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ALON USA is celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Big Spring Refinery with special events this week. Among them:

Friday, May 21

• 11 a.m. — Special preview of the Big Spring Refinery 75th Anniversary Exhibit at the Heritage Museum.

• 12:30 p.m. — Kick-off luncheon at the refinery, featuring an anniversary program and musical entertainment.

• 2 p.m. — Refinery tours.

Saturday, May 22

• 9:30 a.m. — Tours of downtown area.

• 7 p.m. — Free community festival and concert featuring Asleep at the Wheel, Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Doors open at 6 p.m., tickets required.

Bush, Democrats end logjam on judges

WASHINGTON (AP) — The agreement struck between Senate Democrats and President Bush that guarantees dozens of GOP judicial nominees a seat on the federal courts has all the signs of a victory for both sides, officials said.

Republicans get to swell the conservative ranks on the federal court in an election year, something that rarely happens, while Democrats get a guarantee that the most objectionable GOP nominees to them won't get a lifetime or even a temporary seat on the federal trial or appeals courts.

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Run for the Wall to rumble through Big Spring

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

A group of motorcycle riders will be coming through Big Spring Saturday to bring a message of healing, of honor and accountability.

Participants in the Run for the Wall's southern route, a 12-day journey across the country to Washington, D.C., will make a brief stop in Big Spring to lay a wreath at the Vietnam Memorial.

The group is expected to enter Big Spring at approximately 10 a.m., said Jerry Groves, a Vietnam era veteran who strongly encour-

ages the public to welcome the travelers to town.

"It shows our community supports our vet-

"Their purpose is to keep people reminded there are still POWs and MIAs."

—Jerry Groves, veteran



erans," Groves said.

The trek encompassing thousands of miles across country, will wind up at the nation's

capital, where participants will join with approximately 200,000 other motorcyclists rolling down the streets of the capital in the annual Rolling Thunder procession.

"It's held on Memorial Day," Groves said. "Their purpose is to keep people reminded there are still POWs (Prisoners of Wars) and MIAs (Missing in Action)."

Participants traveling along the southern route left Ontario, Calif., on Tuesday and are making their way through Tucson, Ariz., today to Las Cruces, N.M., Thursday and then to Odessa Friday.

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Celebration getting final touches

Museum exhibit, luncheon, concert planned for huge 75th anniversary

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

With just the little pieces left to put in place, preparation for the Big Spring Refinery's 75th anniversary weekend celebration is just about done, said Joe Concienne, ALON USA vice president of refining and transportation.

And just in time because the party begins Friday.

"We are looking forward to this weekend," Concienne said. "We've been aiming at this for about six months now and it's coming together very well. We're extremely pleased the governor (Rick Perry) is going to be here and we've



CONCIENNE

had a good response from the community about our sponsored concert on Saturday.

"People are working really hard right now to put all the little pieces together and I'm very proud of the work everyone's done to make this weekend celebration a reality," Concienne continued.

ALON officials will begin the celebration at 11 a.m. Friday by taking a peek at the past as the Heritage Museum premieres its ALON USA, Big Spring Refinery exhibit. The public is welcome to attend.

This section of the museum permanently dedicated to the history of the refinery features a 10-foot by 14-foot mural of the refinery at dawn, lit by fiber optics and a display of a full-service gasoline station.

At 12:30 p.m., the public is invited to a luncheon on the refinery grounds that will feature entertainment and an anniversary program with bus tours of the refinery from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. ALON encourages people to call if they plan to attend.

A number of Texas lawmakers are expected to attend the event, including Perry, State Sen. Kel Seliger and State Rep. Pete Laney. U.S. Congressmen Randy



Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen and his wife, Laura, were taking part in a Keep Big Spring Beautiful effort to clean up FM 700 Tuesday evening in anticipation of Gov. Rick Perry's visit on Friday. The governor is expected to attend ALON USA festivities to celebrate the Big Spring Refinery's 75th anniversary.

Neugebauer and Charlie Stenholm are tentatively scheduled to come as well.

On Saturday, the party swings into high gear as ALON treats 7,000 people to a free concert fea-

turing the Grammy Award winning country swing band Asleep at the Wheel beginning at 7 p.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

For the past month, ALON has distributed some 6,000 tickets to

the community through KBST live remotes held at 7-Eleven stores in Big Spring. Only people who have a ticket will be admit-

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Alzheimer's seminar scheduled Thursday at community center

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**

Features Editor

Any one of 703 families in Howard County victimized by Alzheimer's disease may experience a myriad of unexpected problems.

A caregiver seminar presented by Retired Senior Volunteer Program of Big Spring and the Alzheimer's Association addresses some of these problems, offering real-life solutions to living with the baffling ill-

ness.

"We say Alzheimer's is the disease with two deaths. First, there is the death of the loved one as they were known and second is their actual death," said Janet Cross, program coordinator for the Alzheimer's Association in Midland and one of the primary presenters at the seminar.

Scheduled for Thursday from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Dora

**1:30 p.m. Thursday,
Dora Roberts
Community Center.
free admission**

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Sivits receives maximum penalty in first Iraqi prisoner scandal case

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Spc. Jeremy C. Sivits received the maximum penalty Wednesday — one year in prison, reduction in rank and a bad conduct discharge — in the first court-martial stemming from mistreatment of Iraqi prisoners at the Abu Ghraib prison.

Sivits, who pleaded guilty to four abuse charges, broke down in tears as he apologized for taking pictures of naked Iraqi prisoners being humiliated.

"I'd like to apologize to the Iraqi people and those detainees," he said in his statement. "I should have protected those detainees, not taken the photos."

During the hearing, Sivits, 24, told the court he saw one U.S. soldier punch one Iraqi in the head and other guards stomp on the hands and feet of detainees. He also recounted that prisoners were stripped and forced to form a human pyramid.

His lawyer had appealed to the court for leniency, saying Sivits could be rehabilitated and had contributed to society in the past. Sivits himself pleaded with the judge, Col. James Pohl, to allow him to remain in the army, which he said had been his life's goal.

"I have learned huge lessons," See **SCANDAL**, Page 3A

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Obituaries

Stephen Daniel Foster



Stephen Daniel Foster, son, father, brother and friend, 49, of Springfield, Mo., formerly of Coahoma, died on Friday, May 14, 2004, in a Springfield, Mo. hospital. He loved life and will be remembered and missed by all who knew him.

Graveside funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, May 20, 2004, at Mount Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Dennis Teeters, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

He was born on April 12, 1955, in Dublin. Stephen grew up in Coahoma and attended school there. He graduated from Coahoma High School and attended Howard College. He had lived in Springfield, Mo., the last three years. Stephen was an independent contractor doing home repair, remodeling and painting. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Big Spring.

Stephen loved camping, fishing and being outdoors enjoying nature. He was friendly and outgoing to everyone.

Survivors include two daughters, Stepheny Foster of Sanger and Taylor Foster of Robert Lee; one son, Clayton Foster of Robert Lee; his mother and stepfather, Rebecca and Howard Smith of Big Spring; his father, Rayburn Foster of Caddo Lake; a sister, Linda Russell of Plano; his grandmother, Vera Foster of Ardmore, Okla.; and a special friend, Janice Letterman, of Springfield, Mo.

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church Organ Fund, 705 W. FM 700, Big Spring, 79720.

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

Paid obituary

Polly Nichols

Polly Nichols, 85, of Stanton, died on Monday, May 17, 2004, at her residence. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 20, 2004, at the First United Methodist Church of Stanton with the Rev. Gene Weinette, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

She was born on June 3, 1918, in Freestone, and married Elma Ray Nichols on Nov. 15, 1937, in Martin County. He preceded her in death on April 18, 1993.

Polly lived in Martin County since 1924. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church for more than 50 years, where she was a member of the Friendship Sunday School Class.

Survivors include her three daughters and one son-in-law, Jan and Rick Strube of Fort Worth, Lynda Nichols of Dallas and Carol Nichols of Stanton; her son, Randy Nichols of Lubbock; her brother, Jack Wesson of San Angelo; seven grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; and one great great grandchild.

She was also preceded in death by five sisters and two brothers.

The family suggests memorials be made to the donors favorite charity.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

Priscilla Brown



Priscilla Brown, 86, of Big Spring, died Sunday afternoon, May 16, 2004, at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. Memorial services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday in Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be Friday at Fort Sam Houston Cemetery in San Antonio.

She was born June 8, 1917, in New York. She was a registered nurse and served in the U.S. Army in World War II.

She came to Big Spring in 1961 and was with the V.A. Medical Center until retiring in 1972.

She is survived by one niece, one nephew, one great nephew, and one great niece, all of Naples, Fla.

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

Support groups

THURSDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 noon to 1 p.m.; Women's meeting, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

The Fibromyalgia Autoimmune Disease Support Group will meet only on the second Thursday of the month at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center. The group will no long meet weekly.

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

FRIDAY

AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

Police blotter

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

- **KENNETH SUGGS**, 42, of 202 Washington, was arrested Tuesday on three local capias warrants.
- **BILLY WAYNE ALDRIDGE SR.**, 44, of 608 Lancaster, was arrested Tuesday on a parole revocation.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 2300 block of Wasson.
 - in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 2000 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 900 block of Willia.
- **ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO CAUSE BODILY INJURY/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1800 block of Settles.
- **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported in the 1900 block of Settles.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
 - in the 2500 block of Fairchild.
 - in the 1400 block of Wood.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported:
 - in the 1000 block of Birdwell.
 - in the 500 block of 17th Street.

Take note

PARENTS WHO CARE, an organization of Big Spring High School junior class parents dedicated to providing a safe and memorable prom for 2004, will have a work afternoon beginning at 1:30 p.m. Friday in the high school to set up for the prom. All junior class parents are needed. Please bring ladders, extension cords, light strips, white Christmas lights, black duct tape, greenery, fishing line, string, scissors, etc. Contact Teresa Warrington at 267-7884 or Varonda Vassar at 263-0497 for more information.

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

HERITAGE MUSEUM, 510 Scurry, is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday and from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Sunday.

HAVE YOU SEEN the movie "The Passion"? If you have seen it, or just heard about it, would you like to receive a free booklet which answers the question "Is the Passion True or False?" Call 263-0680, leave your name and address, and we will be happy to send you this booklet that answers this question. Compliments of your friends at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

CHRIST'S COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP is requesting donations of any household items, furniture, appliances, linens, cookware and dishes to be distributed to the needy in Big Spring. Items will be picked up. Please call 263-5683 and leave a message.

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring.

If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

ROAD TO RECOVERY DRIVERS WANTED. Volunteer drivers are needed to transport cancer patients to and from treatments. If you can spare a few hours each month, please consider volunteering to drive somebody along the Road to Recovery. For more information about volunteering or if you are a cancer patient in need of the service, call La Wanda Hamm, 263-7827.

BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families.

Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected.

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy.

Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

- Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Displays of Splendor Senior Showing at 4 p.m. Call 26406444.
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St.

THURSDAY

- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
- Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.
- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.
- Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. in the RSVP office at 501 Runnels.
- American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call 263-2084 for more information.
- "Life After Loss," a grief support group for those who have experienced the death of a loved one, meets from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Home Hospice, 600 S. Gregg St. Registration is required. For more information contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599.
- Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Veterans of America meets at 7 p.m. in the Sparenburg Building, 309 S. Main St.
- Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- ALON USA 75th anniversary celebration community begins with a luncheon at 12:30 p.m. followed at 2 p.m. by tours of the refinery.
- Parents Who Care, an organization of parents of the junior class of Big Spring High school, have a work day scheduled for 1:30 p.m. at the high school to set up for the prom. Please contact Teresa Warrington at 267-7884 or Varonda Vassar at 263-0497.
- Forsan 2004 graduation ceremonies at 8 p.m. in the Forsan gymnasium.
- Spring City Senior Citizen's Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

SATURDAY

- A reception honoring Eleanor Garrett for her years of dedicated service to the city of Coahoma is set for Saturday from 2-4 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. The public is invited.
- Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Goliad and 1st streets for a meal with a meeting to follow.

Weather

Tonight — Clear, low around 67.
Thursday — Mostly sunny and windy. High around 90, low in the mid 60s.
Friday — Sunny. High in the low 90s. Low in the mid 60s.
Saturday — Mostly sunny. High in the mid 90s. Low in the mid 60s.
Sunday — Partly cloudy. High in the mid 90s. Low in the mid 60s.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 25-27-29-32-34. Number matching five of five: 2. Prize per winner: \$20,210. Winning tickets sold in: Houston, McKinney. Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 32-4-3-5. Bonus ball 23. Estimated jackpot: \$225,000

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 0-9-8

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Texas news briefs

Perry approval rating hits low

AUSTIN — More than half of Texans surveyed in a new poll are dissatisfied with Gov. Rick Perry's job performance, the lowest for a Texas governor in almost a decade.

Only 37 percent of respondents in a Scripps Howard Texas Poll released Tuesday said the governor is doing a good or excellent job. Another 52 percent listed Perry's performance as only fair or poor, while 11 percent did not know or didn't answer.

By contrast, 50 percent of those surveyed in a Texas Poll in spring 2003 rated Perry's performance as good or excellent, with 44 percent calling it fair or poor.

The response compares to Ann Richards' negative reviews in November 1994, when 48 percent gave a thumbs-down to the governor who had just been defeated.

"He is in trouble," said Cal Jillson, a Southern Methodist University political scientist, said of the governor. "He's seen as more partisan than thoughtful."

Mentally ill inmate executed

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry rejected a highly unusual recommendation from the Texas parole board that he spare a convicted killer, allowing prison officials to execute the inmate who had been diagnosed as mentally ill.

Perry's decision Tuesday evening, moments after the U.S. Supreme Court also refused to halt the punishment, sent Kelsey Patterson to the death chamber gurney where a lethal mix of chemicals flowed into his arms as he jabbered about being innocent and demanded his rights.

"Statement to what?" Patterson asked twice after the warden, Joe Fernald, leaned over him and asked if he any final statement. "I'm not guilty of the charge of capital murder."

After a stream of gibberish, including: "No fear what you do to me," he said three times, "Give me my rights." And as he mumbled "Give me my life back," the lethal drugs took effect, making him gasp repeatedly.

Nine minutes later, he was pronounced dead.

Communications workers may strike

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The union representing more than 100,000 employees of SBC Communications Inc. says workers for the nation's No. 2 local-phone provider are prepared to walk off the job over wages and health care costs.

Following a 24-hour strike notice by Communications Workers of America, SBC workers could strike as soon as Wednesday afternoon. The union has criticized the for proposing a first-year wage freeze while shifting more health care costs in negotiations for a new contract.

A strike would likely affect local phone service in SBC's 13-state coverage area, which includes Texas, California, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio and Connecticut.

"SBC wants it both ways — gouging our workers on health costs while also demanding a first-year base wage freeze to fatten its profits," CWA President Morton Bahr said late Tuesday in a statement on the union's Web site. "That amounts to pure greed."

The union also accused San Antonio-based SBC of bad-faith bargaining by reneging on part of an earlier tentative agreement on retiree health care.

Families accuse city of grave desecration

LUBBOCK (AP) — Six people have sued this West Texas city's oldest and largest cemetery, alleging shoddy record-keeping resulted in people buried under wrong names, lost graves sites and multiple bodies placed in single plots.

At least 12 other people with relatives in the City of Lubbock Cemetery plan to join the suit against the city, Lubbock County and the cemetery, plaintiffs attorney Steve Claus said Tuesday.

"We have clients who go out to visit their deceased relatives and they go to the spot where they remember them being buried and they find someone else buried," Claus said. "That would be disturbing."

The plaintiffs are seeking monetary damages, the location of relatives' remains, proper burials and for accurate record keeping at the cemetery, Claus said.

Anita Burgess, Lubbock's city attorney, declined to comment on the specific allegations in the May 11 suit, though she said the city hasn't always operated the cemetery.

Charity affiliated with DeLay cancels plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — A children's charity backed by House Majority Leader Tom DeLay is abandoning planned fund-raising events during the Republican National Convention, citing New York prices rather than a political controversy.

Congressional watchdog groups have questioned whether Celebrations for Children, as a tax-exempt charity, could legally hold events to raise money from major Republican donors during the convention.

Celebrations for Children spokesman Gary Lewi's announcement on Tuesday only cited the cost, saying, "New York around the time of the Republican Convention is too expensive."

Lewi said one venue for a planned party, near the Madison Square Garden convention site, would have cost \$25,000 to \$30,000 for the facility plus the catering cost.

With expenses that high, the charity would have excessive administrative costs, he said.

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He had been expected to get a relatively light sentence and then testify against others. Prosecutors asked the judge to impose the harshest sentence despite Sivits' willingness to provide details about the crimes of other defendants, saying that Sivits knew that abuse was banned by the Geneva Conventions.

Earlier Wednesday, three others from Sivits company accused in the abuse — Sgt. Javal Davis, Staff Sgt. Ivan L. Frederick Frederick and Spc. Charles Graner Jr. — appeared for arraignment in the courtroom at the Baghdad Convention Center, located in the heavily guarded Green Zone.

The three waived their rights to have charges read in court, and their pleas were deferred pending another hearing June 21 after the defense complained it had been denied access to two victims of abuse who were government witnesses. The judge asked prosecutors for an explanation.

Arab television stations appeared deeply skeptical of the proceedings, with reporters from the Al-Jazeera and Al-Arabiya satellite networks questioning why cameras were barred from the courtroom. Others demanded that higher ranking American officials be punished.

"Those who are executing the laws and the orders are not the problem ... Punishment of the officials who gave the orders is what matters," Samer al-Ubedi, who

claimed his brother died in U.S. custody, told al-Jazeera. "The punishment must be as severe as the crime."

1st Lt. Stanley L. Martin, Sivits' lawyer, had expressed concern about the huge media coverage of the trial, asking the judge, "Can you make a fair decision?"

Pohl replied: "Just because it's on TV, it doesn't mean it's true."

Sanchez Texas State Veteran's Home and Cindy Lopez, director of marketing for Comanche Trail Nursing Home, and Walter McCall, chaplain of Odyssey Hospice of Big Spring.

Cross encourages anyone affected by Alzheimer's disease to attend the seminar. "I believe we have put together a program that offers something for everybody."

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ily members great distress," Cross said.

Main points for this area of the seminar will include safety for the Alzheimer's patient and safety for the family members and caregivers. Hostility, violent behavior, confusion and wandering behaviors will all be discussed.

"This is often the part of the disease process that the family members and caregiver say they never expected to deal with," Cross said.

Other topics will include "Choosing A New Home," "Respite Care" and "Spirituality and Caregiving," which will validate emotional responses and lend support and encouragement to family members struggling with faith-based questions.

"Stress and the Caregiver" will offer practical applications for relieving stress of family members and caregivers involved in the 24-hour role of caring for an Alzheimer's patient.

On an average, Alzheimer's patients may live two to 20 years after the disease is diagnosed, although Cross said the average is about eight years. During the progress of the disease, an individual with Alzheimer's will undergo major emotional, cognitive and physical changes until ultimately needing all-encompassing care.

Along with Cross, presenters at the seminar include Alzheimer's Association Regional Director Debbie Erdwurm, Howard County Alzheimer's advisory board members Janice Wagner, Nancy Alkire, a speech therapist at the Lamun-Lusk

and in "Texas Wind" with Dolly Parton and Gary Busey. Formed in 1970, Asleep at the Wheel has recorded more than 20 albums.

Before Asleep at the Wheel takes the stage, up-and-coming country western star Cory Morrow will perform.

With six albums under his belt, Morrow is quickly gaining a name for himself, especially with college-age fans. His 2002 album "Outside the Lines," charted as high as No. 28 on Billboard's

country album chart, No. 3 on the magazine's Internet sales chart, No. 8 on the Independent album

chart and No. 16 on the Heatseekers chart. The opening act is Jimmy and David Lee Kaiser, who will also perform at the VIP party on Friday. Howard County's own Jody Nix will serve as the master of ceremonies for Saturday's concert.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

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ted to the concert. Asleep at the Wheel has won nine Grammy Awards in four decades and the lengthy list of guest artists who've appeared on Asleep at the Wheel albums includes Garth Brooks, Vince Gill, Merle Haggard, Huey Lewis, Bonnie Raitt, Dolly Parton, George Strait, Willie Nelson, Lee Ann Womack and Shawn Colvin.

The group has also appeared in the films — "Roadie" with Meatloaf, "Blondie and Art Carney

For more information, visit the Run for the Wall Web site at www.rftw.org or the Rolling Thunder Web site at www.rollingthunder1.com

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OUR VIEWS

Give careful thought
graduates, this is
an important moment

It is once again graduation time. Just a week ago, Howard College and SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf undertook the annual ritual. Friday, Forsan, Sands and Stanton High School seniors will receive their diplomas.

The following Thursday, May 27, Coahoma will honor its graduates. And on Friday, May 28, Big Spring High School's graduates will walk across the stage at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

But this season brings to mind more than caps, gowns and "Pomp and Circumstance." It is often said, but it is true: Graduation is not just the end of another school year. It is a once-in-a-lifetime chance for a new beginning.

For some, it is the opportunity to take on the responsibility of a job and a more independent life. For others, it is the end of one season of school and the move on to another level of education or training.

For the high school graduate, this is definitely a turning point. Many of them will look back in 10 years or even 20, and say, "What if I had ...?" or "Why didn't I ...?"

That is why we urge all of our area high school seniors to take this time seriously. Yes, it is a busy time, but you absolutely must take time to stop and really think about where you are going. The decisions you make today will affect you for years to come, perhaps for a lifetime.

Congratulations to all our area graduates! You have accomplished something which you and your family can be proud.

Now is the chance for you to set the stage for your future. Be sure your decisions are made with the long term in mind.

While you may not like the idea of more books, more studying or even just one more test, the fact is that today, education beyond high school is usually essential to getting a good job. That does not mean the traditional college education is your only answer. In fact, there are many options, but be sure you check them out and make your plans as soon as possible.

You will be glad you did, and our community, your home, will be the better for it.

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Flowers for Braley, Windows for Remy

Bert Striegler met me at the museum in Brady the other day to tell me about windows for the cathedral at Remy, a city just north of Paris, France that has become Brady's sister city.

"The story goes back to World War II when a young man from Brady, Houston Lee Braley Jr., volunteered into the Air Force, became a P-51 pilot and was killed while strafing a German train that was parked on the tracks near Remy.

"The flight leader was a man named Roy Blaha, who has been here on numerous occasions. Roy went in first to strafe this camouflaged train. He fired at the full length of the train and nothing happened.

Houston Lee rolled over and started his run on the train and almost the minute he fired his guns, the train blew up with an enormous explosion.

"Houston Lee's aircraft was

demolished in midair. The fuselage crashed and slid across a road into a rock fence of a home that belonged to the most prestigious family in Remy. In fact, their name was Remy.

"A young teenage girl that lived in the home, who has also been here in the museum, ran out and pulled his body out of the aircraft and hid it.

"Germans frantically looked for his body but never found it. The next night a bunch of partisans in Remy buried Houston Lee's body in the Remy cemetery. They took one propeller blade off his crashed aircraft and used that as the marker on the grave. They then covered the grave with flowers.

"The next day the Germans were really upset because those same partisans had refused to bury a German pilot in their cemetery a few weeks before. The Germans took all the flowers from the cemetery and told the residents of Remy that if any more flowers showed up anywhere in the cemetery they would kill 30 residents of the town.

"The next night Remy citizens covered the whole cemetery with flowers.

"Nobody got shot because it was

the end of the war. The Germans knew the Americans were already on the ground in Normandy and things weren't going well for Germany.

"The explosion of the train blew all the windows out of the cathedral at Remy. They were stained glass windows that were built into the cathedral during the middle ages.

"The windows stayed unrepaired until 1995, when Houston Lee's old fighter group, the 364th, decided to raise the money to restore the cathedral windows. They thought they'd need a quarter of a million dollars to do it. They started a fund called "Windows for Remy" and had all the money raised within two years. The windows are now completely restored."

The people from Remy have sent three separate delegations to Brady and visited the museum which has a display case devoted to the story. They presented the museum with a carved plaque made of wood from the cathedral. In 1995, both Brady and Remy held commemorative events on Veteran's Day.

Houston Lee Braley Jr. is now buried in Brady.

TUMBLEWEED
SMITH

Beware of flicks bearing myths

"So, is Brad Pitt a good guy or a bad guy?" I hear a man behind me ask as I sit at a screening for "Troy," the latest Hollywood blockbuster. Pitt

plays Achilles, the not-so-good Greek hero of Homer's "Iliad."

So it's clear the audience hasn't read Homer or doesn't know that Hollywood took his epic and whittled it down to a pic.

Too bad. The makers of the movie did a number of things right. Pitt is the perfect Achilles — bronzed, muscular, ruthless and entirely absorbed in amassing personal fame. He's "a temperamental superstar," UC Berkeley Classics Professor Stephen Miller said of Achilles (or could have said of Pitt).

It is well cast. Peter O'Toole steals the show as Troy's King Priam; Sean Bean works as Odysseus. Julie Christie has the star-power to play Achilles' mother Thetis.

The Trojan horse manages to inspire awe without looking like a special effect, even if the producers shorted the heartbreaking scenes of the Trojans welcoming the lethal gift.

Why does Hollywood feel a need to take an exceptional tale but then twist it into the same old story? Unlikable guy becomes likable — again and again. Or as the press kit explains: Achilles' "insatiable hunger for eternal renown" leads him to Troy, "but it will be love that ultimately decides his fate."

It is as if the writer didn't even bother with the CliffsNotes or to read the first line of the epic poem. Hint: "The Iliad" is about

"The Wrath of Achilles." It's not about Achilles turning into Mr. Sensitivity.

"The Iliad" is about an old code of honor and conquest. The characters in "Troy" are New Age apostles who regurgitate the same sound bites and psycho-babble you can hear any night on TV.

It's ironic that this politically correct version of "The Iliad" dispenses with Achilles' most intimate attachment, fellow warrior Patroclus. They're too close for a buddy movie.

Enter the Beautiful-Yet-Spunky Young Woman, Briseis, who in Homer's story is a piece of chattel, won in battle after Achilles slaughters her husband and family.

In celluloid "Troy," she's a virgin who is "seemingly the only person alive who isn't awed by Achilles' personal power." (That's from the press kit, and not remotely true in the movie. Briseis, after all, saw Pitt without his loincloth.) Rose Byrne, who plays the part, explains that her character "becomes the emotional core of Achilles."

Emotional core? In Achilles' world, that's the solar plexus.

I can forgive that the war in "Troy" seems to take a few weeks, not the 10 years recounted in Homer's "Iliad." Still, it would have made for a more interesting movie if the script portrayed the steel of men who would fight for a brutal decade, Professor Miller noted.

Need I mention that "Troy" The Movie dispenses with every mortal female character over 35? There's no Cassandra to warn Troy of its pending doom, only to be ignored. (If she were in the cast, she'd be warning viewers: "They've ruined the ending.") Gone are the middle-aged wives of Greece's middle-aged kings.

But the most egregious change

in "Troy" is that the script kills Agamemnon and Menelaus before they return to Greece. That's analogous to having Pontius Pilate issue a reprieve for Jesus in "The Passion of the Christ."

In Homer, a victorious Agamemnon returns to Mycenae with his battle booty, Cassandra, in tow. There his wife, Clytemnestra, and her lover kill Agamemnon in the bathtub. (That's her revenge for his blood sacrifice of their daughter.) This is one of the great twists in Homer's tale — but they're gone in the movie.

On screen however, Briseis somehow changes from an anti-war virgin to a liberated female Rambo; she kills Agamemnon. There's no need to make Briseis kill the king, said UC Berkeley Classics Professor Anthony Bullock. "The Greeks already thought of that." And there's so much more comeuppance in Agamemnon dying by the hand of a wronged wife and mother.

Miller fears that schoolkids, having seen the movie, now won't believe the book. "It sounds like you're better off if you haven't read Homer," he said. No lie.

It's not that "Troy" is a bad movie. It's a good movie — if you don't care about Homer. It could have been a great movie if the people who created it cared about the power of this fantastic tale.

But they decided to make a movie like every other movie. And that's what they got.

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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I just wanted to send a heartfelt Thanks to all of our friends and fans that came to the Stampede on Saturday night, May 15, for the 50th Anniversary Celebration.

It was just great and like I have said in the past I saw daddies dancing with their daughters, I saw mothers dancing with their sons, grandparents dancing with grandkids, kids dancing, couples, all ages of people as it has been for 50 years. I tip my hat to my band The Texas Cowboys, they did a great job as always.

Thanks to Marsha Sturdivant from the Herald for the lifestyle full page story, and thanks to KBST for the radio Spots and to Lisa Brooks for having me on Morning Magazine, and thanks to all the mer-

chants that let me put posters in their windows.

We had people from Big Spring, Albany, Coahoma, DeLeon, Vincent, Stanton, Pampa, Midland, Odessa, Garden City, Colorado City, Abilene, Garland, Lubbock, O'Donnel, Denver City, Post, Seminole, Ralls, Lamesa, Snyder, Ira, Lowake, Lenorah, Lomax, San Angelo, and all points in between, and my daughter came home from Norman, Okla.

Thank you for the loyalty and support of this old Dance Hall there isn't any like it anywhere in West Texas and we appreciate all of you who have been with us from the opening night until now.

There were several people who were there 50 years ago. So we continue on, back to the founding

Nix Brothers that started it to all the musicians that have played there, and to all the people who have been there, Thank You!

I won't make it another 50 years but I sure will shoot for 25.

JODY NIX
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

I first want to congratulate the winners in the latest elections.

Second, I'd like to say I hope that I don't have to hear any complaining about the way Big Spring is dying. It would appear that about 1,500 people voted and that would mean that approximately one half of 1 percent of the population has once again decided how and who will run this city.

I haven't lived here very long, but I know people

that have been here since the early '70s and have watched this city go from a happening city to an empty downtown. This area is the perfect place for north/south, east/west transfer areas and it should have a booming economy.

I pray our city council and mayor can turn this around and I would also hope not to find any of them on the golf course mid-day or mid-week playing by themselves. Their job is not part-time.

I plan on attending city council meetings and trying to inform the public exactly what is going on and how it will affect the city and population.

Once again, congratulations to the winners, even though I was only 1-for-3 in my picks.

RICHARD ADAMS
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EMS

By RICARD GRO

BSFD Deputy Chief 9-1-1 — It's those one wants to r odds are every have to eventua

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EMS: Think safety before you dial 9-1-1

By RICARD GROVE
BSFD Deputy Chief

9-1-1 — It's the call no one wants to make, but odds are everyone will have to eventually. Those frantic moments on the phone can feel like an eternity for a distressed caller with a sick or injured loved one. What many callers forget in those moments is that the situation is only slightly less stressful on the other end. A police dispatcher, while juggling the activity of police, fire and EMS units across the city, is doing their best to

get enough information to insure the emergency response is quick, accurate and appropriate for the need.

A misunderstanding here can delay or jeopardize the response.

This can be prevented by following just a few simple suggestions should you have to call 9-1-1 for assistance.

1. Safety first — Call from a safe location, and tell the dispatcher if there are any dangers the responders should know about.

2. Stay calm This may seem impossible at the

time but an out-of-control caller only complicates the situation. Take a deep breath and settle before making the call.

EMS Week

3. Talk clearly and slowly — This is no time for a misunderstood address. Speak slowly and deliberately.

4. Say only what you have to — Give only critical information (Address, phone number, name and nature of the emergency) and answer the dispatch-

er's questions briefly. The sooner this information is related, the sooner help will be on the way.

5. Give the location of the incident — Don't assume the dispatcher knows where you are. Cell phones don't forward this information accurately. Tell the dispatcher where the responding units need to go.

6. Be patient — The dispatcher must have certain information in order to direct the right units to the scene. You may not understand the need for a question, but arguing will only delay help.

7. Stay on the line — Don't hang up until instructed by the dispatcher. Additional information may be needed after units are dispatched.

Police dispatchers are trained professionals, and are accustomed to dealing with the emotional and

excited 9-1-1 caller. The responsibility however, of getting the right information to the emergency responders is shared with the citizen on the phone. By following the guidelines above you can do your part to get help headed your way.

Senate narrowly rejects base closing delay

WASHINGTON — The Senate on Tuesday narrowly defeated a proposal that would have delayed the next round of domestic base closings until the Pentagon determines what it wants to do with its overseas facilities.

The 49-47 vote was a victory for the Pentagon, which opposes any delay in next year's round of base closings. The proposal, by Sens. Trent Lott, R-Miss., and Byron

Dorgan, D-N.D., was made as an amendment to a bill authorizing \$422.2 billion in defense programs next year.

But the House this week will consider a two-year delay in base closings as part of its version of the defense bill.

Last year, the White House threatened a veto if the plans were delayed.

Base closings have long been a

politically charged issue in Congress, where lawmakers fear the economic damage that could occur in their states and districts.

Dorgan said the Pentagon won't know what domestic bases it will need until it decides what it will do overseas.

"You're going to bring 50,000 Army troops from Germany back to American soil — where are you going to put them?" he asked.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

With Venus, the planet of beauty and pleasure, now retrograde along with dreamy Neptune, those of us who are prone toward obsession may fixate on something new. Mania gets a bad wrap. This heightened state can be thrilling and even healthy for the spirit. The sadder state is not being passionate about anything or anyone.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll be offered a challenge that you can easily turn down but what's the point in staying small? Risk looking foolish, and you may wind up looking brilliant. There's wisdom in what your family tells you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Plow through old phone books and calendars; a person from your past can really help out now. Artists (especially singers) get the opportunity to show off their talents. Today is ideal for planning travel.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Expecting yourself to magically know how to perform a new task is silly, but you do it all the time (since, let's face it, you're a quick study). Ease up on your demands. You are more in need of a model than a critic.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Much happiness fills your house 'this is the most wonderful atmosphere of all. Things grow in a joyful environment, and so do people. Consider going for career testing. It's interesting to know what suits you perfectly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Doing what a colleague wants isn't all it's cracked up to be. If you don't exercise assertiveness, you'll lose the ability over time. Trivial information becomes vital tonight. Learn all you can about what interests you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). People ask unreasonable things of you, especially at work. But it's interesting to note what people's perceptions of you must be to ask such things. They see you as some kind of superhero.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). An authority figure makes you anxious. Take time out to remind yourself that you are just as unique and worthy as anyone else. Family dynamics get very complicated. If you can't help, at least don't hurt the situation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). One small change in the way you talk to yourself makes the whole day go differently. Someone sexy is impressed by your kindness and attentive listening skills. Honesty is essential tonight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If it doesn't work the first 20 times, try things a different way. A small purchase motivates you. Partners propose mighty plans that can actually work but only when the two of

you are equally involved.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The future remains. As long as that is true, you can create incentives for yourself to do the most you can do. It's amazing how much time is wasted in miscommunication. You'll have more energy if you are precise and direct.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Perfecting yourself is a long, solitary task. It all boils down to your habits. If you can change one of them, you can change any of them that aren't good for you. Powerful bonds of love can come from sharing the truth.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Today holds lots of diversity. Conflicting opinions create interesting love. You wouldn't want to get along all the time anyway you need adversity and excitement. Pressurized emotions blow over tonight.
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Library News

New large print fiction and mystery books available

Topics covering World War II, John Kerry, faith-based literature, new fiction titles, series ready for check-out

A few new large print fiction and mysteries have trickled in. New titles that can be found on the appropriate shelves are "About Face" by Fern Michaels, "Someone to Watch Over Me" by Judith McNaught, Karen Robards' "Heartbreaker" and J.D. Robb's "Portrait in Death."



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New LP Mysteries are "The Second Time Around" by Mary Higgins Clark, "Dead Aim" by Iris Johansen, "Lost Light" by Michael Connelly and a favorite of many persons, "The Cat Who Brought Down the House" by Lillian Jackson Braun.

Several persons have asked for the "Harmony" novels by author Philip Gulley. The library has received three of his books, "Just Shy of Harmony," "Signs and Wonders," and "Life Goes On." This is a series that begins with "Home to Harmony" which the library does have. Look for these in the fiction section.

Gulley also has several non-fiction books of faith: "If Grace Were True" (234 GUL P); "Hometown Tales" (242 GUL P); "For Everything a Season" (242 GUL P) and "Front Porch Tales" (242 GUL P). Ready for some good non-fiction? How about "Funny Cide" (798.400 JEN S) by Sally Jenkins? This is the story of the horse who nearly won the Triple Crown. This is a fairy tale story of an unheralded gelding that beat the millionaire owners at their own game.

"Omaha Beach: D-Day" (940.542 BAL J) by Joseph Balkoski tells the story of untried American troops assaulting a 4 and 1/2 mile front consisting of sand, stones and cliffs. Facing blistering fire from the Germans, the American troops finally prevailed, although at a high cost. If you enjoy reading military history, then you must read it.

Running out of room! These are titles that have just come in to the library. "My Life Among the Serial Killers" (364.152 MOR H) by Helen Morrison; "Loud and Clear" (814.54 QUI A) by Anna Quindlen; "The Secret Life of Germs" (616.01 TIE P) by Philip Tierno, and "Preventing Alzheimer's: Ways to Help Prevent" (616.831 SHA W) by William Shankle. New biographies are "John F. Kerry" (B KER J) and "Ben Hogan: An American Life" (B HOG B).

Did you read the "Da Vinci Code" by Dan Brown? We have just received one of his earlier works, "Digital Fortress." The story itself is centered on the National Security Agency, the NSA, and how it operates, what it does and what it would like to do. Susan Fletcher a very intelligent and beautiful intellectual who is the head of the Crypto Group and her boyfriend David Becker, a university professor for languages, get entangled in some very interesting and dangerous situations. The action comes very fast and is well written. Brown puts several twists into this tale of the intelligence world and how it totally revolves around high powered computers and unbreakable algorithms. If you are a fan of techno fiction than you will find this a great and entertaining read.

The library also has "Deception Point," another one of his earlier works. Sisters Rebecca and Carleen, along with their daughters, are headed for Blue Lick Springs, Ky., where they are looking forward to reuniting with their baby sister Irene for their mother's 75th birthday. But what begins as a road trip is really a journey of the heart for each sister as they put the pieces of their lives together before the big celebration.

Rebecca decides to save Blue Lick Springs singlehandedly from ruthless real estate developers bent on razing beloved landmarks to make way for parking lots. This is a "heart" book that makes you re-evaluate your own relationships. Check out "The Southern Belles of Honeysuckle Way" by Linda Bruckheimer. It will be on the new book shelf. In "The Ocean Between Us," Steve and Grace Bennett confront changes. Steve is a perfect navy officer with a perfect navy family, and he's confident that his world is just the way it should be. But his son wants to be an

artist instead of attending the U.S. Naval Academy, and his stalwart and capable wife of 20 years, Grace, is tired of being the perfect navy wife. She wants her own home, and she wants her own career. She's feeling altogether unsettled, but nothing is more unsettling than the secret her husband has hidden from her their entire marriage. If you were a military wife who was uprooted every few years for a new posting, you will recognize Grace's hopes and desires. Look for it on the new book shelf.

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Hollis McCright is the Howard County librarian. Her column appears every Wednesday in the Big Spring Herald.

Eleanor Garrett reception set

A reception honoring former Coahoma Mayor Eleanor Garrett is set for Saturday from 2-4 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. The public is invited.

CASA training starts in June

Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of West Texas begins a new training opportunity for Howard County volunteers beginning June 7.

CASA volunteers are selected by a judge to be an advocate for a child involved in a legal child abuse or neglect case. The CASA volunteer provides the court officer with information concerning the well-being of the child and the best option for safety and stability within a home environment. The program requires 30 hours of training during a two-week schedule, and a commitment of about eight to 10 hours per month, depending on the case.

This service is vitally important to the well-being and success of abused children in Howard County, and CASA volunteers are urgently needed. If you retrieved an application to become a CASA volunteer during the Community Health Fair in April, or to become a CASA volunteer contact at Debbie or Tracy at 263-4162 or Donna or Patty 432-683-1114.

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West Texas junior golf c

The Best of Junior Golf (BJG) will be held in San Angelo, Texas, June 1-3. The tournament will be played at Country Quicksand and San Country Club. Open to boys ages nine through 18. The cost of entry is \$15 per player and trophies awarded to each age group.

BSJHS volleyball tryouts hits

The last day for the BSJHS volleyball team tryouts is today at the gymnasium from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. There is a fee, but participants are more than one day out.

Over 80 sets for mld

The Big Spring Country Club is hosting an scramble tournament. There will be a cart, but players are welcome. The tournament will have a shotgun start and will be both Saturday and Sunday.

Barbecue course Sat

A barbecue practice round will be first round. The number of players will be determined by the number of spots. For more information, contact the shop at 432-1114.

First-annual softball to

The "generic" tournament will place May Mize Softball Big Spring. The tournament will also feature trophies. For more information, contact DeLeon J. 0594, Gonzales or Chris C. 816-6695.

San Angelo all-star c

The 11th star class tournament is scheduled in San Angelo. The tournament will feature 1 and women's. The cost is per team. There is a maximum of 10 teams. To enter, call 1-325-277-4.

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1999 GMC Suburban LT - Dual air, all power, tan. Was \$17,995 NOW \$12,995	1997 Dodge Grand Caravan - White, clean van, dual air. Was \$8,995 NOW \$4,995	2000 Pontiac Bonneville SE 4-DR - Silver, cloth, all power, one owner w/42,000 miles. Was \$12,995 NOW \$11,995
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2000 Ford Taurus SE - White, all power, 67,000 miles. Was \$9,995 NOW \$6,995	2001 Chevrolet Tahoe L.S. 4-DR. - Pewter, cloth, all power, one owner, 50,000 miles. Was \$24,995 NOW \$19,995	2000 Volkswagen Jetta GLS Turbo Diesel - White, great mileage. Was \$10,995 NOW \$9,995
1999 GMC Suburban LT - Dual air, all power, tan. Was \$17,995 NOW \$12,995	2002 GMC Sierra 2500 Ext. Cab 4X4 L.S. - Pewter, cloth, all power, local one owner w/56,000 miles. Was \$23,995 NOW \$22,995	2000 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series - Gray w/leather, one owner. Was \$14,995 NOW \$11,995
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1997 Dodge Grand Caravan - White, clean van, dual air. Was \$8,995 NOW \$4,995	2000 Ford F250 Supercab XL Powerstroke Diesel - Silver, 6 speed, local one owner w/80,000 miles. Was \$20,995 NOW \$19,995	1999 Lincoln Town Car Executive Series - White w/leather, one owner. Was \$10,995 NOW \$9,995
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2003 Ford Windstar - 4-DR. - Tan, all power, dual air/heat, 44,000 miles. Was \$18,995 NOW \$17,995	2001 GMC Sierra 2500 Ext. Cab 4X4 L.S. - Pewter, cloth, all power, local one owner w/56,000 miles. Was \$23,995 NOW \$22,995	1997 Ford Mustang - Green, 6 cyl., automatic. Was \$6,995 NOW \$5,995
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2003 Ford Taurus SES - White, cloth, all power, 14,000 miles. Was \$14,995 NOW \$13,995	2002 Ford Expedition Eddie Bauer - Blue/tan, leather, rear entertainment center, local one owner w/33,000 miles, loaded. Was \$25,995 NOW \$24,995	1992 Mercury Grand Marquis L.S. - White, locally owned w/only 58,000 miles. Was \$6,995 NOW \$5,995
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	2001 Chevrolet Tahoe L.S. 4-DR. - Red w/cloth, all power, one owner w/50,000 miles. Was \$19,995 NOW \$18,995	
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	1998 Ford Explorer XLT 4-DR. - Tan w/cloth, all power, local one owner w/69,000 miles. Was \$9,995 NOW \$8,995	
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IN BRIEF

West Texas' best junior golf classic set

The Best of the West Junior Golf Classic will be held in San Angelo June 1-3.

The tournament will be played at Bentwood Country Club, Quicksand Golf Course and San Angelo Country Club. It will be open to boys and girls ages nine through 18.

The cost of the tournament is \$100 per player and trophies will be awarded to the top five in each age group.

BSJHS volleyball tryouts hits final day

The last day to tryout for the BSJHS volleyball team will be held today at the BSJHS gymnasium from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. There is no fee, but players must participate in more than one day of the tryouts.

Over 80 scramble set for mid-June

The Big Spring Country Club will be hosting an over 80 golf scramble June 19-20.

There will be a \$60 per player fee plus golf cart, but private carts are welcome as well.

The tournament will have a shotgun start and will begin at 1 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday.

The entry fee includes a barbecue on the course Saturday and a practice round Friday (golf cart extra.) The field will be flighted by first round score and the number of flights will be determined by the number of entries. For more information, contact the pro shop at 432-0267-5354.

First-annual generic softball touney set

The first-annual "generic brand" softball tournament will take place May 22-23 at the Mize Softball Field in Big Spring.

The entry fee for the tournament is \$115 and the tournament is for class D and E only. Trophies and t-shirts will also be awarded to first through third place.

For more information, contact Ray Deleon Jr. at 432-213-0594, Dominique Gonzales at 432-263-8219 or Chris Carrillo at 432-816-6695.

San Angelo sets all-star classic date

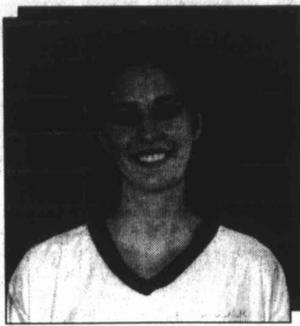
The 11th annual all-star classic basketball tournament has been scheduled for May 22-23 in San Angelo.

The tournament will feature both a men's and women's division. The cost for men is \$175 per team, while a women's team cost \$75. There is a 10-player maximum for both divisions.

To enter, call Chris at 1-325-277-0628.

ON THE AIR

Sports Broadcast Schedule		
Event, Time	Today	Station
Amos & Morte, 9:00 p.m.	1490	
Thursday		
Event, Time	Station	
Lady Hawks vs. Wabash Valley, 1:00 p.m.	1490	
Lady Hawks @ National Tourney, 4:45 p.m.	1490	
Friday		
Event, Time	Station	
Subluga vs. Post @Midland, 9:45 p.m.	1490	



Ray

Howard College head women's basketball coach Lorin Miller has announced the signing of Kristen Ray of Electra High School to the Lady Hawk women's basketball program. As an athlete she maintained a 94 or above grade point average during her four years of high school. Ray is seventh out of 49 students in her class and is on the Distinguished Plan.

"Kristen is the type of person we want in our program," said Miller. "She is committed to basketball and is strong academically."

Other honors, awards and organizations Ray participated in are:

Organizations
National Honor Society
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
First Baptist Youth Group

Honors
Algebra 2 Award
Class Favorite — sophomore year
Most Typical Girl — senior year
Basketball Queen — junior and senior years

Basketball
Academic All-District 7-2A — junior and senior years
First Team All-District — junior and senior years
Honorable Mention All-District — sophomore year
TABC Academic All-State — senior year
TGCA Academic All-State — senior year

Volleyball
Academic All-District — junior and senior years
First Team All-District — sophomore, junior and senior years
Honorable Mention All-District — freshman year

UIL PLAYOFFS

Softball Regional Semifinal:
Big Spring (32-4-1) vs. Crowley @ Abilene Christian University, Saturday 2 p.m. (please note the start time changed from 1 p.m.)

Baseball Regional Quarterfinal:
Coahoma (14-11) vs. Post in best of three series @Christansen Stadium in Midland
Game 1: Friday, 7 p.m.
Game 2: Saturday, 4:30 p.m.
Game 3: Saturday after game two (if needed)

2004 NJCAA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT CLERMONT, FLA. SEEDINGS AND SCHEDULE

- Thursday May 20**
#3 Gulf Coast vs. #14 Carl Albert, 12 p.m. (field 1)
#6 Texarkana vs. #11 Briarcliffe, 2 p.m. (field 1)
#7 Neosho vs. #10 Young Harris, 12 p.m. (field 2)
#2 Pima vs. #15 Central Alabama, 2 p.m. (field 2)
#1 Indian River vs. #16 N. C. Missouri, 12 p.m. (field 3)
#8 Wabash Valley vs. #9 Howard, 2 p.m. (field 3)
#5 Salt Lake vs. #12 Indian Hills, 12 p.m. (field 4)
#4 Chattanooga vs. #13 Kansas City Kansas, 2 p.m. (field 4)

*Wabash Valley has a record of 44-7.

*Howard College enters the National Tournament with a no. 17 national ranking.

Brashears, three others sign with West Texas A&M

Special to the HERALD

Howard College basketball player Finlay Brashears, along with three other athletes, signed letters of intent to further their careers on the hardwood at West Texas A&M University, according to head coach Rick Cooper.

The Buffaloes also signed Jarvis Brown of Midland College, Ronnie Holmes of Ohlone College and Jordanas Mejeras of Weatherford College. Brashears, Brown and Holmes will have two years of eligibility left, while Mejeras has three.

These four signings bring the 2004 recruiting class to six, joining

Amarillo High School's Tyler Cooper and Kyle Shields of Palo Duro High School. Both Cooper and Shields signed last month.

Brashears, a 6-foot 6-inch forward, led the Hawks to a 44-14 record the past two seasons. Brashears averaged 7.2 points per game and started 22 of 26 games that he played in.

"Finlay is an excellent passer and a solid team performer," said Cooper. "He gives us added talent and depth at the forward position."

Brown is a 6-foot 3-inch guard from Midland. He started every game for the Chaparrals, leading them to a 30-7 season this

year, including 13-1 in the WJCAC.

"Jarvis is an immediate help at the guard spot," said Cooper. "He comes from one of the top junior colleges in America and knows how to win, as well as being an excellent defender."

As a starter, Holmes averaged 14 points, seven assists, four rebounds and a league-high in steals at just over three per game.

WTAMU finished the season with an 18-10 overall record. It was the Buffaloes 11th straight winning season under Cooper and 18th consecutive winning season overall.

"The Unit" becomes oldest pitcher to toss perfect game

By PAUL NEWBERRY

AP Sports Writer
ATLANTA, Ga. - Randy Johnson has come a long way since his first no-hitter.

Back then, the Big Unit was just as tough to hit — he just wasn't quite sure where the ball was headed once it left his hand.

Now, at the ripe of age of 40, he has reached perfection.

Johnson became the oldest pitcher in baseball history to throw a perfect game, retiring all 27 hitters he faced in the Arizona Diamondbacks' 2-0 victory over Atlanta on Tuesday night.

"I've still got a great deal of pride," he said. "I feel like I'm throwing as good as I've ever thrown." No kidding.

Johnson threw the 17th perfect game in major league history, the 15th since the modern era began in 1900 and the first since the New York Yankees' David Cone against Montreal on July 18, 1999.

"Everything he's done up to this point pales in comparison," Arizona manager Bob Brenly said.

That's saying a lot. Johnson has won five Cy Young Awards, put up all sort of staggering strike-out numbers and helped Arizona win the World Series in 2001.

Now this, the rarest of pitching feats.

Johnson became the 27th pitcher to throw two no-hitters, and the nearly 14-year span between them was longer than anyone else. His first came for Seattle on June 2, 1990, when he no-hit Detroit but walked six.

"That was far from perfect," Johnson recalled. "I was a very young pitcher who didn't have any idea where the ball was going. I was far from being a polished pitcher. Fourteen years later, I've come a long way as far as knowing what I want to do." Johnson struck out 13 and went to three balls on just one hitter — Johnny Estrada in the second inning. Estrada fouled off three straight 3-2 pitches before going down swinging.

Late in the game, Johnson sat stoically in the dugout, staring at the ground with his eyes closed, almost appearing to be asleep.

"It didn't faze me," the left-hander said. "Winning the game was the biggest, most important thing."

His manager was a lot more nervous. From the sixth inning on, Brenly remained frozen in the same spot — sitting on the bat rack, tapping Matt Kata's bat with his knuckles.

The other players were on edge, too.

"I tell you, man," outfielder Luis Gonzalez said, "you get nervous when they're coming your way."

Cy Young had been the oldest to throw a perfect game, doing it in 1904 at age 37.

Curt Schilling, who teamed with Johnson to lead the Diamondbacks to the Series title three years ago, watched the final two innings on television in St. Petersburg, Fla. Schilling now pitches for Boston, which beat Tampa Bay 7-3.

"Guys that play the game at that level ... do things other people don't dream of doing," Schilling said. "They push themselves."

Clearly, Johnson is back on his game after being hindered by a knee injury during a 6-8 season in 2003.

"I just want to find all those people that were talking about the end of his career last winter," Schilling said.

Johnson struck out the

final batter, pinch-hitter Eddie Perez, with a 98 mph fastball.

"He could smell it at the end," Estrada said.

Johnson pumped his fist and raised his glove, but his teammates seemed a lot more excited. He started to put out his hand when Robby Hammock arrived at the mound, but the young catcher — a foot shorter than Johnson — gave the pitcher a bear hug instead.

Within seconds, Johnson was mobbed.

"I'm happy that they showed a little more emotion than I did," he said. "After a nine-inning ballgame, I'm pretty tired. I will probably take it in, maybe (Wednesday). But right now, I'm pretty tired."

Johnson threw 117 pitches — 87 for strikes. He dominated with two pitches, mixing a fastball that got faster as the night went on with a devastating slider.

"My slider was probably as sharp as it's been," he said.

The Atlanta fans began cheering Johnson in the eighth inning, and the feat stole the spotlight at ballparks around the country.

In Philadelphia, fans crowded around TV sets while the Phillies-Los Angeles game was delayed by rain. They preferred watching Johnson get the final three outs — chanting "Randy! Randy! Randy!" instead of an NHL playoff game involving the local team.

In Seattle, where Johnson pitched from 1989-98, Mariners fans applauded as the final inning of Johnson's masterpiece was shown on Safeco Field's video screen.

"I sort of miss him a little bit," said Lou Piniella, the former Seattle manager and now in Tampa Bay.

Johnson (4-4) became only the fifth pitcher to throw no-hitters in both the National and American leagues, joining Young, Jim Bunning, Hideo Nomo and Nolan Ryan.

While the Braves hit several balls hard, the closest thing to a hit was a slow roller by Atlanta pitcher Mike Hampton in the sixth. There were few other close calls against Johnson.

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Legals

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS The Big Spring Independent School District shall receive sealed bid proposals until 4:00 P.M., May 26, 2004, on the following:

Athletic Training Room Supplies Specifications and bid documents may be secured from the school district's Business Office located at 708 East 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720-4848, phone number (432)264-3620. Bids will be publicly open and read immediately following the deadline for receiving the bids in the Business Office of the Big Spring Independent School District. Bidders are invited to be present at the bid opening. Bids received after the opening date and time will be returned unopened. Bids will be presented for consideration to the Board of Trustees on June 8, 2004, at 5:15 P.M. at their regularly scheduled board meeting. The Big Spring Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. #4215 May 12 & 19, 2004

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This Date In History

By The Associated Press
Today is Wednesday, May 19, the 140th day of 2004. There are 226 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
Ten years ago, on May 19, 1994, former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis died in New York at age 64.
On this date:
In 1643, delegates from four New England colonies met in Boston to form a confederation.
In 1906, the Federated Boys' Clubs, forerunner of the Boys' Clubs of America, were organized.
In 1935, T.E. Lawrence, also known as "Lawrence of Arabia," died in England from injuries sustained in a motorcycle crash.
In 1943, in an address to the U.S. Congress, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill pledged his country's full support in the war against Japan.
In 1954, 50 years ago, American composer Charles Ives died in New York.
In 1958, the United States and Canada formally established the North American Air Defense Command.
In 1962, during a Democratic fund-raiser at New York's Madison Square Garden, actress Marilyn Monroe performed a sultry rendition of "Happy Birthday to You" for guest-of-honor President Kennedy.
In 1964, the State Department disclosed that 40 hidden microphones had been found in the U.S. embassy in Moscow.
In 1967, the Soviet Union ratified a treaty with the United States and Britain banning nuclear weapons from outer space.
In 1992, the 27th Amendment to the Constitution, which prohibits Congress from giving itself mid-term pay raises, went into effect.

Today's Birthdays: PBS newscaster Jim Lehrer is 70. T.V. personality David Hartman is 69. Actor James Fox is 65. Actress Nancy Kwan is 65. Author-director Nora Ephron is 63. Rock singer-composer Pete Townshend (The Who) is 59. Concert pianist David Helfgott is 57. Rock singer-musician Dusty Hill (ZZ Top) is 55. Singer-actress Grace Jones is 52. Rock musician Phil Rudd (AC/DC) is 50. Baseball catcher Rick Cerone is 50. Actor Steven Ford is 48. Rock musician Iain Harvie (Del Amitri) is 42. Rock singer Jenny Berggren (Ace of Base) is 32.

Answer to previous puzzle
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Newsday Crossword WESTERN WORDS by Daniel R. Stark

Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS
1 Funny stuff, à la Variety
6 Church robes
10 Desert surface
14 House made of ice
15 Objective
16 State firmly
17 Sink part
18 Jackson or Rice
19 Take a chance
20 Good counsel
22 Prima donna
23 Low digit
24 Made taffy
26 Gordon of Oklahoma!
30 In flames
32 Mrs. Goes to Paris
33 Bed choice
37 Learn (about)
38 Safer to drink
39 Patron saint of Norway
40 Delicate blossoms
42 Wall covering
43 Track prelims
44 Gets out of debt
45 Noiseless
48 Came upon
49 Walkie-talkie word
50 Distant
57 Pantry contents
58 Great Lakes state
59 Orbital shapes
60 New Yorker cartoonist
61 Art-class model
62 Rare sky sight
63 Clancy hero
64 Cats do it
65 Midis cover them
7 Ex of Burt
8 Judge's bench
9 Less alert
10 Leather cleaner
11 Be of use
12 Dendrite site
13 Feel anxiety
21 Female rabbit
25 Coffee maker
26 Anthony
27 Region
28 Overstuff
29 Monitor closely
30 Faint glows
31 Doctor's charges
33 Give notice
34 Femur joiners
35 Wacky
36 Small salamanders
38 Military units
41 Author Deighton
42 Erstwhile gag gift
44 TKO caller
45 Up to now
46 Tusk material
47 Helmsley of hotels
48 Lowed
51 "Nopel!"
52 Seaside flow
53 English river
54 Point the finger at
55 High spirits
56 Ballpark figs.

13x13 crossword grid with numbers 1-65 indicating starting positions for the words listed.

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Miscellaneous

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Mitchell County Hospital is accepting applications for an LVN 7P to 7A shift.
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CITY OF Big Spring is accepting applications for Utility Service Worker. This position is responsible for participating in the repair and maintenance of water and sewer mains, lines and meters. For further information contact the Personnel Department at City Hall, 310 Nolan, Big Spring, TX 79720 or call (432)264-2346. The City of Big Spring is EOE.

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How the Arabs soften up world opinion with fanciful myths.

Josef Goebbels, the infamous propaganda minister of the Nazis, had it right. Just tell people big lies often enough and they will believe them. The Arabs have learned that lesson well. They have swayed world opinion by endlessly repeating myths and lies that have no basis in fact.

What are some of these myths?

The "Palestinians." That is the fundamental myth. The reality is that the concept of "Palestinians" is one that did not exist until about 1948, when the Arab inhabitants of what until then was Palestine, wished to differentiate themselves from the Jews. Until then, the Jews were the Palestinians. There was the Palestinian Brigade of Jewish volunteers in the British World War II Army (at a time when the Palestinian Arabs were in Berlin hatching plans with Adolf Hitler for world conquest and how to kill all the Jews); there was the Palestinian Symphony Orchestra (all Jews, of course); there was *The Palestine Post*, and so much more.

The Arabs, who now call themselves "Palestinians," do so in order to persuade a misinformed world that they are a distinct nationality and that "Palestine" is their ancestral homeland. But, of course, they are no distinct nationality at all. They are entirely the same — in language, customs, and tribal ties — as the Arabs of Syria, Jordan, and beyond. There is no more difference between the "Palestinians" and the other Arabs of those countries than there is between, say, the citizens of Minnesota and of Wisconsin.

What's more, many of the "Palestinians," or their immediate ancestors, came to the area attracted by the prosperity created by the Jews, in what previously had been pretty much of a wasteland.

The nationhood of the "Palestinians" is a myth. **The "West Bank."** Again, this is a concept that did not exist until 1948, when the army of the Kingdom of Transjordan, together with five other Arab armies, invaded the Jewish state of Israel, on the very day of its creation.

In what can almost be described as a Biblical miracle, the ragtag Jewish forces defeated the combined Arab might. But Transjordan stayed in possession of the territories of Judea and Samaria and part of the city of Jerusalem. The Jordanians promptly expelled all Jews from the area that

they occupied, destroyed all Jewish institutions and houses of worship, used Jewish cemetery headstones to build military latrines, and renamed as "West Bank" what had been Judea and Samaria since time immemorial.

The attempt, quite successful, was to persuade an uninformed world that these territories were ancestral parts of the Jordanian Arab Kingdom (itself a very recent creation of British power diplomacy). Even after the total rout of the Arabs in the 1967 Six-Day War, in which the Jordanians were driven out of Judea/Samaria and of Jerusalem, they and the world continued to call this territory

the "West Bank", a geographical concept that cannot be found on any except the most recent maps.

The concept of the "West Bank" is a myth. **The "Occupied Territories."** After the victorious Six-Day War, during which the Israeli army defeated the same cabal of Arabs that had invaded the country in 1948, Israel remained in possession of Judea/Samaria (now renamed "West Bank"), which the Jordanians had illegally occupied for 19 years; of the Gaza strip, which had been occupied by the Egyptians but which (hundreds of miles from Egypt proper) had never been part of their country; and of the Golan Heights, a plateau of about 400 square miles, which, though originally part of Palestine, had been ceded to Syria by British-French agreement.

The last sovereign in Judea/Samaria and in Gaza was the British mandatory power — and before it was the Ottoman Empire. All of Palestine, including what is now the Kingdom of Jordan, was, by the Balfour Declaration, destined to be the Jewish National Home. How then could the Israelis be "occupiers" in their own territory? Who would be the sovereign and who the rightful inhabitants?

The concept of "occupied territories" in reference to Judea/Samaria and Gaza is a myth created by Arab propaganda.

Unable so far to destroy Israel on the battlefield — though they are feverishly preparing for their next assault — the Arabs are now trying to overcome and destroy Israel by their acknowledged "policy of stages". That policy is to get as much land as possible carved out of Israel "by peaceful and diplomatic" means, so as to make Israel indefensible and softened up for the final assault. The web of lies and myths that the Arab propaganda machine has created plays an important role in the unrelenting quest to destroy the State of Israel. What a shame that the world has accepted most of it!

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