of negotiations between Shiite and Kurdish leaders in the government and Sunni Arab officials, that concluded with marathon talks at the house of President Jalal Talabani late Tuesday.

A top Sunni negotiator, Ayad al-Samarraie of the Iraqi Islamic Party, said the measure would allow it to "stop the campaign rejecting the constitution and we will call on Sunni Arabs to vote yes." It was unclear if parliament would formally vote on the new deal, with some lawmakers saying that measure may be read to the National Assembly on Wednesday.

But other major Sunni parties were not present at the negotiations, and at least one senior Sunni leader, Saleh al-Mutlaq, said he was not yet convinced by the measure.

"The Islamic party was participating alone in these negotiations and making its own decisions," al-Mutlaq said. "This is strange because the Iraqi Islamic party does not represent all the Sunni Arabs but only a small percentage of them."

But the announcement was the first break in the ranks of Sunni Arab leaders and will likely deeply undermine the campaign to defeat the constitution at the polls. Sunni-led insurgents have demanded a boycott of the election and threatened those who would vote.

The agreement outlines four additions to the document being considered Saturday that outline how future amendments will be made.

The draft constitution has already been printed by the United Nations and millions of copies are being distributed to the public for Saturday's vote, so the new additions cannot be included.

Instead they will be announced in the press, particularly on television, since many Iraqis are glued to their sets during the current Islamic holy month of Ramadan to watch popular holiday programming, said Ali al-Dabagh, a Shiite negotiator.

The central addition allows the next parliament, which will be formed in Dec. 15 elections, to form the commission, which will have four months to consider changes to the constitution. The changes would be approved by the entire parliament, then a referendum would be held two months later.

That is no guarantee that Sunnis will be able to make the changes they seek. They are likely to have a stronger representation in the next parliament but would still face a strong Shiite and Kurdish majority that would likely oppose major changes.

Sunnis fear that the draft constitution as it stands will fragment Iraq, because it allows Shiites and Kurds to create mini-states in the oil-rich north and south.

Aid begins pouring into earthquake-stricken region

By SADAQAT JAN
Associated Press Writer

MUZAFFARABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Four days after Zarabe Shah's home crumbled on her, rescuers pulled the dust-covered 5-year-old out of the rubble Wednesday, a shot of good news as hopes faded of finding other earthquake survivors.

"I want to drink," the girl whispered.

The day before, Zarabe's neighbors recovered the bodies of her father and two sisters. Her mother and another two sisters survived Saturday's quake.

Helicopters flying in clear skies delivered aid to victims Wednesday, a day after rain and hail grounded efforts. Relief supplies poured into Pakistan from about 30 countries, including longtime rival India.

The Indian effort was not without a glitch, as a plane from New Delhi was forced to turn around within 10 minutes of takeoff because Pakistan said there was no room to land at the airport near Islamabad. The plane later landed with 25 tons of supplies.

Many bodies were still buried beneath leveled buildings, and the United Nations warned of the threat of measles, cholera and diarrhea outbreaks among the millions of survivors.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, who is on a regional tour, arrived in Islamabad and promised long-term U.S. help for Pakistan. She also predicted more American aid beyond the $50 million already committed.

In Washington, Pentagon spokesman Larry Di Rita said 25-30 U.S. military helicopters would be in the region in the next few days.

The 7.6-magnitude earthquake demolished whole communities, mostly in the Himalayan region of Kashmir. The U.N. estimated that 2 million people have been left homeless.

U.S., Pakistani, German and Afghan helicopters resumed aid flights suspended because of stormy weather. They brought food, medicines and other supplies to Muzaffarabad, the capital of Pakistan's portion of divided Kashmir, and then ferried out the injured to hospitals. Some 50,000 Pakistani troops joined the relief effort.

Pakistani Prime Minister Shaukat Aziz said small aircraft were able to land at the airport in Muzaffarabad, but C-130 transport planes were only able to airdrop equipment and supplies.

Residents in Muzaffarabad were desperate, mobbing trucks with food and water and grabbing whatever they could. The weak were pushed aside.

Jan Vandemoortele, U.N. resident coordinator for Pakistan, said key roads into the quake zone that were blocked earlier have been opened up. U.S. military spokesman Col. James Yonts said that with the resumption of flights, helicopters were able to unplug any backlog of aid.

About 30 countries and the United Nations have sent relief equipment.

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Bonnie Fuqua, 91, died Saturday. Graveside Services were at 10:00 AM Wednesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

United Way needs us all to contribute

The challenge was issued. However, whether or not our community is willing to answer by donating to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County as never before remains to be seen.

Howard County has time and time again answered the call when good causes have arrived and it's time to do so again, because the United Way's 2005 fund-raising campaign goal is $300,000.

United Way officials increased this year's original goal of $250,000 in response to a challenge from Mayor Russ McEwen, who cited the growing needs of 15 member agencies and the needs of Hurricane Katrina evacuees.

Last year's campaign fell just short of its quarter-million-dollar goal and the only way to keep that from happening again is if each one of us remembers that we need to do our part for those less fortunate here in our community.

So far, it doesn't sound as if we're getting the message, because to date the drive has only raised about $50,000. That won't get the job done.

The agencies that receive funds from the United Way — the West Texas Chapter of the American Red Cross, Boys Club of Big Spring, Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America, Council on Aging, Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, Humane Society, Northside Community Center, Victim Services, The Salvation Army, West Side Community Center, West Side Day Care Center, West Texas Girl Scout Council, Isaiah 58, CASA of West Texas and the YMCA of Big Spring — help our friends and neighbors that need a helping hand.

The donations or pledges you make to the United Way don't leave our community. Every dollar raised by this year's campaign will be used here. That's why it's so important that our focus be on reaching that goal, so those agencies will be able to better serve the public.

Obviously, that's where we all come in. The United Way's campaign can only be successful if each of us does his or her part.

Yes, gasoline prices have us all hedging our bets. And energy prices mean higher prices on everything we use on a daily basis. It's easy to think you just can afford to give to one more charitable cause right now.

But rising prices are the reason all of us need to answer the United Way challenge this year. Rising prices mean stretched budgets for charitable organizations at a time when more and more people living on the edge will look to United Way agencies for help. So, as we continually note at this time of year, none of us needs to give until it hurts. Simply giving what we can honestly afford will suffice.

And if we do only that, raising $300,000 won't be such a tall order.

More importantly, by each of us doing our part, all our lives will be richer.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we fully concentrate on a heavenly project today, Lord.

Amen

Slapstick, vaudeville at The Silver Spur

When Penny and Grainger Esch married three years ago in Salado, they had an idea to start a theater. Both had performing backgrounds.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

"I was a Ringling Brothers and Bailey Circus clown for several years," said Grainger. "I traveled with the greatest show on earth. After doing a few years with them, I migrated out to California, worked from gig to gig. I worked at Universal Studios theme park. I was Stan Laurel out there, worked in movies and television, doing commercials."

Penny worked in movies, too. "Really, like Grainger, just gig to gig in whatever you could find out there because there's a million people out there trying to do the same thing you're doing."

They met while both were working on the movie, "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" with Jim Carrey.

"It was almost until the production was over before we knew what each other looked like," says Penny. "We had prosthetic makeup and foam body pods and wigs."

They grew tired of the Hollywood scene and decided they wanted to realize their dream of owning a theater. They sold their home in California, went to Salado and turned an old granary into a theater they named The Silver Spur. It has been open a year.

I had a great time visiting with these two. Their enthusiasm, energy and dedication are amazing. Grainger can leap flat-footed from the floor of the theater to the stage, a jump of four feet. They went through their entire range of sound effects for me.

"What we do is combine live vaudeville acts with classic cinema," says Grainger. "We do comedy routines. We have a sing-along at the end of every show. There's always live music. We show movies generally from the '20s and '30s, a lot of them silent movies with live music accompaniment and live sound effects. We do a lot of slapstick comedy, good old fashioned family entertainment."

Penny says they sometimes bring in other acts like a juggler, magician or fire-eater. The theater has state of the art sound and light systems and digital video projection. It seats 150 people and has performances Friday and Saturday nights and matinees on Saturdays and Sundays.

"This is our dream," says Penny. "I mean we're in it for the long haul. If we, by golly, have to turn this thing back into a granary to make it work, we will."

Grainger, tongue in cheek, echoes her feeling: "That's our next project, take a theater and turn it into a granary. I think that'll be a lot easier."

When Penny was visiting Universal Studios, she had her picture made with the character that played Stan Laurel. Little did she realize she would end up mar-



State's leaders need to really lead

Texas — the land of rugged individuality, entrepreneurs and self-made leaders. These are the traits that made our state known worldwide for its leaders and bravado. Regrettably, our current governor is not living up to our ability. Gov. Perry has and is providing lackluster leadership in caring for our state's elderly.



D. KEITH PERRY

Texas will soon be the lowest paying state in the nation for its 60,000 state-funded nursing home residents. In 2006, we will have gone five years without a true cost-of-living adjustment and, in fact, have endured two plus years of actual Medicaid cuts in reimbursement.

According to the governor's own staff in a report to the Legislature this spring, Texas nursing homes were 25 percent under funded at the end of 2004. We now estimate that number to be closer to 30 percent.

Current estimates show that each Medicaid nursing home resident is under funded by $25 to $40 per day. This translates to approximately $9,000 to $15,000 per resident per years.

During the session, the governor's staff supported a bill to increase funding for nursing homes by 19 percent, only to withdraw that support on the last weekend of the session.

As a result, Texas nursing homes are facing a financial crisis unprecedented in our state's history. We are being asked to go two more years with funding levels lower than 2001. Numerous facilities have already filed for bankruptcy, including facilities in Abilene. Most other facilities are struggling to make ends meet while still providing quality care to our elderly citizens.

Sears Methodist Retirement System has seen its losses on Medicaid more than double in the last two years to almost $2 million in 2004. In 2005, our losses will exceed $2 million.

During the session, Sears submitted a plan to our legislative leadership in Austin which would have helped our current and future crisis. The plan would entail closing older, out-of-date facilities — facilities with historically poor performance — and redirecting those sources to newer, more modern and better performing homes.

Second, Sears supported a complex funding arrangement which would have generated hundreds of millions in revenue for Texas nursing homes. Alas, our leadership did not want to tackle the issues these proposals entailed. So it did nothing in exchange.

No facility or system can sustain losing $2 million per year and stay in business, let along provide the kind of care today's increasingly frail senior population dictates and deserves. It is indeed an embarrassment to our great state that Texas will be at the very bottom of all states in its care for the elderly and frail.

What will it take for our governor and our legislative leaders to step up and provide the kind of leadership we need to tackle Texas' issues?

Problems don't go away — they only get bigger and more expensive. Let's not wait and put the burden for leadership on the backs of the Texas courts. Let's show the courage to resolve our multiple crises through sound planning and honest leadership.

It is time for Gov. Perry to convene a leadership summit and commit to the public a plan to put the needs of our citizens first.

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"That kind of makes up the difference for what we haven't received from the Community division," she said.

The drive, which commenced on Sept. 7, will continue through Nov. 11. Officials plan a campaign luncheon on Oct. 25 to further assess the situation. Guest speaker for the luncheon will be Dr. David Watts, president of the University of Texas - Permian Basin.

In addition, local radio station KBST will host a Fright Fest Halloween Dance Oct. 29 at the Stampede. Jody Nix and his band will provide music, and admission is $25 per couple.

Despite admitting that the drive now faces an uphill climb, Scott said the situation is far from hopeless.

"I think the people of Big Spring will pull through for us," she said. "We just need to remind them ... to fill out their donation cards and send them in ... We need to tell them to open up their checkbooks and open up their hearts and help the people in our community."

Local agencies served by the United Way are: Victim Services; Westside Community Center; Westside Day Care Center; Girl Scouts of America; Big Spring YMCA; West Texas Chapter of the American Red Cross; Boy's Club of Big Spring; Big Spring Humane Society; Buffalo Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America; Council on Aging; CASA of West Texas; Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center; Isaiah 58; Northside Community Center; and the Salvation Army.

For more information, or to make a donation, contact the local United Way office at 267-5201.

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COUNCIL

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bang for our buck," said McEwen. "We want to make sure they aren't surcharging our customers and the citizens of our community for things that shouldn't be in that particular situation."

Other outcomes during Tuesday's meeting:

• Randy Gee will continue to serve on the Howard County Joint Tax Appraisal District board of directors for 2006 and 2007.

• The council adopted a pair of amendments to its procedures for the abatement of weeds and other public nuisances. The city will now only be required to send out a notice to property owners in violation of city code once per calendar year. The city will also be allowed to cut down weeds or grass higher than 48 inches without notice to the property owner.

The city rejected new legislation allowing for a seven-day waiting period following notice of code violation, deciding to stay with the existing 10-day waiting period.

• The council adopted an ordinance that will allow veterinarians performing rabies shots on an animal to register the animal with the city — currently required by city code — with a $1 portion of the fee going to the vet for administration costs.

• Mary Gressett of Forsan was approved to serve on the Howard County 911 Communication District board of directors.

• Murray Murphy was re-approved to serve on the Firefighter's Civil Service Commission.

• Bonnie Lambert was appointed to the final open seat on the city's Animal Control Committee.

The council will not meet again until November due to scheduling conflicts with the annual Texas Municipal League conference.

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DELAY

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subpoena redelivered Wednesday. Earle responded that it wasn't necessary.

"It was not a properly prepared subpoena but we accepted service voluntarily anyway," the prosecutor said.

DeGuerin also asked that grand jurors be released from their secrecy oath so they could answer questions about the prosecutor's conduct.

Earle's office said in a written statement, "Because of laws protecting grand jury secrecy, there are limitations to what we can say at this time, but we fully expect to prevail in this matter."

DeGuerin wants Earle to answer 12 questions about conversations he had with grand jurors, including whether the prosecutor became angry when a grand jury decided against an indictment of DeLay and why that decision was not publicly released.

He also wants to know the details of Earle's conversation with William Gibson, foreman of a grand jury that indicted DeLay on conspiracy charges, whose term has since ended.

"If you did nothing improper, you should not be concerned about answering these questions," DeGuerin said in his letter to Earle.

Earle, leading a Texas campaign finance investigation that indicted DeLay and two political associates, went to three grand juries. He presented evidence on DeLay's alleged role in funneling corporate money to Texas legislative candidates in violation of state law.

The first grand jury indicted DeLay on conspiracy charges, the second failed to indict and the third indicted him on an allegation of money laundering. DeLay has said he is innocent of wrongdoing.

DeLay has accused Earle — a Democrat — of pursuing the case against him for political reasons. Earle has denied any political motives.

In a motion filed last week, the defense team said that from Sept. 29 through Oct. 3, Earle and his staff "unlawfully participated in grand jury deliberations and attempted to browbeat and coerce" the grand jury that refused to indict DeLay.

The motion said Earle then attempted to cover up and delay public disclosure of the refusal, and also "incited" the foreman of the first grand jury to violate grand jury secrecy by talking publicly about the case — in an effort to influence grand jurors still sitting.

The foreman, William Gibson, gave media interviews after the grand jury finished its work but told The Associated Press that Earle did not ask him to discuss the case.

"That's a bunch of (expletive) there," Gibson said. "That man did not talk to me."

He said Earle advised him and other grand jurors to keep an open mind as they considered evidence and cautioned them, "What goes on behind closed doors is secret."

The lawyers said Earle then spoke about the case with members of the first grand jury, whose work was finished, to get their opinion of what they might have done if they had known their conspiracy indictment was flawed — as defense attorneys alleged.

Earle then submitted the grand jury opinions to the third grand jury to persuade it to hand down the money laundering indictment, the defense team contended.

The indictments against DeLay triggered a House Republican rule that forced him to step aside — at least temporarily — from his post as majority leader.

Both indictments of DeLay focused on an alleged scheme to move money around and conceal the use of corporate contributions to support Texas Republican legislative candidates. State law prohibits use of corporate donations to support or oppose state candidates, allowing the money to go only for administrative expenses.

DeGuerin is asking for all documents, notes, telephone records and other relevant materials from Earle's staff.

"I am determined to put on record the steps taken by you and your staff to obtain a replacement indictment against my client, Tom DeLay," DeGuerin said in a letter to the prosecutor.

BSISD

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An appeal to the school board is the third level of the appeal process in this matter, following action taken at the campus and central administration office, Downes said.

In other business Thursday, trustees will consider:

• Reports on the district's band and English as a Second Language programs.

• Bids for student letter jackets and policy updates.

• A contract to sell attendance credits to Austin ISD.

• Resignations, retirements and employments.

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Tailgate Party set Friday at stadium

The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club will be hosting its 4th Annual Tailgate Party, Friday, at the Steer home game, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in parking lot of Memorial Stadium, west side, north end. Members will be selling beef or chicken kabobs, which will include a cookie and a drink for $5 in advance and $6 at the event. Tickets are available from any of the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club members or at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce from Debbye ValVerde, Rotarian member.

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Library News

Thanks to everyone who came to the Friends of the Library's annual Book Sale. Even with the beautiful weather on Friday and Saturday; Old Sorehead Days in Stanton and other local activities, we still had a steady stream of buyers (except on Sunday.)



HOLLIS MCCRIGHT

The Book Sale continues until Nov. 15. All books are half-price. Hard backs are 50 cents, unless marked differently; paperbacks are 25 cents and children's books are 15 cents each.

There are lots of paperback romances — make us an offer! Go downstairs, find your bargains and pay out upstairs at the circulation desk.

I know that people think that all I do is read books here at the library, which is untrue.

Sometimes I clean up "accidents," meet with book salespeople, "administrate" and other highly exciting activities (really, I would rather just read).

When I am somewhat overloaded with books coming in to review for the paper, I sometimes (a lot of times) get help from various sources. Today, I have called upon Booklist for the following review.

Michelle Kaske wrote the following review on Baxter Black's latest book, "Horseshoes, Cowsocks & Duckfeet" (814.54 BLA B). Black certainly has a way of showing urban folk the ways of cowboys and working the land.

Black's latest collection of humorous musings follows his tradition of plainspoken, tongue-in-cheek sarcasm that his fans have come to expect. From real cowboy weddings to the history and fate of the cowboy image to living and working with animals, Black keeps the one-liners coming.

He truly is a modern-day Mark Twain who loves to pontificate on the simple pleasures in life with humor and charm.

Roisin McAuley's first book "Singing Bird" revolves around the secrets behind an adoption. Twenty-seven years after she and her husband adopted their daughter, Mary, Lena Molloy gets an unexpected phone call from the nun who handled the adoption in Ireland.

The nun claims she is just tying up loose ends before she retires, but Lena wonders what's really afoot. Also adopted, Lena has always regretted not searching for her birth parents before all the records were destroyed.

Now driven to discover Mary's heritage, Lena follows leads all over the Irish countryside, finally finding a folk singer who knows the story she thinks she needs to hear.

McAuley's engrossing tale provides not only a perceptive look at the many facets of the adoption process but also a slowly evolving mystery that takes Lena down paths she never expected to follow.

New biographies are in: "Never Have Your Dog Stuffed," (B ALD A) by Alan Alda; "My Name is Bill," (B WIL B) by Susan Cheever — Bill is the founder of Alcoholic Anonymous; "Warren Beaty," (BEA W) by Suzanne Finstad and "Lovesick Blues: The Life of Hank Williams," (B WIL H) by Paul Hemphill.

"The Firefly .yclopedia of Trees," (582.160 CAF S) edited by Steve Cafferty, is a beautiful book. The illustrations, photographs and maps show where all the trees can live and survive. From the northern most reaches to the tip of South America, one can truly say that trees are survivors.

While this is not a new book, fans of Nicholas Sparks will want to read "The Guardian."

Julie and her dog, Singer both must adjust to the death of Julie's husband.

After four years of grieving, is she ready to move on? With a choice of two men in her life, which one is the right one?

One dark, frightening night, she will find a love and lose a love.

Published in 2003, Tom Clancy brings on board Jack Ryan's son, also know as Jack.

With the tacit consent of the President, an operation has been initiated to fight terrorism. In "The Teeth of the Tige,r" (F CLA T) Jack Jr. and two of his friends will find out that life isn't all peaches and cream, but a potentially deadly existence.

The Howard County Library is open from 9 a.m. until to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday. The Internet/video room closes one-half hour earlier and is closed from noon until 1 p.m. Saturdays. The library is located at 500 S. Main St. The phone number is 264-2260.

The Website is www.howard-county.lib.tx.us. The catalog is online.

Hollis McCright is the Howard County librarian.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUC DOCKET NUMBER 31830

On October 4, 2005 TXU Energy Retail Company LP ("TXU Energy"), in accordance with Substantive Rule 25.41 of the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission"), filed an Application to Implement Revised Price to Beat Fuel Factors. If approved, the filing will establish new fuel factors for TXU Energy to include in its Price to Beat charges for residential and small commercial customers. For a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month, the total electric bill will increase by approximately $29.29 per month. For a small commercial customer using an average of 2,500 kWh per month, the average monthly increase will be approximately $72.49. If the Commission approves this filing by October 28, 2005, TXU Energy has agreed to implement the new fuel factor together with an across-the-board discount for all price to beat customers that results in a price reflective of natural gas prices on August 26, 2005, prior to Hurricane Katrina making landfall in the Gulf coast region. As a result of this agreement, the total electric bill for a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month will increase by approximately $14.99 per month for the remainder of 2005. For a small commercial customer using an average of 2,500 kWh per month, the average monthly increase will be approximately $37.10 for the remainder of 2005. The proposed fuel factors, differentiated by rate class, voltage level, and season are as follows per kilowatt-hour (kWh):

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Municipal Service	Secondary	$0.092273	$0.092273	$0.077975
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The Application, if granted, will affect all of TXU Energy's residential and small commercial Price to Beat customers. Persons with questions or who want more information on this application may contact TXU Energy, 1601 Bryan Street, Dallas, Texas 75201 or call 1-800-242-9113 during normal business hours. A complete copy of this application is available for inspection at the above address. Persons who wish to formally participate in this proceeding, or who wish to express their comments concerning this application should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Commission's Office of Customer Protection at (512) 936-7120 or toll-free at (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll-free) 1-800-735-2989.

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The heat behind chili cookoffs

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IN BRIEF

Coahoma sets booster club dates

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet each Monday at 7 p.m. in Coach Kim Nichols' classroom through the football season.

For more information, contact Donna Wright at 267-6723.

Quarterback club sets meetings

The Big Spring football booster club (quarterback club) will meet every Monday at 7 p.m. at the ATC through the football season.

For more information, contact Gene Piercefield at 816-1134.

C.G.A. announces year's final tourney

The Chicano Golf Association has announced its final tournament of the year — the Grand Tournament — will take place Sunday beginning at 10 a.m. at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Participants must be registered by 9:45 a.m. and nonmembers are welcome. There will also be food and refreshments after the tourney.

For more information, call Willie Mendoza at 267-7977.

[illegible] Education Class announced

The date for the next hunter education course will be Saturday and Sunday beginning at 8 a.m. in the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce Building.

The cost is $10 and each student will need his/her social security number and a parent or guardian if under 17.

For more information or to register, contact Steve Poitevint at 264-7033.

Softball tournament announced in B.S.

There will be a La Raza Unida softball tournament Friday and Saturday at Cotton Mize Field inside Comanche Trail Park.

The entry fee will be $110 per team.

There will be a team trophy, player trophies and T-Shirts awarded for first place, while second and third place will get a team trophy and T-Shirts.

For more information, contact Jennifer Patton at 263-6351.

Illness sidelines Rams' coach Martz

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mike Martz is out indefinitely as coach of the St. Louis Rams with a bacterial infection of the heart.

Martz was told by a specialist that his condition, which kept him out of two practices last week, had worsened.

Rams president John Shaw said that Martz will be hospitalized four to 12 days.

Assistant head coach Joe Vitt will take over as coach.

Big Spring clinches playoff berth after victory

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

The Lady Steers did their part Tuesday at the Steer Gym and almost got the help they needed from Frenship as the District 4-4A season winds down.

Big Spring hosted Lubbock Estacado and came away with a somewhat easy three-game win over one of its rival. The Lady Steers won the match 25-8, 25-22 and 25-15 and clinched a spot in the Class 4A playoffs.


RITCHEY

However, Big Spring still sits one game behind arch rival Andrews in the standings. The Lady Mustangs came from behind to defeat Frenship Tuesday in five games. Andrews was down two games to zero, but rallied to remain in first place in district play with two matches to go.


STEWART

Big Spring took control in Game 1 Tuesday from the start. Leading 2-1, senior Raegan Ritchey served eight straight points to put the Lady Steers up 10-1. She had three aces in that stretch and freshman Shelbi Stewart added two kills.

The Lady Steers served very well in the game as senior Brenn Swinney had two aces during her service rotation later in the game as did Stewart. Ritchey ended the game with an ace, as well.

"We served them off the floor," said Big Spring head coach Jason McAden.

Big Spring (14-18, 6-2) battled in Game 2 as Lubbock Estacado wouldn't quit. After leading 1-0 and 3-2, the Lady Steers did not recapture the lead until back-to-back points on a kill from Chalesa Johnson and a block from Ritchey put them up 19-17. Estacado scored three straight points after that to regain the lead, but Big Spring held on to win by three points.

"We just stopped talking," said McAden. "Our communication completely shut down. I guess the first one was too easy."

The lineup was changed in Games 2 and 3 to get some bench players some work. McAden said the lineup was not the reason the second game was close.

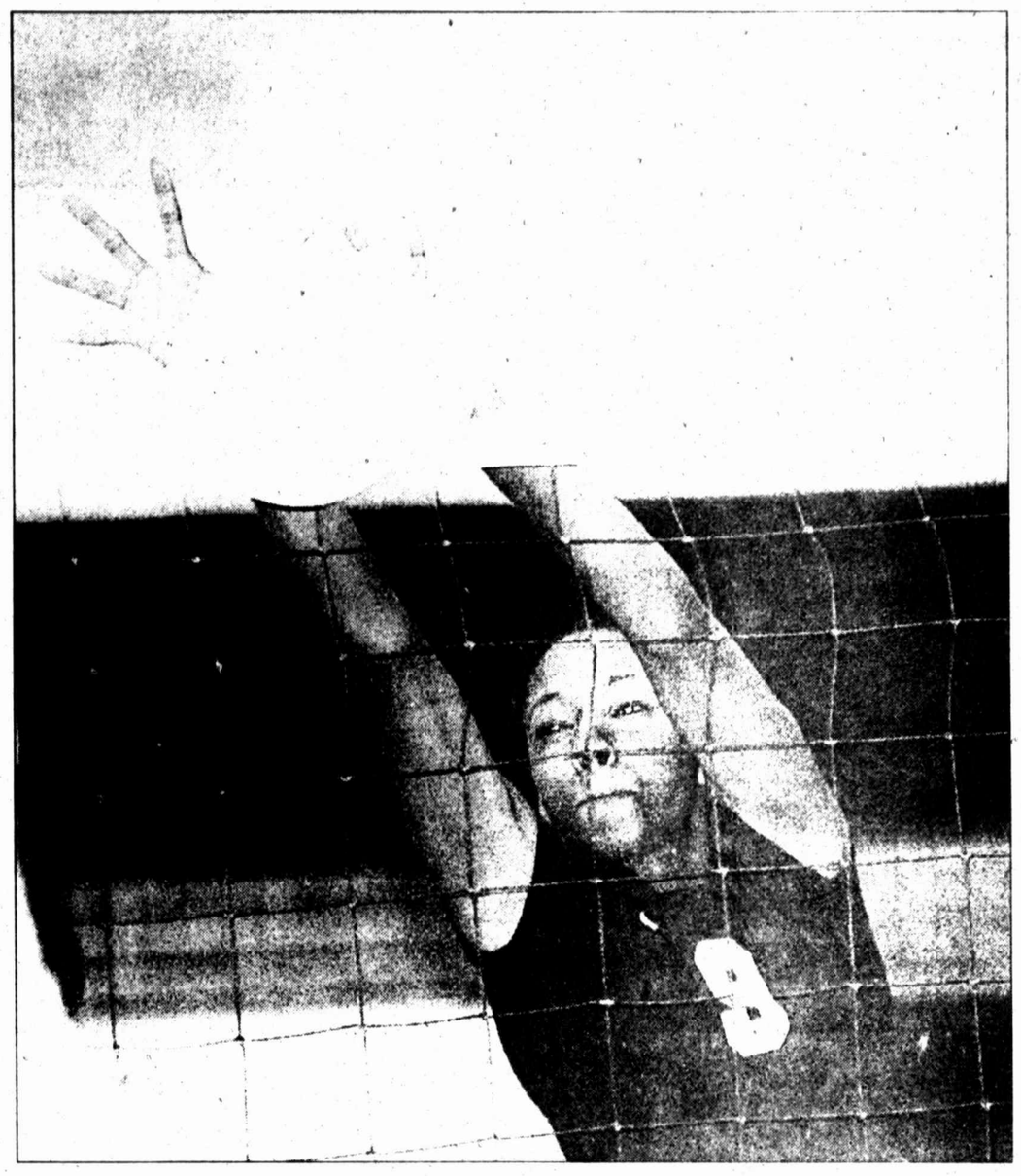
"Those kids have played before and it was my bench players making the mistakes," said McAden. "I gave them a chance to play (Tuesday) because we may need them down the road and I wanted to give them some court time. We are just preparing for the future."

The third and final game was much like the first one in that Big Spring took control from the start and never let up. Swinney came through with back-to-back aces early in the match as the Lady Steers went up 9-3. Big Spring really pushed its advantage up midway through the match. Senior Krista Chesworth's kill made the score 11-5, but then the Lady Steers scored five straight points to go up by 10. Ritchey had two kills in the stretch, while Swinney and Johnson each added another kill.

The lead of 10 grew to 11 before Big Spring finished off the Lady Matadors 25-15.

Johnson and Swinney led Big Spring with seven kills, while junior Katy

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HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring senior Chalesa Johnson goes up for the block against Lubbock Estacado Tuesday at the Steer Gym. The Lady Steers clinched a playoff spot after defeating the Lady Matadors in three games.

Big Spring JH takes care of Colorado City

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

Three of the four Big Spring junior high volleyball teams picked up a win against Colorado City Tuesday.

The eighth-grade 'A' team defeated the Lady Wolves 25-16 and 25-15 and Halee Thomas led the way with seven points and Tiffany Garcia led defensively.

The eighth-grade 'B' team won in three games. Deanna Mills scored 12 points to the lead, while Iesha Simpson led the defense.

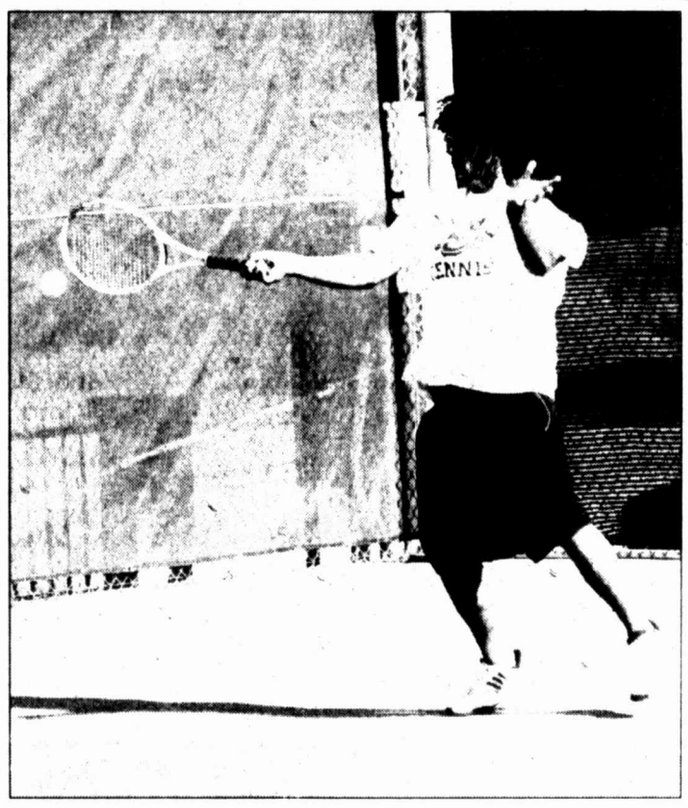
The seventh-grade 'A' team won its match against Colorado City in three games. The Lady Steers won 23-25, 25-15 and 15-12. Gabrielle Fierro and Emily Flores led the team.

The seventh-grade 'B' could not find its way into the win column Tuesday. The team lost its match in three games 26-24, 13-25 and 5-15. Abigail Fierro and Elle Torres both had strong play, according to coach Karla Creger

Prior to playing C-City, the seventh- and eighth-grade teams took part in the Sweetwater Tourney.

The eighth-grade team lost in pool play action to Snyder and Colorado City, but split two games with Miles. Neither team advanced past pool play.

The teams also hosted Snyder. The Lady Steers could not find a win as all four teams were defeated. The eighth-grade 'A' team lost 25-12 and 25-20, while the 'B' team lost 25-19 and 25-15. The seventh-grade 'A' team lost 25-10 and 25-15, while the 'B' team lost 25-9 and 25-17.


HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring senior Robert Andrade sends a return shot over the net against Sweetwater last week. The Steers lost to Midland High Tuesday, 18-6.

Big Spring netters fall to Midland High

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

MIDLAND — The Midland High tennis team won all 11 girl's matches Tuesday on its way to an 18-6 win over Big Spring.

The Steers fared well against Midland on the boy's side as all six points were recorded in singles play.

The top four Big Spring boy's won. Junior Roshan Shroff won 8-5 over Drew Harris, Bryan Juan defeated Brandon Tischler 8-0, Ninhan Nghiem won his match against Braden Holmes 8-1 and Jeremy Landin picked up a win against Colby Hinsley 8-5.

The other two wins [illegible] by Braden [illegible] and Dustin [illegible] Steers defeat- [illegible] Mata Garcia 8-2 and [illegible] Hoang his match [illegible] 8-2.

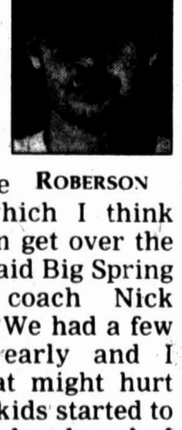


Rosie Alcantar was the closest Big Spring girl to victory as she lost her match [illegible] Allison [illegible] and [illegible] mie [illegible] 8-4 as [illegible] and host [illegible] Saturday [illegible] at the [illegible] Center at [illegible] Park.

Running game, defense leads Steers past Lake View

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

The Big Spring freshman team began its district season last Thursday with a win over rival Lake View in San Angelo. The Steers won the game 26-14, despite cold, rainy weather conditions.


ROBERSON

"The guys had a lot of focus in the pregame which I think helped them get over the weather," said Big Spring freshman coach Nick Roberson. "We had a few turnovers early and I thought that might hurt us, but the kids started to play physical and worked through that."

The running game was a big factor on offense for Big Spring. Chayson Holt carried the ball 30 times for 244 yards and two touchdowns, while Giorgio Taylor grabbed 35 yards on five carries.

The Steers also scored through the air as Nathan Doporto hit Sidney Parker on a 65-yard touchdown pass.

"Our running game was taken to another level Thursday," said Roberson. "We established the line of scrimmage."

Even though the running game was so efficient for the Steers, Roberson said the defensive intensity led the team to the win.

Tyrone Clemons had two interceptions, while Tyler Chesworth returned a fumble 40 yards for a touchdown.

"All these things were done because of the way we put our helmets on people," said Roberson.

The aggressive hits on defense were led by Cade Hollandsworth, Taylor, Parker, Doporto and Quentin Ausbie.

The Steers' next district game will be played Thursday against Andrews.

"If these guys continue at this rate they should have a real exciting season to finish the year," said Roberson.

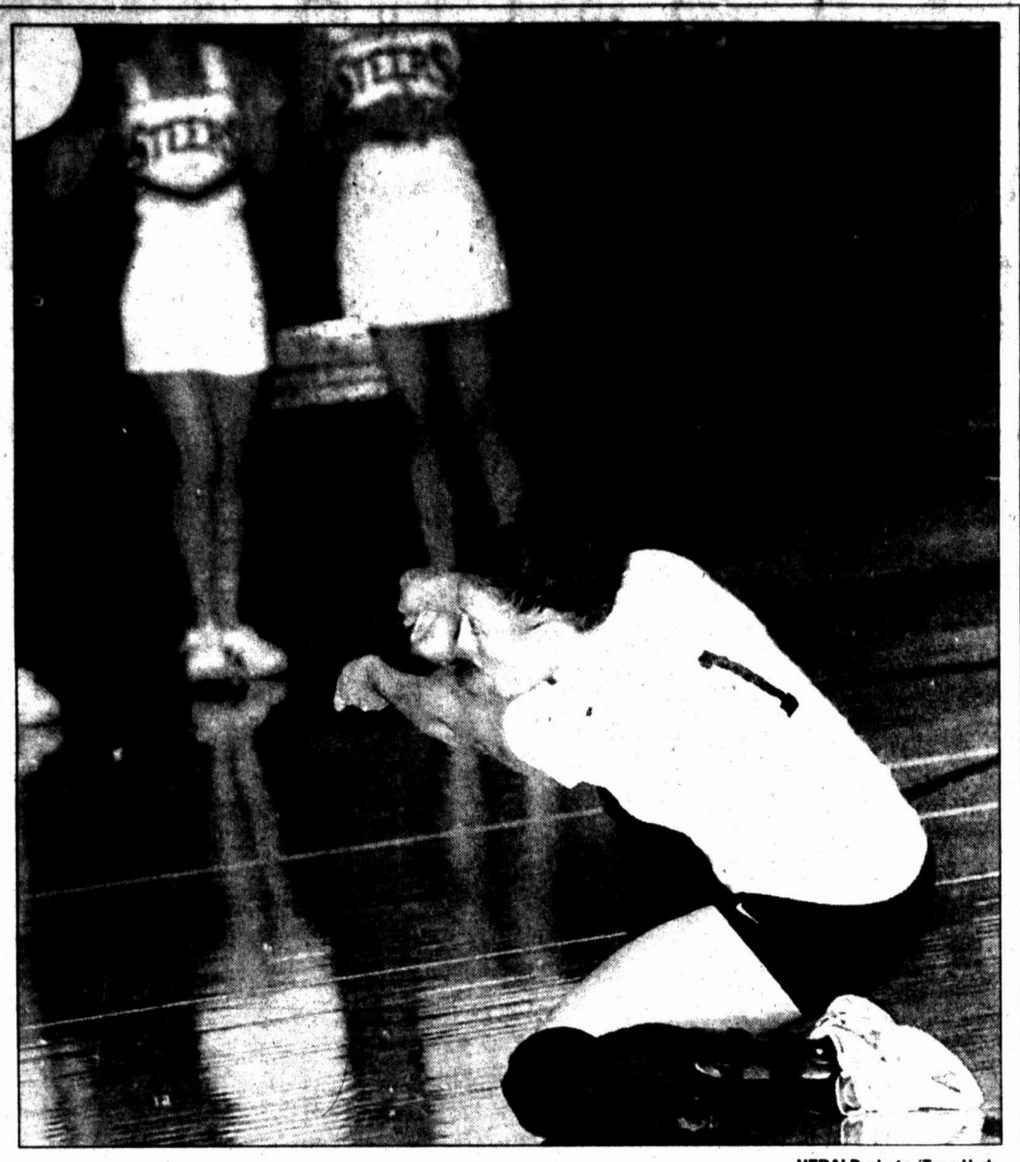
Prior to district play, the Steers played against several junior varsity teams.

They lost to Greenwood 7-6. Holt scored a touchdown with four seconds to play in the game, but instead of trying to tie the Steers elected to go for the win and lost.

The Steers then took on a sophomore team from Odessa Permian and lost [illegible] to Midland [illegible] team by [illegible] played a big [illegible] of those [illegible] "We [illegible] young junior [illegible] with our [illegible] Sam," said [illegible] the scores [illegible] we really [illegible] learned the [illegible] The freshman team the Steers played was [illegible] Cooper and Big Spring won by three touchdowns.

"Practice the older kids [illegible] helped us [illegible] become [illegible] more [illegible] said [illegible] "We moved at a [illegible] throughout."

The final game before [illegible] was against Greenwood's JV team again. But this time, the Steers came through with a double-digit win.



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Big Spring junior Katy Abner gets down low to dig out a ball against Estacado Tuesday. Abner had a team-high 16 digs as the Lady Steers won in three games.

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Abner had a team-high 16 digs. Ritchey finished with seven digs and six blocks. Sophomore Amanda Caskey had nine blocks and junior Mallory Dunn had 22 assists.

The Lady Steers could be playing for second place when they take on Frenship Saturday in Wolfforth. Big Spring controls its own destiny for second place, but can not take the title without a loss from Andrews.



DUNN

The Lady Mustangs finish their season against Lake View and Lubbock Estacado.

Frenship came from behind to beat the Lady Steers in Big Spring earlier this year.

McAden said playing until the end will be key.

"We have to play every point, but I think it means more to us now than it did before," said McAden. "We've got to have good ball control and limit our errors."

"Frenship has a good defensive team. We have to be consistent and keep hitting at them."

Angels take down Sox in opener

By MIKE FITZPATRICK
AP Baseball Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Scot Shields was so tired he had to splash water on his face just to stay awake in the bullpen.

Hard to blame him: The Angels were playing in their third time zone in three days after yet another overnight flight. Still, they looked plenty fresh on the field thanks to Paul Byrd and a couple of reliable relievers.

Byrd pitched effectively in a pinch, Garret Anderson homered and baseball's most frequent flyers edged the Chicago White Sox 3-2 on Tuesday night in the opener of the AL championship series.

The Angels were supposed to be more than a little jet-lagged. Sunday night, they were on the East Coast, playing the Yankees. Monday night, they were back on the West Coast, beating New York. Now, they're in the Midwest, with no off-day until Thursday.

Seeking their first World Series berth in 46 years and first championship since 1917, the White Sox got another outstanding outing from Jose Contreras but couldn't manage much offense.

The Cuban right-hander worked into the ninth inning, but lost for the first time since Aug. 15, ending his nine-start winning streak.

Chicago had won eight in a row dating to the regular season, but fell short against a travel-weary Los Angeles team.

Recovering from strep throat, Jarrod Washburn is slated to pitch Game 2 for the Angels on Wednesday night against All-Star starter Mark Buehrle.

Shields, wide awake by now, retired slugger Paul Konerko with two on to end the eighth. Rodriguez worked around third baseman Chone Figgins' error to begin the ninth and struck out Joe Crede to close it out.

The Angels won Game 1 for the first time in six postseason series under Scioscia. They'll have plenty of time to rest soon, but right now they're too busy winning to worry about all that.

The 34-year-old righty walked only 28 batters all season and his throwback delivery, with arms rocking back behind him like a right-handed Whitey Ford, belongs in a flickering old cut of black-and-white film footage.

The White Sox attempted all sorts of tricks — Jermaine Dye tried to bunt leading off the sixth, but popped up to Byrd. A.J. Pierzynski took off from first in the seventh on what he thought was a hit-and-run, but was caught stealing.

"This game, with its twists, could have gone either way," Scioscia said.

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CROSSROADS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Vs.
SOPHIE CORCORAN

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#4740 October 12, 19, 26 & November 2, 2005.

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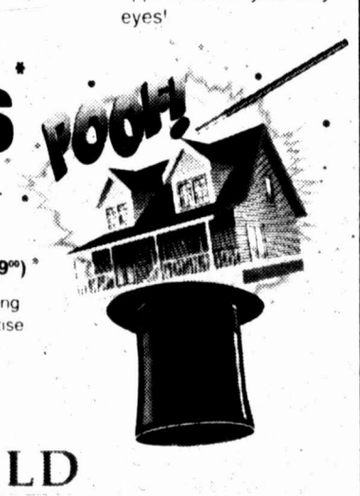
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#4742 October 12 & 16, 2005

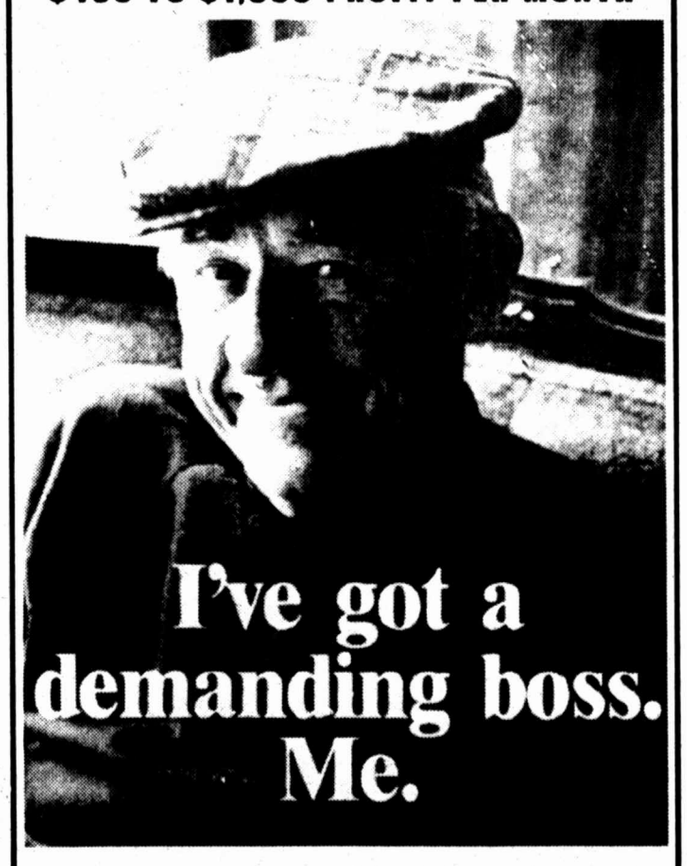
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

Saturn, the planet of lessons, holds cosmic class this week. Mercury is like the class clown who won't leave the teacher alone, and Venus is the class ace who has the teacher's back. When daily events go helplessly wrong, don't get mad, get cute — so when your hero or heroine comes along to un-jam you, you're looking good.


HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The stars lend superpower to your "inner child" who wants what he/she wants, be it reasonable or not! Therefore, your first duty of the day is to please yourself. If you ignore your own needs, they'll come back to haunt you later.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your priorities dictate what you end up doing and getting in life. Take a moment to remind yourself about what they are this morning. A sweet friend introduces you to people who you want to know.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Relationships come into clear focus. You can share and clarify your thoughts without all the drama of last week. Just because it's serious, doesn't mean it has to be heavy.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your own personal life is going great today. But a loved one's significant other is really starting to bug you. Every love has merit, though it may not be readily apparent to those not in the relationship.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're ready to go at the mention of a good idea. Spontaneity is one of your most alluring qualities. On a side note, you're likely to be immortalized in pictures tonight, so think before you dress.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You admire those who communicate well and are held up by those who don't. Ask the kind of questions that will help others impart the most information possible. A Gemini does a fantastic job holding your interest.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's no shortage of work to be done, and luckily, there's no shortage of help either. Loved ones appreciate that your ordinary mode of consciousness (lively and busy) makes you a happy person to be around.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Falling in love gives you new eyes in which to see the world, and falling out of love is quite the same. Whatever your status now, you'll see it differently later. So you may as well keep a sense of humor about what occurs.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's not an area of your life that couldn't use the "less is more" strategy now. Friendships grow tighter when you don't try too hard. You're romantically alluring and more "in demand" at work, too.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Everywhere you look, you're getting evidence of the frailty of the human condition. Try to also see the strength humans possess. By looking on the bright side, you'll find the energy to do what you must do today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You can read about financial matters in order to avoid the pitfalls, and you can follow a mentor's advice regarding your next career move. But the heart is different. Alas, the only way to learn to love is by loving.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The tally has been taken, and guess what? Common sense is not so common. Thankfully, you've got enough to supply a few confused souls with a way to get through this day doing as little damage as possible.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm a Libra with Taurus rising (I was born Oct. 19, 1960 at 7:07 p.m.), and my husband is a Scorpio. He loves to work in exotic, adventurous places. He works in Africa as a doctor. I'm a doctor, too, but I work in a health insurance corporation. I have a dilemma. I'm not sure if I should stay in the Philippines (I love my work here — I feel needed, wanted and loved by my co-workers) and take care of our children. Another part of me says I have to try my luck in the United States as a nurse practitioner and be with my mother who I haven't seen for a very long time. What do you see in the stars?"

Your inclination to move to the United States in spite of feeling loved and comfortable in your current position is your ambition pushing you to do and be all you can. With Mars in Cancer, you have a highly intuitive sense about what you need to do next. However, with all of your Libran influences, your family harmony comes first. If you can get your children comfortably set up in the states, your step "backward" from doctor to nurse practitioner will actually be a step forward in your career and in the education of your children.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Paul Simon is a singer, songwriter, actor and collaborator who revels in his uncanny ability to turn thoughts into rousing art. Whether going it alone with an acoustic guitar or mixing it up with African singing group Ladysmith Black Mambazo, this restless Libra will not be restricted by traditional rules. Expect another unusual collaboration this year, maybe a reunion with old partner Art Garfunkel.

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Annie's Mailbox ®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: All my life I have been there for my parents, doing everything I could for them. My husband and I shared holidays with them, traveled with them, cared for them through many illnesses and included them in everything we did. My father became ill five years ago and was in and out of the hospital many times. I cooked, took him to his doctor's visits, baby-sat him, fed him, etc. You get the picture.


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On the other hand, my sister, "Claire," always has declared that she owes my parents nothing. My mother and she have had disagreements that have kept them from speaking for months at a time. Claire wrote me so many hateful letters and ugly e-mails that I just cut my losses and moved on. We have no relationship. She refused to visit Dad before he died, saying she had other things to take care of.

The week before Dad passed away, Claire decided to renew her relationship with my mother. She began calling Mom several times a day, and before long, the two of them became "best friends."

At the first anniversary of Dad's death, Mom and Claire planned a huge family get-together. Distant cousins were invited — but not me. Last week, I received an e-mail from my mother saying she was selling her house and moving closer to Claire.

My mother is 85. Why would a parent do this to a child she supposedly loves? — Baffled in El Paso, Texas

Dear Baffled: It's unfair, but some parents, when given the opportunity to renew a relationship with a prodigal child, bend over backward to do so. Also, your mother is 85, and her faculties may be somewhat dulled, making her vulnerable to Claire's manipulations. And, of course, Claire, having been in your shadow for years, now sees her chance to be the favorite child, and she doesn't want you to mess it up.

You cannot make your mother love you more or love Claire less. Try to keep the lines of communication open. If Mom is being well cared for by your sister (and you should check), we're sorry to say that's the most you can hope for right now.

Dear Annie: I have a problem with my in-laws. They judge everyone by how obese they are. We can't go anywhere with them, because if they see a heavy person, they are sure to make some comment about how "disgusting" the person is and how much weight he/she should lose.

One of their sons-in-law is obese, and he refuses to attend family gatherings because of their comments. I, too, am overweight and am trying to deal with it through diet and exercise. But my in-laws' behavior has reached the point where I don't want to be around them, either.

How can I tell them that their comments hurt my feelings? — Frustrated

Dear Frustrated: In plain English. Inconsiderate, judgmental people need to be told clearly that their behavior is inappropriate. Your husband shoul<None>d be the one to let his parents know that their comments are hurtful and disrespectful, and if they can't put a lid on it, they will be seeing much less of you, no matter how much you weigh.

Dear Annie: I got a chuckle when I read the letter from "Looking Out for Fido," the veterinarian who advised against feeding table scraps to the dog.

My vet feeds my dog table scraps all the time. That's because the vet is my son. He figures table scraps are no worse than the armadillo carcasses our dog drags home, or the snake the dog killed and ate last weekend.

Dogs are not all the same. What is unhealthy for a toy poodle in Manhattan might not bother a 70-pound bulldog in the north Florida woods. I suggest your readers ask their own vets about their particular dogs' needs. — A Mom in Florida

Dear Mom: We agree they should ask their vets, but it's always better to err on the side of caution. Our best to the Florida bulldog.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been married for 35 years. We have two adult children who have been a wonderful part of our lives.

My daughter, 33, moved out after high school. She did not complete her college degree and moved back home. She is working a three-hour-a-day job that takes care of her bills and personal expenses.

Our 30-year-old son, "Perry," is kind and loving. He was a star athlete in high school but has since been in trouble with drugs, in jail twice, fathered a beautiful baby (the mother is in prison for another 10 months), did a year at a sober living residence (we raised the child) and now he's back home — and messing up again. He's lazy, drinking and not attending court-assigned DUI classes. He is, however, a loving father to his 2-year-old son.

Perry has not seriously looked for a job because he says he can't drive for another year (two DUI tickets) and he "can't work construction without driving." He is hanging out with a girl who is not a positive influence. He doesn't have any money, so we can't charge him rent for living at home. He takes care of his son and sometimes helps around the house.

My husband just retired and is sick of the kids still living here. I am lucky to have my job (my sanctuary). We can't kick Perry out in the streets with no money and no job, nor do my husband and I want to start all over again raising a baby.

My husband says counseling won't help, even if we could get Perry to go, which I doubt. We have threatened but have not followed through with action. I don't understand where we have gone wrong, and I don't know what to do. — Feeling Helpless and Depressed

Dear Helpless: You need to take back control of your lives. First, charge rent to your daughter, who will then be motivated to find a better job, and if you make it less cushy for her at home, she may even move out. Your son is a separate problem.

Contact B.I.L.Y. (BecauseILoveYou.org) at P.O. Box 2062, Winnetka, CA 91396-2062. This is an organization for parents of troubled children of any age.

Dear Annie: Please do NOT suggest to your readers that they leave a note or letter in someone's mailbox. This is a federal crime. — Whitefish, Mont.

Dear Whitefish: You are right. According to the U.S. Postal Service, it is illegal to put a letter in someone's mailbox unless there is a proper stamp on it. Readers, we don't want you to get into trouble. If you need to leave a note for your neighbors, tape it where it is visible, tuck it between the screen and the door, or put a stamp on it.

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WEDNESDAY

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8	:PM :30	Lost (CC) "	Lost (CC) "	La Esposa Virgen	Championship Series --	Criminal Minds (CC)	" "	Apprentice: Martha Stewart	Raymond Raymond	" "	Helen of Troy (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	" "	Movie: Death Warrant (CC)	(CC) "	Girlfriends Girlfriends	Revenge Phil of Future	Panama vs. United States	Streetball Streetball	Ghost Hunters (CC)
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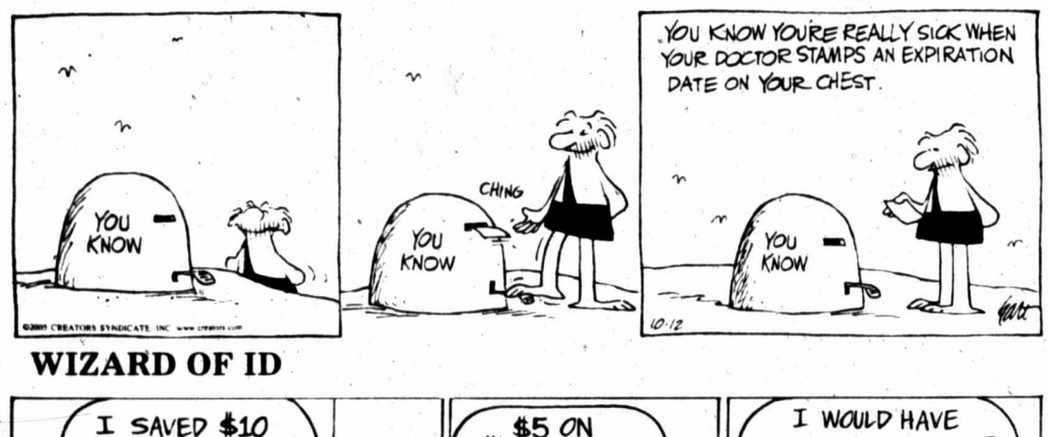
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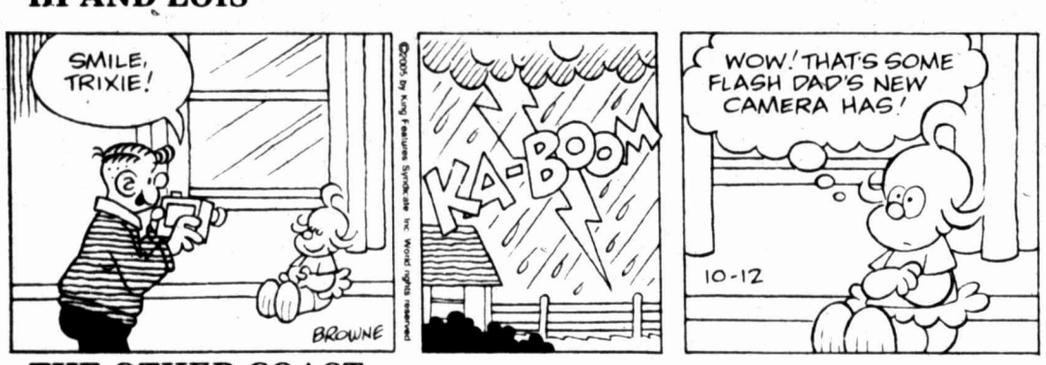
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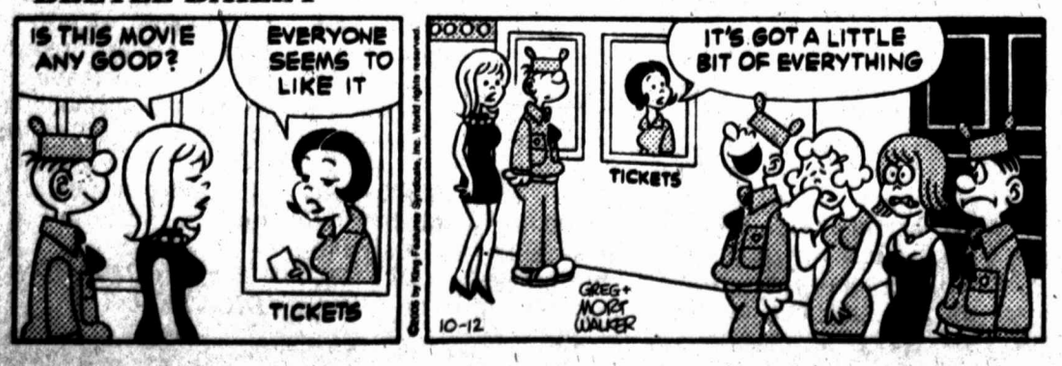
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 12, the 285th day of 2005. There are 80 days left in the year. Yom Kippur, the Jewish Day of Atonement, begins at sunset.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 12, 1492 (Old Style calendar; Oct. 21 New Style), Christopher Columbus arrived with his expedition in the present-day Bahamas.

On this date:

In 1915, former President Theodore Roosevelt criticized the concept of "hyphenated Americanism," referring to U.S. citizens who identified themselves by dual nationalities.

In 1915, English nurse Edith Cavell was executed by the Germans in occupied Belgium during World War I.

In 1933, bank robber John Dillinger escaped from a jail in Allen County, Ohio, with the help of his gang, who killed the sheriff.

In 1942, President Roosevelt delivered one of his so-called "fireside chats" in which he recommended the drafting of 18- and 19-year-old men.

In 1960, Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev disrupted a U.N. General Assembly session by pounding his desk with a shoe during a dispute.

In 1964, the Soviet Union launched a Voskhod space capsule with a three-man crew on the first manned mission involving more than one crew member.

In 1968, the summer Games of the 19th Olympiad officially opened in Mexico City.

In 1973, President Nixon nominated House minority leader Gerald R. Ford of Michigan to succeed Spiro T. Agnew as vice president.

In 2002, a bomb blamed on Islamic militants destroyed a nightclub on the Indonesian island of Bali, killing 202 people, many of them foreign tourists.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Antonia Rey is 78. Blues singer Nappy Brown is 76. Comedian-activist Dick Gregory is 73. Former Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, is 73. Opera singer Luciano Pavarotti is 70. Singer Sam Moore (formerly of Sam and Dave) is 70. Sportscaster Tony Kubek is 69. TV reporter Chris Wallace is 58. Actress-singer Susan Anton is 55. Rock singer-musician Pat DiNizio is 50. Rhythm-and-blues singer Claude McKnight (Take 6) is 43. Actor Hugh Jackman is 37. Country musician Martie Maguire (The Dixie Chicks) is 36. Actor Kirk Cameron is 35. Actor Marcus T. Paulk ("Moesha") is 19.

Thought for Today: "When he (Columbus) started out he didn't know where he was going, when he got there he didn't know where he was, and when he got back he didn't know where he had been." — Anonymous.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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1 Director Ephron
5 Wishes undone
9 Tax pros
13 Qatar ruler
14 One of the Brontë sisters
15 Safari sighting
17 Road rally
18 Translucent mineral
19 Pungent
20 Attractive person
22 Pebble's big brother
23 Charged atoms
24 Nightclub renditions
25 Colleague of Byron and Shelley
29 Party to some contracts
32 Van Buren, presidentially
34 __ Paulo, Brazil
35 Gouda cousin
39 Spoke well of
41 Driving hazard
43 Aquatic bird
44 Thieve
46 More tightfisted
47 __ Abdul-Jabbar
50 Frontier transport
51 Gnats and mice
54 Keep going
56 Swears
57 Not in love
62 Magic-lamp occupant
63 European volcano
64 Ready for picking
65 Put into law
66 Abound
67 Up to no good
68 Three, in Tijuana
69 Puts two and two together
70 Gumshoes

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1 Dweeb
2 "A loaf of bread . . ." poet
3 Paddy crop
4 Rug's coverage
5 Stallone role
6 Mergers
7 Crates up
8 Straphanger's lack
9 Clean-living
10 Garden-party attire
11 Protective clothing
12 Book part
16 25 Across works
21 Light fogs
25 Held onto
26 Colleen's home
27 Thickening agent
28 Reconsider
30 Wash against, as waves
31 Appear menacing
33 *Frau*'s spouse
36 Lisbon lady
37 Shake __ (rush)
38 Nothing but
40 Forest mom
42 Easily irritated
45 Overdue
48 Valuable holdings
49 Not run by computer
51 Magazine part
52 Javelin or marathon
53 Treasure hunter's aid
55 Hoaxes
57 Crumbly cheese
58 Guitar-neck bump
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Community Christmas Parade

5:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 3

Parade theme:

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Entry deadline — Noon, Friday, Nov. 18

The parade will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. and head north on Gregg Street toward downtown, arriving in time for the downtown Christmas celebration.

$100 *Herald's Best of Show Award:* for best interpretation of theme.

$75 *Mayor's Trophy:* for best use of lighting.

$50 *Grand Marshall's Award:* for best costuming.

First-place plaques will be awarded in the following categories:
1. Individual or family 2. Civic group, school or church
3. Commercial 4. Industrial
In addition, certificates of commendation will be awarded to the second- and third-place entries in each of those categories. Also, a special award will be presented to the best sheriff's posse, riding club or other mounted entry.

PARADE RULES

1. The parade's official Santa Claus will be provided by the Herald. No other Santa Claus will be permitted in the parade.
2. Floats should not exceed 65 feet in length, 8 feet in width and 14 feet in height.
3. Antique vehicles will be the only undecorated vehicles permitted without special permission from Parade Committee.
4. Vehicles of a strictly commercial nature will not be permitted.
5. Parade entries not in line by the start of the parade will be placed at the end of the parade and will not be eligible for awards.
6. For safety, do not throw candy from your float. Small children run up under the tires. Please have someone walking beside your float if you want to throw candy.

2005 Christmas Parade Entry Form

Name of organization: _____

Name of contact person: _____

Mailing address: _____

_____

Telephone number: _____

You will receive by return mail, your float number and a map showing where to go to line up.

Mail, fax or hand deliver to:
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