



Exxon dethrones Wal-Mart

Oil company rakes in historic profits to top Fortune 500 list

By J.W. ELPHINSTONE

AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Skyrocketing energy prices propelled Exxon Mobil Corp. to the top of the 2006 Fortune 500 list, and consigned Wal-Mart Stores Inc. to the No. 2 spot on the magazine's annual ranking of the nation's largest publicly traded companies.

Fortune compiled its list based on companies' 2005 revenues. Exxon Mobil raked in \$340 billion in revenue, a 25.5 percent increase over 2004, and had \$36.1 billion in profits, the most by any U.S. company in history.

Irving-based Exxon Mobil last appeared at No. 1 in 2001. Only Wal-Mart, Exxon Mobil and General Motors Corp. have topped the list since its inception in 1954.

Wal-Mart had \$315.654 billion in revenue, a 9.5 percent increase from last year. Because of its pervasive U.S. presence, the world's largest retailer has struggled to sustain profit growth in the high teens as it had in previous years.

Other oil producers also rose in the rankings, boosted by crude prices that topped \$70 a barrel and gasoline prices that surpassed \$3 a gallon after hurricanes battered the Gulf Coast.

Both ChevronTexaco Corp. and ConocoPhillips saw their revenues jump in 2005, increasing by 28 percent and 37 percent, respectively. Chevron climbed two spots to No. 4, while Conoco edged up to No. 6 from No. 7 last year.

The major U.S. automakers showed their vulnerability as they faced declining U.S. sales and increasing benefit costs.

GM barely retained its hold on the No. 3 spot, while Ford Motor Co. slipped to fifth place from No. 4. GM's revenues decreased nearly one-half percent to \$192.604 billion, while Ford's rose less than 3 percent to \$177.21 billion.

General Electric slipped two rungs to No. 7, while its revenue rose 3.1 percent to \$157.153 billion. Citigroup and American International Group followed at Nos. 8 and 9, holding their places from 2005.

International Business Machines Corp. held onto the last spot in the top 10, although its revenues fell by 5.4 percent to \$91.134 billion.

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Four Howard County Volunteer Fire Department personnel are silhouetted against a bonfire organized by the Coahoma community development group Saturday evening. The bonfire contained the remains of four dilapidated structures demolished during a community wide cleanup effort last December.

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Burning desire to improve Coahoma cause for cleanup

Community hopes to see new construction

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

COAHOMA — They tore them down. Then they burned them down.

After a community wide cleanup effort in December that resulted in the demolishing of four dilapidated structures, Coahoma residents gathered Saturday evening to watch as the remains of those buildings were burned in a celebratory bonfire.

Few people were on hand when the fire was lit around 7 p.m., but, as if the huge column of black smoke served as a homing beacon, more and more people gathered at the bonfire site just off of First

Street as the evening wore on.

The bonfire was organized by the Coahoma community development team, which had overseen the demolition of the condemned structures late last year.

The fire was delayed for some time because of particularly dry conditions during the past few months. And, to make sure the flames didn't spread, a large contingent of Howard County Volunteer Fire Department personnel were on hand to keep an eye on things.

To enhance the celebratory feel of the event, free food and drinks were made available to those in attendance.

Coahoma Mayor Bill Read,

who has been a driving force in the local community development effort, was among the first to arrive for the event.

"This feels good," Read said. "But now, we need to change our mission — instead of demolishing, we need to start constructing."

The community development group, part of the county wide Rural Community College Initiative (RCCI), is now searching for property to construct new homes in the Coahoma area, Read said.

And while that activity may not be as eye-catching as bonfires or wrecking balls, it is even more important to the community's future, he declared.

Citizens band together for '06 Trash-Off

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Staff Writer

First impressions are important when it comes to meeting people. The same can be said upon arrival to a new town. For some citizens of Big Spring this belief was the inspiration to brave the wind and pick up trash Saturday morning.

Donning their orange vests and with trash bags in hand, many took it upon themselves to ensure that anyone who flies or drives to Big Spring gets a great first impression.

For five years, Gloria McDonald and Judy Little have been striving to make sure the McMahan-Wrinkle Airpark is presentable to people who utilize the airport.

"Corporate people fly in every year," said McDonald. "The entrance needs to be a good first impression." McDonald also wants people to understand that Big Spring is not made up of a chosen few.

"The city is everybody," McDonald explained. "The people of Big Spring need to keep it clean. Everybody must

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Cinco de Mayo

Plans under way for festival here

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Preparations for the annual Big Spring Cinco de Mayo Festival are in motion, as project coordinators get ready for a two-day stint in downtown Big Spring May 5 and 6.

According to festival coordinator Kelly Zant, the holiday is shaping up to be a spectacular combination of food, fun and music.

"Big Spring Cinco de Mayo Festival is true family fun, combining great food and awesome Texas country and Tejano music for a good old two-stepping and Cumbia dancing good time," said Zant. "This year's festival will feature the artistry of Folklorico de Guadalupe, as they demonstrate both Mariachi and Folklorico dance forms."

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

Zant said the festival will get under way Friday, May 5 at 6 p.m. and continue through the evening.

"A variety of attractions and entertainment, including a street dance

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Zant



Concerned Citizens Council members A.J. and Boosie Weaver, participated in Saturday's Texas Trash-Off, sponsored locally by Keep Big Spring Beautiful.

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Obituaries

John Boone 'JB' Patterson

John Boone "JB" Patterson, 90, of Snyder died Sunday, April 2, 2006, at his home following a lengthy illness. Services are 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at the First Baptist Church in Snyder with the Rev. Guy White Sr. and the Rev. Ken Andress officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive visitors today from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

He was born July 15, 1915, in Blackwell. He married Mamie Helen Boyle March 8, 1946, in Snyder. He was a farmer and a member of First Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and four sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Mamie Patterson of Snyder; two daughters and sons-in-law, Renee and Ted Floyd of Snyder and Retha and Larry Bates of Big Spring; two grandchildren, Holly Reynolds of Midland and Allison Canon of Snyder; and two great-grandchildren, Harrison and Hanna Reynolds of Midland.

Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Mary Jo Smart

Mary Jo Smart, 72, of Big Spring died Saturday, April 1, 2006, at her residence. Memorial services are 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at the Salvation Army Chapel with Capt. Russ Keeney and Capt. Linda Keeney officiating.

She was born May 1, 1933, in Tulsa, Okla., and married Floyd Smart. He preceded her in death.

She worked as a cook and enjoyed being with her family.

Survivors include three sons, Roy Myrick and Don Myrick, both of Big Spring and James Myrick of Hallettsville; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by two brothers, James Tindol and Johnny Tindol.

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

Jo Ann Howton

Jo Ann Howton, 75, of Stanton died Saturday, April 1, 2006, in a Lubbock nursing facility. Her services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 10 a.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. today:

- ANGEL LAREZ, 24, of 507 N. Main Street, was arrested Saturday on charges of evading arrest with a vehicle, resisting arrest and two Tom Green County warrants.
- PATRICIA PRIMIANO, 43, of 1211 Harding, was arrested Saturday on charges of driving while intoxicated and evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.
- JAMES TURNBO, 27, of 1706 State, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- HERNANDEZ LORENZO RAMIREZ, 35, of Mexico, was arrested Saturday and held for immigration services.
- GARY COLON BROOKS, 39, transient, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- BILLY JOE MARLER, 17, of 1601 S. Johnson, was arrested Sunday on a charge of minor in consumption of an alcoholic beverage.
- SHANNON ELEANOR LANG, 20, of 504 Jeffery Road, was arrested Sunday on two Howard County warrants.
- UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE was reported in the 1600 block of Fifth Street.
- UNATTENDED DEATH was reported in the 4000 block of U.S. Highway 80.
- RESISTING ARREST, SEARCH OR TRANSPORTATION was reported in the 700 block of Magnolia.
- EVADING ARREST OR DETENTION WITH A VEHICLE was reported:
 - in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard.
 - in the 700 block of Magnolia.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:
 - in the 600 block of Bucknell.
 - in the 100 block of 18th Street.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1000 block of Bluebonnet.
- THEFT was reported in the 1100 block of Lamesa.
- FAILURE TO IDENTIFY - GIVING FALSE INFORMATION was reported in the 1100 block of Nolan.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 400 block of 10th Street.

Take Note

• RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING is 5:30 p.m. Thursday in the Kentwood Activity Center. Teams are still forming for the relay, which is set for May 19-20 at Blankenship Field. For more information, call Vickie Stewart at 432-213-1069 or Jenny Sayles at 466-0088.

• HOWARD COLLEGE SPRING FLING presents the USAF Band of the West "Top Flight" at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building. For more information, call 264-5011.

• AN ACCOUNT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AT CITIZENS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION for 21-month-old Madysyn Hillger, in care of her grandmother, Debra Hillger. Madysyn has been diagnosed with a rare neurological-genetic disorder, Rett Syndrome.

Sheriff's report

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

- OTIS KERMIE PORTER, 45, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated - second offense.
- TERRI RODRIQUEZ, 41, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of assault that causes bodily injury including spouse.
- BERTHA S. HINOJOS, 34, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of bondsman off bond for a motion to revoke probation for driving while license suspended/invalid.
- DARLENE CAROLYN SHELDON, 47, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a dangerous drug.
- ELIDA H. HERNANDEZ, 47, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of issuance of a bad check and a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated.
- JAMES CURTIS HAYES, 43, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid and bondsman off bond for driving while intoxicated and theft.
- BRANDY MICHELLE BRAGG, 19, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.
- HUMBERTO CERRILLO BRISENO, 54, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of failure to appear.
- SABRINA GUTIERREZ PEREZ, 30, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- SANTIAGO MORALEZ JR., 45, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- JESSE LEON, 58, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.
- JAMIE LEE ATKINSON, 37, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.
- PATRICIA ANN PRIMIANO, 43, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated and evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.
- ROBBY CARROLL ATKINSON, 34, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended - enhanced.
- ANGEL ADOLPHO LAREZ, 24, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle, resisting arrest, search or transportation, failure to identify as a fugitive from justice and a motion to revoke probation for burglary of a building.
- CHARLES EARNEST GREGG, 62, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated - open container.
- BRYAN HEATH PEARSON, 19, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- ROBERT PEARSON, 18, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- THEODORE E. RIOS, 35, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of theft - enhanced.
- MICHAEL FRANK RUNION, 53, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of Class C assault.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 100 block of Hoosier.
- MAJOR TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of Lintner Road and FM 818.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1100 block of Goliad. Service was refused.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the 165 mile marker of Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. Service was refused.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 500 block of West 17th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of West 17th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 350. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 900 block of North Runnels. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of South Gregg Street and Whipkey Drive. Service was refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of Drake. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of Courtney Place. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of West 17th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1400 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.

Donations will be applied to travel, medical and lodging expenses. For more information, call 264-7340 or 816-1024.

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TODAY

- Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon in the Cactus Room at Howard College.
- The Big Spring Cruisers club meeting at 7 p.m. in the Texas RV Park meeting room.
- District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring meets at noon at 610 Scurry.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in La Posada Restaurant.
- Howard County ARC meets at 806 E. Third in the Bingo Hall. Call 264-0674 for more information.
- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.
- Big Spring Chapter No. 178 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

TUESDAY

- Coahoma Senior Citizen luncheon is set for 11 a.m. in the Coahoma Community Center.
- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- The Big Spring Symphony Association meets at 5:30 p.m. at 808 Scurry.
- League of Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 6 p.m. in the board room of the YMCA. For more information, contact Jennifer Patton at 714-4185 or 263-6351 or 816-6962.
- Texas Motorcycle Rights Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Spanish Inn. The public is invited. Call 268-6421 for more information.
- VFW Post 2013 meets at 7 p.m. in the VFW Hall, 500 Driver Road.
- Sheriff's Posse meets at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse on the Andrews Highway.
- Alzheimer's Association, the Greater West Texas Chapter meets at 2 p.m. in the Howard County Library conference room, 500 S. Main.
- Gospel Singing in the Kentwood Activity Center at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.
- Order of the Eastern Star No. 67 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Senior Circle meets at 10:30 a.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.
- Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge at 703 W. Third.

Weather

Tonight...Increasing clouds. Lows in the mid 50s. East winds 10 to 15 mph.
Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph. The chance of rain is 20 percent.
Tuesday night...Mostly cloudy. Isolated showers and thunderstorms in the evening. Lows in the upper 50s. South winds 15 to 20 mph. The chance of rain is 20 percent.
Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Isolated showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds 10 to 20 mph.
Wednesday night...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 60.
Thursday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s.
Thursday night...Mostly clear. Cooler. Lows in the upper 40s.
Friday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s.
Friday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the upper 40s.
Saturday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s.
Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s.
Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s.

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Keep Big Spring Beautiful members Judy Little, left, and Gloria McDonald pick up garbage during Saturday's statewide Trash-Off. Many individuals and groups were out picking up trash throughout the community.

TRASH-OFF

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participate."

Common items the two have found include fast food containers and beer bottles. The most unusual objects discovered were baffling to say the least.

"I have found a lot of clothes," said McDonald. "I found a whole suit of clothes one time — T-shirt, jeans and a pair of shoes. It made me wonder what had happened."

On another occasion an abandoned wheelchair brought concerns about the owner's welfare and prompted McDonald to notify local law enforcement.

"They never found a body, so who knows why it was left there," she said. Whi Gloria and Judy focused on the Airpark, members of the Concerned Citizens Council, A.J. and Boosie Weaver, took on a mile stretch down Third and Fourth Streets.

"Our objective is the betterment of Big Spring and Howard County," said Boosie.

Enhancing the appearance of the local landscape is hardly easy work, as the Weavers explained. They encourage people to participate to get a greater appreciation of all it entails.

"If people would do this just one time they would understand how monumental the task is," said A.J. "People really can't understand how much work this is when they're driving by at 40 miles an hour."

While picking up other people's discarded refuse, the job can be somewhat hazardous as Boosie and A.J.

described, "We found a dead porcupine one time, but of course we didn't pick it up."

While it seemed that the Weavers had the main thoroughfares on the west side of town to themselves, they were certainly not alone as other members were spread out over the two streets. Fellow members Willard Robinson and Benny Hoffacket were found one block over and had just finished their side of the street. Jean and Edward Slate were also part of the group.

As a transplant from New York, Robinson has taken pride in the Big Spring community after being a resident for only a year.

"If people really like Big Spring then they should join us," said Robinson.

"This is our community, our town," said Hoffacket. "We should be proud of our town."

"The bottom line is we care," said Robinson.

Civic groups weren't the only participants in the weekend's trash off. St. Thomas Sacred Heart's confirmation class was doing its part beautifying Westover.

"They're getting close to confirmation and one of the requirements is so many hours of community service," said Tim Green, youth pastor. "Doing this enhances their spiritual adulthood and it teaches them to be a part of the community."

For more information on the trash off and how to participate in this and other clean up projects, contact Pat Simmons at 263-4607.

To contact Andria Medlin call the Herald at 263-7331 or e-mail news-

FORTUNE

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In general, 2005 treated the top U.S. companies to big revenues and profits. The 500 brought in a combined \$9.1 trillion in revenue, a 10.2 percent increase over last year, and \$610 billion in profits, record numbers on both accounts.

Low long-term interest rates, which spurred consumer spending, and a growing global economy helped the companies to hit those records. The global economy grew by 4.25 percent, led by China, India and a recovering Japan.

"We really are a one world economy," said Cait Murphy, assistant

managing editor at Fortune. "If the global economic growth is strong, then the 500 will do well, because they have substantial operations and sales abroad."

Only three of the 47 industry groups that the magazine tracks lost money last year: the airline, motor vehicles and building materials industries.

The seven airline companies on the list lost a total of \$28.4 billion last year. Only Southwest Airlines Co. was profitable. Ten of the 16 motor vehicle companies were profitable, but big losses from GM and Delphi Corp. weighed down the sector.

Pipelines, Internet services and retailing, petroleum refining and min-

ing-crude oil production were the fastest-growing industries of 2005.

Internet services and retailing companies turned in a 125.9 percent increase in profits, prompting the magazine to create a new industry category. The most notable newcomers to the 500 fell into that category, with Google Inc. debuting at No. 353, Yahoo! Inc. at No. 412 and eBay Inc. at No. 458. The three combined for \$5.7 billion in profits.

Meanwhile, Gateway Inc. failed to make the list this year after appearing on it since 1993. Last year, the company slid in at No. 495.

"Gateway hasn't fully recovered from the dot-com bust," Murphy said.

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featuring Grupo Sierra, will continue until midnight," said Zant.

The festival will continue Saturday, May 6, from 10:30 a.m. until midnight, with an entertainment line up including Texas Pride, Adrian Calvio of

Sourhand, Conjunto Hilario and Tejano headliner Conjunto Mi Gusto. Zant said the festival will also feature some of the best food in West Texas.

"We'll have some of the area's best Mexican food and barbecue," said Zant. "We'll also have face painters, inflatable attractions and a variety of merchants. Many other

food and drink booths will be on hand, providing a menu to please every hungry festival guest."

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

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

State briefs

Four killed in pickup truck collision

HOUSTON (AP) — Four people were killed and at least 13 others injured when a truck ran a stop sign and was struck by another pickup.

One adult, a teenager and two children were killed in the Saturday night crash, authorities said. Their names weren't immediately available.

They were passengers in a Chevrolet pickup that was carrying 11 or 12 people. Their vehicle was headed east when it was hit on the driver's side by a northbound Ford pickup.

Seven or eight people were in the bed of the Chevrolet and four were in the front seat, none wearing seat belts, said Harris County Deputy Jeremy Thomas.

The driver smelled of alcohol and beer cans were found inside the truck, Thomas said.

All the occupants of the Ford pickup were wearing seatbelts. None of their injuries were life-threatening, Thomas said.

It was not clear how many of the injured came from each vehicle.

Investigators probing personal ties in slaying of CPS official

VICTORIA (AP) — Authorities investigating the slaying of a Child Protective Services administrator have no firm suspects but are interested in a half-

dozen people, including a man who once dated the woman and a couple who became angry during a visit to her office.

The partially clothed body of Sally Blackwell, 53, was found in a Victoria County field March 15. Investigators say she was strangled.

Police say two bloodhounds followed a scent on a rope found around Blackwell's neck to the home of a former Victoria Sheriff's Department captain who had dated her. The man's home was searched, but he hasn't been charged.

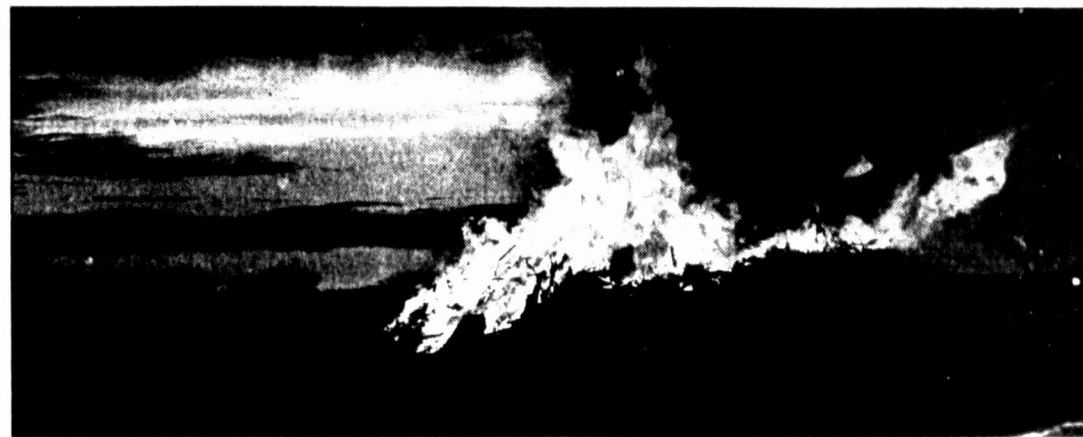
The man told investigators he and Blackwell last dated in December 2005 but that she later told him she had met someone else.

Investigators examined Blackwell's home computer after learning she had been dating online, the newspaper reported.

Investigators were also examining whether Blackwell's death was connected to her job.

A week before Blackwell's body was found, a man and woman walked into the lobby of the Victoria CPS office and demanded to talk with her. When workers told them Blackwell was in a meeting, the man loudly threatened to cause Blackwell to lose her job, said CPS spokesman Patrick Crimmins.

Blackwell began working for Child Protective Services in 1990 as a caseworker and became a supervisor in 1998. In 2001, she was promoted to program director and oversaw 46 caseworkers in nine counties.



Herald Photo/Steve Reagan

Material from four demolished structures goes up in flames during a Saturday evening bonfire organized by the Coahoma community development group. The dilapidated buildings were demolished last December during a community wide cleanup effort.

Midwest thunderstorms, tornados kill at least 23 in Tennessee, Missouri, Illinois

NEWBERN, Tenn. (AP) — Thunderstorms battered eight states across the Midwest with tornados and hail as big as softballs, killing at least 23 people, injuring scores and destroying hundreds of homes.

Tennessee was hardest hit, with tornados striking along a 25-mile path through five western counties Sunday, the National Weather Service said. State troopers sent teams into the area Monday with search dogs, Highway Patrol spokeswoman Melissa McDonald said.

Betty Sisk said she and her 13-year-old daughter and 10-year-old son tried to take cover but were thrown into the yard as their Newbern home was shredded by the storm.

"By the time the (tornado) sirens started going off, it was at our back door," Sisk said Monday. "I didn't hear a train sound, I heard a roaring."

She and the children ran into a closet until the twister blew their house apart and threw them into the yard, where they huddled until the storm passed. Nothing remained of Sisk's wood-frame home Monday but the concrete steps.

Severe thunderstorms, many producing tornados, also struck parts of Iowa, Kentucky,

Arkansas, Missouri, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana. Strong wind was blamed or at least three deaths in Missouri. A clothing store collapsed in southern Illinois, killing one man and injuring several others.

Most of the Tennessee deaths were reported around the Gibson

County towns of Bradford and Dyer, said James Brown, assistant emergency management director for the county.

In Newbern, the twister carved a path through a cluster of homes near the Jimmy Dean Foods plant north of Newbern, where several victims died. The plant, which makes breakfast sausages and other food products, was also damaged, a security guard said. A line of trees were snapped off about 9 feet above the ground.

About a half-dozen tornados struck Arkansas and one destroyed nearly half of the town of Marmaduke, according to a fire department official.

"There are people unaccounted for, but we don't even know if they were out of town yet," acting fire commander Chris Franks said Monday as crews prepared to sweep through the town to search for victims and survivors.

Officials limited access to the town in northeastern Arkansas because of a ruptured natural gas line.

"Almost every single structure in Marmaduke has minor to moderate damage but almost 50 percent of it is totally destroyed," Franks said. Much of the town also was damaged by a tornado in 1997.

At Lafe, Ark., eight miles east of Marmaduke, Dean Rollings said he and two other men watched the tornados approach.

"We stood in the parking lot and watched the clouds spin, coming from two different directions," Rollings told The Jonesboro Sun. "Then, we could hear the roaring sound. As we stood in the

door, the winds picked up debris, and we saw the other one come in another direction within minutes."

Hail 4 inches in diameter slammed right through the roof of one mobile home in Arkansas, weather service meteorologist Newton Skiles said.

About 30 miles from Newbern, a state of emergency was declared in the southeast Missouri city of Caruthersville, which was heavily damaged. Mayor Diane Sayre said there were no known deaths in the city of 6,700, but Randal Lee, a sheriff's department dispatcher, said part of the town was wiped out.

One Kentucky county declared a state of emergency early Monday as rescue workers struggled to get to rural areas where roads were blocked by power lines and trees.

"We're concerned that there's a lot of hidden back roads that are hard to get to," said Matt Snorton, Christian County's emergency management director.

Severe thunderstorms also struck Indianapolis as thousands of fans left a free John Mellencamp concert that was part of the NCAA's Final Four weekend.

In Ohio, the storms ripped off the roof and chimney from a home in Warren County northeast of Cincinnati.

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OUR VIEWS

Iran: More
useless talk
not helping

Last week's statement by the United Nations Security Council on Iran's nuclear program offered another example of the weakness of multilateral diplomacy against this threat. It took more than three weeks of concentrated effort by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and other senior officials to produce a nonbinding declaration that omits any hint of more serious action. Its issuance was accompanied by public statements from the Russian and Chinese foreign ministers and the director of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) explicitly opposing sanctions. Tehran was given 30 days to respond, or 29 more than it needed: It rejected the council's request for a suspension of uranium enrichment within hours. The bottom line is that another month will pass during which Iran will continue to build a bombmaking capacity without suffering any serious pressure from the outside world.

The Bush administration's diplomatic strategy on Iran has had the virtue, at least, of improving relations with key European allies such as Germany and France and of establishing a consensus against an Iranian bomb including Russia and China. But so far the Iranian government doesn't appear greatly troubled by the meetings of the Security Council's permanent five members and Germany, much less by the issuance of watered-down statements. If diplomacy is going to be effective, considerably greater pressure will have to be placed on a regime that has been riding a wave of radicalism.

Greater pressure through the Security Council will require, first of all, greater cooperation from Russia. Russian President Vladimir Putin so far has been the biggest winner in the diplomatic maneuvering. The Bush administration's hope that Putin will help explains why it has failed to react to Russian provocations in much of the rest of the world. So the first step toward a more effective Iran policy is to call Putin's bluff. If he does not share the interest of the other Group of Eight nations in punishing the Iranian leadership for its pursuit of nuclear weapons, then there should be no further reason to treat him as an ally. He should be asked for a decision before he hosts the G8 summit in St. Petersburg this summer.

If Putin decides not to cooperate with the West, then the United States can still forge a coalition against Iran outside the Security Council. European governments that want to prevent an Iranian bomb — and want to create an alternative to military action by the United States or Israel — could be persuaded to agree on sanctions that target Iranian leaders and their assets, exports of materials that could be used in nuclear facilities, or new investment in Iran's oil industry. Even such a limited sanctions regime would be preferable to endless, empty discussions at the Security Council or the IAEA.

IAEA Director Mohamed ElBaradei suggests that negotiations, rather than sanctions, are the right approach to Iran; no doubt he agrees with those in Washington who suggest that the Bush administration open direct talks with the Iranian regime.

It's true that a negotiated end to Iran's bomb ambitions would eventually require U.S. involvement. But U.S.-Iranian negotiations now, while satisfying a longstanding ambition of the mullahs, would end the possibility of sanctions by other countries and bolster a regime that calls openly for the eradication of Israel. Two years of negotiations by European governments with Iran, backed by the United States, led only to more uranium enrichment. The objective now must be to induce Iran to stop that activity — not to talk more about it.

—THE WASHINGTON POST

Democratic 'leadership' a joke

After the 2004 election, liberals bombarded us with endless screeds sneering at how stupid, gullible and reality-challenged Red-staters were to have voted for President Bush. But in ploy after partisan ploy ever since, the Democratic leadership has made it painfully obvious they regard their own constituencies with similar contempt.

Their latest antic, the unveiling of their "Real Security" plan is so insultingly juvenile it would barely qualify for a "Saturday Night Live" skit. Just how dense do they think Americans are?

Before examining the elements of the "plan," which could (and might) have been written on a napkin, we are entitled to ask why they came up with one at all. In November, their leader, Howard Dean, testily announced that it was not incumbent upon the opposition party to come up with a plan.

A month later, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., said that Democrats would "produce an issue agenda for the 2006 elections," but it would "not include a position on Iraq because they couldn't reach a consensus. Pelosi said, "There is no one Democratic voice and there is no one Democratic position."

But something must have changed their minds. Maybe it finally dawned on them that for all their gloating about President Bush's low approval ratings, their own ratings are also anemic.

This is reportedly the second in a series of agenda papers they plan to release, the first being —

try not to gag — "Honest Leadership." Though this document claims to contain a plan for Iraq, it really offers little new. It outlines broad goals for the war on terror and Iraq, but offers no strategic, much less tactical, specifics.

After all their complaining, the Democrats' plan doesn't even demand immediate withdrawal from Iraq. Why? For the same reason they took so long to come up with a "plan" of their own in the first place. They couldn't agree among themselves.

Now they have come up with a junior high school-level outline designed to convince Americans they are better equipped to lead our nation in war. Actually, I don't mean to offend junior high school students, who also might feel insulted at such patronizing slogans as "tough and smart" and "strong and smart" — as if the human mind is capable of making a distinction between those two formulations.

They don't bother to tell us precisely how their "plan" is "stronger and smarter" any more than they ever fill in the blanks for their empty slogan "We can do better." But during the press conference announcing the plan, I could have easily envisioned Sen. Harry Reid morphing into Popeye, downing a can of spinach and flexing his bicep with an admiring Nancy Pelosi as Olive Oyl looking on wistfully. Actually, I think I did see that image.

Perhaps the plan's most amateurish component is its declaration that, by golly, they're going to quit fooling around and capture Osama bin Laden. Again, they don't say how, or even give us a hint, but can you blame them? When you were playing cowboys and Indians or war on the kindergarten playground, did you want to give away your battle plans to

the other kids?

The most insulting aspect of the "plan" is that it mostly just reaffirms goals this administration is already pursuing. "We will ensure 2006 is a year of significant transition to full Iraqi sovereignty." Significant transition? Excuse me for being underwhelmed with those weasel words. Excuse me for being too obtuse to fathom how this differs from the administration's already-stated goals. Excuse me for being so sarcastic and wanting to be much worse.

It is incomprehensible Democratic leaders believe they can rehabilitate their richly deserved image as soft on defense and terror with one nondescript issue statement. They have voted against our weapons systems for decades, gutted the defense budget under President Clinton and opposed President Bush almost every step of the way in the war on terror. Do they now think they can waltz in with a mere three-page wish list and magically regain the people's trust on national security?

Most remarkably, the document reveals just how thoroughly partisan the Democratic leadership has become — not that we needed further proof. The tipoff is in their plan's virtual indistinguishability from the president's goals. Since their plan ratifies most of the president's aims in the war on terror, they have just forfeited all their lame excuses for having opposed him so relentlessly on war issues.

They would do well to remember that the terrorists are our enemy, not George Bush. It's time they remove their partisan blinders and join him in this war, instead of throwing up phony opposition and phony plans — unless, of course, they don't mean a word contained in their "plan" in the first place.

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Immigration 101 for beginners

Immigration 101 for beginners and non-Texans. In 1983, I was a judge at the Terlingua Chili Cookoff, and my memory of the events may not be perfect — for example, for years I've been claiming Jimmy Carter was president at the time, but that's the kind of detail one often loses track of in Terlingua.

Anyway, it was '83 or some year right around there when we held The Fence climbing contest. See, the people talked about building The Fence back then, too. The Fence along the Mexican border. To keep them out.

At the time, the proposal was quite specific — a 17-foot cyclone fence with bob wire at the top. So a test fence was built at Terlingua, and the First-Ever Terlingua Memorial Over, Under or Through Mexican Fence Climbing Contest took place. Prize: a case of Lone Star beer. Winning time: 30 seconds.

I tell this story to make the one single point about the border and immigration we know to be true: The Fence will not work. No fence will work. The Great darn Wall of China will not work. Do not build a fence. It will not work. They will come anyway. Over, under or through.

Some of you think a fence will work because Israel has one. Israel is a very small country. Anyone who says a fence can fix this problem is a demagogue and an idiot.

Numero Two-o, should you actually want to stop Mexicans and OTMs (other than Mexicans) from coming to the United States, here is how to do it: Find an illegal worker at a large corporation. This is not difficult — brooms and mops are big tip-offs. Then put the CEO of that corporation in prison for two or more years for violating the law against hiring illegal workers.

Got it? You can also imprison the corporate official who actually hired the illegal and, just to make sure, put some Betty Sue Billups — housewife, preferably one with blonde hair in a flip — in the joint for a two-year stretch for hiring a Mexican gardener.

Thus Americans are reminded that the law says it is illegal to hire illegal workers and that anyone who hires one is responsible for verifying whether or not his or her papers are in order. If you get fooled and one slips by you, too bad, you go to jail anyway.

When there are no jobs for illegal workers, they do not come. Got it?

Of course, this has been proposed before, because there is nothing new in the immigration debate. As the current issue of Texas Monthly reminds us, the old bracero program dating from World War II was actually amended in 1952 to pass the "Texas proviso," shielding employers of illegal workers from criminal penalties. They got the exemption because Texas growers flat refused to pay the required bracero wage of 30 cents an hour. Instead of punishing Texas growers for breaking the law, Congress rewarded them.

In 1986, the Reagan administration took a shot at immigration reform and reinstated penalties on employers. They weren't enforced worth a darn, of course. In 2004, only three American companies were threatened with fines for hiring illegal workers. Doesn't work if you don't enforce it.

This brings us to the great Republican divide on the issue. Conservatives, in general, are anti-immigrant for the same rea-

sons they have always been anti-immigrant — a proud tradition in our nation of immigrants going back to the days of the founders, when Ben Franklin thought we were going to be overrun by Germans. But business likes illegal workers. The Chamber of Commerce lobbies for them. They're lobbying now for a new bracero program. What a bonanza for bidness.

Old-fashioned anti-immigrant prejudice always brings out some old-fashioned racists. This time around, they have started claiming that Mexicans can't assimilate. A sillier idea I've never heard. Why don't they come to Texas and meet up with Lars Gonzales, Erin Rodriguez and Bubba at the bowling alley. They can drink some Lone Star, listen to some conjunto and chill.

Racists seem obsessed by the idea that illegal workers — the hardest-working, poorest people in America — are somehow getting away with something, sneaking goodies that should be for Americans. You can always avoid this problem by having no social services. This is the refreshing Texas model, and it works a treat. Aren't y'all grateful that we're down here doing exactly nothing for the people of our state, legal or illegal? Think what a terrible message it would send if you swapped Texas with Vermont, and they all got health care. In Texas, we never worry about illegals taking advantage of social benefits provided by our taxpayers. Incredibly clever, no?

One nice thing about the benefit of long experience with la frontera is that we in Texas don't have to run around getting all hysterical about immigrants. The border is porous. When you want cheap labor, you open it up; when you don't, you shut it down. It works to our benefit — it always has.

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Dance Gallery steps up in competition

By ANDREA MEDLIN
Staff Writer

Not knowing what to expect, 17 dancers from the Dance Gallery gave their all recently at a dance competition in Fort Worth. The group came away with several top awards after competing with dancers from Fort Worth, Dallas, McKinney, New Braunfels and Oklahoma.

"It was the first time that anybody from Big Spring entered this kind of competition," said Stevi Bingham, owner of the Dance Gallery.

"It was a really big deal for us," she added. "The kids didn't know what to expect."

But all their hard work and dedication paid off with all groups winning either first place or high gold awards. The rising star award, an individual award given to those judged to be exceptional performers, was presented to 10-year-old Kinsey Wash. Winning this award makes her eligible to attend a summer dance intensive in San Antonio.

The Big Spring group performed three group dances, eight solos and one duet. Awards were based on execution, presence, choreography and appearance.

First place and high gold winners were Wash and Haley Dimidjian for their duet. Wash won second place and high gold for her Jazz performance "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend." A second-place and high gold award was presented to Elle Torres for her performance to Madonna's "Hung Up."

Stevi Ward won first place and high gold for her hip hop dance to Usher's "Yeah." Mady Gartmen won second place and high gold for her hip hop dance to "Lose Control." Hip hop was also a favorite of Lauren Smith, whose routine to "Run It" won her a first place and gold award.

In the open category, Nadia Garcia won first place and gold for her performance of "Good Luck" and Alle Preciado won first place and gold for her routine to "Bingo Bango."

Patricia Morales won first place and high gold for her hip hop rendition of "Really Hot."

"The girls did really well," said Bingham. "We got to learn how much work goes into this. The girls got a taste of what it's like to be a performer and that it isn't as easy as it looks."

Bingham's hard work and dedication didn't go unnoticed either as she was presented an award for best choreography for "Barbie Girl." She also won most outstanding choreography overall.

Preparations for the competition began back in November with the girls practicing every weekend. As the competition approached, the practices became more frequent for all concerned.

"The moms and dads had to take a class to learn how to do hair and makeup," explained Bingham. "We had to have everything perfect for the competition."

Cristi Anders, a Mary Kay consultant, taught the class.



Seventeen dancers won several awards at a dance competition held in Fort Worth recently. The troop is bound for their next competition April 21 in San Antonio.

Props and sets were also a concern, but Bingham's mother came through for the girls.

"My mom built the sets herself, including the coffins for the Thriller routine," said Bingham. "The dads helped with the props."

Although Bingham insists that dance requires a lot of dedication, that all important element of fun is never out of the picture.

"I try to make sure that they have fun," Bingham said. "It was so special for the girls to get to be around other dancers and to get to watch the other dancers. We are so grate-

ful to all the businesses and people who contributed."

Despite some initial grumblings from parents and participants, Bingham says that they will definitely do this again and are already preparing for the next competition set in San Antonio April 21.

"We will be going to the Star Bound competition in April," said Bingham. "So, we don't know what to expect again."

For more information on the competition or classes offered at the Dance Gallery, call Bingham at 816-1540 or go by 2303 Golliad.

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ODDS & ENDS

BRETHREN, Mich. (AP) — A couple brought together by a passion for fishing was married at — where else? — a river's boat ramp.

William Nickel read a short poem Friday before asking Vickie Wright to join him in the Manistee River during their wedding ceremony. They were dressed in fly fishing gear, with white flowers attached to their vests. Family members observed the ceremony from a dock rather than church pews.

Nickel had proposed to Wright a little over a year ago and asked her to meet him at the river for their wedding. He recalled introducing Wright to the sport of fishing — saying she has enjoyed it ever since.

"I taught her how to fly fish," Nickel said. "She has been catching a lot more fish lately."

While Nickel waited for the pastor to arrive for the ceremony, he threw in a line and caught 10 small fish. He threw them back after kissing one of them

for good luck at the request of his bride-to-be.

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP) — When Michael Oddenino's teenage daughter complained that her softball coach was insulting her teammates, he took the dispute off the diamond and into a court.

Oddenino, an attorney, filed a lawsuit in Superior Court claiming coach Don Riggio inflicted emotional distress on a player when he called her "a 2-year-old" and frequently called other players idiots.

The suit sought \$3 million for intentional and negligent infliction of emotional distress, negligence, a civil rights violation, and sex discrimination.

But Superior Court Judge Jan Plum dismissed the case, writing in her March 14 decision that there is nothing wrong with "a coach pushing an athlete to excel, and in so doing, using words that in another context would be considered rude, demeaning and even intimidating."

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

South dealer. North-South vulnerable.

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♦ Q J
♥ A J 7 2
♦ J 9 4
♠ A K 10 9

WEST
♦ 9 5 4 2
♥ 10 9 5
♦ K Q 2
♠ 6 5 2

EAST
♦ 7
♥ K Q 8 6
♦ A 10 6 5 3
♠ Q 8 4

SOUTH
♦ A K 10 8 6 3
♥ 4 3
♦ 8 7
♠ J 7 3

The bidding:
South West North East
2♣ Pass 4♠ All Pass
Opening lead — king of diamonds.

Some deals from the annual world championship receive only passing notice because the outcome at both tables is exactly the same. But this one from the Italy-U.S. match in 1973 deserved more publicity than it got.

Nothing much happened at the first table, where the U.S. pair bid and made four spades. West led the K-Q-x of diamonds. South ruffed, drew trumps, lost a club finesse to East's queen and eventually discarded his heart loser on dummy's fourth club to score 620 points.

At the second table, where Giorgio Belladonna was declarer for Italy, West led the K-Q of diamonds and shifted to the ten of hearts. This put an altogether different complexion on the matter. It now seemed that Belladonna would lose a heart and a club and go down one.

But Belladonna made the contract anyway. He covered the ten of hearts with the jack, losing to the king, and ruffed East's diamond return. He then played the Q-K-A of trumps, producing this position:

North
♥ A 7 2
♠ A K 10

West
♦ 9
♥ 9 5
♦ 6 5 2

East
♥ Q 8 6
♠ Q 8 4

South
♥ 10 8
♦ 4
♠ J 7 3

Bella-tonna now led the ten of spades and discarded the ten of clubs from dummy, eschewing the club finesse in favor of a squeeze.

East was rendered helpless by this play. If he discarded a heart, South would establish an extra heart trick in dummy by playing the ace of hearts and ruffing the deuce; if East discarded a club instead, South would cash the A-K of clubs to accomplish his mission. So the deal was a washout as Italy also scored 620 points — the hard way!

Tomorrow: Partnership discord.
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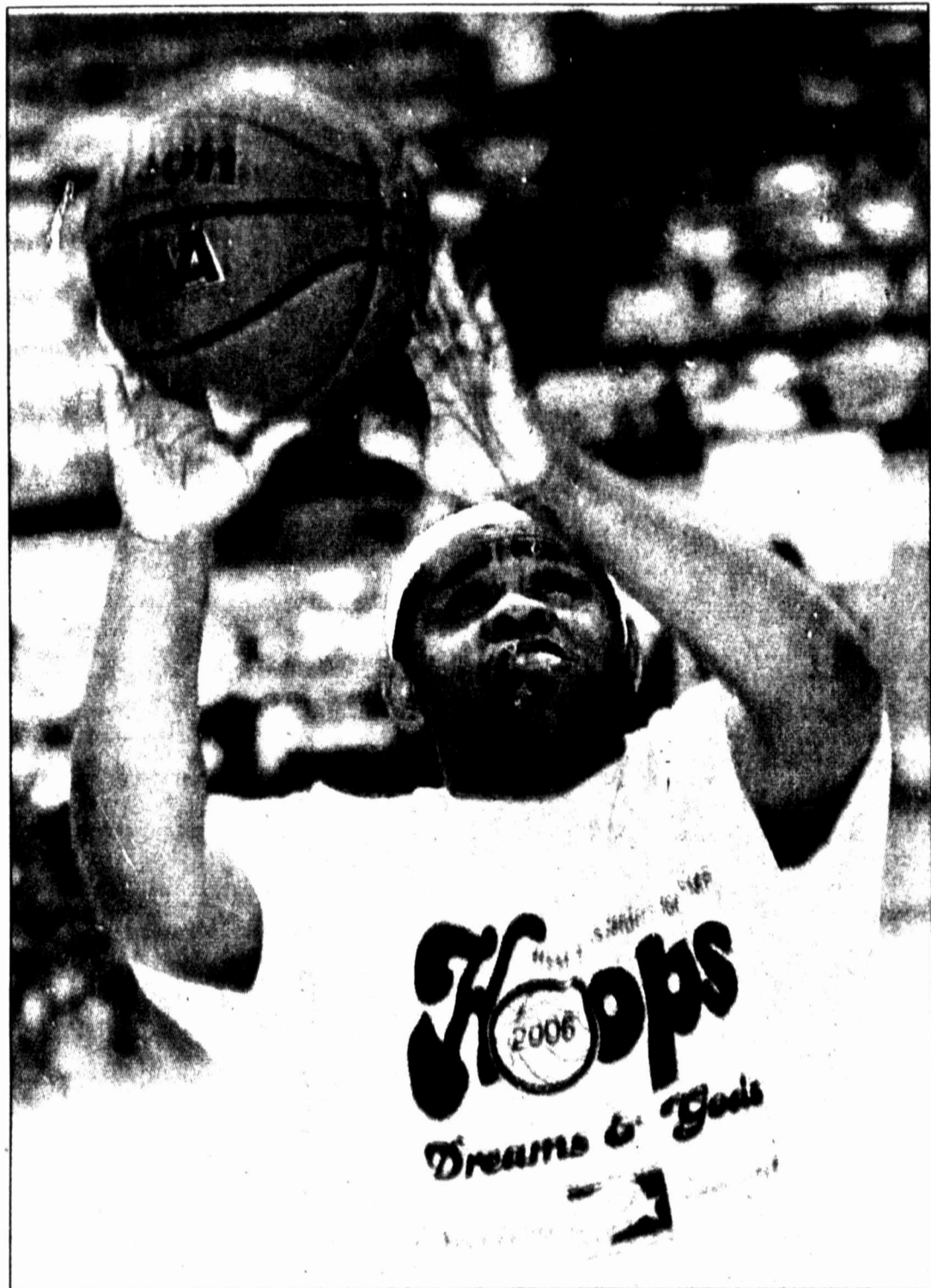
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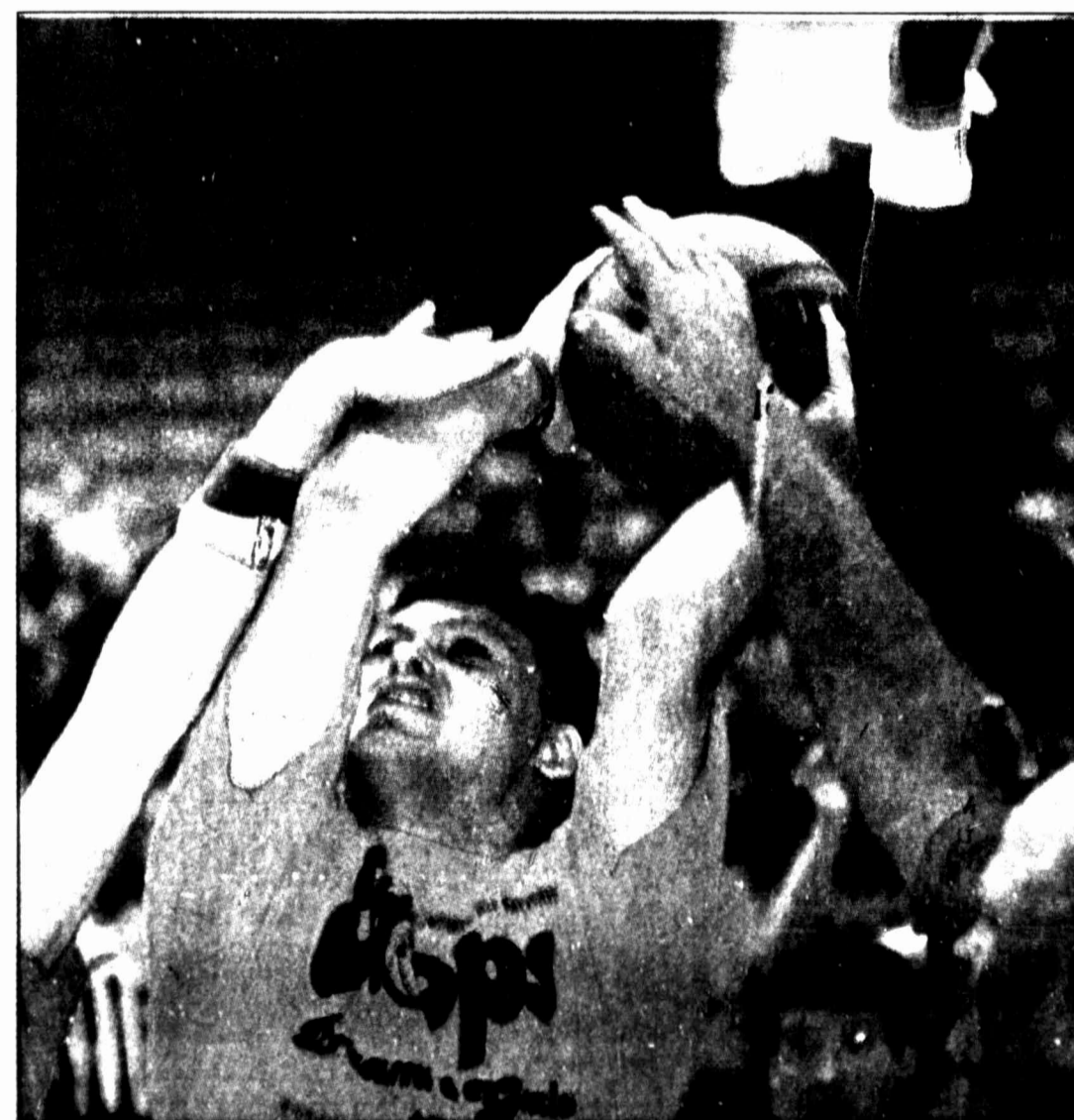
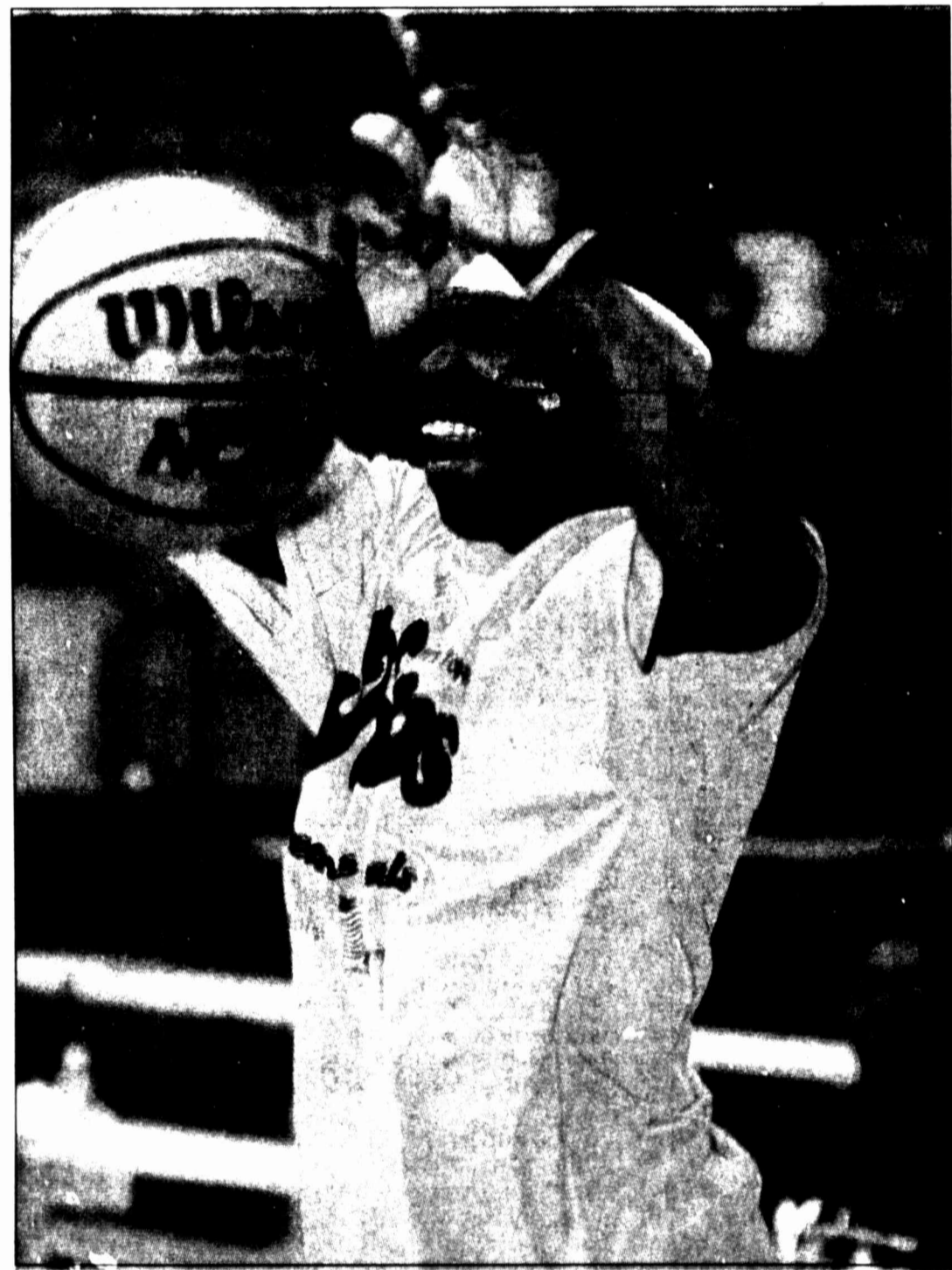
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Hoops, Dreams and Goals



West Texas Centers for MHMR held its annual Hoops, Dreams and Goals basketball tournament Friday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The event was also co-sponsored by The Howard County Arc and Howard College and recognizes and honors the many individuals and families that live with mental retardation on a daily basis. Among those involved from Big Spring were, clockwise from top right, Yasmin Aguilre, coming through the Heat's banner; Joseph Darpolar is fouled; Stephen Angerer puts the ball up in traffic; Coach James Dunlap (at right) talks with the team during a break; and Charles Thomas shoots for two.

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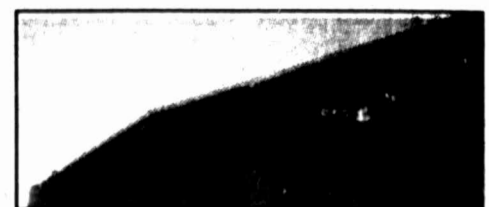
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IN BRIEF

KBSB golf tournament announced for month of April

Keep Big Spring Beautiful will be hosting a golf tournament April 22 at the Big Spring Country Club. The tournament will start at 9 a.m. and cost \$60 per person. The tournament is a four-person scramble. For more information, contact the country club at 267-5354.

HC rodeo team sets annual crawfish boil

The Howard College rodeo team has announced its annual H.E.B. crawfish boil will take place Saturday, April 29, at the Howard County Rodeo Bowl at 2 p.m. before Howard College Rodeo action takes place.

The price for a crawfish boil ticket is \$15. Tickets can be purchased the day of the event or ahead of time by calling Howard head rodeo coach Greg Kernick at 432-816-9477.

The Howard College rodeo will take place April 27-29.

Coahoma PTA to host dodgeball tournament in April

The Coahoma P.T.A. will be hosting a dodgeball tournament for all elementary schools and the event will be held at the school on April 14-15.

The sign-up date for the event will take place April 14 at 6 p.m. in the junior high gym.

There are several age groups, but each team must consist of only eight to 10 players. The groups are broken into five different categories: second and third, fourth and fifth, sixth through eighth, ninth through 12th and adults, 18 and older who are not in school.

The cost for second through fifth grade is \$5 per person and each team is guaranteed five games. The other groups will pay \$10 per person and be guaranteed 10 games.

For more information, contact Laura at 267-8660 or Neasa at 264-1662.

Local softball team sets fund-raiser

The Coahoma softball team will be holding a tail-gate party at Higginbotham-Bartlett across from the Big Spring Mall Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The team will be selling hamburgers and hot dogs as part of a fund-raiser.

May forward Van Horn out of hospital

D.A. Van Horn, 47, was released from the hospital Saturday after being hospitalized for a heart attack during a game. Van Horn was hospitalized for a heart attack during a game. Van Horn was hospitalized for a heart attack during a game.

Howard bounces back with sweep of rival EPCC

• Lineup changes lead to two mercy-rule victories for Hawks against WJAC foe

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
EL PASO — The Howard College baseball bounced back from a disappointing Friday and swept Western Junior College Athletic Conference rival El Paso Community College Saturday on the road.

Howard head coach Britt Smith shuffled the lineup and it worked as the Hawks won the first game, 12-2, in six innings and then shut out El Paso in Game 2, 9-0, in eight innings.

"The point of the shuffle was not to get the players to open their eyes, but to just put us in a better position to win the games," said Smith. "It worked Saturday, but we'll have to see how it works from here on out." The Hawks improved to 22-12

with the wins and are now 6-6 in the league. There is a lot of season, but Smith the wins were much needed.

"These were definitely must-win games for us Saturday," said Smith. "Now we need to take three out of four the next four weekends and we should be back in the mix. New Mexico is clearly running away with the league right now, but it is just too early to tell what is going to happen." Howard got two complete

games on the mound. Bobby Gonsoulin threw all six innings in the first game and gave up two earned runs on his way to the win. Scott Stephen threw all eight innings in Game 2 and allowed no runs on just two hits.

The Hawks scored five runs in each of the second and third innings in the first game after falling behind 2-0 to start. They

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HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring sophomore Zach Dawson runs in the two mile in a track meet in Odessa last month. Dawson won the 1,600-meter run this weekend in Abilene and also placed third in the 3,200-meter run.

Steers take third, Dawson shocks BSHS teammate

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
ABILENE — The Big Spring boy's track — led once again by three long distance runners — came away with a third place finish at Saturday's All-America City Track Classic in Abilene.

The Steers scored 105 points in all and third place was solidified

C. SALAZAR in the 1,600-meter run where Big Spring took the top three spots. The same three runners also took the top three spots in the 3,200-meter run.

There was a bit of a surprise in the mile as sophomore Zach Dawson ran past quite possibly the school's top runners in Michael Rodriguez and Chris Salazar for the win. Dawson was in third most of the race, but

made a spirited break near the end to capture the gold.

Dawson finished with a season-best 4:37.38. Rodriguez took second with a 4:38.24 and Salazar crossed the line in 4:39.63.

Rodriguez was able to win the two-mile race earlier in the day as he crossed the line in 10:13.06. Salazar was second with a 10:29.15 and Dawson grabbed the bronze with a 10:42.70.

The Steers trailed Plainview in the team standings by 21 points and Abilene High won the meet with 184 points.

Junior Ryan Tannehill placed second in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of :42.05. Adam Thiel of Plainview won the race in :41.04. Also placing second was Chris Martinez as his 2:03.42 in the 800-meter run gave him the silver medal. Michael Salazar

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BSHS sets AED fund-raisers

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
After a San Angelo Lake View fan went down at a recent baseball game involving the Steers, the Big Spring athletic training department and head athletic trainer Andy Rankin are trying to raise money for Automated External Defibrillators.

"The fan from Lake View who went down in our bleachers could have very well died," said Rankin. "Thankfully, CPR saved him, but getting these AED machines here at our schools would help even more in the future."

Rankin said several fund-raisers are in the works for these \$3,000 machines. The need for these machines has become even more apparent after recent events at the school. Now, not only is it essential that a defibrillator be utilized in such



RANKIN

events like sports contests, but that a defibrillator is accessible within minutes of cardiac arrest. Studies show that for every minute following onset of sudden cardiac arrest, the chance of that person's survival drops by 10 percent. As such, waiting for the arrival of an ambulance or police car for just five minutes will reduce the opportunity for more than half of all patients to receive a successful resuscitation outcome.

"The machines automatically detects the heart rhythm and shocks the heart to get the heartbeat back to the right rhythm," said Rankin. "The machines are user-friendly and they won't be used just for students

in athletics but also for fans in the stands or anyone else on campus that may need one."

Rankin said the school is accepting donations for the AED machines and that service clubs in town will be contacted for help.

"This is new territory for us so we are not sure how it will go, but we are just asking for some help," said Rankin.

The ultimate goal is 20 machines, said Rankin.

"That's a big chunk of change I know, but it goes to save a life," added Rankin. "They will be good for the community."

The student trainers at Big Spring ISD will also be holding fund-raisers to gain money and support for the machines. They will also be passing out flyers to local businesses.

For more information or to contact Rankin about a donation, call the Big Spring athletic training office at 264-3647.

Combs wins all-around at WTC

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
SNYDER — Some tough luck occurred this weekend in Snyder at the Western Texas College rodeo for the Howard College rodeo team.

Only three participants made it back into Saturday's short go at the Scurry County Coliseum after several competitors had some unfortunate luck in the timed events.

"We had a tough week in the timed events except for Kasey Kramps and Shelly Combs," said Howard head coach Greg Kernick.

Kramps and Combs both reached the finals in the breakaway roping and Combs also advanced in the barrel racing.

Combs split fourth, fifth and sixth in the breakaway roping after a first-round :02.5, but had trouble in the finals and did not record a time. She placed sixth in the first round of the barrel racing event and her second run



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard College's Lance Cornelius competes in the saddle bronc competition Thursday at the West Texas College rodeo.

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Bonds, Bush highlight MLB openers

By RONALD BLUM

AP Baseball Writer
Barry Bonds wants to stay focused on his stroke. Jimmy Rollins hopes to keep alive a streak. And President Bush? He'll be happy just to throw a strike.

The major league season swings into full action Monday, with Bonds returning to San Francisco's opening-day outfield, Philadelphia's Rollins trying to keep his string of hits in 36 straight games going and Bush throwing out the ceremonial first pitch in Cincinnati.

A little more than five months after winning

their first World Series title since 1917, the White Sox began the major league season at home Sunday night against Cleveland. Chicago raised the World Series flag, then took a 3-0 lead.

Eduardo Perez, playing his first game with the Indians, hit the season's first home run, a two-run drive off Mark Buehrle that tied the score in the fourth just before rain delayed the game. But baseball openers are supposed to be played on sunny spring afternoons, so for many fans Monday is the day to celebrate. There will be 13 openers, starting

Washington's game at the New York Mets and ending with the New York Yankees' West Coast night game at Oakland.

Rollins will work to extend his streak when the Phillies open up at home against St. Louis, and Seattle's Kenji Johjima will become the first Japanese catcher in the majors when the Mariners play the visiting Los Angeles Angels.

Red, white and blue bunting will be out, hot dogs will be grilled and beers passed around the stands.

"The grass seems green-

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HERALD photos/Troy Hyde
Gollad Intermediate School held a Relay For Life fundraiser Friday afternoon. The school played a students vs. teachers basketball game at the gym. Above: Matt Wills, center, dribbles between two teacher defenders on his way to the basket. He scored two points later with an easy layup. Right: Marc Segundo, right, puts up a last-second shot just before the buzzer sounded during one of the fifth grade games. The students sold pickles and cash donations were accepted.



Stewart holds off Johnson at Martinsville

By HANK KURZ Jr.

AP Sports Writer
MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Tony Stewart once got so frustrated with trying to go fast around Martinsville Speedway that he suggested it be turned into a bass fishing pond.

He would never allow it now.

Stewart won a paint-trading duel with Jimmie Johnson and overcame Hendrick Motorsports' frustrating dominance of NASCAR's smallest and trickiest track Sunday.

It was Stewart's second victory at Martinsville, where he has also won three poles, and where he led 530 of 1,000 laps a season ago without winning either race.

"The racing here has been awesome since they've done everything," he said, speaking of resurfacing and other improvements. "They could still fill it up once a year with water, we could put dirt on it once a year. Just let us still run two Cup races."

The race had all the typ-

ical beating and banging of a short track event, but ended with none of the top contenders feeling they'd been wronged like last week in Bristol.

Stewart and Johnson duelled nose-to-bumper and side-by-side for four laps beginning with 30 to go Sunday, bringing the 65,000 fans to their feet. After being rebuffed three times, Stewart finally banged his way around Johnson with 27 laps to go.

"I knew we were a little quicker than him," Stewart said. "There was no way he was going to give it away, so we were going to have to take it away. We didn't spin him out. We just got the position that we were after."

Johnson said it's easy for the one who prevailed to pass-off the contact as typical short-track racing, but he had no complaints about being nudged and overtaken.

"I just kind of used up my stuff there at the end," Johnson said.

The victory was the 25th for the defending and two-

time series champion, and second at Martinsville. Stewart celebrated in what is becoming his trademark, climbing the fence near the flag stand and enjoying the moment as his fans joined in from the other side.

The victory was Stewart's first in 20 races.

He also survived two single-file restarts with Martinsville master Jeff Gordon right behind him, but got a good jump the second time when Gordon's Chevrolet wiggled coming out of Turn Two, and Stewart had clear sailing.

Gordon, who had won both races last season and four of the last six on NASCAR's smallest and tightest oval, finished second, followed by Hendrick Motorsports teammate Johnson, Dale Earnhardt Jr., and Kyle Busch, also of Hendrick.

"We have a pretty good handle on this place," Gordon said of the Hendrick teams, which all finished in the top 10. Brian Vickers, the fourth, came in eighth.

The race looked all day like it would come down to a battle between Stewart and Johnson, who combined to lead 483 of the 500 laps.

Once Gordon passed Johnson, he had one chance to challenge, and lost it.

The first late restart came with eight laps to go, but with Gordon right on Stewart's tail heading through the first and second turns, Matt Kenseth's car slammed into the wall behind them, bringing out the 16th caution and leading to a red flag.

After a delay of about 9 minutes, it restarted with three to go and the crowd rose expecting a classic finish to the bruising day of racing. It never developed as Gordon's car broke loose in the second turn and Stewart drove off for the victory.

Johnson regained the points lead by 59 over Mark Martin, who finished 13th. Kenseth dropped to third after coming in 24th, followed by Kasey Kahne and Busch.

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er, the colors are brighter," Colorado Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said Sunday at Denver's Coors Field.

After another winter dominated by steroids and 6 1/2 weeks of spring training punctuated by the first World Baseball Classic, which was won by Japan, baseball returns for another long season of 162 games over 183 days. It's the first year of testing for amphetamines, so players may be downing extra coffee to perk up.

No extra adrenaline is needed for the openers, however.

Bonds' alleged regime of performance-enhancing drugs was the subject of a new book that caused commissioner Bud Selig to launch an investigation into steroids last week that will be headed by former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell.

After missing most of last season with an injured knee, Bonds enters this year with 708 homers and trails only Babe Ruth (714) and Hank Aaron (755) on the career list. He resumes the chase at San Diego against Jake Peavy, who gave up Bonds' 700th homer, on Sept. 17, 2004, in San Francisco.

"I'm going to get him out, and he's going to get his hits and hit homers off me, if you pitch to him long enough," said Peavy, who led the NL with 216 strikeouts last season. "It's different for those guys who are in the east and come out here and face him once a year. I have to face him five, six times a year. I'm going to

challenge him and try to get him out."

In Cincinnati, baseball's first professional franchise will have a sitting president throw a ceremonial pitch to start the season for the first time. Bush, the former owner of the Texas Rangers, plans to visit the clubhouses, then take the field before the Reds play the Cubs.

"I hope I get to meet him," said Aaron Harang, who makes his first opening-day start for the Reds.

Bush threw out the first pitch before last year's opener in Washington, D.C., and the 2004 opener in St. Louis. New Reds owner Bob Castellini was part of Bush's ownership group with the Rangers.

"Every team would like to have the sitting president of the United States throw out the first ball," Castellini said Sunday. "So when you're able to win out and get the president to come to your city and throw out the first ball, for that moment you are the first team in baseball."

A three-time All-Star shortstop, Rollins nearly helped the Phillies reach the playoffs by hitting .379 during his streak. Now Rollins has his sights on breaking Joe DiMaggio's 65-year-old record of 56 in a row.

The major league marks for longest hitting streak in one season and longest hitting streak spanning two seasons are separate records.

In other NL games it will be Pittsburgh at Milwaukee. Arizona at Colorado, Atlanta at Los Angeles and Florida at Houston. The rest of the AL schedule has Boston at Texas, Tampa Bay at Baltimore and Detroit at Kansas City.

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added two runs in the sixth to end it early due to the 10-run mercy rule. Freshman Barrett Lowenstein continued his solid hitting with a home run to lead the way at the plate.

Howard got five runs in the second inning again in Game 2 and then scored one run in each of the sixth and seventh innings before ending the game in the eighth with two runs.

The changes in the lineup included moving

sophomore Jeff Storms and freshman Ryan Pruitt into the one and two spots, respectively, in the batting order. Sophomore Gabe Marchant batted ninth and freshman David Fonseca was moved to No. 7 in the lineup.

The Hawks will travel to Abilene Tuesday to take on ACU in a double-header beginning at 5 p.m. WJCAC rival Clarendon invades Jack Barber Field this weekend. The Hawks will play two games both Friday and Saturday and action will start at noon both days.

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was a 14.11 which gave her a 28.28 on two runs and a seventh place finish. Combs ended up winning the all-around among women for the weekend because she was the only participant to reach the short go in two events.

"She also gained some points in the standings and any points at this point are good points," said Kernick.

The only other Hawk to get into the short go was sophomore Jed Headley, who advanced in bareback riding. Headley entered the finals in ninth after recording a 69 on his first ride. He bucked off in the short go and did not place in the average.

Headley also competed in the steer wrestling event and was able to time a 4.0, but he broke a barrier which pushed his score to 14.0 and he did not advance to the finals.

Howard will make a long trip to the Frank Phillips College rodeo this weekend starting



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Howard freshman Kendra Watt swings around a barrel during action at the Western Texas rodeo at the Scurry County Coliseum in Snyder.

Thursday. The event will take place in Perryton, which is about 60 miles from Liberal, Kan. "It is quite the journey," said Kernick. "We go

from the smallest arena in Snyder to nearly the largest at Frank Phillips. I think it fits us better though because we like the outdoors better than those indoor arenas."

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took fourth in the 800 with a 2:07.83. Chris Herrington of Abilene won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:02.52.

The Steers' best finishes after that were from senior Calvin Butler and Tannehill.

Butler placed third in the shot put with a throw of 45-07.5 and Tannehill took fourth in the triple jump with a leap of 39-01.5.

Brandon Mansfield, Jim Ned won the shot put and Steven Young of Plainville took home the gold in the triple jump.

Salazar also competed in the 400-meter dash and placed fifth with a time of 1:00. Dylan Yartrough placed sixth in the 800-meter dash. Tannehill placed seventh in the 100-meter dash.



competition. Outdoor track and field meet at Lubbock at 11:30 a.m. April 18.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

The moon is in Gemini, the sign of twins. In a sense, everyone has an "inner twin," not only people with a Gemini sun sign. There's a voice inside that often prods you in mischievous ways — that's the voice of your inner twin. It will speak more clearly under this moon. Learn to recognize and befriend it as you go through your daily tasks.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). According to quantum science, things that have happened, things that will happen and things that are happening now may all occur in one timeless world. So create a happy vibration in your heart for all eternity.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It's your day to learn the difference between positive and negative feelings so you can consistently choose the former. It seems bone-head elemental, but you would be surprised how often humans get it mixed up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Every time you give more than is expected of you, you bank points in some far-off cosmic vault to be redeemed when you really need or desire them. Therefore, even if your generosity seems to go unnoticed, it's not.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Creating anything and everything puts you in a beautiful mood. Whether it's a tasty meal, a well-thought-out piece of work, a doodle or a tune to hum, you're in top form when you execute this.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Three E's take over your thinking: excitement, expedition and expansion. Regarding the secret interest you've never explored: Now is the time to find out all you can.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The project you are working on attracts "props" from the right people — and why not? You deserve a little reverence. Key transactions, especially financial, are favored this afternoon.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). An important conversation goes down. The "what" of it matters very little. The "how" of it matters very much. When you truly want the other person to benefit as much as you will or more, the exchange is wildly successful.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Excitement buzzes in and around you — the result of some inner dialogue that likely has little to do with any outside stimulus. Enjoy the fact that you can drum up genuine enthusiasm whenever you want to.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Charisma is up, and people can't help

but say yes to even your craziest ideas. Consider moving, if only to a different place in your same neighborhood. A Leo is your ally.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Go through your possessions, and assess what you have but no longer need and what you need that you don't have. In doing so, you create a vacuum to suck in exactly what is best for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If an action doesn't feel good, stop it. Period. No excuses, explanations or apologies are necessary. Your number one responsibility is creating your own safety and well-being.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your team at home or at work may be lopsided. You could use a new expert to help in an area that is being neglected. You have just the intuitive power needed to pull this person in.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm a Taurus man (born May 9, 1951) with custody of my Pisces daughter. My intended wife is a Scorpio (Oct. 31, 1951) who is not interested in children at all. Should we marry? Will my daughter learn to love this Scorpio woman and vice versa?"

Yes — on all counts. Scorpio needs a strong family life to keep anchored, and for a career woman (Scorpio), a ready-made family would be just ideal. Keep

these things in mind, though: In marriage, Scorpio women want to know they are foremost in their husband's mind even when they are the natural parents of their children. So, there could be initial jealousy, not because of your daughter, but because she feels left out of this family experience. Scorpio women don't dive into anything or any relationship without some inner trauma. They, like Taurus natives, can be creatures of habit. Your Pisces daughter would take instantly to this woman, as they are both very feminine and have superb intuition. These women may soon know one another better than you know them.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Bridging the gap between teen queen and adult actress is no easy feat, but perky blonde Jennie Garth makes it look easy! First on "Beverly Hills 90210" and more recently on "What I Like About You," Garth utilizes her inner Aries ambition to always open herself to up-and-coming opportunities. I see her cinching another big prospect with a meaty role on a glamorous nighttime soap.

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Annie's Mailbox :
Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I recently had to register my daughter for her upcoming school year and am again left wondering if I checked the right box while filling in all the information. I am 100 percent Mexican, and my husband is a typical American mix of Italian, German, English and Irish. He would prefer that I check the box marked "Caucasian." I would rather check Hispanic or Multiracial, since we now have that new option.

I know Hispanics are also considered Caucasian, but these forms expect us to consider them separately. If we have the choice to select something more ethnic, I think we should use it. We should pick either Hispanic or Multi and stick to it, especially since our kids will grow up, and it could help them in the future when they start applying for grants and scholarships.

Am I committing fraud by checking Hispanic? It feels dishonest to check "Caucasian" and ignore the Mexican part of me that is in our children. So tell me, Annie, what is the right thing to do? — Not Knowing in Illinois

Dear Not Knowing: The reason you have the option of checking "multiracial" or "multiethnic" is precisely for situations such as yours, where one parent is of a different race or ethnicity than the other. You are not committing fraud by telling school authorities that your children come from a multiethnic background, because it is true. Some parents, of course, prefer not to check ANY option because they dislike categorizing children this way, but the choice is yours.

Dear Annie: I recently attended a "cowboy wedding" for the daughter of some business clients. The mother of the bride didn't even know my name, but she invited me and a guest.

I had never heard of a cowboy wedding, but it apparently means a potluck reception — all the guests were asked to bring a dish. I attended the wedding with my boyfriend and spent half a day and about \$40 preparing two dishes. The mother of the bride invited quite a few folks she barely knew and told people she wanted her daughter to get as many gifts as possible. Am I also required to bring a gift after providing food for the reception? — Confused in California

Dear Confused: We agree that a potluck reception (cowboy or not) puts an undue burden on the guests, especially those who are not particularly close to the bridal couple. But it still is customary to give a gift when you attend a wedding. You can, of course, give something less elaborate than you might have otherwise. The point is to wish the couple well. No "Brokeback Mountain" jokes.

Dear Annie: As a fellow farm wife, may I suggest something for "Spinning My Tractor

Wheels?" Farming is a lifestyle and heritage. I was raised by a farmer, and I am married to one. Farming is not a 9-to-5 job. And if he exchanges work with other family members, he is obligated to return work in kind. In order to spend more time with him, she and the children should first help him. By helping, she will gain his respect, the family will be together, and she will better understand his situation.

A weekly outing may be too great an expectation, but going to a school event, watching a TV program together or planning a Sunday afternoon activity are easy ways to start. If he's the good, faithful, funny and smart man she describes, she shouldn't be looking for greener pastures. She should be improving the one she's in. — Partner to a Farmer

Dear Partner: We heard from many farmers and their very proud spouses who say that wives and children should help more, not only to gain a better appreciation of farm life, but because helping out could give them more time to do other things together. Our thanks to all who wrote.

Dear Annie: You recently printed a letter from "Stinky in the Rockies," who said she had a body odor and described it as "musty." She may have meant "musky." Some folks have this and can do nothing about it.

The musk odor comes from the glands associated with making sebum. It was a major reason that human beings survived as a species because it kept us from being eaten by carnivores. "Stinky" can try to cover it up, but she is already appropriately clean. — John R. Dykers Jr., M.D., Siler City, N.C.

Dear Dr. Dykers: We appreciate your medical help, although it doesn't offer much consolation. Our readers sent a plethora of suggestions for "Stinky." Read on:

From California: If this has been a problem since adolescence, it is most likely due to the kind of systemic physiological imbalances that Western medicine rarely addresses. To really tackle the problem, it would probably be worth going to an acupuncturist, a chiropractor who practices neuroemotional technique or an Ayurvedic (ancient Indian medical system) practitioner.

Wisconsin: I heard on a radio station that body odor is caused by bacteria and can easily be corrected by taking an alcohol wipe and cleaning your underarms for about seven days.



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Dear Margo

Dear Margo: Here's some background about my religious history. I was raised Christian, with no real teaching, but we celebrated Christmas and Easter. When I was 16, my parents started going to church. At 18, I stopped going.



MARGO HOWARD

My mother thinks that college ruined my religious beliefs. Now I'm almost 30 and married, with two children of my own. I tell my children (ages 6 and 3) why we celebrate Christmas and Easter and also teach them the Christian religion. I don't take them to church because I haven't found one that does not teach a literal translation of the Bible.

My family is having trouble with this. I want

my children raised Christian, but I also want them to know other religions, as well, so when they are of age they can choose their own beliefs. When I turned 18, I found there was a whole world outside the little box I was raised in. (Until I was in junior high, I thought "kosher" was a pickle.)

Recently, my religious beliefs have become a source of arguments or jokes at just about every family gathering. Some in my family think I'm damned for all eternity. My grandmother and mother don't understand how I don't believe every written word.

How do I tell them politely that these are the beliefs of my husband and myself and this is how we wish to raise our children? — Independent Thinker

Dear Inde: It is interesting that your folks didn't make religion important while you were

growing up but now find fault with your explorations.

I have found that families who want children to choose their own religion, as you do, have kids who wind up with no affiliation. Perhaps a good way to let them learn of other religions is to let them go with friends — or take them — to different denominational services. However, I would suggest you pick one church as home base, so the kids will feel somewhat grounded.

As a mechanistic approach to the ridicule or arguments, try soft-pedaling religious discussions in front of them. Just take the subject off the table, telling them you already know their thoughts. The important thing is that you and your husband agree.

And by the way, I was old enough to know better when someone informed me that King James did not write the Bible. — Margo, faithfully

Dear Margo: My

cousin is a wonderful man whom my husband and I both love spending time with. He is not only family, but a friend. The problem is his cell phone.

During a recent dinner out, he took five separate calls, one of which lasted 15 minutes. My husband and I were amazed, while waiting for him to rejoin the conversation, that the interruptions were not business calls.

How can we let our cousin know how rude this behavior is, without being rude ourselves? — On Hold in D.C.

Dear On: Directly is the way I would choose. Just tell him it louses up dinner to have him talking on the phone and you missed his participation in the conversation. Do not let him put you on the defensive. You also might mention that, barring an emergency, such behavior is considered rude, so that he can learn something. — Margo, boorishly

Dear Margo is written by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter.

Dear Prudence

Dear Prudence: My elderly father has a history of holding unreasonable grudges against family members.

About six years ago, he decided he had been slighted by my husband, and no amount of apology or pleading that it was a misunderstanding would change his mind. I was hurt, but took my children to visit him sans husband because he is their grandfather. My kids don't know about the rift.

Last fall, my beloved husband died. My father has been supportive, and we are visiting him in a few weeks. But the resentment that was simmering over the whole issue is now eating me alive.

I know my father isn't going to change his mind, but I feel that he owes me an apology for the way he treated my husband. If I don't get it, I'm afraid I will explode at him and say something to destroy what's left of our relationship. His health is failing, and he probably

won't be around much longer, but this anger is just killing me. — Bereaved

Dear Bereaved: It's understandable that your father's cruelty toward your husband would feel so corrosive right now. But the father you describe does not sound like a man who will recognize the wrong he did or apologize for it. Because of that, he has a good relationship with your children, and they will probably cling to him.

You mention that he's quite ill, so his death will be another blow to them. Since you already know you will not get the thing you need — and deserve — from your father, you must figure out how to see him without letting it tear you up.

Could you write a letter before you go, explaining what an apology would mean to you, and give it to him when you leave? Can you let your children spend a lot of time with him, while you spend as little as possible? If you

decide you simply can't stand not saying something, can you save it until you are departing? Then, when you're back home, consider seeing a grief counselor. Not just because of this issue, but because you have been through a terrible trauma, and you should do anything for yourself that will bring comfort. — Prudie

Dear Prudence: I have been seeing a man since fall of last year. We live near each other and have been seeing each other almost every single day. He says he loves me, and we have met each other's parents and family members numerous times.

I'm in my mid-20s, and he's in his 30s. I have dated enough to know that he is the one for me. But he has issues with marriage, which were expressed in my last conversation about it with him. I don't want a large, fancy, ultra-expensive wedding (just a civil ceremony and a small dinner party for family and friends). He adores me and treats me like a queen. Am I being too pushy if I

were to broach the idea of engagement? How long should I wait for him to pop the question? — Wishing for Marriage

Dear Wishing: Are you wishing for a marriage or are you just wishing for a wedding? As for his "issues" with marriage, did he declare, "I can give you a notarized statement saying I will never marry"? Or did he scurry away from the topic because you were pressuring him? Maybe the issue is that he's not ready to get married to someone he's been dating for only six months. You're young — just enjoy that everything is wonderful so far, and let the relationship unfold.

After you've been together a year, then it seems reasonable to have a discussion (and make it a discussion, not a demand for an engagement ring) about where you both feel things might go. But if you're going to be audibly counting down the minutes that whole time until you can reserve the caterer, it will probably go nowhere. — Prudie

Dear Prudence is written by Emily Yoffe.

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MONDAY

Table with 24 columns representing different TV stations and their programming schedules for Monday. Columns include WFAA, KMYD, UNI, KPEJ, KOSA, KTLE, KWES, WTBS, KMLM, KOCV, DISC, AMC, SPIKE, TNT, BET, DISN, ESPN2, ESPN, and SCIFI.

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This Date In History

Today is Monday, April 3, the 93rd day of 2006. There are 272 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On April 3, 1860, the legendary Pony Express began service between St. Joseph, Mo., and Sacramento, Calif. On this date: In 1865, Union forces occupied the Confederate capital of Richmond, Va. In 1882, outlaw Jesse James was shot to death in St. Joseph, Mo., by Robert Ford, a member of James' gang. In 1936, Bruno Hauptmann was electrocuted in Trenton, N.J., for the kidnap-murder of the Lindbergh child. In 1946, Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, the Japanese commander responsible for the Bataan Death March, was executed outside Manila, Philippines. In 1948, President Truman signed the Marshall Plan, which allocated more than \$5 billion in aid for 16 European countries.

In 1968, the day before he was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn., civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his famous "mountaintop" speech to a rally of striking sanitation workers. In 1968, North Vietnam agreed to meet with U.S. representatives to set up preliminary peace talks. In 1974, deadly tornadoes struck wide parts of the South and Midwest before jumping across the border into Canada; more than 300 fatalities resulted. In 1979, Jane M. Byrne was elected mayor of Chicago, defeating Republican Wallace D. Johnson. Birthdays: Actress-singer Doris Day is 82. Actress Miyoshi Umeki is 77. Former German Chancellor Helmut Kohl is 76. Jazz musician Jimmy McGriff is 70. Actor William Gaunt is 69. Actor Eric Braeden is 65. Actress Marsha Mason is 64. Singer Wayne Newton is 64. Singer Tony Orlando is 62. Comedy writer Pat Proft is 59. Singer Richard Thompson is 57. Country musician Curtis Stone (Highway 101) is 56. Rock musician Mick Mars

(Motley Crue) is 50. Actor Alec Baldwin is 48. Actor David Hyde Pierce is 47. Comedian-actor Eddie Murphy is 45. Rock singer-musician Mike Ness (Social Distortion) is 44. Rock singer Sebastian Bach is 38. Rock musician James MacDonough is 36. Actress Jennie Garth is 34. Actress Cobie Smulders is 24. Actress Amanda Bynes is 20. Thought for Today: "Our firmest convictions are apt to be the most suspect, they mark our limitations and our bounds. Life is a petty thing unless it is moved by the indomitable urge to extend its boundaries." - Jose Ortega y Gasset, Spanish philosopher (1883-1955).

Answer to previous puzzle: A crossword puzzle grid with the words PICA, JFK, AIRPORT, ANON, ARABLE, LEAGUE, STAT, MIZZENMAST, TOXIC, GOURD, USO, QUAHOG, AGIN, ADJUNCTS, SAVEAHS, VOLANTE, TODO, EMOTION, HOOTERS, TUNNS, INPRINT, GRANGE, PRETENSE, HANG, MADRES, ONT, FEELS, DAZED, SCHOOLMATE, NERO, THE DAKOTAS, TARP, SORELOSERS, ELSE.

Newsday Crossword

SKY-HIGH by Gail Grabowski Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS 1 Read quickly 5 Poker tokens 10 Nile queen, for short 14 Game on horseback 15 Brother of Moses 16 Pork cut 17 Legal rights grp. 18 Song syllables 19 Fairy-tale monster 20 Maker of illegal liquor 22 Takes advantage of 23 On the ocean 24 Drop in the mail 26 Out of control 29 Roadside eateries 33 Soufflé ingredients 37 Gather, as crops 39 Jet flier 40 What something is worth 42 Be incorrect 43 Sarcastic 44 Edit, as text 45 Hang onto 47 Sunrise direction 48 Believe appropriate 50 Catch sight of 52 Meadows 54 Flies high 58 Norway's largest city 61 Captivated by celebrities 65 Once more

- 66 Giggling sound 67 Golf-bag club 68 Speeder's penalty 69 Smooths (out) 70 Sensible 71 Practice for a bout 72 Floor models 73 Gen. Robt. DOWN 1 Computer junk mail 2 Beverage served with marshmallows 3 Dole out 4 Parts of speech 5 What a Siamese sheds 6 Mata (infamous spy) 7 Tehran's country 8 Flag holders 9 Entangled 10 Place of bliss 11 Fireplace fillers 12 Dublin's country 13 Small bills 21 Use a needle 25 Small bites 27 Onion relative 28 Takes a risk 30 Director Kazan 31 Curtain holders 32 Editor's notation 33 Days before holidays 34 Checkers or chess 35 Happiness

- 36 Tall yellow-petaled plant 38 Get ready, for short 41 Falco of The Sopranos 46 Have 49 Sampled, as soup 51 Preschooler 53 Martin of Shopgirl 55 Get out of bed 56 Like farm country 57 British biscuit 58 Clumsy ones 59 Scissors sound 60 Singer Home 62 "Might I interrupt?" 63 Nevada city 64 Leg joint

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