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Forsan board will eye bond issue, drug tests tonight

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Consideration of a \$4.9 million bond package and preliminary talks about instituting a random drug policy for students will top the Forsan Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting at 7 tonight.

School district administration will give the final presentation over a multi-million bond package that will fund extensive upgrading to facilities across the district and includes the purchase of new air-conditioning units.

Tonight's vote, which will be held at the superintendent's office, culminates more than a year-long committee study of the issue which consisted of both district facility and community members, according to Superintendent Randy Johnson.

"We're excited to bring the voters a bond election that will positively impact the students for years to come," Johnson said in the *Herald's* Sunday edition.

If approved, the bond will add a little more than 20 cents per \$100 valuation for each taxpayer, Johnson said, who added the school district's homestead exemption and other considerations are not figured into that cost at this time.

If approved, Johnson said the administration will recommend Sept. 11 as the date of the election. Early voting would be held Aug. 25-Sept. 7 if trustees

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Old Settlers gather for fun, recollecting, honoring pioneers

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

In the early 1800s men and women from all over the world settled in the Howard and Glasscock County areas, making them what they are today, and Saturday was a day to celebrate their hard work and heritage.

The Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion brought families from all over the two-county area to the Howard County Fairbarn for a chance to eat, reminisce and play a few games.

Held in conjunction with the 71st annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, the event drew more than a dozen families and friends, both young and old. Rodeo announcer Mike Mathis was the master of ceremonies for the event, and wasn't the least bit shy about the days and times area pioneers endured.

"The idea behind this is to honor pioneer families," said Mathis. "One family from Howard County and one from Glasscock County. The stories of these families are pretty amazing. It took pioneer courage to be here and Big Spring and Glasscock County had to be a little tougher back then, and I would think it was a place where the weak didn't start and the cowards died along the way. It's truly an honor to talk about these families."

Two families were chosen as



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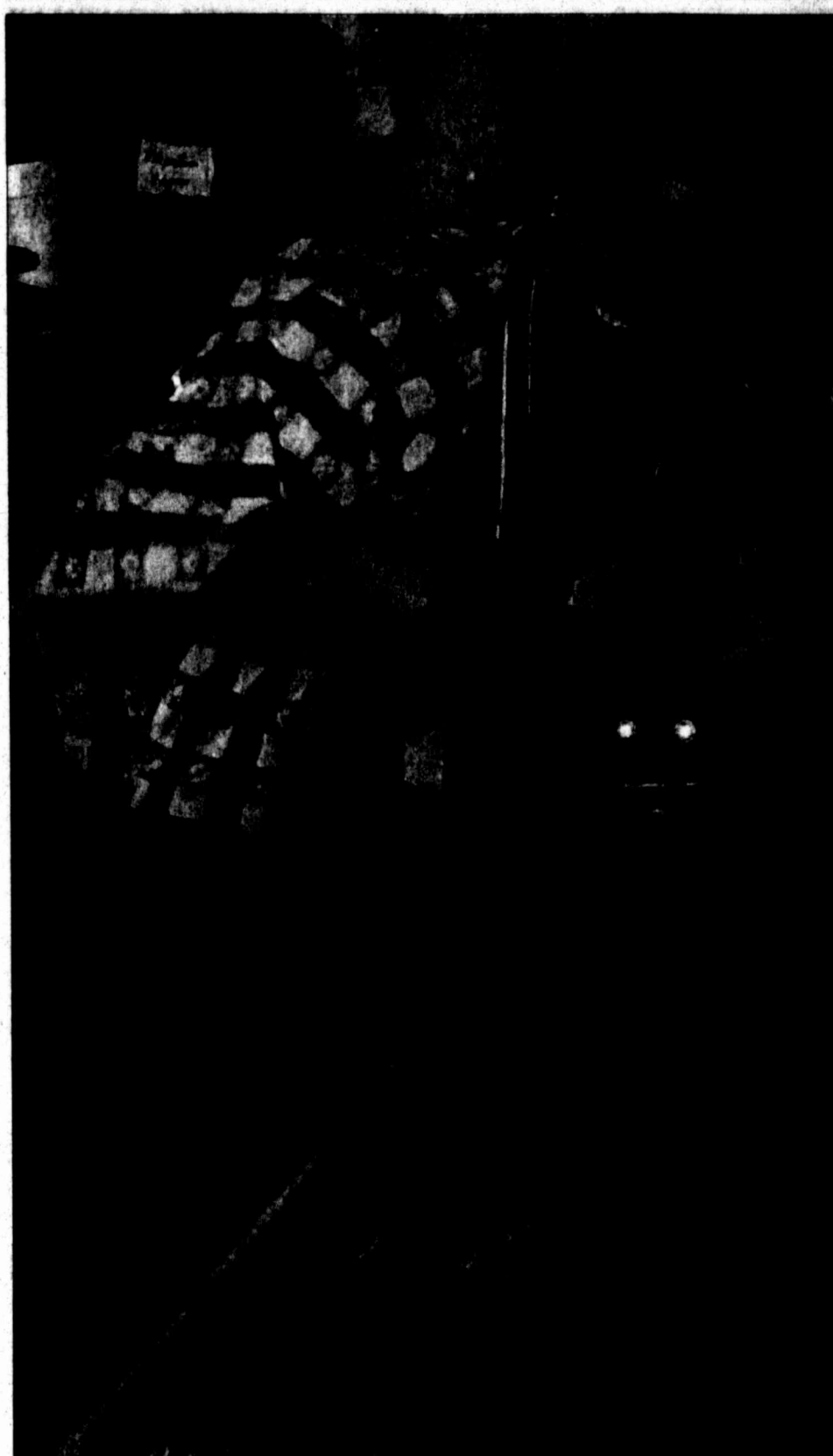
At right, museum employee Amanda Morrow took the third heat in the "horse races" Saturday afternoon at the Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion. Morrow's wooden horse put on a strong showing but ultimately fell to race winner Lindsay Phillips, pictured above with her grandfather, Raymond Phillips, in the final heat.

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the Pioneer Families of the Year during the reunion. This year's Howard County recipient was the Boadle family, while from Glasscock County, the Phillips family was honored.

"We have a number of pioneer

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Celebrating independence

"It means a lot to celebrate this day and keep history going and the heritage alive."



Hebrew Jones

Juneteenth draws folks of all races

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Area residents got the chance to take a look back at a civil rights breakthrough while supporting the future of the nation Saturday, as Big Spring joined with cities all over the nation in celebrating Juneteenth.

Big Spring resident Phillip Bustamante joined others at Dr. Morgan Park for the annual celebration, and said it's important to keep the heritage alive for all races and ethnic groups.

"I believe this celebra-



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins

The Juneteenth celebration at Dr. Morgan Park wasn't just for adults, as 6-year-old Eugene Vandirbilt checks out what a vendor has for sale. Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the ending of slavery in the United States and is celebrated nationwide on June 19.

tion holds a lot of heritage with it," said Bustamante. "Juneteenth has always been a big part of history and it's good for the community."

You get to learn about some of the different cultures and races and it's really good for unifying the community.

"It's very important for

us to be aware of the different cultures and ethnic backgrounds. America is a nation of

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Hang gliding championships returning

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

It's never been done before — but for a group of people dedicated to riding the wind, what are rules?

The United States Hang Gliding Association's National Championships will return to Big Spring, Aug. 1-7, marking the first time the competition has been held in the same location twice in a row.

"David Glover, the coordinator for the event, told us this is the first time they have ever had the

championship in the same place two years in a row," said Bobby McDonald, chairman of the Big Spring Hang Gliding Planning Committee. "We're quite honored by that."

"There's some talk that when the World Championships come back to the United States in 2006, they will hold it right here in Big Spring. It's not football or baseball, but maybe we're hanging our city on it's own little star by being a part of this competition."

The event — expected to draw

more than 60 glider pilots from around the United States and a few foreign countries — will see the award of national champions in rigid- and flex-wing hang gliding and in the piloting of "Swifts," a type of sail plane. The women's national hang gliding champion will also be named at the event.

The championships is the third major hang gliding competition Big Spring has hosted in as many years. Last year, the National

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Need work? Check out TWC's new Web site

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

With the growing popularity of job matching Web sites such as Monster and Hot-Jobs, the Texas Workforce Commission is throwing its electronic hat in the ring with WorkInTexas.com.

Virginia Belew, area manager for the Big Spring Workforce Network, said the new system, which matches employers with job-seekers, has been in operation for less than a month now and is gaining popularity.

"This month, the Texas Workforce Commission is introducing WorkInTexas.com, an Internet-based job matching system for both job seekers and employers," said Belew. "The system was turned on the end of May, and users are beginning to get use to it."

"We find that it is very user friendly. Job seekers are urged to go into Work In Texas to update their personal accounts, set up passwords and enter pertinent data such as e-mail addresses, resumes, etc. As they log in daily, they will see whether they have job matches, and other information important to them."

Belew said the information available daily on the Web site, located at www.WorkInTexas.com, is invaluable to anyone



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Obituaries

Adan Morales Sr.



Adan Morales Sr., 86, of Big Spring died on Friday, June 18, 2004, in a local hospital. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. today, June 21, 2004, in the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Graveside funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. James Plagens, pastor, officiating.

He was born on April 5, 1918, in Big Spring and married Jesusita M. Montanez on Feb. 7, 1945, in Kermit. She preceded him in death on Jan. 31, 1995.

Mr. Morales worked at Webb Air Force Base in charge of the kitchen until the base closed. He then worked for D.L. Dorland as a ranch foreman for 15 years.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and had served in the United States Army.

Survivors include a son, Adan Morales Jr. of Snyder; a daughter, Juanita Vega of Fort Worth; a brother, Tim Morales of Big Spring; six grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Tomas Morales, Manuel Morales, Santiago Morales and Alfredo Morales, and by a sister, Eva Morales. Pallbearers will be Cosme Ramirez III, Albert Gonzalez, Michael Gonzalez, Elias Ramirez, Antonio Ramirez and Jose Lara.

The family suggests memorials 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

Paid obituary

L. F. Sneed

L. F. Sneed, 67, of Big Spring died Saturday, June 19, 2004, at the Hospice House in Odessa.

Mr. Sneed was born on July 25, 1936, in Big Spring. He chose cremation and burial will be private.

Mr. Sneed was a farmer and rancher in Howard and Gaines counties most of his life. He served in the Army and was a member of the U.S. Army Rifle Team. He won numerous awards for marksmanship.

Mr. Sneed was preceded in death by his parents, Forris L. and Purnie Mason Sneed.

Survivors include his son, Jody Sneed; his daughter, Sherri Ford; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Darlene and Dean Eggen of Clearwater, Fla., and Carolyn "Cookie" and William Thompson of Stephenville; a very special uncle, B.D. Mason of Big Spring; three grandchildren; and numerous aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

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

Paid obituary

Myrtle Jones

Myrtle Jones, 88, of Stanton died on Sunday, June 20, 2004, in a Big Spring hospital. Graveside services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 22, 2004, in the Evergreen Chapel at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton with the Rev. Dennis Teeters, pastor of First Baptist Church in Big Spring, officiating.

She was born on July 16, 1915, in Gordon. She was a long time resident of Martin County and was a waitress at the Belvue Cafe for many years.

Survivors include her son, James Jones of Big Spring; her daughter, Jo Ann Cagle of Big Spring; her sister, Faye Graves of Stanton; five grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Laverne Reagan and Jewel Grissom.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater West Texas Chapter, 4400 N. Big Spring St., Midland 79705.

The family will receive friends from 7-8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

Nellie Tippie

Nellie Tippie, 105, of Stanton died Sunday, June 20,

Support groups

MONDAY

□ All widows and widowers are invited to attend the Encourager's Support group meeting at 6 p.m. Monday at the Spanish Inn. Call 398-5522 for more information.

TUESDAY

□ The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 7 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

THURSDAY

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

□ The Fibromyalgia Autoimmune Disease Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at noon in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center. Call 263-8273 for more information.

□ 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 to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon open Big Book study meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from noon Saturday until 8 a.m. today:

• **LASHANA LEE WALTHALL**, 21, was being held at the city jail Sunday for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

• **ARMANDO FRANCO**, 18, of 1017 Bluebonnet was arrested Saturday on a charge of evading or resisting arrest.

• **PHILIP WHEAT**, 47, of 538 Westover was arrested Saturday on a warrant for traffic.

• **KYLE HUMPHRIES**, 22, of 1302 Grafa was arrested Saturday on warrants for traffic and on a charge of driving while license suspended.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1200 block of Pennsylvania, the 800 block of Seventh Street and the 100 block of Lockhart.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 3000 block of Marcy.

• **ASSAULT, THREATEN BODILY INJURY** was reported in the 900 block of 15th Street.

• **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported in the 2000 block of Gregg Street and the 1800 block of Gregg Street.

• **ASSAULT CLASS C, FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 600 block of Johnson.

• **THEFT**, was reported in the 1700 block of FM 700, the 1500 block of Fourth Street, at the Police Station, the 700 block of Interstate 20 on the South Service Road, the 1800 block of Gregg, the 200 block of FM 700, the 1100 block of Lamesa, the 2500 block of Dow, the 3300 block of FM 700, the 200 block of W. Marcy, the 1200 block of 11th Street, the 300 block of Owens and the 900 block of Willa.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1800 block of Benton.

• **UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE** was reported in the 400 block of Douglas.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1800 block Owens, the 1500 block of Kentucky Way and the 1200 block of South Lancaster Street.

• **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 1900 block East Wasson.

• **DISORDERLY CONDUCT** was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson Drive.

Sheriff's report

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

• **ARMONDO ANTHONY FRANCO JR.**, 18, was taken to the county jail Sunday after being arrested by Big Spring police officers on charges of resisting arrest, search or transport and evading arrest detention.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn: 9-26-28-29-40. Bonus Ball: 16.

Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: estimated \$145 million. Winning ticket sold in: El Paso.

Estimated jackpot for Wednesday night drawing: \$4 million.

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Results of the Cash 5 drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn: 31-20-11-23-4.

Number matching five of five: 3. Prize per winner: \$13,057.

Winning tickets sold in: Kerens, Brownfield and Plano.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Tonight

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday night: 4-4-5

Weather

Rain and cloudy skies are expected across Texas today, according to the National Weather Service.

There's a 20 percent chance of showers in the Panhandle with highs in the upper 80s and winds up to 25 mph. The chance of rain increases to 50 percent at night with lows in the lower 60s.

East Texas should see highs in the mid 90s with a 20 percent chance of rain. Nighttime lows in the mid 70s are expected.

Partly cloudy skies with highs in the mid 90s are expected in Central Texas. Lows should be in the middle 70s.

A 20 percent chance of rain is also predicted in the Permian Basin with highs in the lower 90s and lows in the lower 70s.

North Texas has a 20 percent chance of rain with highs in the lower 90s and lows in the middle 70s.

There is a 10 percent chance of rain in Far West Texas with highs in the mid 90s and lows in the upper 60s.

South Texas will be partly cloudy with highs in the lower 90s. Skies should clear at night with lows in the upper 70s.

Partly cloudy skies are expected on the Texas Coast with highs near 90 and lows in the upper 70s.

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

• Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.

• Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the La Posada Restaurant.

• DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams St.

• Christian Singles Fellowship meets from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Youth Hall. All singles in the community are invited for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.

TUESDAY

• Intermediate Line Dance classes begin at 9 a.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center. Call 267-1628.

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

• A Stitchin' Time Club meets at 3:30 p.m. at Primitive Baptist Church, 201 E. 24th St. Everyone is invited to learn and share sewing skills, and portable sewing machines are welcome. Call Kay Sikes at 394-4835 for more information.

• Big Spring Band Boosters meets at 5:30 p.m. in the high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.

• Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. for dinner with a meeting to follow at 1st and Goliad streets. All Masons are welcome to attend.

• Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library. All working artists and those interested in art are invited to attend.

• Concerned Citizens for Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

• Big Spring Chapter 67 Order of the Eastern Star meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 219 Main St.

WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• Senior Circle meets at 10 a.m. in the Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for Stretch and Tone. Call 268-4721.

• Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in 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.

• Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St.

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. Call 267-6479.

• Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

FRIDAY

• Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Members bring their own lunch. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

• Team Rustic Circle, an amateur paintball team, meets for practice between noon and dusk at the Moss Creek Lake paintball facility. The public is always invited, whether to participate or just spectate. For more information contact Rick Boiles at 264-2395 or 393-5246.

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choose this date.
In other business, FISD maybe joining Big Spring and Coahoma school districts in considering a random drug testing policy for students involved in extra curricular activities.
Johnson said the move is meant to provide students a way of avoiding the peer pressure involved in taking alcohol and drugs.
"We want to give them maybe a cool way to say no by saying hey I'm in athletics, I'm in band and that's more important to me than peer pressure,"

Johnson said on Friday. Coahoma IDS trustees passed the first draft of a drug testing policy on Thursday while the Big Spring board gave the go-ahead to its administrators earlier this month to study the issue.

Trustees will also review the TAKS preliminary test results, summer maintenance projects, the preliminary tax values for 2004-2005, the National School Fitness Foundation program and financial and personnel issues.

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Championships were held in Big Spring, a year after the U.S. Open hang gliding competition was staged here.

The local hang gliding committee held its first meeting recently, and according to McDonald, there's certainly no shortage of ideas for the upcoming event.

"Someone suggested that we have 'hang gliding dollars' for the competitors so we can track how much they are spending in Big Spring," said McDonald. "That's just one of the ideas that

came out of the meeting. Someone else suggested that we try to arrange a kid's day during the competition."

McDonald said the brainstorming sessions

McDonald said they have already addressed involves spectators that want to take the plunge into the wild blue yonder. "One of the problems that we ran into last year

trying to compete. "This year Mr. Glover tells me they are going to have two pilots at the competition strictly for giving rides to the public. That way the men and women competing can keep their minds on the championship and the public can get the chance to go up in one of the ultralights or gliders."

For more information on the championships or committee events surrounding the competition, contact McDonald at 263-1234.

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For more information on the United States Hang Gliding Championships or organizing committee events surrounding the competition, contact Bobby McDonald at 263-1234.

have yielded several ideas that will be presented to Glover for approval from the USGHA.

One change for this year's championship that

was with the Discovery Rides," explained McDonald. "People were approaching the pilots wanting to go up for a ride, but they were busy

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families in our counties, so we select a different family each year," Heritage Museum Curator Tammy Schrecengost said prior to the awards being given. The museum sponsors the reunion each year.

According to information from the museum, Robert Boadle, born in England in 1863, came to Howard County in 1897. He married Fannie Hoelfe Goldhoeffer, from Germany, in Marianfield (Stanton.)

A tanner by trade, Boadle wore many hats in the early days of Howard County. He operated a bakery renowned for the wedding cakes he produced, which were in great demand, Schrecengost said.

"Madeline Boadle, wife of Robert Boadle's grand-

son Ben, remembers the numerous times Mrs. Reba Baker told her of the beautiful wedding cake Mr. Boadle baked for her wedding," Schrecengost described.

He also operated a creamery in the Tennyson Addition, where he processed cream that was shipped to Fort Worth from 1917 until 1936. The plant made ice cream and ultimately bottled soft drinks.

Family member Ben Boadle said he's seen the times change in Big Spring, and it's a very exciting honor to have his family join the ranks of other Pioneer Families of the Year.

"I've seen it boom and bust," Boadle said with a laugh. "I'd like to see a little more boom."

"It's pretty exciting to have my family chosen today. I've really enjoyed it. Makes you feel good when people recognize that you've been here a

long time." Boadle said the reunion offers a chance for many families to see each other, even if it's just once a year.

"I think it's a good deal that people get to see one another," he said. "It's keeping the heritage of the counties alive. I think it's pretty important for everyone to know where it all came from and the people that came here and settled here back in the 1800s."

John Jay Phillips III, born in Bell County in 1871, is the Glasscock County family recipient of the 2004 Pioneer Award. He moved to the Glasscock County area in 1890.

Phillips was instrumental in forming Glasscock County in 1893. In 1890, John Jay, his father and two brothers purchased flat land for \$1.50 an acre from the north Concho area, where they raised sheep and cattle.

Ultimately they secured six sections of land.

Phillips and his bride, Laura Ethel Ballard, had nine children and John built two homes, one where their daughter, Laura Ethel Cunningham and her husband raised their children.

"Her son, Doug Cunningham, said he had fond memories of the family gathering in the kitchen on Saturday nights, eating sugar cookies and reading the Bible," Schrecengost said. Cunningham also remembers the last ride he took with his grandfather, John Jay, who was 82 at the time.

After the ride, where Phillips rode Cunningham's horse, Smokey, the elder man said, "That's the last ride," Schrecengost reports.

The Phillips' land is still a cotton farm. They have two surviving children, Floyd Phillips, 84, and

Laura Ethel Cunningham, 94.

Floyd Phillips said he has mixed feelings about the way society is "turning out these days," but is determined to keep a positive outlook.

"I tell ya' some of it is in pretty bad shape and a lot of it needs improving," said Phillips. "When we were raised things were different. Young people today, when you tell them to do something they act like don't know what you're talking about. We had things to do. We had things at home to do and now days they don't really have anything to do except watch the boob tube. That's how I feel about it."

"Every year's good in a way. There are good parts to everything. We spend most of the time out here waiting on rain," he said with a laugh. "That's the best thing you can get these days."

Phillips said he and his

family are honored by the award and it's a nice way of marking the number of years they've been a part of the Glasscock County community, and ultimately, the Big Spring community.

"It's really nice," said Phillips. "I never really thought about my family being chosen for this award. When my dad and the family came here there was nothing here. Big Spring still had old board sidewalks and where we were raised it was all open country. Now it's all fenced up and a different place than it used to be. We've had a good life and we've all lived to be pretty old — there's been a lot of fun and a lot of hard times, too."

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immigrants and I think it's important for us to keep track of and keep in touch with our ancestors and our roots. This is a great nation, but it has always been a nation of immigrants."

Pete Rodriguez, a vendor from Vernon, said he decided to make the trip to Big Spring for Juneteenth not only to support his "store on wheels," but to see the kids and make sure they had fun.

"We're just kind of out and about," said Rodriguez. "We're hoping

to see the kids have fun. That's what I'm mainly out for. I like to see them have fun and enjoy themselves, and see what everyone's reactions are."

"I think we've made some progress. I'm hoping things will get even better as we all try to get along and be a better group of people. Like with the war going on right now, if everyone could try to come together I think it could be a little better. That's just the way I am."

Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the ending of slavery in the United States. Dating back to 1865, it was on June 19th that the Union soldiers, led by Major General

Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston with news that the war had ended and that the enslaved were now free.

"That was when the slaves got the word here in Texas about being free," explained Hebrew "Hippy" Jones, one of the many local residents who came out to the park to celebrate the anniversary. "They didn't get the word back when they were actually freed — they got it on the 19th of June and that's when they were freed. That's why we come out here and celebrate Juneteenth."

"It's important to get all races out and together to celebrate Juneteenth and to celebrate our heritage

and remember what happened and what this day means. It means a lot to celebrate this day and keep history going and the heritage alive."

Money raised through the event will go to a fund to help build a new youth center on the north side of the city, a project that Jones said he and other people participating in Saturday's festivities take very seriously.

"Raising money for a youth center is very important," Jones said. "It gives the kids something to do, gets them off of the streets and keeps them out of trouble. It's important to do things for the youth and keep them going because they are

the future, and they will have to keep the legacies and heritage going."

On Jan. 1, 1980, Juneteenth became an official state holiday through the efforts of Texas Rep. Al Edwards, D-Houston. The successful passage of this bill marked Juneteenth as the first emancipation celebration granted official state recognition. Rep. Edwards has since actively sought to spread the observance of Juneteenth all across America.

Institutions such as the Smithsonian, the Henry Ford Museum and others have begun sponsoring Juneteenth-centered activities. In recent years, a number of National

Juneteenth Organizations have arisen to take their place along side older organizations — all with the mission to promote and cultivate knowledge and appreciation of African American history and culture.

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looking for a job or employers that have a position they need to fill.

"Employers can manage their own accounts, posting job orders and running their own match," she said. "They can get immediate information about the local labor force availability. Employers and job seekers can directly communicate with each other using this system, and all work is seen in real time. This means customers do not have to wait for information to be entered or downloaded by our office."

Belew said the site also has information on activities being held at the Big Spring office, which includes services and workshops.

"Another feature is that it will include a calendar of activities for the local office so that customers can be aware of services and workshops, month by

month," explained Belew. "We plan to provide a lot more information at the end of this month and will hold an open house for the community to drop in for demonstrations."

"In the meantime, everyone is encouraged to log on to WorkInTexas.com to become familiar with the system. We have a resource room giving the public computer access. And, staff is available to assist those that do not

have the computer skills necessary to access the information they need."

The Big Spring Workforce Network provides on-going job search and work readiness workshops for anyone that would like to improve their job search techniques. Anyone interested in attending a workshop should contact Carla Gross or Adrian Calvio at 263-8373, or come into the office at 310 Owens for more information.

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OTHER VIEWS

Make sure you
beat the heat
this summer

As the temperature continues to climb, many folks in the Crossroads area are suffering. It's important that we watch out for each other. The elderly and young are the most susceptible but anyone exposed to high temperatures can succumb.

With that in mind, we urge you to check on your neighbors from time to time, particularly if you know they live alone and don't have air conditioning or if they don't get around well.

Another way to help is through the Salvation Army's annual fan drive, which is going on right now.

Each year, the Salvation Army tries to provide heat relief to as many people as possible. If you have a fan you won't be using this summer, or if you'd like to help someone less fortunate, please consider the Salvation Army's effort. New fans or fans in good condition are needed. If you'd rather send a monetary donation, that's fine. Salvation Army Capt. Russ Kenney will be more than glad to take that money and purchase the fans for you.

As the Salvation Army receives the fans, it releases them to those in need. If there are not enough fans, applicants are placed on a waiting list until a fan or fans are available.

Please consider assisting with this effort. We all complain about the summer heat. It's difficult to imagine a struggling young child or an elderly shut-in having to endure it without some relief.

The Salvation Army is located at 811 W. Fifth St. or call 267-8239.

Finally, take care of yourself and your family. Don't leave children or pets in a vehicle — even if it doesn't seem "all that hot" at the moment. Provide shade and plenty of water for outdoor pets. Use sunscreen if you will be outdoors for any length of time.

It can be a great summer. Let's just make sure it's a safe one.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, when we have a problem, please send us your knowledge.

Amen

Kidnapping Reagan's memory

Ronald Reagan had been dead for less than three days when one of President Bush's top advisers last Tuesday forecast to me the political fallout. The chorus of Democratic praise for the conservative Republican president would climax with renewed pressure on Bush to reverse his stand against embryonic stem-cell research. This aide predicted the president would be under intense pressure but would stand firm.

ROBERT
NOVAK

Four days later, Sen. John Kerry broke a supposed weeklong moratorium on overt political campaigning by delivering the weekly Saturday Democratic radio address. He called for government to "lift the barrier" on stem-cell research to fight Alzheimer's disease. Suggesting a cure "must not be too far away," he added: "I'm sure that Nancy Reagan, the wife of an eternal optimist, calls it hope."

It is a perfect storm for Democrats. Ronald Reagan, more popular in death than he ever was in life, is depicted as the victim of a dread disease that might be nearing extinction, save for Republican intransigence. The Democratic presidential candidate is the protector of Mrs. Reagan, also more popular today than she was as first lady. The Republican president is put in the posture of tormenting the widow, though a reversal of position would threaten the loss of his social conservative base. The Associated Press described Kerry's Saturday speech as endorsing Mrs. Reagan's position favoring stem-cell research.

This situation is predicated on Democrats kidnapping Reagan during the week of mourning.

Fearful that Bush would seize the Reagan mantle, Democrats declared themselves born-again Reaganites. Kerry changed plans and viewed the former president's remains in California. Kerry was a junior liberal senator when Reagan took office 24 years ago, but he told reporters aboard his plane enroute to Simi Valley: "I met with Reagan a lot more than I've met with this president." The implication: I knew Ronald Reagan, and George W. Bush is not Ronald Reagan.

Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, who has contributed much to making the Senate a partisan cockpit, took the floor last week to declare: "The decline of civility in politics and public discourse is not good for America. . . . President Reagan spoke to all that was good and decent in America. We should honor him by restoring decency to our politics."

Such comments depict an idyllic Reagan Revolution. During 16 years since Reagan left office, a new generation of bureaucrats, legislators and journalists has come to Washington. They have no recollection of the fierce struggle between the Democratic-controlled House and the Republican presidency. Kate O'Beirne, now Washington editor of National Review, remembers as a young Reagan administration official being tortured by such Democratic House chairmen as John Dingell and the late Ted Weiss.

Democratic eulogies of Reagan (especially by House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi) portrayed a loving relationship between Reagan and the late House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill. In

reality, O'Neill was a fierce partisan who amused fellow Democrats by expressing his low opinion of the Republican president's intellect and principles. Reagan's success in the House was thanks to renegade Democratic members, led by Texans Phil Gramm and Kent Hance (both of whom later became Republicans).

In kidnapping Reagan last week, Democrats obscured how tough and how conservative he was. No Democrat (and very few Republicans) noted the decisive thrust of his first year in office when he broke the illegal air controllers strike and barred a return to work by the strikers. Behind the smiling face was a hard antagonist.

Democratic restructuring of Reagan also ignored that he, not George W. Bush, originally restricted stem-cell research. As president, Reagan prohibited working on tissues that were products of abortions. Mrs. Reagan's call last week to end the ban on using embryos reflected broader disagreements with her husband on the issue of abortion.

But his widow's position now is before the country, and momentum is building on her side. A majority of the Senate, including 14 Republicans, has asked Bush to drop his opposition. But in the midst of last week's Reagan veneration, Laura Bush declared that her husband had not changed his position on stem-cell research. Despite the Democrats' clever use of the Reagan legacy, President Bush has no other choice.

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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I go online every day to read the Big Spring Herald. I was raised in Howard County and really enjoy being able to stay in touch with what is going on in the area.

I miss all of the excitement of the rodeo, rattlesnake round-up and the people of the area so much.

I am glad to see that Moss Creek Lake is being utilized for the recreation that is needed to keep folks coming back.

I just wanted to say "thank you" for allowing me to keep in touch with home.

KATHY WELLS
AUBURN, MAINE

TO THE EDITOR:

I attended my 9-year-old granddaughter's baseball tournament in Midland recently. There were girls' teams from all over the state.

No, it wasn't just an evening session. The several dozen teams played baseball at Ulmer Park in Midland from 10 a.m. until midnight, not for just one day, but for a whole weekend.

These same little girls, some very little, who tried to play professionally were just riding kiddy cars a half dozen years ago. The girls were dressed in colorful team uniforms with leg braces and helmets. These were no longer just little girls, they were playing to the cheers and expectations of parents and coaches.

BILL BIRKELL
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Here we go again! Bill Parcells, the Cowboys football coach, is feeling the wrath of the fainthearts that are demanding an apology for using the word "Jap!" Use of the wrong word is reminiscent of Bess Truman's problem with President Harry Truman. Bess was questioned by some friends relative to Harry's reference to manure on his roses for better growth. "Can't you get him to say fertilizer instead of manure?" "You don't understand the trouble I have had," she replied, "just to get him to say manure!" That's our problem — it always has been difficult to just call Japs — Japs!

Notwithstanding Parcells' apology in advance that he was using the word "Jap" relative to sneaky football plays, there remain those screaming for apologies! Apologies

for what? The sneak attack on Pearl Harbor that claimed the death and murder of 2,500 young Americans, many of whom still lay entombed in the USS Arizona on the harbor floor? Apologized for the thousands that died on the Bataan Death March by a barbarian enemy that never recognized nor acceded to the Geneva Convention? Apologize for the inhuman Jap soldiers that wrestled Philippine babies from their mothers' arms, threw them into the air and impaled them with their bayonets in midair? Apologize for my fellow aircrew members who were taken captive after crash landings behind enemy lines and then beheaded by their Jap captors? Apologize for the millions upon millions of U.S. tax dollars spent to rebuild Tokyo and the rest of Japan?

The nearest thing to an apology to any Japs would be to those U.S. Japanese American citizens, who were interned during World War II because of their Japanese race and background. However, even under those circumstances, families were kept together, were given suitable housing, clothing, food and their living conditions were exemplary. In addition to ultimately giving each of them \$20,000 for their inconvenience.

We have all seen pictures of the emaciated Japanese prisoners of war who were murdered, starved and worked to death in the coal mines of Japan... and not only have none of these ever received 20 cents, much less \$20,000 — the Japs have never even admitted (or apologized) for starting World War II.

As for all the Jap atrocities during that war and Pearl Harbor, I hope we are Christian enough to forgive... but we shall never forget. We can never turn our backs nor forget those young men who lost their lives and who remain entombed in the USS Arizona. There are many of us remaining who find it difficult to simply call them Japs!

R. E. "PEPPY" BLOUNT
LONGVIEW

TO THE EDITOR:

Well Little League Minors baseball has come to a close and I want to thank two great coaches who never pressured the kids. In fact, they told them each game to go out and have fun.

In this day and age, when sports frequently become the parents' game and not the kids', James Sanderson and Dale Coates set great examples for coaches in the future. The entire season was about having fun.

Thank you, both of you, for a wonderful season. It shows that kids without pressure can have fun and come out with an amazing 18-0 season. Thank you again for your time, your patience and the love you showed each and every boy that played on your Coahoma Rockhound team.

KIMBERLY YORK
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Let's hope that Councilwoman Stephanie Horton's opposition to a proposed law that would ban the chaining of dogs doesn't come back to bite her ("Tethering issue kenneled for two weeks' further study," June 16). Besides being cruel (chained dogs suffer neglect and are routinely stolen, burned, shot, poisoned, stabbed, hanged and starved), chaining can indeed make dogs "biting" mad.

A study published in the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association reported that 17 percent of dogs involved in fatal attacks on humans between 1979 and 1998 were restrained on their owners' property at the time of the attack. According to one study, more than a fourth of fatal dog attacks are by dogs on chains. Frustration, fear of not being able to escape attack and lack of socialization and human contact can turn dogs into killers.

By contrast, dogs who live indoors with the family and who are well-socialized and supervised rarely bite. Dogs who have been banished to the outdoors because of behavioral problems will benefit from humane training (while chaining will only make them worse). Regular walks give dogs a chance to explore and become accustomed to strangers and other dogs, and help prevent the development of extreme defensiveness of territory caused by confinement to a small space.

For more information on the benefits of enacting an anti-chaining ordinance, visit HelpingAnimals.com.

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By JILL BARTO
Associated Press

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Many doctors practice with no insurance

By JILL BARTON

Associated Press Writer

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Dr. Rene Loyola, a surgeon for 29 years, refuses to buy malpractice insurance because of the high cost of premiums. He has put just about everything he owns in his wife's name to protect it from potential lawsuits. The practice, called "going bare," is most rampant in Florida, where health officials say more than 3,000 of the state's 89,000 licensed physicians have dropped their coverage.

Doctors say their only other options were to leave the state, or leave the profession.

But critics, including trial lawyers and patient advocates, call the choice irresponsible, arguing that going bare does nothing to solve the insurance crisis or help legitimate victims of wrongdoing.

"You can't hide all of your assets and you can't hide all of your wages forever. One way or another, we'll find a way to represent these medical malpractice victims because they deserve it," said Alexander Clem, president of the Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers.

Doctors who practice without insurance insist that they sympathize with legitimate victims of malpractice, but they say skyrocketing awards from juries and frivolous claims have ruined the system for everyone.

"If I really injure somebody and do something wrong, I want them to be compensated for it," said Dr. Alan Routman, an orthopedic surgeon in Broward County who dropped his coverage. "But I don't want some crackpot jury to decide that I should lose everything I've worked for my whole life because of it."

A jury in one recent case

awarded \$63 million for a baby born with severe brain damage after a risky forceps delivery in Palm Beach County. The case ultimately was settled for less, and other such awards are often overturned on appeal. Even so, insurance companies say such cases are forcing them out of the malpractice insurance business. Several stopped writing malpractice policies in Florida in recent years, and others have had to obtain more insurance for themselves to help cover large jury awards and settlements.

As a result, rates are soaring to a point of crisis in at least 19 states, according to the American Medical Association. While the AMA cautions doctors against going bare because it creates risks for them and their patients, the group makes no clear recommendation against it.

Several states, such as Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Colorado, require doctors to have insurance, and most hospitals, even in Florida, require a minimum level of liability coverage. Even doctors who are bare in Florida have to prove to the state that they have \$250,000 in assets to cover any claim against them.

"Nobody would elect to practice without insurance if they could help it. It poses a risk to everyone and it just shows how desperate the situation is," said Dr. Donald J. Palmisano, president of the AMA.

Florida lawmakers tried to repair the malpractice system last year, but neither doctors nor lawyers liked their solution. Both sides now are pushing amendments they hope to ask voters to approve in November. Doctors want to limit attorneys' fees to rein in frivolous suits and prolonged court fights. Lawyers want to

bar doctors from practicing if they've had three malpractice judgments against them, and give patients more access to records of doctors' mistakes.

"If I really injure somebody and do something wrong, I want them to be compensated for it. But I don't want some crackpot jury to decide that I should lose everything I've worked for my whole life because of it."

Until lawmakers fix the soaring insurance rates and set limits on the awards patients and lawyers can reap, doctors say going bare is the only defense against a broken system.

For many, it makes more financial sense.

Routman's policy last year would have cost \$94,835 for \$250,000 worth of coverage, even though he's had no settlements or judgments against him in 18 years of private practice.

"It's ridiculous to pay that kind of money," he said. "If you had a \$250,000 house and you have to pay \$95,000 in windstorm insurance, you wouldn't pay it. You'd take your chances

and hope a hurricane doesn't hit."

In comparison, Routman's brother, an ear, nose and throat specialist in Birmingham, Ala., has \$5 million worth of coverage and pays \$5,000 a year.

"That's what insurance is supposed to be," Routman said, coverage for "an outrageous amount of money, so that the patients who have been injured get something."

Other doctors, particularly those in high-risk surgical specialties and obstetrics, have no choice but to go bare. Loyola, a general and vascular surgeon, said he was essentially told by insurers that he is uninsurable.

To help defend themselves, doctors are limiting their practices. Some refuse to take emergency room patients because of the complications often involved in treating trauma patients. Others have stopped performing high-risk surgeries.

In Palm Beach County, so many neurosurgeons have stopped treating trauma patients that they have to be transported to neighboring Broward County for care. Similar shortages have been reported across the state.

While doctors blame the trial lawyers and frivolous lawsuits, they acknowledge patients will suffer the most if the system remains broken. Patients can choose to avoid seeing doctors without insurance. All doctors are required to post signs in their offices explaining their lack of coverage and, as an added measure, many ask patients to sign a form to make sure they understand what's at stake.

Patients who sue a doctor without insurance could receive little or no compensation, and they could meet only frustration when they try for a settlement.

Marc Singer of Singer Xenos Wealth Management has advised more than 1,000 doctors on going bare. He said he tells them to consult with a bankruptcy attorney instead of a defense attorney if a claim is made against them.

Then, settlement negotiations begin at zero and go up; rather than starting with an insurance company's deep pockets and working down to a lower figure.

"When a doctor has zero insurance and offers \$50,000, all of a sudden, that settlement is acceptable," Singer said. "Lawyers stimulate a lot of litigation. Some of it is legitimate and a lot of it is not. They're either going to take the more modest settlements or they're not going to get anything."

Florida law protects many assets from legal judgments. Singer said doctors can protect their homes, retirement plans, annuities, life insurance and salaries. Anything more could be given to patients who win legal claims.

But many doctors believe going without insurance is a backward way to fix the problems.

"Doctors are going bare to try to avoid lawsuits and to try to protect their assets. They're not going bare with any idea of how to protect the patient," said Dr. Gordon Baskin, who specializes in gastroenterology and internal medicine.

He refuses to drop his insurance, which now costs \$34,000 a year. A decade ago, he paid about half that amount for four times the coverage.

"The fact is doctors are human, and doctors make mistakes, and when that happens, how are you going to take care of your patient?" Baskin asked. "The only way is if you have the assets and the insurance company behind you."

Juneteenth: A celebration of freedom and good health

On June 19, Texans commemorated the end of slavery in the United States while celebrating African-American heritage and freedom. Over the years, Juneteenth has become a national day of pride and a time to reflect on universal civil liberties.

In 1865 — more than two years after President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation — Union troops traveled to Galveston to bring the word of freedom to the 250,000 slaves in Texas. Much like July 4th, Juneteenth is a time for everyone to celebrate American independence, civil rights and, above all, freedom.

With freedom comes responsibility — for yourself, for your family and for your community. Throughout history, the African-American community has survived and thrived in the face of adversity and hardship. Despite overcoming countless societal barriers, African-American men and women continue to shoulder a heavier burden regarding healthcare — from chronic illnesses to access to care.

Heart disease is the number one killer of all Americans. African-Americans, however, are 30 percent more likely to die from heart disease. On average, blacks are more likely than whites to be uninsured or underinsured, and are less likely to have a source of ongoing care, such as a primary care physician. Stroke, which is the number three killer of all Americans, also disproportionately impacts the African-American community — blacks are 40 percent more likely to die from a stroke.

The overall healthcare landscape for African-

American women remains a distinct challenge as well. According to a recent report on women's health conducted by the National Women's Law Center,

black women have the shortest life expectancy, the highest poverty rate and the highest mortality rates from heart disease, stroke and diabetes than all other women of differ-

ent racial and ethnic groups. Black women are twice as likely to develop heart disease as white women, yet they are less likely to receive certain standard treatments.

Some major risk factors for heart disease and stroke, such as high blood pressure, are more prevalent in the African-American community, affecting women just as much as men. High blood pressure, or hypertension, is called the "silent killer" since there are no visible symptoms.

African-Americans are almost twice as likely to develop type 2 diabetes, which is often linked to obesity and physical inactivity. Close to 65 percent of people with diabetes will eventually die from

some form of cardiovascular disease. Roughly 35 percent of black women are considered obese, which is generally defined as 30 pounds over your ideal weight. More than half of black women report getting little to no exercise on a regular basis.

If Juneteenth is a day for celebrating emancipation and liberation, it is

also a time to reflect on our basic rights, such as equal access and treatment in healthcare. Don't wait until it's too late; know your risks and take full advantage of your freedom to choose. Choose a healthy lifestyle for you and your family and make the choices today that will generate a longer and healthier tomorrow.

HONEY-ROASTED CHICKEN

This simple recipe uses a tangy sauce that is bursting with flavor. You may need to use a wire whisk to blend the mustard into the other sauce ingredients.

Serves: 6

2 pounds chicken pieces (breasts, thighs, and drumsticks), skinned, all visible fat removed

1 cup honey

1/2 cup reduced-sodium teriyaki sauce

1/4 cup orange juice

1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

Preheat oven to 375°F. Rinse chicken and pat dry. Place in a single layer in a shallow baking pan.

In a medium bowl, stir together remaining ingredients. Pour over chicken pieces.

Bake, uncovered, basting with the honey mixture occasionally, about 45 minutes or until chicken is tender and no longer pink in the center.

Microwave Method:

Prepare recipe as directed above, but place chicken in a deep microwave-safe baking dish and pour honey mixture over chicken. Cover with vented plastic wrap and cook on 100% power (high) about 10 minutes. Rotate dish a half turn and baste with honey mixture. Re-cover and cook on high about 10 minutes more or until chicken is tender and no longer pink in the center.

Nutrition analysis (per serving): 321 calories, 23 g protein, 52 g carbohydrates, 58 mg cholesterol, 625 mg sodium, 4 g total fat, 1 g saturated fat, 1 g polyunsaturated fat, 1 g monounsaturated fat

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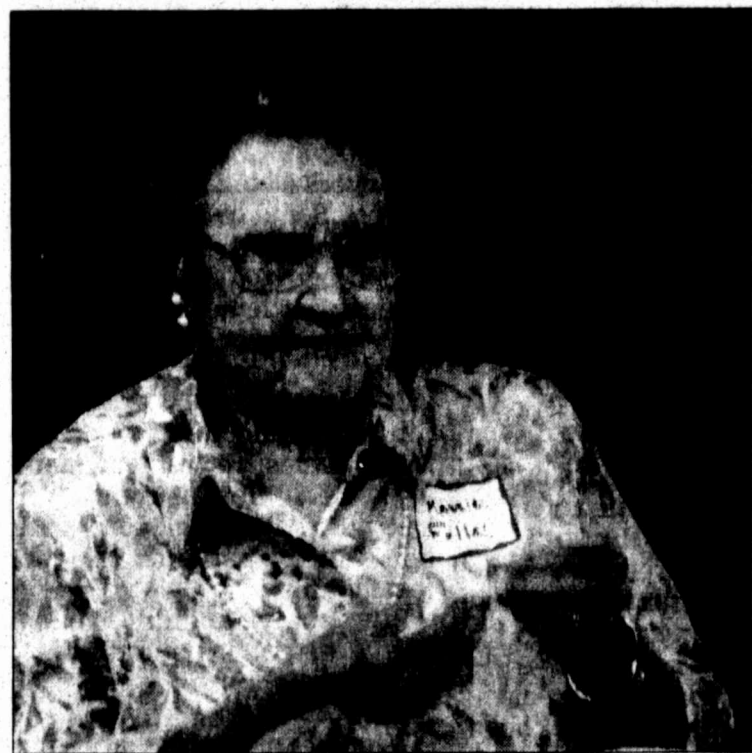
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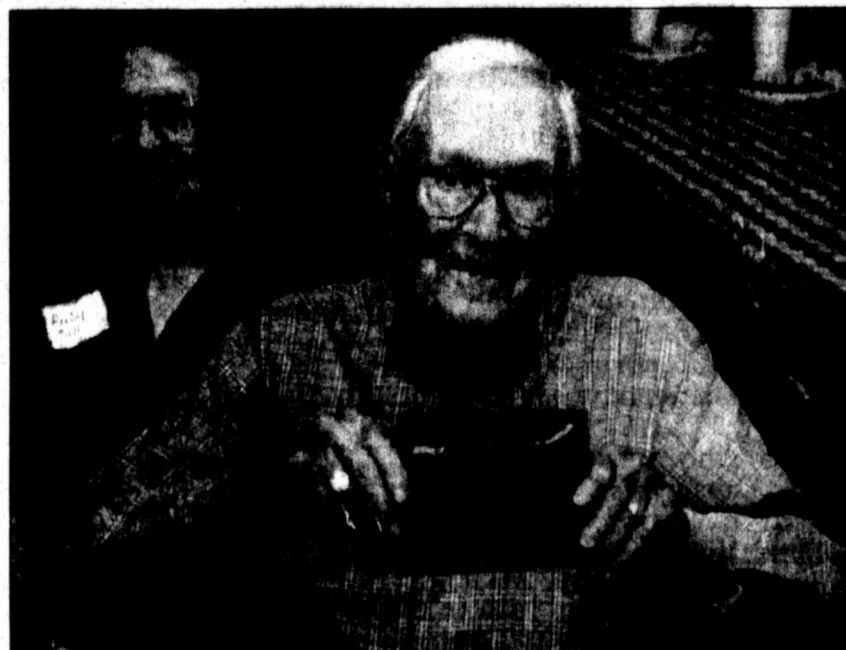
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The Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion celebrates area pioneer families Saturday at the Howard County Fairbarns. Starting top left, clockwise: The Phillips family; youngest "settler," Skyler Belcher with great grandmother Yvonne Qualls; the Boadle family; eldest man, George Glass, 94; and eldest woman, Mattie Fuller, 96.

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Dates set for Camp of Champions

Coach Rick Smith has set Big Spring High School's Camp of Champions to run from June 21 to July 1 at the Athletic Center.

The camp is open to boys and females in fifth through eighth grade.

For more information, call Coach Smith at 432-269-3662 or 0519.

Chaparral round ball

A 14 and under round ball tournament titled Summer of Champions will take place at the Angelo Junior High School.

The tournament is for boys and girls. The cost is \$90 per player to enter. All players must be entered by June 28.

To enter, call 0628.

Forsan and camp Buff

Forsan's Buffalo will be held from 8 a.m. to noon on June 23. The camp is for boys and girls through eighth grade. The camp is designed to teach skills and fundamentals of football and conditioning.

Each student will be divided into appropriate age groups. All participants will receive a camp T-shirt.

The cost is \$40 per player.

For more information, call Terry McDowell at 267-7445 or Thompson at 0099.

Martin Co. Hospital

The Martin County Hospital will be holding a 5K fun run on July 9 at Stanton. The race will start in the parking lot of the hospital.

Proceeds from the race will go to the Griffiths Fund, which provides scholarships for students who are in health care.

Awards will be given for first, second, and third place in three different age groups. The race will be held before the July 9th race day.

For more information, call 432-756-1111 or Dunn at 432-756-1111.

Big Spring ragball

The Big Spring Softball team will be holding a ragball tournament at the Big Spring Athletic Center.

The tournament will be held on July 9, 10, and 11. The team will be coached by Coach Smith. For more information, call Nicole at 432-267-6300.

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IN BRIEF

Dates set for Camp of Champs

Coach Ricky Long has set Big Spring High School's Camp for Champs to be held from June 7 through July 1 at the Big Spring Athletic Training Center.

The weightlifting camp is open to males and females in grades fifth through eighth.

For more information, call Coach Long at 432-269-3662 or 432-263-0519.

Chaparral summer round ball classic set

A 14 and under basketball tournament titled Chaparral Summer Classic will take place in San Angelo June 26-27.

The tournament is for boys and girls and costs \$90 per team to enter. All teams must be entered by June 21.

To enter, call 325-277-0628.

Forsan announces camp Buffalo dates

Forsan's Camp Buffalo will run from 8 a.m. to noon, July 19-23. The camp is for all boys grades five through eight and is designed to develop skills and fundamentals of football, basketball and strength conditioning.

Each student will be divided into an appropriate age group and all participants receive a camp T-shirt.

The cost of the camp is \$40 per student.

For more information or to register, call Terry McDonald at 432-267-7445 or Tommy Thompson at 432-457-0099.

Martin County Hospital fun run set

The Martin County Hospital will be holding a 5K fun run/walk July 9 at 7 p.m. in Stanton. The race will start in the back parking lot of the hospital.

Proceeds from the race will go to the Dan Griffis Scholarship Fund, which will provide scholarships to Martin County residents choosing a career in healthcare.

Awards will be given for first, second and third place finishes in three different age groups. The cost is \$15 before July 6 and \$18 on race day.

For more information, call Norma Garza at 432-756-2816 or Kathy Dunn at 432-756-3345.

Big Spring co-ed ragball touney set

The Big Spring Girls Softball Association will be holding a co-ed ragball tournament as a fund-raiser for Big Spring softball all-stars.

The tournament will be July 9, 10 and 11 and the team fee is \$125.

For more info, call Nicole at 432-264-2206 or 432-267-6391.

ON THE AIR

Sports Broadcast Schedule		
Event, Time	Today	Station
Artes vs. Pirates, 6:40 p.m.	1490	
Tuesday		
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Rangers vs. Mariners, 6:30 p.m.	1490	
Wednesday		
Event, Time	Station	
Artes vs. Pirates, 6:40 p.m.	1490	

Craig's 88 not enough to win

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

Hillsboro's Jarrod Craig gave a valiant effort in bull riding Saturday at the 71st Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, but it was enough to upend Gary Burt of Weatherford from the top of the leaderboard.

Craig turned in a score of 88, but Burt's 90, which was scored during Wednesday's opening night, hung on throughout the entire final three nights to give Burt the bull riding title.

Brandon Johnson of Boyd scored a 70 Saturday and finished second on the evening.

No other performers performed well enough Saturday to move into first place either.

Wes Tow of Amarillo scored a 74 in bareback riding, but William Pittman's 89 was the overall winner in the event. No one scored any points in the saddle bronc riding, which meant that Bret Franks' 85 scored Thursday night was the rodeo's high score.

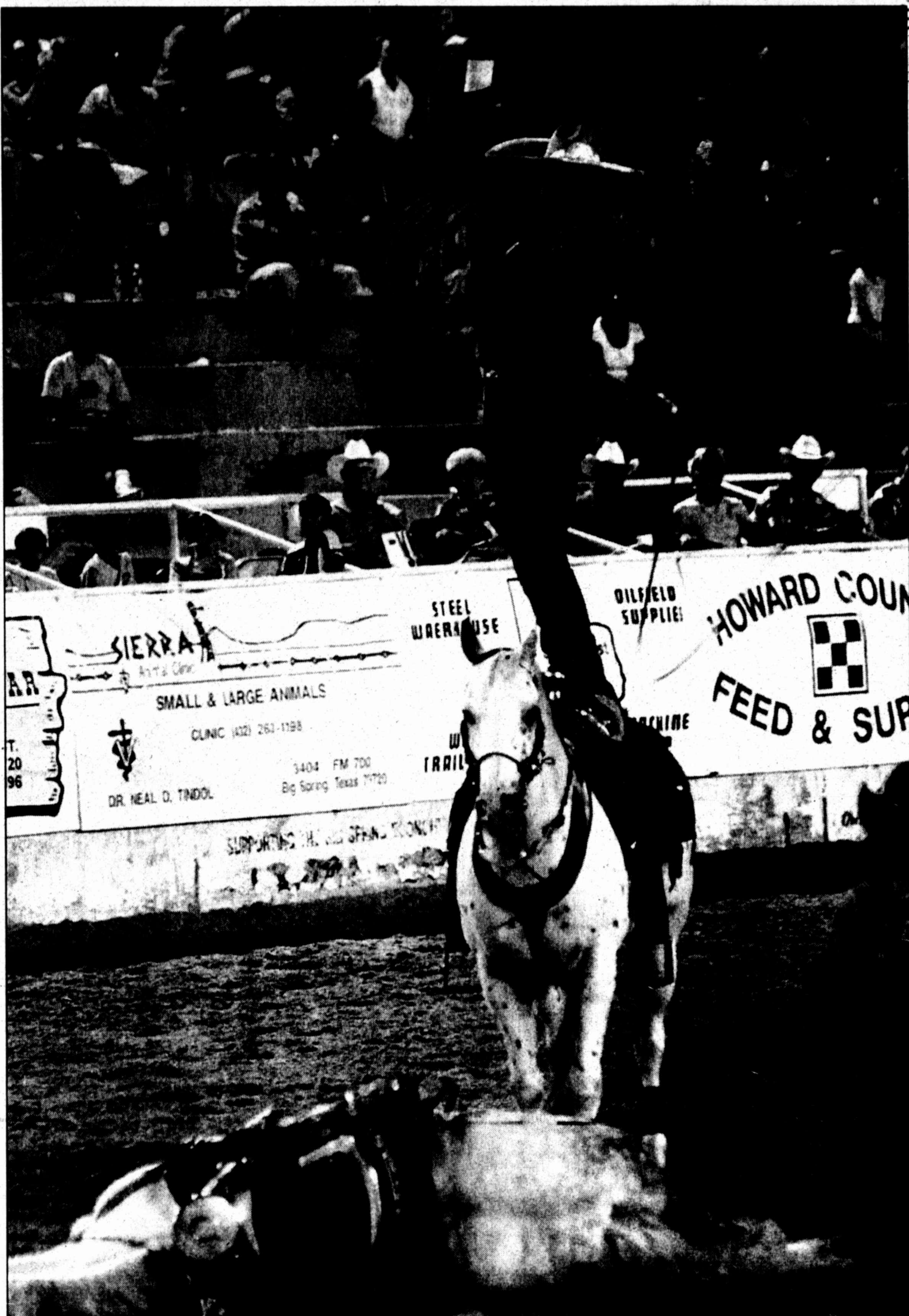
Todd Loesch of Fort Worth (8.5) and Wade Watkins of Canyon (9.9) finished first and second, respectively, in calf roping Saturday.

However, Springtown's Brady Brock score of 8.1 earned top honors at this year's rodeo.

Former World Champion steer wrestler Mickey Gee took one last run Saturday, but, although he was the best that night, still couldn't manage to move in front of rodeo winner James Lockhart, who scored a 9.5 on two steers.

Jeff Babek of Clinton, Okla., took second in steer wrestling Saturday.

Heather O'Neal, of Flower Mound and Shiloh Walker of El Paso finished first and second, respectively, in barrel racing Saturday, but Lisa Ogden's 16.51 second run earlier in the week proved to be supreme.



Charro Jerry Diaz performs at the 71st Annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo this past week at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. Diaz put on a show each of the four nights of the rodeo, which took place Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday last week.

O'Neal finished in 16.92 Saturday, while Walker came across in 17.29.

Kelli Schnedel of Big Spring won the mutton bustin' event Saturday with a 77 and the VA Hospital won the finals of the calf dressing contest. Coahoma High School and the Big Spring Fire

Department EMS took second and third, respectively, in calf dressing, as well.

Howard College's Danny McDowell finished tied for fourth in the bull riding competition after turning in a score of 82 during the rodeo's opening night.

BIG SPRING COWBOY REUNION AND RODEO

FINAL RESULTS

Bareback Riding

1. William Pittman, Florence, Miss. — 89
2. James Boudreaux, Cuero — 82
3. Jake Marshall, Snyder — 80

Saddle Bronc Riding

1. Bret Franks, Goodwell, Okla. — 85
2. Cliff Norris, Hattiesburg, Miss. — 79
3. Matt McCloy, Morgan — 78

Tie Down Roping

1. Brady Brock, Springtown — 8.1
2. Clint Singleton, Junction — 8.4
3. Todd Loesch, Fort Worth — 8.5

Steer Wrestling — Average

1. James Lockhart, Georgetown — 9.5
2. Mickey Gee, Wichita Falls — 11
3. Jeff Babek, Clinton, Okla. — 12.3

Barrel Racing

1. Lisa Ogden, Gail — 16.51
- 2-3. Debbie Bloxom, Andrews — 16.59
- 2-3. Kelly Bruner, Millsap — 16.59

Bull Riding

1. Gary Burt, Weatherford — 90
2. Jarrod Craig, Hillsboro — 88
3. Coy Dictson, Mesalero, N.M. — 84



Howard College returns home with top five finishes

By TROY HYDE
Sports Editor

Good steers were tough to come by for Howard College during Saturday's final short round performance at the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyo., but the Hawks did well with what they had.

The best finisher was Bray Armes in the steer wrestling event. Armes came into Saturday's final holding onto to second place overall. And after taking down his steer in 7.4 seconds, Armes ended up second in the nation.

"He made a pretty good run out of a bad situation," said Coach Greg Kernick. "He didn't draw a very good steer." Hunter Cure of Texas Tech, who attended Howard College last year, won the overall title.

Ryan O'Donnell and teammate Clayton Jackson also entered the final round in second

place, but things were as fortunate for this duo. The team ropers missed their first loop and finished with a 19.5, after picking up five seconds on a penalty. The tandem wound up in fifth place overall.

Ty Glover and Odessa College's Kyle Logdson took a no time in the final round and finished 12th overall.

"The Southwest Region did well as a whole," said Kernick. "The cream usually rises to the top and the cream at the national finals was in the Southwest Region and Howard College was a part of that."

Ryan Gray of Odessa College took first in bull riding.

"It was a great ride this year with a great bunch of kids," said Kernick. "September is going to be here before we know it and now we have to reload and try to replace what we are losing this year."

"I want to thank everyone for their support this year and for supporting us at our hometown rodeo, as well."



Armes

IN BRIEF

"Best of the rest" golf tournament set

The "best of the rest" two-man golf tournament at Comanche Trail Golf Course will take place Saturday and Sunday.

The championship flight is a two-man best ball and the "best of the rest" plays scramble.

There will be food on the course all day and a hole in one on number four wins a new automobile from Pollard Chevrolet.

The cost is \$100 per player plus cart.

For more information or to enter, call 432-264-2366.

Crossroads football sign-up dates set

The Crossroads Youth Football Association has announced the sign-up dates for the upcoming season.

Both football and cheerleading sign-ups will take place at the Big Spring Mall June 18 through July 17 on Fridays (5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.) and Saturdays (9 a.m. to 6 p.m.) only.

The league is for kindergarten through sixth grade.

The flag football league costs \$30, while football division 1 and 2 and cheerleading costs \$55 and \$65, respectively.

For more information, call Stacie or Robert at 432-268-9634.

Coahoma's annual ragball toumey set

Coahoma's annual ragball tournament has been set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Coahoma Softball Park, which is a change from past years.

The sign-up for the tournament has been scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday, June 25.

The deadline to sign up for weekend booth space is Friday, June 18.

For more information about the tournament, call Patric Robinson at 432-393-5622 or Randy Clanton at 432-393-5338.

BSISD announces volleyball events

Big Spring will hold open gym on all Mondays and Thursdays for the summer from 6-8 p.m. at the junior high.

All players in grade seven through 12 are invited to participate.

There will also be lifting and conditioning both Mondays and Thursdays after open gym from 8-9 p.m.

Two skills camps for incoming eighth- and ninth-graders and seventh-graders will also take place from 8 a.m. to noon in June and July at the junior high.

The times and cost of the camp vary depending on grade level.

For more information, contact Revis Daggett at 432-816-9560.

Miller finds groove as Houston takes series with Anaheim Angels

HOUSTON (AP) - Wade Miller is finally finding his rhythm.

Miller pitched seven effective innings for his third straight strong start, Eric Bruntlett hit his first home run of the season and the Houston Astros beat the Anaheim Angels 3-1 on Sunday.

Miller (7-6) allowed six hits and one unearned run while striking out four and walking four. He has two wins and a no-decision, after losing three of his previous four starts.

"I think I'm finally in a little bit of a groove," Miller said. "The last three games I've been staying consistent with my fastball and have control of all my pitches. It's a good feeling."

After allowing the first two batters to reach in both the first and second innings, Miller settled and shut the Angels down.

"I was a little erratic in the beginning," Miller said. "I guess I just loosened up after that and I definitely felt stronger the longer I went."

Manager Jimmy Williams noticed.

"The last two or three starts, he has pitched extremely well," Williams said. "After getting through the first and second, he really settled in today."

"Originally I was thinking I would take him out after the sixth, but he only used seven or eight pitches that inning, so I went one more inning with him."

Brad Lidge pitched a scoreless eighth and

Octavio Dotel struck out Vladimir Guerrero with a runner on second for his 13th save in 16 opportunities.

Angels starter Jarrod Washburn left the game after two innings with upper neck and back spasms. He is day to day.

Washburn, who is 7-3 with a 5.31 ERA, allowed one hit in his short stint Sunday. He threw just 24 pitches before having to leave.

"Before the start (Washburn) was stiff and he didn't loosen up," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "He's stiff now, but hopefully it will loosen up before his next start. It affected his delivery and we didn't want to take any chances with his arm."

Washburn's replacement, Matt Hensley (0-2) lasted just 2 2-3 innings before the Astros jumped on him for two runs in the fifth.

Bruntlett hit his first home run of the season and second of his career with one out in the inning. Jose Vizcaino then doubled and Morgan Ensberg followed with a single to right scoring Vizcaino for a 2-1 lead.

Houston got its third run on a perfectly executed squeeze play in the sixth. With Jeff Bagwell at third, the Angel infield was in but Brad Ausmus' slow bunt to the left side easily scored Bagwell, who was running on the pitch.

The Angels got some help in breaking a scoreless tie with two outs in the fifth. With the bases loaded, Robb Quinlan hit

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

2004 current standings

American League

East	W	L	GB	Home	Road	Streak
New York Yankees	43	23	—	23-9	20-14	Won 1
Boston	39	29	5	22-11	17-18	Won 2
Tampa Bay	32	34	11	19-15	13-19	Won 11
Baltimore	28	37	14.5	16-18	12-19	Won 1
Toronto	30	39	14.5	17-17	13-22	Won 1

Central	W	L	GB	Home	Road	Streak
Minnesota	38	30	—	21-14	17-16	Won 1
Chicago White Sox	35	30	1.5	20-12	15-18	Won 2
Cleveland	33	34	4.5	21-15	12-18	Won 1
Detroit	31	37	7	18-18	13-19	Lost 1
Kansas City	26	40	11	16-17	10-23	Lost 2

West	W	L	GB	Home	Road	Streak
Oakland	38	29	—	23-10	15-19	Lost 2
TEXAS	37	29	.5	20-11	17-18	Won 3
Anaheim	37	31	1.5	20-14	17-17	Lost 1
Seattle	29	38	9	18-18	13-20	Won 1

National League

East	W	L	GB	Home	Road	Streak
Florida	37	32	—	18-16	19-16	Lost 3
Philadelphia	36	31	—	18-16	18-15	Won 2
New York Mets	34	34	2.5	20-14	14-20	Won 4
Atlanta	32	36	4.5	17-17	15-19	Lost 1
Montreal	22	45	14	11-21	11-24	Won 2

Central	W	L	GB	Home	Road	Streak
St. Louis	41	28	—	18-16	23-12	Lost 1
Chicago Cubs	39	30	2	20-15	19-15	Won 2
Cincinnati	38	31	3	21-10	17-21	Won 1
Milwaukee	35	31	4.5	20-15	15-16	Lost 1
HOUSTON	35	33	5.5	17-18	18-15	Won 1
Pittsburgh	26	39	13	11-22	15-17	Lost 3

West	W	L	GB	Home	Road	Streak
Los Angeles	36	29	—	19-13	17-16	Lost 1
San Francisco	37	32	1	20-15	17-17	Won 2
San Diego	34	34	3.5	17-17	17-17	Lost 1
Arizona	27	42	11	13-22	14-20	Lost 3
Colorado	25	43	12.5	17-18	8-25	Lost 1

Glossary:
W: Wins L: Losses
GB: Games Back
Home: Home record
Road: Road record
Streak: consecutive games won or lost

Sunday's Interleague Scores

Cleveland 5, Atlanta 2
Montreal 4, Chicago White Sox 2
New York Mets 6, Detroit 1
Philadelphia 8, Kansas City 2
Seattle 5, Pittsburgh 4
Minnesota 4, Milwaukee 2
Kansas City 10, Atlanta 4
Milwaukee 4, Seattle 1
Tampa Bay 2, Arizona 1

Sunday's Interleague (continued)

Houston 3, Anaheim 1
Chicago Cubs 5, Oakland 3
Baltimore 4, Colorado 2
Texas 4, Florida 2 (11)
Toronto 3, San Diego 0
San Francisco 4, Boston 0
Tampa Bay 2, Arizona 1
Cincinnati 6, St. Louis 0
New York Yankees at Los Angeles

a grounder to second baseman Jeff Kent, who fielded it cleanly but then double-clutched in trying

to throw to first.

"We're not getting timely hits," said Garret Anderson, whose 12-game

hitting streak ended.

"Things like that happen during the course of the season," he said.

Newman wins at Michigan International Speedway

By MIKE HARRIS

AP Motorsports Writer

BROOKLYN, Mich. - Ryan Newman finally got his first victory of 2004, making up a lost lap to win Sunday at Michigan International Speedway.

Newman led NASCAR's Nextel Cup series with eight victories a year ago, but had not finished better than third this season before winning the DHL 400 — the 15th race of the year — on Michigan's fast 2-mile oval.

It didn't look like this was going to be Newman's day either, after the radiator on the front of his Penske Racing South Dodge became blocked by trash early in the race. The engine overheated, forcing Newman to make a green flag pit stop on the 22nd of 200 laps.

"We just picked up some paper or something and had to make a stop," Newman said. "It's better to be safe than sorry. After that, we just had to work our way forward."

Newman regained the lead lap near the midway point in the race and steadily worked his way forward, passing Dale Jarrett for the lead on a restart on lap 178.

Nine different drivers had won here in the last nine races, but Newman, who won here last

August, ended that streak. He became the first driver to win back-to-back races at MIS since Mark Martin in August 1997 and June 1998. It was the 10th victory of his Cup career.

Jarrett, who held on to finish third for his first top-five finish since he won at Rockingham in the second race of 2003, was unable to stay with Newman at the end. He couldn't hold off hard-charging rookie Kasey Kahne for the runner-up spot on lap 199.

Sterling Marlin finished sixth after having one of the strongest cars all day and leading several times. Marlin fell out of contention when he pitted for the final time under caution on lap 176.

Jarrett took the lead and Newman moved to second when both chose to stay on the track and gamble on going the rest of the way without changing tires or adding gas. Both had pitted on lap 152.

After two weeks of confusion and controversy over scoring problems and miscues by NASCAR officials, Sunday's race came off without a hitch. But there were some questions when a caution flag came out on the final lap with the crashed car of P.J. Jones sitting in the middle of the track in turn two, far behind the leaders.

NASCAR spokesman Mike Zizzo said the yellow was waved because there were at least six cars racing on the track behind Jones' wreck and NASCAR did not want to delay the safety crew from reaching him. Jones was not injured.

"I'm glad the fans saw a noncontroversial race and a great race," said Elliott Sadler, Jarrett's Robert Yates Racing teammate, who finished fifth after running near the front most of the day.

The final yellow flag kept Newman from having to deal with the fast-

closing Kahne. The 24-year-old Evernham Motorsports driver, still looking for his first win, came up with his fourth second-place finish of the season after also charging back from losing a lap early with handling problems.

"We were on newer tires, so I think at any time we could have caught him," Kahne said. "We were pretty darn good there at the end. If it had gone to the finish, I would have come up about a car length short."

Jimmie Johnson finished fourth and moved ahead of Dale Earnhardt Jr. by seven points in the season standings.

Junior struggled most of the day and finished 21st.

Seventh-place went to defending series champion Matt Kenseth, followed

by Bobby Labonte, rookie Brian Vickers and Michael Waltrip.

Kurt Busch, last year's race winner, finished 11th.

It looked for a while like pole winner Jeff Gordon was going to run away with the race. He led 81 of the first 88 laps before the engine in his Chevrolet blew up in a cloud of white smoke.

"We're making such great power these days and we've got the reliability," Gordon said of his Hendrick Motorsports team. "Unfortunately, that wasn't the case today."

Tony Stewart also had a difficult day after being penalized and sent to the rear of the 43-car field for the start for leaving the prerace drivers meeting early.



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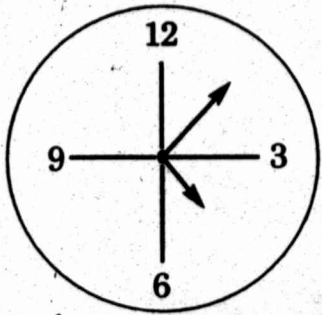
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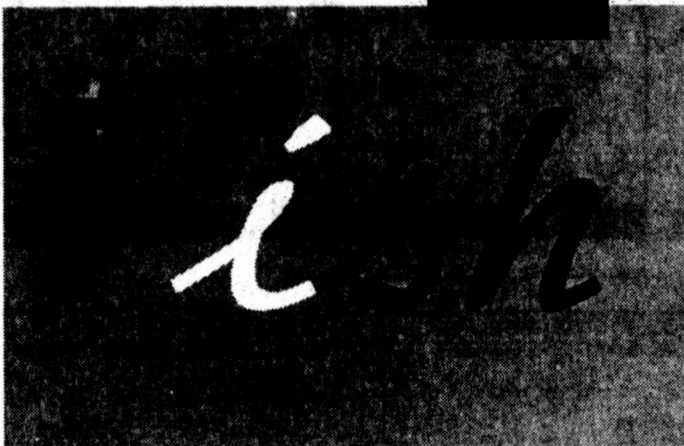
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ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 80 degrees; 6-foot low; Black bass are good on albino soft jerkbaits and white spinnerbaits worked along timber with some topwater action. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs.

ARROWHEAD: Water clearing; 77 degrees; 11-foot low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits and spinnerbaits near rocky areas. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs near flooded timber and derricks. White bass are excellent on shallow flats chasing shad. Blue and channel catfish are good on shad and prepared baits near rocky areas in the upper lake. Due to low water conditions, the only usable boat ramp is West Arrowhead Park.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 82 degrees; 4-foot low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow. Catfish are slow.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained; 80 degrees; 16-foot low; Black bass are good on shad-colored spinnerbaits and crankbaits near shallows and grassy humps, and red soft plastics around reeds. Crappie are very good on minnows and jigs. White bass and hybrid striped are fair on live baits. Catfish are good on live baits.

NASWORTHY: Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; Black bass are fair on live bait and shad-colored spinnerbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Redfish are fair. White bass and striped bass are good on small crankbaits and live bait. Catfish are good on prepared baits.

O. H. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 81 degrees; 26-foot low; Black bass are good on topwater lures, shad-colored spinnerbaits, and watermelon soft plastics and jigs. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on live bait and crankbaits. Smallmouth bass are fair. Channel catfish are good on live baits.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 78 degrees; 6-foot 5-inches low; Black bass to 16 inches are good. Crappie are fair in Rock Creek area. Good for white bass in Neely's Slough on white Twister Tail jigs and fair for small striped bass. Channel and blue catfish are fair.

STAMFORD: Water lightly stained; 78 degrees; 4-foot low; Black bass are fair on live bait and watermelon jigs. Crappie are fair on live bait and jigs. White and striped bass are fair on live baits and poppers. Catfish are fair on live baits.

SWEETWATER: Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 29-foot 25-inches low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on live bait. Catfish are fair on live bait.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained (from wind); 80 degrees; 20-foot 5-inches low; Black bass are fair on live baits and spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. Walleye are fair. Channel catfish are good on live baits and prepared baits.

WICHITA: Water turbid (from wind); 79 degrees; Crappie are slow. White bass and Hybrid stripers are good on minnows and white plastic Roadrunner jigs along dam. Channel catfish are good on trotlines and rod and reel baited using large shiners or punch bait. The parking area behind the dam is open.

Blalock's 11th-inning smash sends Rangers past Marlins

MIAMI (AP) - Hank Blalock hit a two-run homer in the 11th inning to give the Texas Rangers a 4-2 victory Sunday and a weekend sweep of the Florida Marlins.

Blalock's homer off newly acquired reliever Billy Koch came after Texas closer Francisco Cordero blew a save in the ninth and prevented Kenny Rogers from becoming the first 10-game winner in the majors.

Michael Young opened the 11th with a single, and Blalock followed with his 17th homer of the season on

the first pitch from Koch (0-1).

Ron Mahay (1-0) pitched two scoreless innings for the win, the Rangers' third straight after coming into the series on a four-game losing skid.

Rogers allowed four hits and one run in seven strong innings and appeared on his way to improving to 10-2 as the Rangers took a 2-1 lead into the ninth.

But Mike Lowell's two-out single with two strikes on him knocked in Alex Gonzalez with the tying run. Cordero blew just his

second save of the season in 22 chances.

Gonzalez opened the ninth with a walk and took second on Abraham Nunez's sacrifice. Luis Castillo grounded out for the second out, and Jeff Conine reached on a walk. Lowell then hit a sharp single to left that scored Gonzalez and sent Conine to third.

Cordero got out of the inning by retiring Miguel Cabrera on a grounder.

It was the Rangers' first road sweep since last August at Detroit.

Rod Barajas hit his ninth

homer, a two-run shot in the second, to give Texas a 2-1 lead.

Rogers allowed a leadoff triple to Castillo to open the game. Castillo scored on Jeff Conine's groundout, but that was all the Marlins could muster until the ninth.

After allowing the first two batters to reach in the third, Rogers retired 15 of the last 19 he faced.

Marlins starter A.J. Burnett worked seven innings and allowed three hits and two runs, while striking out six.

Junior Griffey makes history against St. Louis; Cincinnati shuts out Cards

By R.B. FALLSTROM
AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS - Ken Griffey Jr. trotted around the bases as if it were just another home run. It was anything but that.

Griffey hit a 2-2 pitch from Matt Morris into the right-field stands to lead off the sixth inning Sunday, securing a spot in the record books as the 20th player with 500 homers.

The star center fielder ended a frustrating stretch with the swing, which helped the Cincinnati Reds beat the St. Louis Cardinals 6-0. At 34, he became the sixth-youngest player to reach the milestone.

Griffey, who had been

stuck on No. 499 for a week, took a few extra seconds to watch his drive fly into the seats, then dropped his bat and slowly trotted around the bases with his 19th homer of the season.

The base coaches simply shook Griffey's hand as he passed by. When Griffey crossed the plate, he tapped fists with teammate Adam Dunn, who then patted Griffey on the helmet. All of his teammates then came out on the field to congratulate him after the historic homer.

Griffey then went to a box next to the Reds' dugout and hugged his father, Ken Griffey Sr., and children.

Griffey, the first to reach 500 in a Cincinnati

uniform, got a warm ovation from a sellout crowd of 45,820 on Lou Brock bobblehead day. He then received a standing ovation as he ran out to the field before the bottom of the sixth, responding with a wave of his cap.

Before Griffey reached center field, Reds relievers came out of the bullpen and congratulated him.

Jung Keun 'Bong (1-1) allowed three hits in six scoreless innings and three relievers finished a combined four-hit shutout to end the Reds' nine-game road losing streak. The slump was the team's longest since they dropped 10 in a row from June 1-24, 1998.

The Reds, who got a three-run homer from

Jason LaRue in the fourth, also averted a three-game sweep and ended the Cardinals' six-game winning streak. The NL Central leaders have won 15 of 20.

Jimmie Foxx was the youngest player to hit 500 homers, reaching the milestone at 32. Willie Mays, Sammy Sosa, Hank Aaron and Babe Ruth also hit theirs at 34.

Griffey was the fastest to 350, 400 and 450 before being slowed by injuries the last three seasons.

Three other active players have hit 500 homers. Barry Bonds is third on the career list with 676. Sosa has 549 and Rafael Palmeiro has 538. Fred McGriff needs seven homers to become the 21st player to hit 500.

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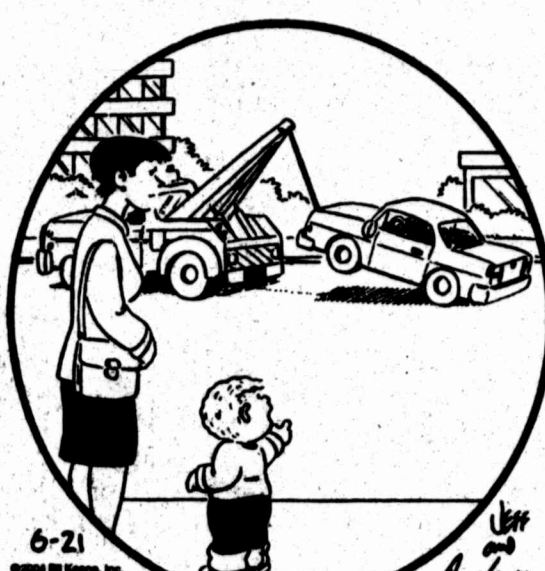
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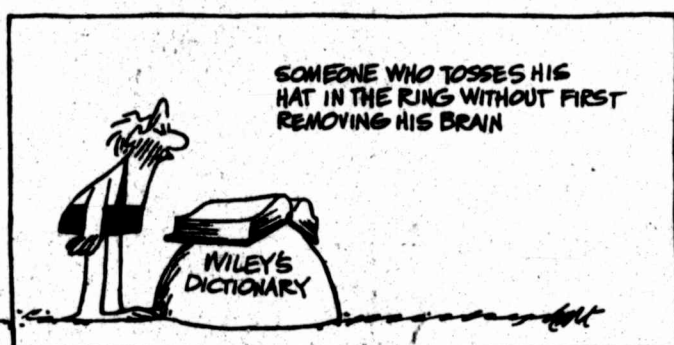
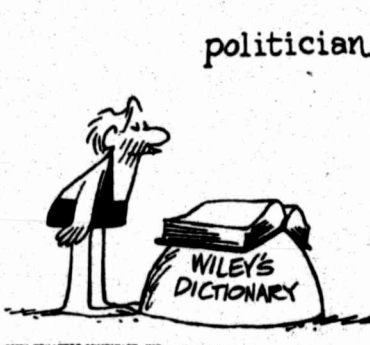
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, June 21, the 173rd day of 2004. There are 193 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Forty years ago, on June 21, 1964, civil rights workers Michael H. Schwerner, Andrew Goodman and James E. Chaney disappeared in Philadelphia, Miss.; their bodies were found buried in an earthen dam six weeks later. (Seven Ku Klux Klansmen were later convicted of federal civil rights violations in the deaths and sentenced to prison terms ranging from three to ten years; none served more than six years.)

On this date: In 1788, the United States Constitution went into effect as New Hampshire became the ninth state to

ratify it. In 1834, Cyrus Hall McCormick received a patent for his reaping machine.

In 1932, heavyweight Max Schmeling lost a title fight by decision to Jack Sharkey, prompting Schmeling's manager, Joe Jacobs, to exclaim: "We was robbed!"

In 1945, during World War II, American soldiers on Okinawa found the body of the Japanese commander, Lt. Gen. Mitsuru Ushijima, who had committed suicide. In 1963, Cardinal Giovanni Battista Montini was chosen to succeed the late Pope John XXIII; the new pope took the name Paul VI.

In 1973, the Supreme Court ruled that states may ban materials found to be obscene according to local standards.

In 1977, Menachem Begin became Israel's sixth prime minister.

In 1982, a jury in Washington, D.C. found John Hinckley Jr. innocent by reason of insanity in the

shootings of President Reagan and three other men.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Jane Russell is 83. Actress Maureen Stapleton is 79. Actor Bernie Kopell is 71. Actor Monte Markham is 69. Actor Ron Ely is 66. Actress Mariette Hartley is 64. Comedian Joe Flaherty is 63. Rock singer-musician Ray Davies (The Kinks) is 60. Singer Brenda Holloway is 58. Actress Meredith Baxter is 57. Actor Michael Gross is 57. Rock musician Joe Molland (Badfinger) is 57. Rock musician Don Airey (Deep Purple) is 56. Country singer Leon Everette is 56.

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OOPS! by Gail Grabowski
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- 16 Cleopatra's river
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- 23 Lawn material
- 25 Medical facility
- 27 Beetle Bailey dog
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- 32 Luxurious
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- 37 Like old bread
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- 39 Closely-cropped hair
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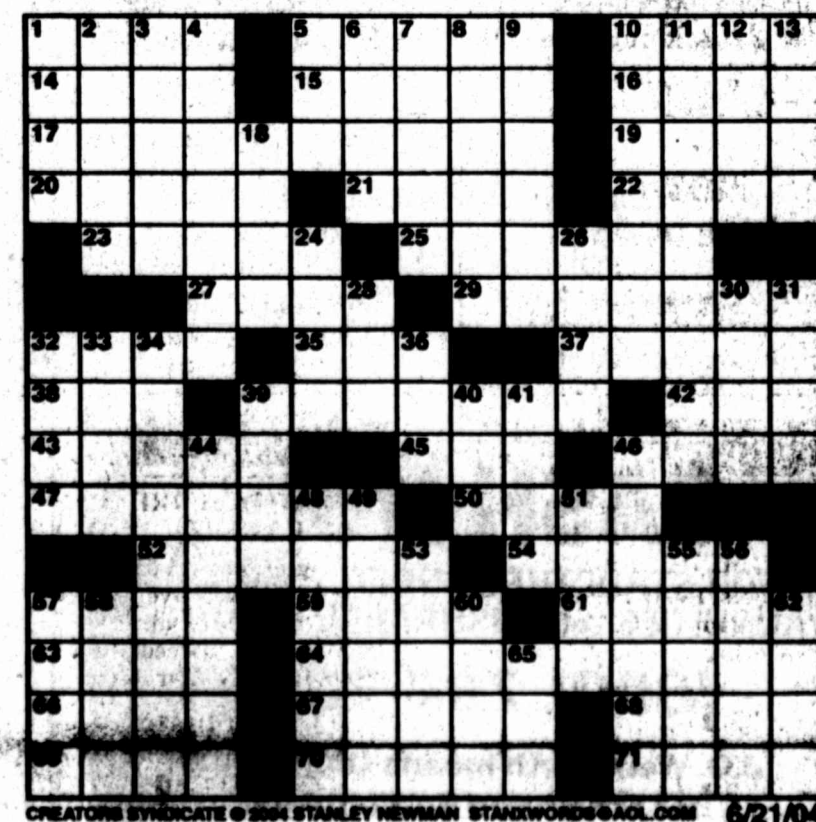
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- 71 Highland girl

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- 11 Impertinent remark
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- 13 Cozy places
- 18 Dry run
- 24 Sky sight
- 26 Hawk's home
- 28 Dedicated verse
- 30 Jai —
- 31 Canvas shelter
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It's the first full day of summer, and there's a lighthearted feeling in the air, even if you're starting your workweek now. The Leo moon wants to turn this day into a playful drama, a romantic comedy or an action adventure. The most powerful thing you can do, though, is apply that creative surge you get to the work at hand.



Joyce Jillson

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's a strange day. You feel like you've cast yourself in a performance-art piece, and at the same time, you are an audience member at the show. There's real power in being able to both observe yourself and be yourself at once.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Some people need stiff competition to inspire their top performance, but not you. You get it with sheer determination. You get a little stronger, a little smarter, and a little more efficient and productive, until you become a master.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's so much variety at your fingertips today that you feel like a kid in a candy shop. The sweetest, most appealing opportunities "cost" just as much as the sour ones do. Choose carefully because every choice counts.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you are taking on a responsibility, why not do it with great love, style and excitement? Contribute more. With the right attitude, you can add remarkable, distinguishable value to your efforts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Think of a result you'd like to achieve by week's end, and build backward, filling the calendar with steps you need to take in order to achieve that goal. If you don't do this, your week quickly fills up with other people's demands of you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's much to know and much to keep secret. You'll be tempted to tip your cards to let the world know just how talented, smart and in the know you are, but resist! As Conan O'Brien would say, "Keep cool, my babies!"

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll meet new people and hit it off right away. Acknowledge your feelings. "I like you" may be the magic words that will start an interesting

relationship. Don't call the person you know is bad for you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Put critical voices on the next plane out of the country, and revel in your childlike, innocent, creative self. Brainstorm your way into a brilliant moneymaking solution. You'll upgrade your stuff and attract new friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You've been wondering why it is you feel you must do everything on your own. Break this habit now. Ask for help. Small requests will be met with immediate agreement, especially by Aries or Libra people.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The paradox of love is that you desire to be committed to someone who puts your happiness first, but this can only happen when you put theirs first. But do be sure the other person is actually capable of returning your love.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You fight existing traditions, generally accepted beliefs and your own past tendencies. In the process, you discover something new about yourself. Your rebel spirit is attractive to water signs (Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces).

PISCES (Feb. 19-March

20). When you feel someone is on the success train with or without you, it's easy to admire or even fall in love with this person. But the one who you feel is basing his or her whole life on your relationship will make you run for the hills.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Because the sun does not move into Cancer at the same time every year, Juliette Lewis is a Gemini, though a baby born on June 21 this year would be a Cancer. Music aficionados of the skate-punk variety might catch her act on the Vans Warped Tour this year with her group called Juliette & the Licks. A talented, touching actress and a powerful, pouty rock star? Gemini duality strikes again.

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Annie's Mailbox :: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: My daughter, "Lilly," who is 8 years old and in third grade, was sexually harassed by a boy in her class. The boy was not suspended, probably because he is too young to fully understand exactly what he said to my daughter.

What bothers me is that the parents of the boy did not have the decency to apologize to me or Lilly. I also am writing to warn other parents that sexual harassment can start at any age. Our children need to learn to stand up for themselves and tell an adult when someone speaks to them in an inappropriate way. No person at any age can say things like that to our children. — Frustrated Parent

Dear Parent: If the boy didn't understand what he was saying, he most likely did not intend to sexually harass your daughter. He probably was angry with her and spoke what he thought was a grown-up insult.

You are correct that we must teach our children to respect themselves and others, and we assume you have transmitted these lessons to your daughter. It also is important to make a distinction between the words and the intent. In this instance, the proper response from the school is to teach the boy that such words are insulting and inappropriate, and will not be tolerated.

If Lilly is no longer upset over this, please leave it alone. Don't project your outrage onto your child who may very well wish to put it behind her. However, if the incident is still bothering Lilly, call the boy's parents and explain calmly that you think it will help the children get along better if their son apologizes to your daughter. We hope they will see to it immediately.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Kid in the Midwest," the 14-year-old boy whose parents wouldn't let him buy a CD of his favorite band, Rage Against the Machine, because of the parental advisory, although he could attend R-rated movies.



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

In your response, you noted that some rock groups use their music to "espouse hatred and violence." I want to clarify the record for your readers. "Rage" is known for its impassioned pleas for justice and fair treatment for impoverished and indigenous people. Listening to the masterful musicianship and descriptive lyrics can enrich the listener and encourage him or her to improve our world and get involved.

As a 30-year-old and a parent, I am glad that the younger generation is still listening to Rage. It is great music and ethically responsible, even with the inclusion of some profanity. — Seymour, Ind., Isn't Only John Mellencamp's Hometown

Dear Seymour: We think musical groups should be judged individually. The parental advisory provides a good guideline, but beyond that, parents should listen to the music their children are interested in to see what's up. Here's more:

From Dallas: That young man is obviously intelligent and wants his parents to hear him. Kids respond so much better when you make an effort to get into their world. As a mother, I challenge parents to take the time to listen to a CD with your child. It's the perfect way to open communication with them.

Memphis: It is hard enough in today's smut-filled society to raise children without saying those parents are hypocritical. Your

backbone is filled with Jell-O if you would allow such stuff in the bedroom of a 14-year-old.

California: I, too, am 14 and a big fan of Rage Against the Machine. It annoys me that my parents don't think I can handle listening to swear words without repeating them. I am quite confident that I can refrain from cussing for the next several years, regardless of what I listen to.

Dear Annie: I am a healthy, 74-year-old mother of two grown daughters. I recently had a family dinner in my home, and after everyone left, I could not hold back the tears.

While they were here, both of my girls made remarks about "when we put you in a nursing home." The casual way they mention it indicates they've discussed it. I know the day may come when it will be necessary for them to do it, but I would hope it would be only as a last resort. I worked 25 years as a nurse, and I know nursing homes from the inside. I absolutely HATE them. Such talk seems almost threatening, and it hurts. I shrug it off when they say it, but the tears come when I am alone.

These remarks are thoughtless and cruel. Maybe if the younger generation was reminded that their day is coming, they would think twice. — Crying Mother

Dear Crying Mother: Dry your tears, and tell your daughters how their words broke your heart. Your children undoubtedly know how you feel about nursing homes, and they may have been "testing the waters" to gauge your reaction.

The possibility of ending up in a place you hate is a major source of concern for many seniors, and it ought to be discussed early on. However, times have changed.

There are a variety of residences now, including assisted-living centers and retirement facilities, that provide excellent care, not to mention an abundance of social activities. Please don't

assume the worst.

Dear Annie: My daughter is getting married in October. We are watching our budget and must limit the number of guests. I have an uncle in Florida who intends to come for the wedding. However, he wants to bring his entire family. There are 38 of them. We simply don't have room at the reception hall, and worse, the group includes small children who are quite distant — third cousins once removed, etc. We have not seen most of this family for 25 years.

I want to write a letter explaining the situation. We haven't even sent out the invitations yet, but I need to tell them soon, so they don't plan their vacations around the wedding. Any advice? — Mother of the Bride

Dear Mother: Some relatives see weddings as a great way for the family to get together, especially after so many years. But it is a tremendous imposition on the hosts. If possible, call your uncle instead of writing. Tell him you are so looking forward to seeing him and are thrilled he wants to bring the entire family, but it simply isn't possible for you to accommodate all of them at the wedding. Perhaps your daughter and her future husband would be willing to visit them in Florida if they take a vacation in that direction. *

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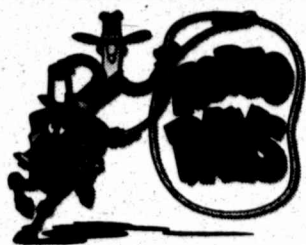
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