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Woman charged in child's abduction

4-1/2 year old home safely

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

A Big Spring woman was arrested Tuesday night after allegedly kidnapping 4-and-a-half year old John Ray Lee from the 2500 block of Dow late Monday evening.



Christine Beam, 26, of 804 W. Interstate Highway 20, was arrested on a charge of aggravated kidnapping Tuesday evening in the 1400 block of Sixth Street, according to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the Big Spring Police Department.

According to police reports, the child was returned to a relative at approximately 1 p.m. Tuesday, more than 12 hours after his alleged abduction.

"The child was released by the suspect to a family member shortly after the media began broadcasting the story," said Everett. "The investigation into the kidnapping is continuing and no

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Patricia McCormick, left, a former Big Spring resident who gained notoriety as a female bullfighter in Latin America during the 1950s, talks with Bonnie Warren of Seminole during a reception in McCormick's honor at Heritage Museum Tuesday evening.

Record crowd turns out to meet lady bullfighter

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

A record crowd came to see the "Texas Torera" return home to Big Spring.

More than 40 years after she gained renown throughout Latin America as one of the few active female bullfighters — and the only female bullfighter from North America — Patricia McCormick attended a reception in her honor at

the Heritage Museum Tuesday evening.

More than 350 people — a record number for Heritage events — turned out to meet McCormick and hear her tales of fighting bulls.

"This is the largest crowd we've ever had for an event like this," Museum Curator Nancy Raney said. "I think it is because of her notoriety, not only in this community but world wide, as well."

McCormick moved to Big Spring when she was 13 when her father was named chief engineer at Cosden Refinery and she graduated from Big Spring High School in 1948.

It was during a visit to Mexico City in 1937, however, that her future professional plans would be set.

"That's when I saw my first bullfight, and I fell in

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Council OKs control over Moore Board

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
News Editor

Without comment, Big Spring City Council members approved on first reading Tuesday a resolution enhancing their control over Moore Development for Big Spring.



The council also approved a transition agreement with Cornell Corrections and agreed to rescind gate fees at the landfill Saturday during the Texas Trash Off.

"This allows the public to clean up around their homes and businesses without being charged at

Meeting postponed

Moore Development board's meeting, set for 5:30 p.m. today, has been canceled. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

the gate," Todd Darden, city public works director, said of the temporary gate fee waiver. "We think that this clean up effort is great for the community and we want to encourage everyone to participate, and this is one way to help."

The council's oversight of Moore Development,

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Business After Hours set Thursday

Mark your calendar for the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours event this week.

"A ShowCase of Airpark businesses" will be hosted by the McMahon-Wrinkle Airport and Industrial Park.

Businesses taking part include Cornell Corrections, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Fiber Products, Fiberod, Big Spring Fire Dept., Gaston Racing, Hangar 25, Howard College, John Young Motorcycle Training, Lone Star Aviation, Phillips Fabrication, Senior Citizen Center, the U.S. Flight Academy, West Side Daycare Center, Western Container, Liberty Machine Shop, Parker Hannafin, West-Tex Palettes and Partee Enterprises.

The reception is set from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the air terminal, 3200 Rickabaugh Drive West.

There will be door prizes and refreshments.

VOCAL TRASH COMING

Vocal Trash, a music group that combines tight vocal harmonies with "street instruments," will perform Saturday at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater. Admission is free.

Pre-show entertainment will begin at 5:30 p.m. with Vocal Trash expected to perform about 7 p.m.

The concert is sponsored by the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau. Concessions will be available.

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
U.S. Representative Randy Neugebauer, right, presents an American flag that has flown over the U.S. Capitol building to Big Spring Fire Department Chief Brian Jensen. BSFD officials are trying to secure flags and flagpoles for all local fire stations.

BSISD trustees to decide on laptop program

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

After months of discussion, Big Spring Independent School District trustees are on the verge of making an up or down vote on whether to purchase laptop computers for high school teachers and students.



Trustees voted to approve the purchase in principal in March, but will decide whether to pull the trigger on an actual purchase when they hold their regular monthly meeting at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in the high school board room.

Superintendent Michael Downes said four bid proposals have been received from computer vendors for the proposal, which would likely cost the district in excess of \$1 million.

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IN BRIEF

Bulldogettes exact revenge on Hawley

After suffering their first ever district softball loss to Hawley earlier this season, Coahoma's Bulldogettes had a chance to avenge that loss and did so with a taste of poetic justice Tuesday evening.

The Bulldogettes took a 3-0 win — the same score by which they'd lost at Hawley.

Both teams now have identical records and share the district lead and both have 16-6 season marks.

Lady Steers slate senior recognition

The annual "Meet the Lady Steers" event has been scheduled for Saturday at the Lady Steer Softball Complex when Big Spring takes on Lubbock Estacado.

Big Spring's 2007 softball seniors — Heather Witt, Amber Sides, Cortney Heinis, Brenna Phernetton, Bridgette Rodriguez, Desiree Yanez, Briana Valles and Monica Rocha — will be honored.

Lady Steers Booster Club officials invited the public to join them for food, fun, games and prizes. Festivities start at 11:30 a.m. and the game will begin at noon.

Lady Steers Boosters to meet on Monday

There will be a public meeting of the Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club at 6 p.m. Monday in the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

Club officials noted this will be an important meeting regarding nominations for 2007-2008 school year and the upcoming spring banquet slated for May 5.

If you or know someone who would like to hold an office, please be present or contact Carrie Fox 267-6428 or Leslie Whitten 816-6764.

KBSB schedules golf tournament

The Keep Big Spring Beautiful Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday, April 21, at the Big Spring Country Club.

Play will get underway with 9 a.m. tee times.

Entry fees for the four-person scramble are \$60 per player.

Contact the Big Spring Country Club to sign up.

Immediately following play, prizes will be awarded to first-, second- and third-place teams, longest drive man and woman and closest to the pin man and woman.

Chances for new golf shoes will be available at the sign-up table or contact a member of Keep Big Spring Beautiful at 263.9332.

Hot dogs, chips and drink will be served. All proceeds go to Keep Big Spring Beautiful.

Howard to host Region V tourney

Howard College's Foundation Field will be site for the NJCAA Region V Softball Tournament to be held May 5-6.

The top four teams from the WJCAC will

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Howard rodeo team fares well at WTAMU

By **ERIC RODEWALD**

Special to the Herald

CANYON — Howard College's rodeo team had a good showing at the West Texas A&M University Rodeo over the weekend — a solid warm up in preparation for this week's Howard College Rodeo set for Thursday through Saturday at the Howard County Rodeo Bowl.

The Howard College women placed fifth in the team standings in Canyon with four athletes doing well in two events — barrel racing and goat tying.

In the barrel racing, Cassidy Ogden finished third in the average after a fourth-place run in the first round followed by a

three-way tie in the short round with the fastest time. Brittia Hollingsworth tied Ogden's time in the first round, but was ninth in the short round to finish in a four-way tie for sixth in the average.

Kendra Watts tied for fourth in the average in goat tying with a sixth-place time in the first round, followed by a fourth-place finish in the short round. Teammate Shelly Combs tied for fifth in the first round and finished eighth overall in the average.

On the men's side, Laramie Hall continued to climb the regional standings with a strong performance in steer wrestling. Hall was fifth after the first

round and finished third in the average. Cody Heiner was sixth after the first round and ninth overall.

A handful of athletes still have a chance to qualify for the College National Finals Rodeo in June, with two rodeos remaining, including this weekend's Howard College Rodeo. The top three athletes in each event qualify for the CNFR.

Currently Jamon Turner is tied for third in bull riding with 340 points, just 40 points out of second place.

A trio of HC steer wrestlers are currently in the Top 12. They're led by Hall in fourth place with 360 points, only 20 points out of third place. Wayne Schaffeld is

seventh with 270 points and Afton Caldwell is 12th with 185 points.

Three barrel racers are in the Top 12, with Ogden fourth with 350 points, 75 points out of the crucial third spot. Shelly Combs has 185 points and Kasey Kramps has 175 points, currently 11th and 12th, respectively.

Howard's women are currently sixth in the Southwest Region team standings while the men are ranked 11th.

The Howard College Rodeo begins Thursday at the Rodeo Bowl beginning at 5:30 p.m. The action on Friday and Saturday will begin at 9 a.m. with slack, while each night's performance will begin at 7.



Dallas' Greg Buckner (center) goes up for a shot over Los Angeles Clippers defenders James Singleton and Elton Brand during the Mavericks' 96-86 win over the Clippers Monday.

Mavericks hardly ready to strut over best record

By **JAIME ARON**

AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — The Dallas Mavericks can call themselves the best team in the NBA in 2006-07.

"That and a dollar," team owner Mark Cuban said, "leaves you with a dollar."

Dallas has won 64 games with five left. Winning them all would tie the team for the second-best record in league history. Even if the Mavs lose them all, they're still guaranteed the most wins in the league this season and the most in team history.

They've also secured the

top seed in the playoffs, another franchise first, and they've won only the second division title in their 27 seasons.

While everyone is proud of they've accomplished, nobody is making a big deal out of it. Not after being halfway to the championship last year, then blowing it with four straight losses.

That's why there were no more victory smiles than usual following a 96-86 win over the Los Angeles Clippers on Monday night.

Half the team already was up the tunnel when the public-address announcer mentioned

that the win clinched the No. 1 seed. It drew a revived ovation from fans who apparently also had to be reminded about the accomplishment.

"Our emphasis is on improving — each game, each practice, getting better and positioning ourselves to get back to the finals," point guard Jason Terry said. "I haven't gotten over (last year) yet. Finish — that's our motto this year."

Still, there's something to be said about having the best record in the entire league. Even just being the top seed in the tough Western Conference is enough of a

challenge to have been worth setting as a preseason goal.

"We've never talked about it," coach Avery Johnson said. "All we do is go out every night and try to meet certain criteria offensively and defensively. Then, after 82 games, we see how we've met that criteria. If you make the playoffs you have a chance to win the championship."

His point is proved by last year, when Dallas made the finals as a No. 4 seed in the West and Miami was seeded second in the East.

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Durant will go to NBA

By **JIM VERTUNO**

AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — By the look of his Texas tank top and shorts, Kevin Durant might have fooled someone into thinking he'd changed his mind. Was it a hint he might stay in college?

No chance. The kid is leaving for the NBA.

Durant, an 18-year-old freshman and The Associated Press Player of the Year, said Tuesday he will leave the Longhorns to enter the June draft, bringing a quick end to what was a short but spectacular college career.

"I just thought it was time to go," Durant said at a news conference to announce his decision. "It's been my dream for a while. I felt I was ready."

After an All-American season in which he swept the major player of the year awards, few expected Durant to stay at Texas.

Now the question is whether he'll be the first player drafted. Durant and Ohio State's freshman center Greg Oden — who has not yet said if he'll leave college — are considered the likely first two picks.

"I know I'll be one of the higher picks. It doesn't really matter if I go one or two as long as I go," Durant said.

Durant's parents, Wayne and Wanda Pratt, said his year in college was invaluable.

"The University of Texas has been very good to him," Pratt said. "He's matured a lot."

So much so that the player whose diet often consisted of too much candy, who was so down

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Ranger bats explode in 12-9 win over Devil Rays

By **The Associated Press**

The Texas Rangers put on the kind of offensive display that manager Ron Washington had been anticipating since he took the job in the off-season.

Frank Catalanotto hit a three-run homer in a seven-run third inning and the Rangers outslugged the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 12-9 on a windy Tuesday night.

Kenny Lofton reached base five times, going 3-for-3 with a homer, three runs scored and three RBIs. Catalanotto went 3-for-5 with four RBIs, and Ian Kinsler also homered for the Rangers, who reached .500 (4-4) for the first time this season.

The Rangers scored a total of

nine runs in their first four contests, but have put up eight or more in three of their last four games.

"We took advantage of the opportunities we had with their pitchers struggling," Washington said. "We put runs on the board and we needed every run we got. ... I guess this is the way they do it in Texas."

Lofton and Catalanotto provided the spark at the top of the order. Entering the game, they had combined to start the season at 5-for-44, but they broke out of their slumps together.

"Kenny and I feel that we need to get going to jump start this offense," Catalanotto said. "We hadn't been doing that. If we start getting on base, those guys

will drive us in."

Scott Feldman (1-0) threw 2 1-3 innings of two-hit shutout relief for his first major league victory.

Devil Rays starter Jae Seo (0-1) gave up 10 runs — five earned — and eight hits in three innings.

In other American League games, it was New York 10, Minnesota 1; Los Angeles 7, Cleveland 6; Oakland 2, Chicago 1; Kansas City 6, Toronto 3; Boston 14, Seattle 3; and Detroit 3, Baltimore 1.

Florida 2 in 10 innings in a game suspended because of rain.

Ty Wigginton had four RBIs including a three-run homer for the Devil Rays, who lost their fourth in a row. Delmon Young hit a two-run homer in the ninth inning, his second of the year.

"It's still early, but it doesn't look good now," Tampa Bay's Carl Crawford said. "Hopefully it will change in the future. It was sloppy, a lot of things were happening, and then all of a sudden we were losing by a lot of runs."

Lofton, who began the night with a .115 average, led off the first with a homer for the 29th time in his career, aided by an 18 mph wind blowing out to right.

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Obituaries

Teofilo 'Telly' Montanez



Teofilo "Telly" Montanez, 84, of Big Spring, died Sunday, April 8, 2007, in a Lubbock hospital. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 11, 2007 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 12, 2007 at the St. Thomas Catholic Church with the Rev. James Plagens officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on April 28, 1922, in Shafter and married Maria Inez Salgado in August 1946 in Big Spring. She preceded him in death Jan. 16, 1990.

Mr. Montanez was a lifetime resident of Big Spring, where he had worked at Medical Arts Clinic for 30 years and then for Fiberglass Systems for eight years, retiring in 1988. He had also worked as a TV repairman throughout his life and that is how he got his nickname, "Telly."

He was a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church and had served in the U.S. Army Corps during World War II.

Survivors include three daughters, Rosie Montanez of Dallas, Julia Hartman and husband, Doug of Big Spring and Manuela Camarillo and husband, Cele of Altus, Okla.; four sons, Benjamin Montanez and wife, Virginia of Taylor, Carlos Montanez of Big Spring, Ismael Montanez of Dallas and David Montanez and wife, Alma of Altus, Okla.; four sisters, Mercy Yanez of Big Spring, Eva Morua of Oxnard, Calif., Lucy Garcia of Camarillo, Calif. and Shelia Vasquez of Oceanside, Calif.; 17 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by three sons, Gilbert, Rolando and Martin Montanez; a daughter, Theresa Bihl; two sisters, Manuela Bustillos and Aurora Morua; a brother, Ray Montanez; and a great-grandson, Sonny Montanez.

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

Paid obituary

Wilma Mae Richie



Wilma Mae Richie, 86, of Big Spring, formerly of Dallas, died Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at Lamun Lusk Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. Funeral services will be at noon Saturday, April 14, 2007, at Laurel Land Chapel in Dallas, with burial at Laurel Land Memorial Park.

She was born Sept. 7, 1920, in Indiana and married James Lawrence Richie Nov. 11, 1941. He preceded her in death July 10, 1980. She had been a secretary for Charlie Plumbing in Dallas until retirement. She was a longtime member of Rosemont Christian Church in Dallas.

She is survived by three sons, Roy Richie of Duncanville, Ken Richie and his wife Laura of Frisco, and Ed Richie and his wife Judy of Garland; a daughter, Debbie Wegman and her husband Terry of Big Spring; 14 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association, c/o RSVP office, 501 Runnels, Big Spring 79720.

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

Hazel Baker



Hazel Baker, 63, of Coahoma died Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Elwin Collom, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Coahoma Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She was born Nov. 13, 1943, in Howard County to Iliia and Ralph Coates. She married Charles Baker in March 1963. He preceded her in death Feb. 2, 2007.

She graduated from Howard College LVN School and worked at the Big Spring State Hospital, Malone-Hogan Clinic, Malone-Hogan Hospital, and then Scenic Mountain Medical Center. She was a lifetime resident of Howard County and was a member of First Baptist Church in Coahoma.

She is survived by a daughter, Tonya Baker of Coahoma; two sons, Ronald Baker of Henderson; and Raymond Baker of Coahoma; three step-daughters, Brenda Kile of Crestview, Fla., and Seretha Baker and Lily Boone, both of Paradise, Calif.; two brothers, R. L. Coates of Coahoma, and Frank Coates of Big Spring; a sister, Betsy Land of Coahoma; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Charles Baker, Jr.

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

Frank T. Parker

Frank T. Parker, 77, of Big Spring died Wednesday, April 11, 2007, at Parkview Nursing Home. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

James R. Grant



James R. "Randy" Grant, 64, of Big Spring, died Monday, April 9, 2007, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 12, 2007 at Coahoma Cemetery with the Rev. Doug Shelley, pastor of East Side Baptist Church, officiating. The family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 23, 1942, in New Braunfels to Gertrude and Albert Grant. He married Barbara Lewis Feb. 15, 1973, in Tucson, Ariz. She preceded him in death on April 2, 1999. He was a veteran of the U. S. Navy. He has lived most of his life in Howard County. He worked for Chemical Express, Reagent Chemical and also for L. G. Nix Dirt Company until retiring due to ill health.

He is survived by one daughter, Bernadette Grant of Big Spring; four brothers, Jimmy Grant and his wife Sharon, Gary Grant, Jeters Grant and his wife Beverly, and Keith Grant and his wife Sharon, all of Big Spring; a sister, Pam Grant of Big Spring; a stepson, Butch Sanderson of Mississippi; a grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Albert Lee Grant and Tony Glen Grant.

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

Naomi Rushing

Naomi Ann "Tiny" Rushing, 67, of Big Spring, died Monday, April 9, 2007, in a local hospital. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 12, 2007 at the Salvation Army Chapel, 811 W. Fifth, with Captains Russ and Linda Keeney officiating.

She was born Oct. 27, 1939, in Colorado City and married Jessie "Gene" Rushing, Jr. on June 11, 1964 in Colorado City. He preceded her in death Sept. 4, 1993.

Naomi came to Big Spring in 1960 from Colorado City and was a homemaker. She had been a member of the Salvation Army Church for 30 years.

Survivors include a son, Joe P. Rushing of Big Spring; a daughter and son-in-law, Bessie V. and Luis Flores of Big Spring; three sisters, Jennie Womack, Diane Womack and Ronda Nelson; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild and many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was also preceded in death by her parents and a brother. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Wanda Wasson

Wanda Wasson, 74, of Big Spring died Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Asa Wayne Howell

Asa Wayne Howell, 41, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

C.V. Wash

C. V. Wash, 96, of Forsan, died Tuesday, April 10, 2007, in a local nursing home. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Weather

Tonight...Mostly clear. Lows around 50. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday...Partly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms late in the afternoon. Some thunderstorms may be severe. Highs in the lower 80s. South winds 15 to 25 mph.

Thursday night...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Windy. Some thunderstorms may be severe. Lows in the lower 50s. South winds 20 to 30 mph.

Friday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph shifting to the west 15 to 25 mph in the afternoon.

Friday night...Partly cloudy. Colder. Lows in the mid 30s.

Saturday...Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s.

Saturday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s.

Sunday...Sunny. Highs in the mid 70s.

Sunday night...Mostly clear. Warmer. Lows in the lower 50s.

Monday...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 70s.

Police blotter

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

- **CHRISTINE BEAM**, 26, of 804 W. Interstate Highway 20, was arrested Tuesday on a local warrant.
- **CHRISTOPHER HERNANDEZ**, 24, of 409 Aylesford, was arrested Tuesday on four local warrants and a charge of failure to identify as a fugitive from justice.

- **FRANK JACKSON**, 48, of 107 W. 19th Street, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

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

- **POSSESSION/DELIVERY OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA** was reported in the 700 block of Magnolia.

- **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - TWO OUNCES OR LESS** was reported in the 300 block of 18th Street.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1400 block of Settles.

- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1000 block of Birdwell Lane.

Sheriff's report

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 52 inmates at the time of this report.

- **BRANDY LEE HUBBARD**, 17, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

- **MITCHELL RAY COVINGTON**, 43, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of possession/delivery of drug paraphernalia.

- **LARRY DEAN WHITE**, 35, was arrested Tuesday on charges of using dyed fuels in a taxable manner and theft by check.

- **BRANDY MICHELLE LOPEZ**, 28, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- **ADOLPH LEON LABBE JR.**, 32, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- **MANUEL ROMERO LOZANO III**, 34, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon.

Fire/EMS

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

- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 400 block of Edwards. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 400 block of Aylesford. One person was transported to the VAMC.

- **MEDICAL** was reported near the 169 mile marker of Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to the VAMC.

- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 4400 block of Beechnut. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2000 block of S. Gregg Street. Service refused.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 4000 block of Highway 80. Service refused.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1000 block of Cypress. Service refused.

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

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2000 block of March Circle. One person was transported to the VAMC.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2400 block of Scurry. Service refused.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 800 block of Creighton. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 900 block of E. 14th Street. Service refused.

Lottery

The jackpot in the multistate Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to \$17 million Wednesday.

None of the tickets sold for Tuesday's \$12 million drawing matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball. The next drawing will be Friday.

The winning numbers from Tuesday's drawing were: 7, 15, 16, 19 and 28. The Mega Ball number was 10.

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Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 2-7-14-29-33.

Number matching five of five: none.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-5-2

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RANGERS

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Texas made it 3-0 in the second on Kinsler's two-run shot.

"It was a West Texas kind of game. It could have been Midland vs. Tulsa," said Devil Rays manager Joe Maddon, who managed Midland of the Texas League for two seasons in the mid-'80s. "Fly balls were flying out. It's a different kind of baseball when the wind kicks up like that."

The Devil Rays knocked around Texas starter Jamey Wright, in his Rangers debut, for five runs and five hits over 2 2-3 innings.

Wright gave up only a leadoff walk in the first two innings, but the Devil

Rays came back with a five-run third capped by Wigginton's three-run blast.

Dioner Navarro added an RBI double and B.J. Upton a run-scoring triple in the third.

After Young followed Wigginton's homer with a two-out single, Washington brought in Feldman, who retired Akinori Iwamura on a groundout to end the inning.

The 32-year-old Wright was a non-roster invitee to spring training after compiling a 6-10 record and 5.19 ERA in 34 games for the San Francisco Giants last season. Wright had a solid spring training for the Rangers to win the job as the No. 5 starter, but flopped in his first outing of the season.

"I got in a groove those first couple of innings," Wright said. "Then I gave up three extra base hits in four pitches. I kept throwing fastballs right in the zone and they hit it."

Brad Wilkerson's two-run single in the third tied the score at 5 to get Wright off the hook.

Gerald Laird followed with a fly ball that was dropped for an error by Young, and two batters later, Lofton's two-run single put Texas in front 7-5.

Catalanotto's three-run shot extended the lead to 10-5.

"When we put five up there, we should have been able to put up a zero," Maddon said. "But it was a tough night to pitch. Our offense was

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humble he'd keep stats at team managers' pickup games, said he's ready to matchup up with Kobe Bryant, Tim Duncan and the rest of the NBA's best.

"You trying to scare me?" Durant said. "It will be a challenge ... I don't want to be just a player in the NBA. I want to have an impact."

Durant's attire at his news conference suggests he never wants to leave the basketball court.

Announcing a pro career sure to bring millions of dollars in playing and endorsement contracts might call for a new suit or at least a shower.

Instead, Durant's skinny arms poked out of his

practice uniform as he sipped on a sports drink. He looked somewhat eager to get back on the court for a pickup game with his teammates when he was done answering questions.

"I'm still a part of this team," Durant said.

"I'm proud of him," point guard D.J. Augustin said. "I saw what he was going through. I know it was a tough decision."

Durant was one of the country's most heralded recruits when he arrived on campus. An NBA rule change required players to be 19 or out of high school for a year before they could enter the draft.

Durant was a dominant force in college from the start. The Big 12 player and freshman of the year, He averaged 25.8 points and 11.1 rebounds.

He shot 47 percent from the field, 40 percent from 3-point range and 82 percent from the foul line. He led the Longhorns in steals and blocked shots and scored at least 30 points a Big 12-record 11 times.

He led Texas, which started four freshmen, to a third-place finish in the Big 12 and to the second round of the NCAA tournament.

"What he has accomplished this year has never been done," coach Rick Barnes said. "Everybody goes to college to better themselves. Very few get to see their dreams come so early in life."

Durant made his decision last weekend when he was in Los Angeles to receive John R. Wooden Award.

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Johnson also noted what happened in 1995, when he was playing for San Antonio. The Spurs won a league-best 62 games but lost in the conference finals to sixth-seeded Houston, which won only 47. The Rockets went on to sweep Orlando in the finals.

"I just think if you are the best team, you're going to win the championship," Johnson said.

The best part of being the No. 1 seed is having home-court advantage in every round of the playoffs. Ultimately, that means that if any series comes down to a Game 7, that game would be in Dallas.

Cuban half-jokingly said that could make him some money. But he also knows his team did just fine on the road in the playoffs last year, winning three series on rivals' courts, including a

Game 7 in overtime against the Spurs.

"All things being equal, you want it," Cuban said. "It's to your advantage. There's no down side to it. But you still have to play good basketball."

That's something Dallas hasn't been doing lately, at least not to Johnson's standards. The Mavericks have lost twice and been in several way-too-tight games since a 6-0 road trip that pretty much locked up the top seed.

"I don't know if we're the most talented team, but when we're playing well, I think we can be pretty good," Johnson said. "The team that I've been seeing over the last week or two is not a deep team. There is a team that was on a six-game road trip about two weeks ago, that was a pretty good basketball team."

As much as Johnson wants to work out the kinks and get his team playing like that again, he knows he must wait until the playoffs. Rest is more

important now.

He laughingly threatened to fine Dirk Nowitzki and Jerry Stackhouse if they tried boarding the team plane Tuesday, forcing them to miss a game tonight in Minnesota. More players are likely to miss time down the stretch, including center Erick Dampier, who left Monday night's game in the opening minutes because of a shoulder strain and did not make the trip to Minnesota.

With two West Coast games to close the season, don't be surprised if rookies Pops Mensah-Bonsu, Jose Juan Barea and Maurice Ager log heavy minutes.

"It's nice to know that we've established ourselves with the ability to play good basketball," Cuban said. "Now, can we play our best basketball during the playoffs? The best record is a reflection that we can. Hopefully that's how it will turn out."

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qualify for double elimination tournament play, with the winner advancing to the NJCAA National Tournament in Plant City, Fla., May 17-19.

Cancer scramble set for April 28-29

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Legals

CITY OF BIG SPRING PUBLIC NOTICE

April 9, 2007 THE CITY COUNCIL OF BIG SPRING WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT 5:30 P.M., April 24, 2007 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 307 EAST 4TH, BIG SPRING, TEXAS TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: A Zone Change from Single Family (SF-2) to Light Commercial (LC), described as a 4.0 acre tract out of the SW/4 of Section 32, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas. #5328 April 11 & 15, 2007

INVITATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Sealed proposals addressed to Mr. John Grant, General Manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, will be received at the office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79721, until 3:00 pm, Thursday, April 19, 2007 for the sale of the following item(s): Enterprise 74C - 5 centimeter C-Band Radar and related equipment. At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. A description of this equipment is available through the office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79721, telephone (432)267-6341 during normal business hours. Inquiries are to be directed to Mr. Chris Wingert at the number above. The Colorado River Municipal Water District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, and to waive formalities. COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT John W. Grant, General Manager #5331 April 11 & 18, 2007

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

The social Aquarius moon invites the planetary party to a midweek mixer as Venus moves into Gemini, playing hostess with the mostest with razzle-dazzle flair. Love confessions pop up on our IM chat screens and cell phones for a truly modern real-time love message. Flirty, but are they true? Lovers cut to the chase with disarming honesty.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE
State of Texas
County of Howard

Earnesto and Lily Olivas
200 & 202 N. Main
Coahoma, Texas
Lot #'s 1, 2, 3 of Block 9 Saunders Addition.

Dear Property Owner:
CURRENT TAX RECORDS OF THE CITY OF COAHOMA INDICATE THAT YOU ARE THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY AT THE ABOVE STREET ADDRESS. THIS STRUCTURE IS IN VIOLATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 46 OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF COAHOMA, TEXAS, WHICH PROHIBITS THE OWNERS OF REAL PROPERTY FROM ALLOWING THE ACCUMULATION OF UNSIGHTLY MATTER ON THEIR PREMISES; PRESCRIBING THE MANNER NOTICE SHALL BE GIVEN TO SUCH PROPERTY OWNERS TO CORRECT, REMEDY OR REMOVE ANY SUCH CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR A PROCEDURE WHEREBY THE CITY MAY CORRECT ANY SUCH CONDITIONS AND CHARGE THE EXPENSES INCURRED THEREBY TO THE OWNER OF THE REAL PROPERTY UPON WHICH THE WORK WAS DONE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION; AND CONTAINING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

WHEREAS, there exist unsightly objectionable and unsanitary conditions within the city limits of the City of Coahoma; and

WHEREAS, the existence of such conditions constitutes a hazard to the public health, safety and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Alderman is of the opinion that the enactment of this ordinance will promote the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Coahoma.

Therefore, by the authority invested in my office by the Coahoma Code, I have declared this structure of portions thereof unsafe, dilapidated substandard or unit for human habitation, and have determined it or portions thereof poses a hazard to public health, safety and public welfare.

The City of Coahoma Ordinance No 46 provides that all buildings which are unsafe, unsanitary, or not provided with adequate ingress or adequate egress or which constitutes a fire hazard or are otherwise dangerous to human life or which in relation to existing use constitutes a fire hazard to the safety or health by reason of inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, obsolescence or abandonment, are severally in contemplation of this ordinance. All unsafe buildings are hereby declared illegal and shall be abated by repair and rehabilitation or by demolition in accordance with the provision of the Ordinance for the Elimination or Repair of Unsafe buildings.

You are hereby notified that the Coahoma City Council will meet on Tuesday, April 17th, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 122 N 1st, Coahoma, Texas, to determine whether the subject structure(s) complies with the standards set out in the code. Further be advised that the Council may in its findings provide for any of the following:

- 1) Vacation of premises
 - 2) Relocation of occupants
 - 3) Securing of the premises
 - 4) Repair of the premises
 - 5) Removal or demolition of the premises
 - 6) Removal of trash, weeds and/or fire hazard materials or structure, or
 - 7) Any combination of the above
- Should you desire to make a presentation to the Council, the following information shall be submitted in writing to the Coahoma City Council in original and six (6) copies:
- A) Identification of the building or structure concerned by street and legal description.
 - B) A statement identifying the legal interest of each appellant
 - C) A statement identifying the specific order or section being appealed
 - D) A statement detailing the issues on which the appellant desires to be heard
 - E) The legal signature(s) of appellant and their official mailing addresses Failure to appeal in the time specified shall constitute a waiver of all rights to an administrative hearing. Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.
- Thank you,
John Wayne Metcalf
Code Enforcement Inspector
#5309 April 11 & 15, 2007.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You could sell snake oil to the snake oil salesmen — you're that wickedly bad or good today. Good, bad — it's all relative. No slope is too slippery for you to finagle an angle. Make up the rules as you go.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Joy and happiness as often come from nonphysical dimensions like intuition and imagination as from the physical dimensions. That said, there's nothing like a little retail therapy for a quick post-work pick-you-up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Effervescent twins, it's your day to shine. Someone delivers you the equivalent of a dozen red roses, or a brand new sparkly cell phone. Your affections are so coveted you just can't choose one. So take two of everything.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You relish your solitude like perhaps no other sign, except Pisces. On days like today, even when you're in the world, you're not of it. Tonight, take an unhurried walk in nature or a hot bath. Replenish your pleasure-

well.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're touched by an angel. Wait, no, that's your beloved lovingly stroking your ego in all the right spots. Enjoy the attention, then lavish it on others. You're being praised in certain circles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You get a little closer to cracking the mystery of a significant relationship, but not through your intellect. It's the code of the heart, wordless and wise. You're voted most congenial in the boardroom.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's easy to get lost in a fun role-playing fantasy game with your partner, so why not go with it? Experimentation is where it's at. Gemini influences suggest trying it at least twice, maybe three times to be sure.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Almost effortlessly, you move a talent from virtual invisibility into recognition status. Ever heard of product positioning? Show them your net worth by slyly moving your product next to something they're

already selling.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Chrissie Hynde of The Pretenders sang, "When love walks in the room, everybody stand up." You're lip synching with someone who makes your hair stand on end, and it's "good, good, good."

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). People take notice when you speak, but you can make more of a contribution today by listening. It's the subtle gestures of body language and tone that give an interaction voice. This also helps distinguish gossip from fact.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You've more fun tricks up your sleeve than Houdini. And a beautiful helper at your side assists your every wish, either with financial backing or by simply making you look good.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Reminisce. Explore where you come from for a more solid idea of where you're headed. A cute fuzzy pet or other sweet love object gives you cause to pause on feel-good memories.

ASTROLOGICAL PROFILE: Venus in Gemini — Follow the laughter and you'll find her. She's the most flirtatious, fickle, impossible lady — and the most delightfully deviant. She can light up a room with her verbal dexterity and wit, but turn a joke around on you with a clever eye twinkle. She never shies from the spotlight. And when it comes to adding one more social event to her BlackBerry, stimulate her curiosity and interests and she's the life of the party. Venus changes signs approximately every 30 days, and every shift brings a whole new slew of personal preferences, moods and fancies. What do we love when Venus shackles up with the Twins? We love the words of love, self-expression, beautiful lyrics, spoken word and love poetry. We love to talk on our cell phones, to text, to IM strangers across the coffee shop and cyber-date. Love in the age of information is still young love, just like youthful Gemini. Sometimes we're too busy curiously exploring a

date (who is this fabulous new person?) to let it really gel. We're entranced by their sparkle and glitter ... until we're bored. Oh, you say you've got emotional needs? Save it for Venus in Cancer next month.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: As young female celebrities go to rehab and cause stirrs with their bad-girl antics, we've neglected to be shocked when a certain Aries sensation did the totally impossible: She went from pop singer to believable actress. As Mandy Moore's acting career gathers momentum, she is in a perfect position to make an impact on the musical trend in movies right now — Aries usually is ahead of the curve.

If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Holiday Mathis and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

Annie's Mailbox®: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I have a beautiful 10-year-old daughter, "Lisa." The problem is, she is teased by other children. She is tall and very slim for her age, but they call her "fat."

I didn't think Lisa would take it to heart, but my husband and I noticed she began controlling her portions at dinner. We explained to her that she was healthy and very active and maybe these kids had other issues and were taking it out on her. Then, the next day, a boy at school called her "fat." Lisa informed me that she did not eat her lunch that day and hid cookies from the school bake sale so no one would see her eat them.

My daughter is 4 feet 9 inches and weighs 89 pounds. She's lost six pounds in the last couple of weeks. What can I do? Why does society put so much pressure on children that a 10-year-old would lose weight when she doesn't need to? I'm scared this might get worse. What can I do? — Worried Mom in Derby, Kan.

Dear Mom: You are right to be worried, because Lisa is at risk of developing a serious eating disorder. We saw the photograph you sent, and your daughter is truly lovely (tell her we said so



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

and quite obviously doesn't need to lose any weight. Children tease to get a reaction — and Lisa is giving it to them, which means they will continue until she learns to ignore these nasty, idiotic remarks. In the meantime, discuss this with your pediatrician, and also, please talk to the school counselor and principal. This is a form of bullying and must stop.

Dear Annie: My wife's grandmother is in her 70s and has lived with my in-laws for decades. Recently we've all noticed that Granny has been wearing the same outfit for weeks at a time, even though she has plenty of other clothes. My mother-in-law has offered to do her laundry as a subtle hint, but this same unwashed outfit continues to make a daily appearance. She also is

obviously letting her hair go, too. My wife tells me Granny has never been a messy person.

My wife and I are assuming that either her mind is starting to slip a little or she's depressed. If either is true, how do we talk to Granny about this? We don't know what to do for fear of upsetting her. — Worried about Granny

Dear Worried: Bless you for paying attention to these changes and understanding what likely is going on. Someone should call Granny's doctor and ask that she be evaluated immediately, and also have her checked for possible infection or reaction to medication.

Granny may be wearing the same outfit because she is not capable of choosing another one. If she removes the clothing at night, someone can launder it while she's sleeping, and replace it (in the same location) with clean clothes. As for her hair, make an appointment for Granny with a hairdresser and simply bring her, saying sweetly and calmly, "You're going to get your hair done. You'll look beautiful." Or, you can do the same thing at home, telling her you're going to try a special shampoo.

Dear Annie: I'm writing in response to "Proud Paramedic," who said

there is no such thing as an "ambulance driver," because paramedics and EMTs drive the ambulance.

I am an ambulance driver, and not trained as an EMT or a paramedic. My sole job is to get the two EMTs wherever they need to go, as safely and quickly as possible. I was specifically trained for this job, and had to take a six-week driving course. I spend my life racing as fast as I can to help people, and I'd rather not have someone tell me I don't exist. — Frustrated Driver

Dear Driver: Depending upon the area, there are

ambulance drivers who are EMTs and others who are not. We appreciate every single one of you.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

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The Spider

During Mark Twain's days as a newspaperman, he was the editor of a small Missouri paper. One day, he received a letter from a subscriber stating that he had found a spider in his paper and asked if this was an omen of good or bad luck. Twain replied, "Finding a spider in your paper is neither good nor bad luck. The spider was merely looking over our paper to see which merchant was not advertising so that he could go to that store, spin his web across the door and lead a life of undisturbed peace ever after."

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Dr. Bonner, Veteran of the Month, a former history teacher, enthusiast

By **HEATHER WALLACE**

Special to the Herald

Clarence Hartfield Jr., Hangar 25 Air Museum board member and past Veteran of the Month, introduced Dr. Wayne Bonner as April 2007 Veteran of the Month, marking the 20th person to be honored with the program since its conception in 2005.

The evening reception on Thursday, April 5, reflected the true nature of once a teacher, always a teacher.

Hartfield joked, "You can tell he is a school teacher because he brought a timer."

He brought more than a timer though, he had his Eisenhower Jacket on hand for show n' tell.

Dr. Bonner's military past began in February 1943 when he was drafted into the U.S. Army. He served until November 1945 and made first sergeant. Before engaging in military recollection, Dr. Bonner focused on the importance of education.

"I always liked school. Back then you only needed 16 credits to graduate high school. Sports kept me in, but I liked geometry. However, history is what I loved the most. Later in life I taught history. You have to read a lot to make it interesting for students — to make it more than names and dates."

He didn't realize he was crippled until limited use of two fingers on his left hand in turn limited his ability to play football, because of this, the offense was kept to a T formation.



Courtesy photo

Dr. Wayne Bonner and his wife, Lucy, get ready to cut the cake during Hangar 25 Air Museum's Veteran of the Month reception in his honor.

After Bonner was drafted into the service, his first work duty was KP. He was stationed at Camp Robinson as a member of the 87th Infantry Battalion for a year. But as time passed, he eventually was sent overseas. He noted he did not tell his family he was leaving until he was already there. He was sent to Italy to invade Southern France to fight the Germans.

Bonner reflected on the 17-day boat trip and how thankful they all were to

reach land.

"The harbor was beautiful, boats were everywhere," he said.

From the Naples area they traveled to Rome, forming a new infantry company.

"It is important to understand that traveling, we always followed the pipeline, up to the point where we were ahead of it. Once we got to Germany we moved every other day, never staying still," he said.

Bonner's expertise during this time was ordi-

nance demolition. Over the course of his service he was lucky to see minimal casualties. Most of the combat he witnessed involved artillery and land mines.

When asked about some of his most memorable experiences, he referenced the canvas gliders, and, yes, sports. Sports kept the men together. When the day was done and information on what was going on around them wasn't available, volleyball, softball and football lifted their minds and spirits.

In October 1945, he set sail for New York harbor, from there catching a train home. When he arrived at the station, his family was not there because he had come in on the second train and they had gone for coffee. Not knowing they were in the general area, he crossed the Brazos and hitchhiked home. When his parents finally got back home they found him with his feet up.

Bonner didn't waste much time being idle. Two weeks later, he was working on getting into college. They allowed him to start in the middle of the semester with 10 hours. When he first started to college, tuition was only \$19 a semester.

Bonner and his wife, Lucy, have been married for 58 years.

At the end of the evening he was presented with Veteran of the Month plaque along with a banner signed by Coahoma third grade students who had toured Hangar 25 earlier in the day.

State hospital volunteer luncheon RSVP deadline Friday

By **VALERIE AVERY**

Special to the Herald

Big Spring State Hospital will recognize volunteers for their many hours of service during an April 17 noon luncheon at the Allred Building Auditorium on the Big Spring State Hospital campus.

The luncheon is held in conjunction with National Volunteer Week, which recognizes volunteers across many spectrums.

This year's theme, "Volunteers are Shining Stars" complements the luncheon agenda, said Director of Community Relations Billie Christie-Morgan as the hospital's stars are recognized for their many hours of service. The luncheon will be dedicated to former volunteers Don and Marilyn Newsom. Their family will be in attendance and will be recognized for continuing their parents' good works.

"This is that one time of the year that we can get together and visit and applaud volunteers for the many accomplishments they have done for the Chalet Resale shop, the Hospital, and the patients," Christie-Morgan said.

The community is invited to honor the volunteers and the Newsom Family. Reservations for the luncheon must be made by Friday, Christie-Morgan said. Reservations can be made by calling the Community Relations office at 268-7536 or 268-7271.

Following the luncheon, the Don and Marilyn Newsom Family Lodge

will be rededicated and open for tours. The open house will be from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will conduct a ribbon cutting at 2 p.m.

Guests are welcome to attend the luncheon and the rededication ceremony or come by after the luncheon to greet the Newsom Family, Christie-Morgan said. "We want to publicly thank the Newsom's for all their years of work toward bettering Big Spring state Hospital."

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

James R. "Randy" Grant, 64, died Monday. Graveside Services will be at 1:00 PM Thursday at Coahoma Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:30 until 8:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Hazel Baker, 63, died Tuesday. Funeral Services will be at 2:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Coahoma Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Wanda Wasson, 74, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Frank T. Parker, 77, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

COUNCIL

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approved unanimously, contains three provisions:

— No funds will be spent by Moore Development on any economic development project other than routine or administrative expenses until the city council has first approved them and the underlying economic development project. The council's approval, according to the resolution, could be in any form acceptable to the council.

— Moore Development directors are required to meet in joint executive session with the city council quarterly to discuss "ongoing and contemplated economic development projects that are being negotiated by Moore Development."

Those meetings will be held in January, April, July and October unless either entity requests to reschedule a meeting. The first of those executive sessions was held Tuesday night. No public action was taken as a

result of the session.

— The minutes of Moore Development meetings will be presented to the city council as a new item of business, rather than as an item on the consent agenda, as has been done in the past.

As for the agreement with Cornell Corrections, it is a one-year pact that allows the city to negotiate with the private company concerning its operations of the Interstate Unit, the Airpark Unit, the Flightline Unit and the Cedar Hill Unit — otherwise known as the Big Spring Correctional Center.

Part a long-term agreement in the 1990s granted Cornell options to extend the terms of the leases and operating pact to the year 2047, in exchange for a future escalation clause applicable to a 70-cent per inmate day reimbursement to the city. Meanwhile, the city's agreement with the Federal Bureau of Prisons



McEwen

ended March 31 and Cornell's agreement with the Bureau began April 1. Therefore, the one-year pact is being put into place while negotiations for future operation of the units can be worked out.

The city will still receive payment while the agreement is being negotiated, city officials said, and Cornell will continue to operate the units.

In other business Tuesday, the council:

• Approved the 2007-2008 proposed budget for the Howard County Tax Assessor, of which the city's portion is \$9,156.87.

• Decided to hold off on appointments to the Charter Amendment Committee because, as Mayor Russ McEwen put it, "We need to postpone them until May because we will have a new city council member and we may have a new mayor."

He was referring to the May 12 elections in which three people, Woody Jumper, David Scott and Troy Tompkins are seeking the District 5 seat on the council and McEwen, James "Jim" Hicks and Shannon Thomason are

seeking the mayor's post. Current District 5 council person Joann Knox is not seeking re-election.

• Approved consent items (items on second reading), including an agreement with Rick Boiles as Moss Creek Lake caretaker, consultation services and the creation of the Moss Creek Lake Motorized Recreational Trail, and minutes of the McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark Development Board and the Convention and Visitors Bureau Committee.

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OUR VIEWS

We'll see you Thursday at 'After Hours'

Business After Hours is a chamber-sponsored program that brings together local merchants several times a year and one of those times arrives Thursday afternoon. We think it is a worthwhile activity that allows the business community to meet, get to know each other and share ideas.

The general public is invited as well, and for them, it's an opportunity to get to know more about a local business. There will food and door prizes, and organizers encourage everyone to bring a friend.

Thursday's Business After Hours will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Air Terminal, located at 3200 Rickabaugh Drive West at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. The event is being hosted by McMahon-Wrinkle Airport and Industrial Park and has been themed "A Showcase of Airpark Businesses."

As always, this Business After Hours will be an informal, come-and-go event. There are no programs. It is simply a time to get acquainted, so come by and have refreshments with us.

We encourage you to drop by the airpark terminal and have refreshments with us. Bring a guest and your business cards. Sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, it's a good opportunity get to know other merchants and learn more about the businesses themselves.

We'll see you there.

OTHER VIEWS

The U.S. Army is struggling to adequately man the Bush administration's surge in Iraq and cope with resurgent Taliban forces in Afghanistan. One method the military will use to make ends meet will be to reduce soldiers' customary year of rest between tours of duty.

Recent articles written by veteran military affairs reporter Mark Benjamin for the Internet news magazine Salon offer evidence that another, even less desirable tactic is being used to flesh out troop consignments for duty in Iraq. According to interviews Benjamin conducted with Iraq-bound enlisted personnel, soldiers with serious health liabilities were ordered back to the war zone. Army physicians at Fort Benning, Ga., told Benjamin, they changed injured soldiers' medical records to certify them as fit for duty without fresh medical examinations. According to medical records, some of their ailments and injuries make it impossible for the soldiers to carry heavy weapons or wear protective body armor or helmets.

The Army commander of the 3rd Brigade at Fort Benning did not dispute assertions that injured troops are being deployed in Iraq, but claimed they would be put in safe, noncombat roles. He denied that medical records had been altered.

House Armed Forces Committee Chairman Ike Skelton, D-Mo., and Military Personnel Subcommittee Chairman Vic Snyder, D-Ark., have requested that the GAO investigate the allegations that wounded and injured soldiers are being "sent into a combat theater with pre-existing medical conditions that could adversely impact their military readiness."

The two lawmakers cited President Bush's decision to order more troops into Iraq as putting a heavy stress on available military forces. "However," they wrote, "we cannot let these demanding deployments drive the force to send unfit wounded and injured service members into combat."

The president has already apologized for the scandalous conditions at Walter Reed Army Hospital's outpatient facilities in the nation's capital, but has not explained how they could have been allowed to continue for so long.

The men and women of our armed forces and their families are the only Americans asked to sacrifice for a military policy that a majority of the people no longer support. Congress owes it to the troops to fully investigate whether they are being sent into harm's way without adequate equipment, training, rest or recuperation.

THE CHRONICLE
HOUSTON

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

God, may my mind be dedicated to seek You. And, God, grant me the perfect end: Your holy presence, a blessed resurrection and life everlasting.

Amen

A platform based on fear, hatred

We know they have a constituency, but is it bigger than the voting bloc they are alienating? Can conservative Republicans continue to offend Latinos and not pay a price on Election Day?

Apparently, some of them still think so. They believe there are political gains to be made from appealing to Americans who are easily susceptible to xenophobic fear tactics.

Don't let them tell you they only have a problem with "illegal" immigration. If you keep talking to them, you'll soon find they are the same people who are opposed to bilingual education and favor making English the official language, the same people who keep repeating a long list of misconceptions about Latinos.

They tell one another that Latinos refuse to assimilate, that we want to turn the United States into a Third World country, that we refuse to learn English and that we want to impose the Spanish language on our fellow North Americans.

Nothing could be further from the truth. But their list of Latino myths and stereotypes is practically endless.

And based on their distorted view of the 40 million Hispanic Americans, these fear-mongering politicians and their followers promote what is clearly an anti-Latino platform.

What else would you call Newt Gingrich's outburst over bilingual education last week?

The former House Speaker and possible candidate for president went out of his way to appeal to Latino haters.

In a speech before the National Federation of Republican Women, Gingrich equated bilingual educa-

tion with "the language of living in a ghetto."

In the Hispanic community, these remarks were taken as an attack on the Spanish language and the people who speak Spanish, although it was not surprising coming from a fear-monger like Gingrich, who has been earning the wrath of Latinos for years.

This time, the remarks were offensive in many ways. Certainly, most Spanish-speaking people don't live in a ghetto, and many have benefited tremendously from bilingual education, myself included. But even worse, the phrase shows contempt for both the Spanish language and the poor people who have the misfortune of living in a ghetto.

It was meant to evoke hatred. "We should replace bilingual education with immersion in English so people learn the common language of the country and they learn the language of prosperity, not the language of living in a ghetto," Gingrich said.

The remark was received with cheers — of hatred.

Some of these hatred-promoting politicians speak in code language, using certain key terms, like "amnesty" or "American culture" or the "fabric of the nation" to communicate with their hawkish constituencies.

They tell you they want to make English the official language, for example, but they don't tell you that their real motive is to turn back the clock on the civil rights Latinos have gained in the last four decades.

They want to deny Latinos the right to vote in the language of their choice.

Most of them hide the motives behind their mean-spirited agenda. But not Gingrich. He spells it all out.

"The government should quit mandating that various documents be printed in any one of 700 languages depending on who random-

ly shows up" to vote, said Gingrich in a huge distortion of reality. In fact, there are some 230 languages spoken in the United States. And according to federal law, ballots printed in more than one language are only required in districts where more than 5 percent of the voting-age population, or 10,000 voting-age citizens, are non-English speakers.

In response to the uproar caused by his remarks, Gingrich's camp said he did not mean to offend Latinos, and that Gingrich is even learning how to speak Spanish — as if that would erase his race-baiting performance.

Gingrich was clearly practicing the racial politics he has always mastered. He is the kind of politician who follows the anti-Latino platform. He likes to say that bilingualism is "a danger." You wonder how promoting less knowledge of languages is a good thing. But he does. The world can speak English and many more languages, but these conservative extremists think all we need to know is English.

Gingrich likes to promote such ignorance. Last week, the Associated Press cited a 1995 speech in which Gingrich said that bilingualism poses "long-term dangers to the fabric of our nation" and that "allowing bilingualism to continue to grow is very dangerous."

He is the kind of politician who likes to say that American culture is at risk, when he is smart enough to know that American culture has been in transition since before the birth of the nation, constantly enriched by the flow of immigrants.

Those are immigrants who, by the way, have been coming here since the Spanish came in the 16th century and the British came in the 17th century.

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Unique fundraiser with a funny name

Last year I did some interviews with the folks who put on the Texas Testicle Festival south of Jacksonville. I wrote a column about it and received dozens of calls and emails from curious readers who wanted to know more. This year I attended the festival for the first time.

It started some 15 years ago when a few families who work with cattle got together to eat calf fries at Chris and Patti Holman's place on Highway 69. It was originally held around New Year's Day but has since moved to the second Sunday in March.

The word got out and more and more people started showing up. Five years ago the families decided to make it a fundraiser for Boys Ranch in the Panhandle. They

made a big sign, put it on a cattle trailer and parked it near the highway.

The sign reads: "THE TEXAS TESTICLE FESTIVAL. HOPE YOU HAVE A BALL."

Passing motorists stop, take pictures and attend the festival. Announcements over a public address system remind people about caps and T-shirts for sale, a raffle and auction.

The event begins with a brief sermon from Mike Morrow, the pastor of a cowboy church near Tyler. The church's song leader, Sandy Dickey, provides special music. Then people line up for the meal, which consists of beef brisket, wild hog, fish, calf fries, vegetables, salads, iced tea and desserts.

The families who started the event and neighbors furnish most of the food. The 200 pounds of calf fries come from a cattle company where Chris is employed.

This is not a serious event. People are in a good mood and you hear plenty of giggles about the name.

Young kids play in a pasture on the property and teen-agers rope a stationary plastic calf. The cooking and eating take place in Chris's barn. Additional tables and chairs are set up on a concrete slab between the house and barn.

Here are some random comments I got from various folks:

"I was expecting something round and nasty."

"I'm a cowboy at heart and have been eating them for years."

"There's nothing better. I could eat them three times a day."

"It's a great event for a good cause. It's God's work."

"Just drag 'em through some catsup and you won't know the difference. You'll think it's fish."

"If you can get past the mental part of what they really are, you can deal with it."

"Some people wouldn't eat them if you paid them, but that's what people come for, the calf fries."

About 400 people attended this year's Testicle Festival and donated \$5,000 to Boys Ranch.



► Texas briefs

House proposal would put 2-year moratorium on private toll roads

AUSTIN (AP) — A two-year moratorium on private toll roads that won preliminary approval in the House on Tuesday would put the brakes on the Trans-Texas Corridor, a superhighway that a private firm received a contract for earlier this year.

The moratorium also would halt seven near-term projects in the state, said Rep. Lois Kolkhorst, the Brenham Republican who added the proposal to a House bill.

Her proposal would require the state to create a commission to study the effects of private equity toll roads and present findings to the state next year.

Rep. Mike Krussee, R-Round Rock, argued that without private toll roads, the state would need to raise the gas tax to pay for roads.

Bill barring HPV vaccine mandate approved by Senate committee

AUSTIN (AP) — A Senate committee signed off on a bill on Tuesday that would bar state health officials from following Gov. Rick Perry's order requiring schoolgirls to be vaccinated against a cancer-causing sexually transmitted disease.

The bill was overwhelmingly approved by the Texas House last month and could be considered by the full Senate as early as next week.

Perry made national headlines in February when he issued an executive order directing state health officials to require the HPV vaccine for girls starting sixth grade as of September 2008.

Merck & Co.'s Gardasil, the only HPV vaccine on the market, protects girls and women against strains of the virus that cause most cases of cervical cancer and genital warts.

Perry's order outraged lawmakers from both parties

and much of his social conservative base, who questioned the vaccine's safety and efficacy and said the mandate intrudes too far into families' lives.

Senate passes steroid testing bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas public school athletes would face mandatory random steroids tests as early as next fall under a Senate bill approved Tuesday that would create the largest high school testing program in the country.

The program would test at least 22,000, about 3 percent, public school athletes. Students who test positive would have to sit out of competition for 30 days, and repeat positive tests could lead to a permanent ban.

The bill passed 28-2 and now goes to the House, which gave preliminary approval to a similar but less specific measure Tuesday night.

The biggest difference between the two chambers is how to pay for it. The Senate would have the state bear the cost of about \$4 million per year, although some experts have said that figure is too low.

Boy playing on trampoline killed by bullet

AUSTIN (AP) — A 7-year-old boy died after being struck by a stray bullet while he was jumping on a trampoline outside of a rural mobile home, authorities said.

A 37-year-old neighbor was arrested and charged Wednesday with second-degree manslaughter, according to the Hays County Sheriff's Department. No bail was set for Jose Barrera Espitia.

Espitia lives two houses from the backyard where the boy was shot. Hays County sheriff's spokesman Leroy Opiela said the boy was hit in the back Tuesday night near the town of Uhland in Hays County.

The boy, whose name had not been released, was taken to an Austin hospital but died shortly after his arrival.

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Computer manufacturers Apple, Dell, Gateway and Earthwalk all submitted proposals.

Downes declined to give a specific price tag on the different proposals, or what recommendation he would make to trustees Thursday.

He did say, however, that timing was crucial if the district wants to implement the plan for the 2007-2008 school year.

"If a proposal is approved by the board, the district will then enter into negotiations with a provider," he said. "If a proposal is not approved at the meeting, it will delay the start of any potential (laptop) project past the beginning of the next school year."

He quickly added that the potential time squeeze would not play a factor in the district's position.

"We are not going to spend a lot of money on a project with which we are not comfortable," Downes said.

In other business Thursday, trustees will consider:

- A report on plumbing and foundation problems at Big Spring Junior High School.

- Teacher salary schedule for the 2007-2008 school year.

- Textbook recommendations for the coming school year.

- An order canceling the District 7 trustee election scheduled for May 12.

- Bids submitted for electrical upgrades to Moss and Marcy elementary schools, and for air conditioning at the high school gym.

- Personnel matters.

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ABDUCTION

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clear motive for the crime has been established. Criminal charges are pending."

Everett said Beam's arrest came when officers spotted a car matching the description of the Ford LTD Crown Victoria the suspect was believed to be driving.

"It's believed she was leaving a residence in

that area when an officer spotted the car," said Everett. "She was pulled over and arrested without incident. I believe she had a passenger in the car at the time of the stop, but her arrest was the only one made. Beam is currently in the city jail. Her bond has been set at \$250,000 by Municipal Judge Tim Green."

According to police reports released shortly after the alleged kidnapping, Beam was believed

to have been accompanied by a black male, possibly armed with a handgun.

"The investigation is ongoing and may result in more arrests," said Everett. "It appears the motive for the kidnapping may be related to narcotic activity. Investigators feel the only reason the child was released safely was due to the prompt media response and the suspect's photograph and information being shown throughout West Texas."

And while the youngster may be home and safe with his family, Everett said the investigation is still very much ongoing for the BSPD.

"More witness statements and interviews will be conducted to determine who else may be involved in this offense," said Everett.

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MCCORMICK

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love with it," McCormick said. "Along the way, I wanted to do other things and then I saw my second bullfight in 1950 to see if it still attracted me ... and little by little, I got the bug to fight bulls."

Using a blanket bought by her father as a cape, McCormick would practice bullfighting moves outside her dormitory at Texas Western College (now the University of Texas at El Paso).

She said she was entranced by the spectacle of the sport.

"I think it was just idea of passing a bull," she said. "It was the idea of the bull and the pageantry."

Her parents were opposed to her decision and McCormick said her friends would have been dumbstruck at the thought of her in a bullring.

"I think I would have been voted least expected to be a bullfighter," she said. "I was very, very shy."

Looking for a trainer, she met Alejandro del Hierro, who was working then as a "banderole," a member of team of bullfighters under the command of the matador.

After months of intense training, she entered the ring in Juarez in 1952 for her first bullfight.

"I didn't really know fear that first time," she said. "But afterward, you have got to learn to live with fear ... Each time, I figured this would be my last bullfight, that I'd never do it again. But once it was over, I said, 'OK, sure, I'll do it again.'"

Her 10-year career took her to bullfighting arenas across North and South America, where she was quite the sensation as not only a female bullfighter, but a "Yankee" female

bullfighter. "Here was a North American woman, with no Latin blood in her," McCormick said. "I guess it was a sensation. They wanted to know if could hold my ground with a bull charging at me."

But the sport was not just glamour — there was more than a fair share of grit, as well. During her career, she was gored six times by a bull — once so seriously she was given last rites.

However, those injuries did not play a role in her eventual decision to retire from the sport.

"I never considered retiring after I got hurt," she said. "I was more

worried about my manager and when I was going to be able to train again ... If you're not ready to be tossed and knocked around, you're in the wrong profession."

After 10 years and more than 600 bullfights, however, she simply decided it was time to call it a career and, at a March of Dimes benefit in San Antonio in February 1962, she fought her last bull.

McCormick now concentrates on her artwork at home in Del Rio, mostly sketches, portraits and watercolors.

"I'm just taking it very easy," she said. "I like working out of my home, because I get to set my


own hours that way."

And she was very surprised by the large turnout at her old home town Tuesday.

"I was pleasantly surprised ... I was aghast," she said. "It was astounding. I couldn't believe all those people would come out to see me."

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No more Mr. Nice Guy

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There are Forsan High School's regional UIL Contest qualifiers. Front row, from left, are: Rachael Wheeler, Alex Newsom and Rowena Suazo. Middle row: Charlene Stanley, Clint Lockhart, Courtney Holdampf and Stephanie Williams. Back row: Eric Ellis, Tim Ballard, Seth Johnson, Jon Purcell, Kaleb Willey and Evan Burton. Not pictured is Kassie Wash.

Forsan sends 14 to regional UIL contest

Fourteen students leave Friday for Regional UIL Competition in Abilene. They will compete in mathematics, number sense, science, calculator applications, computer applications, computer science, literary criticism, headline writing, poetry, prose, informative speaking and persuasive speaking.

Sponsors accompanying the students are Susan Alexander, Jim Rhodes and Jan Sims.

The Forsan Band won sweepstakes by receiving Division 1 rankings from a six-judge panel at the UIL Concert and Sight Reading Contest on April 4 at Crane High School. It was the ninth year in a row for the band to win the sweepstakes award under Director Jim Rhodes.

Rhodes is assisted by Emmanuel Madrid.

The Food and Nutrition Class is collecting recipes for a cookbook which will go on sale next week. Deadline for recipes is next Wednesday. Those interested in purchasing a cookbook should call the school or contact a class member to reserve a cookbook now.

The boys' golf team finished in fourth place out of nine teams during the district golf tournament. Freshman Jake Moore shot rounds of 84 and 89 for a 173 total and qualified for the regional tournament to be held in Abilene, April 23-24, at



Maxwell Municipal Golf Course.

Forsan students swept the Hangar 25 Art Contest, taking all the placings. Troy Moore placed first and tied for grand prize. His design will be used in the commemorative cookbook.

Jessica Villa placed second and Reymundo Martinez placed third. Art teacher Joy Weeks submitted the entries.

The Lady Buffs softball team defeated Eldorado Tuesday night, 11-3, improving to 5-2 in district play.

Forsan hosted its own tennis tournament last weekend. Tara Kuykendall placed fourth in girls' singles and Cayley Eggleston and Kaylon Stanley placed

second in girls' doubles. James Marlow and Blake Grantham placed second in boys' doubles.

The district tennis tournament was held Tuesday and today in San Angelo.

The junior high girls had their district track meet in Rotan on Tuesday. The seventh graders finished first and the eighth graders finished second.

Custody of Anna Nicole Smith's baby to be discussed at hearing

NASSAU, Bahamas (AP) — The custody dispute over Anna Nicole Smith's baby enters its next round Friday when a judge plans to discuss who will raise the infant after DNA tests showed Larry Birkhead is her biological father.

Howard K. Stern, who has been caring for baby Dannielynn since Smith's sudden death in February, said Tuesday he wouldn't fight for custody, but a lawyer for Smith's mother, Virgie Arthur, indicated she might. Stern said he loved the baby despite the DNA results and would support Birkhead.

"I'm obviously very disappointed, but my feelings for Dannielynn have not changed," he said.

Contract Bridge

What Must Be Must Be

West dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

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SOUTH	
♠ A K 7 5	
♥ A K	
♦ A K Q 10 8 7 3	
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The bidding:
West Pass North 2♦ East 6♦ South 6♦
Opening lead — two of spades.

One of the greatest thrills you can experience at the bridge table is to bring home a seemingly unmakeable contract through your own ingenuity. And if the contract also happens to be a slam — well, that's just the icing on the cake.

Consider this deal where South leaped directly to six diamonds after East opened with a pre-emptive two-spade bid. The jump to six was certainly a reasonable choice for South, who had no way to find out what his partner's hand looked like. Depend-

ing on what North held, the combined hands could have been lay-down for a grand slam or, on a really bad day, might not even have produced 11 tricks. South therefore chose the middle road.

West led what was obviously a singleton spade, and, after taking the ace, declarer was left to ponder how he could possibly take care of his two spade losers. Ordinarily, he would next have played the king of spades and then tried to ruff one or both low spades in dummy. But in the actual case, West was virtually sure to trump the king of spades and return a trump, leaving South with only one trump in dummy to ruff his two spade losers.

After giving the matter due thought, the solution — a rather unusual one — came to him. At trick two, instead of playing the king of spades, he led a low spade!

East won with the nine and returned a trump, but he was fighting a losing battle. South went up with the ace and trumped his seven of spades with dummy's jack of diamonds. He then ruffed a club, drew trumps and claimed the rest of the tricks to make the slam.

The solution was easy enough to find once South made the effort to look for it. Necessity, it would seem, is still the mother of invention.

Tomorrow: It's so easy to self-destruct.

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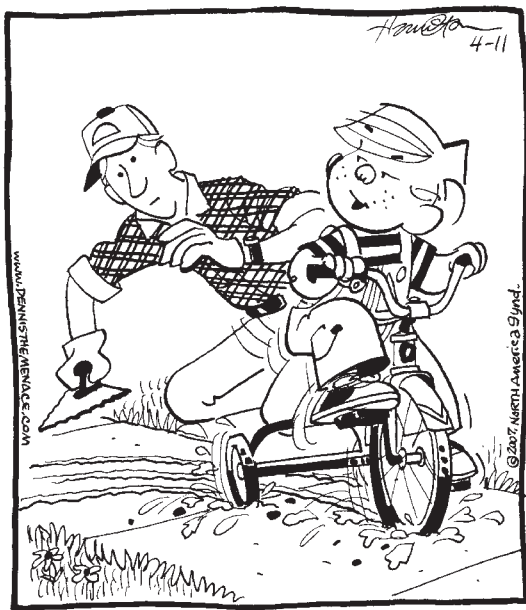
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	WFAA (2) Dallas	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	WTBS (11) Atlanta	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	DISC (20) Discovery	AMC (21) Classics	SPIKE (22) Spike TV	TNT (23) Atlanta	BET (26) Black Ent.	DISN (27) Disney	ESPN2 (28) Sports	ESPN (29) Sports	SCIFI (64) Science Fic.
6:PM :30	News (CC) Entertainment	News Wheel-Fortune	Duelo de Pasiones	King of the Hill The Simpsons	News Entertainment	Dame Chocolate	News Be a Millionaire	Raymond Raymond	Dr. Swallow John Hagee	News-Lehrer "	How It's Made How It's Made	"	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn. (CC) (DVS)	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Live (CC) Access	Phil of Future Zack & Cody	MLB Baseball: Teams to Be	NBA	Movie: Jason and the
7:PM :30	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	La Fea Mas Bella	Til Death (CC)	Jericho (CC)	Marina	Friday Night Lights (CC)	Raymond Raymond	Update/Israel Curt Landry	Secrets of the Dead (CC)	Hazard Pay	Movie: Volcano	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn. (CC) (DVS)	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Access Movie Special	Movie: Beethoven's	Announced (CC)	NBA Basketball:	Argonauts "
8:PM :30	According-Jim In Case-Emer	According-Jim In Case-Emer	Destilando Amor	American Idol (CC)	Criminal Minds (CC)	Zorro - La Es- pada y la Rosa	Crossing Jordan (CC)	Raymond Raymond	Light of the Southwest	Fat: What No One Is Telling	MythBusters (CC)	"	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn. (CC) (DVS)	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Girlfriends Girlfriends	4th (CC) That's-Raven	"	Orlando Magic at Detroit	"
9:PM :30	Lost (CC)	Lost (CC)	Don Francisco Presenta	Becker (CC) Friends (CC)	CSI: NY (CC)	Decisiones	Medium (CC)	King King	"	You (CC)	Futureweapons	Halloween 4: The Return of	CSI: Miami (CC)	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Top 25 Dancers	Life Derek Phil of Future	Boxing	Pistons (CC) SportsCenter	"
10:PM :30	News (CC) Nightline	News Nightline	Primer Impacto Noticiero Univ.	70s Show Raymond	News Late Show-	Noticias 12 Corazones	News Tonight Show	Friends (CC) Friends (CC)	The Hour of Healing	Charlie Rose (CC)	Dirty Jobs (CC)	Michael Myers	CSI: NY (CC)	Without a Trace (CC)	Jamie Foxx Jamie Foxx	Zack & Cody That's-Raven	"	(CC)	Movie: Riverworld
11:PM :30	The Insider Jimmy Kimmel	Jimmy Kimmel Live (CC)	La Hora de la Risa	King of the Hill Malcolm-Mid.	Letterman Late Late	¡Al Rojo Vivo!	Late Night- Show	Friends (CC) Friends (CC)	CCM Ministries Charles Scott	Sign Off	Hazard Pay	Movie: Psycho II	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn. (CC)	Las Vegas (CC)	In Living Color In Living Color	Phil of Future Kim Possible	NASCAR Now U.S. Poker	NBA Fastbreak Baseball	"
12:AM :30	Live (CC) News (CC)	Extra (CC) Paid Program	El Privilegio de Amar	Malcolm-Mid. My Wife-Kids	Show The Insider	Pagado	Conan O'Brien Apex	Movie: Trapped	Update/Israel Del Sanchez	"	MythBusters (CC)	"	Star Trek: Voyager	Movie: Something to	Proud Family Sister, Sister	Championship U.S. Poker	SportsCenter (CC)	Twilight Zone Twilight Zone	

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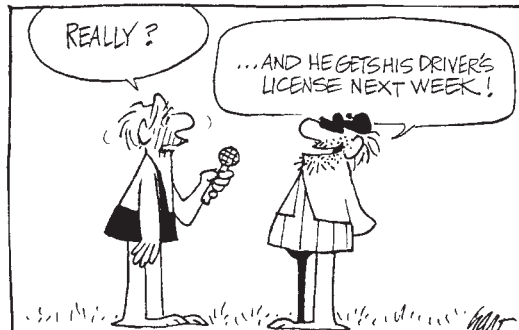
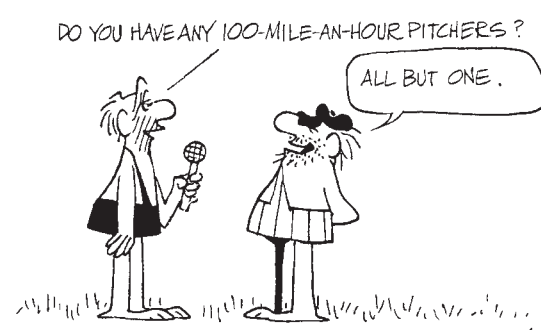
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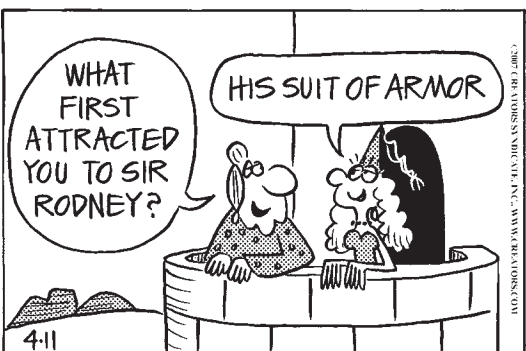
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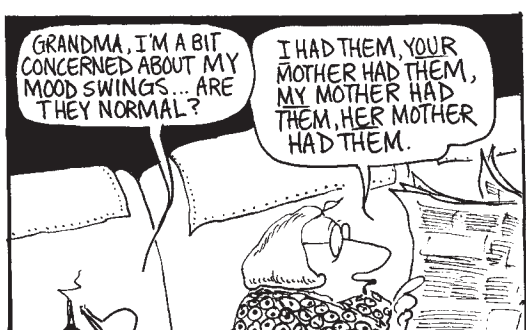
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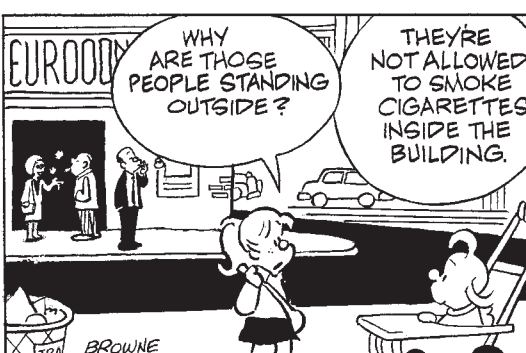
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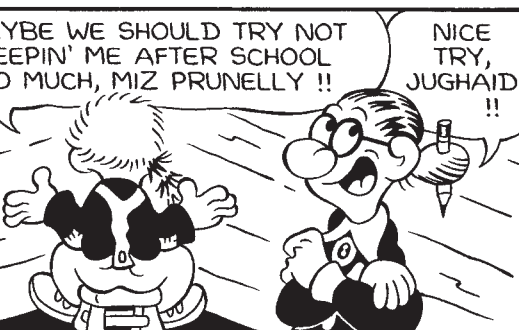
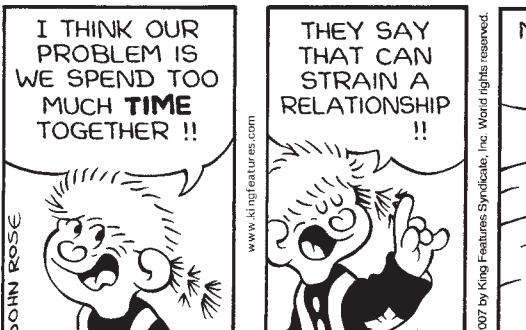
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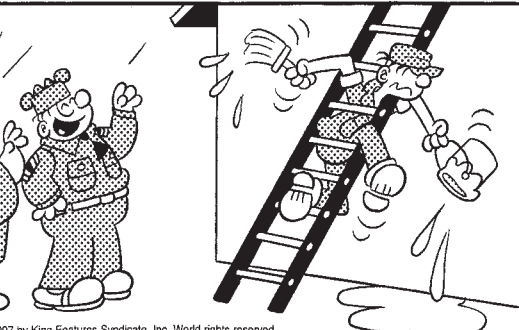
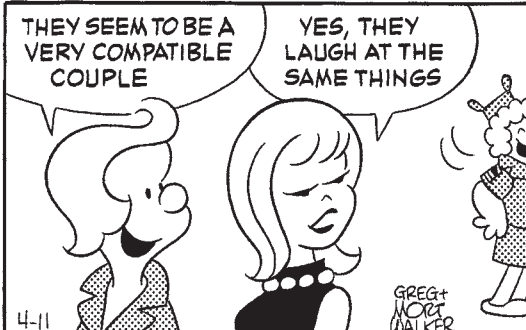
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, April 11, the 101st day of 2007. There are 264 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 11, 1945, during World War II, American soldiers liberated the notorious Nazi concentration camp Buchenwald in Germany.

On this date:

In 1689, William III and Mary II were crowned as joint sovereigns of Britain.

In 1814, Napoleon Bonaparte abdicated as Emperor of the French and was banished to the island of Elba.

In 1898, as tensions with Spain continued to rise, President McKinley asked Congress to authorize military intervention in Cuba.

In 1899, the treaty ending the Spanish-American War was declared in effect.

In 1951, President Harry Truman relieved Gen.

Douglas MacArthur of his commands in the Far East.

In 1953, Oveta Culp Hobby became the first Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

In 1968, President Lyndon Johnson signed into law the Civil Rights Act of 1968, a week after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr.

In 1970, Apollo 13 blasted off on its ill-fated mission to the moon. (The astronauts managed to return safely).

In 1979, Idi Amin was deposed as president of Uganda as rebels and exiles backed by Tanzanian forces seized control.

In 2001, ending a tense 11-day standoff, China agreed to free the 24 crew members of an American spy plane.

Today's Birthdays: Former New York State Gov. Hugh Carey is 88. Ethel Kennedy is 79. Actor Johnny Sheffield is 76. Actor Joel Grey is 75. Actress Louise Lasser is 68. Syndicated columnist Ellen Goodman is 66. Movie writer-director John Milius is 63. Actor Peter Riegert is 60. Actor Meshach Taylor is 60. Movie director Carl Franklin is 58. Actor Bill

Irwin is 57. Country singer-songwriter Jim Lauderdale is 50. Songwriter-producer Daryl Simmons is 50. Actor Lucky Vanous is 46. Country singer Steve Azar is 43. Singer Lisa Stansfield is 41. Rock musician Dylan Keefe (Marcy Playground) is 37. Actor Johnny Messner is 37. Actor Vicellous Shannon is 36. Singer Joss Stone is 20.

Thought for Today: "If we were to wake up some morning and find that everyone was the same race, creed, and color, we would find some other causes for prejudice by noon." — U.S. Sen. George Aiken, R-Vt. (1892-1984).

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

CATCH OF THE DAY by Daniel R. Stark
Edited by Stanley Newman
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Need an aspirin
 - 5 Spike, as punch
 - 9 Holy terrors
 - 14 Skiff or sloop
 - 15 Horror-film servant
 - 16 Ignited again
 - 17 Radar blip
 - 18 Bangkok resident
 - 19 In a strange way
 - 20 Excessive-interest collector
 - 22 Potter's device
 - 23 Subtraction word
 - 24 Pick up on
 - 25 Drive bananas
 - 29 More to the point
 - 32 Well___ (rich)
 - 34 Bit of brandy, say
 - 35 Wander
 - 39 Deliver via chute
 - 41 Loud enough
 - 43 Alliance
 - 44 Shale extract
 - 46 "No" answer
 - 47 Jibes
 - 50 Artist's negotiator
 - 51 Extent
 - 54 Wheel of Fortune turn
 - 56 Paraffin-based
 - 57 Fine fellow
 - 62 Mandate
 - 63 Kitchen ending
- DOWN**
- 1 Biblical shepherd
 - 2 Chanel nickname
 - 3 Tee-hee cousin
 - 4 Harrow rival
 - 5 Like a contortionist
 - 6 Appalled
 - 7 Make rougher
 - 8 Phantom of the Opera lead
 - 9 Look casually
 - 10 False lead
 - 11 Priscilla's suitor
 - 12 Roofing pieces
 - 13 Vogue
 - 21 More cunning
 - 25 Melville captain
 - 26 Astronaut Armstrong
 - 27 Fictional sleuth Wolfe
 - 28 Patti Page tune
 - 30 Southwestern creek
 - 31 Tater
 - 33 Way out
 - 36 Stage award
 - 37 Novelist Paton
 - 38 Cheesy sandwich
 - 40 Chart shape
 - 42 Senior members
 - 45 Nation surrounded by South Africa
 - 48 Aristocracy
 - 49 Very accurate, in London
 - 51 Give testimony
 - 52 Skilled force
 - 53 Common compound
 - 55 That is: Lat.
 - 57 Microbe
 - 58 Green Hornet sidekick
 - 59 Ever's partner
 - 60 Narrative
 - 61 Sched. listings

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Why not check this out? At the library

There will be no Story Time at Howard County Library for April. It should resume May 2. I apologize for the inconvenience; thanks for your patience.

For Jane Austen fans, we have just received "Mansfield Park" on CD for you to listen to. We have also purchased "This Sceptered Isle: The Story of the British Empire." This is about 35 hours of listening time. There are four volumes and each volume covers a specific time. It is from BBC Radio 4 and has been awarded several honors in Britain.

What do Shimon Peres, Pete Maravich, Joshua Key and William Cohen have in common?

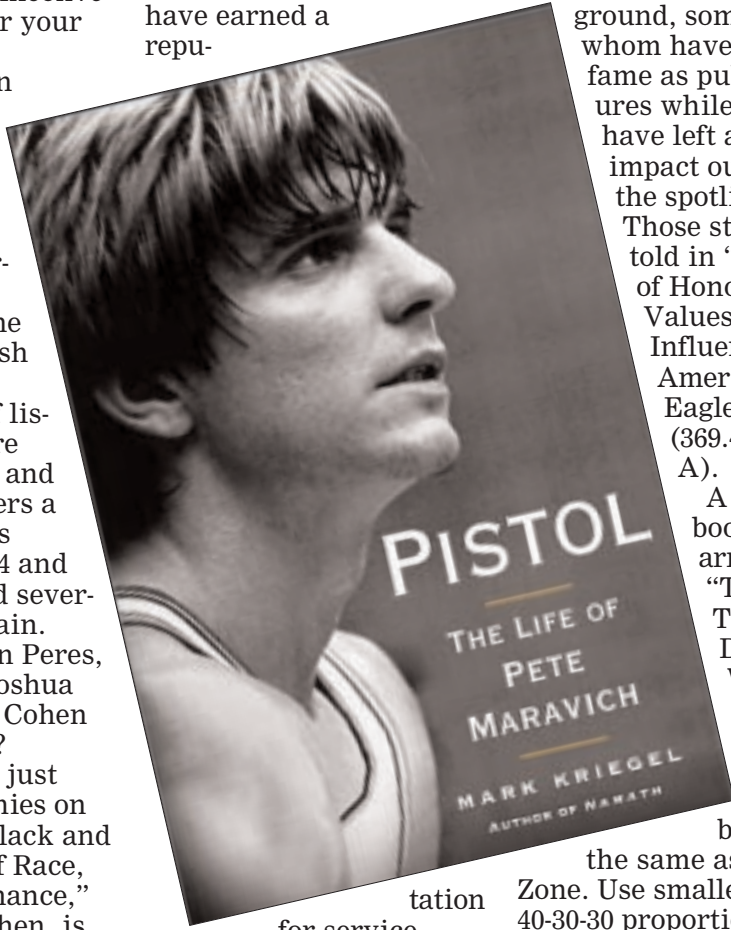
The library has just received biographies on them. "Love in Black and White: Memoir of Race, Religion and Romance," by William S. Cohen, is the story of love across the color line.

"Shimon Peres," by Michael Bar-Zohar, relates the life of Israel's Prime Minister Peres. "The Deserter's Tale" is the story of a soldier who walked away from the war in Iraq. It is written by Joshua Key (the soldier) as told to Lawrence Hill.

Many older basketball fans will remember "Pistol" Pete Maravich, a remarkable basketball star. "Pistol: The Life of Pete Maravich" by Mark

Kriegel, is a classic American success story which proved to be unsuccessful.

Over the past century, America's Eagle Scouts have earned a reputation



for service, virtue and leadership that is recognized throughout the world. But few people realize the full extent to which Eagle Scouts have made a mark on American history.

They have served as astronauts, soldiers, politicians and businessmen, but they have also been the fathers, brothers, Scoutmasters, coaches and other role models who have played an integral part in American life.

Alvin Townley set out

across the country to hear the stories of these Eagle Scouts. He spoke with individuals from every region, of every age and every background, some of whom have risen to fame as public figures while others have left a lasting impact outside of the spotlight.

Those stories are told in "Legacy of Honor: The Values and Influence of America's Eagle Scouts" (369.430 TOW A).

A new diet book has arrived: "The Three-Rule Diet: No White at Night" (613.25 GAV B).

It is basically the same as the Zone. Use smaller plates, 40-30-30 proportion of fats, carbs and protein and so on. Bill Gavin (the author) does promote the idea that eating protein at each meal will curb appetite. For exam-

ple, a doughnut and a Coke for breakfast will make your blood sugar rise and fall rapidly. If you eat protein at breakfast, it will give a sustained release of energy into your bloodstream. The book has value.

"The Jesus Family Tomb," (232.964 JAC S) by Simcha Jacobovici, tells the story of what may very well be the greatest archaeological find of all time — the possible discovery of the family tomb of Jesus of Nazareth.

Following the accidental bulldozing of a tomb during the building of a housing complex in suburban Jerusalem in 1980, archaeologists from the Israeli Antiquities Authority were immediately called to the scene. Inside, the archaeologists found 10 ossuaries — limestone boxes that served as first-century coffins.

Six had inscriptions,

including Jesus, son of Joseph; two Marys; and Judah, son of Jesus. The team concluded that the unusual group of names was merely coincidence. After removing and cataloging the ossuaries, they left the tomb to the builders to finish what they had already started.

Twenty-five years later, Simcha Jacobovici, an Emmy award-winning journalist, tracked down the ossuaries in the Israeli Antiquities Authority's warehouse and decided to investigate this remarkable collection of names.

Simcha mapped and then located the original tomb, which, to his surprise, was still intact. Granted unequaled access, he soon found that the archaeologists were unaware of key evidence that made this the discovery of a lifetime.

Readers are taken on a remarkable journey: from telling statistical analysis, to a time-bending trip across two millennia, and an investigation of the patinas and DNA of the tombs. This information is from the book flap of the book; I have not read it.

One last reminder: you

may look at and print IRS forms at www.irs.gov. Click on "Forms and Publications" tab and scroll down to whatever form you need and then print it out on your home computer.

The library does have a limited number of forms and publications here for you to pick up.

If you are filing online, we do have computers available. If it will take you over an hour to file your taxes, let the staff know and they can disable the timer and allow you more time on the computer.

Please remember that we provide the forms and the computer, we cannot give advice.

Howard County Library hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 until 5 Saturday. The Internet/Video room closes one-half hour before closing. The library is located at 500 S. Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260. The Web site is www.howard-county.lib.tx.us

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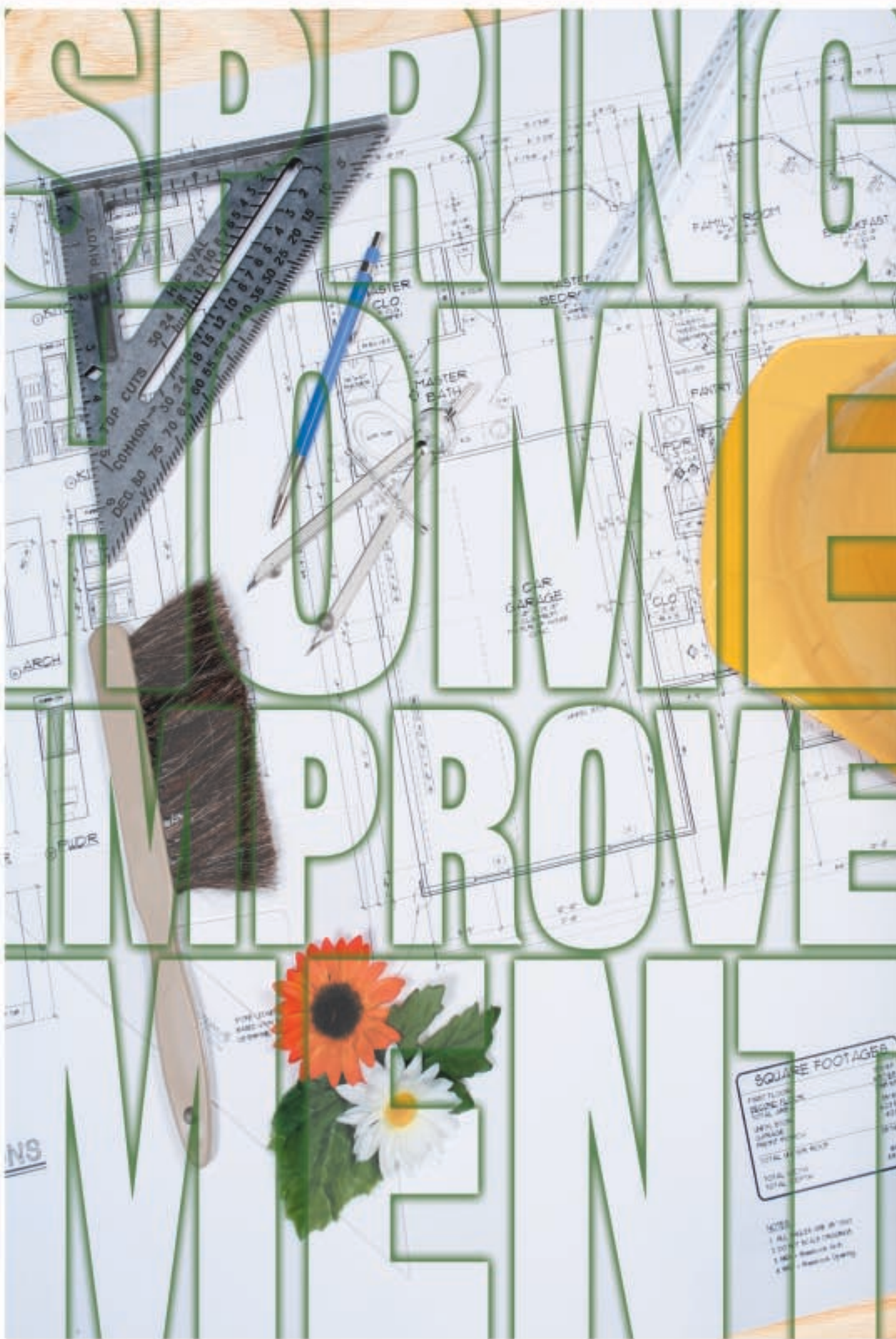
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2006 Mercury Milan Premier - Vivid Red w/Camel Leather, 2.3-4 Cyl., All Power w/21,000 Miles. Was \$20,995. NOW \$19,995	2003 Mazda MX-5 Miata Convertible LS - Silver, Fully Loaded, Leather, Local One Owner w/40,200 Miles. Was \$17,995. NOW \$16,995	1994 Chevrolet 1500 Reg. Cab SWB - Teal w/Cloth, 350 V8, Nice, Nice 94 Model. Was \$7,995. NOW \$6,995
2006 Ford Fusion S - Oxford White, Stone Cloth, All Power, 2.3-4-Cyl., 12,000 Miles. Was \$20,995. NOW \$19,995	2003 Toyota Celica GT - Red, All Power, Extra Clean, One Owner w/37,000 Miles. Was \$15,995. NOW \$14,995	★★★ SUV's & Vans ★★★
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2006 Ford Taurus SE - White w/Flint Cloth, 3.0 V-6, All Power, 14,000 Miles. MSRP When New \$21,450. Was \$14,995. NOW \$13,995	2002 Honda Accord Special Edition Coupe - White, All Power, Local One Owner w/64,000 Miles. Was \$14,995. NOW \$13,995	2004 Nissan Xterra SE - Silver, Cloth, All Power, Local One Owner w/35,000 Miles. Was \$19,995. NOW \$16,995
2006 Ford Mustang V-6 - Satin Silver w/Graphite Cloth, All Power, Spoiler, Sport Pkg., 21,000 Miles. Was \$20,995. NOW \$19,995	2002 Lincoln Town Car Cartier Edition - Pearl White w/Leather, All Power, Local One Owner w/39,000 Miles. Was \$17,995. NOW \$16,995	2004 Nissan Xterra SE - Silver, Cloth, All Power, Local One Owner w/55,000 Miles. Was \$17,995. NOW \$16,995
2006 Mercury Grand Marquis Premium LS - Tungsten Clearcoat w/Light Stone Leather, 14,000 Miles, MSRP WHEN NEW \$31,060. Was \$20,995. NOW \$19,995	1999 Pontiac Grand Prix SE - Green w/Cloth, All Power, Locally Owned. Was \$6,995. NOW \$5,995	SOLD 2004 Ford Expedition Eddie Bauer - White/Tan w/Tan Leather, All Power, Local One Owner w/60,000 Miles. Was \$23,995. NOW \$22,995
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2006 Ford Mustang V-6 - White w/Gray Cloth, All Power, Locally Owned, Only 27,009 Miles. Was \$19,995. NOW \$18,995	2004 Ford Ranger Supercab Edge - Red, V-6, All Power, Local One Owner w/58,000 Miles. Was \$14,995. NOW \$13,995	2002 Ford Expedition 4X4 XLT - Red/Tan, Tan Leather, Fiberglass Boards, One Owner w/88,000 Miles. Was \$16,995. NOW \$15,995
2005 Nissan Maxima SL - White w/Gray Leather, Fully Loaded, w/Moonroof, Local One Owner With Only 16,000 Miles. Was \$25,995. NOW \$24,995	2004 Nissan King Cab XE - Silver, 4-Cyl., Automatic, Local One Owner w/45,000 Miles. Was \$15,995. NOW \$14,995	2002 Cadillac Escalade AWD - Sandstone w/Leather, Fully Loaded, Local One Owner w/41,000 Miles. Was \$29,995. NOW \$25,995
2005 Volkswagen New Beetle GLS - Dark Blue w/Tan Leather, Automatic, Local One Owner w/Only 12,000 Miles. Was \$18,995. NOW \$17,995	2004 Ford F150 STX - Silver w/Leather, All Power, Local One Owner w/17,000 Miles. Was \$16,995. NOW \$15,995	2002 Chevrolet Suburban LT - Pewter w/Leather, All Power, Local One Owner w/64,000 Miles. Was \$20,995. NOW \$18,995
2005 Ford Mustang GT - Dark Red With Red Leather, 5-Speed Manual Transmission, Local One Owner With 10,000 Miles. Was \$25,995. NOW \$24,995	2004 Ford Ranger Supercab XLT 4-DR. - Beige, 6-Cyl., Automatic, All Power, Local One Owner w/55,000 Miles. Was \$14,995. NOW \$13,995	2002 Chevrolet Blazer LS - White/Cloth, All Power, 56,000 Miles. Was \$12,995. NOW \$9,995
2005 Nissan Sentra 1.8S - Maroon w/Cloth, All Power, Local One Owner w/22,000 Miles. Was \$14,995. NOW \$13,995	2004 Ford F350 Crew Cab - White w/Leather, All Power, Local One Owner w/17,000 Miles. Was \$27,995. NOW \$26,995	2001 Lincoln Navigator 4X4 - White w/Leather, All Power, Local One Owner w/81,000 Miles. Was \$16,995. NOW \$15,995
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