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WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT TOMORROW
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Raul Flores robbery trial begins today

Testimony began at 9 a.m. today in the trial of Raul Flores, 21, of Big Spring, charged with robbery and arson.

Flores is accused with robbing a man of his truck before taking the vehicle to a secluded area and setting it afire.

Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr will prosecute the case before 118th District Court Judge Robert Moore III. Big Spring attorney Tim Yeats will defend Flores.

A jury was selected for the trial Tuesday.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Fraternal order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

□ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.

□ Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
□ Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

□ Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.
□ Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, 5:30 p.m., RSVP office, 501 Runnels.

□ American Legion Post 506, 6 p.m. Call 263-2084.

□ Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Vets of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Rd.
□ Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

□ AMBUCS, noon at the Brandin Iron.
□ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

□ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

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Howard College looking to ride tall in the Rodeo Bowl

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

With the collegiate rodeo season winding to a close, Howard College's Hawks find themselves standing third behind Western Texas College and Vernon Community College in the



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Southwest Region's men's standings.

Only two weeks remain before teams prepare for the Southwest Regional Finals Rodeo set for Memorial Day weekend in Hobbs, N.M.

But it's this weekend Howard's Hawks and Lady Hawks have anticipated, since they're finally getting a chance to play the host role for the 15 other teams — about 400 individual competitors — they face throughout the season.

The Howard College

Rodeo opens at 5 p.m. Thursday at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl with slack competition and the gates swinging open with free admission to all spectators.

The rodeo will continue with a 7 p.m. performance on Friday and the short go-round at 7 p.m. Saturday when the top 10 performers in each even return to compete for top places.

Admission on Friday and Saturday is \$5 per person.

"There's no question that the Southwest Region is the

toughest, most competitive region in college rodeo," Hawks coach Greg Kernick said as he made final preparations for Thursday's opening competition. "We're right in the thick of it and our kids are looking forward to getting a chance to perform in front of their home crowd."

In addition to teams from Western Texas and Vernon, the Hawks will play host to teams from Texas Tech University, West Texas A&M University, New

Mexico Junior College, Sul Ross State University, South Plains College, Tarleton State University, Weatherford College, Cisco Junior College, Eastern New Mexico University, Mesaland Community College, Angelo State University, Odessa College and Frank Phillips College.

Several of the Hawks' performers head into the rodeo performing well, but none can match the showing of

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Stressed? Try a little gardening

Learn how at annual Health Fair

By VALERIE AVERY

Special to the Herald

One of the best stress-busters might be in your own backyard.

Amongst the grass, flowerbeds and bounty that Mother Nature so majestically provided, awaits the therapeutic effects of gardening.

"I noticed when I was working in my garden Sunday, I was just so much more relaxed," said Ginger Anderson, Master Gardener and Junior Master Gardener Coordinator. "It's a great stress reliever, and it's good exercise."

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce 2002 Health Fair will feature demonstrations at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday by the Master and Junior Master Gardeners. The Health Fair will feature nearly 60 businesses and organizations during its five-hour run, beginning at 10 a.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Worms will burrow their way through soil showcasing their efficiency at making compost. Compost is a necessary ingredient to facilitate plant growth, particularly in Big Spring's



Howard County Master Gardener and Junior Master Gardener Coordinator Ginger Anderson prepares a potato vase similar to the one they will construct in the demonstration area of Saturday's Big Spring Health Fair 2002. The fair is free and open to the public and will feature screenings, products and information. It will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

fickle soil. The Master Composters, Master Gardeners and the Junior Master Gardeners will

answer questions in an effort to generate interest in gardening and its benefits.

Master Gardeners attend weekly classes for four months during the winter

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Luncheon goes sure to get dolled up

HERALD Staff Report

Oh, you beautiful dolls!

The winners of

the Salvation Army's 2001

Doll Decorating Contest

will be auctioned

Thursday at First United

Methodist Church's

Garrett Hall,



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400 Scurry St.

"Basically we're taking the prize-winning dolls that placed in our doll-decorating contest and auctioning them off to the public," said co-commander of Big Spring's Salvation Army, Captain Linda Keeney. "We have 21 dolls, three in each of the seven categories."

Tickets are \$5 and will include a barbecue brisket meal with potato salad, pinto beans, iced tea and banana pudding. Serving

will begin at 11:30 a.m., and the auction will begin about 12:20-12:30 p.m., Keeney said.

Dolls from the decorating contest were judged in December of last year, said. First, second and third place dolls in each of seven categories will be auctioned, while dolls that did not win were given to needy children as part of the Salvation Army's toy distribution pro-

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AT A GLANCE

What: Salvation Army Doll Auction

When: Noon Thursday

Where: First United Methodist Church Garrett Hall

Purpose: To raise funds for needy children

Cost: \$5 per person, includes barbecue meal

Performing pays off for Big Spring senior

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Eighteen-year-old Amanda Sheedy, a Big Spring High School senior, is taking her acting talents to a national competition.

Sheedy, the daughter of Mark and Anna Sheedy, earned a slot at the National Forensic League national competition for dramatic interpretation last weekend during a qualifying tournament hosted by Lubbock High School.

"In dramatic interpretation, you perform a memorized 10-minute dramatic piece," Sheedy said. "There are no costumes, no props."

"It's based a lot on vocal quality and interpretation of the piece," said Jennifer Adams, BSHS forensic program coach. Sheedy underwent seven

rounds during the three-day tournament, competing against 24 students from around the area. The young actress never tires of acting in front of an audience.

"I love it," she said. "I get a kick out of it. I love to perform." Thousands of high school speech students are expected to attend the national competition in Charlotte, N.C., June 16-21. Sheedy will be competing against more than 200 people in her event alone.

Also at the qualifying tournament, Sheedy and acting partner Brittaney Barrow earned an alternate's spot for their duet performance.

Other BSHS team members competing were Holli Cobb, Sara

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Eighteen-year-old Amanda Sheedy, a Big Spring High School senior, poses in front of the numerous awards she earned during the year for speech competitions. Sheedy will be heading to national competition in dramatic interpretation hosted by the National Forensic League in June.

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OBITUARIES

Jack C. Bennett

Jack C. Bennett, 81, of Big Spring, died on Monday, April 15, 2002, in a local veterans home. Funeral service will be 1 p.m. Thursday, April 18, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



He was born on Sept. 7, 1920, in Mitchell County. He met Bonnie McNew in 1940 and they married on March 31, 1941, in Big Spring. The two were business partners and associates and best friends for over 60 years.

Jack moved to Howard County in 1937 from Mitchell County. He brought the Tennessee and Gandy Milk distributorships to Big Spring. He had owned and operated three grocery stores, the Rainbow Inn Cafe and in later years H&S Construction and Jack Bennett House Moving Company.

He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church, a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. Jack served in the United States Army during World War II, stationed in Japan with the Head Quarter and Service Company, 146th Engineer Battalion from 1944 to 1946.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie Bennett of Big Spring; two grandchildren, Tammy Davidson of Big Spring and Terri Peterson of Vealmoor; three great-grandchildren, Bryan Sledge, Michael Seay and Jason Seay; two great-great-grandchildren, Kristian Seay and Helena Seay; five brothers and sisters-in-law, J.R. Jr., and Jessie Bennett of Coahoma, Gerald and Nelda Bennett of Pecos, Bill and Johnnie Bennett and Eugene and Linda Bennett, all of Sand Springs, and William and Patsy Bennett of Big Spring; five sisters and four brothers-in-law, Mildred Shortes of Cisco, Faye Jean and Don Tarbet, Betty and Donald Bertram and Peggy and Jerry Allen, all of Denison, and Patsy and James Baird of Big Spring; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, J.R. and Faytie Bennett, a daughter, Jackie Bennett Seay, a brother, Oma Bennett, two sisters, Adlene Skeen and Arlene McMurtry, and a grandson, Tim Davidson.

The family suggests memorials to Trinity Baptist Church, P.O. Box 1448, Big Spring 79721-1448. The family will receive friends at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home's Family Gathering Room today from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelch.com

Mrs. A.J. (Tommie) Butler

Mrs. A.J. (Tommie) Butler, 91, of Big Spring, passed away on Sunday, April 14, 2002, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Graveside service will be 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Trinity Memorial park with the Rev. David Ring, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating.



Mrs. Butler was born on Feb. 7, 1911, in Nevada, Collin County. She was the daughter of Thomas Alexander Kirby and Mayme Loper Kirby. She married A.J. Butler on Feb. 15, 1931, in Dallas. They first came to Big Spring in 1935 from Slaton. He preceded her in death on Sept. 26, 1982.

Mrs. Butler was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Philathea Sunday School. Mrs. Butler had formerly been employed by the Internal Revenue Service in Dallas. Collection Consultants of Abilene and Gound Pharmacy in Big Spring for 14 years, retiring in 1963.

She is survived by one nephew, Joe Arl Bailey of Maumelle, Ark.; one niece, Juanita Bailey of Brownwood; one cousin, Henry Gill Jr., of Santa Clarita, Calif. And a number of great-nieces and nephews; also some special friends, Margie and Bobby Hill, Oberia Parks, Paul Shaffer and Frank and Lucy Cruz, Linus and Frances Tucker; and a host of other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents and husband she was preceded in death by one brother, Wray A. Kirby and his daughter, Camille Kirby, a niece, Emma Jean Bailey Steel.

The family suggests memorials to the music ministry of First United Methodist Church or other favorite charity. Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

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RODEO

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steer wrestler Bray Armes. In fact, Armes has been nothing short of phenomenal. "Bray's been hot ... that's for sure," Kernick admitted, noting that Armes has won the average in the last four rodeos the Hawks have entered. Steer wrestling is an event that's hard to dominate in, but he's been just unbelievable.

Teammates Jake DeGeer and Tony Sauter also are expected to shine in the steer wrestling and calf roping, while bull riders Patrick Freeman and Chris Herring are poised for top performances. Kernick also expects team ropers Colby Schneeman and Trey Hale to be in contention for top honors.

The Hawks' team strength took a blow when sophomore Ross Ericsson was forced to leave school due to a family emergency, but Kernick remains optimistic about the men's capability to contend. "Losing Ross hurts, there's no question about that," he explained. "As a freshman he averaged 85 points a weekend and was having a good year this year. You don't lose somebody like that and not feel it. But we've got a team that's deep in talent. We've got guys that are ready to step up."

While the Lady Hawks have not enjoyed a banner season to date, Kernick believes Howard's women are ready to have one of their best showings of the season. "The women haven't done all that well so far, but they're capable of striking at any time," Kernick noted. "I believe they're ready to bust out and this would be a good time to do it."

Breakaway ropers Jessie Goodson and Renn Rudaill have been continually improving, and Kernick said he expects Melody Seely to have a good outing, as well.

and spring and perform 50 hours of community service in a horticulture-related area. They also assist with the Junior Master Gardener's program, which is present in five Howard County elementary schools. Children are taught the basics of agriculture and an appreciation for nature.

"I was shocked at how many had never seen a packet of seeds before," Anderson said. "They are our future gardeners, and it's our responsibility to teach them how to beautify their area." Concoccting healthy snacks is another goal of County Extension Agent

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Katie Walker, who give demonstrations during the fair. "We're trying to put a spin on everyday snacks that can be interesting and educational at the same time," she said. Symmetry snacks, which can be made from graham crackers, peanut butter and raisins, may depict a unique butterfly, Walker said. Each side of a butterfly is the same.

"If there's five dots on one side, we'll show the kids there are five dots on the other side," Walker said. "It's a snack, but they're also learning entomology." Walking sticks will be fashioned out of celery, cheese spread and pretzels. A dirt cake will be made out of pudding, whipped topping and crushed chocolate cookies decorated with gummy worms. Samples will be doled out.

The gardeners will show children how to make flower vases out of potatoes, straws and flowers picked from the field. "We like activities that are cost-efficient," Anderson said. "Gardening takes patience, and they have to learn to prepare the soil and plant the plants and then nurture the plants. And then they have to take responsibility to see it grow."

Other participants, such as Wiggins Chiropractic will provide products and services for the community. Wiggins will perform spinal screenings and show several products. Glaucoma, cholesterol, blood pressure and blood pressure are a few of the other screenings that will be available.

also a main driver of rate increases, Bennett said. "We've found that there is a big misconception about programming," she said. "Often our customers do not realize that we do pay for that programming, from any of the programming channels. Some people think that they pay us to put their programs on. That's not correct. Generally cable channels, that is one of a cable operator's largest expenses. As those costs rise, that is why customers, whether its commercial or residential, do see adjustments in their rates from time to time."

CABLE

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HARKNESS, 37, of 327 Precious in San Antonio was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces. STEPHEN DAVES, 18, of 1700 East 17th Street was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces. DARRETT DEWAYNE SHERMAN, 34, of 433 Edwards was arrested on two local warrants. ROBERT SANCHEZ, 37, of 1023 Stadium Avenue was arrested on a charge of public intoxication. MELANIE USSERY, 45, of 612 Elgin was arrested to hold for the hold for the Howard County Sheriff's Office. TIMOTHY SHANE HAYNIE, 21, of 650 W. 15th Street was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 200 block of East 17th Street. DEADLY CONDUCT was reported in the 1000 block of Lancaster Street.

ACTING

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Vela, Dan Weissman, Nathan Smith, Wolfgang Robinson and Manoj Thamjam. Big Spring's team that participated in the Lubbock tournament qualified by earning points at about 10 speech events during the year, voluntarily giving up most of their Fridays and Saturdays. "I compete to perform," Sheedy said. "This gives me a chance to perform in front of an audience just about every week."

Participating in the forensic programs also gave Sheedy a chance to meet and make friends with other high school students across the state. "If you're shy in meeting new people, speech tournaments will definitely break you out of that," she said. Acting helped to bring out her self-confidence, she said. "Acting enables you to be yourself more than anything because you're so used to putting yourself in front of people," she said. "It offers so many life skills like public speaking. You have to see into a character and that helps you to understand and be a more tolerant person."

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Freda Mae Booth

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Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

North

FORT WORTH Sue Guthrie drove for a women's group hoped-the tornado heard about were They weren't. She found crumpling units up lawn, jagged glass a gaping hole in the roof of Handley U Church, where been pastor for "When I saw it, said Tuesday ni things like this o it's never affected or something I tre The only people when the storm h day care and the not injured.

Analysis

DALLAS (AP) - from black voters to Ron Kirk with Democratic nomi U.S. Senate, accor analysis that sho voters accounted than half of Kirk' in the runoff e month. About 57 perc 370,063 votes th Dallas mayor re the runoff again Morales of Cran from black voter ing to the study political analy Weiser. Democrats say that minority vot gized in the pri boost the party's of winning statew in the fall. Meanwhile, th pledging to mou get-out-the-vote November by tari

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North Texas tornado victims start removing debris

FORT WORTH (AP) — When Sue Guthrie drove to her church for a women's group meeting, she hoped the tornado warnings she heard about were in another area. They weren't.

She found crumpled air conditioning units upside down on the lawn, jagged glass in windows and a gaping hole in the high, slanted roof of Handley United Methodist Church, where her husband has been pastor for nearly a year.

"When I saw it, I just cried," she said Tuesday night. "I've seen things like this on TV before, but it's never affected me personally or something I treasure."

The only people in the church when the storm hit, 10 children in day care and their teacher, were not injured.

As word spread of the church damage, about 50 members and neighbors gathered to nail plywood boards over broken windows and put plastic tarp over naked patches on the roof. They removed Bibles and song books from the sanctuary, where rain water puddled on the floor.

They worked into the early morning hours Wednesday, using flashlights and the illumination of street lamps.

Some were part of a United Methodist team that responds to disasters in the area, formed after Tarrant County twisters in March 2000 ravaged downtown Fort Worth and demolished an Arlington neighborhood.

"We'll work as long as needed to secure the building, so every-

thing's covered if it storms again," said the Rev. Chuck Graff, team coordinator and senior pastor of Davis Memorial United Methodist Church in North Richland Hills.

Pat Svacina, spokesman for Fort Worth, said 18 to 20 mobile homes were damaged in south Fort Worth, and at least eight houses were destroyed and six more damaged in an eastern section of the city.

The storms began to develop late Tuesday afternoon south of Fort Worth and took aim on the metropolitan area during the rush hour. No major injuries were reported.

Gary Woodall, meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Fort Worth, said the agency will try Wednesday to determine the number of tornadoes and extent of

damage.

There were several reports of twisters in Tarrant County from about 5:45 p.m. to about 6:10 p.m., Woodall said.

As another storm system hit Johnson and Ellis counties after 7 p.m., there were reports of a tornado north of Grandview; in Ellis, near Maypearl; and two south of Waxahachie, where some damage was reported.

As soon as 77-year-old Eliza Cook heard the storm pounding against her one-story brick house in east Fort Worth, she lay on the bed to pray.

"I know that's what saved me," she said. "I was asking him to take control, because at the rate it was going, it was out of my control."

When the windows shattered

and glass sprayed into the room, Cook made her way to the bathroom across the hall, where she stayed until the tornado passed.

She lost part of her roof, her carport and a tree in her front yard. Glass cut into her house shoes but never scratched her skin, she said.

The American Red Cross set up a shelter in Fort Worth, and about a dozen people had arrived as of 10:30 p.m. Tuesday. Workers were expecting some to spend the night.

"They're in remarkable spirits for what they've been through," spokeswoman Anita Foster said. "They're just grateful they survived."

Earlier Tuesday, the Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport stopped incoming and outgoing flights for about 45 minutes.

Analysis: blacks cast most of Kirk's votes

DALLAS (AP) — Support from black voters was vital to Ron Kirk winning the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate, according to an analysis that showed black voters accounted for more than half of Kirk's total vote in the runoff earlier this month.

About 57 percent of the 370,063 votes the former Dallas mayor received in the runoff against Victor Morales of Crandall came from black voters, according to the study by Dallas political analyst Dan Weiser.

Democrats say they hope that minority voters energized in the primary will boost the party's prospects of winning statewide offices in the fall.

Meanwhile, the GOP is pledging to mount its own get-out-the-vote effort in November by targeting sub-

urban voters.

"There's no doubt that the core communities are excited: the traditional African-American and Hispanic base," Democratic consultant Ed Martin told The Dallas Morning News on Tuesday.

Blacks and Hispanics accounted for 70 percent of the entire vote in the April 9 runoff between Morales and Kirk, according to the study.

Kirk, who is black, won two-thirds of the minority vote, largely because of support by blacks, the analysis indicates. He will battle Attorney General John Cornyn in November for the Senate seat of Republican Phil Gramm, who is retiring.

Kirk appeared to keep his support from the March 12 primary from dropping off as expected in the runoff.

The analysis indicates that Kirk attracted nearly as many black voters in April as in March. About 224,000 black voters picked Kirk in the primary, compared to about 210,000 in the runoff.

According to Weiser, 97 percent of blacks and 33 percent of Hispanics voted for Kirk during the runoff. Of whites, who over the last decade have represented a dwindling percentage of the Democratic primary vote, fewer than half voted for Kirk.

Morales received 67 percent of the Hispanic vote, 53 percent of the white vote and only 3 percent of ballots cast by black voters.

Weiser said that blacks, who represent about 12 percent of the population in Texas, accounted for 35 percent of the total vote in the runoff, matching the turnout by Hispanics as

many analysts expected.

"With TV and radio commercials in the fall, I think there will be a much more significant Hispanic vote and black vote than you have in an off-year election," Weiser said. "What's best for Democrats as a rule is a presidential election," he said. "But with both Kirk and Democratic gubernatorial nominee Tony Sanchez, there's a chance that the off-year will be the same as an on-year in bringing people out."

Republican political consultant Ted Delisi said the GOP recognizes the success of Democrats in the primary, targeting voters and getting them to the polls.

He predicted that Republicans are "preparing a very strong and significant ground war" of their own for the November general election.

Two bonfire suits to be tried in Bryan

BRYAN (AP) — Two wrongful-death lawsuits relating to the 1999 bonfire collapse at Texas A&M will be heard in Bryan, a Tarrant County probate court judge has ruled.

During a Tuesday hearing in Fort Worth, Judge Steve King granted defendants' motions to transfer the cases from probate court in Tarrant County to state district court in Brazos County.

The suits were filed separately last year in Tarrant County by the families of Jerry Don Self and Chad Powell, two of the 12 Aggies killed when bonfire toppled Nov. 18, 1999.

Darrell Keith, a Fort Worth lawyer representing Self's mother, Jacquelynn

Self, said he intends to ask the court to reconsider and reverse the ruling.

"I have great respect for Judge King, but in this particular ruling I believe he erroneously ruled in favor of the defense," Keith told the Bryan College-Station Eagle for its Wednesday editions.

Attorneys for the 60 defendants, including Texas A&M officials and former bonfire student leaders, argued that state law requires the trials to take place where the accident occurred.

Plaintiffs attorneys argued that the law allows survivors to file suit in the county of residence. Self lives in Arlington, and the Powells live in Keller.

Houston couple mourn loss of son

HOUSTON (AP) — While serving in Afghanistan, Army Staff Sgt. Brian Craig would call his family at least once a week, and sometimes more often if there were reports of American casualties.

"For the last couple months, the phone would ring early Saturday morning," said Barbara Craig, his mother. "He couldn't tell us where he was or exactly what he was doing. But he would check in just to say 'I am fine.'"

When Arthur and Barbara Craig of Houston heard that four U.S. soldiers were killed Monday in Kandahar as they dismantled confiscated rockets, they worried. Soon their fears were confirmed.

Barbara Craig was home alone on Tuesday when an Army car pulled up to the Craig residence in north Harris County and two mil-

itary men got out.

She was just returning from taking her husband to the airport for a missionary trip to the Ukraine.

"I had just gotten home and there they were," Barbara Craig said, bracing at the pain of receiving the news alone.

She called her husband, Arthur, and said their youngest son was among the dead. He returned home.

"He laid down his life not only for his friends, but for people he didn't even know, the Afghan people," said Arthur Craig, pastor of the Woodhaven Baptist Deaf Church in Spring Branch.

"Rather than using weapons of destruction, he was over there cleaning up the munitions left by past and present war. By doing that we are certain he saved the lives of many people - men, women and children," Craig told the Houston

Chronicle on Tuesday.

Brian Craig, 27, joined the Army in 1993, weeks after he graduated from Klein Forest High School.

A straight-A student with college potential, he wanted to join the Army first.

"We knew from his junior year that he would enlist after graduation," said Joe Georgiana, a retired marketing teacher from Craig's high school. "It was always his objective. He never wavered."

The soldier's father was stationed in Thailand with the Air Force during the Vietnam War and was proud to see his son join the Army.

"We encouraged him to go to college but he was very determined to enlist," he said.

"He felt that was what God was calling him to do, and we gave him complete support."

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OUR VIEWS

Doll auction fun, benefits a great cause

Thursday brings an opportunity to purchase some unique gifts and help a charitable cause at the same time — all while having some fun and enjoying a good meal.

It's the annual Salvation Army doll festival auction, scheduled for noon in First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall, 500 Scurry St.

If you haven't seen any of these dolls, we guarantee you'll be impressed. Each year, individuals and groups volunteer to take one or more dolls and dress them up in various costumes at their own time and expense.

The creativity shown by those dressing the dolls is amazing. Each is hand-decorated in patriotic, ethnic or fashion wear. Many costumes are intricate, with accessories down to the smallest detail. These are the "best of the best," judged either first, second or third in seven categories — formal, bridal, casual, career, sports, country and ethnic.

Funds raised from the auction go to purchase gifts for needy children at Christmas. That's where you can come in — by participating in the auction.

The luncheon is \$5. Advance tickets are not necessary.

We hope you will take time to attend Thursday's auction. It's set during most peoples' lunch hour to make it more convenient.

Come and enjoy the fun and help brighten the eyes and smiles of some of our community's children.

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The life you save may be your own

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Jenny Branston paints walls and ceilings and cabinets and chests. She can make wood look like marble, or plaster like tile, or simply "distress" new furniture so that it looks to be decades older.

"Distressing" is the rage, in case you didn't know. It's as if you took a face and added worry lines and age spots and dewlaps, only with furniture it's a good thing. Instant heirloom.

Jenny bops into a trendy restaurant at noontime, a standout in her overalls, a paint-spattered sunbeam amongst all the little black professional suits and crisp, white button-down shirts. Small, blond and funny, Jenny somehow looks more creative, freer, than most.

I once read somewhere that the happiest people change professions, not just jobs, every seven years.

That is, a plumber becomes a welder, a banker becomes a rancher — you get the idea. And that change makes life more interesting, more challenging, more educational, if you will.

If it's true, I'm at least four cycles behind. Every day of my adult life I've been in the newspaper business, and I'm closing in on 30 years. I never could think of anything else I'd be good at. Lucky for me that the newspaper business has changed dramatically since I started and now seems like a whole new game.

Jenny Branston was a nurse when I first met her, and — if you've seen enough movies — she looked the part. A cherubic nurse in white from Central Casting. Pretty, smiling, someone you'd want to hold your hand while a doctor drills and pokes about.

Back then she was the brand-new wife of a wire-service buddy of mine, and he told wonderful stories of his bride's family farm, a real Sunnybrook situation down near Hazlehurst, Miss. Why, there was even a red barn with a rainbow painted on its side, a land-

mark for travelers between Jackson and New Orleans.

Jenny was a good nurse. She loved it. She stayed with it, too, for 18 years, 12 of them in the intensive care unit.

Then one day she took a course in faux finishes at Memphis College of Art. Jenny was good at it. She enthusiastically painted a mural in her daughter's room — a farm scene with a red barn and rainbow — and other walls and things about the house: Friends saw, raved and offered to pay for similar treatments.

Jenny quickly saw the potential for being her own boss, taking a breather from the stress that comes from two conscientious decades in the health profession.

Today she lugs her ladders and buckets all over this old river town, happier than she's ever been, free to set her own hours and watch a daughter's tennis match or a son's soccer game.

I tell her she's a real inspiration. After all, making a living isn't worth a hoot if you're not living.

I forgot the best part. Jenny is also painting pictures. An oversized pear hangs above her midtown

mantel. A bouquet of sunflowers done in oil is in the dining room. Jenny's so modest that she hadn't even mentioned her canvases, only her bread-and-butter painting business. I had to ask her if she'd done them.

Then I did something I've never done before: I commissioned a painting. The other day we stood in a restaurant's back parking lot like a couple of drug dealers and closed the deal.

My sunflowers are in a blue vase. They remind me of France and look terrific everywhere I've tried hanging them. Jenny signed the painting, the first time she's done that.

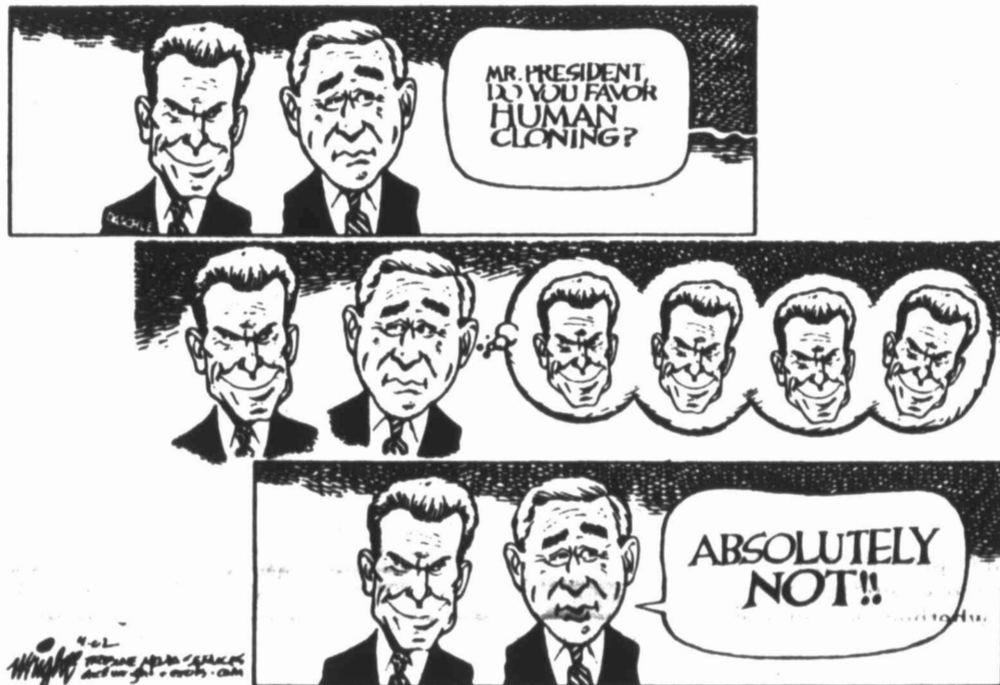
I think change requires courage. It's easier to stick with what you know, especially when a paycheck is involved.

But I also believe there was some magical power in that red barn down in Hazlehurst. I think it had an influence on Jenny's life, made her imagine the potential in ordinary objects, the beauty in workaday wood. A wall doesn't have to be just a wall, or a barn a barn. They can be more.

Change is good. The life you save may be your own.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON



Some words about spring

Life seems to begin in the spring. The earth feels cleansed, blessed again, purged of winter's darkness. We witness the season of hope and renewal.

Spring is when you want to sit and watch a bug for about an hour. Or just stretch out and stare at your shoes. It makes you feel frisky like you're three years old and you've just finished taking a bath.

You pull out the ice cream freezer and begin to imagine how the fruits of summer will taste. You think about the old swimming hole. No season offers more promise than springtime. And no place shows off its spring wardrobe any better than Texas. When it's springtime in Texas, fields of blue and red and yellow appear. The air is scented with wildflower perfume.

The early leaves on mesquite trees turn a shade

of light green that artists find difficult to duplicate. Lawns come back to life. The earth warms. The sky boils. The wind ceases its relentless howling and settles down to a gentle breeze.

Seeing Texas in the spring is like seeing New England in the fall. We experience the colors and our lives are enriched. Texas is the birthplace of spring. Flowers are arranged among the cactus and rocks in natural bouquets.

Spring is a time of rededication. You have more faith in yourself and an increased awareness of opportunities. Perhaps you do have a chance to do something great.

The silence of the prairie is broken with the piercing sound of birds. Welcome to the spring, they seem to say. And they show off their colors, too. Mockingbirds dart about, flashing their white tail feathers from the tops of juniper bushes. Cardinals and cedar waxwings provide a spectacular aerial display. A hawk catches a wind current and glides gracefully over the land. The perfect blue of an April sky is an exciting backdrop for

watching things fly.

The miracle of spring is amazing to observe. Even when the winters are mild we still anticipate spring. We want to hear the birds, to feel the sunshine, to experience life outside the house. Spring makes you appreciate the sense of freedom that makes Texas famous. The skies open up and seem larger. Texas has more sky than most places, anyway. The sunsets are fabulous. Have they always been there? Or is it that we've been in the house so long we've forgotten to look westward at day's end?

The 24 hour celestial parade is an event not to be missed in the spring. We awaken to a dawn dressed in sunrise pink. Later the golden sun illumines the clouds. By mid-afternoon they become active and bounce around and bump each other. At sundown the sky is streaked with reds and oranges. And darkness brings its own special magic. It's fun to go outside at night, lie on a pallet and look at the stars. If you're lucky, you'll see one fall. You might even see a satellite streaking across the heavens.

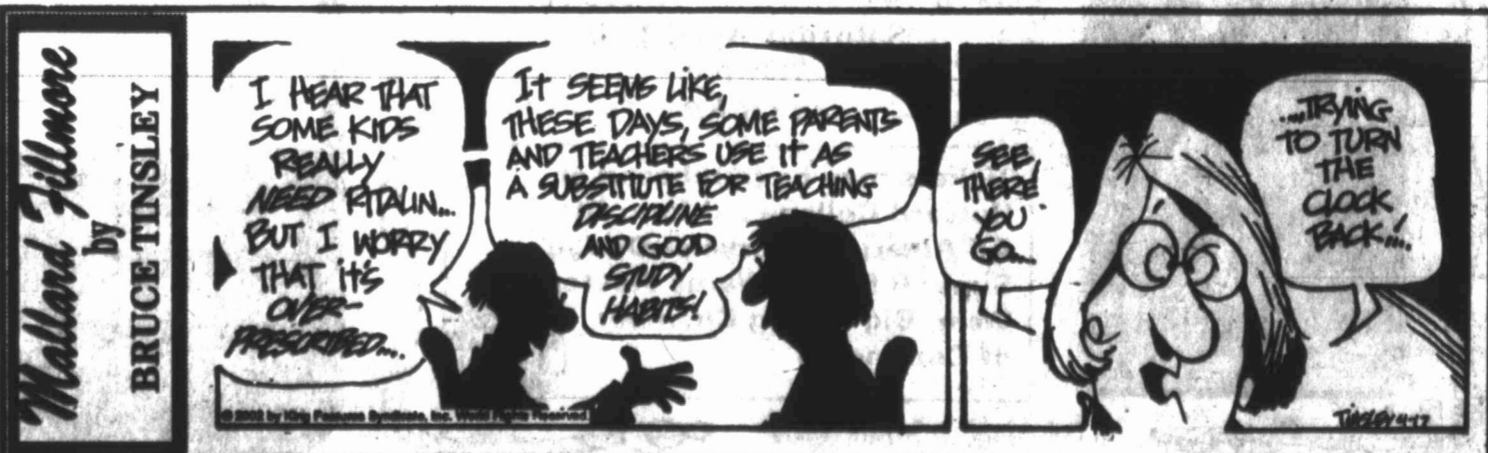
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Siblings in 1998

LEWISVILLE (AP) — 15-year-old girl and year-old brother who ted killing their 6-year brother have been i ble before.

In 1998, they confessed starting a fire at an elementary school.

The siblings were into custody early T and detained on charges, Lewisville investigator Eddie said. They were to this morning at a de hearing.

The body of Jackson a puncture wound neck, was found Tuesday in a shallow grave yards behind the Lewisville home. He led police to the authorities and ne spent hours search the boy.

After the two old dren confessed to the fire at Short Elementary School on 25, 1998, an arson re the Garland Department's juvenile setter program received psychotherapy girl.

Merrill Balanc spokeswoman for the department, said no were filed against the arson case. She out on the day the f

Democrats feel filibuster, quick vote, can defeat Arctic drilling bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Democrats are maneuvering for a quick vote on oil drilling in an Arctic wildlife refuge, confident they can turn back one of the Bush administration's top energy priorities.

A proposal to allow oil companies to develop the 1.5 million-acre coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska was introduced Tuesday by Alaska's two Republican senators.

A group of Democrats immediately made clear they intend to filibuster the amendment. With Republicans believed to be short of the 60 votes needed to end it, Democrats moved to force a vote

on the filibuster by Thursday. Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, accused the Democrats of steamrolling the bill, noting that the Democratic maneuver to force a vote came "after only three hours of debate."

Administration officials acknowledged Tuesday they have been unable to peel away additional support among anti-drilling senators. The White House this week explored the possibility of avoiding a floor vote in fear of losing badly.

A poor showing could hurt in negotiations with the House, which approved an ANWR drilling measure as part of its energy bill

last summer. Murkowski and Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, insisted that the Senate had to confront Arctic drilling as part of the broader energy bill that is close to completion.

Trying to gain additional support, Stevens offered a proposal Tuesday to funnel more than \$8.1 billion from expected oil lease sales in the refuge to programs that would help the ailing steel industry, steelworkers and coal miners.

Democrats called the move an act of desperation, and even Stevens said some might view it as crass. "That's right, we're look-

ing for votes," said Stevens. He added, however, that the allocation would help steelworkers facing hard economic times in an industry in decline.

The proposal fell flat. Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., whose state has thousands of steelworkers and coal miners, rejected the idea, giving political cover to other Democrats.

As debate opened, Murkowski and other pro-drilling senators hoped recent turmoil in the Middle East and rumblings from Iraq about cutting off oil shipments might sway some senators to their side.

It's better to open the refuge to

drilling "rather than rely on the likes of Saddam Hussein," Murkowski said.

Iraqi President Saddam's government announced last week that it was stopping its oil exports for 30 days or until Israeli troops have withdrawn from Palestinian territories.

Stevens argued that the push to block ANWR development was the work of "environmental extremists" who ignore the tens of thousands of jobs that the drilling would create.

"We're here because an elite few have decided that Alaska should be their playground," complained Stevens.

Bush urges patience, emphasizes his work on peace, security

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amid dubious results of his Mideast peace effort and fresh questions on the whereabouts of Osama bin Laden, President Bush wants the nation to see his work on peace and security as patient, steady and making progress.

"I need to be able to say to the American people that you can go about your lives because we're doing everything we can to protect you, and we are," Bush said Tuesday at the White House as he prepared for an address today at the Virginia Military Institute.

There, he was updating Americans on the war against terrorists.

"I know some Americans wonder how long this is going to go on. The answer is, for however long it takes," Bush said.

"We're not going to blink, we're not going to get tired. ... I'm going to be patient and deliberate, be steady."

After the speech, Bush was returning to the White House to meet with Lebanon's prime minister, Rafiq Hariri, on ways to keep skirmishing along Lebanon's southern border

with Israel from merging with the West Bank bloodshed into a wider Arab-Israeli war.

Advisers said his VMI speech, which makes Bush the first president to visit the state university since 1964, was a long-scheduled update on how the anti-terrorism war is going, similar to a speech he gave at the White House on the six-month anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks.

"The president has always said that in order to successfully prosecute the war against terrorism it's vital to have the support of the

American people," said White House press secretary Ari Fleischer.

The president is likely to use a planned commencement address at West Point for another such update in several weeks, said another White House aide.

Bush also wants to emphasize his commitment to trying to stabilize the Israeli-Palestinian crisis, at a time when Americans see daily headlines about unabating violence and Secretary of State Colin Powell is reaching the conclusion of his peacemaking mission to the region with only limited

progress so far, aides said.

Also this week, a new videotape showing bin Laden surfaced in Qatar, a vivid reminder that the prime suspect in the Sept. 11 attacks may have eluded U.S. military forces.

Administration officials admit they do not know where bin Laden is, whether he is alive or dead. It is not clear whether the footage in the most recent tape is new.

Public approval of Bush's military campaign against bin Laden's al-Qaida network and terrorist targets

in Afghanistan remains very strong, along with the president's overall job approval rating, ranging from 75 percent to 80 percent.

Public opinion polls show far more mixed sentiment on the Middle East, where Americans strongly support Bush's recent steps to intervene and mediate peaceful settlement, but doubt they will be successful. The most recent surveys found Americans just about evenly split on whether the Bush administration has a clear and well thought-out policy on the Middle East.

Justice Department relaxes rules for filing child-porn cases

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department is making it easier for prosecutors to file criminal charges against child pornographers in an unusually pointed response to the Supreme Court's decision to overturn major parts of a 1996 child pornography law on free speech grounds.

Attorney General John Ashcroft complained bluntly that the court's 6-3 ruling Tuesday against two major provisions of the Child Pornography Prevention Act will make the government's job of prosecuting child-pornography cases "immeasurably more difficult."

Ashcroft vowed to continue pursuing child pornography investigations nationally using broader obscenity laws and to work with Congress on new laws that would withstand challenges to the Supreme Court.

"I am disappointed that the court chose to make that obligation to prosecute child pornography more difficult," Ashcroft said. "However, I am undeterred in my resolve to do all that I can to protect our children from the pornographers and other predators who would

prey on their innocence." Ashcroft warned that child pornographers "will find little refuge" in the court's ruling that said the government went too far in trying to ban computer simulations and other fool-the-eye depictions of teen-agers or children having sex.

In response, the Justice Department quickly eased rules requiring approval by the local U.S. attorney to pursue criminal charges under the disputed child pornography law. It also ordered prosecutors to examine any pending cases to see whether defendants could be charged under existing obscenity statutes, which are generally more difficult for the government to use.

Top lawyers in the Justice Department also talked with lawmakers about new child pornography laws that would be unaffected by the concerns expressed by the Supreme Court. A senior Justice official said, for example, that a new law could outlaw images of pre-pubescent children, since the court complained about the 1996 law's prohibition of sexual images of anyone who appears to be under 18.

Siblings also involved in 1998 school arson

LEWISVILLE (AP) — A 15-year-old girl and her 10-year-old brother who admitted killing their 6-year-old brother have been in trouble before.

In 1998, they confessed to starting a fire at an elementary school.

The siblings were taken into custody early Tuesday and detained on murder charges, Lewisville police investigator Eddie Barrett said. They were to appear this morning at a detention hearing.

The body of Jackson Carr, a puncture wound to his neck, was found Tuesday in a shallow grave about 100 yards behind the family's Lewisville home. His sister led police to the grave after authorities and neighbors spent hours searching for the boy.

After the two older children confessed to setting the fire at Shorehaven Elementary School on Nov. 25, 1998, an arson report by the Garland Fire Department's juvenile fire-setter program recommended psychotherapy for the girl.

Merrill Balanciere, a spokeswoman for the fire department, said no charges were filed against the two in the arson case. School was out on the day the fire was

set, and damage was light — between \$400 and \$600, authorities said.

Police declined to comment on a motive in the boy's death, but said important evidence was found in the family's home. The parents, Michael and Rita Carr, are not suspects, Sgt. Richard Douglas said.

The Denton County district attorney's office had not filed formal charges against the children as of Tuesday, Assistant District Attorney Lee Ann Breeding said.

"The sister confessed to killing her brother during an interview," Douglas said. "In an interview with the 10-year-old, he confessed to holding him down during the process of murder."

Child Protective Services investigated allegations of abuse two months ago and had examined three other complaints since 1998, said Marleigh Meisner, a CPS spokeswoman.

No charges were filed and no action was taken against the family on those cases, she told The Dallas Morning News.

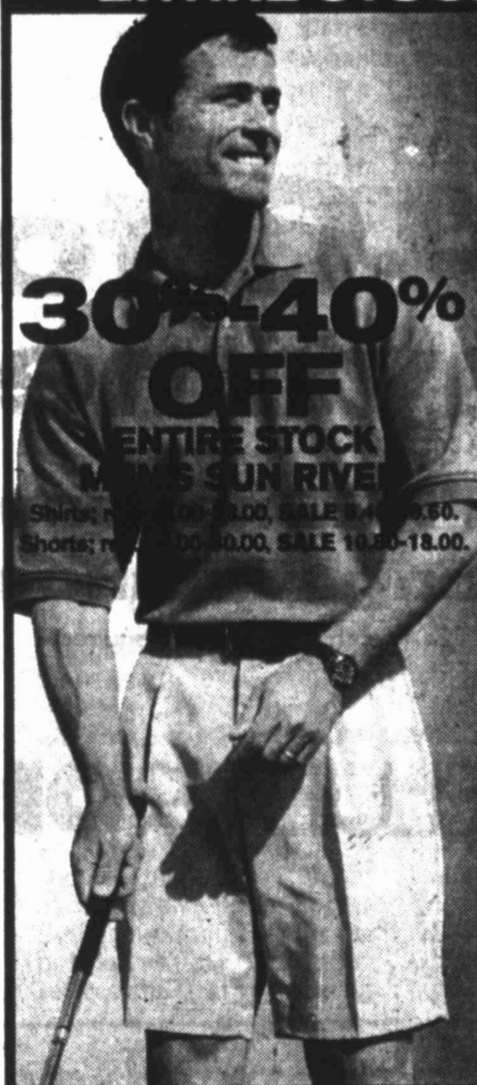
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Widower Harry Whitney is old and dying. Alzheimer's disease is taking its toll, and he wants only two things — to die with dignity and to be remembered as the good man he once was, not as the drooling, cranky old coot he is becoming.

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After Harry's son and daughter read the letters, too, they begin to realize that Harry was a pretty

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Wright's word picture of old Harry slowly dying and knowing it is powerful and gripping, as are his vivid portrayals of nursing homes, adult children making tough decisions for elderly parents and the insensitivity of the Medicare system.

When you think of "saints" who comes first to mind? St. Francis of Assisi, St. Teresa of Avila? The official calendar of saints has long been weighted to the West, sometimes ignoring those from other continents.

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of African persons of faith who impacted Africa over the centuries.

The Library has also received Carl Vaught's treatise "The Sermon on the Mount: A Theological Investigation," "The Messiah Texts" by Raphael Patai; "What the Cross Means to Me" from Harvest House Publishers; and with a nod to the phrase "What Would Jesus Do" we have "What Would Buddha Do: 101 Answers to Life's Daily Dilemmas" by Franz Metcalf.

How do you survive the death of a loved one? It is difficult enough to accept death from an accident or illness; how do you accept the suicide of a brother, mother, friend?

In "Standing in the Shadow: Help and Encouragement for Suicide Survivors" June Cerza Koff address the painful issues of depression and forgiveness that one has as a suicide survivor.

The Library also has Kolf's book "When Will I Stop Hurting: Dealing with a Recent Death."

Kolf will guide you through the stages of grief, helping you to understand what to expect and how to cope.

She also offers practical and therapeutic ways of dealing with depression and easing of pain. How many of you football fans are glad that Dennis Miller is no longer a commentator for Monday Night Football?

In his fourth installment of his "Rant" series, in the "Rant Zone" Miller takes on child stars with rap sheets, herbs you don't smoke, God, and (gasp) football!

Get your daily irony supplement by reading his book.

Along the same lines, Chris Mathews, host of CNN's Hardball has a new book out titled "Now, Let Me Tell You What I Really Think."

From the Cold War to the Clinton years, Mathews gives the straight-up account of what it means to be an American.

Even if he tells it like he sees it, remember that his

life experiences are filtered through his Catholic school education, years with the Peace Corp in Africa, role as a presidential speechwriter for Carter and as a top aide to Tip O'Neill. A fascinating read.

Often considered Utah's dirty little secret, polygamy (the practice of having multiple spouses) was declared illegal in 1890 when the Mormon Church renounced polygamous marriages as a condition to the Utah territory's becoming a state.

There are still an estimated 60,000 practicing polygamists in the United States, most of them living in the West.

Kathleen Tracy has written "The Secret Story of Polygamy," using the 1999 case study of the Kingston brothers to tell a different point of view of the role of polygamy in the Mormon Church.

Other new books just received are "Arizona: A History" by Thomas E. Sheridan; "Profiles in Courage" by John F. Kennedy; "Ancient Egypt" by David P. Silverman;

Susan Forward's "Toxic Parents: Overcoming Their Hurtful Legacy" and "The Right to Learn: A Blueprint for Creating Schools That Work" by Linda Darling-Hammond.

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Hollis McCright writes a regular column for the Herald.

New Elvis furniture line has everyone all shook up

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — The King has been gone for 25 years, but Elvis Presley's phenomenal marketing power has everyone all shook up at the world's largest furniture trade show.

Vaughan-Bassett Furniture Co., based in Galax, Va., plans to introduce two new lines of Elvis Presley bedroom pieces at the International Home Furnishings Market, which gets under way on Thursday.

Company officials insist no green shag or red velvet will be used in the new "Graceland" and "Elvis Presley's Hollywood" bedroom lines.

Still, they did try to have some fun with furniture that ranges from refined to downright ostentatious.

Two of the signature pieces are the "Love Me Tender" bed and the "Burning Love" heart-shaped mirror, said Doug Bassett, the company's vice president of sales and marketing.

A sleek bed with padded headboard and matching armoire merely hints at Presley with silver door-knobs in the shape of an "E" and a "P." Then there's the suite with a platinum-record mirror and more initial-shaped drawer knobs.

There's also a more traditional style armoire — except for the frosted glass insert inscribed with Elvis' signature and musical notes.

The idea for an Elvis furniture line took seed when Bassett went to visit one of the company's plants in Tupelo, Miss., which is more famous for being Presley's birthplace. Bassett's flight was delayed in Memphis, Tenn., and he couldn't find a rental car or a hotel room.

"I realized it was Elvis Week and there were thou-

sands of fans in town to go to Graceland," he said.

When he finally got home to Galax, he shared his story with some of his colleagues. That's when the light bulb went on.

The company put in a call to Elvis Presley Enterprises and began negotiating a licensing agreement.

"We learned very quickly that the Elvis fan and the Vaughan-Bassett customer are one and the same," said Bassett. "Seventy percent of them are women under 50 years old. The same people who go to Graceland are the ones who buy furniture."


Industry analyst Britt Beemer's curiosity was piqued by the idea of an Elvis furniture line.

"I wouldn't think of Elvis Presley's name if I was thinking about the epitome of good taste," said Beemer. "But it might do very well."

Bob Slotnick, a branding expert with Global Licensing & Trademark Ltd. in Hickory, said the idea of Elvis furniture has much to commend it, starting with Presley's lasting appeal a generation after his death.

Dealers may also want to stock the line as a traffic builder, he said. "The Elvis Presley stuff will get you in the door, even if you want to stand and giggle at it."

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers blank Lake View's Maidens

Big Spring's Lady Steers, already guaranteed a berth in the Class 4A softball playoffs, put a lock on no worse than second-place in District 4-4A Tuesday with a 4-0 win over San Angelo Lake View's Maidens.

Freshman Alex Watkins went the distance in recording the shutout victory, scattering six Lake View hits and striking out a like number.

The Lady Steers scored all the runs they'd need in the first inning when shortstop Whitney Hufford hit a two out single to left, stole second and advanced to third before first baseman Laura Olague drove her home with a single.

Traci Padilla added a 2-run single in the second inning, and the Lady Steers chalked up an insurance run in the sixth when Leina Braxton doubled home Trista Casey with two out.

The Lady Steers will close out the regular season Friday with a 5 p.m. game in Plainview.

Bulldogettes rip Colorado City

Coahoma's Bulldogettes rolled to a 9-0 shutout win over Colorado City's Lady Wolves to claim another district softball championship Tuesday behind the pitching lead of Erin Stovall.

The Bulldogette pitcher allowed just two Colorado City hits, while striking out eight batters and walking a pair.

Karen Sterling opened the scoring for Coahoma with a two-out home run in the first inning.

Tara Dickerson then drove in a run in the second inning on a fielder's choice play. The Bulldogettes scored four more runs in the third inning and another in the fourth.

They capped it with two runs in the sixth.

Coahoma boosters set to meet Monday

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria.

Members will be selecting officers for the 2002-2003 season, as well as planning for the upcoming athletic banquet.

All members are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Diane Herrera at 263-9759.

ON THE AIR

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PRO BASEBALL
4:45 p.m. — Houston Astros at Cincinnati Reds, KBST-AM 1490.

Television

PRO BASEBALL
9 p.m. — Seattle Mariners at Oakland Athletics, ESPN.
9 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Anaheim Angels, FXS.

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7 p.m. — Philadelphia 76ers at Indiana Pacers, TNT.
9:30 p.m. — Sacramento Kings at Los Angeles Lakers, TNT.

NHL PLAYOFFS

6 p.m. — Conference quarterfinals, Game 1, Vancouver Canucks at Detroit Red Wings, ESPN.
8 p.m. — Conference quarterfinals, Game 1, Ottawa Senators at Philadelphia Flyers, ESPN2.
9 p.m. — Conference quarterfinals, Game 1, Phoenix Coyotes at San Jose Sharks, ESPN2.

Cowboys sign Nguyen to six-year, \$13 million contract

IRVING (AP) — Jerry Jones has run the Dallas Cowboys with the philosophy that linebackers are like tires, needing to be rotated every so often. By signing Dat Nguyen to a \$13 million, six-year contract Tuesday, Jones has completely changed his thinking.

Nguyen, who received a \$2 million bonus and a \$1 million salary this season, will start in the middle of Dallas' most expensive linebacker corps.

He'll be flanked by Kevin Hardy, who signed Sunday for a \$1.5 million bonus and \$1 million salary, and Dexter Coakley, who received a \$25 million, six-year deal last March.

Before Coakley was re-signed, the Cowboys had lost 13 linebackers as free agents, the most at any position, including Randall Godfrey, Ken Norton Jr., Darrin Smith, Robert Jones and Godfrey Myles.

Nguyen, a third-round pick in 1999 after a standout career at Texas A&M, was thought by some to be too small to excel in the NFL. Injuries limited him in 2000, his first year as a starter, but he played all 16 games last season and recorded 172 tackles, second-most in team history.

"When I came out of college, I was a question mark," said Nguyen, the son of Vietnamese immigrants. "They took a gamble on me. Now I

want to be a part of something special here."

Jones' commitment to linebackers is part of an emphasis on defense this offseason.

The Cowboys have also signed defensive tackle La'Roi Glover and cornerback Bryant Westbrook. The only offensive free agent signed was Jeff Robinson, a backup tight end whose primary job will be deep snapper.

The goal for the new-look defense is to produce more turnovers and sacks.

Nguyen already has a reputation for coming up with big plays, and he expects his new teammates to help him come up with more.

"We're going to have mismatch somewhere down the line," he said. "They're not going to be able to block a linebacker all day."

Nguyen, a restricted free agent, had received a \$1.2 million qualifying offer, which meant Dallas could match any offer sheet or receive a first-round pick as compensation. He'll count only \$1.3 million against the salary cap under his new deal.

His salary jumps to \$1,625,000 next season, but doesn't have another big jump until reaching \$3 million in 2007.

"It's a very solid six-year contract," Cowboys vice president Stephen Jones said. "It makes a lot of sense for us."

Steers' bid falls just short

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

On paper it was supposed to be a mismatch.

Even though Big Spring's Steers were coming off a shocking upset of Andrews' Mustangs in Andrews, they owned a 4-6 record in the District 4-4A baseball standings and were supposed to pose no problem for Snyder's Tigers, who sat atop the league standings with a 9-1 record.

But somebody forgot to tell the Steers they weren't supposed to give the Tigers problems, and that's just what they did Tuesday afternoon.

When the dust had settled at Steer Park, the Tigers boarded their bus and thanked their lucky stars for a 12-10 win that saw them survive a determined seventh-inning Big Spring rally.

After having mounted a comeback and deadlocked the game at 5-5 in the fifth inning, the Steers saw Snyder regain the lead with a rally with two out in the top of the sixth and adding four more in the top of the seventh off Big Spring reliever Dustyn Beauchamp.

But the Steers had saved their best for last and made the most of a Snyder miscue.

Pinch-hitter Derek Wilson led off the seventh by reaching base on an error charged to Tiger third baseman Isaac Ramon. Reserve first baseman Zac Phinney and reserve second baseman Heath Gregory followed with back-to-back singles off Tyler Trout, the third pitcher used by the Tigers, loading the bases.

Left fielder Casey Conner followed with an RBI single to center and pinch-hitter Taylor Fraser added another single, driving in Phinney.

With the bases loaded and nobody out, Snyder coaches called on left-hander Tito Alaniz to take over the mound duties and he responded by striking out Steers lead-off man Nate Clements.

But an error on a Jon McKinnon grounder allowed Gregory and Conner to score, trimming



Reserve first baseman Zac Phinney prepares to make a throw to pitcher Dustyn Beauchamp covering first after knocking down a hot ground ball in the sixth inning of Tuesday's District 4-4A baseball action at Steer Park. The Steers saw a seventh-inning rally come up just short in a 12-10 loss to Snyder's Tigers.

the Tiger lead to 12-9.

Steers third baseman Ragan Phillips then singled up the middle to again load the bases.

Alaniz managed to strike out Andrew Vizcaino, but Beauchamp added an RBI single to trim the lead to 12-10 and leave the bases packed.

Snyder was finally able to stop the bleeding when Alaniz struck out Phinney to end the game.

In the aftermath, the Steers had out-hit the Tigers 11-9, but had also committed six errors, one more than the five charged to Snyder.

Perhaps the most pivotal play of the game came in the Tigers' sixth, however.

Beauchamp, who'd come on in relief of Vizcaino and become the Steers' pitcher of record when Big Spring tied the game at 5-5 in the bottom of the fifth, had retired the first two Snyder

batters he'd faced in the inning.

But back-to-back singles by Tigers catcher Stephen Ortegon and Alaniz, set the stage for shortstop Brooks Nunley to send a 1-0 offering from Beauchamp towering out of the park in left for a 3-run homer.

That would be the blow the Steers would ultimately be unable to overcome and Beauchamp would be saddled with the loss.

After spotting the Tigers a 4-0 lead, Big Spring began to mount its comeback efforts in the bottom of the fourth inning when Vizcaino led off by reaching base on an error charged to Ramon.

Tigers starter Shay Franks managed to retire the next two batters but loaded the bases by hitting Conner with a pitch.

Steers center fielder Lee Gillihan then worked the count full before he singled

up the middle to drive in Big Spring's first two runs.

After escaping the fourth without any more damage and having his teammates provided another run for a 5-2 lead, Franks plunked McKinnon to lead off the Big Spring fifth. Phillips added a single to center and Vizcaino followed with a 2 RBI double to left.

The Steers then knotted the score at 5-all when Phinney ripped a 1-2 offering to left for an RBI single to right.

Ramon's second error of the game and a walk to Conner loaded the bases and Franks was finished. Trout was called on for relief and ended the riot by getting Gillihan to pop out and get Clements to ground out to first.

All told the Steers stranded 10 runners.

The Steers will play host to Levelland at 4:30 p.m. Friday.

Mavs beat Jazz, now root for them

DALLAS (AP) — Look closely under Shawn Bradley's jersey Wednesday night and you might see an old, faded Utah Jazz T-shirt.

The Dallas center is back to rooting for the team he grew up watching because the Mavericks need the Jazz to beat the San Antonio Spurs to have any chance of winning the Midwest Division. The other half of the equation is that Dallas must beat the Phoenix Suns.

The Mavs dragged the race to the final day by beating the Jazz 96-87 behind 35 points from Michael Finley and 24 from Dirk Nowitzki, who had missed four games with a sprained left ankle. The Spurs remained in control of the race by beating Phoenix 95-71.

"I grew up a Jazz fan and it took me a long time to get that out of my head," Bradley said. "Now I'm a

Jazz fan again."

Nowitzki isn't likely to play against the Suns because he wants to give his ankle more time to heal before the playoffs.

"Some movements are still sore, but I've just got to play through it," he said.

Dallas has the same 57-24 record as San Antonio and the Los Angeles Lakers but loses tiebreakers to both. So if the Mavericks win, or if the Spurs and Lakers win Wednesday night, then Dallas gets the fourth seed — the same as it had last season.

But that doesn't mean the team is treading water. The Mavs have four wins that last season, setting a franchise record. And the fourth seed has some benefits, including avoiding a series against the Lakers or Spurs until the conference finals.

"We just have to continue

to win to go into the playoffs on a positive note," said Finley, who scored 15 points in the first quarter and Dallas' first 11 of the second half.

The Jazz already knew they'll be starting the playoffs on the road for the first time since 1994. This loss prevented them from locking up the seventh seed, but with the second through fourth seeds up in the air it doesn't matter much anyway.

What bothered coach Jerry Sloan was the lackluster way his team played. Although they turned a 10-point deficit into a 62-61 lead late in the third quarter, they never regained control. A powerful dunk by Finley that put Dallas up by five in the fourth quarter wiped out any comeback hopes.

"I'm looking for somebody who wants to win," Sloan

said. "We don't look that way right now. We get fouled and we complain while the other team lays it up."

Karl Malone had 24 points, seven rebounds and seven turnovers. He sat after the game with ice packs on his knees and spoke low, without his usual vigor.

"It's been an interesting year," Malone said. "Now we've got one left and it's big. We've just got to go out and play."

Notes: Utah's Andrei Kirilenko had 18 points and six blocks — two on dunk attempts by the 7-foot-6 Bradley — and Scott Padgett had 15 points. ... Nowitzki shot 8-of-17 in 37 minutes. He scored 11 points in the final period. ... Mavs point guard Steve Nash played 25 minutes and shot 1-of-6. "I'm tired from playing a lot of games," he said.

Angels edge Rangers

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The Anaheim Angels have been able to compensate for losing their closer. The Texas Rangers have not.

Al Levine, who has three saves since Troy Percival was placed on the disabled list, got credit for the victory Tuesday night as the Angels rallied three times to beat the Rangers 6-5 in 10 innings.

John Rocker (0-1) took the loss, surrendering a one-out infield single to Jose Nieves, a walk to David Eckstein and Darin Erstad's two-run double down the right field line.

Rocker was optioned to Triple-A Oklahoma after the game, but the Rangers didn't announce it until shortly after midnight (PDT). The move came one night after the demotion of rookie reliever Colby Lewis, who gave up four runs, four hits and four walks — and the lead — in a 10-inning, 13-11 loss to Seattle.

The Rangers' beleaguered bullpen, following injuries to closer Jeff Zimmerman and setup man Jay Powell, has seven blown saves in eight chances. Rocker, who has 88 career saves, has converted only one of three opportunities.

"It's very tough to watch," Zimmerman said. "It's like beating our heads against the wall, thinking about how different the situation would be if we were available in the late innings, because then the other guys would have to pitch in different roles."

Zimmerman and Powell aren't expected to pitch again for the Rangers until mid-May. Zimmerman who made at least 65 appearances in each of his first three big league seasons, is on the disabled list for the first time in his career because of tendinitis in his right elbow.

Powell is expected to see hand specialist Dr. Normal Zemel on Wednesday in Anaheim for a second opinion on the middle finger of his right hand. Meanwhile, the bullpen's ERA in the last four games is a whopping 12.33.

"We feel helpless, but we can't accelerate the healing process," Zimmerman said. "We have to let nature take its course. Unfortunately, nature is taking a little bit too long."

Levine (1-0) pitched two innings and allowed an RBI double by Rafael Palmeiro in the top of the 10th — Palmeiro's 2,500th career hit and third of the game. But Erstad, who began the day with only four RBIs in 47 at-bats, took Levine off the hook.

"He made a mistake, and fortunately I did something with it," Erstad said. "Nine times out of 10, you're not going to get a chance like that, but you have to take advantage of that one time. He's obviously a great pitcher, but nobody's perfect."

Rangers starter Doug Davis threw 112 pitches over eight innings and allowed four runs.

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SPORTS EXTRA

HIGH SCHOOL POLL

The Top 10 high school baseball rankings for the five UIL classifications as determined by the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association and TSSB Magazine. Rankings are through Monday, April 15.

Table with 5 columns: Rank, Team Name, Record, Coach, Location. Lists top 10 teams for Class 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A, and 1A.

STOLEN BASES—Knoblauch, Kansas City, 8; Lofton, Chicago, 7; Mora, Baltimore, 5; Jeter, New York, 5; Soriano, New York, 4; Durham, Chicago, 4; 7 are tied with 3.

NL LEADERS

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, Record. Lists top teams in National League for batting, pitching, and fielding.

z-schined division clinched conference... Tuesday's Games: Indiana 99, Cleveland 95; Washington 116, New York 112; Orlando 102, Atlanta 95...

NL PLAYOFFS

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, Record. Lists teams in NL playoffs for first round, wild card, and division series.

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TEXAS LEAGUE

Table with 4 columns: Team Name, W, L, Pct, GB. Lists standings for Eastern and Western Divisions.

Today's Games: El Paso at Round Rock; Tulsa at Shreveport; Wichita at Arkansas. Thursday's Games: El Paso at San Antonio; Tulsa at Arkansas; Wichita at Shreveport.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, Record. Lists top 25 teams in Collegiate Baseball.

Jeffrey Collins, Redford, Kan., \$20,385; 7. Pete Hawkins, Weatherford, Texas, \$19,499; 8. Bobby Mota, Redmond, Ore., \$18,951; 9. James Boudreau, Cuern, Texas, \$18,982; 10. Kelly Timmerman, Mills, Wyo., \$18,357.

RODEO LEADERS

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, Record. Lists top teams in Rodeo.

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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL LEAGUE BASEBALL—Suspended Minnesota RHP Jack Cressend three games and fined him an undisclosed amount for intentional throwing at Cleveland INF Ricky Gutierrez in an April 11 game.

BASEBALL

MILWAUKEE BUICKS—Activated G Michael Redd from the injured list. Placed C Greg Foster on the injured list.

BASEBALL

Today's Games: Round Rock 5, El Paso 4; Tulsa 6, Shreveport 2; Wichita 5, Arkansas 5.

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If you follow your own advice, you'll be unusually successful this year. You instinctively know what course to take in order to achieve the results you desire. You head in a new direction. Listen to others, letting your creativity go in a new direction. You don't always need to carry the weight of a situation or problem. A purchase of a new home or an investment adds to the quality of your life. You understand investments better than many or will learn a lot about them this year. If you're single, you will want a "roommate" just for yourself. You're likely to meet this person in the second half of the year. If you are attached, your relationship will flourish with new togetherness. **CANCER** proves to be an anchor.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) **** Deal with the basics. Confusion surrounds ideas and discussions. Make today's motto: Verify and Confirm. You won't be unhappy as a result. An investment looks good. Make sure it is everything that it promises. Seek out financial feedback. **Tonight:** Happy at home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** Speak your mind loud and clear. Experiment with different ideas instead of walking at your usual conservative pace. You might discover that a more dynamic approach brings the results you desire. Others greet your inquiries with pleasure. **Tonight:** Chat with a friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) *** Your inner dialogue points you in the right direction. Sometimes you need to listen to your own advice. Use your strong

money sense and you'll gain. Make it OK to spend a little to make a little. Others appreciate your efforts to make them relax. **Tonight:** Time for a financial review.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** Listen more frequently to feedback. You make the best of a situation. You seem to be under a lucky star right now, making what you want happen. You also could be delighted by what could occur out of the blue. **Tonight:** Find your friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Trust your intuition when dealing with those who seem to impact your life. You'll discover that you naturally do and say the right thing. Unpredictability draws interesting responses. Carefully think about what someone is up to, rather than reacting. **Tonight:** Get plenty of sleep.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** You hear news, which you reveal to friends or a group. You might be delighted by their feedback. Know that you're more in control than you realize. Work might take an unpredictable turn, but you land on your feet. Consider someone's financial input. **Tonight:** Start celebrating. Make up a reason if you don't have one.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Take charge rather than simply experiencing the effect. One-on-one relating takes you in a new direction. Listen to a friend or loved one. This person gives you powerful feedback that can only help your "public" image. Take charge now! **Tonight:** Be willing to work late.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** Your perspective changes the more you listen to another's feedback. Your intentions might be well and good; however, others appear to be in the dominant role. Let everything

happen without becoming a major player. **Tonight:** Follow the music.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Work with another closely. You might not have this person's perspective, but you both share enormous optimism as a trait. Don't underestimate how this similarity could be drawing the two of you together. Be sponta-

neous with a child or loved one. **Tonight:** You're only answer should be "yes."

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Allow others to present their ideas. You might want to finish a project first, but in order to do so, you'll need to close your door. Count on being more social than you anticipated. Don't create a problem out of this before you need to.

Tonight: Where the crowds are.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Your spontaneity could shock another, but on the other hand, you embody high energy and intellectual curiosity. You might be out of touch with a co-worker and his or her needs. Count on hearing about this. Make an adjustment. **Tonight:** Clean up your

desk.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** You greet change in an inventive, dynamic manner. You won't take "no" for an answer. You'll find a way to make what you want happen. Your instincts lead you in a money matter. Maybe you should buy a lottery ticket. **Tonight:** Do something special for a friend.

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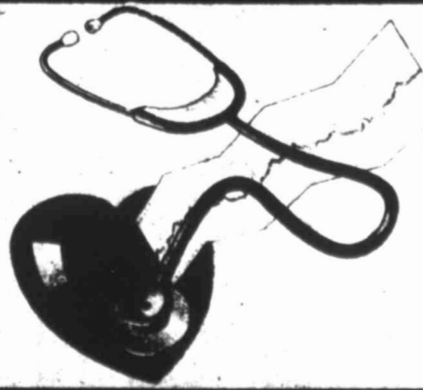
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SHERIFF/CONSTABLE

NOTICE OF SALE:
REAL PROPERTY
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF HOWARD
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
That by virtue of a certain Writ
issued out of the Honorable
118th District Court of Howard
County, 23 day of January,
2002 by Judgment of said
Court for the sum of
\$71,195.40 dollars and costs of
suit, under a Writ of
Execution, in favor of Big
Spring Hospital Corporation,
dba Scenic Mountain Medical
Center in a certain cause in
said Court, 41723 and styled
Big Spring Hospital
Corporation, dba Scenic
Mountain Medical Center,
plaintiff vs. Guadalupe
Paredes, Defendant placed in
my hands for service, I, Dean
Restelli, a Deputy Sheriff of
Howard County, Texas, did,
on the 18 day of March, 2002
levy upon certain Real Estate,
situated in Howard County,
Texas described as follows, to-wit:
N/2 LT 15 BK 99 ORIGINAL
TOWN
Big Spring, Howard County,
Texas
E/44' LT 9 & W/8' LT 10 BK
101
Big Spring,
Howard County,
Texas
AND LEVIED UPON AS THE
PROPERTY OF Guadalupe
Paredes and that on the first
Tuesday of May, 2002, the
same being the 07 day of said
month, at the Court House
door, of Howard County, in
the City of Big Spring, Texas,
between the hours of 10 A.M.
and 4 P.M., by virtue of said
levy and said Writ of
Execution I will offer for sale
and sell at public vendue, for
cash, to the highest bidder, all
the right, title and interest of
the said property.
And in compliance with law, I
give this notice by publication,
in the English Language, once
a week for three consecutive
weeks immediately preceding
said day of sale, in the Herald,
a newspaper published in
Howard County.
Witness my hand, this 16 day
of April 2002
Dean Walker
Sheriff Howard County, Texas
By Dean Restelli
Deputy
#3524 April 17, 24 &
May 1, 2002

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE OF
REAL PROPERTY

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF HOWARD
By virtue of a ORDER OF
SALE issued out of the District
Court of Howard County,
Texas, pursuant to judgment
rendered in 118th Judicial
District Court of Howard
County, Texas, by the District
Clerk of said Court, in the
hereinafter numbered and
styled suits and to me directed
and delivered as Sheriff of
said County, I did on the 7TH
day of MAY, 2002 at 10:00
a.m., levy upon and will pro-
ceed to sell for cash to the
highest bidder at public auc-
tion on the 7TH day of MAY,
2002, being the first Tuesday
of said month beginning at 10
o'clock a.m. on said day, at
the North Courthouse door of
said County, all the right, title,
and interest of the Defendants
in such suits in and to the fol-
lowing described real estate
levied upon as the property of
said Defendants: the same
lying and being situated in the
County of Howard and the
State of Texas, to-wit:
Cause No. T-99-06-3566
Style of Suit and Property
Description
BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT, VS.
OBRIN H. DAILEY, JR.
LOTS THREE (3) AND FOUR
(4), BLOCK TWO (2) A,
FAIRVIEW ADDITION TO
THE CITY OF BIG SPRING,
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B339000300,
ADDRESS: 1709 JOHNSON,
OPENING BID: \$4,903.00
Cause No. T-99-07-3968
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. JAMES R. PETTY, ET UX
LOT EIGHT (8), BLOCK ONE
(1), CENTRAL PARK ADDI-
TION TO THE CITY OF
BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUN-
TY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B270000800,
ADDRESS:
1014 BLUEBONNET AVE.,
OPENING BID: \$5,000.00
Cause No. T-99-09-3976
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. JUANA MENDOZA
TRACT 2:
LOT THREE (3), BLOCK ONE
HUNDRED SIXTEEN (116)
ORIGINAL TOWN OF THE
CITY OF BIG SPRING,
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B483009100,
ADDRESS: 205 NORTH
EAST 2ND,
OPENING BID: \$100.00
TRACT 2:
LOT FOUR (4), BLOCK ONE
HUNDRED SIXTEEN (116)
ORIGINAL TOWN OF THE
CITY OF BIG SPRING,
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B483009100,
ADDRESS: 205 NORTH
EAST 2ND,
OPENING BID: \$102.00
TRACT 3:
THE NORTH PART (N/PT) OF
LOTS EIGHTEEN (18) AND
NINETEEN (19), BLOCK ONE
(1), BALCH ADDITION TO
THE CITY OF BIG SPRING,
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS,
of the County of Howard,
State of Texas all that certain
lot, tract or parcel of land out
of Lots No. 18 and 19, Block
No. 1, Balch Addition to the
City of Big Spring, Howard
County, Texas, said addition
being part of the NE/4 of
Section 32, Block 32, T-1-N,
T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard
County, Texas, the land herein
conveyed being described by
metes and bounds as follows:
BEGINNING AT A 3/4" I.P. in
the South right-of-way line of
the Big Spring-Snyder
Highway (State Highway No.
350) from which a 2" I.P. in
payment the N.E. corner of
Section 32, Block 32, T-1-
North, T&P RR Co. Surveys,
Texas, bears N. 41° 26' E.
768.9 ft. and N. 74° 59' E.
445.2 ft. said 3/4" I.P. bears S.
41° 26' W. 16.9 ft. from the
N.E. corner of Lot 19, Balch
Addition to the City of Big
Spring, Texas, for the most
Northern N.W. corner of a 1.0
acre tract and the N.E. corner
of the tract.
THENCE S. 14° 50' E. parallel
to the East line of said Lot 19,
3/4" I.P. for a corner of said
1.0 tract and the S.E. corner
of the tract.
THENCE S. 69° 42' W. 152.9 ft.
to a 3/4" I.P. for the most
Southernly N.W. corner of said
1.0 acre tract and the S.W.
corner of this tract.
THENCE N. 14° 50' W. along
the West line of Lot 18 of said
Balch Addition, 235.3 ft. to a
3/4" I.P. in the South right-of-
way line of the Big Spring-
Snyder Highway for the N.W.
corner of this tract.
THENCE N. 41° 26' E. along
the South right-of-way line of
said Big Spring-Snyder
Highway, 183.1 ft. to the
PLACE OF BEGINNING con-
taining 1.0 acre of land.
ACCT#: B216000100
ADDRESS: 1802 EAST
HIGHWAY 350,
OPENING BID: 19,534.90
Cause No. T-93-03-4064;
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. TONY CHAVEZ &
ROBERT V. GARCIA, JR.
A 265' X 382.8' TRACT OF
LAND OUT OF SECTION
FORTY TWO (42), BLOCK
THIRTY TWO (32), TOWN-
SHIP ONE-NORTH (T-1-N),
WILLIAM B. CURRIE ADDI-

PUBLIC NOTICE

SPRING TO THE CITY OF BIG
SPRING, HOWARD COUN-
TY, TEXAS. (TRACT NO. 32)
have Grant, Sold and
Conveyed, and by these pre-
sents do Grant, Sell and
Convey unto the said TONY
CHAVEZ AND ROBERT V.
GARCIA, JR., ATTORNEYS
AT LAW of the County of
ECTOR State of TEXAS all
that certain lot, tract, or parcel
of land situated in Howard
County, Texas, and being
more particularly described as
follows, to-wit:
Tract #36 of the WM. B. CUR-
RIE SUBDIVISION of the
Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of
Section 42, Block 32, T-1-N, T
& P RR Co. Survey in Howard
County, Texas. Said tract
being 290' North and South
and 382.8' East and West as
shown by Plat in Vol. 23, Page
840.
ACCT#: 5144202960,
ADDRESS: 213 NORTH
EAST 6TH, OPENING BID:
\$1,528.00
Cause No. T-93-04-4071
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. BOBBY DELL JOHNSON
LOT TWELVE (12), BLOCK
TWO (2), DENTON ADDITION
TO THE CITY OF BIG
SPRING, HOWARD COUN-
TY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B3090001500,
ADDRESS: #16 NORTH
WEST 5TH, OPENING BID:
\$130.00
Cause No. T-99-05-4091
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. ANNETTA MONTGOMERY
LOT THREE (3), AND THE
WEST HALF (W/2), OF LOT
FOUR (4), BLOCK TWENTY
(20), COLE & STRAYHORN
ADDITION TO THE CITY OF
BIG SPRING, HOWARD
COUNTY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B2860019500,
ADDRESS: 804 EAST 15TH,
OPENING BID: \$9,546.78
Cause No. T-96-06-4108
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. ANSELMO HILARIO,
LOT FOUR (4), BLOCK
TWELVE (12), BROWN ADDI-
TION TO THE CITY OF BIG
SPRING, HOWARD COUN-
TY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B246000800,
ADDRESS: 1708 WEST
THIRD, OPENING BID:
\$1,075.21
Cause No. T-93-07-4123
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. TONY MARQUEZ
LOT FOURTEEN (14),
BLOCK SEVENTEEN (17),
COLLEGE PARK NUMBER 2
ADDITION TO THE CITY OF
BIG SPRING, HOWARD
COUNTY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B2950001400,
ADDRESS: 609 BAYLOR,
OPENING BID: \$5,250.00
Cause No. T-94-12-4248
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. WAYNE JOHNSON
LOT SEVENTEEN (17),
BLOCK SEVEN (7),
WRIGHTS AIRPORT ADDI-
TION TO THE CITY OF BIG
SPRING, HOWARD COUN-
TY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B4840009000,
ADDRESS: 1315 LINDBERG,
OPENING BID: \$150.00
Cause No. T-96-05-4255
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. MARY L. LARDIN,
LOTS ONE & TWO (1 & 2),
BLOCK FOUR (4), LINCOLN
ADDITION TO THE CITY OF
BIG SPRING, HOWARD
COUNTY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B4170001400,
ADDRESS: 2501 HIGHWAY
80,
OPENING BID: \$1,505.97
Cause No. T-96-01-4448
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. PABLO TORRES,
THE SOUTH-ONE-THIRD
(SOUTH 1/3RD) OF LOTS
SEVEN (7), EIGHT (8), AND
NINE (9), BLOCK ONE (1),
COLE & STRAYHORN AD-
DITION TO THE CITY OF BIG
SPRING, HOWARD COUN-
TY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B2880000800,
ADDRESS: 1110 AUSTIN,
OPENING BID: \$1,840.00
Cause No. T-01-04-4528
Style of Suit and Property
Description
HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL
VS. JOHNNY V. RANGEL
AND WIFE, CLARA R.
RANGEL
LOT THIRTEEN (13), BLOCK
FOUR (4), SETTLERS
HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE
CITY OF BIG SPRING,
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS.
ACCT#: B5400003800,
ADDRESS: 3106 WEST
HIGHWAY 80,
OPENING BID: \$3,269.77
#3523 April 17, 24 &
May 1, 2002

**Teaching child to do right
thing often unappreciated**

Dear Ann Landers: You recently printed a letter from "Needs Advice in California," whose son stole a pack of video-game cards from a department store. You were right to say the boy needs to return the cards and pay for them. However, please be careful. Some stores have a zero-tolerance policy for theft. That means they will prosecute the child even if payment is offered.



ANN LANDERS

Last year, my 11-year-old son went into a department store with a friend. The friend stole a shirt when my son was not looking. The whole incident was caught on tape. The manager admitted that my child had done nothing wrong, but my son was nonetheless charged with engaging in a felony.

Please, Ann, before taking that child back to the store and admitting he stole something, the parent should call first and find out what the consequences will be. If the store has a zero-tolerance policy, the parent would be better off sending the money anonymously. — Tried To Do The Right Thing in Texas

Dear Texas: I caught unshirted hell from my readers for telling that parent to say the boy made a "mistake" taking the cards and wants to pay for them. They all said the boy should admit to the manager that he stole the cards.

Unfortunately, gone are the days when the kindly shop proprietor scolded the young perpetrator and punished him by having him sweep the front steps for a month. While this child should be held accountable, I cannot see what good it does to prosecute a 10-year-old boy who is truly remorseful and wants to make amends.

Dear Ann Landers: I have fallen in love with my married boss. I know he feels the same way about me. I have tried to keep my behavior strictly professional, but occasionally we will make eye contact, and all those sensations rush to the surface. To complicate matters, his wife has sought me out as a friend. Based on her behavior, I understand why he turned to me.

How can I get over him? — Moving in the Wrong Direction in Ohio

Dear Ohio: Look for another job immediately. As long as you are working with this man, you are playing with dynamite. Please get out before it is too late.

Dear Ann Landers: I saw my 7-year-old granddaughter in a column you printed about Attention Deficit Disorder. The woman who wrote said her daughter

daydreamed through class, forgot to bring her homework to school and was incapable of taking exams without becoming restless and distracted.

My granddaughter, "Lucy," was having the same problems. Her teachers were concerned because she could not finish her assignments, she was always late and could never get her shoes on, no matter how much time she had. When I read your column, I thought Lucy should be tested for ADD.

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Our entire family feels fortunate that we caught this problem early on. As Lucy gets older, she will need to learn coping skills as well, but she will be able to focus now and accomplish so much more than she would have otherwise. Thank you, Ann, for printing that letter. — Vancouver, B.C., Grandma

Dear Vancouver: You're welcome. I love how my readers learn from one another. Give Lucy my best wishes.

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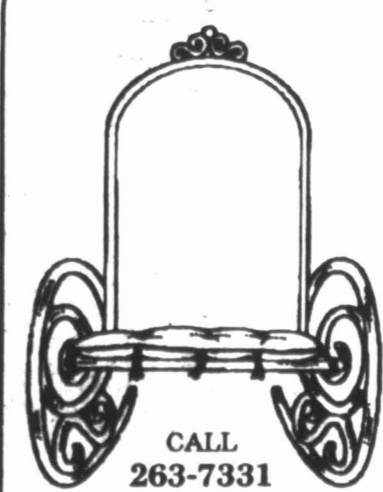
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| 6 | PM News Fortune | King of the Hill Raymond | Cyberchase Zboomato | Home Videos Home Videos | News Ent. Tonight | News (CC) Fortune | News Serfield (CC) | Friends (CC) Roseanne | Intrusa | Movie: All Dogs Go to | Mad TV (CC) Mad TV (CC) | (15) Movie: House of | the Hero (CC) | (15) Movie: Someone | Update With John Hagege | The View (CC) | Cosmo: Apes | Preponder (CC) | Medical Learning Ctr. | | | | | | |
| 7 | PM My Wife-Kids George Lopez | That '80s Grounded-Life | American Family (CC) | Movie: Au Pair (CC) | 60 Minutes II (CC) | My Wife-Kids George Lopez | Inside the Career Starnis | Ripley's Believe It or Not! | Amigas y Rivalas (SS) | Headline 2 (35) Movie: P.U.N.K.S. (CC) | Movie: The Godfather, Part II | Gameon | Movie: Angels in the | Like You (CC) | Christian Dr. Massey | Biography (CC) | Scorpion King Movie Tie-in | NBA Basketball: Indiana Pa- | Building the Biggest | | | | | | |
| 8 | PM Drew Carey Wednesday | Bernie Mac Greg-Bunny | Commanding Heights: The | Whose Line? Whose Line? | 48 Hours (CC) | Drew Carey Wednesday | West Wing (CC) | Movie: Home Alone (CC) | Salome | P.U.N.K.S. (CC) | Par II | Movie: Highlander: End- | Outfield (CC) | Sex and-City Sex and-City | Light of the Southwest | American Justice (CC) | City Confidant (CC) | cent (CC) NBA Basket- | Super Struc- | | | | | | |
| 9 | PM Downtown (CC) | Cops (CC) | Battle for the World | Whose Line? Whose Line? | 48 Hours (CC) | Downtown (CC) | Law & Order (CC) | (DVS) | Don Francisco Presenta | Adventures in | Dinosaur City | Bringing out the Dead | Resurrection (45) Movie: | Soul Food (CC) | Six Feet Under (CC) | Hour of Healing | Law & Order (CC) | Scorpion King Movie Tie-in | Building the Biggest | | | | | | |
| 10 | PM News Nightline | Jerry Springer (CC) | News-Lehrer (CC) | 700 Club (CC) | News (35) Late | News (CC) Nightline | News (35) Tonight | Ripley's Believe It or Not! | P. Impacto Noticiero Univ. | Dinosaur City | Bringing out the Dead | Resurrection (45) Movie: | Soul Food (CC) | Six Feet Under (CC) | Hour of Healing | Law & Order (CC) | Scorpion King Movie Tie-in | Building the Biggest | | | | | | | |
| 11 | PM Politically Inc. Paid Program | Suddenly Spin City (CC) | Nature (CC) | Who's Boss? Who's Boss? | Show (CC) (37) Late Late | Ent. Tonight Politically Inc. | Show (CC) (37) Late | Movie: Wolf | En las Mejores Familias | So Weird (CC) Jett Jackson | Pop Across Lifegame | (CC) (45) Movie: | Crimson Tide (CC) | Comfort (CC) | Update With Church | Biography (CC) | To Be Announced | at Los Angeles Lakers | Junyard Wars | | | | | | |
| 12 | AM (12:05) Sally (CC) | Home Imp. Paid Program | Tour of Taste | Paid Program | Show (CC) Street Smarts | (12:06) Oprah Winfrey (CC) | Night (CC) Frasier | La Mujer de Mi Vida | Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse | The Moderns | (45) Movie: | Myself & Irene (CC) | Faith Pleases God | American Justice (CC) | Women Parach | Inside NBA Movie: Above | Super Struc- | Super Struc- | | | | | | | |

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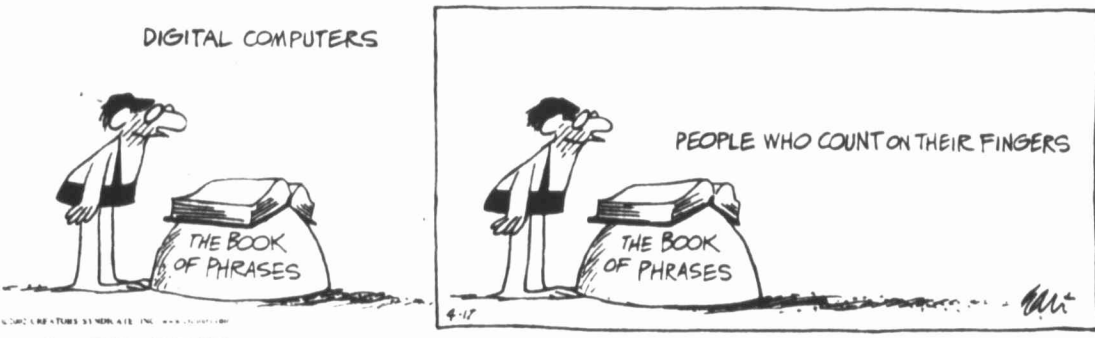
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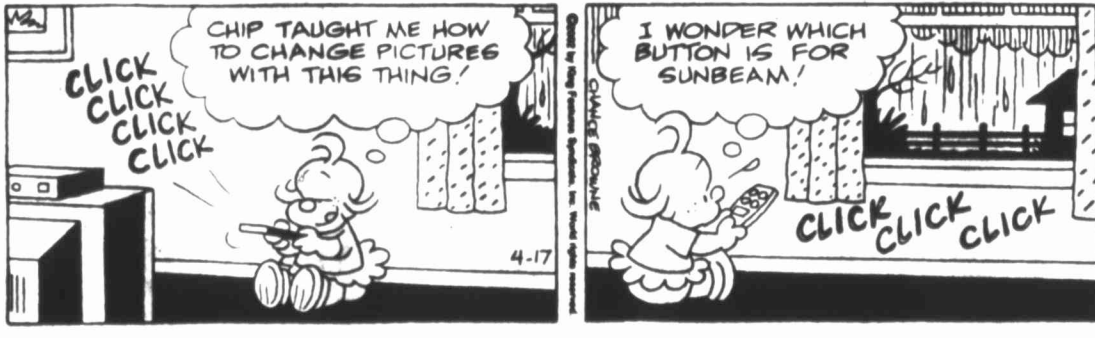
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Wednesday, April 17, the 107th day of 2002. There are 258 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 17, 1961, about 1,500 CIA-trained Cuban exiles launched the disastrous Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in a failed attempt to overthrow the government of Fidel Castro.

On this date:

In 1492, a contract was signed by Christopher Columbus and a representative of Spain's King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella, giving Columbus a commission to seek a westward ocean passage to Asia.

In 1524, Giovanni da Verrazano reached present-day New York harbor.

In 1790, American statesman Benjamin Franklin died in Philadelphia at age 84.

In 1861, the Virginia State Convention voted to secede

from the Union.

In 1941, Yugoslavia surrendered to Germany in World War II.

In 1964, Ford Motor Co. unveiled its new Mustang.

In 1964, Jerrie Mock of Columbus, Ohio, became the first woman to complete a solo airplane flight around the world.

In 1969, a jury in Los Angeles convicted Sirhan Sirhan of assassinating Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

In 1969, Czechoslovak Communist Party chairman Alexander Dubcek was deposed.

In 1970, the astronauts of Apollo 13 splashed down safely in the Pacific, four days after a ruptured oxygen tank crippled their spacecraft.

Ten years ago: Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told the Senate Banking Committee the modest pace of economic expansion wasn't adequate, a remark interpreted as a signal he might cut interest rates further.

Five years ago: House Speaker Newt Gingrich announced he would bor-

row \$300,000 from retired Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole to pay a sanction imposed for violation of House rules.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Lon McCallister is 79. Rock promoter Don Kirshner is 68. Composer-musician Jan Hammer is 54. Actress Olivia Hussey is 51. Rock singer-musician Pete Shelley (Buzzcocks) is 47. Actress Teri Austin is 43. Actor Sean Bean is 43. Rock singer Maynard James Keenan (Tool) is 38. Actress Lela Rochon is 38. Singer Liz Phair is 35. Actress Jennifer Garner is 30. Singer Victoria Adams Beckham (Spice Girls) is 28. Actress-singer Lindsay Korman is 24.

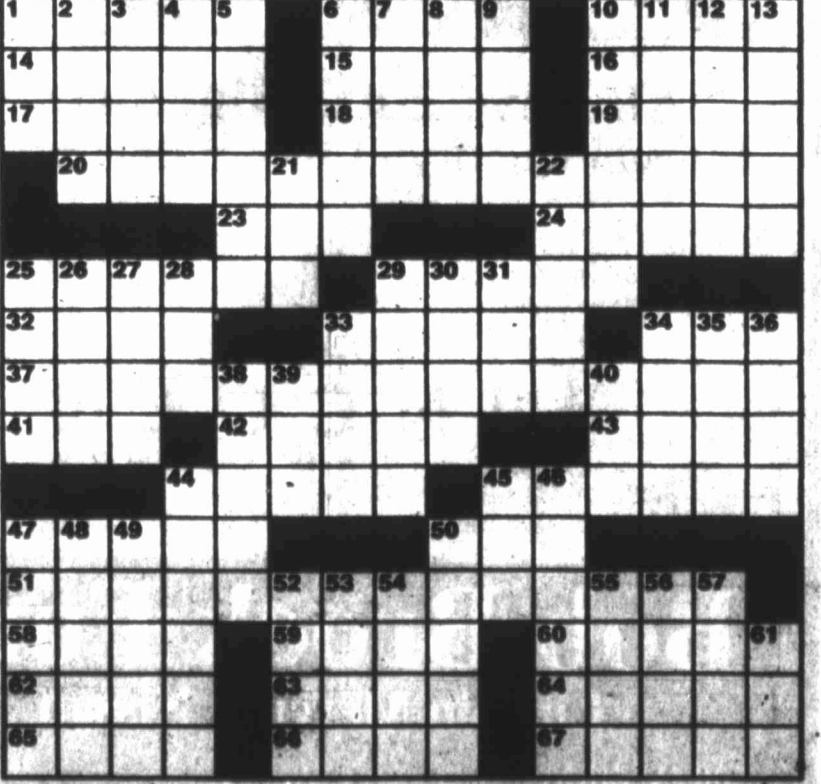
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Newsday Crossword

YOU BET by Fred Piscop
Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS
- 1 Glasses, slangly
- 6 Verne voyager
- 10 Olympian's sword
- 14 Muslim deity
- 15 Natural emollient
- 16 Croat or Bulgar
- 17 "It __ been something I ate!"
- 18 TV's warrior princess
- 19 Handy bag
- 20 Porgy and Bess composer
- 23 Suffix for fact
- 24 Proctor's handouts
- 25 Erudite one
- 29 Prickly plant
- 32 Smelter input
- 33 Bullwinkle, e.g.
- 34 Hack's auto
- 37 For starters
- 41 Card game
- 42 Eccentric
- 43 Netman Arthur
- 44 Slow-witted
- 45 Annoy
- 47 Normand of silents
- 50 Itinerary word
- 51 Sullivan's offering
- 58 With
- 62 Across, Bumble Bee competitor
- 59 Subtle emanation
- 60 Fall birthstone
- 62 See 58 Across
- 63 Muscat's land
- 64 Upper crust
- 65 Son of Adam
- 66 Hourglass filler
- 67 Rizzuto contemporary
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- 1 Bogle, in The Maltese Falcon
- 2 Outlet insert
- 3 "If all __ fails..."
- 4 Roman censor
- 5 Ariel of Israel
- 6 Sent, in a way
- 7 Designer to Jackie
- 8 Auctioneer's call
- 9 Stick-shift selection
- 10 Biblical heroine
- 11 Clears snow from
- 12 Yankovic parody
- 13 Makes level
- 21 "Vamoose!"
- 22 Tough to climb
- 25 Potting need
- 26 Pisa's river
- 27 Bill killer
- 28 Blonde shade
- 29 Comic pianist
- 30 Like Santa's cheeks
- 31 Art or novel add-on
- 33 Russian fighters
- 34 Playbill listing
- 35 Tummy trouble
- 36 Brewski
- 38 The Seven Year Itch star
- 39 Half a sawbuck
- 40 __ Cruces, NM
- 44 Scarcity
- 45 Porky or Petunia
- 46 Lent ender
- 47 Halloween wear
- 48 Bandleader Shaw
- 49 Brutish sort
- 50 Tasty dish
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- 53 Arizona city
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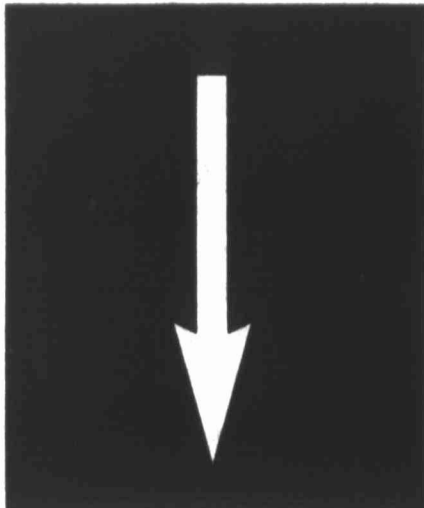
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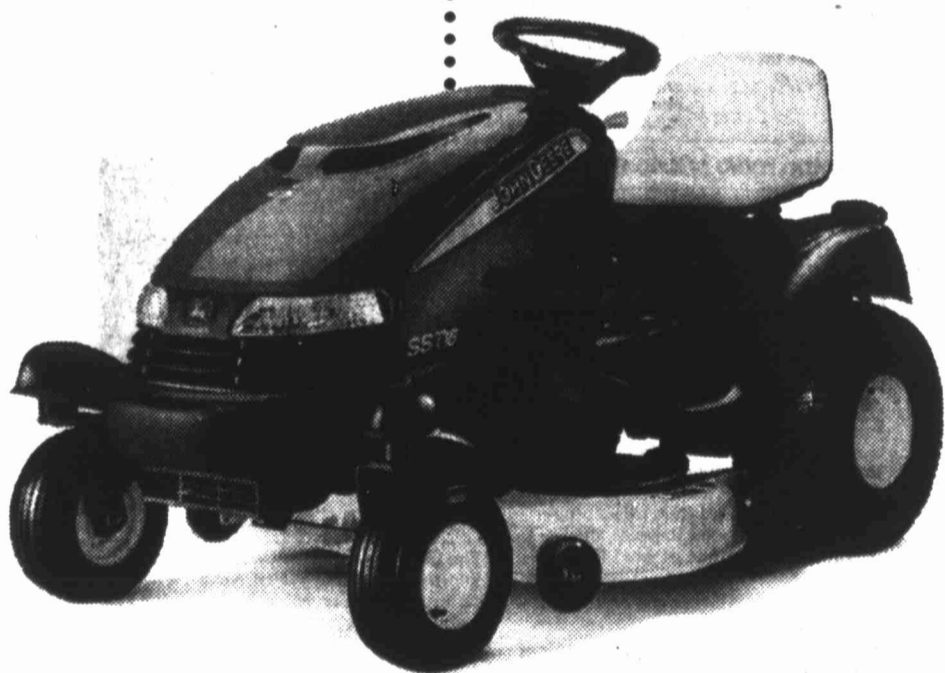
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