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## As expected, voter turnout light in city elections

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Early voting in the race for the District 2 place on the Big Spring City Council has drawn little attention from area voters this week, with just four ballots cast in the contest.

Saundra Bloom, election administrator for the county,

said the meager turnout thus far isn't totally unexpected.

"The last time this district was up for election it drew around 130 ballots," said Bloom. "So, we really weren't expecting a huge turnout. However, just four ballots... We weren't necessarily expecting that at this point, either."

"I really hope things will pick

up as we get closer to election day. In these types of races, voters have historically had a tendency to go to the polls on election day. So we'll just have to wait and see."

Balloting will certainly have the opportunity to pick up today, as Bloom and her election officials prepare for a second day of 12-hour voting that

began at 7 a.m. and closes at 7 this evening at the Howard County Courthouse.

"It's a new law that only affects the city elections," said Bloom. "We're now required to provide two 12-hour days of early voting during the early voting period. We held the first day Tuesday, and we'll do it again today."

"It's good for people who can't get to the polls between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. because they have to work. However, this only deals with the city elections, not the school board elections."

Bloom said her office is gearing up for the election — set for May 13 — which will be the

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## VA Medical Center resumes youth nursing program

*Volunteers are mentored in variety of hospital settings*

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

The Big Spring VA Medical Center will be doing its part to recruit area youth into nursing-oriented careers, as the annual VA Cadets/Cadettes Nursing Youth Volunteer Program begins in June.

The program, which is designed to promote understanding of nursing careers and recruit future nurses, is set June 12 through July 21, with an in-depth, two-day orientation slated June 12-13.

"The goals of this program are to provide youth who are interested in the nursing profession with an observation and hands-on experience of nursing tasks in a supervised environment," said Iva Jo Hanslik, community relations coordinator for the local hospital.

"The West Texas VA Health Care System will implement the program, which is limited to 12 candidates, who will be selected by a screening committee."

"Each application will include a short written essay expressing why the candidate is interested in nursing, along with an interview. The minimum age for an applicant is 14 years, and there's no maximum age."

Hanslik said the program lasts six weeks and includes a mandatory orientation.

"A minimum of 16 hours volunteered weekly in divided or eight-hour shifts is required," said Hanslik. "Volunteers will be mentored in a variety of hospital settings, including medical-surgical, extended care, outpa-

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## IT'S A DOG'S WORLD



HERALD photo/Thomas Jenkins  
Mandy Carlson of Moore, Okla., gets her dog, Emmy, ready for the annual Big Spring Kennel Club Dog Show which opened this morning at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The show continues daily — beginning at 8 a.m. — through Sunday. The Concho Kennel Club is also sponsoring the show.

## Schools set celebrations today, Friday

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

Big Spring elementary schools have planned a variety of activities to celebrate Cinco de Mayo.

Cinco de Mayo commemorates the victory of Mexican troops over the French and traitor Mexican army at the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862.

The victory will be widely celebrated on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border, and local elementary students will get in on the party as well.

Bauer Magnet School will hold a slightly premature observance today with a music program



HERALD file photo  
Young children dress up during this Cinco de Mayo celebration in 2002. Local schools will be holding various activities today and Friday, including music programs and dressing up in Mexican attire.

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## Food, music to highlight Cinco de Mayo

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Two days of good food, great music and plenty of fun are on their way to the Heart of the City Park this weekend, as the annual Big Spring Cinco de Mayo Festival gets under way Friday.

According to festival coordinator Kelly Zant, the festival — which begins Friday at 6 p.m. — has something for everyone in the family.

"A variety of attractions and entertainment, including a street dance featuring Grupo Sierra, will continue until mid-



night," said Zant. "The festival continues on Saturday from 10:30 a.m. until midnight, with an entertainment line-up including Texas Pride, Adrian Calvio of Sourhand, Conjunto Hilario, and Tejano headliner Conjunto Mi Gusto."

Zant said the festival will also feature some of the best food in West Texas.

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### MOUSSAOUI SENTENCED

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — An unrepentant Zacarias Moussaoui was sentenced to life in prison today for his role in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, warning Americans in his final public words that they would never capture Osama bin Laden.

The sentence was handed down by U.S. District Judge Leonie Brinkema at the end of a two-month trial in which the jury rejected the government's case to have Moussaoui executed.

"God save Osama bin Laden — you will never get him," Moussaoui declared moments after walking into the courtroom flashing a victory sign.

### THEY'LL HELP NEXT TIME

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — After being told by her apartment complex management that it was not their responsibility to remove a snake on her porch, a woman came up with her own unfortunate solution.

Shatavia Kearney, 19, called the Charter Landing Apartments office Sunday and asked someone to remove a snake on her porch. She said she was told to deal with the situation herself.

So Kearney doused the snake with a flammable liquid and set it on fire. In the process, the vinyl siding caught fire and was charred and melted in two places. To make matters worse, the snake got away.

### AND STAY OUT!

ARLINGTON (AP) — Tourists in town to visit amusement parks or see a Texas Rangers baseball game may encounter an unusual sign: one flashing the message "high crime location."

Police placed the sign near three motels on the edge of the city's entertainment district in early April after arrests for drug offenses, robberies and assaults skyrocketed. "We are obligated to inform not only our community but our tourists about the problems in a way that allows them to make good, sound decisions about where they want to take their children and stay the night," said Deputy Police Chief Jaime Ayala.

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## Obituaries

## Sallie B. Green



Sallie B. Green, 94, of Big Spring died Monday, May 1, 2006, in a local nursing home. Funeral services are 2 p.m. Saturday, May 6, 2006, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Ernest C. Wilson, the Rev. James Greene and the Rev. Eddie Williams officiating. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

She was born Feb. 19, 1912, in Bastrop County and married Walter Green in 1935 in Bryan. He preceded her in death April 2, 1980. She had worked as a housekeeper for 30 years. She was a member of Baker's Chapel AME.

She was also preceded in death by two sons, Eugene Moten Jr. and Johnnie Green, one daughter, Louise Graves, nine sisters, Alberta Peoples, Ardalia Johnson, Gertrude Hardeman, Lilly B. Henderson, Mary Lee Denmon, Carletta Clemons, Alma Denmon, Mabel Carr and Charley Hardeman and seven brothers, Ellis Denmon, Albert Louis "A.L." Denmon, Joe Lindsey Denmon, F.L. Denmon and Morris Denmon.

Survivors include three sons, Nathan Green of Big Spring, Robert and his wife, JoAnn Green of Harker Heights and Elroy and his wife, Debra Green of Round Rock; two daughters, Willie L. Green of Midland and Pearl and her husband, Leon Crawford of Yukon, Okla.; and 33 grandchildren, 68 great-grandchildren and 35 great-great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to Baker's Chapel AME, 911 N. Lancaster, Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com).

## Support groups

## THURSDAY

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

## FRIDAY

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

## Around Town

• **HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM** is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday.

• **POTTON HOUSE**, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into Heritage Museum, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

• **HERITAGE MUSEUM** is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

## Take note

• **ENTERTAINMENT AT THE SPRING CITY SENIOR CENTER** Friday spotlights the talents of Judge Kathryn Wiseman. She will sing and play guitar during lunch, which begins about 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 267-1628.

• **HOSPITALITY HOUSE OPEN HOUSE** is 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday at 1202 W. Fourth St.

• **RETIRED GUITAR/FIDDLE PLAYER** is looking for others interested in playing old-time country and bluegrass music. Just for the enjoyment. Call 264-0182.

• **ISAIAH 58 RECEPTION AND OPEN HOUSE** is set for 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. today at 107 Runnels St. Call 268-1270 for more information.

• **AARP SENIOR CITIZEN DRIVER SAFETY COURSE** is May 11-12 from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. each day at the Spring City Senior Center. Cost is \$10. Call the center at 267-1628 for more information.

• **AN ACCOUNT FOR JACK HANSON** has been established at T&P Credit Union for donations to assist with expenses related to his heart surgery. Call 399-4562 or 399-4770 for more information.

• **AN ACCOUNT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AT CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION** for 21-month-old Madysyn Hillger, in care of her grandmother, Debra Hillger. Madysyn has been diagnosed with a rare neurological-genetic disorder, Rett Syndrome. Donations will be applied to travel, medical and lodging expenses. For more information, call 264-7340 or 816-1024.

• **KEEP BIG SPRING BEAUTIFUL FLEA MARKET** is 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. May 6 in the Big Spring Mall parking lot and booth space is available. Applications are available at the mall office or the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call 263-9231.

• **HOWARD COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS** plans a Water Wise Plant Sale booth at the Spring Clean Flea Market May 6 with West Texas hardy plants for sale and people who'll be glad to talk and answer questions.

## Police blotter

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

- **ROBIN ANNETE SALAZAR**, 43, of 1806 Winston, was arrested Wednesday on a local capias warrant.
- **JASON ROBERTS**, 26, of 2106 S. Monticello, was arrested Wednesday on two local warrants.
- **DAVID FONSECA**, 19, of 1001 Birdwell Lane Apt. 220, was arrested Thursday on a charge of minor in consumption of an alcoholic beverage.
- **ADRIAN BERMUDEZ**, 19, of 1001 Birdwell Lane Apt. 202, was arrested Thursday on a charge of minor in consumption of an alcoholic beverage.
- **ANTHONY WRIGHT**, 46, of 2601 Hunter, was arrested Thursday on charges of driving while license suspended and no liability insurance.
- **LISA MICHELLE RIFFE**, 28, of 2529 Gunter, was arrested Thursday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **THEFT** was reported:
  - in the 1500 block of FM 700.
  - in the 400 block of Birdwell Lane.
- **FORGERY** was reported in the 1100 block of Benton.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 500 block of 10th Street.

## Sheriff's report

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

- **RONALD AVEN SHIPMAN**, 63, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of indecency with a child - sexual contact.
- **JANA PORTER GIBBS**, 47, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- **AMANDA MARIE HEFFINGTON**, 26, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of duty on striking fixture or landscape.
- **OSWALDO MARTINEZ**, 52, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.
- **MIKE GONZALES MANZANAREZ**, 23, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid/suspended.

## Fire/EMS

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

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported at the Courtney Place Apartments. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 600 block of E. 12th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1600 block of West 11th Place. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1600 block of West 11th Place. One person was transported to Midland Memorial.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 100 block of Northwest Eighth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to the VAMC.

## Bulletin board

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

## TODAY

- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.
- Genealogy Society of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.
- Big Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

## FRIDAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until about 3 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.
- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Spring City Senior Citizens country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

## SATURDAY

- Second annual Spring Clean Community-wide Flea Market 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Big Spring Mall parking lot.
- Big Spring Cruisers cruise Gregg Street and at the Sonic Drive-In beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.
- Big Spring Squares. Call 263-6305 for more information.

## MONDAY

- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Big Spring Band Boosters meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Big Spring High School band hall.
- Take Off Pounds 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.
- Coahoma Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center at 306 North Ave.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the La Posada Restaurant.
- Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library Community Room in the basement. Call 270-2615 for more information.

## Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy. Chance of showers and thunderstorms. Windy. Some thunderstorms in the evening may be severe with heavy rainfall... Large hail and damaging winds. Lows around 60. East winds 20 to 30 mph. The chance of rain is 30 percent.

Friday...Partly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cooler. Highs in the mid 70s. East winds around 10 mph.

Friday night...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 50s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 70s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s. Sunday...Partly cloudy. Warmer. Highs in the upper 80s.

Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s. Monday...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s.

Monday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 60s. Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

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## Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 5-17-24-37-40-42 Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$5 million.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 9-20-24-27-37. Number matching five of five: 0. Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-7-4

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Pyburn

driving a white 1992 Pontiac Grand Am bearing Texas Handicapped plates 6XTVK. He is a white male, 5'9" in height, weighing 165 pounds. He was last seen wearing a black cowboy hat, black coat, black pants and black boots. If Pyburn is located, please contact the Odessa Police Department at (432) 333-3641.

## Storms spark fires, high winds

(AP) — A strong line of thunderstorms with wind gusts of up to 82 mph raked portions of West Texas for a second night Wednesday.

The Texas Office of Emergency Services said minor structural damage had been reported in Kent County from straight-line winds.

The winds snapped tree limbs, blocking roadways and downing power and phone lines in Clairemont and Jayton.

"We had a report of a wind gusts to 82 mph from a site located just to the south of Jayton," said Ron McQueen, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Lubbock.

Wind damage was reported in the small town of Anton, just to the northwest of Lubbock, said "These were very significant severe thunderstorms," McQueen said. "They didn't hit everything."

Lightning ahead of the storms sparked five wildfires near Peacock, said Sarah Matthews, a dispatcher and jail officer for the Stonewall County Sheriff's Department.

Hail throughout West Texas also caused minor damage to car windshields, officials reported.

## Teen dies after crossing border

EL PASO (AP) — A Salvadoran teenager who died after becoming sick on the road was crossing into the United States to reunite with her mother, authorities said.

Lady Lorena Vijil Claros, 14, died last week from a blood clot that traveled from her lungs to her heart, according to preliminary autopsy report. A couple had found her semiconscious by the side of Texas 20 near Fabens.

Lady left El Salvador after her caretaker became ill. She was planning to join her mother, who had been living in Virginia for several years, investigators said.

Detectives are investigating reports that the teenager was left behind by a smuggler after becoming ill, said El Paso County Sheriff's spokesman Rick Glancey said.

"Right now this case serves as a reminder of the dangers of human trafficking," Glancey said.

## Mexican Consulate opens satellite office

FORT WORTH (AP) — Mexican citizens won't have to travel as far to get identification cards, passports and other documents.

Starting Thursday, they can obtain the documents at a satellite office of the Mexican Consulate inside the Northside Community Center in Fort Worth.

The office is not a fully-functioning consulate like the one in Dallas. But it will issue three items: permits for cars temporarily traveling in Mexico, passports and matriculas consulares, which are identity cards. It will process about 100 documents a day, most of them matriculas consulares, said Mexican Consul General Carlos Garcia de Alba.

Thousands of Mexican citizens, especially those in the country illegally, use matriculas consulares as identification to open bank accounts and conduct other business.

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first her office has been contracted to perform since it was created by the county.

"It's a little different for the voters," said Bloom. "Everyone is so accustomed to going to city hall to cast their ballots; it's a real change to have them come to the county courthouse."

The trio of Big Spring City Council seats up for election this year has been pared down to just one, with council members Gloria McDonald and Greg Biddison making it through the filing periods uncontested.

Donna Gamboa, owner of the San Franciscan Bar and Grill, Internet technology specialist Manuel Ramirez and health-care professional Cindy Lopez are facing off for the District 2 place on the

council. Incumbent Woody Jumper did not file to run for the seat.

In Stanton, two of four spots on the city council are contested this year.

Mayor Lester Baker, a 14-year incumbent, has drawn two opponents. Randy Koonce, a computer programmer, and Robert Teveni, an office manager and paramedic, are seeking to unseat Baker.

Also contested is the District 1 race, in which incumbent Ronnie Christian is facing a challenge from registered medical assistant Rosalinda Mindling.

"We've had 25 ballots cast during early voting, so far," said Sharon Jones, deputy clerk for Martin County, which is handling the Stanton election. "This is the first year the county has handled the election for the city, so it's kind of hard for us to tell what the norm is at this point.

However, things are going very smoothly. The voters are coming in with a smile on their faces to cast their ballots."

Jones said her office is also planning two 12-hour days at the polls, set for Monday and Tuesday from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Early voting in the Coahoma school board election, which has seven candidates vying for three board positions, has also been light.

Incumbents Jody Reid, James White and John Wayne Metcalf are joined on the ballot by challengers Alan Wright, James Gilbert, Jackie Hill and Lori Martinez.

Bloom said 27 early ballots have been cast in that election. Early voting continues from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Coahoma Community Center through Tuesday.

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## NURSING

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tient clinics and emergency care departments."

Participants will receive credit for volunteer hours. Community volunteering is a rewarding opportunity for youth. We're very excited to once again offer this program and we hope to encourage many future nurses.

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Starting Thursday, they can obtain the documents at a satellite office of the Mexican Consulate inside the Northside Community Center in Fort Worth.

The office is not a fully-functioning consulate like the one in Dallas. But it will issue three items: permits for cars temporarily traveling in Mexico, passports and matriculas consulares, which are identity cards. It will process about 100 documents a day, most of them matriculas consulares, said Mexican Consul General Carlos Garcia de Alba.

Thousands of Mexican citizens, especially those in the country illegally, use matriculas consulares as identification to open bank accounts and conduct other business.

## SCHOOLS

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featuring Mexican songs and dances.

Friday, Kentwood Elementary students will participate in a school wide Cinco de Mayo celebration. Under the direction of music teacher Debby Averitt, the celebration will begin at 10 a.m. with a dance program outside on the blacktop.

Wearing customary Mexican clothing, each

grade will perform a traditional Mexican folk dance. Following the dance program, a Mexican stack-up lunch will be served in the cafeteria with diners having the option of eating inside the building or outside.

From 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. there will be a "Celebration Rotation." Students will "travel" with their teachers to different stations throughout the school. The stations will feature costumes, artifacts, instruments, and artwork from Mexico.

A short Cinco de Mayo video will be shown at one of the stations, tortillas will be made at another with students being allowed to sample the treats, and other stations include the The Mariachi Tradition, Spanish language, and Pablo's Pinata.

At Moss Elementary, Debbie Rice's first grade students will sample Mexican food and arts and crafts in celebration of the holiday.

Washington Elementary kindergarten students will conduct a music pro-

gram featuring Mexican songs at 9 a.m. Friday. Also at the school, members of the Big Spring High School Spanish Club and Ballet Folklorico of Snyder will present musical selections.

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## FESTIVAL

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"We'll have some of the area's best Mexican food and barbecue," said Zant. "We'll also have face painters, inflatable attractions and a variety of merchants. Many other food and drink booths will be on hand, providing a menu to please every hungry festival guest."

Zant said the historical and geographical ties of the holiday are fairly easy to spot during the festival, as well.

"Big Spring Cinco de Mayo Festival is true family fun, combining great food and awesome Texas

country and Tejano music for a good old two-stepping and Cumbia dancing good time," said Zant. "This year's festival will feature the artistry of Folklorico de Guadalupe, as they demonstrate both Mariachi and Folklorico dance forms."

"You can take a stroll around downtown Big Spring and view the ongoing renovations, enjoy our entertainment stage, Texas artisans, merchants and visit the various exhibits for new insight on Big Spring businesses and organizations."

For more information on the festival, contact Zant at 432-816-4540.

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

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## OUR VIEWS

### Let's make sure KBSB flea market is truly a success

It's time to go shopping. Looking for a bargain? Would you be interested in helping out a good cause? How about doing all three at the same time?

Well, that's exactly the opportunity local residents will be afforded Saturday when Keep Big Spring Beautiful holds its second annual Spring Clean Community-Wide Flea Market. It is held on the Big Spring Mall parking lot.

Approximately 20 booths will be open offering anything from garage sale-type items, to arts-and crafts and food.

Among the booths will be one operated by the Master Gardeners, who plan to have 1,000 plants for sale; the Big Spring Symphony; a food booth operated by the Baker's Chapel AME Church; and the sponsoring organization's sales table that will be offering "a little bit of everything."

There's still time to rent a booth if you or an organization you're involved in would like an opportunity to take part in the event. Booths are priced at \$25, \$45 or \$65, depending on size. For more information, contact Jan Hansen at 264-5755.

And if anyone has items they'd like to get rid of, organizers said they would encourage donations to the KBSB booth.

Booths will open at 7 a.m. Saturday and will close at 4 p.m., so there will be plenty of time to work the flea market into your weekend plans.

We hope you'll join us in helping out not only Keep Big Spring Beautiful, but several other worthy organizations and their causes by purchasing an item or two during the sale.

We'll see you there.

## YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I only have one question: My wife works with a lady whose husband works for the local Fina refinery and my question is why do the employees get to pay only \$1.349 per gallon for unleaded regular gasoline and the rest of us have to pay well over \$2.50 a gallon?

Now, if the price of gas is so high because of the cost to make it, why is it so cheap for their employees and shouldn't some of the city of Big Spring's citizens be entitled to the same respect?

To hear a man come to Wal-Mart and brag about just filling his and his wife's cars for only \$1.349 a gallon is kind of rubbing it in, don't you think?

MALCOLM FARR  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Why are there uncontrolled intersections in our city? This is just an accident waiting to happen, especially when the intersection has obstructed views from either side.

An accident occurred at such an intersection at 14th and Nolan. Thankfully, nobody was seriously injured.

This accident could have been prevented if a stop sign or yield sign had been in place.

When you are driving along and your right of way does not have a stop sign, you naturally assume that the other side does.

How many of us really look to make sure the other side has a posted sign?

JULIA MUNOZ  
BIG SPRING

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We can gain success through our teamwork with You, Lord.  
Amen

# Big Oil versus the Oily Bigs

Television news slays me on the gasoline-price story. For years, cable journalists have reported breathlessly on the certain dangers of global warming and President Bush's refusal to play along with the highly flawed Kyoto global-warming pact. Then, the minute gasoline flirts with the admittedly painful \$3 per gallon threshold, it's Armageddon — but for consumers, not the planet. Suddenly forgotten is the fact that high oil prices may be the only mechanism that can reduce the use of fossil fuels — the key Kyoto goal.

Then there are congressional Democrats. They never look so happy as when they smell an opportunity to capitalize on bad news. High gas prices? They can blame Bush — he's an oil guy from Texas.

The best part: Voters probably won't blame the Democrats for high prices, even though they have opposed drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. If the Dems had agreed to drill in ANWR years ago, there would be a new source of domestic oil to offset the heightened demand for oil in India and China.

Capitol Hill Republicans have been shameless in their own fashion. House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., and Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., dashed off a letter to President Bush, asking for a Federal Trade Commission investigation into "gouging" and "price fixing." So much for the free market.

The Hastert-Frist letter confirmed voters' suspicion that gasoline prices are so high that Washington politicians know they should do something, but no letter will convince voters that GOP leaders are really going to get tough on Big Oil.

It's clear Dubya has no idea what to do. The White House issued a four-point plan to confront high gasoline prices. I agree with much of it, and still my eyes rolled when I read it.

Bush picked up congressional leaders' call for an FTC investigation into gouging. (Like that will help.) He also called on Congress to revoke tax breaks for Big Oil to the tune of \$2 billion over 10 years — when Americans know that if Bush were serious, he would have called oil company executives into the White House and told them to cut prices — or lose the tax breaks tomorrow.

Bush also wants to cut regulations on smog-reducing fuels and to push again for drilling in the Arctic refuge.

I agree with those proposals, but Bush is stuck in first gear. He keeps asking for the same old things the same old way — less regulation, more drilling — and, no surprise, his car never gets up to speed.

And it never will. Bush will never have the public on his side on energy issues until he shows reforms that don't spare big business and industry leaders.

Bush needs to do the following. Don't ask Congress to rescind big oil's tax breaks, unless you don't want results. Demand it.

Stop saying you want to battle America's addiction to oil, while doing little about Detroit's addic-

tion to gas-guzzlers. Bush likes to talk up hydrogen-fuel cells and alternative fuels — which may or may not reduce American dependence on foreign oil — when he should be tightening fuel-efficiency standards for the current fleet.

(I should note here that Bush has done more to improve Corporate Average Fuel Economy standards than the Clinton administration did in eight years, but his latest proposal to increase fuel efficiency for light trucks could reward the biggest gas-guzzlers when the country should be rewarding mile-per-gallon misers.)

Go after Big Ag, too, either by cutting new federal requirements on ethanol use or heeding the Wall Street Journal editorial that urged the administration to "end the 54-cent-a-gallon tariff on imported ethanol." The high cost of gasoline won't go down appreciably when ethanol sells for \$2.77 a gallon.

No matter what House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi says, many Democrats don't want tougher fuel-efficiency standards. Many don't want to cut ethanol subsidies — which should make it fun for Bush to call for these reforms.

Give the Dems what they say they want, not what they really want.

Meanwhile, Bush would be showing leadership. He should be working to get what he can get, and taking on industry biggies at the same time. Then, maybe for the first time, some Americans would look at the president and think, "He works for me."

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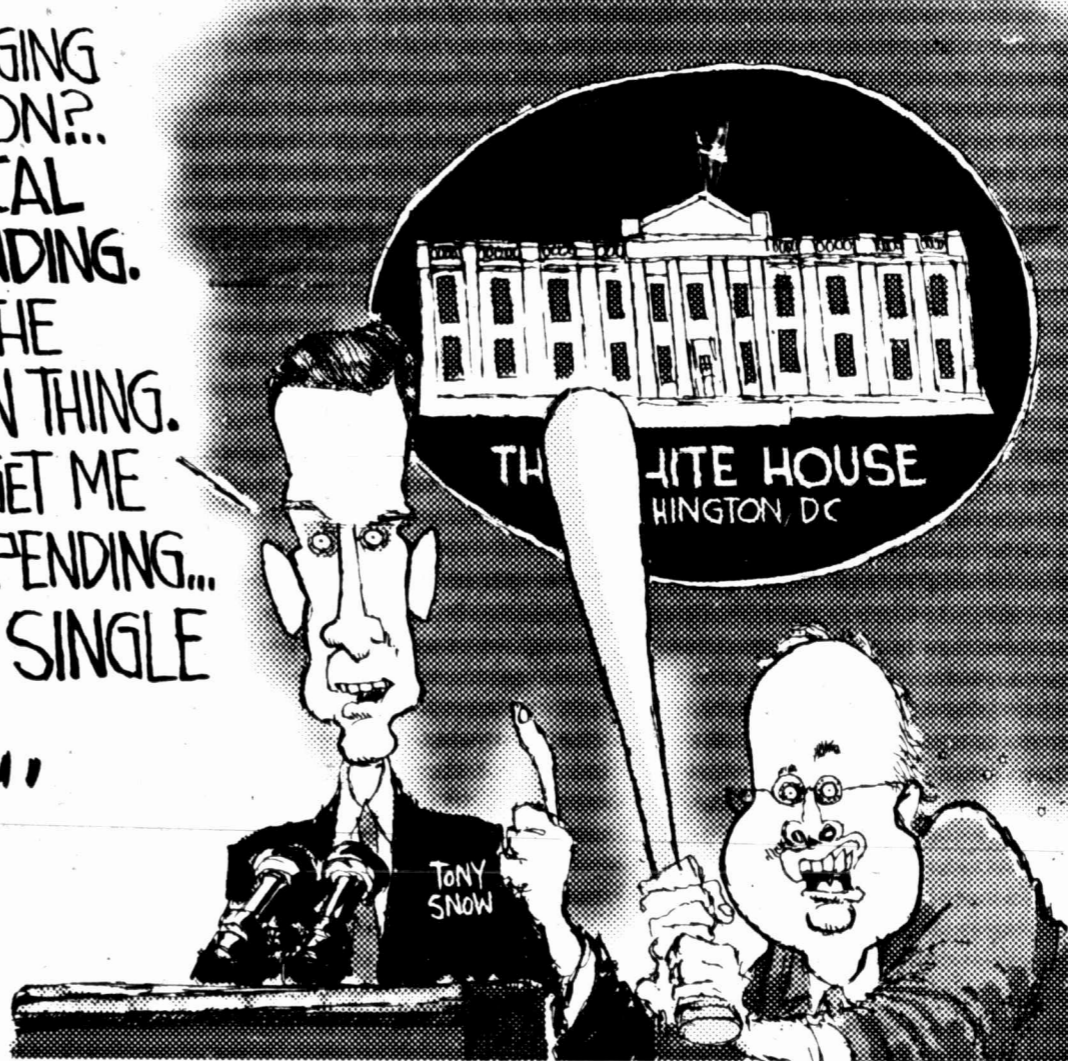
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## Brain age ain't nothing but a number

Hey, foxy lady. Did anyone ever tell you that you have the brain of a 24-year-old?

Okay, so that's not a particularly popular pick-up line — yet. But now that Nintendo has come out with a game that can supposedly measure your brain's age and lower it (20 is the goal), brains are about to become the latest body part everyone wants to buff up.

As a gal who always liked brains buffed the old-fashioned way — by, say, reading — I dread the smarties-come-lately bragging, "I'm a 28!" "Get a load of those prefrontal lobes." "Hey, baby, my matter ain't gray."

For this brave new world (that's a literary reference), we must blame Brain Age, the Nintendo DS game that debuted in Japan a year ago and proceeded to sell 3 million copies — possibly because 20 percent of the people there are over age 65 and worried that their brains are turning into tuna belly. But even here in robust America, the game just came out and has already hit No. 2 on Amazon. What gives?

Well, grudgingly I must admit: It's fun. You just turn on your Nintendo DS (or, if you're over 40, you have your kid do this for you), and the sleek little device proceeds to gauge your age. It does this by flashing the words "yellow," "black," "red" and "blue" at you — written in the wrong colors. The faster you shout out the actual color you see — "blue" when the word "yellow" is written in blue — the younger your brain.

Supposedly. Of course, if you really want to see how young someone's brain is, all you have to do is flash a picture of Hilary Duff and ask, "Who's this?" Anyone who gets it right is young. Anyone who answers "Rita Hayworth" is ready for pet therapy.

Anyway, once you find out your brain's age, you will despair. Everyone I lent the game to had a brain much older than their years. The road to redemption?

Brainteasers. So says Japan's professor Ryuta Kawashima. It was his best-selling book on brain exercise that inspired this game.

Ryuta's smiling, digitized face will lead you through 14 tasks ranging from silly (connect the dots) to tense (how fast can you subtract?) to completely impossible (I forget what exactly it was, but it was hard). (Oh, wait! It was

memorization.)

The first day is very demoralizing. But everyone seemed to do a little better the next. And the next day, even better. As they saw their brains getting "younger," the game grew irresistible. Unfortunately, so did the urge to check "How old am I right now?" And therein lies the problem.

We are already a society that counts our calories, carbs, heartbeats — even sperm. Adding brain age to the mix just means one more number to fret about.

Since the jury is out on whether the game actually does any good — "You can't really prevent Alzheimer's," says gerontologist Sandra Timmerman at the MetLife Mature Market Institute — a "young" brain simply becomes a bragging right.

In real life, it's the older brains that have read, lived, made stupid mistakes and sometimes even learned from them. The word for this isn't "aged brain." It's wisdom.

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Janell Davis, left, Conclenne, Jan Foster members at the 2006



Brenda Conclenne and city-wide flea market.



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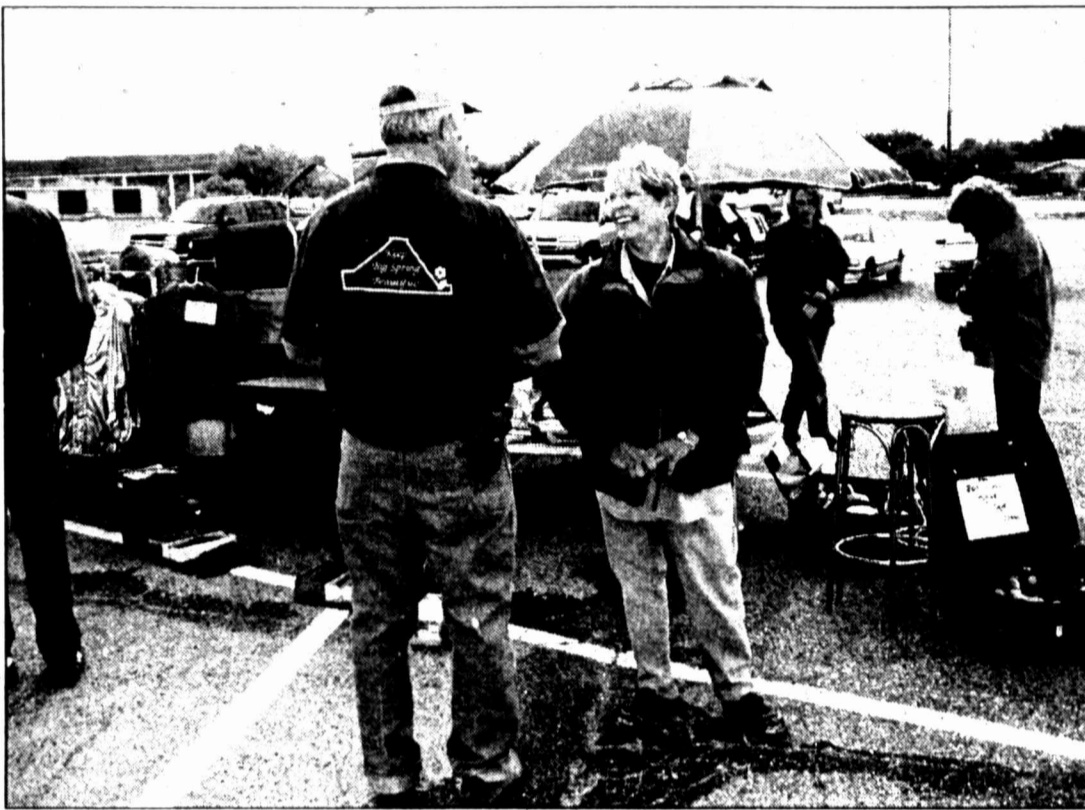
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# 2nd annual Keep Big Spring Beautiful Community-wide Flea Market



Courtesy photo  
Janell Davis, left, Loyce Phillips, Willia Ledford, Judy Little, Jan Hansen, Brenda Conclenne, Jan Foresyth, Debble Wegman, Keep Big Spring Beautiful committee members at the 2005 community-wide flea market.

The Keep Big Spring Beautiful second annual Community-wide Flea Market is set for 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday in the Big Spring Mall parking lot. Various vendors will have wares available for sale, including food booths, collectibles, handcrafted items and miscellaneous goods. Booth spaces are available. For more information, call Jan Hansen at 264-5755.



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City Councilwoman Gloria McDonald and her husband, Bobby will return with a booth Saturday at the flea market.



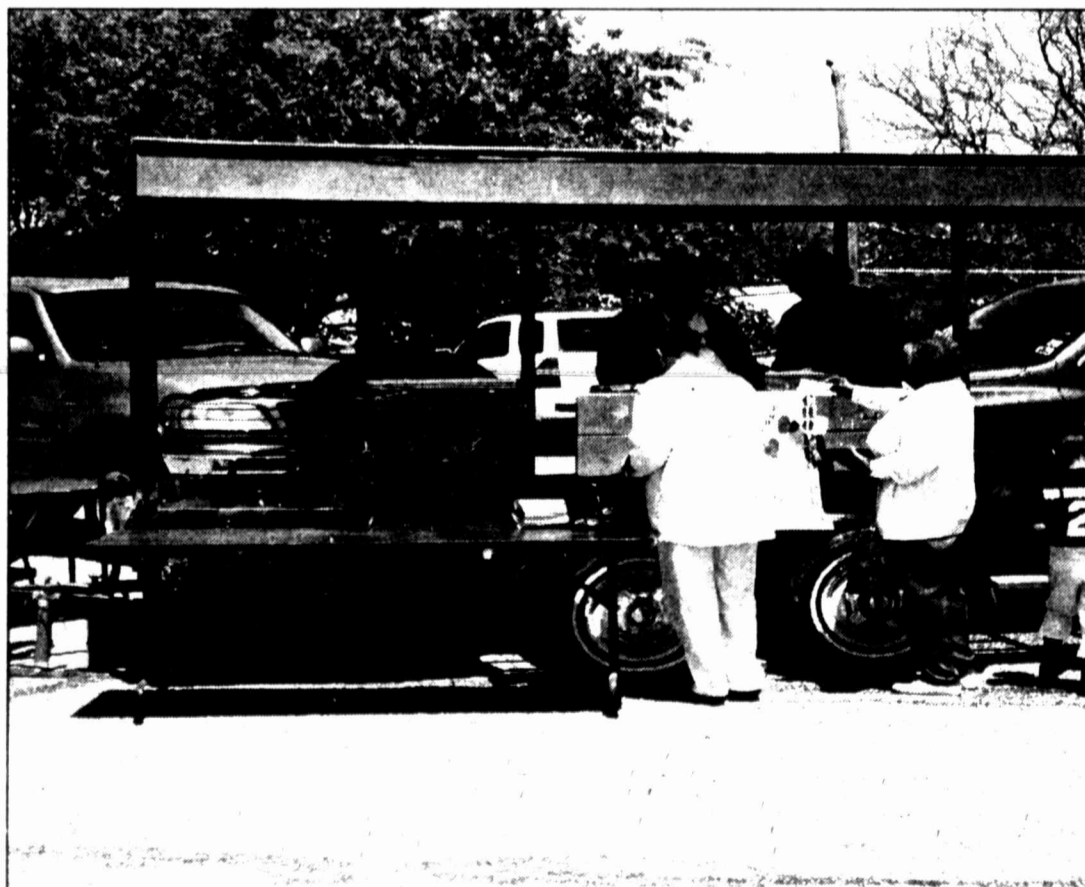
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Brenda Conclenne and Willia Ledford operating the KBSB booth during the 2005 community-wide flea market.



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The Master Gardeners have plants for sale at the flea market. Saturday, there are an anticipated 1,000 plants available for purchase.



Courtesy photo  
Susanne Reed operates the Big Spring Symphony booth at the 2005 KBSB Community-wide Flea Market.



Courtesy photo  
Baker's Chapel AME food booth will offer chopped beef sandwiches, sausage on a stick and other food items Saturday at the flea market.

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# A darn fine automobile

## Acura's top-of-the-line RL model often overlooked

By MATT NAUMAN

Knight Ridder Newspapers

This year marks the 20th anniversary of Acura, the first Japanese luxury brand and the first one (starting in 1997) to build luxury cars in North America.

Among its standout cars over the past two decades were the aptly if egotistically named Legend sedan; the Integra, a go-fast-for-cheap hall of famer; and the NSX, a superbly engineered super car.

But all three of those cars are gone. These days, the TL sedan is Acura's bestselling vehicle, the MDX sport utility is its signature model and the two-door RSX still brings younger buyers moving up from Honda Civics into Acura showrooms.

Last year, Acura dealers sold more than 200,000 cars and trucks for the first time. This year, a smaller SUV, the RDX, goes on sale in early summer, and a redesigned MDX arrives in the autumn.

The RL reigns atop the Acura lineup, but it's often overlooked. It replaced the Legend in 1996, but has never become legendary.

Perhaps that's because rivals such as Lexus and Infiniti offer V-8-powered sedans atop their lineups. Heck, Lexus and Infiniti each sell two V-8-powered sedans atop their lineups.

But here's a reality check: The 2006 Acura RL is a darn fine automobile. It's such a wonderful combination of useful technology, of refined driving, of better-than-expected fuel economy that I'm surprised Acura sold only 17,572 of them last year. That's twice as many as in 2004, but it's still a pretty small number.

The RL, which was redesigned for the 2005 model year, costs about \$49,000. For 2006, it comes with a new Technology Package that adds some neat bits for about \$3,800 more.

First off is the Collision Mitigation Braking System (CMBS), which relies on radar mounted on the car's grille to tell if the vehicle is getting too close, too quickly to the car ahead. It'll first beep and blink, and then, if no action has been taken, it'll start to lightly apply the brakes. Finally, if a collision seems imminent, it retracts the seat belts to put the driver and front passenger in crash-protection position and applies the brakes more forcefully.

Also part of the tech package is an Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC) system that controls the vehicle's speed — using the gas and brake pedals — to keep it a safe distance from the car ahead.

The final component of the Technology Package are Michelin PAX run-flat tires that come with 18-

inch alloy wheels. Acura says they allow the RL to go 125 miles at 50 mph after a tire puncture.

It's easy to get entranced with all this technology. The combination of the navigation system and XM Satellite Radio allows the RL to be one of the few cars to offer drivers in metropolitan areas real-time traffic information. Here, the navigation system's map shows wrecks (with symbols) and traffic flow (colors, from green to yellow to red). I've found it accurate and useful, and I wish more cars had it.

The RL also comes with Super Handling All-Wheel-Drive (SH-AWD), which improves traction by shifting torque not only between the front and rear wheels but also by moving it between the left and right rear wheels.

The result is a car that moves with grace. Motivating the RL is a 60-degree 3.5-liter V-6 engine.

In an attempt to quiet the needs-a-V-8 crowd, Acura says this 290-horsepower motor is the most powerful in its 20-year history. With variable timing and lift electronic control, it provides ample power and decent fuel economy — 18 mpg in the city and 26 mpg on the highway.

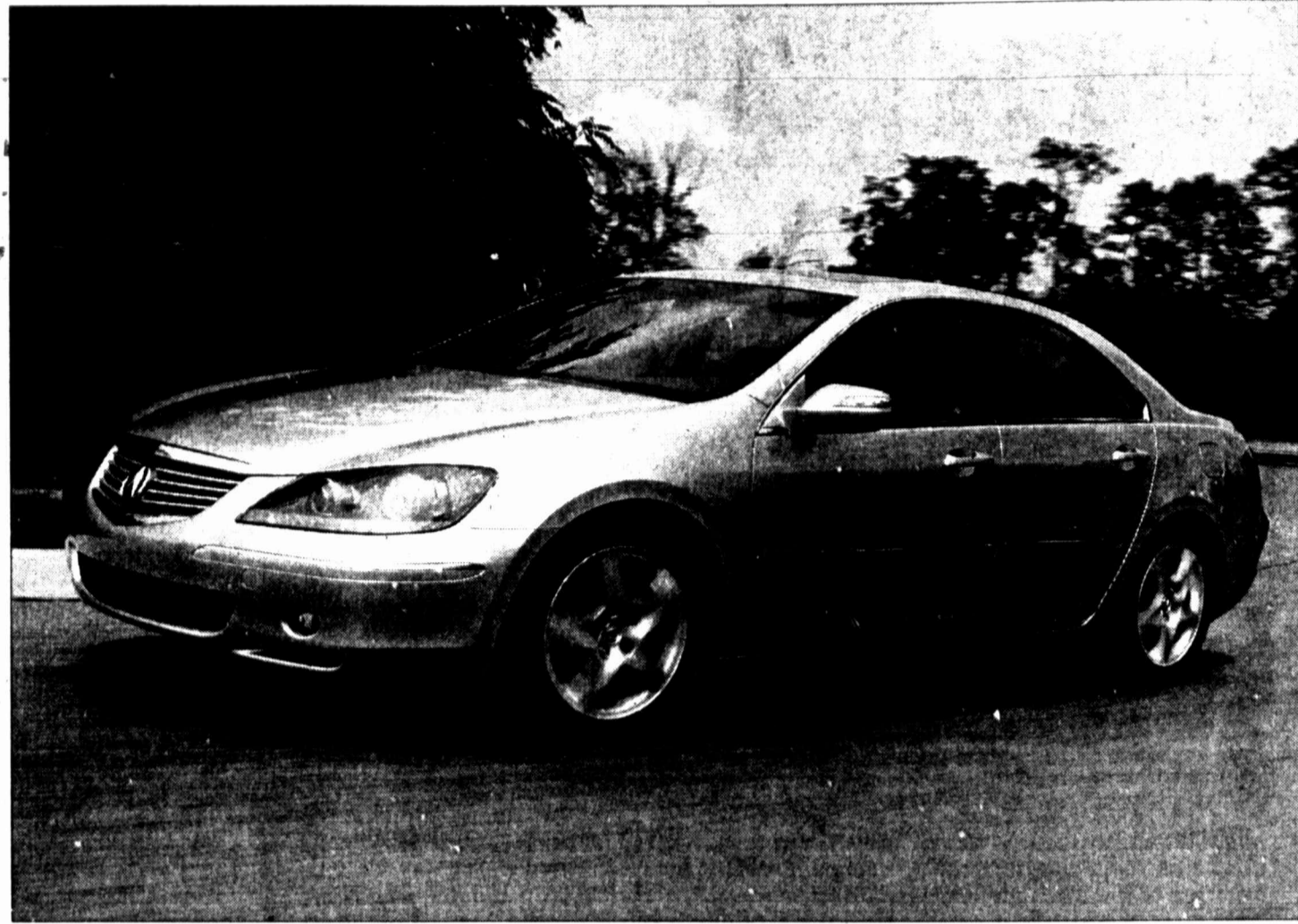
Motor Trend and other publications report the RL goes from 0 to 60 mph in about seven seconds. That's fairly tame acceleration these days. Rivals' V-8s (like the Mercedes-Benz E500 and Lexus GS 430) go much faster.

Still, I think of the RL as a sporty luxury sedan whereas the BMWs of the world are luxurious sports sedans.

This car is the essence of poise, of understated performance.

On the outside, the car suffers a bit from a lingering it-sort-of-looks-like-an-Accord design theme. There's nothing garish or offensive here, but the overall effect is rather bland.

The car's interior is much more to my liking. The dashboard layout has an intelligent, contemporary feel. There's just the right amount of wood and metal to complement the firm leather seats. And



The 2006 Acura RL

the navigation screen and all the audio, climate and mapping controls are well integrated.

The instruments are illuminated, and the keyless entry system requires you to turn an ignition button but not put a key in a slot.

Still, this cabin doesn't have the elegance of a top Lexus model or the studied opulence of one produced by Mercedes-Benz.

As anniversaries go, the 20th is important, but it doesn't rank up there with silver (25th) or gold (50th). Web sites instruct-

ing the uncouth remind us that china is the traditional gift for a 20th anniversary, and that something made of platinum is the modern choice.

The Acura brand goes on sale in China for the first time this summer. But the RL's spark plugs are tipped with longer-lasting iridium, not platinum.

At a groundbreaking ceremony last month for its new Acura Design Center in Torrance, American Honda Executive Vice President

Dick Colliver put this notion of the significance of a 20th anniversary in perspective.

"The market isn't all that interested in our past or even our present accomplishments," he said. "What really matters is where we will take Acura and our customers in the future."

He's right, of course.

Will Acura remain satisfied to march to a different drummer — by offering quasi-luxury cars like the RSX, by refusing to make a V-8 for its top-line RL sedan — or will it switch gears?

For buyers who don't mind the subtle approach, the 2006 Acura RL is a solid pick.

# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

## The Never-Say-Die Spirit

South dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

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**WEST**

♦ K 10

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**EAST**

♦ J

♥ K 10 7 6 3

♠ 7 2

♣ Q 10 9 6 2

**SOUTH**

♦ A 9 7 6 4 2

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♣ A 7 5

The bidding:

South West North East

1♦ Pass 3♦ Pass

6♦

Opening lead — ten of diamonds.

One of the foremost characteristics of a winning player is his steadfast refusal to concede defeat regardless of how bleak the outlook might be.

This never-say-die attitude enabled South to bring home a seemingly hopeless slam in today's deal.

Declarer won the diamond lead with the queen and cashed the ace of spades, hoping the king would fall.

When it didn't, the slam appeared doomed, since a club loser seemed inevitable.

But South, as not the type to give up easily. He could see that if the opponent who held the spade king was short in clubs, he might still make the contract with careful play.

Accordingly, at trick three declarer led a heart to the ace and ruffed a heart. He then overtook the diamond jack with the king and ruffed dummy's last heart. Next he cashed the ace of diamonds and A-K of clubs.

At this point, having stripped both his own hand and dummy of hearts and diamonds, South was in position to make the contract if it could be made. And so, at trick 10, holding three trumps and a losing club in each hand, he exited with a trump, fingers firmly crossed.

As he had hoped, the opponent with the high trump — West in this case — had started with only two clubs. After winning the trick, he was forced to return a diamond or a heart, allowing South to discard a club from one hand while he ruffed in the other, and the slam was home.

Note that if declarer had not gone to the trouble of setting up the ruff-and-discard position in the slender hope that the clubs would be favorably divided, the slam would have failed, and South would have been 1,730 points poorer.

Tomorrow: Test your play.

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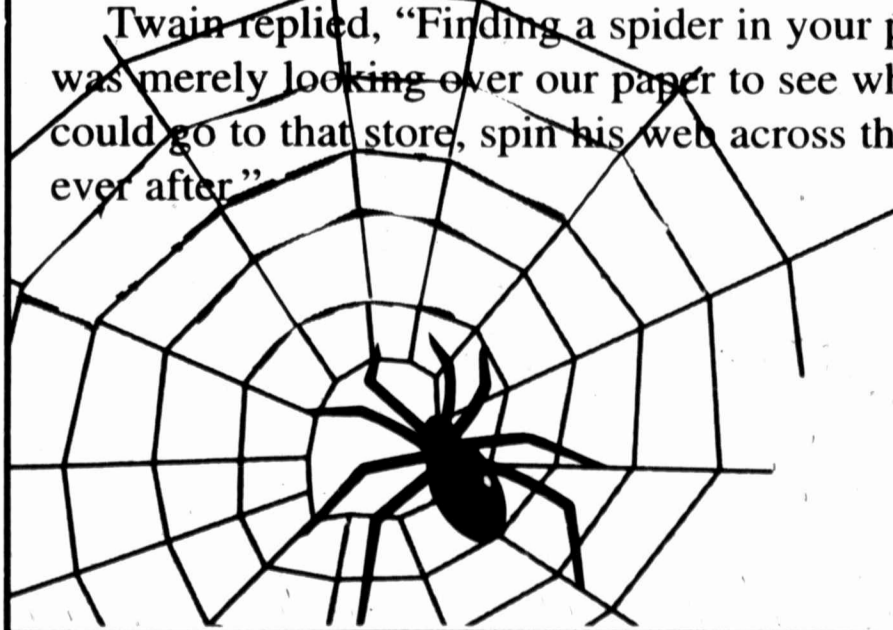
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# The Spider

During Mark Twain's days as a newspaperman, he was the editor of a small Missouri paper.

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## Lady Steers lose first baseman for playoffs

• Big Spring's playoff run begins Friday against EP Burges

By TROY HYDE

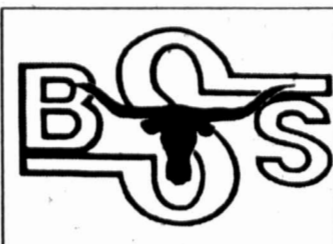
Sports Editor  
Big Spring senior Mandy Walker will start on the mound for the Lady Steers Friday in Alpine against El Paso Burges and she might have to pitch Game 2 of the best-of-three series, as well.

And that's because of an unfortunate occurrence at

practice Wednesday. Junior Brenna Phernetton broke her ankle sliding into second base and will miss the rest of the year.

Phernetton rotates with freshman Shelbi Stewart at first base, but now Stewart will most likely play the position full-time, which may take away her chance to pitch.

"I know Mandy is going to throw the first game and depending on what happens she might have



to throw the second game, too," said Big Spring head coach Jennifer Reyes. "Shelbi will now be needed more at first base, but she may pitch some, too." "Brenna is a great kid and works hard, but we are still going to need her

support during the playoffs. The girl's reaction to the injury was great. They were concerned and I think it really brought the team together."

Big Spring will play El Paso Burges at 5 p.m. Friday at Sul Ross State University in Alpine.

The second game of the series will take place Saturday at 10 a.m. and if a third game is necessary it will take place 20 minutes after Game 2.

"Right now we are just

trying to stay focused on the job at hand," said Reyes. "I'm excited about the chance because if we play ball like I know we can we should be fine."

A win by the Lady Steers could put them up against District 4-4A rival Frenship in the regional quarterfinals.

Big Spring won both coin flips with Frenship recently, making the contest a best-of-three series and on a neutral site in Snyder.

## Jacobson to hold public seminar at Big Spring JH gym

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
Big Spring Athletic Director Tim Holt would like to invite the community to attend a health and fitness seminar Saturday at the Big Spring Junior High School gym.

The seminar will be conducted by Dr. Bert Hans Jacobson and it will begin at 8 a.m. and last until at least 5 p.m.

"Anytime we get the chance to bring someone in to better educate the kids, the coaches and the parents we are going to try to do that," said Holt. "I have asked him to come down from Oklahoma State University where he was the old strength coach and touch on areas I feel we need improvement in."

Jacobson earned a doctorate degree in Exercise Physiology and Human Performance from Oklahoma State University. He has more than 100 scientific publications specific to exercise, nutrition, performance enhancement and supplementation. He has also delivered more than 100 peer-reviewed professional presentations nationally and internationally.

"He's a very well read guy and my No. 1 concern

is the health and safety of these kids at Big Spring," said Holt. "The seminar is open to the public and I strongly encourage any parent to attend because this information will be valuable. Any other people from the community who are interested can come, too."

Jacobson coached football at Holt Oklahoma State, Nonwestern State University, Ardmore High School and the United States Professional Football League. His duties included offensive line, linebacker and defensive end play.

Additionally, Dr. Jacobson served as the coordinator for speed, strength and conditioning at both the university and professional levels.

"We need the community's help to emphasize the impact these kids are making to the community," said Holt. "We want everyone to know what's going on. This day is for everyone."

The seminar's first session (8 a.m. to 9 a.m.) will be about nutrition and supplements. There will

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## Coahoma to face youthful Kermit at Freddie Ezell Park

• Roberts to start Game 1 of best-of-three Area series

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
The Coahoma softball team will face two freshman pitchers in the Area championship round of the postseason this weekend as the Bulldogettes begin another run at the state tournament with a best-of-three series against Kermit.

"Kermit is fairly young as it has two freshman pitchers, but its infield is athletic," said Coahoma head coach Robby Dickenson. "The team reminds me a lot of (district rival) Colorado City."

Dickenson said senior all-stater Kali Roberts will start Game 1 for Coahoma Friday in Midland, but he is unsure what will happen Saturday. Potential

starters on the mound besides Roberts include seniors Sarah Dunn and Ashle New and junior Ami Martinez. Freshman Shelbi Paige also pitched in a game this year for Coahoma.

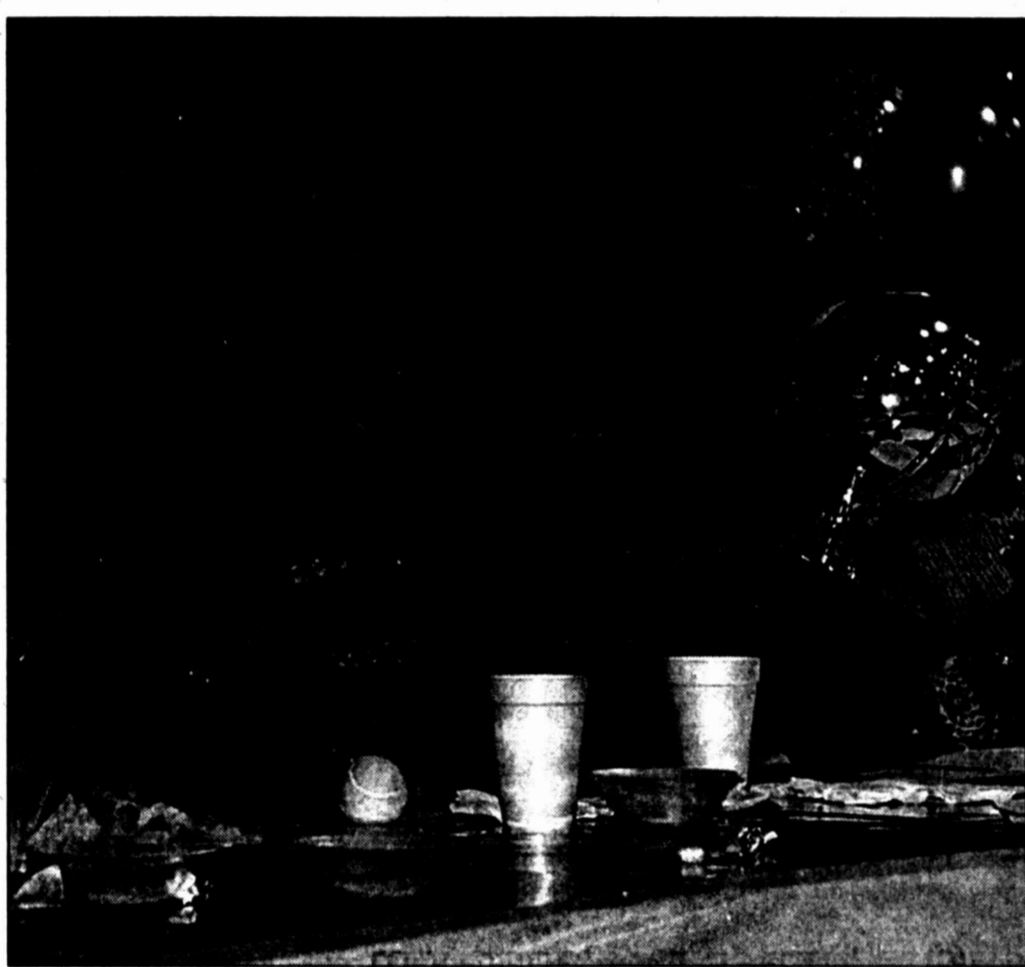
"Tomorrow will tell me what I do Saturday," said Dickenson. "I may not use (Kali) on the mound, but it's a wait and see kind of thing."

Dickenson's keys to victory include playing good defense and being disciplined at the plate.

"If we take this team for granted it can beat us," said Dickenson. "Playing two out of three is good for us because I know this team will rebound if we drop a game somewhere."

Kermit beat Grape Creek, 5-4, in the bi-district round last week. If Coahoma beats Kermit this weekend, the Bulldogettes will face

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Forsan coach R.L. Coates received a trophy at the school's annual athletic banquet Tuesday after officially announcing his retirement from teaching and coaching. Coates served as the head varsity girl's golf coach and was an assistant football and basketball coach.

## Coates retires from Forsan

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor  
Forsan coach R.L. Coates officially announced his retirement from teaching and coaching at the Forsan athletic banquet Tuesday.

Coates had many coaching roles while at Forsan. He moved up as high as defensive coordinator for the varsity

football team, was an assistant varsity coach in basketball and was the head girl's golf coach.

"He has been a great asset to Forsan ISD," said Forsan Athletic Director Terry McDonald. "His years of experience have allowed him to be a great mentor to the coaching staff."

Coates is a Coahoma High School graduate and plans to settle in the Howard County area, according to McDonald. "He and his wife Linda are great people and Forsan and the school business will greatly miss his contributions to the school system," added McDonald.

## DeRosa HR sends Texas to home win over Orioles

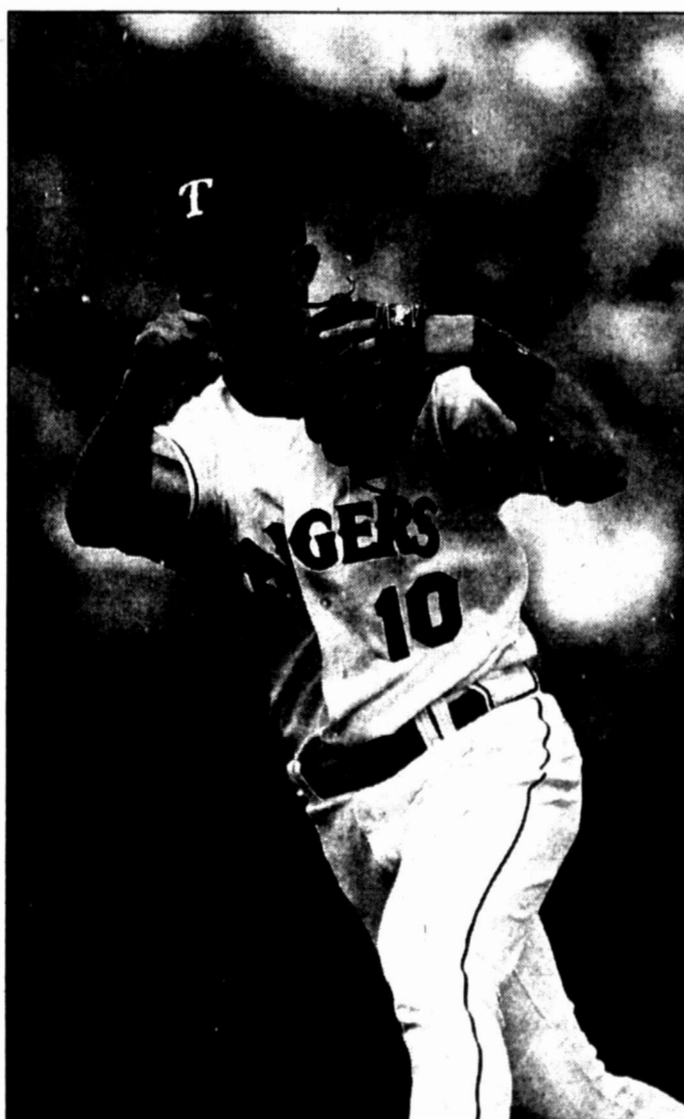
By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer  
ARLINGTON — Mark DeRosa homered with one out in the 12th inning to give the Texas Rangers a 2-1 victory over the Baltimore Orioles Wednesday night.

DeRosa, in his fourth game back from the disabled list, hit a full-count pitch off John Halama (1-1) to right-center field, giving the Rangers their 10th win in 13 games.

Texas took a 1-0 lead in the third when DeRosa had a leadoff double, went to third on a bunt single by Gary Matthews Jr. and scored on Michael Young's sacrifice fly.

That was DeRosa's fourth double in 11 at-bats since returning. The second baseman also had an impressive defensive play in the third, going far to his left and diving to stop a short hopper,



Texas Rangers' shortstop Michael Young throws to first base to make an out against the Baltimore Orioles in the first inning at Amerquest Field in Arlington Wednesday. The Rangers won the game in the 12th inning after Mark DeRosa delivered a walk-off home run.

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**IN BRIEF**

**HS girls' basketball**  
The Howard College girls' basketball team has announced dates for three summer camps. The first camp will run from June 12-13 from 9 a.m. through 11:30 a.m. The camp is for grades seven through 12. The second camp will also take place June 13-14. This camp goes from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. costs \$40 and is for grades seven through 12. The third camp is shooting and position camp and will run from June 16-17 from 9 a.m. to noon. The camp costs \$60 and is for grades seven through 12.

For more information, call 284-5043 or 816-4397. Pre-registration for all three camps is also encouraged.

**Coahoma sets date for athletic banquet**  
Coahoma ISD has set the school's annual athletic banquet for May 8 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria.

The banquet will honor the school's athletes. The night includes a 5:30 meal for nonathletes and that includes roast beef and all the trimmings.

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

The first camp will take place July 17-20 and the second one runs from July 24-27. The cost of the camps are \$250 for participants wanting to stay overnight in the dorms and \$200 for commuters.

The Hawk Camp format consists of morning and afternoon sessions. All sessions include specialized clinics on both the offensive and defensive phases of the game. These clinics teach the fundamentals of the game and are the foundation of the Hawk Camp.

There will be a four-hour security during the camp and the camp includes breakfast, lunch and dinner. The boarding campers will have lunch for commuters.

Camp participants should bring their own sleeping bag and pillow.



KRT photo/Brad Loper, Dallas Morning News

Texas Rangers' base runner Mark DeRosa, right, is congratulated at the plate by teammate Phil Nevin after scoring in the third inning against the Baltimore Orioles at Ameritrust Field in Arlington Wednesday.

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then throwing from his knee to get Chris Gomez out.

Miguel Tejada remained the majors' top hitter at .405 after going 0-for-5.

He reached on an error by DeRosa to start the 12th against Rick Bauer (2-1), but Jay Gibbons grounded into a double play.

Gibbons homered for the only run for the

Orioles, who have lost eight of their last 11.

Both teams had two runners on in the 10th.

Chris Gomez lined out for Baltimore after consecutive two-out singles. After rookie shortstop Brandon Fahey bobbled a potential double-play grounder in the bottom of the 10th, Mark Teixeira grounded into an inning-ending double play.

John Koronko, the rookie left-hander acquired from the Chicago Cubs on March 31, got 14 ground-ball outs with four strike-

outs and no walks over 8 1-3 innings — the longest outing by a Texas pitcher this season. That wasn't good enough for his fourth win.

After Melvin Mora's one-out single in the ninth with the game tied 1-1, Akinori Otsuka took over and Tejada grounded into a double play.

Baltimore starter Daniel Cabrera allowed one run and six hits over seven innings.

Gibbons' seventh homer came with two outs in the fourth.

COAHOMA

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Sonora, which defeated Coleman, 10-6, Tuesday, in the regional quarterfinals. Dickenson is going to try to play a best-of-

three series and said a possible location for the games could be in Crane or San Angelo.

"I am going to try for Crane because Sonora has played quite a few games in San Angelo," said Dickenson. "I don't want it to have that advan-

tage." Friday's game against Kermit will be played at Freddie Ezell Park in Midland and will begin at 5 p.m. The first game Saturday will start at 1 p.m. and if a third game is necessary it will start 30 minutes after Game 2.

JACOBSON

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be a break for 15 minutes and then Jacobson will talk about nutrition for another hour. Following another break, Jacobson will talk from 10:45 a.m. to noon about the latest on conditioning and

women and then finish up the topic after lunch (noon to 1 p.m.). The final session will be about the latest on speed development techniques and Jacobson will use lecture, powerpoint and films to get his points across. The seminar will finish around 5 p.m.

"We intend to recruit others after Jacobson,"

said Holt. "We have a lot of breaks because we want people to get it and not make them feel worn down from the long day. Guests can also ask Dr. Jacobson questions after 5 p.m."

The event is sponsored by the Big Spring Quarterback Club (football boosters).

Howard College Athletic Banquet Awards

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

source as it is directed. Be patient and open-minded.

**TAURUS** (Apr# 20-May 20). At some time or another, everyone makes terrible mistakes they would unmake if they could. You're just glad it's not you this time! Your forgiveness and compassion are a healing balm.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Cut yourself some slack. Your every move is not being evaluated, except by you. Prospective romantic companions will come on strong. If flowers, jewels or chocolate is involved, you're sunk.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You're capable of remarkable feats. Interests involving art, sculpture and architecture are featured, and meeting with other enthusiasts will produce exciting results.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Asking in the right way brings instant results. While others have to wait, you'll be enjoying preferential treatment. On the flip side, infractions of etiquette will be remembered, so if there's doubt, find out the rules.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You take your project to a wider audience. Target individuals who are as passionate about making a difference as you are. Otherwise, you're met with many an apathetic or baffled response.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The world is still waiting for the mathematical theory of everything, but when the next scientific genius cracks the code, it still won't tell us why some people lose their cool and others, like you, don't — even on hectic days like today.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There is magic in your mishaps. Though

you know what you want and choose accordingly, each new decision brings a bouquet of unintended, but delicious, consequences.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Today, you find out that it's actually wonderful to have a "foe." This challenging person really isn't your enemy, but is more like the opposing force that helps you to improve your position.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You cope with the complexities of the modern age by learning on the fly. Not a moment too soon! You may see yourself as running to catch up with technology, but you're far ahead of most people.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Maintain your innocence. Refuse to listen to jaded people. With your wide-eyed point of view, you detect more opportunities and threats than those with tunnel vision will ever see.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You're sensitive to the nuances of interpersonal communication — the subtle gesture and vocal inflection that will tell all. You can use this skill for profit today.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "Should I go back to school to become a veterinarian? It's costly and takes almost as long as becoming a doctor of humans does. I want to be really sure that I'm making the right decision. My birthday is Feb. 3, 1966."

Your Aquarius sun sign is noted for having an unusual rapport with animals. You may easily sense a pet's changing moods or health before they display any outward sign, or perhaps, you have a special calming effect on the animals you're around. Your horo-

scope shows a Cancer moon — the epitome of sensitivity, nurturing and pleasures of the home (including animal's homes).

Veterinary school is not the only area of work involving animals in which you would be terrific, and in fact, you might do better as an animal trainer, rescuer or wildlife specialist (perhaps as a caregiver who prepares wild animals for return to their natural habitats, or rescuing birds or sea mammals harmed by oil spills and other hazards of the deep). With Mars in laid-back, artistic Pisces, you could derive satisfaction, and perhaps income, from animal-and nature-related art or music you create, as well. Get a job in a veterinary clinic, as a receptionist or anything at all, for at least four months before you make a decision about school.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Former 'N SYNC-er Lance Bass has wisely taken a break from the spotlight the past few years — Taurus people rarely get off-center, because they intuitively know that breaks such as this restore energy and ground priorities in what's real. In years to come, I see Bass surprising fans with a fresh new sound that will force audiences to accept him as a serious artist.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am 45 years old, married for 15 years, with three children. Last summer, I discovered that my wife was having an affair with another man. She immediately ended it. Since then, we've had couples counseling to work through what led to the affair and how to deal with the aftermath. We have made great progress and are closer now than before.



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

Here is the problem. My wife still works in the same office as the "Other Man." In fact, their cubicles are adjacent, and they continue to co-manage projects. My wife assures me they have no contact besides what is necessary for business, and I have no doubt that she is sincere. But from the beginning, I have made it clear that I am uncomfortable with her work arrangement and I want there to be a permanent, physical separation between the two of them.

For a time, we thought that he might change jobs, but those hopes have faded. We have spoken often about her working elsewhere. She is hesitant to do so because of the perks and salary of her current position. Still, she told me that she wants to "do the right thing" and has promised to leave.

Eight months have passed, and she has made little or no effort to find a new job. Whenever I broach the subject, she gets tense and resentful. She thinks I am trying to punish her, but I can't bear the thought of the two of them maintaining a relationship, even a professional one. Am I being unreasonable? — Looking for a Fresh Start

Dear Looking: Often,

of my thighs. We laugh about it. — Bushy in a Bikini

Dear Bikini: If your friends don't mind, we certainly don't. But we are not going to tell others that they are wrong to feel uncomfortable. Viewing bikini hair is, for some, intensely intimate and seems like an invasion of personal space. Women who find it uncomfortable to shave, wax or use depilatories, but still want to cover up, can wear swimsuits with skirts or shorts attached. It solves the problem and can be flattering as well.

Dear Annie: My heart connected with "Worried Mom," whose 14-year-old daughter was hanging out with the wrong crowd. I have two teenage girls. Talking and taking away privileges worked for my now-18-year-old. However, it's not working for my 15-year-old.

I have tried everything, and she still is gravitating toward the not-so-good kids. In desperation, I have decided to go to school with her for a day. On Friday of next week I have made an appointment to be her buddy at school. She is not too happy about it, but I refuse to lose my child to this scary world and will do whatever it takes to guide her. — Mama Trauma in California

Dear Mama: An interesting approach. Let us know what happens.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to [anniesmailbox@comcast.net](mailto:anniesmailbox@comcast.net), or write to: Annie's Mailbox, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611.

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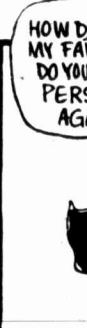
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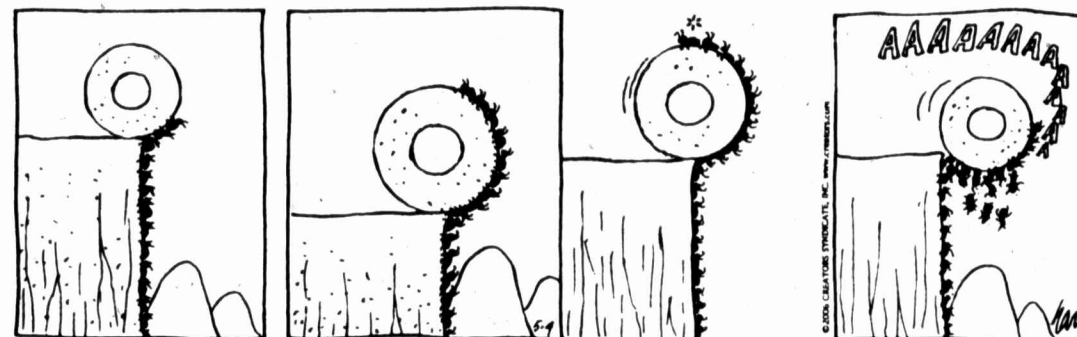


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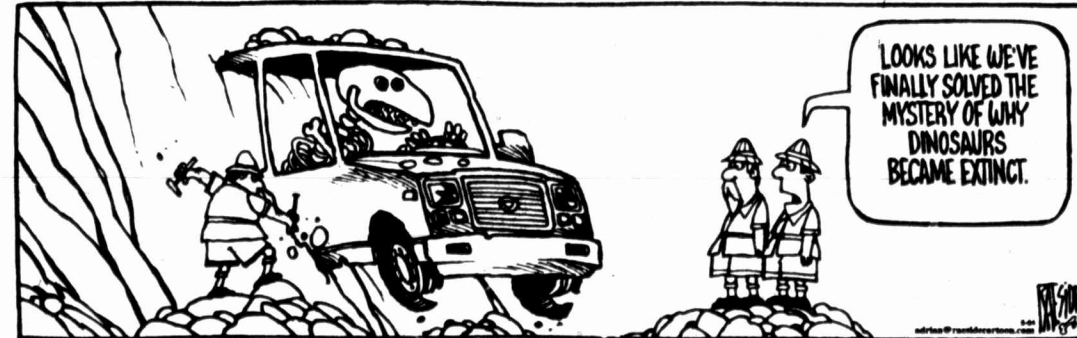
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, May 4, the 124th day of 2006. There are 241 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On May 4, 1945, during World War II, German forces in the Netherlands, Denmark and northwest Germany agreed to surrender. In 1626, Dutch explorer Peter Minuit landed on present-day Manhattan Island. In 1886, at Haymarket Square in Chicago, a labor demonstration for an eight-hour work day turned into a riot when a bomb exploded. In 1904, the United States began building the Panama Canal. In 1916, responding to a demand from President Wilson, Germany agreed to limit its submarine warfare, thereby averting a diplomatic break with Washington. In 1927, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences was founded. In 1932, mobster Al

Capone, convicted of income-tax evasion, entered the federal penitentiary in Atlanta. In 1946, a two-day riot at Alcatraz prison in San Francisco Bay ended, the violence having claimed five lives. In 1961, a group of "Freedom Riders" left Washington for New Orleans to challenge racial segregation in interstate buses and bus terminals. In 1970, Ohio National Guardsmen opened fire on anti-war protesters at Kent State University, killing four students and wounding nine others. In 1976, Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser announced that "Waltzing Matilda" would serve as his country's national anthem at the upcoming Olympic Games. Today's Birthdays: The president of Egypt, Hosni Mubarak, is 78. Jazz musician Maynard Ferguson is 78. Opera singer Roberta Peters is 76. Jazz musician Ron Carter is 69. Rock musician Dick Dale is 69. Singer-songwriter Nick Ashford is 64. Actor Paul Gleason is 62. Pop singer Peggy Santiglia

(The Angels) is 62. Country singer Stella Parton is 57. Actor-turned-clergyman Hilly Hicks is 56. Singer Jackie Jackson (The Jacksons) is 55. Rhythm-and-blues singer Oleta Adams is 53. Country singer Randy Travis is 47. Actress Mary McDonough is 45. Comedian Ana Gasteyer is 39. Rock musician Mike Dirnt (Green Day) is 34. Contemporary Christian singer Chris Tomlin is 34. Rock musician Jose Castellanos is 29. Singer Lance Bass ('N Sync) is 27. Thought for Today: "The greater the number of laws and enactments, the more thieves and robbers there will be." - Lao-tzu, Chinese philosopher (c.604-531 B.C.)

Answer to previous puzzle. A crossword grid with words filled in: ABBA, COIFS, MARS, LION, AUDIT, AREA, FOOT, STOLE, RANT, ASK, SPELLINGBEE, WIPER, NOISES, CLOVER, ROWAN, HIRED, TORAH, SRO, ARMS, RILEY, THAW, PAS, PERES, SIEGE, LOBES, SATEEN, STOGE, AESOP, COWCOLLEGS, SHE, ANNA, LIVID, OKAY, REEL, EMILE, DINE, ERRS, DOLED, ENDS.

Newsday Crossword FASHION STATEMENTS by Doug Peterson

Newsday Crossword puzzle grid with clues. ACROSS: 1 Forrest Gump's army pal, 6 Casting assignment, 10 Smile big, 14 Out in front, 15 Openly admit, 16 Feel flush, 17 "This may come as a shock...", 20 Catch fly balls, 21 Kent's state, 22 Aloof types, 23 Prefix for system, 25 Worthless stuff, 27 Plea at sea, 30 Drive, 32 Tavern IOUs, 36 That is, to Trajan, 38 Pack it in, 40 Earthenware pot, 41 "Don't get too excited...", 44 Georgetown hoopster, 45 Alto, CA, 46 Lab garment, 47 Between-meals eater, 49 Second Amendment grp., 51 Relative of reggae, 52 Downy bird, 54 Rap-sheet abbr., 56 "Stop!" at sea, 59 King, 61 Quaint contraction, 65 "Times are getting tougher...". DOWN: 9 Seesaw complement, 10 Take one's show on the road, 11 Canyon sound, 12 Melville mariner, 13 Pro team since '62, 18 Lunchtime, often, 19 Red letters?, 24 Metropolis, 26 Pledge, 27 Punjabi sect, 28 Old-time music hall, 29 "I'm outta here!", 31 Boy Scout's binder, 33 Choir section, 34 Tackle partner, 35 Brand of decaf, 37 Sci-fi staple, 39 Web address, 42 Type of column, 43 Novelist Dinesen, 48 Eartha of song, 50 Prego rival, 53 Majestic, 55 Chance to hit S&L dispensers, 57 Medicine bottle, 58 Water, in the Yucatan, 60 Thing to shun, 62 Departed, 63 Face-cream additive, 64 Move a little, 66 Printing widths, 67 Hellenic P.

# That's Racin'

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## Crossroads

**Herald Staff Report**  
Few Crossroads students, with the exception of Garden City, have qualified for the University Interscholastic League state academic competition being held this week in Austin. Ten students from Garden City, four from I...



About 75 people a day pray.

## BSHS of team to third co

Seniors Logan and Will Shipman advance.

## Special to the Hera

The Big Spring School Cross-exam Debate Team of Wright and Will qualified for the Forensic League Tournament to be held in Dallas this summer. The two seniors compete with students as far away as Pampano, Texas. "I'm so excited going to the Shipman said, "I feel like I've made it after placing sixth in the state cross-exam debate meet." The National Forensic League has run the...

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# Down, but not out



TODD WARSHAW FOR NASCAR

Jeremy Mayfield has only one top-15 finish so far this year, a 13th at Talladega (Ala.) Superspeedway, and is 32nd in the Nextel Cup standings.

By DAVID POOLE  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Jeremy Mayfield returns this weekend to the scene of the crowning moment of his Nextel Cup career.

This is the third year of the Chase for the Nextel Cup, but if the format lasts 50 years, there might never again be anything as dramatic as Mayfield's victory in the 26th race of the 2004 season. That win propelled Mayfield from outside the top 10 to within the inaugural Chase field.

He came back again in 2005 and qualified for the Chase, once more surprising the "experts." Although he was not able to mount a strong bid for the championship in either of those 10-race playoffs, being in the battle is an accomplishment he's very proud of.

As the circuit comes to Richmond, Va., for the first time in 2006, Mayfield finds himself struggling to hold on to a slot among the top-35 teams guaranteed to race each weekend.

While teammate Kasey Kahne, the defending champion in Saturday night's Crown Royal 400, is off to a tremendous start, Mayfield's No. 19 Dodge had not finished in the top 15 this season until getting a 13th Monday at Talladega, Ala., and is 32nd in the Cup standings.

Mayfield's fans are angry, demanding answers as to why team owner Ray Evernham can have Kahne doing so well while their favorite driver is floundering.

But you're not hearing that from Mayfield, at least not publicly.

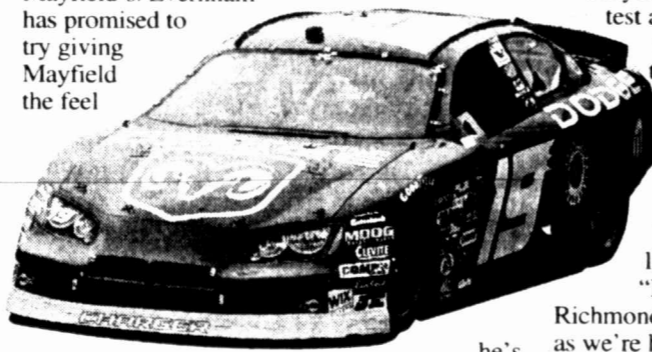
"We've been down before, but we've been able to come back," said Mayfield, a 36-year-old driver from Owensboro, Ky., who is 10 races short of his 400th Cup start. "We had a great car at Daytona and got in a wreck and it set us back. We had a decent car at Atlanta and cut a right front tire down. We blew a motor at Martinsville (Va.). That's three races that just killed us.

## Track woes lead Jeremy Mayfield to redefine his expectations

"It looks a lot worse than it has really been. It's not the team chemistry as much as it is bad luck, too. Our deal is we've got a lot of new people."

Indeed, Evernham moved Kenny Francis from Mayfield's team in October and made him team director for Kahne. Chris Andrews took over as director of Mayfield's team, and there was significant shuffling among the members of those teams as well as a third that worked on Bill Elliott's part-time effort.

Evernham has added a third full-time team for Scott Riggs, and the car owner has said cars his team has built since last season have seemed to fit Kahne's driving style better than Mayfield's. Evernham has promised to try giving Mayfield the feel



he's

looking for in a car, and Mayfield says part of getting to that point is to figure out what that is.

"Chris and I have started to come together," Mayfield said. "It hasn't showed up yet, but it's better than it was a couple of weeks ago as far as him understanding what I like and me understanding how he does things on the car."

"I think what has hurt us is a little bit of luck and chemistry. I get all the help I want. It's just a matter of applying it to the race car."

"We're searching around quite a bit. We know what our teammates have got in their cars, and they know what we've got. It's just about getting the most out of our equipment, and so far we haven't got the most out of ours yet."

"The car is sitting there and it'll run fast. We've just got to get all of it out of the car." Before the season, Mayfield was telling anybody who'd listen that he felt better about going into the year than he ever had before.

These days, he's realistic about how far short things have fallen.

"I'm not going to stand here and tell you we're going to be in the Chase now," he said. "We're going to do our best, and that's all we can do. I'm not going to give up. I'm not going to roll over. If we can come back and win a race or two this year and finish in the top 20 in points or top 15, then I'm happy with that."

Mayfield said he felt his team had a good test at Richmond last month. And when he needed it the most in September 2004, the three-quarter mile track was very good to him.

"I wouldn't be surprised if we don't pull another one out of the hat," Mayfield said. "I've been looking forward to Richmond. Who knows? We might turn it around. I'd like to see us be competitive again."

"I think you'll see a big difference at Richmond, probably from here on out. As long as we're headed in the right direction, I'll feel good about it."

way or something? Last week: 5.

up, either. Last week: 8.

## RANKINGS

### THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

1. **Jimmie Johnson (car No. 48):** Popular whipping boy in 2005 plate races has whipped everybody in the two in '06. Last week: 3.

2. **Matt Kenseth (car No. 17):** Last year at this time he was outside the top 25 in points, and he still made the

Chase. Last week: 1.

3. **Tony Stewart (car No. 20):** If he'd passed one more car at Talladega they'd be talking about that win for years. Last week: 4.

4. **Kasey Kahne (car No. 9):** We refuse to penalize him for getting swept up in the wreck on Lap 9 at Talladega. Last week: 2.

5. **Kevin Harvick (car No. 29):** Was Hermie Sadler expecting Harvick's car to levitate out of his

6. **Mark Martin (car No. 6):** Another victim in the early race madness at Talladega, and he wasn't happy about it. Last week: 6.

7. **Jeff Gordon (car No. 24):** Leading with two laps to go and finished 15th at Talladega? Did he deploy a parachute? Last week: 7.

8. **Dale Earnhardt Jr. (car No. 8):** Disappointing run at Talladega, but nobody ranked lower really stepped

9. **Kyle Busch (car No. 5):** He's got Jimmy Spencer-itis — if he's in the same ZIP code as a wreck, he gets blamed. Last week: 9.

10. **Jeff Burton (car No. 31):** It'd be great if he could make a return to Victory Lane in his home state Saturday. Last week: 11.

For the rest of the top-40 rankings, go online and visit [www.thatstracin.com](http://www.thatstracin.com).

## Tire compound for races at Lowe's draws scrutiny

By JIM UTTER  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Lowe's Motor Speedway's \$3.5 million repaving project got rave reviews from Nextel Cup drivers Tuesday, their first day on the new surface.

Goodyear's choice of a harder tire for this month's NASCAR races at the track didn't fare nearly as well.

"Rubber restrictor plates" is how one crew chief described the tires, which are of a harder compound and similar to those used at Daytona (Fla.) International Speedway and Talladega (Ala.) Superspeedway.

In at least one respect the comparison to the carburetor restrictor plates, used to slow cars at NASCAR's biggest tracks, was accurate.

The top speed recorded in the test session at the Concord, N.C., track was 180.620 mph by Kevin Harvick. Only four other drivers eclipsed the



STREETER LECKA FOR NASCAR

**Richard Childress Racing crew member Mike Geato checks tires during testing at Lowe's Motor Speedway.**

180 mph mark after the first session.

"The speeds are slower now because you have to let off (the accelerator) a lot sooner than before. I don't think the track has lost grip, but the tire just has less grip," said Bobby Labonte, one of the drivers who participated in Goodyear's first test after the resurfacing was completed.

By Tuesday evening, there had been eight incidents on the track, with the most serious wrecks involving Kurt Busch and Martin Truex Jr., who both demolished their cars.

None of the incidents appeared to involve blown tires, which plagued LMS' two Nextel Cup races last season.

"In the beginning of the day it was real slick out there; there wasn't a whole lot of grip. The more rubber that has been able to be put down, the better the track surface has been getting," said rookie Kyle Busch.

"The track pavement job is excellent. The tires — they're just a little too hard."

Busch's Hendrick Motorsports teammate, Brian Vickers, was more emphatic.

"The tire is just way, way, way too hard. Obviously, if it's too soft, you can end up blowing a tire. But this one is definitely taking it to the

extreme," he said.

Following the second Goodyear tire test last month, NASCAR mandated a smaller fuel cell be used at the LMS races in May.

For the Coca-Cola 600, that translates into about a dozen pit stops if the race remains green the entire 400 laps. With the likelihood of wrecks and other cautions, teams could see upwards of 20 pit stops during the four-hour-plus race.

"It looks like there will be a lot of 'gas-and-goes' from what we see," said Tommy Baldwin, crew chief for driver Elliott Sadler. "It's going to be interesting. They threw another wrench in the game."

"I think it will be good to get these two days of testing in, plus the Busch test (next week) and then the all-star weekend to see where more rubber is on the track."

"By the middle of May this (should be) a pretty good racetrack."

## THIS WEEK'S RACE

### CROWN ROYAL 400

**Where:** Richmond International Raceway, a 0.75-mile slightly banked paved oval located in Richmond, Va.

**When:** Saturday at 7:30 p.m. (ET).

**Qualifying is:** 6:10 p.m. Friday.

**TV:** FX.

**Radio:** Motor Racing Network.

**Purse:** \$4,931,502.

**Last year's winner:** Kasey Kahne.

**Worth mentioning:** Tony Stewart has three victories and nine top-10 finishes in his 14 races at Richmond.

After nine races in 2006, the top three drivers are separated by 78 points. After nine races one year ago, the top three were separated by 151 points.

## POLL POSITION

### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

It's May, and we have some night races coming up. Is nighttime the best time for racing?

Cast your vote at: [www.thatstracin.com](http://www.thatstracin.com)

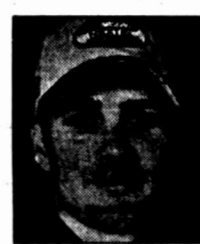
### LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Dale Earnhardt Jr. says "it's a pretty cool deal for DEI," but what do you think about the arrangement that puts him in a black No. 8 Chevy at Talladega?

Number of votes: 9,636

Driver	No. of votes	Percent
It's a sincere effort to pay tribute to his late father.	5,599	38%
Not only a "cool deal" but a lucrative one in souvenir sales.	1,575	17%
A little bit of both, but — hey — this is NASCAR	4,362	45%

## STOP N' GO



Johnson

### WHO'S HOT

■ **Jimmie Johnson:** A perfect 2-0 on NASCAR's biggest tracks.

■ **Dale Jarrett:** Has quietly slipped into the top 10 in points.

### WHO'S NOT

■ **Greg Biffle:** You can't compete for wins if your engine can't go the distance.

■ **Ford Motor Co.:** One win this season. One year ago at this time the manufacturer had four.

## RANDOM THOUGHTS

■ Everyone likes to blame the type of racing at Talladega and Daytona for the multi-car pileups. I still say most accidents at either track are caused by a poor decision made by a driver behind the wheel. Yes, it may seem necessary to go five-wide to advance your position in the race. But is the risk worth the reward? More times than not in such circumstances the answer is "no." And particularly not nine laps into a race.

## BY THE NUMBERS

### NEXTEL CUP POINTS LEADERS

The top-40 drivers as of May 1:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. Jimmie Johnson	1394	21. Jeff Green	877
2. Matt Kenseth	1373	22. J.J. Yeley	871
3. Tony Stewart	1316	23. Greg Biffle	834
4. Kasey Kahne	1213	24. Reed Sorenson	829
5. Mark Martin	1210	25. Scott Riggs	822
6. Jeff Burton	1173	26. Ryan Newman	821
7. Kevin Harvick	1138	27. Bobby Labonte	819
8. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	1120	28. Robby Gordon	816
9. Kyle Busch	1077	29. Joe Nemechek	794
10. Dale Jarrett	1066	30. Dave Blaney	772
11. Casey Mears	1056	31. Kyle Petty	764
12. Jeff Burton	1039	32. Jeremy Mayfield	764
13. Elliott Sadler	981	33. Ken Schrader	749
14. Brian Vickers	978	34. Sterling Marlin	734
15. Carl Edwards	969	35. Michael Waltrip	688
16. Kurt Busch	964	36. Scott Wimmer	628
17. Jamie McMurray	956	37. David Stremme	612
18. Clint Bowyer	953	38. Travis Kvapil	525
19. Denny Hamlin	910	39. Terry Labonte	516
20. Martin Truex Jr.	896	40. Kevin Lapage	492

### BUSCH SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-20 drivers as of April 29:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. Kevin Harvick	1639	11. Burrey Lamar	1110
2. Clint Bowyer	1340	12. Reed Sorenson	1098
3. Carl Edwards	1267	13. Jason Leffler	1092
4. Denny Hamlin	1247	14. Kenny Wallace	1033
5. J.J. Yeley	1224	15. Jamie McMurray	1005
6. Paul Menard	1212	16. Michael Waltrip	996
7. Kyle Busch	1202	17. Ashton Lewis	987
8. Greg Biffle	1154	18. Mark McFarland	977
9. Jon Wood	1143	19. Danny O'Quinn Jr.	928
10. Johnny Sauter	1111	20. Matt Kenseth	921

### NEXT RACE: Friday, Circuit City 250, Richmond, Va.

### TRUCK SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-10 drivers as of April 29:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. Todd Bodine	852	6. David Starr	698
2. Ted Musgrave	840	7. Mike Bliss	682
3. David Reutimann	746	8. Johnny Benson	661
4. Mark Martin	630	9. Johnny Benson Jr.	630
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NEXT RACE: May 19, Quaker Steak & Lube 200, Concord, N.C.