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Big Spring Junior High School teacher Vanessa Conatser, left, and students Anal Cantu and Joseph Garland present a Christmas card to a resident of Comanche Trail Nursing Center Wednesday morning.

Junior high students learning how they can make a difference

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Sometimes, a simple thing like a Christmas card can make a big difference.

That was the lesson learned by a group of Big Spring Junior High School students Wednesday, as they visited five retirement homes in Big Spring, delivering Christmas cards to the residents.

In excess of 150 cards were distributed, said English teacher Vanessa Conatser, one of the driving forces behind the project.

"We were reading 'The

Christmas Carol,' and afterward, we were discussing some of the themes in the book, like ... it being our duty to help the less-fortunate," Conatser said. "We eventually decided to do a project based on those themes."

That project? Homemade Christmas cards for local senior citizens.

Aided by a \$500 "mini-grant" from the school district, Conatser and fellow English teachers Kristen Willis and Laine Lawson bought supplies, then turned the students loose to design their own cards.

Wednesday's tour of the local nursing homes made the experience worthwhile, she said.

"When the first student handed out that first card this morning and the lady gave him a hug, that just got me right here," she said, patting her heart. "I want them to feel that feeling. I want them thinking, 'Wow, I touched somebody's life.' If they got that ... then I've taught them something."

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Mayor, attorney working out pact for position here

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council gave Mayor Russ McEwen the go-ahead to begin negotiations with attorney Linda Sjogren during a special meeting Wednesday night, possibly filling the city attorney slot that recently came open with the resignation of Jean Shotts.

Shotts, who also represents about 25 other Texas municipalities in the same capacity, recently submitted his letter of resignation — effective at the end of the year — to city officials after six years of service.

Sjogren met with council members during the meeting, getting the initial nod from the group. "We're obviously interviewing for a full-time attorney," said McEwen. "During the executive session we discussed some of the resumes and we also had the opportunity to visit with one of the candidates, Linda Sjogren, and discuss that. The council gave me permission to negotiate with Sjogren to see if we can

come up with a package that would be beneficial to both she and us."

Sjogren said she excited at the possibility of serving in the position.

"I'm currently in private practice with Jean

Shotts.

Before that I was with the city of San Angelo for 11 years," said Sjogren. "I was excited when I found out the job was going to be open. I've done a lot of work with the civil service commission here, and I love Big Spring and West Texas."



Sjogren

Spring and West Texas.

"I've always wanted to be a city attorney. I've served as an assistant city attorney, so this is very exciting."

McEwen said the council feels like Sjogren is the right person for the job.

"We feel like she would be excellent," said McEwen. "She has a great deal of experience in municipal law and was with the city of San Angelo for 11 years and very much involved with civil service and open

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Some evidence recovered but no remains: Rangers

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Excavations at a home in the 1000 block of Northwest Second Street continued Wednesday, as Texas Rangers and local law enforcement continue to search for the remains of a missing Big Spring man.

While the quest — made possible by a search warrant executed Tuesday — has yet to turn up a body, Big Spring Police Department Public Information Officer Sgt. Tony Everett said some evidence in the case has been recovered.

"For several years the Texas Rangers, Howard County Sheriff's Office and BSPD have worked

"Equipment being used has uncovered some evidence which will be sent to the lab for analysis. No remains have been uncovered at this time."

—Tony Everett, BSPD information officer

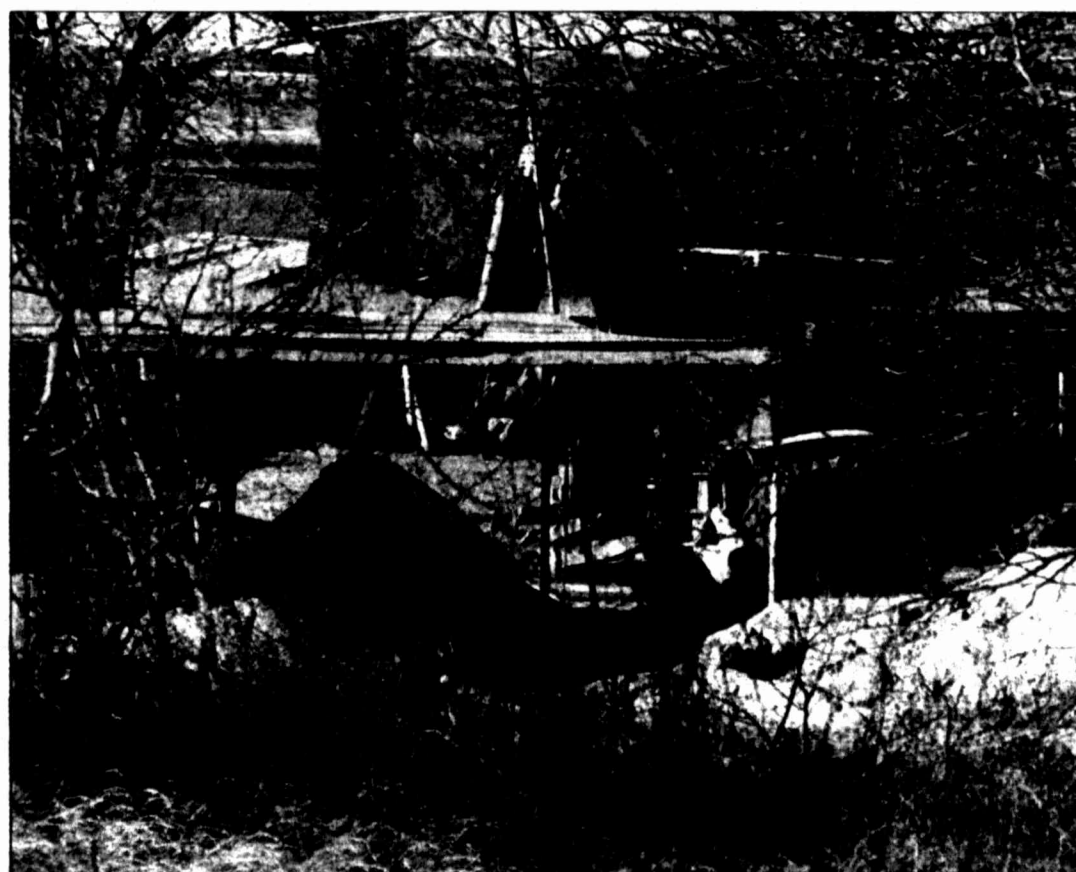
together, attempting to determine the whereabouts of missing person Bobby Marquez," Everett said in a press release issued Wednesday. "Equipment being used has uncovered some evi-

dence which will be sent to the lab for analysis. No remains have been uncovered at this time. Officers are still searching."

The residence being searched is located at 1008 Northwest Second Street and is owned by Priscilla Juarez, according to the Howard County Tax Office.

"This search warrant was a result of credible information received by law enforcement during this investigation," said Everett. "The information led officers to believe Marquez is deceased and his remains may have once been at this location."

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Law enforcement personnel have been searching a residence on Northwest Second Street for the remains of Bobby Marquez Jr., who has been missing for eight years.

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HONEST, IT'S REALLY ME

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles said ordered two men to get their license photos retaken — this time without the red-painted skin, spray-on hair and fake teeth.

Will Carsola and Dave Stewart posted Internet videos of their pranks, which included Carsola spray-painting his face and neck bright red and Stewart painting the top of his head black and sticking a row of fake buckteeth in his mouth.

The videos show the men each entering a DMV office in disguise and returning with real licenses.

Stewart and Carsola, both 27, said they will get their "real" photos taken.

CLASSES DISMISS EARLY

Big Spring Independent School District classes will dismiss early today and Friday in advance of the Christmas break, officials said.

Classes at all BSISD campuses will dismiss at 2:30 p.m. today and Friday, Assistant Superintendent Rey Villarreal said.

The district will begin its two-week holiday break Friday.

Teachers will return for staff development Jan. 5, with classes beginning on Jan. 8.

Forsan and Coahoma schools dismissed for the holidays Tuesday and will return Jan. 8.

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Obituaries

Maggie D'Souza

Maggie D'Souza, 74, a nine-year resident of Big Spring, died Nov. 29, 2006, in Dubai, UAE. Funeral services were held Dec. 5, 2006, at St. Mary's Church in Dubai.

She was born June 3, 1932, in Mangalore, India to Joseph and Josephine Fartado. She married Albert F. D'Souza on July 15, 1950, in Pakistan. He died June 22, 1983.

She moved to Big Spring from Karachi, Pakistan on July 10, 1999. She was a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

She is survived by three daughters, Philomena Bangara and Winnie Micheal, both of Dubai, and Lucy Ahmed of Big Spring; two sons, Charlie D'Souza of Dubai and Peter D'Souza of Toronto, Canada; and 14 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one son, John D'Souza.

Udell Lea Taylor

Udell Lea Taylor, 86, died Wednesday at the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. Funeral services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral

Support Groups

THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.

MONDAY

• Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers meets the first and third Monday of the month. For more information, call Nancy Hale at 398-5239.

TUESDAY

• The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) support group meets from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main. Anyone who has a mental illness or has a friend or family with mental illness is invited to participate. Call Felicia Talley at 268-3835 for more information.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday:

• **RAMONA OLIVAREZ**, 26, was transferred from BSPD after being arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.

• **JOE MARTINEZ**, 44, was arrested by deputies on a parole violation warrant.

• **LARRY HERNANDEZ RAMIREZ**, 40, was arrested by deputies on a charge of theft.

• **SHOTS FIRED** was reported on Valverde Road.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported on Kyle Road.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department/Emergency Medical Service reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday:

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of Apron. Service was refused.

• **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1800 block of Hearn. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1000 block of Stadium. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 500 block of S. First in Coahoma. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 600 block of S. Second in Coahoma. Service was refused.

• **TRAUMA** was reported at E. FM 700 and S. Anderson Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to VAMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of Scurry. One person was transported to SMMC.

Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy. Lows around 30. Light and variable winds.

Friday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 50s. Light and variable winds.

Friday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Southeast winds around 10 mph.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of showers in the afternoon. Colder. Highs in the mid 40s. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday night...Mostly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of rain and snow in the evening. Lows in the upper 20s.

Sunday...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s.

Sunday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows around 30.

Christmas day...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 50s.

Monday night...Partly cloudy. Lows around 30.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s.

Tuesday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s.

Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s.

Take Note

• **SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH** IS giving away 19 10-inch particleboard pews. Pews must be picked up by early January. If interested, please call 432-263-3382 or 432-263-1444.

• **HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS**, part of the Big Spring Heritage Series, are available for the holiday season; however, only a few remain.

Sales of the ornaments supports community history and the museum. For information, contact Hangar 25 at 264-1999 or come by 1911 Apron Drive.

• **THE POWWOW COMMITTEE OF BIG SPRING** is planning its 2007 Powwow and is in need of new members and volunteers.

Anyone interested in Native American dancing or just interested in helping to bring an exciting weekend event to Big Spring is encouraged to contact Robert Downing at 263-3255 or Randy McKinney at 267-4843.

• **CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP IS COLLECTING INFANT CAR SEATS AND CARRIERS.** These are given to new mothers who cannot afford them.

To donate your old or new car seats and carriers, call Karen Allen at 263-3517 or leave a message at Christ Community Fellowship, 263-love. All donations are appreciated.

• **ROAD TO RECOVERY**, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland.

This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call Nancy Koger at 267-7809.

• **NEW LIFE MINISTRIES** Church of God In Christ is holding a soup kitchen every second and fourth Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 204 N.W. 10th. The meal is free.
Call 264-0771 for more information.

• **THE PET PATROL** helps locate lost pets and owners of found pets.

To volunteer or for more information, call Melanie Gambrell at 267-PETS (7387).

• **HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM IS COLLECTING RECIPES** to be included in a 2006 cookbook which will display memories of Big Spring over the years.

Share your memories and your recipes. Contact the Hangar at 264-1999 for recipe forms.

• **HOME HOSPICE HAS COOKBOOKS** with nearly 500 recipes on sale for \$18 with proceeds to benefit Hospice House.

Recipes submitted by volunteers, coordinators and owners of Home Hospice. Call Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599 for more information.

• **ODYSSEY HOSPICE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS** to work in the office and perform patient services. For more information or to volunteer, call 263-5999.

• **THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM** that delivers meals to the elderly and homebound needs volunteers to deliver meals.

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

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

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

• **LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST TEXAS** is accepting appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment.

Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.

• **BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES** are in critical need of foster families.

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

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

Bulletin Board

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

TODAY

• Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. in the RSVP office at 501 Rannels.

• American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call 263-2084 for more information.

• Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Veterans of America meets at 7 p.m. in the Sparenburg Building, 309 S. Main St.

• Big Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

• Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Big Spring Country Club.

• Spring City Senior Citizens Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.

• 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.

• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

• Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY, DEC. 28

• Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

• Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

• Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room. Call 267-6479.

• Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 221 Main. Meal served. Meeting at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 29

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

• Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Big Spring Country Club.

• Spring City Senior Citizen's Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area senior citizens are invited.

SATURDAY, DEC. 30

• Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 20-31-34-41-46-52.
Number matching six of six: 0.
Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$15 million.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 1-5-10-26-32.
Number matching five of five: 0.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-1-4

Legals

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals addressed to Mr. John Grant, General Manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, will be received at the District's office, P.O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas, 79721, 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, until 3:00 PM, Thursday, January 18, 2007

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Inquiries regarding equipment

specifications are to be directed to Ralph Truszkowski, P.E., Operations Manager, (432)267-6341, FAX (432)268-1196, ret@crmwtd.org.

In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating proposed prices, the Colorado River Municipal Water District reserves the right to adopt the most advantageous combination thereof, to reject any or all bids, and to waive formalities. The District anticipates that it will notify the successful bidder(s) by issuing a Purchase Order(s) within thirty (30) days after the bid date. No bid may be withdrawn within ninety (90) days after date on which bids are opened.

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♥ 5 4
♦ K J 8 7 3
♠ K

SOUTH
♦ A J
♥ A K Q 10 6 2
♦ 6
♠ J 9 7 3

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Take this case where South failed in a slam after winning the spade lead with the ace, drawing trumps and finessing the jack of clubs. East took the king and returned a spade to put a quick end to the proceedings.

It might seem unfair to condemn declarer for having lost a trick to East's singleton king, but, just the same, South should have made all the tricks!

As soon as dummy comes down, declarer can see that a successful finesse in either diamonds or clubs would permit him to discard his spade loser and make the slam.

Choosing one finesse over the other is not just a matter of luck, even though theoretically West has a 50-50 chance of having either king.

The deciding factor is that opting for the diamond finesse is better because it can be preceded by the play of the ace of clubs, which has a chance of catching the singleton king in either opponent's hand.

This possibility should not be ignored because, mathematically, when four to the king of a suit are missing, the king will be singleton one time out of eight.

Of course, if the king does not fall on the ace, declarer has the diamond finesse in reserve, and in that way he gets two chances to make the slam instead of just one.

Tomorrow: Test your play.
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Commanders in Iraq tell Gates they're wary of possible troop surge

By LOLITA C. BALDOR

Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Defense Secretary Robert Gates and the rest of the Bush administration may be undecided on whether to send more troops to Iraq, but several soldiers he met with at Camp Victory here on Thursday morning here said extra forces would help.

"Sir I think we need to just keep doing what we're doing," Spc. Jason T. Green, with the 101st Military Intelligence Brigade Combat Team of the 1st Infantry Division, told Gates during a break-fast session with about 15 U.S. soldiers.

"I really think we need more troops here. With more presence on the ground, more troops might hold them off long enough to where we can get the Iraqi Army trained up."

The troops may be somewhat at odds with military commanders, who worry that rushing thousands more Americans to the battle-front could prompt Iraqis to slow their effort to take control of their country.

Those concerns are "clearly a consideration" in mapping out future strategy, Gates said.

Just days into his new job as defense chief, Gates planned meetings in

Baghdad with Iraqi government officials Thursday, after a day of talks with his military commanders on Wednesday.

His hour-long question-and-answer session with troops over scrambled eggs Thursday was largely spent gathering insights from those closest to the action.

When he asked them whether adding forces would help, he got a roomful of nods.

"More troops would help us integrate the Iraqi Army into patrols more," said Pfc. Cassandra Wallace, from the 10th Mountain Division.

The soldiers also told him they think the Iraqi Army is getting better, but that it should be bigger and that many of the Iraqis are still not showing up for duty.

Gates, who later helicoptered to Balad Air Base west of Baghdad for a special operations briefing, did not tip his hand much to the soldiers, who were from the 1st Cavalry Division, the 1st Infantry Division and the 10th Mountain Division.

But he said U.S. logistics and support troops are likely to be in Iraq for a lot longer than the combat forces — as efforts continue to stabilize the country. And saying Iran and Syria are playing a

very negative role in the violence in Iraq, he emphasized that "figuring out the regional context is very important."

"We need to make damned sure that the neighbors understand that we're going to be here for a long time — here being the Persian Gulf," said Gates.

The new defense chief is visiting Iraq with a high-level entourage to assess options for calming violence in the country as President Bush considers sending thousands more troops. Bush is expected to unveil his new policy next month.

"Secretary Gates is going to be an important voice in the Iraq strategy review that's under way," Bush told reporters at a White House news conference Wednesday.

After meeting with top U.S. generals at Camp Victory, Gates said Wednesday that he had only begun to determine how to reshape U.S. war policy. "We discussed the possibility of a surge and the potential for what it might accomplish," he told reporters.

Top U.S. commanders also have worried that even a short-term troop increase might bring only a temporary respite to the violence — or none at all — while creating short-

ages of fresh troops for future missions.

One option would add five or more additional combat brigades, or roughly 20,000 troops, to the 140,000 already there.

Gen. George Casey, the top U.S. commander in Iraq and one of several generals who met with Gates, said he supports boosting troop levels only when there is a specific purpose for their deployment.

"I'm not necessarily opposed to the idea, but what I want to see happen is when, if we do bring more American troops here, they help us progress to our strategic objectives," Casey told reporters.

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Workers, residents sue Formosa for explosion at South Texas plant

POINT COMFORT (AP) — Contract workers and residents injured in an October 2005 explosion at a South Texas plastics plant have sued the company that owns the facility.

The explosion at the Formosa Plastics Corp. USA plant in Point Comfort injured 16 employees, one seriously, and sent flames more than 500 feet in the air. The fire burned for five days.

The U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board said the accident happened

after a forklift towing a trailer pulled out a small drain valve at the Olefins 2 unit of the plant, which produces PVC and vinyl for floor and wall coverings.

That allowed liquid propylene to escape, forming a large vapor cloud that ignited. The initial explosion burned two men, one seriously, and 14 other workers sustained minor injuries while evacuating.

The lawsuit was filed earlier this month on behalf of 52 individuals, mainly contract workers at the plant.

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meetings and some of the litigation. I think we have an excellent candidate. I hope we can work out some kind of an agreement."

Mayor McEwen said he doesn't expect negotiations between the city and Sjogren to take long.

"I expect we'll have a decision from both sides in the very near future," said McEwen.

Shotts served two stints as city attorney for Big

Spring. He first assumed the post on Jan. 1, 1998 and served until March 1990. He then returned to the city payroll in April 2000.

In addition to serving Big Spring as city attorney, he also represents various other communi-

ties, including Brownfield, Wolfforth, Crosbyton and Paducah.

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SEARCH

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According to family members of the missing man, they are hoping the search will help bring closure for a matter that has troubled their hearts for many years.

"We've known what happened to Bobby for many years. It was simply a matter of getting the search warrant, which law enforcement was unable to do until recently," said Raul Marquez, the uncle of the suspected victim. "They told us that someone came forward in November and collaborated the story they already had, making it possible to get the warrant."

Marquez said he hopes the search will end the struggle for closure he and the rest of his family

has endured for so many years.

"We're just hoping to get some closure out of this," said Marquez. "The family has hurt for so

long over this, and we're just hoping to recover the body and get some closure."

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OUR VIEWS

What better place to buy late gifts than right here?

The holiday season has reached the critical stage with only a couple of shopping days left before Christmas. There's perhaps no better time of the year in Big Spring, the surrounding area or anywhere else for that matter.

With so little time remaining for people to pick up those last-minute gifts, the pace in local stores is getting a little frantic in some cases.

What we've found, though, is that there's no better place to shop for Christmas than right here in Big Spring, regardless of how little time there is left to shop.

Remember, Big Spring is literally dotted with interesting stores — from the downtown area to Scurry and Main streets, to the mall and all along Gregg Street and FM 700, there are a wide variety of gift purchasing opportunities.

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While we would never begin to tell people they shouldn't shop out of town, we will ask that you check Big Spring first because the money you spend with a local merchant makes a difference in the lives of your friends and neighbors.

Come to think of it, if you've by chance already shopped out of town and still can't find what you're looking for and are forced to go to "Plan B," be sure that "Plan B" involves shopping here at home.

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Bottom line: Do your best to shop at home and make it a Merry Christmas for us all.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Thank You Lord for your encouraging words and love.
Amen

Unauthorized diplomacy, no outrage?

I suppose certain puffed-up congressmen are feeling their oats since the election, but that's no excuse for their unauthorized trips overseas to meet with leaders of foreign nations. This destructive practice must be stopped.

Democratic Sen. Bill Nelson traveled to Syria and met with its president, Bashar Assad, without the authority and contrary to the wishes of the Bush administration, including the State Department.

The well-known policy of the Bush administration is that the United States has limited diplomatic ties with the Syrian government because of its support for terrorist organizations Hezbollah and Hamas, its support of terrorism and ethnic strife in Iraq, and its policy toward Lebanon.

The Constitution firmly places the conduct of U.S. foreign policy in the hands of the executive branch because the Framers understood the pitfalls of conducting foreign policy by committee.

Legislators, no matter how personally popular or professionally respected, and irrespective of the wisdom or foolishness of the policies they are seeking to promote, have no business — as a matter of Constitutional law, historical practice and common sense — meeting with foreign leaders without executive permission. (Some would even argue that Nelson's unilateral junket violates the Logan Act — which carries criminal penalties — but there's insufficient space to address that here.)

It doesn't matter that the Iraq Study Group recommended that we begin negotiating with the ter-

rorist-sponsoring states of Syria and Iran in contravention of the Bush Doctrine. It doesn't matter that most Democrats probably support the idea — even though they just won back both legislative houses. The president is still in office, and this is still his call.

The Democrats have been belly-aching for years about President Bush's allegedly nefarious efforts "to consolidate power in the executive branch." This has always been a bogus charge, but it is especially specious coming from Democrats, who are wholly comfortable with routine usurpations of legislative authority by activist federal judges and completely unbothered by Sen. Nelson's trip.

Just think about it for a minute. A nation can't effectively conduct foreign policy when it speaks with more than one voice any more than a private business can optimally negotiate a transaction when two of its principals are sending mixed signals to the other side. You must speak with one voice, or you will allow the other side to divide and conquer you.

Some may object that Sen. Nelson had every right to go because he is a member of the Senate Armed Services and Foreign Relations committees. To the contrary, such credentials enhance his apparent authority and make his actions more damaging.

Others may defend Nelson's trip, saying he was not holding himself out as having any actual authority but simply wanted to open up a dialogue between our two nations. But that doesn't excuse Nelson's actions. He has no right even to open up a dialogue when it is the official policy of the United States not to initiate such a dialogue.

Of course Nelson was purporting to speak for the U.S. — at least for Bush's political opponents. This

wasn't a social trip. He was clearly trying to influence Assad's policy — he asked him to do more to stabilize Iraq. If nothing else, Nelson definitely sent a signal to Assad that powerful people in the U.S. disagree with the nation's official policy and will do everything they can to change it.

And, of course, Assad is going to tell the hapless senator that he'll cooperate because it makes President Bush look bad — at least to those who believe we should negotiate with terrorists.

This strengthens Assad's hand and encourages him to play up the idea that Bush is stubbornly refusing to deal with him. Alternatively, it gives Assad tacit permission to continue to misbehave, with the hope that his actions will go unpunished as long as Democrats accede to the executive branch in 2008.

Sen. Kerry recently took a similar trip to Egypt. Other senators, including Republican Sen. Arlen Specter, are planning such trips in the future. We know about Sen. Kennedy's dishonorable missions in the past.

But surely reasonable people, even those who disagree with Bush's posture toward Syria, will understand that their preferred policy end does not justify the means of violating the Constitution and turning our foreign policy into a jumbled mess.

We are talking about vitally important foreign policy during time of war. Where is the outrage? We shouldn't dismiss these trips so lightly, and the Bush administration must condemn them in stronger terms.

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Borat! Apocalypso! What they teach us

Of course Judge Joseph Biderman of the Los Angeles Superior Court was right in denying

two South Carolina college students' requests to chop their scenes out of "Borat" simply because they made racist fools of themselves. Even if the students acted like idiots because they were manipulated by the movie's producers who forced them to get drunk and sign waivers, as they are reportedly alleging, there will be time later to litigate whom the true fools and fooled are.

In the meantime, the students really shouldn't be so worried about their reputations.

After all, look at Mel Gibson. He blamed the world's wars on the Jews and not only won the weekend, but his new movie opened bigger than "Braveheart." The word is that Disney is launching a campaign to promote him for an Oscar, with the subtext that an anti-Semitic rant isn't nearly as bad as what Woody Allen or Roman Polanski did.

So what do these kids have to worry about? Compared to Borat?

The issue in all of these "Borat" lawsuits is the validity of waivers drafted to stand up in precisely these circumstances. The reason most of these plaintiffs are relying on oral representations is because

otherwise, based on what they signed, they lose. That's not a good position to be in, if you know what I mean.

Moreover, when you're trying to quash free speech in advance of a full trial on the merits, which is essentially what the college boys are trying to do, the burden is especially heavy.

Demanding that a judge take a scissors to a movie, pretrial, no less, is an extraordinary sort of remedy. It requires, as Judge Biderman properly recognized, a showing both that the party seeking that kind of relief is (very) likely to win on the merits and that money damages would be inadequate to compensate him for the loss. Neither was established here, nor is it easy to see that they could be.

In Mr. Gibson's case, it is becoming astonishingly clear that his anti-Semitic rant may not have cost him or Disney at all, in terms of damages. Nikki Finke reports in Deadline Hollywood Daily that the weekend box-office estimate of \$14.2 million far exceeded both the star's and the studio's expectations.

Why no price to pay? Here these poor boys are worried about a racist rant, and Mel Gibson is laughing all the way to the bank.

It's not what it says about him, but what it says about us that troubles me.

Do we not care how he behaved? Why are we laughing at the

"Borat" boys if we're all headed to "Apocalypso" the next weekend?

Have I been missing Woody Allen movies for all these years for no reason at all?

Was it because it was "mere" anti-Semitism, and America doesn't really care about that? Would it have made any difference if it were another group, another race, that were insulted? Where is Borat when we need him?

One of the messages of "Borat" is to underscore the prevalence of anti-Semitism, both of the European and American version. The "Running of the Jew" and the "running of the mouth" are both expertly engineered by Sacha Baron Cohen, himself an observant Jew who has stepped out of character with the press to underscore his commitment to addressing issues of anti-Semitism.

After Mel Gibson's famous rant, the silence in Hollywood among top studio executives — with the notable exception of Sony's Amy Pascal — was stunning. Why was it so difficult for so many, so many of them Jews themselves, to say anything? Because of personal relationships, or because they accurately predicted future box office? Because that's all they cared about, even then?

The "Borat" boys are claiming lost job opportunities because of their racist rants.

I almost hope it's true. In Mel's case, no such luck. Clearly.

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New Jeep Wrangler is quiet, comfortable on and off road

By MARK PHELAN

Detroit Free Press

Stirred, not shaken. Forget James Bond and his fussy Martini recipe. That's how I felt after eight hours driving the new 2007 Jeep Wrangler Unlimited over interstate highways and a rugged off-road course.

Stirring off-road capability is nothing new for Jeep's iconic Wrangler, which has been scrambling over loose rock since its roots in the 1941 U.S. Army Willys Jeep.

Unfortunately, a ride that could shake the fillings out of your teeth was also part of the Wrangler's heritage.

The all-new 2007 Wrangler begins a new chapter in the SUV's history. Titled "It shouldn't hurt to love a Jeep," it's the story of how new technology and inspired design allow legendary backcountry prowess to have a meaningful relationship with a comfortable ride and roomy interior.

The idea you can be comfortable in a Wrangler is a new one, and it may strike some Jeep loyalists as odd. They'll get used to it, though, and the '07 Wrangler and Wrangler Unlimited — the first four-door in the Wrangler's history — should broaden the model's appeal to some new buyers.

Prices for the 2007 Wrangler start at \$18,105 for a four-wheel-drive two-door model. The Unlimited's rear-wheel-drive base model four-door starts at \$19,750. The lowest priced 4x4 Unlimited checks in at \$21,750.

I tested an extremely well equipped Unlimited Rubicon model that stickered at \$33,070.

The Wrangler's key competitors include the \$29,405 Hummer H3, \$22,100 Nissan Xterra X 4WD and \$23,090 Toyota FJ Cruiser 4WD. All prices exclude destination charges.

Each of the four SUVs has its unique style, but the Wrangler's looks are particularly appealing. The two-door is immediately recognizable as Jeep's trademark model. At 152.8 inches long, it grew 2.6 inches from the 2006 model and has noticeably narrower gaps between its body panels. The Unlimited measures 173.4 inches long, but Jeep's designers handled the proportions so well that the long roofline and two rear doors look natural.

The Unlimited is a surprising 10.5 inches shorter than the FJ Cruiser, but its rear seat is roomier and more comfortable, and its conventional rear doors are much more convenient than the Toyota's rear-hinged suicide doors.

The Wrangler and Unlimited models retain Jeep's usual short front and rear overhangs for off-road maneuverability. The combination of tidy dimensions and well-tuned power steering also lead to easy navigation of crowded parking lots.

The Unlimited Rubicon's comfortable

ride stems in part from an electronically detachable front sway bar. The sway bar improves ride quality and bump absorption when it is connected. When detached, it allows the wheels a greater range of movement to negotiate rocks, ravines and other obstacles.

Other off-road features include two different transfer cases for low-gear 4x4 operation and front and rear locking axles.

Safety equipment includes electronic stability control and roll mitigation, and remote entry.

Power locks and windows are optional, but power mirrors are not available.

Jeep's engineers managed to add the power locks and windows without losing the ability to remove the Wrangler's doors, a feature off-road-ers cherish. The new Jeep also has a flat-folding windscreen and removable carpet with drain plugs in the floor, two other key attributes for backcountry touring.

The Wrangler performed brilliantly off-road, scaling a boulder-strewn hillside with assurance and negotiating lesser obstacles, like soft sand, mud and a pile of logs, with disdain.

On the road, the Jeep was commendably quiet, in spite of the Rubicon's knobby 32-inch Goodrich



The 2007 Jeep Wrangler

MTR tires.

The optional plastic Freedom Top deserves most of the credit for sound insulation, but wind noise was surprisingly low for such a blocky vehicle.

The Freedom Top ranks high on the list of the Wrangler's killer features.

Far easier to remove and replace than the standard folding soft top, it makes the pleasure of open-topped driving more accessible than in any previous Wrangler.

Power comes from a 205-horsepower 3.8-liter V6

that replaces the ancient 190-horsepower 4.0-liter straight-six in the previous Wrangler. Jeep doesn't offer a four-cylinder engine in the new Wrangler in the United States, although one will be available in Canada. A six-speed manual transmission is standard. A four-speed automatic comes as an \$825 option.

The transmission functioned well and acceleration was fine, but a five- or six-speed automatic could have provided a welcome boost to the Wrangler's fuel economy. The automatic-equipped

Unlimited 4x4 I drove rated 16 miles per gallon city and 19 mpg highway in EPA tests.

That compares to 17 city/21 highway in EPA tests of the FJ Cruiser 4WD, 15/19 for the H3 and 16/21 for the Xterra 4WD.

According to the EPA's calculations, annual fuel costs for the Wrangler Unlimited are \$105 more than for the Xterra; \$185 less than the FJ Cruiser, which requires premium gasoline, and the same as the H3.

The Wrangler Unlimited's combination of style and practicality

makes it the best of the lot, however. It s looks leave the Xterra in the dust, the excellent field of vision and rear passenger space trump the FJ Cruiser, and its price gives it the edge on the H3.

The 2007 Wrangler's combination of heritage looks and capability with updated convenience and safety features makes it as welcome as a cold drink after a long, dusty drive.

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2007 Jeep Wrangler Unlimited Rubicon 4X4

VEHICLE TYPE: Four-wheel-drive, five-passenger SUV

BASE PRICE: \$28,235 (excluding destination charges)

AS TESTED: \$33,070

STANDARD EQUIPMENT: ABS; electronic stability control; four-wheel disc brakes; electronic roll mitigation; electronic front sway bar disconnect; Dana 44 heavy-duty front axle; Tru-Lok electronic front and rear differentials; part-time four-wheel-drive system with low range; transfer case skid plate; theft deterrent system; two front and one rear tow hooks; variable intermittent windshield wipers; air-conditioning; locking glove box; reclining manually adjustable front seats; 60/40 split folding rear seat; YES Essentials stain and odor resistant carpet; front carpet; AM/FM/in-dash MP3-compatible CD stereo; 368-watt, seven-speaker sound system with subwoofer; premium instrument panel with tachometer, temperature and compass gauges; tilt steering column; sport bar with full padding; metal doors with roll-up windows;

auxiliary 12-volt power outlet; rear compartment storage cover; fog lamps; black rock rails; halogen headlamps; swing-away mirrors; 17-inch aluminum wheels; 32-inch BF Goodrich MTR tires; matching full-size spare tire.

Options: Red Rock Crystal Pearl exterior paint; dual top group, including three-piece modular hardtop, rear washer, wiper and defroster; tinted rear quarter and liftgate windows; power windows; power locks; remote keyless entry; alarm; front side air bags; front and rear floor mats; four-speed automatic transmission; Sirius satellite radio and six-disc in-dash CD changer; transmission skid plate; deep tint sun-screen windows; locking fuel filler cap.

SPECIFICATIONS AS TESTED

Engine: 3.8-liter OHV 12-valve V6
Power: 202 horsepower at 5,000 rpm, 237 pound-feet of torque at 4,000 rpm.

Transmission: Four-speed automatic

Fuel economy: 16 mpg city/19



mpg highway
Wheelbase: 116.0 inches
Length: 173.4 inches
Width: 73.9 inches
Height: 70.9 inches
Curb weight: 4,340 pounds
Where assembled: Toledo

COMPARATIVE BASE PRICES (not including destination charges)

Hummer H3: \$29,405
Land Rover LR3: \$38,285
Nissan Xterra SE 4WD: \$27,950
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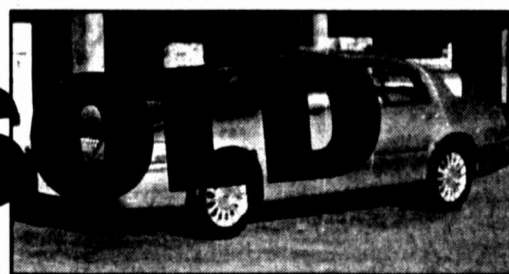
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"I'm not getting a minivan.
I'll never get rid of my toys."

— Jeff Gordon, joking that he won't trade in his luxury cars for family-friendly vehicles in an interview on NASCAR.com. Gordon and wife Ingrid Vandebosch are expecting their first child in July.



Grabbing the spotlight

Counting down the top five stories of '06

By DAVID POOLE
McClatchy Newspapers

That's Racin's David Poole looks back on the five biggest stories of the 2006 NASCAR Nextel Cup season.

NO. 5: WHACKED

Kevin Harvick did not win all 35 of this year's Busch Series races, it just seemed that way. He did finish in the top 10 in 32 of those races, however, and threatened the series record of 10 victories (set in 1983 by Sam Ard) with nine wins in completely dominating the race for the championship in NASCAR's second-tier series.

Harvick won the championship by an absurd 824 points, and finished 1,573 points ahead of Paul Menard, who was fifth overall but first among drivers who also were not running a full Nextel Cup schedule while double-dipping in the Busch Series as well.

Menard won at Milwaukee in June, making him one of just two Busch "regulars" to win a race this season. The other was easily the year's biggest NASCAR upset, a victory at Kentucky by David Gilliland that came out of nowhere and propelled Gilliland into a Nextel Cup ride with Robert Yates Racing within a little more than two months.

The "Buschwhackers," as Cup drivers racing in the series are called, are seen as good news by track owners hoping to use their marquee value to sell tickets to their Busch races. But if their dominance chokes out drivers, sponsors and teams who want to run at that level exclusively, can the Busch Series' traditional role as a proving ground for upcoming talent be sustained?

NO. 4: ROOKIE SURPRISE

Denny Hamlin showed promise when he ran seven races in the No. 11 FedEx-sponsored Chevrolet last season, winning a pole and getting three top-10 finishes. Not even that, however, led anyone to expect what Hamlin would do en route to winning Nextel Cup rookie of the year in 2007.



Hamlin

Indeed, two-time Busch Series champion Martin Truex Jr. opened the year as favorite to be top rookie in a talent-laden class. But Hamlin came out firing, winning the Budweiser Shootout at Daytona right out of the gate.

Nine races into the season, Hamlin was 19th in the standings. But he finished second the next week at Richmond and never finished worse than 17th after that until he'd qualified for the Chase for the Nextel Cup, sweeping to dominant victories in the summer's pair of races at Pocono in the process.

Hamlin then finished in the top 10 in each of the final five Chase races to wind up third in the final standings — one spot better than his Joe Gibbs Racing teammate Tony Stewart had accomplished as a rookie in 1999.

NO. 3: FICKLE FORTUNE

A longtime Nextel Cup car owner, someone with a remarkable record for consistent excellence, suddenly finds himself struggling so badly just to keep his teams' competitive heads above water that people start muttering that it might be time for him to hang it up.

Robert Yates? This year, yes. Three years ago, though, it was Richard Childress.

Fortunes in NASCAR go up and down every year, but seldom have there been so many dramatic swings in a single season.

In 2006, everyone was talking about the resurgence at Richard Childress Racing. Or about dire circumstances facing Robert Yates Racing.

Or about Roush Racing, one year after



Crew chief Chad Knaus, right, helps driver Jimmie Johnson celebrate his win in the 2006 Allstate 400 at The Brickyard at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

putting five teams in the Chase for the Nextel Cup, shuffling crew chiefs in an attempt to revive three struggling operations and putting an untested rookie named David Ragan in the seat vacated by the surprising departure of Mark Martin.

Or about Penske South and its struggles, ending with the breakup of Ryan Newman and Matt Borland, who had been considered one of the top driver-crew chief tandems in the sport as the season began.

Childress and Yates, though, were the opposite ends of the spectrum. Childress' cars won six Cup races in 2006, five by Kevin Harvick and one by Jeff Burton, after having won just eight in the previous five seasons after the death of Dale Earnhardt in 2001. Both Harvick and Burton made the Chase, too, the first time RCR had made the 10-race playoff.

Yates, meanwhile, let Elliott Sadler go in August and replaced him in the No. 38 Ford with David Gilliland. Dale Jarrett had already announced his departure at season's end, to drive for Michael Waltrip's new Toyota team in 2007. Up until the very end of the season, there was serious danger that team might cease to exist after 2006, but Yates has managed to keep it going and heads into 2007 still as a two-car team.

NO. 2: BREAKING THROUGH

Jimmie Johnson won the Daytona 500 and the Allstate 400 at The Brickyard with his No. 48 Chevrolet from Hendrick Motorsports and, once again, was at or near the top of the Nextel Cup standings through the first 26 races.

The pattern, though, had been for Johnson's team to sputter at some point during the summer and then falter just enough in the Chase for the Nextel Cup to come maddeningly close but fail to win a championship.

When a problem took him out at New Hampshire as the Chase opened and he got wrecked by teammate Brian Vickers on the final lap at Talladega, Johnson was 165 points out of the lead and seemingly about to be denied once more.

But Johnson finished first once and second four times in the next five races and took command of what eventual runner-up Matt Kenseth called a "sloppy" Chase to go into the finale at Homestead with a working margin. Johnson, crew chief Chad Knaus and their team fulfilled what had always seemed to be their championship destiny, making Rick Hendrick the first Cup car owner to win titles with three different

NO. 1: BLIP OR SLUMP?

For a decade or more, NASCAR has enjoyed remarkable growth. Moreover, it had also enjoyed being the apple of the national media's eye. Hardly a month went past without some major magazine, national newspaper or television network deciding the sport was a grand American business success story.

NASCAR basked in this attention, and it also nurtured and promulgated it. Having long felt neglected on the national stage, NASCAR has virtually wallowed in the good press that has come with its success and growth.

But there's a price that comes with that. NASCAR has been "hot" because things had all been going so well, but that perception has created the expectation that it should be ever thus. And then, in 2006, television ratings dipped, more race tracks found themselves with unsold tickets and International Speedway Corporation, NASCAR's sister company, walked away from plans to build a track on Staten Island, the kind of setback the France family hasn't often had to deal with in recent years.

NASCAR officials said they were not overly concerned by the "lull" or whatever word might be chosen to describe the stall in the growth's skyward climb. Merely a blip, like a short-term drop in a long-term bull market, they said.

Even if that's true, though, in America's rapid-fire culture nothing is quite as cold as that which was hot five minutes ago.

Longtime NASCAR fans can't wait to say "We told you so." They feel abandoned by the sport they feel like they helped make into the flavor of the month for the past 10 years, believing NASCAR takes them for granted while going out trying to rope "new" fans into the sport's fold.

The 2007 season promises big changes for the sport. Toyota arrives in Nextel Cup, and so does the "car of tomorrow." ESPN and its corporate partner, ABC, return to the television fold. Changes, most likely minor ones, are anticipated in the Chase for the Nextel Cup, which after three years has certainly lost some of its bloom.

It's hard not to see 2007 as a critical year for stock-car racing. If all of those changes click and the sport's trends start heading upward again, then maybe 2006 will wind up being seen as just a "blip." But if the sputter becomes an outright stall, no other story could be bigger.

POLL POSITION

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

What do you think was the top NASCAR story of 2006?

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LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

What do you think will be the biggest impact of Nextel Cup champion Jimmie Johnson's off-season injury during a golf outing?

Number of votes: 3,987

Driver	No. of votes	Percent
Johnson is gonna get real tired of wrist and golf jokes.	2,719	68%
He'll have to hold his beverages with the other hand.	715	18%
Climbing all over a golf cart just got a little harder.	203	5%
Something else.	124	3%
The Hendrick people will have to watch their drivers all year.	121	3%
His shifting and steering won't be all that smooth for a while.	105	3%

STOP 'N' GO

Busch Series looking for new sponsor in '08

The NASCAR Busch Series will be looking for a new title sponsor after next season.

NASCAR officials confirmed Monday that Anheuser-Busch, parent company for the Busch beer brand, has decided not to renew its sponsorship of NASCAR's No. 2 series after it expires at the end of 2007.

The Busch Series just completed its 25th season, with driver Kevin Harvick earning his second series championship.

"We are starting the process of finding a new title sponsor and executives at Anheuser-Busch have decided to pursue another direction in their marketing of the Busch brand," said Andrew Giangola, NASCAR's director of business communications.

Several companies have already made inquiries about taking Busch's place, including Wal-Mart, Samsung and Subway. That's *Racin' has learned*. Subway is considered the least likely of the three, sources said, although it does already sponsor a Nextel Cup Series team and two races, at Martinsville, Va., and Phoenix.

Other companies could enter the picture as NASCAR's search expands, officials said.

Giangola said Anheuser-Busch's Budweiser brand will continue its sponsorship as "the official beer of NASCAR," it's sponsorship of driver Dale Earnhardt Jr. and NASCAR's pole awards. It will also continue to sponsor the annual Budweiser Shootout at Daytona, a non-points all-star race held each February featuring pole winners from the previous season and past winners of the event.

"On most weekends, we get a very focused message to the consumer, but we're starting to dilute ourselves with Bud and Busch," Tony Ponturo, Anheuser-Busch's vice president of global media and sports marketing told The Sports Business Journal.

"In this day and age of competition, the last thing you want is to dilute your own effort."

In NASCAR's new television deal which takes effect next season, ESPN will take over broadcast of the entire Busch schedule. In recent years, the races have been aired on as many as four different networks during the season.

As it will become the sole broadcaster of the series, Giangola said ESPN will play an important role in finding and selecting the new series sponsor.

"Clearly, we believe the series is a powerful and growing sports property and ESPN is going to take the lead in elevating the series to a new level," he said.

Added George McNeilly, ESPN's senior director of communications, "This has been a collaborative effort with NASCAR from the beginning. Our sales and marketing teams working so closely together in this effort demonstrates the overall commitment to the series."

— Jim Utter

To be successful, DEI can't afford to drive away Dale Earnhardt Jr.

Teresa Earnhardt said it's time for her stepson, Dale Earnhardt Jr., to make an important decision.

"Right now the ball's in his court to decide on whether he wants to be a NASCAR driver or whether he wants to be a public personality," the CEO of Dale Earnhardt Inc. told the Wall Street Journal.

Teresa Earnhardt is absolutely right.

The ball is in Earnhardt Jr.'s court, because his contract to drive the No. 8 Chevrolet for DEI runs out after the 2007 Nextel Cup season. And should he go to another race team, the one Teresa Earnhardt runs would be in a world of hurt.

Let's be clear: There's no reason to

believe Earnhardt Jr. is going anywhere.

I've always doubted he would leave DEI, at least not before winning a championship there. The family name means more to him than money or celebrity, and he wants DEI to succeed as much as his father did or stepmother ever has.

But if the sport's most popular and most marketable driver — and it isn't even close — did decide to fly the DEI coop, two things are certain. Any other car owner would love to have him, and old sponsors would follow Earnhardt Jr. wherever he goes, and new ones would line up to take the place of those who can't.

In that same Wall Street Journal article covering the hiring of former music industry executive Max Siegel as president of global operations for Dale Earnhardt Inc., Teresa Earnhardt talked about how she looked outside of motorsports to make that hire.

"Most of the other team owners are

OUTSIDE INTERESTS

Dale Earnhardt Jr. has 17 Cup victories and more than \$40 million in racing earnings, but he also has made his mark outside motorsports. Here's a look at some of his other endeavors:

- **Music:** Has appeared in videos with Sheryl Crow, Staind, 3 Doors Down and Jay-Z.
- **Movies:** Had role in "Cars" and made a cameo in "Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby."
- **Radio:** Hosts weekly show on XM Satellite Radio.



Earnhardt Jr.

just so passionate about the need for speed and the competitive aspect of it," she said. "That's what drives them. I never could find someone who could take the blinders off and see outside that."

She is right about that, too. For DEI to flourish, it has to be a successful business and a successful race team. But without Earnhardt Jr., the company's most valuable commodity, DEI won't succeed.

Perhaps Teresa Earnhardt is annoyed

that her stepson is carving out his own niche in the industry with JR Motorsports and its various ventures — and that DEI isn't getting a big enough slice off all that. But Earnhardt Jr. is simply following the family's business model.

JR Motorsports is to DEI precisely what DEI was to Richard Childress Racing. Dale Earnhardt Sr. gave RCR everything he had behind the wheel, but he also wanted his share in NASCAR's success. So he started his own team and

helped create a modern template for how a driver can extend his influence from the garage to the marketplace. Teresa Earnhardt, to her credit, played a major role in that.

Dale Earnhardt did business at DEI and still did his job at RCR. Nobody can say Earnhardt Jr. isn't doing his job for DEI. Only three drivers, Jeff Gordon, Tony Stewart and Jimmie Johnson, have won more Nextel Cup races in the years Earnhardt Jr. has been in the series.

It could be argued that Earnhardt Jr. excels at more aspects of his job than his car owner does at hers. Teresa Earnhardt, for instance, declines to speak to the racing media, therefore shirking a major public responsibility of her position. And what kind of CEO would she be if she somehow managed to run off the company's most valuable asset?

A bad one.

State briefs

Wife backs bail reduction for husband accused of targeting her

ALLEN (AP) — A pregnant woman whose husband is charged with trying to plot her murder argued in favor of reducing the man's bail and said she would have no fear of his release from jail.

A Collin County grand jury indicted Albert Sterling II, 38, this week on two counts of solicitation of capital murder — one for his wife and another for the unborn child.

The previous day, a judge reduced Sterling's bail from \$1 million to \$600,000. The victim of the alleged plot, Roxane Johnson-Sterling, had written a letter to the judge urging the bail reduction.

She called her husband "an upstanding citizen" and said, "I have no reason to believe that me, my children or any member of my extended family would be in harm with him released on bail."

Sterling remained in the Collin County Jail on Wednesday.

Johnson-Sterling entered her family's home in suburban Dallas on Nov. 21 to find a man in her bedroom who warned that her husband wanted her murdered, police said. Her husband had flown to visit family in New Mexico earlier that day, taking their 3-year-old son with him.

Investigators said Sterling offered the man a large amount of money to kill his wife while he was away and helped the man get into the home.

Sterling's lawyer, Russell Wilson, said his client never asked anyone to kill his wife.

"We are still as confident as we were before that he's not guilty, and focused on proving that," Wilson said.

Wilson cast doubt on the man Johnson-Sterling found in her bedroom, saying he has a criminal record that makes him a questionable witness.

Authorities have said the man is cooperating with their investigation.

Johnson-Sterling is expecting the couple's second child any day. She's been living with family in Louisiana since the alleged plot fell apart.

In her letter, she said, "It would be more beneficial for (Sterling) to return to society, where he has always been as an upstanding citizen, so that he can assist in the financial responsibility of his children."

Texas AG sues Houston chemical company for pollution violations

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston-based chemical company and two of its subsidiaries have been sued by Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott, who accused them of releasing harmful pollutants into the air.

Officials with Lyondell Chemical Co. denied the accusations.

According to the lawsuit filed Wednesday, four chemical plants run by Lyondell and its subsidiaries — Equistar Chemicals and Millennium

Petrochemicals Inc. — released unauthorized harmful emissions.

The companies' facilities in La Porte, Channelview and Chocolate Bayou, a bayou located south of Houston, are accused of releasing volatile organic compounds, nitrogen oxides and carbon monoxide over a long period of time and doing nothing about it.

Perry pardons man wrongly convicted of sexual assault

AUSTIN (AP) — A Dallas man who served 22 years in prison for sexual assault but was later cleared by DNA testing and released has been granted a full pardon by Gov. Rick Perry.

DNA testing had proved the innocence of Billy Wayne Miller and the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles had recommended his case for clemency.

Miller was convicted of aggravated sexual assault in Dallas County in 1984 when he was 31. He was given a life sentence until evidence later supported his innocence.

Perry on Wednesday also granted clemency for 14 other individuals, many of them involved in drug crimes and convicted in their teens or early 20s. All were recommended favorably by the Board of Pardons and Paroles, Perry's office said.

Bill would open business bathrooms to those with urgent need

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas would join two other states that mandate access to employee-only restrooms for anyone with a pressing medical condition, including pregnancy, under a legislative proposal.

State Rep. Mark Strama, D-Austin, said he agreed to sponsor the bill after meeting with a support group for people with ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease, autoimmune diseases that can cause intestinal cramping and diarrhea.

"We should all be inspired by their example to have the courage to speak out about difficult issues and to advocate for others who silently endure difficult chronic illnesses," Strama said.

The bill to be filed Thursday would require that customers wanting to use a private bathroom present a doctor's statement or identification card stating the medical condition.

Access to restrooms is critical for some people, said Jeff Neale, spokesman for the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America.

"As we all know, when you've got diarrhea, often you need a bathroom urgently. Now, imagine having diarrhea for weeks, months or even years at a time," he said. "If you can't get access to bathrooms out in your community, you can't leave your house."

Catherine Wicker, a 10-year-old from Austin who has ulcerative colitis, is lobbying for the Texas proposal. She also lobbied in Washington with her father, Paul

Wicker, for federal support to research the diseases.

She said she has encountered problems with clothing stores that wouldn't allow her to use the restroom.

"I'd have to run to another store," she said.

Representatives of the Texas Retailers Association and the Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Stores Association said they would consider supporting the bill if it doesn't ask too much of employees.

"In most cases, we really don't think (access) will be an issue because the restrooms are already open and accessible," said Chris Newton, president of the 14,000-store marketers association.

The retailers group planned study how many of its members had employee-only restrooms.

Maryland and Illinois already have similar laws in place.



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Courtesy photo
Dr. Cheryl Sparks, Howard College president, presents a resolution to Elbert M. Long in appreciation of his donation of the Elbert M. Long Wildlife Collection to the college.

Howard College accepts Long Wildlife Collection

Howard College Board of trustees adopted a resolution in recognition of the Elbert M. Long Wildlife Collection this week.

The wildlife collection, officially unveiled Monday, was donated to Howard College by local area resident Elbert M. Long to use as an educational exhibit.

"I feel certain that there are animals in this room that people don't even know exist," said Mr. Long. "Now everyone will have a chance to come to the college and see them and learn a little something about the creatures the good Lord put on this earth."

The collection consists of 32 different animals with a total of 60 in the room, including a "Grand Slam" exhibit that is a special North American Wild Sheep hunter's honor received by Mr. Long.

"This collection represents a great opportunity for children and wildlife enthusiasts alike to learn about the animals, their environment and habits as well as what they look like in 'real life,'" said Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks, Howard College president.

Howard College will host educational tours of the collection beginning in February 2007 and welcomes all groups to call and make arrangements for a personal tour.

"We are very proud to receive this expansive and impressive wildlife collection," said Sparks. "And we look forward to sharing it with the communities and students we serve."

If interested in scheduling a tour, contact Jan Foresyth, director of Institutional Advancement, at (432) 264-5051.

Of local interest



Courtesy photo
On Dec. 14, the Big Spring Independent School District board of trustees presented Gold Star Awards for performance and achievement to Big Spring Schools. Moss Elementary received five Gold Star awards in the areas of reading, math and writing. William George Martin, principal of Moss Elementary, presented these awards to the students and staff during two different assemblies. The first, for special programs, kindergarten, first and second grades, focused on doing your best and striving to reach personal bests. The second assembly, for special programs, third and fourth grade students, focused on showing them that diligence and hard work is acknowledged and rewarded. Martin challenged this year's students to work hard and achieve their goals as well. Pictured above are third and fourth grade teachers and teaching assistants, left to right, bottom row, Shelly Gomez, Linda Hunnicutt, Lana Schooler and Pam Steel, and top row, Regina Sledge, Mary-Linda Garza, Lisa Norman, Laurie Barraza, Shana Peugh and Barbara Harris.



Courtesy photo
Army PFC Edward Ornales Jr., who is currently stationed at Camp Stanley in South Korea, is pictured with his wife, Felicia; their son, Edward III; and their daughters, Alyssa and Arianna. The Ornaleses are one of the families which have received funds from the Veterans Families Fund, as a way of saying thanks for their service and sacrifices for their country. Donations to veterans can be made to the Veterans Families Fund account at Woodforest National Bank at Wal-Mart or by mailing them to Veterans Families, P.O. Box 3358, Big Spring 79721-3358.

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IN BRIEF

Coahoma opens district with big win

The Bulldogs defeated Merkel this week 47-44 behind an outstanding performance by Colter Morgan.

Morgan was the game's leading scorer with 15 points. He also added 8 rebounds and 7 blocked shots in the three point win.

Jason Gonzales was a key player as he scored 13 points and managed 5 assists to go along with 7 rebounds and Stephen Ewing ended the night with 7 points and 8 boards.

The Bulldogs next game is Dec. 28 at the Reagan County Tournament.

Coach Larry Brown may return to 76ers

Larry Brown may be back with the 76ers now that Allen Iverson is gone.

Already acting as an unofficial adviser to the Philadelphia 76ers and team president Billy King, Brown could formally return to the organization he led to the 2001 NBA Finals.

Brown, who had a contentious relationship with Iverson during his six seasons as Philly's head coach, moved back to the area after he was fired by the Knicks after one season in New York.

King consulted with Brown on the Iverson trade, which ended with the former MVP being dealt to Denver on Tuesday.

Oklahoma women lose to Ohio State

The No. 8 Buckeyes (10-1) overcame Courtney Paris' 38th consecutive double-double to end the Sooners' 23-game regular-season winning streak that was the longest in the country.

Ohio State was the last team to beat Oklahoma (9-1) in the regular season, defeating the third-ranked Sooners 75-71 in Columbus in January.

Paris, the Big 12 pre-season player of the year from Texas, finished with 22 points and 13 rebounds, and Welch added 14 points as both players passed 1,000 career points for the Sooners.

Class 5A high school football playoffs

DIVISION I STATE FINAL
Southlake Carroll (15-0) vs. Austin Westlake (12-2), 7 p.m. Saturday, San Antonio's Alamodome.

DIVISION II STATE FINAL
Cypress Falls (12-3) vs. Cedar Hill (15-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, San Antonio's Alamodome.

Class 4A high school football playoffs

DIVISION I STATE FINAL
Copperas Cove lost to S.A. Alamo Heights, 40-23.

DIVISION II STATE FINAL
Waco (13-2) vs. La Marque (14-1) 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Antonio's Alamodome.

Steers' rewarded with All-District football honors

MIKE GRIMES

Sports Editor

The wait is over and the 2006 All-District team for the District 4-4A has been announced.

Plainview led the district with 11 first team players named. Frenship added 10 more and the Big Spring Steers placed six starters on the team. The Steers' had a total of 11 student athletes honored on first or second team and three of those players will be returning in 2007.

Three starters on the first team were sophomores and two of those players came from Big Spring. Sidney Parker made the first team at wide receiver and Cade Hollandsworth made it at linebacker.

The following players received First Team offensive awards:

Quarterback: Adam Thiel, Plainview (Sr.)

Running back: Evan Hearn, Plainview (Sr.)

Running back: Michael Cooper, Frenship (Jr.)

Fullback: Lance Tissue, Big Spring (Sr.)

Fullback: Donald Adkins, Estacado, (Sr.)

Wide receiver: Sidney Parker, Big Spring (So.)

Wide receiver: Michael Egnew, Plainview (Jr.)

Wide receiver: Trey Waley, Frenship (Jr.)

Wide receiver: Jeremy Watson, Estacado (Jr.)

Center: Mason Walters, Frenship (So.)

Guard: Colby Coleman, Plainview (Sr.)

Guard: Trevor Sheppard, Big Spring (Sr.)

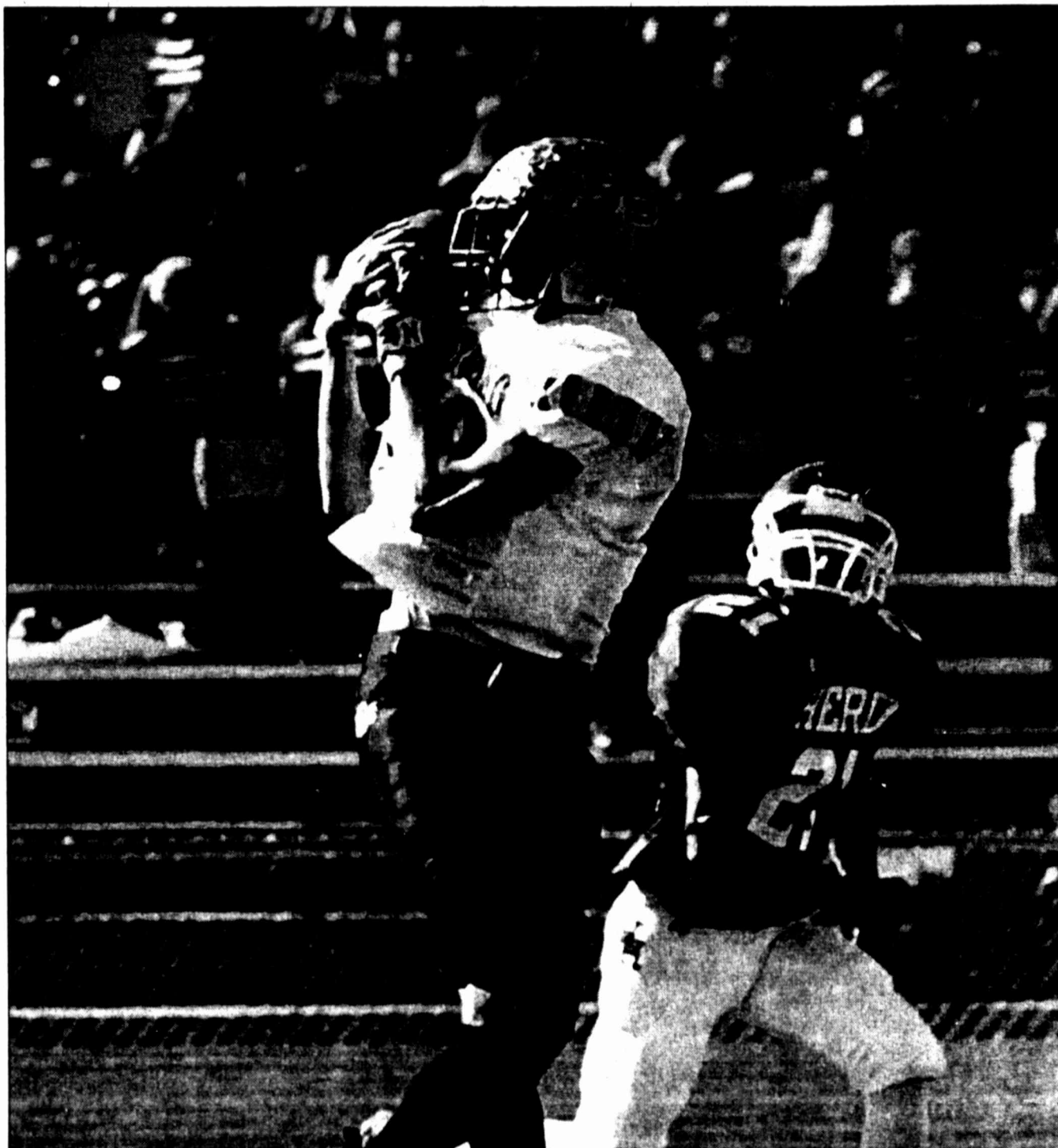
Guard: Rigo Sanchez, Frenship (Sr.)

Tackle: Spencer Thompson, Plainview (Jr.)

Tackle: Christopher Dalton, Frenship (Jr.)

Tight end: Chase Walter, Plainview (Sr.)

The following players received First Team defensive awards:



HERALD photo/ Mike Grimes
Scott Fankhauser was one of six Big Spring Steers athletes to be named to the All-District 4-4A football team this season. Fankhauser was one of four defensive backs chosen on the team.

Tackle: John Woodson, Big Spring (Sr.)	Tackle: Andrew Ray, Plainview (Sr.)	Defensive end: Aaron Wampler, Frenship (Jr.)
Tackle: Kaleb Rendon, Frenship (Sr.)	Defensive end: Landon Loafman, Plainview (Jr.)	

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Spurs streak to five straight wins

By ELIZABETH WHITE

Associated Press Writer

SAN ANTONIO (AP) —

Tim Duncan was perfect from the floor on a night when his team showed plenty of flaws.

Duncan shot 8-for-8 and scored 21 points, helping the San Antonio Spurs beat the Memphis Grizzlies 105-98 Wednesday despite blowing a 19-point third-quarter lead.

"We really let them get back in the game," said Duncan, who went 5-of-10 from the foul line.

Duncan also grabbed nine rebounds for the Spurs, who have won five straight. Michael Finley had a season-high 20 points, Tony Parker added 18 points and 10 assists, and Bruce Bowen had 13 points — including 3-of-3 shooting from 3-point range in the fourth quarter.

The Spurs were up by 19 early in the third, but

their cushion slipped away and Memphis briefly took the lead in the fourth.

"They really caught fire in the third quarter," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "We were able to get it done. So they did a good job when it mattered."

The game was tied at 90 with less than six minutes to go before a bucket by Pau Gasol put Memphis up by two. The teams then traded baskets — a 3-pointer for the Spurs and a bucket for the Grizzlies — before Francisco Elson's jump shot with 4:16 left put San Antonio ahead for good, 95-94.

The Grizzlies' Mike Miller scored all but two of his 22 points in the second half. He was followed by Gasol with 16, and Hakim Warrick and Chucky Atkins with 11 apiece.

It was the second game in a row that the Spurs

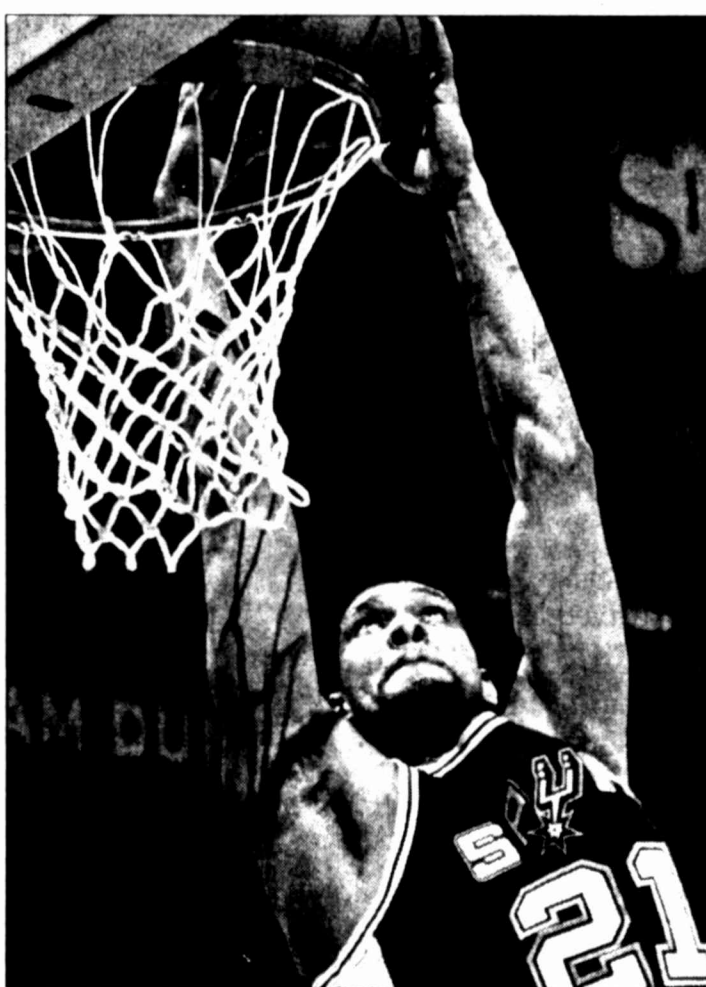
squandered a big lead and allowed their opponent to go ahead in the fourth quarter.

On Saturday at home against Philadelphia, the Spurs gave away a 17-point third-quarter advantage and allowed Philadelphia to take a lead late in the fourth. Only eight late points from Manu Ginobili, who had 12 against Memphis, saved the game for San Antonio.

"We've been here before," Finley said. "We've let good leads slip away. We were able to sustain offensively through working together and defensively by being committed and making them make tough shots. They missed them, we made them, and we got the win."

The Spurs (20-6) own the NBA's best record. They have won five in a row overall and six straight at home.

The Grizzlies fell to 6-20.



MCT photo/Al Diaz/ Miami Herald
San Antonio Spurs' Tim Duncan was a perfect 8-for-8 from the floor in Wednesday night's 105-98 victory over the Grizzlies.

Longhorns win thriller in Austin

By JIM VERTUNO

AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — The Texas freshmen are too young to remember the wild and woolly days of the Longhorns' old rivalry with Arkansas.

No matter. Their 80-76 win over the Razorbacks on Wednesday night was exciting enough to stand up to the barnburners of the old days.

Freshman guard Justin Mason's driving layup and free throw with 12 seconds left sent the Longhorns to the win in the first meeting between the old Southwest Conference rivals since

1991.

"Coach (Rick Barnes) told us it was a Duke-North Carolina kind of thing," said Longhorn freshman forward Kevin Durant, who scored a game-high 28 points and hit two free throws in the final seconds that sealed the victory.

"He told us to come out with a chip on our shoulder," Durant said. "This was a great win for our program."

It was the first meeting between the old SWC rivals since the "Tournament" Tom Penders and "Strollin'" Nolan Richardson were coaching the Longhorns

and Razorbacks through some entertaining basketball. The last time they met, Arkansas rolled to a 120-89 win in the SWC championship game.

The Longhorns start four freshmen who were toddlers back then. And while this one didn't produce those kind of fireworks, it brought plenty of drama to the start of a new four-game series.

Arkansas had taken a 76-75 lead when Sonny Weems scored on an inbounds pass near the basket. Texas then got the ball to Mason, who drove the lane, hit the layup

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MCT photo/Louie DeLuca/ Dallas Morning News
University of Texas head coach Rick Barnes is starting four freshmen this season and things are starting to click for the young team.

Stars stumble to the mighty Ducks of Anaheim

By KEN PETERS

AP Sports Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Scott Niedermayer put Anaheim's impressive record in perspective.

"The regular season is a long stretch of hockey. There are a lot of games, road trips and everything that goes into it," the Ducks' defenseman said after a 4-1 victory over Dallas on Wednesday night.

"So far, our guys have been doing a great job of staying committed and working as hard as they can."

It's paying off: Anaheim has an NHL-best 27-4-6 record, by far the best in franchise history at this point.

"We're just trying to go out there and prove ourselves every night," said Corey Perry, who scored twice against the Stars.

"It was one of those games where there weren't really any disappointments," Anaheim coach Randy Carlyle said. "We knew we would have to win our fair share of puck battles and specialty teams would have to be good."

In other NHL games it was Detroit 5, Columbus 0 and Nashville 2, Chicago 1.

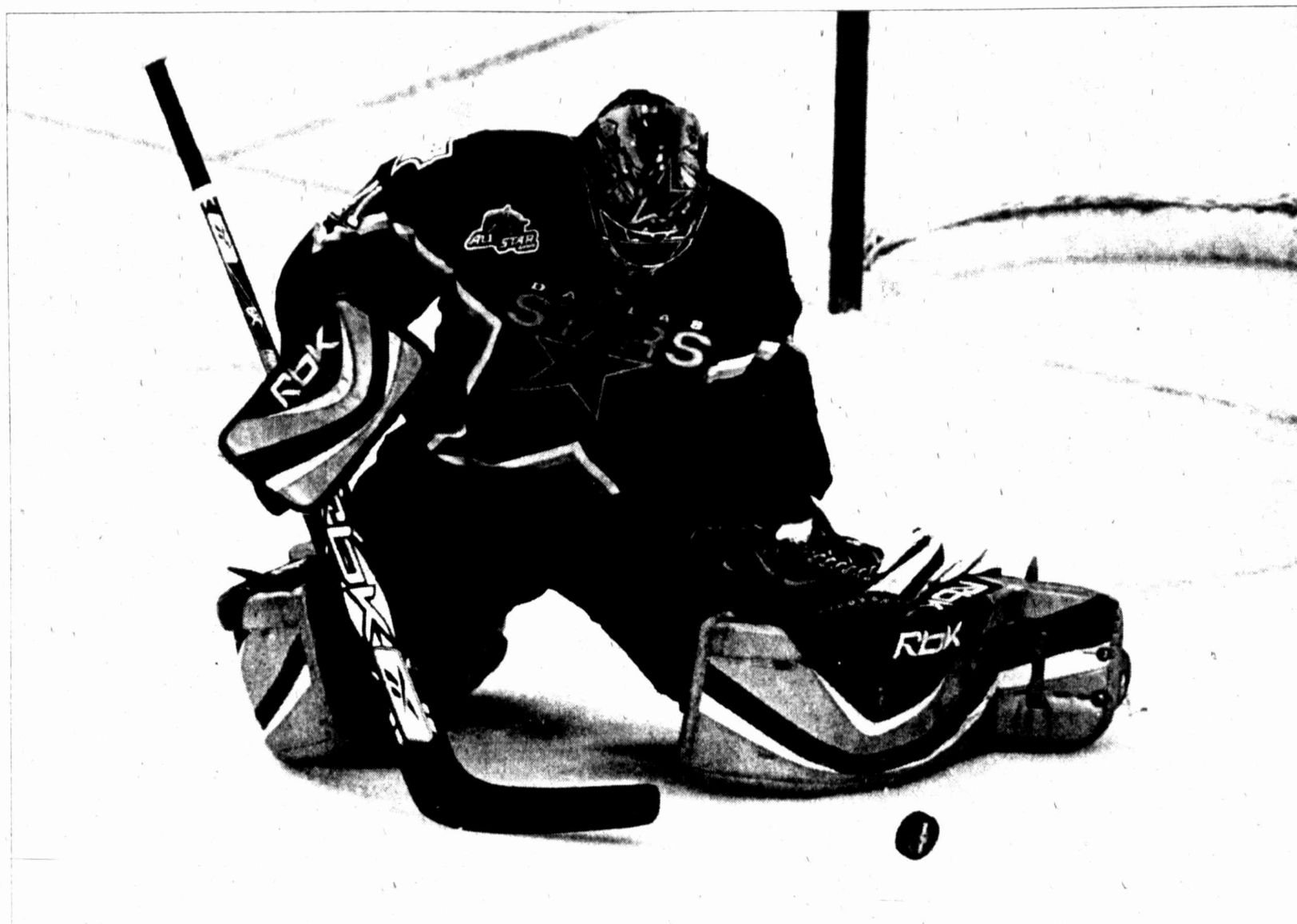
Perry's emergence from a slump makes the high-flying Ducks look even better. He has six goals and three assists in his last seven games after a 12-game span where he had only three assists.

"The bounces are going my way right now. Before, the puck was going one way and I was going the other way," he said. "Scoring goals is my job and that's what got me here."

"So I was putting a little pressure on myself and it was frustrating going through that stretch. My confidence is coming back."

On his second goal of the game and 11th of the season, Perry picked up the loose puck near the right circle, skated into the slot, stopped, whirled and flipped the puck over goalie Marty Turco's left shoulder to give Anaheim a 3-1 lead 13 seconds into the second period.

"I knew I didn't have a backhand shot



Dallas Stars' Mike Smith makes a first period save against the New York Rangers at the American Airlines Center in Dallas. The Stars dropped a road game to the Ducks Wednesday night, 4-1.

available, so I just turned and fired it," Perry said. "I tried to get it up because I knew there would be a lot of traffic."

Niedermayer added a power-play goal at 16:39 of the second, his sixth goal and 30th point, to give Anaheim a three-goal advantage. Chris Pronger had opened the Anaheim scoring just 3:22 into the

game, and Perry got his first goal of the night later in the period.

Jean-Sebastien Giguere stopped 26 shots for his league-high 23rd win of the season, and he's 11-1 in his last 12 starts. Stu Barnes scored Dallas' goal.

The Stars held a closed-door meeting following the game, and coach Dave

Tippett was grim afterward.

"We need more from everybody," he said. "These are real strong barometer games for us. There are some individuals who move up and some who move down. That's the way it is."

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Linebacker: E.Z. Reyna, Estacado (Jr.)

Linebacker: Cade Hollandsworth, Big Spring (So.)

Linebacker: Jeremy Salas, Plainview (Sr.)

Linebacker: Aaron Cannon, Frenship (Jr.)

Defensive back: Scott Fankhauser, Big Spring (Sr.)

Defensive back: Clay West, Frenship (Sr.)

Defensive back: Eddrick Wiggins, Frenship (Jr.)

Defensive back: Dustin Green, Plainview (Sr.)

Defensive back: Zal Smiley, Plainview (Sr.)

The following local players were honored with a second team selection:

Quarterback: Ryan Tannehill, Big Spring (Sr.)

Tight end: Mark Casteneda, Big Spring (Jr.)

Defensive end: Gus Waddy, Big Spring (Sr.)

Linebacker: Rudy Rodriguez, Big Spring (Sr.)

Defensive back: Raul Aguilar, Big Spring (Sr.)

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and drew the foul on Weems.

The Razorbacks had been sitting in a zone defense and expected the Longhorns to get the ball to Durant or guard D.J. Augustin for the last shot.

"The last thing I thought would happen is somebody drive through the zone defense," said Arkansas coach Stan Heath. "I don't think anybody in the building thought Mason would

take that shot."

Mason hit the layup and the free throw for the 78-76 lead.

"Maybe I surprised them because throughout the game they weren't focused on me," Mason said.

Arkansas had a chance to tie it when Gary Ervin drew a foul with five seconds left, but he missed the two free throws.

Durant scored 15 points in the second half. D.J. Augustin added 16 points. Mason finished with 10 points and seven assists for Texas (8-2).

Charles Thomas and

Patrick Beverley each scored 19 to lead the Razorbacks (8-3).

The Razorbacks opened the second half with a 16-6 run that quieted the home crowd. Beverley hit a pair of 3-pointers from the wing when Durant got stuck on defense under the basket, and Weems drove the baseline for a fist-pumping dunk as Arkansas took a 53-47 lead.

It didn't last long. Durant scored two straight baskets and Augustin drove the baseline for a layup and then hit a 3-pointer. Durant's

one-handed baseline jam capped the rally that retook the lead, 58-55.

But the Razorbacks kept finding soft spots in Texas' perimeter defense. Beverley and Weems connected for two more 3-pointers from the corners to keep Texas from pulling away.

Arkansas led 69-68 before A.J. Abrams, Texas' best long-range shooter, hit his second 3-pointer of the half for a 71-69 Texas lead with just over three minutes to play.

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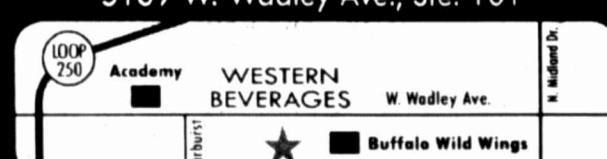


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Ninth Grade: Kalea Neff and Kirstyn Pulis.
10th Grade: Kim Calvert, Megan Conley, Braden Griffin, Ashley Martin and Laci Sterling.
12th Grade: Justin Cline, Juan Gonzales, Kayla Hall, Blaine Kerby, Ami Martinez, Brittnee Nix, Callie Paige, Jessica Pittman, Domingo Rodriguez, Dakota Teaff, Briana Thurman, Ryan Walker and Jeremy Winn.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Ninth Grade: Ashley Buske, Elisha Carroll, M.J. Castillo, Blake Cates, Judson Chevalier, Alex Cordes, Alex Crabtree, Katie Dunn, Kylie Gee, Kenzie Hunt, Krista Lyons, Jordan Martin, Courtney McAdams and Ashleigh McFadden.

Heather Newton, Josh Paniagua, Megan Parrish, Reagan Rainey, Jared Ringener, Hilary Rodriguez, Lauren Ruiz, Nick Sevey and Heather Sloan.

10th Grade: Isaac Arguello, Harrison Chevalier, Breanna Conner, Canyon Daniels, Nathan Gomez, Danja Gonzales, Victoria Gonzalez, Aricka Hart, Camryn Herrera and Richard Hunt.

Berkley Iden, Kelly Lee, Amanda Medina, Jesus Medina, Alex Moore, Shelby Paige, Michael Reid, Hailea Stewart, Hilari White and Katelyn Wilson.

11th Grade: Teryn Bibb, Veronica Cortez, Randi Gerstenberger, Janice Gonzales, Blaine Henderson, Colter Morgan, Karrie Patterson, Christie Rich, Reagan Rupard, KaySea Spiller and Logan Stone.

12th Grade: Cory Clanton, Shani Coker, Matt Earhart, Christina Garza, on Gonzales, Xavier Gonzales, Kyle Hays, Katelyn Lyons, Jacob McCain, Collin McMillan, Tabitha Medina, James Morgan and Skyler Mundell.

Taylor Rainey, Adriana Rodriguez, John Rodriguez, Bethany Shivers, Channa Smith, Garrett Walker, Chris Weihert, Crystal Worley and Dustin Wright.

Coahoma Junior High School
Second Six-Weeks
"A" Honor Roll

Seventh Grade: Katherine Calvert, Keveen Gilbert, Heather Kirby, McKenzie Moore, Jessi Morgan and Haley Pace.

Eighth Grade: Robert Barlow, Joshua Castilaw, Martin Gutierrez, Brayden Iden, Kelsey Mann, Jason Martinez, Shelby Reid and Austin Rinard.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Seventh Grade: Kendra Carey, Jennifer Castilaw, Justin Coker, Timothy Cravens, Jacob Echavarria, Lynzi Ferrell, Minnie Goodblanket, Vanessa Hernandez, Heather Hildebrand, Anthony Salazar, Paul Salazar, Coleman Sneed, MacKenzie Stone and Nikita Wagenman.

Eighth Grade: Rachel Barbee, Katherine Bates, Jose Castillo, Ashton Dominguez, Joanna Gonzales, Jessica Gutierrez, Taylor Joy, Rachel Kennedy, Mia Medina, Jackie

Murphree, Brook Quinn, Reagan Reid, Casey Roberts, Amber Rodriguez, Brandi Smith, Michael Weihert, John Williams and Brooke Zitterkopf.

Coahoma Elementary School
Second Six-Weeks
"A" Honor Roll

First Grade: Canyon Atkinson, Trey Bingham, Nickolas Chen, Felix Cruz, Joe Escobedo-Gonzales, Corey Fowler, Sydney Gilbert, Diana Gonzalez, Cassie Grant, Tucker Greni, Jori Hanlan and McKinna Hector.

Elizabeth Juarez, Trevor Kernick, Emily Marsh, Jake Massey, Tyler McFall, Mason Moore, Rolando Ortiz, Makayla Overton, Britney Payte, Troy Peryman, Walker Rawls, Victoria Sanderson, Preslie Smithie, Chloe Starr, Christine Tovar, Braidon Walker and Lane Williams.

Second Grade: Adam Brito, Annie Chandler, Carolyn Clark, Ginger Coates, Eric Coker, Santana Cruz, Kaleb Denton, Makinsey Grant, Stephanie Gutierrez and Darren Hernandez.

Jetly Hobdy, Kevin Humble, Tyler Martin, Carli Martinez, Thomas Ortiz, Kody Phernetton, Austin Sosa, Thomas Wilson, Brayden Worley and Landyn Young.

Third Grade: Julia Castilaw, Lauren Cevallos, Tanner Christie, Kassi Coker, Christopher Dominguez, Quentin Gaston, Taylor Mendez, Jessica Privett, Christopher Smith, Hannah Tucker and Tyler Witkowski.

Fourth Grade: Ashlynn Armstrong, Christopher Biddison, Brandon Clark, Brandon Coker, Alexandra Gibbs, Braxton Iden, Namen McCullough and Kelli Schaedel.

Fifth Grade: Richard Adamson, Kyla Clanton, Shayla Martin, Briana McCallay, Miranda McNew, Joshua Metcalf, Caige Miller, Savannah Neff, Devin Ruiz, Tyler Shackleford, Grady Smith and Shanen Warneke.

Sixth Grade: Wendy Andersen, Shea Campbell and Tanner Ruiz.

"A-B" Honor Roll

First Grade: Gabrielle Arguello, Dakota Backes, Landon Barber-Grant, Michael Brim, Matthew Cervantes, Rowdy Chaves, Ty Clark, Tanner Dodson, Eridanus Farmer, Brighton Feaster, Lane Goodman and Gary Hernandez.

Ned Hildebrand, Harmony Humble, Nicholas Loveless, Hannah Marsh, Tiffany Olivares, Kambree Perryman, Brynlea Rhodes, Kameron Rodriguez, Jaedan Stanislaus, Aricela Valencia and Jaydian Vargas.

Second Grade - Taylor Anderson, Haley Arguello, Alexander Biddison, Reuben Campos, Jasmine Cruz, Timothy Doyle, Shawna Faucett, Ashley Ferguson, Zachary Fuentes, Mavane Garay and Trinity Gonzalez.

Brianna Grant, Madison Grant, Evalena Gutierrez, Michael Hewtty, Sonny Jackson-Prince, Jose Juarez, Erin Lowery, Megan Magallanes, Ana Mejia, Dylan Nalley, Isaac

Perez, John Porras, David Sandoval, Hunter Seymore, Megan Shifflett, Clayton Stewart and Tia Stonerook.

Third Grade: Kelsey Allen, Makaila Arnold, Carley Atkinson, Robin Atkinson, Tray Brim, Dalton Cosby, Jesse Cuellar, Christopher Edge, Skydra-Lynn Farmer, Aaron Ferguson, William Franks, Brandi Gammons and Jose Garay.

Kenneth Hagins, Kaylee Hill, Amber Hinojos, Hannah Hobdy, Dylan Jetton, Caitlin Jones, Bailey Kennedy, Andrew Martinez, Crystal McCutchan, Taylee Miller and Dylan Nutter.

Destiny Patterson, Marisa Ramirez, Destanie Rawls, Tara Robinson, Abigail Sanchez, Aimee Solis, Miranda Swinney, Elissa Thompson and Blake Zitterkopf.

Fourth Grade: Sierrah Adams, Emily Campos, Camberlyn Chandler, Marypaz Cruz, Donald Ewing, Erin Fontana, Kelsey Garza, Jalin Gilbert, Arturo Gonzales, Christopher Hughes and Alexis Jackson.

Katie King, Jordan Matthews, Tomi McPherson, Joseph Melendez, Nicholas Paige, Victor Paniagua, Garrett Parrish, Morgan Pierce, Tera Rinard, Reagan Roberts, Kayla Sanders, Aloura Scott, Brayden Thompson, Christian Van Wey, Noah Wagenman, Zakary Walton, Fisher Williams and Kaeli Yager.

Fifth Grade: Rodolfo Brito, Breann Castillo, Zachary Crabtree, Tristan Gutierrez, Gabriel Hewtty, Kayla Jernigan, Amanda King, David Mejia, Christy Mitchell, Jordan Moron, Madison Rawls, Jerry Sloan and Timothy Wilson.

Sixth Grade: Jessica Alvarado, Devin Barbee, Breanna Corbett, Brittnee Cortez, Dustin Fontana, Alex Hill, Lucas Humble, Jacqueline Martin, Kaleb McAdams, Shelby Montgomery, Kasey Osborne, Brandie Phillips, Ryan Reid, Michael Villareal, McKenzie Wallace, Thomas White, Marla Wilson and Dakota Witkowski.

Forsan Junior/Senior High School
Second Six-Weeks
"A" Honor Roll

Sixth Grade: Alexis Armstrong, Tanner Ballard, Brandon Carrell, Elena Flores, Cole Long and Jansen McDonald.

Seventh Grade: Autumn Alton, Ashley Buzbee, Hope Cimino, Sydney Holdampf and Alex Park. Eighth Grade: Shelby Clark, Erica Garrett, Zane Herrin, Michael Mims, Regan Newsom and Kevy O'Brien.

Nine Grade: Evan Burton, Amanda Longorio, Noelle McDowell and Laura Spence.

10th Grade: Jeremy Robbins and Charlene Stanley.

11th Grade: Rachael Wheeler

12th Grade: Cayley Eggleston, Eric Ellis, Courtney Holdampf, Seth Johnson, Donna Kollar, Meagan Mancha, Tessa Montgomery, Brandon Morrow, Jonathan Purcell, Kaylon Stanley and Russell Strong.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Sixth Grade: Dillon

Bagnall, Landon Boeker, Trevor Burchett, Korina Christian, Madison Churchwell, Dylan Edwards, Nicholas Emerson, Jesse Hamon, Aric Hernandez, Kelcee Hillis and Preanna Hoyle. Case Ingram, Kie Jones, Leah Lloyd, Brayden Miles, Cody Moore, Max Pappajohn, Shelby Roemer, Kayla Tilley, Sarah Will and Bryson Willis.

Seventh Grade: LaShaunte Anderson, Austin Bynum, April Cevallos, Megan Crane, Victoria Dunnam, Cheyenne Galloway and Alejandra Hernandez.

Tyler Hester, Shelby Hudgins, Ricky Jaime, Jodi Jones, Amber Neighbors, Kyle Parker, Patrick Robles, Kimbra Rodriguez, Caden Rosenbaum and Mara Sheets.

Eighth Grade: Jordan Austin, Sterling Chaney, Cameron Churchwell, Blake Eason, Natalie Guetersloh, Rebekah Hall, Morgan Harbour and Zach Hatfield.

Lindsey Mince, Miranda Park, Chase Pierce, Jake Rhoton, Kayla Schlipf, Kolten Self, Kay C Stanley, James Wheeler, Jonathan Williams and Wen Zhang.

Ninth Grade: Amanda Barber, Macy Briggs, Kyle Daniel, Aric Denton, Ryan Flores, Erika Garza, Mario Hernandez, Jara Hester, Aaron Johnson, Claudia Jones, Kelsey Jones, Shelby Jones, Linda Mercer and Brittney Roemer.

10th Grade: Jeffery Carey, Shaina Dunnam, Monica Garza, Tori Gauer, Valarie Goff, Jeromy Gomez, Nathan Henley, Zachary Herrin, Alex Huckabee, Brittani Huitt, Tessa Kendrick, Cassie Matthews, Melanie McDonald, Shelby McDonald, Vince Penick, Michael Steelman, Keristine Thompson and Kaleb Willey.

11th Grade: Jessica Ballard, Britney Fuller, Kristian Hallford, Catlin Jones, Tara Kuykendall, Alex Newsom, Kaela Strickland, Rowena Suazo and Keisha Yarbar.

12th Grade: Timothy Ballard, Annaliese Dunnam, Ky Hofacket, Mark McKiski, Bobby Roy and Kassi Wash.

Elbow Elementary School
Second Six-Weeks
"A" Honor Roll

First Grade: Genesis Caldwell, Walker Cimino, Sierra Darling, Garrett Evans, Emily Gaw, Lexie Gee, Chasidy Grantham, Jesse Hall, Bryce Hergert, Caleb Hernandez, Hope Howell and Elissa Jefferson.

Jillian Jones, Elizabeth Long, Jennifer Lopez, Richard Lwin, Austin Madry, Desirae Pace, Nathan Ramirez, Erica Roach, Christian Sloan, Saige Stallings, Marissa Welch, Kayla White and Jaden Wilson.

Second Grade: Devin Adams, Aaron Alton, Tyler Anderson, Hannah Beauchamp, Olivia Cansino, Braxton Coor, Bree Franklin, Sterling Freeman, Hannah Hancock, Sandra Hernandez, M'Kenna Hopper, Riley King, Alyssa Kirkland, Mackenzi Lain, Kendall Phillips, Tori Roemer, Cayla Rosenbaum, Ashton Voight, BreAnna

Wilson and Blaze Yeater. Third Grade: Alex Bowman, Kaytlin Brock, Dylan Carrell, Christina Gaw, Aliscia Howard, Kaylee Kemper, MacKenzie Kennedy, Katelynn Kennemur, Maddie Munsell, Kiefer Pulis, Alexis Roach, Skydra Sanford, Abby Saucedo and Sadie Wheeler.

Fourth Grade: Ryan Armstrong, Mason Coor, Emily Hatfield, Alicia Hernandez, Zachary Long, Breana Madry, Nicole Niklash, Diego Subia, Dalton Taylor, Hannah Thompson, Garrett Willard and Yanic Yeater.

Fifth Grade: Covan Davidson, Chandler Freeman, Ali Knight, Eidra Lwin and Polo Morin.

"A-B" Honor Roll

First Grade: Seth Bailey, D'Amberly Baldwin, JR Barton, Glen Burch, Shelbi Carter, Jenna Evans, Lora Gomez, Eric Hall, Kaelon Harbour, Casey Hass, Katy Hillis, Andy Kirkland and Mark Lopez.

Addison Newton, Alfonso Preciado, Meagan Sanders, McKenzie Schreengost, Robert Stevenson, Tessa Talbot, Nathan Vidal, Kolby Watson and Tre Wheat.

Second Grade: Preston Alexander, Sarah Bethke, CJ Bigelow, John Broughton, Christian Carter, Lexi Churchwell, Brittnee Clay, Joshua Evans, Cailey Fryar, Randy Hesson, Mason Lane, Eric Lwin and Tearell McVae.

Averie Newton, Linzee Pitcox, Kenneth Priest, Sharrod Rushing, Rosie Silva, Matthew Sloan, Cobe Smith, Allison Tanis, Danyelle Tilley, Tyler Vega, Tyler Westbrook, April Whetsel, Keelee White, Mary Williams and Bria Wilson.

Third Grade: Wade Alexander, Lindsey Boeker, Julia Box, Jeremy Brooks, Kody Bryant, Nova Caldwell, Jesse Cervantes, Clayton Chappell, Christopher Chavez, Kaitlyn Creswell and Caden Davidson.

Karissa Dixon, Christopher Dunlap, Baldwin, Joel Espino, Eli Flores, Brennan Highfield, Stacy Jennings, Emily Lansford, Amanda Lopez, Caleb Morgan, Wyatt Morgan, Taylor Morin and Granger Newton.

Nina Ortiz, Ian Park, Walker Park, Gilbert Reyna, Maribel Rodriguez, Madi Roman, Brayden Settles, Jon-Paul Stevenson, Nando Subia, Cody Tanis and Mila Wright.

Fourth Grade: Travis Ballard, Devan Burns, Darby DePauw, Christian Gamble, Ashley Garcia, Ashlie Knox, Gabriel Leal, Alaine Lopez, Mary-Ashley McDaniel, Christopher Mims and Hannah Minchew.

Zack Norman, Erin Payne, Ryan Pearson, Andy Qualls, Summer Rainer, Alexis Smith, Kaleb Stanley, Brianna Welch, Makala Wharton and Nick Williams.

Fifth Grade: Jammie Armstead, John Tyler Breyman, Kenna Colvin, Eric Edwards, Tyler Evans, Kade Fannin, Taybor Flores, Clayton Galloway, Justin Goff, Brittney Hergert, Marisol Hernandez, Vanessa

Highfield, Matthew Mims, Maria Ortiz, Elizabeth Rhodes, Kiowa Spears, Josh Spivey, Kelcy Truszkowski and Colton Wheeler.

Grady ISD

Second-Six Weeks
"A" Honor Roll

Second Grade: Beau Beaty, Jenny Fields, Brittney Garza and Tina Knelsen.

Third Grade: Emily Glaze, Nicholas Lopez, Hunter McCarter and Tucker Wells.

Fourth Grade: Ariel Arnold, Jacob Beaty, Julian Helms, Lupita Jimenez, Nichole Raines, Tyler Straub and Nancy Wiebe.

Fifth Grade: Kristen Blocker, Sadie Fields, Billy Froese, Aaron Perez and Jacob Torres.

Sixth Grade: Jacob Chappell, Jack Kennady, Jason Klassen, Sarah Matthews and Cayley Oppgard.

Seventh Grade: Gerry Adkins, Abby Hanson, Carly Krug and Morgan McDonald.

Eighth Grade: Nicolaus Hernandez, John Ramirez, Carsten Russell, Shane Teague and Johan Wiebe.

Ninth Grade: Maegan Blocker, Dylan Cox, Abby Guthrie, Max Kennady, Tyler Matthews, Christian Medina and Jordan Schelling.

10th Grade: Kaitlyn Blocker, Patsy Flores, Ben Kennady, Matthew Meeks, Lauren Robinson, Geoffrey Schuette and Anita Wiebe.

11th Grade: Morgan Bryant, Ann Hinojosa, Ericka Medina, Sam Montoya, Katie Puga, Roy Rodriguez, Kandace Schuelke, Justin Tubb and Matthew Webb.

12th Grade: Aaron Bracken, Sandi Cox, Caleb Guthrie, Kelsi Howard, Emily Krug, Justin Pribyla, Stefani Robles, Kiersten Russell, and Jonathan Tunnell.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Second Grade: Anna Neufeld

Third Grade: Kathryn Franklin and Kelby Miller.

Fourth Grade: Bryce Blocker and Jessica Willingham.

Fifth Grade: Bernadette Adkins, Laura Lopez and Macey Oppgard.

Sixth Grade: Charmynee Arnold, Brett Glaze, Isaac Unger, Savannah Sawyer and Charlie Ann Wells.

Seventh Grade: Ty Beaty and Jayden Thigpen.

Eighth Grade: Bradley Chafin, John Dyck, Natasha Enriquez, Katie Meeks, Zane Robinson and Julia Schuelke.

Ninth Grade: J.J. Froese, Sam Harryman, Chris Straub and Peter Unger.

10th Grade: Mercedes Bustamante, Justina Klassen, Eric Krug, Guillermo Medina and Casey Shands.

11th Grade: Linsey Chavez, Leigh Hinojosa, Kenzie Madison, Luciano Najera, Tommylee Rivas, Rachel Romine, Lane Shands and Tyler Springer.

12th Grade: Lupe Juarez, Josh Pugh, Brittney Rivas, Gabby Rodriguez and Tyler Swinson.

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Second Six-Weeks
"A" Honor Roll

First Grade: Samantha Blount, Landry Connell, Sarah DeLeon, Genaro Martinez, Andrew Ragle, Brittney Sandoval, Noah Wington and Christopher Ybarra.

Second Grade: Reagan Hamlin, Susana Schmith, Kailey Tindol and Samantha Ybarra.

Third Grade: Nicholas Cisneros, Austin Nichols, Dylan Segundo and Dyllan Tindol.

Fourth Grade: Austin Blount, Davis Browne and Zane Parker.

Fifth Grade: Aaron Ragle, Jerad Staggs and Kendra Staggs.

Eighth Grade: Landon Parker, Meagan Yarbrough and Morgan Yarbrough.

Ninth Grade: Noemi Martinez and Kimberly Wington.

Tenth Grade: Logan Gaskins, Miranda Gutierrez, Richard Lucio and Tamara Nichols.

11th Grade: Ronnie Peacock.

12th Grade: Amanda McGregor.

"A-B" Honor Roll

First Grade: Reme Arriaga, Rigo Chavera, Tina Friesen, Teresa Gonzales, Sunny Kuykendall, Crystal Lara and Deryk Renteria.

Second Grade: Trevor Blagrove, Eric Garcia, Yajaira Gonzalez, Tyler Kelley and Jacy Parker.

Third Grade: Felipe Aguinaga, Melissa Brisenio, Aggie Friesen and Susie Rempel.

Fourth Grade: Colten Hughes, Sergio Plata and Sloan Shaw.

Sixth Grade: Jake Browne, Angelica Diaz, Callie McMorris and Preston Zant.

Seventh Grade: Sean Blagrove, Kassandra Garza, Michael Gomez, Zaira Pena, Ryan Stockton, Hayden Ware and Alberto Ybarra.

Eighth Grade: Mercedes Chavera and Jami Ybarra.

Ninth Grade: Oscar Martinez, Johnny Rogers and Tyler Ware.

Tenth Grade: Brittnei Blagrove, William Carson, Christina Chavera, Melissa DeLeon, Kayla Franco, Jesus Gomez, CD Karns, David Martinez, Mason Parker and Ethan Zant.

11th Grade: Nick Guillen, Thomas Pena, Mary Rogers, Melony Ruiz and Crystal Ybarra.

12th Grade: Erik Gutierrez, Jessica Lucio, Carol Martinez, Garrett Nichols, Samantha Peacock, Michael Thompson and Mathew Ybarra.

Big Spring High School

Second Six-Weeks
"A" Honor Roll

Haley Adams, Mistie Aguilar, Mathis Alexander, Chelsea Anderson, Sarah Armentrout, Natalie Beech, Mylia Black, Paden Black, Christine Bledsoe, Nathan Booth, James Bowen and Courtney Boyd.

Daniel Budke, Jay Carnes, Malle Carrasco, Lucian Cruz, Zack Dawson, Lauren Dorn, Scott Fankhauser, Ira Friddle, Amaris Garcia,

Jana Giles, Cindy Gonzales, Mikael Gonzales and Matthew Gwin.

Christina Hernandez, Geoffrey Hughey, Colin Hunnicutt, Edward Jaime, Ariel Johnson, Bryan Juan, Mallory Kennedy, Brandon Kinard, Natalie Lozano, Channing Martin, Megan McCormick and Michelle McMurtrey.

Morgan Metcalf, Amber Miller, Jeremy Mills, Skyler Moore, Alexandra Ortega, Rachel Overby, Brionna Palmér, Suraj Patel, Alyssa Rains, Jonathan Ray, Matthew Ritchey, Reinilde Robinson and Brittany Rodriguez.

Nicholas Ross, Mark Rubio, Kelly Sage, Trevor Sheppard, Meagan Smith, Brandon Stowers, Ryan Tannehill, William Tannehill, Ericka Tapia, Lance Tissue, Katherine Tompkins, Alison Ward, Crystal Ward, Eric Welch and Jacob White.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Frank Acosta, Matthew Africh, Robert Andrade, Kayla Arroyo, Jessica Barker, Carlee Barraza, Dianna Barraza, Anthony Barrera, E r i c Barton, Jeremy Beck, Hollie Biemeret, Tori Bohanon and Karl Brode.

Christopher Brooks, DeJoria Brown, Lauren Bryant, Taylor Calk, Caitlin Carlisle, Megan Carrillo, Olivia Castillo, Ruben Castill, Jessica Chancy, Cody Chandler, Stephanie Chavera and Anthony Chavez.

Jordan Chesworth, Victoria Conner, Jacob Cortez, Pedro Covarrubias, Austin Cox, Michael Cuvillo, Sloan Davis, Marisa De Los Santos, Amanda Denton, Jacob Dominguez, Ricky Dominguez and Brianne Downes.

Kendra Dutchover, Changel, Dykes, Alexander Emerson, Bree Feaster, Ashton Fillingim, Kallina Fletcher, Bernadette Flores, Samone Foster, Baylea Fox, Chelse Franco, Henry Franco, Amelia Friddle and Alejandra Garcia.

Antoinette Garcia, Debra Garcia, Isaac Garcia, Joe Garcia, Nicholas Garcia, Adela Garfias, Sergio Gatica, Cecelia Gomez, Guadalupe Gonzales, Selena Gonzales, Genesis Gonzalez and Sophia Gonzalez.

Brandon Good, Weston Graham, Macy Graves, Aaron Guzman, Lanny Hall, Kenneth Harris, Stormy Hart, Nicholas Headrick, Cortney Heinis, Christina Helsley, Jake Hernandez, Jose Hernandez and Stephanie Hernandez.

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Kade Parker, Taylor Parks, Keely Parnell, Tevian Parnell, Xavian Parnell, Callie Partee, Damian Perez, Jacob Petrowski, Brenna Phernetton, Hadden Phillips, Pavel Plakhotny, Holly Platte and Eric Pope.

Raymond Porter, Nicolas Portocarrero, Stephanie Ramirez, Brittney Randle, Bryan Raney, Loveita Raymond, Joey Rios, Bianca Rivera, Timothy Roberts, Sydnie Robertson, Reinilde Robinson and Monica Rocha.

Severa Rocha, Christina Roddenberry, Briana Rodriguez, Bridgette Rodriguez, Brittany Rodriguez, Marisa Rodriguez, Virginia Rodriguez, Rudy Rodriguez, Phillip Rubio and Alyssa Ruiz.

Alyssa Ruiz, Veronica Ruiz, Lauren Sage, Chelby Salgado, Braden Schaffner, Nathaniel Shadix, Callie Shafer, Daniel Shanahan, Heather Sheppard, Roshan Shroff, Jonathan Smith and Mallory Smith.

Jessica Smithwick, Nicholas Sosa, Mariah Sparkman, Casey Speck, Jana Stiles, Jonathan Stiles, Jessica Stone, Haylea Stuteville, Rance Terry, Halee Thomas, Matthew Thomas, Clarissa Torres and Hali Torres.

Patricia Trevino, Rondell Trevino, Chance Urias, Jordan Valle, Briana Valles, Julia Villa, Augustus Waddy, Mykel Wagner, Jennifer Walker, Derek Ward, Jimmy Watson, Karlye Weaver and Hannah Weber.

Whitney Wells, Elizabeth Wheeler, Turquoise White, Samantha Whitehead, Heather Whitt, Donald Whittenburg, Mischa Willard, Jonathan Womack, Todd Wooldridge, Whitney Worthan, Ethan Wright, Kori Yanez, Martin Yanez, Linzee Ybarra, John Ybarra and Arelle Young.

Big Spring Junior High School

Second Six Weeks
"A" Honor Roll

Seventh Grade: Aaron Arispe, Carl Friddle, Zachary Hernandez, Trey Lowery, Laurie Pineda, Miranda Rodriguez, Reba Smith, Victoria Sotelo, Kelsey Weir, Jesi Coates, Ashten Galan and Bianca Hilario.

Lacy McMurtrey, Scarlet Robertson, Anna Scott, Pete Sosa, Danielle Strickland, Sydney Winters, Stormy Emery, Sebastian Hernandez, Janelle Leyva, McKenzi Metcalf, Toby Rodgers, Morgan Slaughter, Selene Sosa and Matthew Tompkins.

Eighth Grade: Ashlie Aaron, Robert Barraza, Alyssa Byrd, Nicole Davidson, Jaci Durham, Opal Gonzales, Quinton Kennemur, Lacey Lawrence, Meagan McElroy, Jonathan Molina, Andrew Newton and Justin Pearson.

David Rios, Trevor Shaw, Judith Treece, Jessica Womack, Ethan Yeats, Logan Adams, Ashley Billings, Deanna Clare, Taylor Digby, Kylie Farmer, Victoria Gonzales, Benjamin Klaassen, Courtney Long and Dennis Merworth.

Natalie Morales, Austen Newton, Saul Puga, Stephanie Rios, Courtne Smith, Jillian Valle, Leo Wright, Desiree Anderson, Blake Brorman, Chanel Caviello, Shayla Drake, Andrew Fillingim and Joshua Kelly.

Mathew Lara, John Lyons, Nathaniel Mitchell-McCoy, Justin Moss, Leandra Obenchain, Savina Ramirez, Joe Rodriguez, Stormi Smith, Jackson Watkins, Alesha Yanez.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Seventh Grade: Donovan Agüero, Aaron Arispe, Charles Beal, Stephanie Carrillo, Ivory Clemons, Jessica Cortez, Ashley DeLeon, Brandi Edwards, Timothy Evans, Jocelyn Flores, Ashten Galan and Adrian Garza. Mai Gomez, Kimberly Gonzalez, Jeremy Gutierrez, Colton Hawkins, Sebastian Hernandez, Bianca Hilario, Sierra Hinojosa, Ricardo Juarez, Richard Lewis, Tiffany Alaniz, Tonia Arista, Cassie Boehringer and Robin Casebeer.

Jesi Coates, William Currie, Rebecca Dominguez, Stormy Emery, Annalee Felts, James Fox, George Galloway, Jesse Garza, Mario Gonzales, Bianca Griego, Aaron Hanes, Faith Hernandez and Zachary Hernandez.

Ambra Hill, Nicholas Islas, Alison Karavatos, Janelle Leyva, Jacquelyn Alvarez, Mark Barsh, Andrea Cansino, Robyn Castle, Kendra Cook, Ashley Dawson, Johnny Doporto and Kathleen Evans.

Eric Fierro, Carl Friddle, Crystal Garcia, Matthew Garza, Tiffany Gonzales, Kasandra Gross, Stephanie Harvell, Rodolfo Hernandez, Laura Herrera, Brittany Hill, Daniel Juarez, Clifford Kinney and Trey Lowery. Noah Lozano, Johnathon Martinez, Bryan McComb, McKenzi Metcalf, Nickolas Morelion, Jessica Oliva, Allison Perez, Laurie Pineda, Anastacia Ramirez, Scarlet Robertson, Alma Rodriguez and Tiara Runels.

Kristina Skiles, Reba Smith, Victoria Sotelo, Garrett Stuteville, Austin Trevino, Elijah Willis, Seth Ybarra, Lilia Lugo, Diamond Mayes, Raymond McDonald, Humberto Mier, Pecos Murberto and Sara Overby.

Audree Perez, Cole Pittman, Merced Ramirez, Kadisha Robinson, Miranda Rodriguez, Anna Scott, Morgan Slaughter, Pete Sosa, Samuel Spivey, Matthew Tompkins, Richard Villa, Sydney Winters, Jennifer Ybarra, Michael Mahaney, Tadianna McCalister, Lacy McMurtrey and Kerry Moore.

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Sosa, Danielle Strickland, Aspen Trent, Kelsey Weir and Christopher Yanez.

Eighth Grade: Ashlie Aaron, Desiree Anderson, Jamaica Ausbie, Leticia Bazaldua, Chad Bowles, Blake Brorman, Tierra Burns, Mari-Sol Carrillo, Amando Cortez, Chanel Cuvillo, William Davis and Shayla Drake.

Alexandria Escanuela, Kylie Farmer, Kasey Fitzgibbons, Albert Franco, Vergil Garcia, Harold Gimenez, Sabrina Gonzalez, Krista Hernandez, Taryn Kennedy, Jacob Acosta, Shelby Arista, Laure Banda and Savana Bedell.

Wayland Boyd, Leanne Burcham, Alyssa Byrd, Pete Chavarria, Shelby Crews, Nicole Davidson, Devon Davis-Locke, Jacie Durham, Brittany Escanuela, Belle Feaster, Patrick Flores, Wesley Frost and Victor Garcia.

Opal Gonzales, Julio Granillo, Richard Hirzel, Quinton Kennemur, Logan Adams, Rebecca Arocha, Robert Barraza, Ashley Billings, Drew Breckenridge, Taryn Burger, Adam Canales, Deanna Clare and Destiny Currie.

Timothy Davila, Taylor Digby, Juan Enriquez, Michael Escanuela, Andrew Fillingim, Paul Flores, Eduardo Galvan, Joseph Garland, Victoria Gonzales, Christopher Hale, Joshua Kelly and Benjamin Klassen.

Suet Lam, Courtney Long, Iris Martinez, Briana Mendoza, Jonathan Molina, Aristotle Moran, Alan Najera, Jaycee Newton, Lucas Ontiveros, Andrea Paredes, Kristin Perez, Saul Puga and Maricela Ramirez.

Allen Rice, Benjamina Rios-Rios, Joe Rodriguez, Lisa Rudolph, Moises Saracho, Shelbi Sharp, Casey Smith, Krystal Soto, Elle Torres, Jillian Vale, Jackson Watkins, Britney Winters and Leo Wright.

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Second Six-Weeks
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Fifth Grade: Colby Adams, Valerie Pettrowski, Bailey Pittman, Jose Juarez,

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Sixth Grade: Kylee Borchardt, Haley Dimidjian, Amanda Nieto, Ethan Pearson, Carson Reibe, Trenton Thomas, Elena Flores, Alex Gartman, Marissa Hernandez, Elizabeth Smithwick and Gabriella Torres.

Hope Biemeret, Emilea Brumley, Kaley Duncan, Austin Gibson, Tyler Graves, Gustavo Lugo, Savi Vela, Brandy Weber, Justine Delatour, Julie Jimenez, Michelle Morgan, Vanessa Alvarado and John Armstrong.

Cloe Camden, Tiffany Gonzales, Adam Lloyd Matthew Davila, Caysi Holt, Paige Knowlton, Katrina Petrowski, Hannah Spence, Chance Raymond and Angela Worthington.

"A-B" Honor Roll

Fifth Grade: Tucker Durham, Nathan Land, Joshua Morgan, Sugar Patel, Clarissa Rodriguez, Dana Rodriguez, Brandon Warner, Angelica Cantu, Jacob Davis, Bilhah Guillory, Alex Hughes and Aric Rutledge.

Nadya Viasana, Aaron Calvio, Adam Franco, Kimberly Gonzalez, Lane Hutchens, Bianca Lopez, James Sanders, Brandon Soliz, Izzak Zamora, Austin Cantu, Brittany Gonzales, Alesia Hernandez, Marisela Rodriguez, Aaron Telchik, April Valle, Matthew Yanez and Casedy Cervantes.

Nichole Hale, Catherine Harris, Brandy Mikeska, Shawna Quernheim, Ashley Smithwick, Connor Steel, Drake Worthan, Alejandro Zavala, Devin Roberson, Dustin Kinard, Abigail Portocarrero, Meagan Graves, Matt Beal, Molly Walker, Austin Claburn, Ryane Colette, Kelsie Guinn and Nickolas Gonzales.

Gabbie Trevino, Seth Mitchem, Zachary Ludington, Brett Brorman, Chance Atkinson, Juliette Alvarez, Brittany Bakley, Taylor Brorman, Alexis Cansino, Corina Chavera, Nic Fuqua, Ashley Garza, Daric Gill and Desiree Guzman.

Omar Hernandez, Joe Juarez, Amanda Kirk, Marcus Lopez, Isaiah Ludington, Joshua Martinez, Izandra Melendez, Shaiem Menefield, Sherda Mintz, Karla Moreno, Katie Newton and Kristen Poffinbarger.

Aaron Rios, Timothy Rios, Samantha Saiz, Pedro Sorola, Briana Valencia, Garrett Wheeler, Jessica Zavala, Tulsii Patel, Alex Zapata, Laura Gonzalez and Tate Kennedy.

Sixth Grade: Robert Buschlen, Brandon Carruth, John Ellison, Richard Lopez, Auden Minjarez, Jesse Rodriguez, Sarah Salazar, Freddie Sanchez, Yaneira Tuitt, Jossie Villareal, Kalob Arteaga and Brandon Gonzales.

Amanda Grisham, Jason Guevara, Meagan Islas,

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Alexandra Yanez, Kayla Aaron, Holden Gano, Chris Hughes, Terra Keeney, Anthony (Aaron) Fierro, Melinda Gonzalez, Kelsey Chavarria, Desirea Cuellar, Ayanna Gomez, Evelyn Fierro and Marissa Islas, Gunnar Kennedy.

Michael Ryan, Ryan Pollard, MacKenzie Wolf, Charles Anderson, Katelyn Barker, Victoria Bustamante, Eneida Cervantes, Tabitha Ellison, Connor Fuqueron, Lugardita Gonzales, A.J. Martinez, Chelsey Parker and Shivalli Patel.

Sterling Phernetton, Bryanna Raney, Jacob Rangel, Sarah Reyes, Vanessa Shellman, Justin Stenman, Kayleen Ramirez, Richard Vasquez, Gloria Garcia, Aaron Farr, Taylor Byrd, Sarai Cano, Cassie Kirk and Bubba Love.

Jeremy Mitchem, Alberto Quiroz, Chelsea Ramirez, Angelina Rivera, Andrea Cervantes, Jennifer Hernandez, Jose Jimenez, Chris Nunez, Josie Rodriguez, Juan Rodriguez, Maranda Scott, Jose Arevalo and Breanna Baker.

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Sidni Carrasco, Bradley Dunn, Belinda Gonzales, Brandon Leos, Matthew Abel Martinez, Michael Oliva, Reandee Soto, Ariel York and Mikey Alvarado.

Emeree Gonzales, Meagan Gonzales, Matthew Roberts, Kaegan Baucum, Alexis Myrick, Madeline Ramos, Kaylee Roberts and Tyler Stromberg.

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Elementary School
Second Six Weeks
Perfect Attendance**

Kindergarten: Mercedes Aguirre, Nicholas Billington, Brian Carroll, Hayley Crawford, Andrew (Blade) Franks, Tonya Garcia, A.J. Gonzales, Arianna Gonzalez and Jayla Kinney.

Elvis Lang, Jason Lopez, Eve Martinez, Ellie Murphy, Michael Phillips, Sady (Belle) Ramirez, Leah Rivera, Eli Robles, Julian Ruiz and Summer Quillen.

"A" Honor Roll

First Grade: Hope Arguello, Kaitlyn Armstrong, Kamron Betts, Carlos "Charlie" Correa, Ivan Delgado, Ivy Dennis, Robbie Jean Downing, Jordan Dunn, Sydnie Evans, Casey Nolen, Desiree Saenz, Joshua Stewart and Raven Wilson.

Second Grade: Noe

Arguello, Holder, Austin, Austin, Dannenbaum, Arturo Garcia, Edward Ornelas, Tiffany Quernheim, Gaven Quillen, Tyson Ramirez, Alejandro Sotelo and Isaac Timmerman.

Third Grade: Rene Juarez, Ethan Morelion and Destiny Zamora.

Fourth Grade: Alexander Franco

"A-B" Honor Roll

First Grade: Caimon Billingsly, Yuliza Cervantes, Zach Doporto, Kari Gross, Marcos Haro, Brent Hefti, Logan Hildabrand, Adalie Lopez, Ivy Martinez, Adrienne Mendoza, Courtney Myers and Tristan Myrick.

Chasady Olague, Alyssa Ornelas, Bryson Ovalle, Garrett Ramirez, Isaac Rios, Danae Rivas, Erik Rivera, Jarred Seago, Odalys Vela, Thomas Williams and B.J. Zepeda.

Second Grade: Aurora Aguirre, Joe Angel Alvear, Natalie Ceballos, Nicholas Anguiano, Tarrin Ballin, Aaron Carroll, Orlando Chayera, Armando Delgado, Michael Duffer, Destiny Franco and Klarissa Franco.

Destiny Gray, Brandon Hilario, Caleb Mendoza, Dameron Nieto, Kim Ochoa, Alexis Ovalle, Michael Reyes, Matthew Rios, Raul Robles, Rachel Rodriguez, Savannah Tindol, Rene Villa and Simon Walker D'Adamo.

Third Grade: Delia Ceballos, Ryan Billingsley, Sebastian Calderon, Analicia Cervantes, Isabella Delatour, Victoria Deubler, Alexis Garcia, Nancy Galvan, Jose Gonzalez, Derek Gusman and Ashley Hernandez.

Michelle Irvin, Kiowa Lesser, Quorcindra Lewis, Ana Mendez, Destiny Neighbors, Josabeth Padilla, Andrew Paredez, Devin Perez, Noah Pirtle, Serena Ramirez, Timothy Rios, Kelli Ruth, Ebonie Stewart, Haddan Stokes, Joe Torres and David Williams.

Fourth Grade: Teodora Arguello, Marcus Alcantar, Hannah Biemeret, Vicki Bustamante, David Caldera, Bianca Correa, Erik Dominguez, Matthew Doporto and David Gonzales.

Julissa Gonzales, Aaron Hinojos, Jordan Myers, Brittnee Rios, Shannon Robles, Gilbert Rodriguez, Jessica Ruiz, Billie Smith and Jasmine Westbrook.

**Kentwood Elementary
Second Six Weeks
"A Honor Roll"**

First Grade: Nolan Dominguez, Claire Hendrickson, Kylie Palmer, Emily Bacon, Elyssa Hernandez, Sam Martin, Skylar Smith and Avree Tubb.

Second Grade: Sarah Boyd, Brantz Burchett, Nina Clare, Paige Davis, Ryan Dimidjian, Addie Jimenez, Ricky Prater, Madde Rudd, Jimmy Saunders, Haley Davidson, Trevino, Katie Wash, Hunter Wigington, Makenzie Word, Jonathan Byrd, Kaylee Dyer, Ava Minjarez Jack

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Third Grade: Bailee Allen, Lane Beech, Cameron Crabtree, JB McElroy, Tylar Hale, Caleb Roberts, Erin Wolf, Blake Baldock, Blake Letcher, Lauren Simer, Mallory Thomas and Caytlin Wagner.

Fourth Grade: Mariah Alexander, Gabby Fair, Marissa Garcia, Tyler Green, Toby Kennemur, Brycen Kiker, Ty Lawrence, Autumn Moore, Marcela Norman, Hannah Overby, Erin Pollard and Stevi Ward.

Nydia Arenivar, Oscar Barraza, Kendra Dyer, Blake Freshour, Patrick Goodgame, Mariah McIntosh, Kaleb Rankin, Kara Saunders, Ashley Smith and Molly Waddell.

"A-B" Honor Roll

First Grade: Kassidy Cadenhead, Yisselle Galvan, Stephanie Kizziah, Madison Armentrout, Hayley Allen, Isaiah Rios, Dylan Tredaway, Ranen Wilson, Kalli Hale, Saleen Burchett, Bryson Pineda, Jordan Qualls, Haley Stripling and Caleb Wigington.

Second Grade: Ian Gonzales, Morgan Parnell, Dominique Penny, Tiffany Bakely, Molly Dawson, Megan Doner, Timothy Goodgame, Zachary Hamby, Natanie Mears, Nickolas Richardson and Jenavee Striegler.

Third Grade: Hannah Alsobrooks, Terry Carter, Valdomero Contreras, Emily Landrum, Jonathan Rudd, Matilde Sotelo, August Alexander, Joshua Baker, Courtney Berringer, Jennifer Campos and Valerie DeLosSantos.

Christopher Featherston, John Fierro, Manuel Galvan, Jason Garcia, Anthony Lozano and Rayla Waight.

Fourth Grade: Benjamin Brue, David Colecio, Brionna Eagle, Jodi Featherston, Jacob Garcia, Kaci Hale, Adrian Lopez, Kiara Mears, Nicholas Sotelo, David Byrd, Valerie Haro and Zachary Hollis.

Taylor McComb, John Minjarez, Corey Potter, Tyler Powell, Carl Price and Ashley Trent.

**Marcy Elementary
School
Second Six Weeks
"A" Honor Roll**

Kindergarten: M. Gwen Anderson, Eric Arguello, Courtney Bankston, Destiny Barrera, April Barrioz, Jakob Brake, Jeremiah Cooley, Alexis Cruz, Hannah Darrow, Alyssa Flores-Lopez, Gage Fox, Aryssa Garcia and Mariah Gonzales.

Christopher Grisham, Alexis Gruis, Mikayla Hernandez, Saleen Hewitt, Ashlee Hull, Travis Johnson, Erynn Marquez, Aries Martinez, Gabriella Martinez, Kloe

Mata, Jason Miramontes, Kristi Ann Ontiveros and Rebekah Pearson.

Zoe Rees, Haley Rios, Luis Rios, Jayden Roberts, Aaron Rodriguez, Corey Rodriguez, Esperanza Rogers, Keara Rowland, Zane Sanchez, Ehren Soliz, Destiny Tarin, Tomas Tino, Mikahaela Willard, Cameron Woodard and Razyl Yanez.

First Grade: Madelaine Arredondo, Delfino Carrillo, Destiny Garcia, Alex Garza, Adam Gonzales, Alfonso Gutierrez, Haleigh Haven, Oria Hernandez, Amber Jones, Krystelle Mikels, Estrella Paiz, Jacobi Rios and Madison Sandell, Britney Tan, Mirella Villa and Joshua Yanez.

Second Grade: Caitlin Aaron, Braylee Cantu, Xavier Flores, Ashley Garcia, Timothy Garrard, Briana Hamili, Jacky Lin, Kodi Marbeiter, Kelsey Murdock, Alexis Rocha, Esmi Rogers, Isabel Soliz, Alexess Sosa, Hannah Valencia, Brandi Villa, Adrian Wilbert and Faith Pearson-Wyatt.

Third Grade: Trystan Davis, Anne-Marie Lugo, Mykal Mahaney and Dylan Marquez.

Fourth Grade: Brandy Knight, Kattlin Long and Danie Ortega.

**Marcy Elementary
School
Second Six Weeks
"A-B" Honor Roll**

Kindergarten: Adrianna Alvarado, Anastasia Arredondo, Medista Baker, Lexsie Brehm, Chance Carroll, Tina Cazares, Joshua Crosby, Vadajha Franks, Jacob Hernandez, Larry Hilario, Jared Hill, Alycia Martinez and Angel Martinez.

Rocky Martinez, Marquez McVae, Marcus Miramontes, Amanda Montez, Noah Ontiveros, Isaac Ortega, Ashton Parnell, Kason Redding, G. Colton Redlin, Miguel Reyes, Zachery Rios, Nicholas Saracho, De'Vontae Simpson and Marqavion Williams.

First Grade: Edward Aguilar, Caleb Blevins, Caleb Burcham, A.J. Cash, Adrian Cedillo, Caden Cline, Danny Corona, Christen Crosby, Alexandria Escalera, Javone Ford, Alexis Gaitan, Ashley Gonzalez, Austin Headrick and Angel Hernandez.

Kadeam Herrera, Abbey Ignezi, Nathan Lee, Juan Lugo, Andre Marquez, Alyssa Molina, Carlos Olivarez, Rudy Ortega, Royal Padden, Jake Payne, Noelia Ramirez, Christina Rawls, Faith Robertson, Michael Robledo, Mike Rodriguez, Tigh Stewart, Charli Telchik and Brynn Workman.

Second Grade: Isabel Bernal, Veronica

Chavarria, Damien Cisneros, Emily Crawford, Adriana Garcia, Chante Garcia, Jason Henry, A.J. Hodnett, Mathew Jimenez, Austin Lopez, Stevi Madry, Bryan Martinez and David Martinez.

Dominic Martinez, Tiffany Martinez, Chavanda Mickin, Jose Moran, Isaiah Ontiveros, Miranda Owens, John Rios, Ronnie Rivera, Lupita Rodriguez, Ashley Saiz, Janisha Smith, David Salgado, Makenzie Torres, Chance Williams and Chasé Williams.

Third Grade: Noah Brake, Crista Calk, Janessa Canales, Ashlen Eckert, Hamish Finlay, Samantha Garcia, Abel Gonzalez, Desiree Gonzalez, Lisa Guerra, Diamonique Mayes, Kami Miramontes and Haley Mize.

Samantha Murphy, Mia Oliva, Alyssa Payne, Nathan Permenter, Demetre Randle, Alexia Rawls, Brent Riffe, Maricela Ruiz, Beth Salazar, Kaleb Ward and Lazarus Yanez.

Fourth Grade: Nikki Bernal, April Cerna, Brittney Cline, Andrea Garcia, Travis Garrard, Andre Gonzales, Lucero Hilario, Katelyn Ignezi, Yessenia Juarez, Cassidy Lee, Cindy Lopez, Tyler Mahaney and Tedsia McCalister.

Autumn Minter, Jessica Moss, Tyler Nairn, Julie Nunez, Brian Ortiz, Cassidi Redlin, Ethan Rocha, Mercedes Ruiz, Madison Seely, Steven Teichrob, Destiny Villa, Kyre Whitehead and Collin Woodard.

Washington**Elementary School
Second Six Weeks
Perfect Attendance**

Kindergarten: Ball—Adriana Cisneros, Jeremy Coker, Nathan Cypert, Aaric Garza, Manuel Marquez, A. gelica Savell and Cody Steagald.

Willoughby—Leah Davis, Xavier Gonzales, Marina Montanez and Elijah Solis.

Loya—Arthur Arview, Julissa Barraza, Alandra Carnero, Johnny De La Cruz, Malakah Kriessel, Alexandra Leos, Alissa Magana, Alexandria Mojica, Cody Salinas and Casey Steagald.

Click—Maria Alvear, Jeremy Gonzales, Autumn Guidry, Nathan Letz, Trevor McIntosh and Valerie Rodriguez.

Second Grade: Horn—Trisha Nieto and Jacob Valdez

Spence—Anthony Aponte, Zachery Bennett, Krista Cannady, Brandi Flores, Adm Davis, Rene Cellar, Kaylee Coker, Michael Klaus, Billy McIntosh, Kelly Morales, Jeremiah Rushin, Nathan Viasana and Ryan Walleck.

Third Grade: D' Angelo Clayburn, Devon Craven, Sammy Ferrel, Destiny Hernandez, Lorenzo Jones, Mark Montez, Katlin Skiles and Abigail Valencia

"A" Honor Roll
First Grade: Valerie Arview, Madison Bosley, Brandee Castillo, Rowan Colette, Raymond Diaz,

Brandon Esquivel, Zeke Flores, Nickolaus Glass, Tera Hillger, Christian Horton and Hayley Jenkins.

Angel Larez, Carmen Lopez, Isreal McClinton, Veronica Montanez, Alexandra Porter, Darius Primus, Elijah Sanchez, Jaylyn Walleck and Danny Watson.

Second Grade: Brett Cervantez, Taylor Christian, Brandi Flores, Destiny Mata, Jeremiah Rushin and Devynn Smith.

Third Grade: Chase Billings, D'Angelo Clayburn, Devon Craven, Sammy Ferrel, Dustin Garcia, Destiny Hernandez, Lorenzo Jones, Anthony Lopez, Marisol Savell, Katlin Skiles and Abigail Valencia

Fourth Grade—Tiffany Enriquez, Clay Galloway and Cory Terry.

"A-B" Honor Roll

First Grade: Cabryna Ahern, Raymond Alvear, Eric Bender, Cassidy Casey, Marilyn Cerda, Dylan Malik Davis, Cox, Luz De Los Santos, Adolio Garcia, Dimas Garcia, Makayla Galaviz and Lance Gonzales.

Deliah Guzman, Austin Horvatic, Taylor Hull, Trace Hull, Michael Juarez, Cierra Martinez, Kamryn McCuiston, Kristyln Randle, Anastasia Rangel, Amalia Rios, Stephen Rios, John Smithwick and Isaac Solis.

Second Grade: Anthony Apone, Summer Boudreaux, Krista Cannady, Brandon Chapel, Anastasia Coker, Kaylee Coker, Renee Cuellar, Melanie Glass, George Ho-Gland, Gage Longley, Phoenix Pineda, Christopher Rios, Desiree Ruiz, Nathan Viasana, Ryan Walleck, Dylan Wardwell and Jacob Valdez.

Third Grade: Bryson Burt, Leah Burton, D'Angelo Clayburn, Dulciana Clayburn, Devon Craven, Remington Colette, Rizpah Ellison, Jerrian Jordan, Kate Sorton, Dakota Stahl and Abigail Valencia.

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	Dallas	Midland	Spanish	Odessa	Odessa	Telemundo	Midland	Atlanta	Odessa	Odessa	Discovery	Classics	Spike TV	Atlanta	Black Ent.	Disney	Sports	Sports	Science Fic.
6 PM	News (CC)	News	Hondas de Amor	King of the Hill	News	Vida de Blanco	News	Raymond	Joe McGee	News-Leher	48 Hours	Classics	CSI: Crime	Without a	Live (CC)	Phil of Future	Basketball:	Breakdown	Return of the
7 PM	Ugly Betty	Ugly Betty	La Fes Mas Bella	Til Death	Red-Nosed	Manna	Identity (CC)	Friends (CC)	Update/Israel	TX Mnthly Talk	A Haunting	Movie: Hidalgo	CSI: Crime	NBA	Black Carpet	Movie: Raven	College	College	Necropolis
8 PM	Grey's Anatomy	Grey's Anatomy	Mundo de Fieras	The O.C.	CSI: Crime	Amor Mio	The Office	Friends (CC)	Light of the	Antiques	Surgery Saved	Movie: Hidalgo	TNA iMPACT!	Detroit Pistons	Girlfriends	Movie: Recess	College	Pioneer	Movie: Dead
9 PM	Men in Trees	Men in Trees	Aqui y Ahora	Becker (CC)	Shark (CC)	Decisiones	Name Is Earl	Friends (CC)	National	Christmas at	Crimes, Shook	Movie: Hidalgo	UFC	Cavaliers	Girlfriends	Life Derek	Duke vs.	Vegas Bowl	Movie: House
10 PM	News (CC)	News	Primer Impacto	70s Show	News	Noticias	News	Christmas	The Hour of	Charlie Rose	Sensing	Movie: Hidalgo	UFC	Basketball:	James Fox	Zack & Cody	Quite Frankly	Oregon (CC)	Movie: House
11 PM	The Insider	Jimmy Kimmel	La Hora de la	Letterman	Lettermen	Laura	Late Night	10 Movie: Multiplicity	Betty Swann	Sign Off	A Haunting	Movie: House	Inside the UFC	Wizards at	James Fox	Phil of Future	Fantasy	Kim Possible	Movie: House
12 AM	News (CC)	Apex Media	El Privilegio de Amar	My Wife-Kids	Malcolm-Mid	Show	Conan O'Brien	Update/Israel	John Hagee		Surgery Saved	Movie: House	The Dudesons	Inside the NBA	BET After Dark	Proud Family	NFL Live	NFL Live	Twilight Zone

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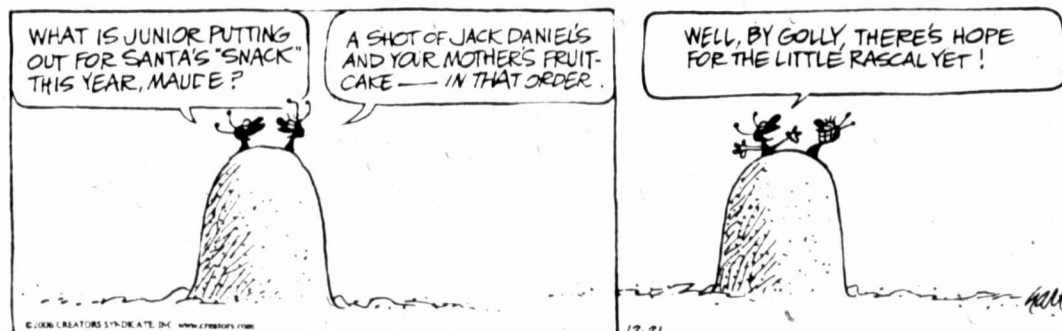
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Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 21, 1620, Pilgrims aboard the Mayflower went ashore for the first time at present-day Plymouth, Mass.

On this date: In 1804, British statesman Benjamin Disraeli was born in London.

In 1913, the first crossword puzzle was published, in the New York World.

In 1942, the Supreme Court ruled all states had to recognize divorces granted in Nevada.

In 1945, Gen. George S. Patton died in Heidelberg, Germany, of injuries from a car accident.

In 1948, the state of Eire, or Ireland (formerly the Irish Free State), declared

its independence.

In 1968, Apollo 8 was launched on a mission to orbit the moon.

In 1971, the U.N. Security Council chose Kurt Waldheim to succeed U. Thant as Secretary General.

In 1976, the Liberian-registered tanker Argo Merchant broke apart near Nantucket Island almost a week after running aground, spilling 7.5 million gallons of oil into the North Atlantic.

In 1988, 27 people were killed when a terrorist bomb exploded aboard a Pan Am Boeing 747 over Lockerbie, Scotland, sending wreckage crashing to the ground.

In 1995, the city of Bethlehem passed from Israeli to Palestinian control.

Today's Birthdays: Former Austrian president and former U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim is 88. Country singer Freddie Hart is 80. Actor Ed Nelson is 78. Talk show host Phil Donahue is 71. Movie director John Avildsen is 71. Actress Jane Fonda is 69. Actor Larry Bryggman is 68. Singer Carla Thomas is 64.

Musician Albert Lee is 63.

Conductor Michael Tilson Thomas is 62. Actor Samuel L. Jackson is 58. Movie producer Jeffrey Katzenberg is 56. Singer Betty Wright is 53. Tennis star Chris Evert is 52. Actress Jane Kaczmarek is 51. Country singer Lee Roy Parnell is 50. Entertainer Jim Rose is 50. Actor-comedian Ray Romano is 49. Country singer Christy Forester (The Forester Sisters) is 44. Rock musician Murph (Dinosaur Jr.) is 42. Actor-comedian Andy Dick is 41. Rock musician Gabrielle Glaser is 41. Actor Kiefer Sutherland is 40. Actress Karri Turner ("JAG") is 40.

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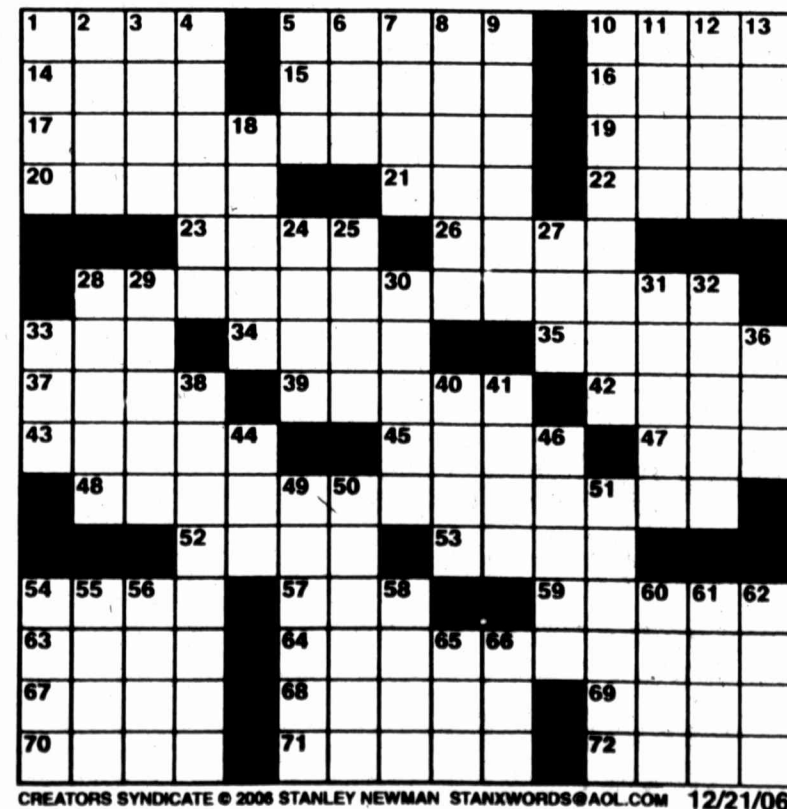
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- 20 Mini-"ha ha"
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- 22 Genesis spot
- 23 Country singer Evans
- 26 Bona fide
- 28 Labor-union tactic
- 33 Cyclotron bit
- 34 Blackthorn fruit
- 35 Bell sound
- 37 Java holders
- 39 Tickle pink
- 42 Poker contribution
- 43 Whodunit story lines
- 45 Sprinter's goal
- 47 Forest female
- 48 Be logical
- 52 Sleepless in Seattle director Ephron
- 53 Chipper
- 54 Firecracker sound
- 57 Drs.' group
- 59 Hackneyed
- 63 Wind instrument
- 64 Yo-yo trick
- 67 Palm Sunday period
- 68 Spanish national hero
- 69 Additionally
- 70 The whole enchilada
- 71 Takes five
- 72 Army chow

DOWN

- 1 Treaty
- 2 Angler's fly, for one
- 3 Beehive State
- 4 Advice from Horace Greeley
- 5 Sounds of contentment
- 6 Hack off
- 7 Heavy burden
- 8 Happens
- 9 Sandra Bullock film of '95
- 10 Jon Voight's daughter
- 11 Samoa studier
- 12 Lab rat's challenge
- 13 Ready for business
- 18 Gumshoe's clues
- 24 Patton, for Scott
- 25 Truant, to MPs
- 27 Synagogue cabinet
- 28 Spiritual selves
- 29 Bar in Fort Knox
- 30 "Rad!"
- 31 Japanese martial art
- 32 "Bennie and the Jets" name
- 33 Little troublemaker
- 36 Second Manassas commander
- 38 Saxophonist known as "The Sound"
- 40 Diamond cover
- 41 Summer Games event
- 44 -Cone
- 46 Astronaut's final destination
- 49 Cash register part
- 50 "Chili today, hot"
- 51 Brook
- 54 Gaucho's cattle-catcher
- 55 Watch out for the cops, perhaps
- 56 Words to Nanette
- 58 World Series qualifier: Abbr.
- 60 Inactive
- 61 Get rid of
- 62 They may be inflated with hot air
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Legals

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