

Big Spring's proposal for state vets home delivered to Veterans Land Board

By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

Once again, Big Spring's name is in the hat for a state project — this time, one of four state veterans homes to be built.

With the passing of today's submission deadline, staff members in the Texas Veterans Land Board (TVLB) office will begin poring over proposals from communities hoping to land one of four Veterans Homes to be built in the state over the next few years.

Danette Toone, executive director of Moore Development for Big Spring,

(D-Knox City) in meeting with staff members of the TVLB Monday to officially submit the Big Spring proposal.

"It went real well," Toone said this morning. "Their staff will now go through the proposals and come up with a list of questions.'

Toone said she was given a number of questions that had come up between the time the request for proposals (RFP) went out and the submission deadline.

"So I'll be working on those this week," she added.

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fast-track project.

"They will get back to us within a week or so on new questions, then they hope to put it before their blue-ribbon committee by mid-August.

"They hope to take a short list of four homes and two alternates to the Veterans Land Board by mid-September," she said.

The project is expected to generate about a \$4.5 million annual payroll once completed

Toone said between the efforts of her agency, the city, county, junior college, She said indications were that the school district, VA Hospital and state

was joined by State Rep. David Counts selection process would be a relatively hospital, the project has garnered a study were flawed," she said. tremendous amount of support.

> "We have a lot of things in our favor," she said. "We have a warm, dry climate, which is conducive to an aging population ... we have no pollution, which is also good them, but what we really have to offer is the VA Hospital and state hospital."

> Toone said the battle before Big Spring is one of fighting flawed data used to complete a federally mandated study

> "We realize this is the starting place. but we wanted to make certain the staff knew the numbers used in the

As an example, Toone pointed out a regional total for West Texas that was short by about 12,500 veterans - and didn't include Howard or Midland counties at all in the total.

"We pointed out to them that the VA Hospital has a 46-county catchment area ... that can't be ignored whether or not those numbers were included in the study."

Toone said Big Spring was already gaining support as a site choice.

'The El Paso Chamber of Commerce has submitted a letter of support for us," she said.

Forsan ISD closes door to transfers from **BISD**

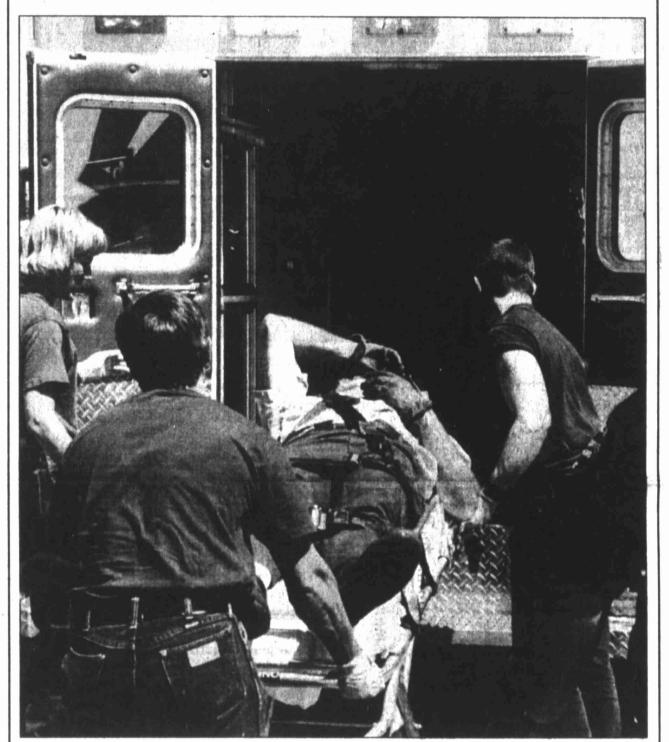
By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

FORSAN — Forsan school officials will have to put the brakes on accepting some student transfers into the district.

The school board learned during their Monday meeting that they can no longer accept any more transfers of Anglo-American students from Big Spring ISD this school year.

Officials with the Texas Education Agency said transfers which affect the racial ratio of the sending district by more than 1 percent must be discontinued, Forsan Superintendent George White said. Acceptance of any more Anglo transfers from BSISD would constitute a violation of an earlier state court order mandating racial



Drug testing?

County road and bridge crews may be tested in compliance with state, federal regulations

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

Because of regulations established by the Department of Transportation, employees with the Howard County Road and Bridge Department may soon find themselves being randomly tested for drug and alcohol abuse.

on Monday, commissioners approved a contract between the county and the Department of Transportation – a move that will also bring the county into compliance with state and federal regulations.

No testing has been done in Howard County during the first and second quarters of 1997.

According to Road and Bridge Administrator Eddy Jameson, ounty has not been both ered by DOT officials so far. "According to DOT, we have to do some testing every quarter and if we don't we're not in compliance with regulations," Jameson said. Testing the county's road and bridge employees means 13 to 14 people would be tested. Joe Boske of Houston-based **Texas Alcohol and Drug Testing** Service told commissioners that federal regulations require 50 percent of the department's employees be tested for drug use each year and that 25 percent of the department's employees be tested for alcohol.

for alcohol use at \$25 per test per year along with a setup fee, means the county would pay about \$825 per year for testing of road and bridge employees.

The program would be administered randomly according to social security numbers selected by a computer, meaning an employee could be tested twice in a year.

Where road and bridge employees are concerned, federal law requires an alcohol test to be administered within four hours after an accident and that a drug test be administered within 32 hours of an accident.

No indication was given by commissioners when the county would begin implementing drug and alcohol testing.

Commissioners also heard from business owners Pat

ratios.

"They said we can't take any more Anglo students from Big Spring, because it would (adversely) change the racial balance of the school district," White said.

Forsan has approved between 170-180 transfers for the coming school year, White said.

In other business Monday, trustees:

 Approved the state suggested salary schedule for the coming school year. The new schedule will increase FISD salaries by about \$327,000 for the coming year.

Forsan will pay its teachers \$3,500 over the state base, White said.

Also, support staff personnel will receive a 5 percent increase in their wages, he said.

• Approved a 25-cent hike in school cafeteria prices. Elementary students will now pay \$1 for lunch and 75 cents for breakfast, while secondary students will pay \$1.25 for lunch and 75 cents for breakfast.

• Raised rental prices for school district property in the Elbow area by \$10 a month.

 Agreed to compensate Technology Administrator Bob Fishback for work done since January.

Trustees will soon begin work on the district's budget for the coming school year. A meeting to discuss the tentative budget has been scheduled for Aug. 7. while a public hearing and adoption of the budget should be held Aug. 11, White said.

The new budget should be very similar to last year's \$4

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HERALD photo/John H. Walker

Big Spring emergency personnel load Jimmy Webb into an ambulance after a Monday accident on Greeg Street. Webb, who was held overnight at Scenic Mountail Medical Center for observation. said a vehicle pulled in front of his motorcycle and caused the crash.

Testing approximately seven employees at \$60 per test per year and about four employees

Porter and Gail Earls about a problem Porter said has been ongoing and is now becoming "acute" — parking around the Howard County Courthouse.

Porter owns Yes Business Services on Main Street across from the courthouse and Earls owns Adventures by Gail on Third Street about a half block east of the courthouse.

The problem they contended to commissioners is that there is rarely parking available in front of the courthouse or in front of their businesses because of courthouse employees taking up all of the parking spaces

Porter said in her case, there

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Penalties now being added to county's delinquent taxes

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

The April 15 deadline for federal taxes has long sine come and gone, but area residents who have not pa their 1996 property taxes have a bigger headache no

than they did then. As of July 1, unpaid property taxes were transferred to He ward County's delinquent tax rolls and resident who still owed 1996 property taxes were assessed an percent late payment penalty plus an additional 15 pe cent penalty for attorney fees for attorneys having file the delinquency on the county's tax rolls.

The total amount of delinquent taxes owed as of Ju 1 was \$717.304.90 or 2.83 percent (\$25,267,663.70) of the total amount of taxes levied for 1996.

The nine entities for which taxes were collected in 1996 and the amount of delinquent taxes they are still owed include: Howard County, \$5,208,528.88; Howard College, \$2,295,007.33; city of Big Spring, \$2,482,410.29; city of Coahoma, \$86,691.35; city of Forsan, \$11,175.20; Big Spring Independent School District, \$10,395,591.65; Coahoma Independent School District, \$2,050,787.60;

1996 TOP 10	TAXPAYERS
1. Fina Oil & Chemical	\$104.5 million
2. Power Resources	73.8 million
3. Western Container	70.4 million
4. Conaco, Inc.	42.1 million
5. Oryx Energy	24.4 million
6. Texaco Exploration	21.4 million
7. Exxon Corp.	20.9 million
8. Texas Utilities	18.1 million
9. Anadarko Petroleum	14.5 million
10. Wal-Mart Store No. 513	14.3 million

Forsan Independent School District, \$2,728,325.93 and the Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District, \$9,145.47.

The amount of taxes that became delinquent for each entity as of July 1 and the percent of the total tax levied for that entity includes Howard County, \$133,685.66 or 2.56 percent; Howard College, \$58,975.39 or 2.56 percent; city of Big Spring, \$80,729.51 or 3.25 percent; city of

Coahoma, \$8,895.85 or 10.26 percent; city of Forsan, \$800.42 or 7.16 percent; Big Spring Independent School District, \$276,340.95 or 2.65 percent; Coahoma Independent School District, \$64,019.27; Forsan Independent School District, \$93,544.41 or 3.42 percent. and the Permian Basin Underground Water **Conservation District.**

Several residents in the past have entered into Tax **Payment Agreements with the county**, but according to the Howard County Tax Office a Tax Payment Agreement will not excuse late penalties and interest.

In the past Howard County has seen an increase in the amount of taxes it has been able to collect before they become delinquent.

The 1996-97 tax collection year is not yet complete, but Howard County collected more delinquent taxes than it ever had during the previous two years, and the 1995-96 tax year was the most successful ever for the county, where delinquent tax collection is concerned with an overall collection of \$718,044.

During the 1994-95 tax year, \$665,645 in delinquent

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WEATHER Today: Tues: Wed:



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Tonight, fair. Lows around 70. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs near 100. Tuesday night, fair. Lows around 70. Extended forecast, Wednesday through Friday, mostly sunny days and fair nights. Lows around 70. Highs in the mid to upper 90s.

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Martin Co. sets for Aug. 1 referendum on exemptions

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

STANTON — The machinery is in place for the Aug. 1 state referendum. How much it will be used is the big question.

Martin County commissioners approved a slate of election judges and polling places for the referendum - which will ask voters whether to approve an increase in homestead exemptions - during their meeting Monday morning at the county courthouse.

The 20 election judges will serve for a 12-month period ending July 31, 1998.

Polling places for the referendum vote are: Stanton High School gymnasium; Martin County Community Center; Grady ISD; and the Brown Gin office. Polls will be open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Aug. 1, Martin

County Clerk Susie Hull said. The big question now is just how busy those new election judges will be. Hull said referendums such as the Aug. 1 measure rarely attract a large

number of voters. Also sure to

increase voter apathy is that ing authority to pay what it the constitutional amendment increasing homestead exemptions has been considered a shoo-in ever since the state legislature put the measure on the ballot.

Also Monday, commissioners approved a request from the City of Stanton Housing Authority for deferral of payments in lieu of taxes.

Hull said the amount of money CSHA receives to pay property taxes varies from year to year. Traditionally, commissioners allow the houscan on property taxes, then it defers the remaining amount.

In other business, commissioners heard a report on county property valuations from appraisal office supervisor Delbert Dickenson. He told the court that tentative valuations for 1997 have been set at \$349.66 million, an increase of more than \$23 million from the previous year.

Valuations should be finalized Thursday, Hull said, so that officials may proceed on schedule.

OBITUARIES

Olivia R. Rocha

Rosary for Olivia R. Rocha, 66, Big Spring, will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 15, 1997, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 16, at Sacred **Heart Catholic**

Church with Rev. Frank Chavez, pastor of Holy **Redeemer** in Odessa, and Rev Cornelius Scanlan, pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, officiating.

Mrs. Rocha died Sunday, July 13, in Odessa Medical Center Hospital following a long illpess.

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She was born on June 19. 1931, in Sonora. She married Jose Rocha on Sept. 1, 1956, in Big Spring. He preceded her in gleath on April 3, 1992. She grew up in Big Spring and was member of Sacred Heart **Catholic Church**, president of Guadalupana Association and was a Curillista and a member of the Eucharist and the Legion of Mary. Mrs. Rocha was a omemaker.

She is survived by: three sons, Joe Rocha, Jr., Alvin **Rocha**, both of Big Spring, and Donny Rocha, Odessa; six daughters, Maria Ortega, Cruz Olague, Margie Valverde, Beatrice Rocha, Lucy **Bustamante and Inez Rocha, all bf** Big Spring; four brothers, Claudio Rodriguez, Luis Rodriguez, Carlos Rodriguez, all of Big Spring, and Sammy Rodriguez, Loveland, Colo.; Beven sisters, Maria Arispe, Loveland, Colo., Ophelia Hernandez, Big Spring, Oralia Rodriguez, Lubbock, Carmen Valdez, San Angelo, Yolanda Martinez, Big Spring, Juanita Conzales, Big Spring, and Anita Ybarra, Loveland, Colo.; and 15 grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by one brother. Cleofas Rodriguez.

Pallbearers will be Lupe Rocha, Joe Martinez, Sr., Daniel Gonzales, Jr. and

Ed "Big Ed" Cordes

Graveside service for Ed "Big Ed[®] Cordes, 78, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 16, 1997, at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Carroll Kohl, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran

Church, officiating. Mr. Cordes died Sunday, July 13, in a Midland nurs-

ing home. He was born on March 20, 1919. in LaGrange, and

married Bettie CORDES Joe Hill on Sept. 2, 1942, in

Odessa. She preceded him in death on Aug. 29, 1991. Mr. Cordes came to West Texas in 1941 and had worked for

Cosden Refinery for 30 years, retiring in 1981. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church and had served in the U.S. Air Force from 1940 to 1945.

Survivors include: two sons, Larry Cordes, Coahoma, and Calvin Cordes, Sand Springs; two daughters, Jackie Cordes and Rose Cordes, both of Irving: two brothers, Oney Cordes, Floresville and Chester Cordes, Big Spring; and one granddaughter.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association of the Permian Basin; P.O. Box 3389; Midland, Texas; 79702.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Luella Jane **Edwards**

Service for Luella Jane Edwards, 95, Tulia, was 11 a.m. Saturday, July 12, 1997, in the Wallace Funeral Home Chapel with Trey Morgan, of Central Church of Christ in Tulia, and Continued from Page 1. Curtis Camp, Amarillo, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill may be a couple of parking Cemetery, Tulia.

Edwards Mrs. died Amarillo.

She was born on March 22,

Man hospitalized after motorcycle accident Monday

HERALD Staff Report

A Big Spring man was held overnight for observation at a local hospital after he was involved in a two-vehicle accident Monday morning.

Jimmy Dan Webb, 1500 Virginia St., was injured when the motorcycle he was operating collided with a vehicle driven by Amber Ceniceros, 3602 Parkway, at about 11:30 a.m. Monday on the 1900 block of Gregg Street.

According to a Big Spring **Police Department accident** report, Webb was traveling northbound on Gregg, while Ceniceros was heading east on Edwards Boulevard.

Ceniceros failed to yield right of way and crossed in front of Webb, the report stated. Webb then lost control of his motorcycle while trying to stop, fell and slid down the roadway.

Webb was transported to the VA Medical Center, where he was held overnight for observation.

Ceniceros was cited for failure to yield right of way, the report stated.

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million package, but White added that the new salary schedule will increase expenditures by about \$500,000.

The Aug. 9 special election, which would expand homestead exemptions if passed, would have a "negligible" effect on Forsan ISD because the vest majority of its tax valuations come from oil and minerals instead of property, White said.

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percent or \$599,932.44. While 2.83 percent of all taxes

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levied in 1996 are still uncollected, several local businesses continue to make regular appearances on the county's list of top taxpayers.

Fina Oil and Chemical Co. led the pack in 1996 by paying \$104,544,444 in taxes; Power Resources, \$73,806,002; Western Container, \$70,373 680; Conoco Inc., \$42,149.773.

Also included on the 1996 top 10 taxpayer list were Oryx Energy Co., \$24,430,540; Texaco Exploration, \$21,353,600; Exxon Corporation, \$ 20,878,617; Texas Utilities ('I'U Electric), \$18,150,402; Anadarko Petroleum Corp., \$14,537,710; and Wal-Mart Stores Inc., \$14,281,194.

Other businesses in Howard County paying \$5.9 million to \$12.75 million in taxes in 1996 included Southwestern bell Telephone, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, MAPCO Inc., Cobra Oil and Gas Corporation. Cap Rock Electric Coop Inc., Enserch Oil and Gas Inc., Sid

Richardson Carbon Black. Chevron USA Inc., Missouri Pacific (Union Pacific) Railroad Co., and Marathon Oil Co.

CORRECTION

THE REID COUSIN **REUNION** will be Saturday in the Fellowship Hall of Coahoma Church of Christ, 311 N. Second

The reunion date was incorrect in Monday's Herald.

BRIEFS **A FAMILY BARBECUE**

AND concert is planned at 7 p.m. Sunday, outdoors at Cornerstone Church, 14th and Scurry. Tickets for the meal. \$3, \$4 and \$5 depending on the amount of food, are available at Spanky's Coffee and Company or by calling 263-2722. A free concert featuring "Full

Circle" will follow the meal.



a national tour, will feature two performers whose names have not yet been announced.

In-store album signing sessions are planned to follow the show.

RECORDS

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MARKETS

Oct. cotton 73.85 cents a pound, up 37 points; Aug. crude oil 19.16, up 17 points; Cash hogs \$1.50 higher at 61; slaughter steers steady at 62 cents; July lean hog futures 83.72, up 2 points; Aug. live cattle futures 65.72, up 30 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation:

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POLICE

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

 JOSEPH DEWAN TURN-ER, 20, 815 Timothy, was arrested on a charge of theft. ANDREA DELACRUZ, 19. 1002 N. Main No. 43, was arrested on local warrants.

• RICHARD RAINS, 31, P.O. Box 118, was arrested on local warrants.

• TERESA NIX, 39, P.O. Box 2395, was arrested on local warrants.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported on the 1300 block of Runnels, the 1200 block of East 16th, the 1600 block of Harding and the 2500 block of Carol.

· FORGERY was reported on the 600 block of Gregg.

 BURGLARY OF A HABI-TATION was reported on the 1300 block of Wright and the 400 block of E. Eighth.

 CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported on the 2400 block of Morrison.

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preceded her in death on Aug. 8, 1931. She married Lawrence Edwards on July 15, 1935, in Panhandle. He preceded her in death on Feb. 22, 1990. She was a member of Central Church of Christ in Tulia. She was an auxiliary worker and nurses aid at Swisher Memorial Hospital for several years. She was a professional quilter in Tulia and many of her quilts were well known in the community. She and her late husband were custodians at the Central Church of Christ in **Tulia for 11 years**

> Survivors include: two daughters. Christine Horn, Big Spring, and Dorothy Nickell, Russelville, Ark.; two sons, Loy Edwards, Aurora, Colo., and Harlie Fewell, Amarillo; three sisters, Mary Pope, Estancia, N.M., Cleora Moore, Shamrock, and Lenora Pope, Estancia, N.M.; one brother, Artie McBride, Amarillo; 21 grandchildren; 62 great-grandchildren; and 39 great-great-grandchildren.

> direction of Wallace Funeral Home, Tulia.

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sioners that courthouse employ-1902, in Tribbey, Okla. She ees use the county parking lot married Orin W. Fewell. He just north of the courthouse, which should have numbered spaces for them to select a parking space allowing other people, including potential jurors, to park around the courthouse.

"We have nothing against county employees, but when they park in from of the courthouse, they are in one spot all day," Earls said.

"We have discussed this problems some, but we haven't come up with a solution yet." County Judge Ben Lockhart said. "Maybe we should see if we can't get county employees to voluntarily park in the county parking lot."

TAXES

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taxes was collected; and \$516,298 in 1993-94.

Last year, \$142,379 in delinquent taxes was collected for Howard County; \$81,337 for Howard College; and \$129,455 for the city of Big Spring.

What amount the county collects in delinquent taxes for 1996-97 won't be available for several months, but the county expects to have success in collecting delinquent taxes similar to what it has done in past years.

that went delinquent for the nine local taxing entities during the 1995-96 fiscal year was 2.56

Carryouts will be available.

FREE EYEGLASSES ARE AVAILABLE for adults the third Saturday of each month at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club Bingo Building, 1607 E. Third St.

All adults needing glasses who don't have income to purchase them are welcome. A doctor's prescription is recommended.

A DAY OF SERVICE is planned Saturday by members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The local congregation will join in the "Worlwide Pioneer Heritage" by conducting a food drive and cleaning up the grounds at the spring in Comanche Trail Park. Members will be at the spring

from 8 a.m. 11 a.m. to accept

donations of food or clothing

WAL-MART WILL HOST A

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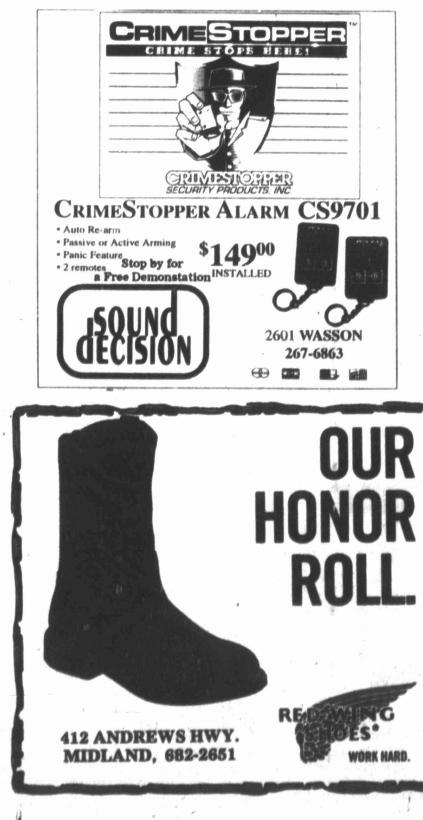
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 MICHAEL ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ, 25, no address given, was arrested on local warrants.

· DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCE was reported on Eubank Road



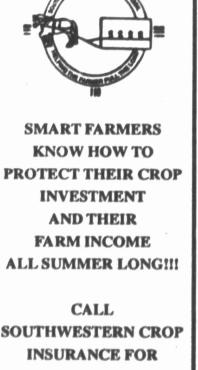


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TEXAS

Secrecy in search for Austin homeless shelter raises questions

AUSTIN (AP) - A concented effort to keep secret locations being considered as the site for a new homeless shelter is raising questions from Austin residents who say neighborhoods are being ignored.

"It's just so frustrating," said David Huan, president of the Neighborhood Dawson Association. "They won't tell us. The entire neighborhood process is being left out."

A city homeless task force announced last week that it would release a list of possible. sites on Sept. 3. After two weeks of public comment, the list will be cut.

But that shorter list might not be made public, the Austin American-Statesman reports. And many residents question the motives for such secrecy.

Last month, task force chairman Richard Pena, an attorney and president-elect of the State Bar of Texas, ordered members not to disclose site information. Last week, members decided to filter all calls about the facility through the chairman, the newspaper reported.

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The task force has been meeting for more than a year to develop a homeless center modeled after a facility in Orlando. Fla. It would cost between \$2 million and \$3.5 million and be aimed at steering people toward self-sufficiency.

"campus" The homeless would include substance-abuse treatment, child care, a dining hall, job training and an outdoor sleeping area. The search committee is looking for several acres on which to build.

The center has been the topic

BRANHAM FURNITURE Big Selection, Lowest **Prices On New Furniture** Visa, Mastercard, Discover 2004 W. 4th 263-1469 of heated debates on the airwaves and quiet discussions on porches and lawns. But little information is available to the public. That, critics say, is the wrong way to get public support.

"This is how we ended up with the Holly Power Plant in the middle of a residential neighborhood," said Cynthia Medlin. She is one of many residents who were upset to find out that the homeless campus could be built near their homes because they live in one of three areas reportedly under consideration.

Members of the task force said they are still looking at many locations and no area is being

targeted. "We've looked at literally thousands of sites," said Richard Troxell, chairman of the site selection committee.

Task force members last week said they need to provide information to the news media and the public. They discussed creating a World Wide Web site and writing a "script" that members could use to answer questions consistently. They have started making presentations to neighborhood and civic groups.

But site selection has been a carefully guarded secret.

In a June 12 memo to all task force members, chairman Pena urged confidentiality.

"As revealing sites is detri-

Scenic Mountain **Medical Center** 1601 W. 11th Place 263-1211

by issuing a Chairman's **Restraining** Order prohibiting any task force member from revealing to anyone specific site locations or general areas," he said in the memo obtained by the American-Statesman newspaper.

Some residents said they resent the lack of information. Medlin said it's up to the task force to sell the idea to neigh-

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12 Months No Interest

Big Spring, Texas

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mental to our project, I am here- borhoods and that many residents would listen.

"I'm willing to cut them some slack because I think their basic intent is good," she said.

But after years of supporting the Salvation Army and other social service programs, Medlin / said she's never heard of anything that will cure homelessness. "If they've got some magic formula, I'm dying to know it."



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We realize that summer vacation is never long enough for a youngster intent on playing baseball or softball, or one interested in swimming or fishing or camping out — but it doesn't seem like summers went by this fast a few years ago ... when we adults were younger!

But now, take a walk through local stores and if supplies aren't already on the shelves, you'll more than likely find boxes of school supplies stacked in the aisles ... waiting to replace things like swimming pool air mattresses and floaties for the kiddos.

This is a landmark school year of sorts for the community in that virtually all of the students in the Big Spring ISD will go to school in air-conditioned classrooms.

And yes, we all know that none of us went to school in air-conditioned classrooms 30 or 40 years ago but then, very few of us had air-conditioned homes or vehicles then, either.

But times have changed and it's time our students have the opportunity to attend class in climatic conditions similar to those in which they live.

ing Some This is a landmark year for another reason, as well. people who After serving the community for nearly 70 years as a functioning school, this will be the last year for Runnels Junior High to house students. The facility has served this community well ... and many, many students that have gone on to bigger and better things in this world have walked its halls. Yes, the more things change, the more they stay the same. Classes will still come and go, but in a different facility at a different location as our teachers work to prepare our youngsters to be competitive in today's marketplace.

America's drug war is an overblown fraud

Ezequiel Hernandez, 18, was by accounts of his family and friends a good boy. He was out herding his family's goats in southwest

Texas near the border when he was shot to death by U.S. Marines on May 20. A grand jury is cur rently **Charley Reese** investigat

drug dealers. But the Marines thought he was firing at them, returned fire and killed him. If that's the way it happened

- and at the moment we don't know — it's a tragedy, but the Marines are not to blame. The people who are to blame are the politicians who insist on using the military in civilian police functions.

Lt. Gen. Carlton Fulford, the commander of these Marines from the lst Marine Expeditionary Force, has said publicly that he wishes they weren't involved.

There are good reasons why the military should not be used.

aggressively. The military spends a lot of money training soldiers to be aggressive because in war, aggressiveness wins battles and ultimately saves lives (our side's) by killing the enemy soldiers first.

We should be careful that our civilian police are not militarized and that our military forces are not "civilianized." And one way to do that is keep the military out of civilian police work and to avoid military-style training and uniforms for civilian police.

Another way is to stop this political demagoguery about a drug war. It's not a war. It's plain, old-fashioned smuggling and sale of contraband. Even some of our Revolutionary forefathers were involved in smuggling. Whenever a government designates some commodity as illegal. it automatically creates a black market for the commodity. It doesn't matter whether it's rum or marijuana or untaxed bolts of cloth. If a government says people can't have it and enough people want it, somebody will supply it. So all we are doing is what governments have always done: trying to catch the smugglers

and their distributors. What's that got to do with war? Nothing. Illegal drugs may not be good for you, but they are not that much worse, if at all, than the stuff that is legal.

If you look at the deaths attributed to alcohol, take note that doctor-prescribed drugs kill 60,000 to 140,000 people per year, according to a November 1994 article in Hospital Practice. And if you believe the government's claim that tobacco kills 400,000 people a year (I think that's a phony number, but it's the official government line), then the ban on narcotics really doesn't make any sense. The last number I could find for deaths attrib uted to drug abuse was for the year 1991 — it was just under 7000. That boy out in Texas was killed by political posturing by demagogic politicians. And his isn't the only government-caused tragedy in this stupid replay of Prohibition. But I think we'll find a Martian sooner than we'll find a politician with the courage to say that the drug war is an overblown fraud.

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late that his death was the result of mistakes - an honest, understandable mistake on the part of the Marines and a more serious, less forgivable mistake by politicians. They say it is inconceivable that Hernandez would have knowingly fired at Marines.

The boy had a .22 rifle, and he did fire it. Family and friends believe he may have just been plinking at a target like a stone or a tin can, not aware that beyond the target Marines in heavy camouflage were concealed on a stakeout looking for

in civilian police work. The training for the military and for the police is quite different because their jobs are quite dif-

ferent. The military's job, to use the current slang, is to "break things and kill people." The police's job is to take into custody people they have probable cause to believe committed a crime but who are presumed to be innocent until proven guilty.

The well-trained police officer's instincts are to avoid violence if at all possible. The welltrained soldier's instincts are to inflict violence and to inflict it

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Who would want to reward a surly slob?

I knew of a man who, on occasion, hit his wife. Otherwise he had impeccable manners. He would

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Rheta Johnson Syndicated Columnist

necessarily make a true gentleman But a true gentleman must have good manners. Manners don't assure a sterling character, but they wrap one up pretty, like a blue bow.

I've been in several discussions about manners lately, mostly because my young niece was visiting. You have to remind children about a dozen times a day to say the magic words, or inversely, to close

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ment will help them the rest of their lives. A college professor I know tells me students with good man ing over theater seats.) ners make better grades. Teachers are human. Who wants

to reward a surly slob, even an **Einstein**? 'You can get through life with

bad manners, but it's easier with good manners," Lillian Gish once said. Children aren't the only ones

these days whose manners need work; they are just the only ones with an excuse.

I believe today's society has decided manners are extraneous, like summer hats. Every time I get hit in the nose with the door at the Piggly Wiggly I remember how things used to be, when people had time to worry about who was behind them.

But then, maybe I exaggerate, or doctor my memory. As Byron Dobell wrote, "Every generation is convinced there has been a deplorable breakdown of manners."

(There is, of course, the off chance that every generation is right. A mountain is whittled to a puny hill over many generations, not one. By the year 2000 maybe we'll be slapping one another in elevators and brawl-

There are still a precious few with great manners; most of them are over 60. I was reminded of that fact last week.

Thomas Murray, a kind man who is spending his retirement trying to make things better for Atlanta's urban youth, recently left several urgent messages on my machine. He had to apologize, he said. I could not imagine why.

Turns out Mr. Murray had drafted a letter a year ago to thank me for a column I'd written about his new organization, the Hope for Atlanta Youth Fund. A secretary had failed to mail it. He was devastated. I was touched.

My own mother was fanatical about thank-you notes. She was of the rigid Southern lady school on the subject, the idea being that when the postman delivered

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a gift he should wait on the porch for your return thank-you note. Imagine her disappointment when her own child procrastinated after graduations and bridal showers.

It wasn't that I didn't see the need for written thank-yous; I found them difficult if not impossible to write well. They all sounded alike.

"Thank you for that lovely piece of china in the pattern that I myself chose. Soon I hope to have a two-piece setting. I will think of you each time I dine alone.'

By the time I drafted a thankyou that sounded fresh, the giver had forgotten the gift.

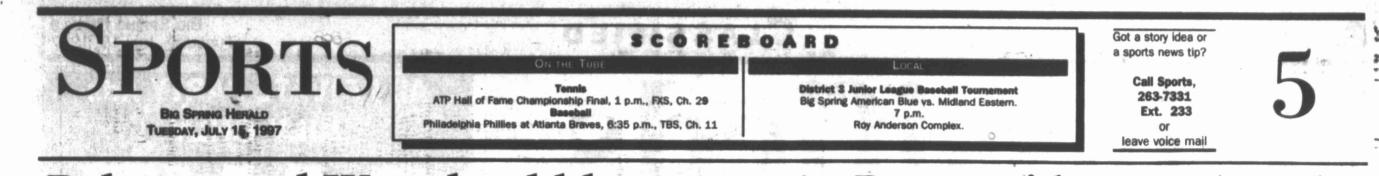
I think one of many reasons **America will miss Charles** Kuralt is that he was a reporter with good manners. I've often wondered what journalists hoped to accomplish by being abrupt. Or, as Arthur Schopenhauer once said, "Politeness is to human nature what warmth is

to wax."

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Beleaguered Wetteland blows save in Rangers' loss to Angels

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

ANAHEIM, Calif. - John Wetteland has four blown saves in his last eight opportunities - as many as he did in 47 chances last season. His manager argues that statistics can be deceiving.

Wetteland surrendered a two-run double to Dave Hollins with one out in the ninth inning, which gave the Anaheim Angels a 6-5 victory over the **Texas Rangers Monday night**

The beleaguered right-hander has six blown saves in 25 chances.

"One of them was when an outfielder lost a ball in the lights," Texas manager Johnny Oates said in Wetteland's defense. "Another was

when I brought John in with runners on first and third in the eighth inning. he gives up a sacrifice fly and he gets a blown save for that.

"So overall, John Wetteland has pitched very well for us and he will pitch well for us again."

Wetteland (4-2) earned MVP honors in last year's World Series with saves in all four victories by the Yankees. He entered this season with the second-most saves in the majors over the previous five seasons, just two fewer than Randy Myers' 181.

But his 19 saves this year are 10 fewer than the man who replaced him in the Bronx, major league co-leader Mariano Rivera.

Wetteland's woes continued Monday

night after he quelled an Angels' rally The only I got ahead of was Hollins, Pamler greeted Percival with a twoin the eighth. He gave up a one-out single in the ninth to Gary DiSarcina and a double to Tony Phillips. The right-hander intentionally walked Darin Erstad to load the bases, but the strategy backfired when Hollins lined an 0-2 pitch to right field.

"They've got a very good offense and it's no walk in the park pitching to that lineup," Wetteland said. "It doesn't mean they can't be pitched to, because I think they can. But I just didn't allow myself the opportunity to make the pitches I needed to make.

"I made mistakes on everybody I faced," added the nine-year veteran. "The cardinal rule is to get ahead of hitters and I didn't accomplish that. and I make an 0-2 mistake. It's hard to run shot that put the Rangers ahead. be successful up here when you do that."

Anaheim starter Allen Watson, pitching in a four-man rotation dictated by manager Terry Collins, threw 99 pitches and left the game after seven innings with a 4-1 lead. The left-hander allowed a run on four hits, including Juan Gonzalez's 22nd homer in the fourth.

But the Angels' bullpen squandered the lead. Rich DeLucia surrendered solo homers to Bill Ripken and Warren Newson, cutting Anaheim's lead to 4-3. Closer Troy Percival was summoned after Pep Harris allowed a single by Juan Gonzalez, but Dean

After Percival's third blown save in 15 opportunities, Collins defended his decision to bring in the right-hander with two out in the eighth inning instead of waiting for the ninth.

"The game was on the line in the eighth inning with Dean Palmer. And if the game's on the line right there, I want my guy in the game. That's why I brought him in," Collins said.

"I don't like to do that if I can help it, but that's what I thought I had to do in that particular situation. It didn't work, but we won.'

Oates also felt his decision to bring in his closer with two outs in the eighth was the right one.

Blue stars force showdown **Big Spring** pounds out 12-4 victory By JOHN A. MOSELEY **Sports Editor**

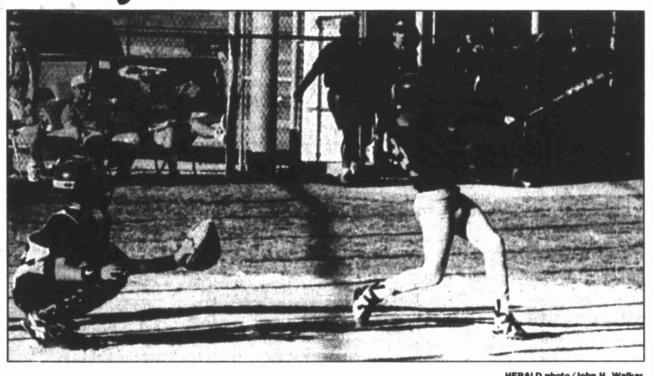
Big Spring's American League Blue All-Stars drew some measure of revenge Monday, pounding out a 12-4 win over Midland Eastern and forcing a second confrontation tonight for the District 3 Junior League championship. The loss was Eastern's first of the double-elimination tournament, forcing tonight's game

at 7 to determine which team

will advance to sub-sectional

play in Snyder Wednesday. For a second consecutive night, Big Spring victimized three opposing pitchers in avenging their only loss in the tonight. tournament, allowing starter Danny Blair and reliever Joey well and just kept putting the pressure on them," Big Spring lead to 3-2 in the bottom of the runs in the fourth and sixth Villa just one inning of work each in jumping out to a 5.2 manager Delvin Guinn said. first, Big Spring jumped on innings before striking for two "That's been our approach Villa with two out in the sec- more in the seventh. her I could tune i leaths attraisel And by the time Big Spring throughout the tournament. batters greeted Travis Lathram put the ball in play and run with three more runs in the the bases aggressively ... make them execute." third, Midland coaches had no choice but let him struggle In addition to their 15 hits, through the remainder of the Big Spring benefited from five Eastern errors and eight game - saving ace David Stovall for what would clearly walks. As a result, with Ryan be a third game between the Guinn, Manuel Holguin, two teams. Although Eastern managed Daniel Mata, Clayton Kelso and Tye Butler all getting two 10 hits off Big Spring's Stephen hits each, the Blue stars were Franco, the lefthander managed to scatter them enough to literally off to the races. Franco opened the Big go the distance and pace his Spring first with a lead off sinteam's 15-hit attack with a 3for-4 showing at the plate. He gle and moved to second when was also credited with driving Guinn singled up the middle. Both runners advanced on a in three runs. passed ball and scored when Five other Big Spring players Dusty Floyd ripped a 3-1 pitch had multiple hits, and all but for a two-out triple to power two of the Blue stars went hitalley fence in right. Holguin less "We hit the ball extremely added a single to plate Floyd.

holdout.



HERALD photo/John H. Walke

Big Spring American Blue All-Star outfielder Manuel Holguin slaps a single to left against Midland Eastern, scoring teammate Dusty Floyd from third. Holguin finished the night 2-for-4 as Big Spring took a 12-4 win and forced a showdown for the District 3 Junior League Tournament championship

LaFleur, the 22nd selection

overall, is the lone holdout

among nine Cowboys draft

picks as the team prepares to

open its camp Friday in Austin.

has been done yet," LaFleur

said. "And I'll really be disap-

pointed if I'm not there for

Team officials aren't happy,

training camp on Friday."

"I'm disappointed nothing

After seeing Eastern trim the

Big Spring added singles

Eastern, despite continually

Walker elevates average to .411, Rockies fall again

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

His batting average soaring while the Colorado Rockies fall out of sight in the NL West, Larry Walker is only concerned about the future.

"We'll forget about today," said Walker, who raised his major league-leading average to .411 with a 4-for-6 performance Monday night in Colorado's 14-12, 10-inning loss to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

"It's only July. We can still win the pennant. What's frustrating about it? If we hang our heads now, we might as well pack our bags and go home."

What about his .411 average? "I don't want to talk about myself," Walker said after Colorado lost for the 10th time in 11 games to fall 81/2 games behind San Francisco.

Eric Karros hit a two-run homer in the 10th for Los Angeles, which has won 10 of 11 to move within three games of the first-place Giants. In other National League games. Atlanta beat Philadelphia 10-6, Houston outlasted Chicago 9-7 in 15 innings, Cincinnati beat St. Louis 4-2, Pittsburgh edged New York Mets 5-4, San Diego defeated San Francisco 5-3, and Florida beat Montreal 5-4 in 12 innings. In AL games, Boston pounded Detroit 18-4, Baltimore beat Toronto 9-5, Kansas City beat Milwaukee 2-1 in 14 innings, Cleveland beat New York 3-2 in 10 innings. Minnesota beat Chicago 5-3 and Seattle beat Oakland 6-2. Mike Piazza led off the 10th with his fourth hit, a single off Steve Reed (1-4). Karros followed with his 21st homer, a drive down the left-field line, and Wilton Guerrero added an RBI single for a 14-11 lead.

BASEBALL

homer off Billy Brewer (0-2) in the sixth

Rico Brogna homered for Philadelphia, which has lost 23 of 26

Astros 9, Cubs 7

At Chicago, Houston's Ricky Gutierrez singled home the goahead run in the 15th inning.

The 5-hour, 19-minute game surpassed a 13-inning game in 1991 against Pittsburgh that lasted 4:35. Wrigley installed lights in 1988

Billy Wagner (6-3) pitched three scoreless innings, and Russ Springer pitched the 15th for his first save. Ramon Tatis (0-1) took the loss

Brad Ausmus hit a grand slam in the seventh to give. Houston a 7-6 lead. Chicago tied it in bottom of the inning on Kevin Orie's RBT single Jeff Bagwell hit his 25th homer and Sean Barry also homered for Houston.

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Willis Morrison drew a walk and scored when Franco doubled to right. Guinn then doubled, plating Franco to make it 5-2.

In the third, Floyd drew a lead off walk, moved to second on a wild pitch and scored on a Holguin single.

While Eastern managed to get Holguin trying to stretch the hit into a double. Lathram was still in trouble. He issued a walk to Mata, gave up a single to Kelso and walked Butler to load the bases.

When Morrison popped up for the inning's second out, Franco literally blew the game open with a single to right that scored both Mata and Kelso, giving Big Spring an 8-2 advantage.

"We're disappointed because

this guy is a guy who has more

of a chance to help our football

team, realistically, of all the

players we drafted," coach

"I hope that he and his agent

and our organization can reach

terms quickly, because he's

missing some valuable time."

putting pressure on Franco, never really benefited. They managed solo runs in the sixth and seventh innings, but left a total of 10 runners stranded in the game, seven of them in

Franco pitched out of jams in the third and fourth innings without suffering any damage and allowed the single runs in the sixth and seventh with Eastern having runners at second and third.

scoring position.

"The big key was that he (Franco) didn't walk a bunch of people," Delvin Guinn said. "There were a few times when his curve would hang and they hit him pretty hard, but he made them earn everything they got and we played pretty good defense against him.

Monday included defensive

tackle Antonio Anderson of

Syracuse, wide receiver Macey

Brooks of James Madison, line-

backer Dexter Coakley of

Appalachian State, guard Steve

Braves 10, Phillies 6

At Atlanta, Tim Spehr and Ryan Klesko hit grand slams the first time Atlanta has had two in a game since 1987 - asthe Braves overcame a 6-0 deficit for their eighth straight victory over Philadelphia.

Spehr, called up from Triple-A Richmond on Saturday, homered off Tyler Green in the fifth to move the Braves within 6-5. Klesko added his 16th

Reds 4, Cardinals 2

At Cincinnati, the Reds scored three runs because of Fernando Valenzuela's wildness, and Eddie Taubensee had an unusual pinch double.

After Scott Sullivan took over for Kent Mercker (7-6) in the. sixth, Cincinnati made it 4-2 on an unusual move by manager Ray Knight in the bottom of the inning. Pokey Reese singled and stole second as the count went full on Sullivan. Knight sent up Taubensee, who hit the next pitch for an RBI double.

Red Sox 18, Tigers 4

All it took for Wilfredo Cordero to eliminate the boos at Fenway Park was a two-run homer.

Cordero, jeered in his first 14 at-bats following his return to the Red Sox after an 11-game suspension, was cheered when he homered in a five-run seventh inning.

Cordero, who did not commentt, was 0-for-12 before getting two singles, then the homer.

Cordero was accused of assaulting his wife on June 11 and returned to the team after an 11-game suspension.

SPORTS BRIEFS

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IRVING - The Dallas

Cowboys want first-round draft

pick David LaFleur in rookie

training camp. The tight end

But when the four-day rookie

camp opened at Valley Ranch

Monday, the former Louisiana

State star officially became a

Angels set Howard County Night at park

Saturday will be Howard County Community Night when the Midland Angels host the Tulsa Drillers at Christensen Stadium at 7 p.m..

Former Dallas Cowboys defensive end Ed "Too Tall" Jones will be on hand during the game.

The Angels are offering businesses an opportunity to purchase specially printed tickets for the event which are available for \$2 each in books of 10. Regular prices at the ballpark are \$5.

In addition, the Angels organization is also offering community night ticket and picnic packages for groups of 25 or more.

The ticket and picnic packages offer fans an opportunity to enjoy a two-hour all-you-can-eat picnic.

For more information, contact the Angels at (915) 683-4251.

Crossroads Summer League results

With the exception of Greenwood's junior division team taking a 34-12 win over Garden City in the evening's first game, forfeits were the order

of the day in Crossroads Summer Girls' **Basketball League action Monday.**

Barry Switzer said.

LaFleur a no-show at Cowboys rookie training camp

Coahoma's junior division team got the 2-0 walkover against Big Spring II, while in senior division play, Grady was given a win over Garden City, Sterling City got the freebie from Forsan and Greenwood was the 2-0 winner over Stanton.

Thursday's schedule calls for Big Spring I and Stanton to open junior division play at 5:30 p.m. while Coahoma and Garden City play at 6:30 p.m.

In senior division play, Sands II will take on Garden City at 7:30 p.m., followed by Big Spring and Coahoma at 8:30 p.m. and the 9:30 nightcap featuring Garden City and Sterling City.

BSUGSA slates ragball tourney

The Big Spring United Girls Softball Association (BSUGSA) will have its third annual **Co-Ed Ragball Tournament Friday and Saturday** at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Teams must include five males and five females with a maximum roster of 15 players ages 15 and older. 140.111

Entry fees will be \$10 per person. For more information, contact JoEllen at 263-3623, Bobby at 263-7510 or Janet at 264-0023.

Volleyball camp set for July 28-Aug. 2

The Rose Magers Volleyball Camp has been scheduled for July 28-Aug. 2 at Big Spring High School's Steer Gymnasium.

Registration forms are available at Athletic Supply and at Neals Sporting Goods. The fee for registering is \$75 per participant.

The camp will be structured with girls of different ages taking part in different sessions. Seventh through ninth graders will attend 8 a.m. until noon sessions, while fifth and sixth graders will have a session from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Junior varsity and varsity players will attend sessions from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

For additional information, contact coach Traci Pierce at 267-4047. Registration forms should be mailed with fee payments to 2711 Rebecca, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Summer baseball camp scheduled

Howard College coaches and players will con-

duct a summer baseball camp at Jack Barber Field July 21-24 on the Howard College campus.

Camp sessions will be from 9 a.m. until noon and designed for youngsters between the ages of 9 and 14.

Registration will be at 8 a.m. Monday, July 21, and the fee will be \$90 per participant.

The camp will cover all phases of baseball. Participants should bring a glove and bat. For more information, call 264-5040.

Westbrook ragball tournament

Westbrook High School's senior class will sponsor a ragball tournament Friday and Saturday at the Westbrook baseball field.

Entry fees are set at \$100 per team. For more information, call Doug Koch at 644-5031 or Chris Majors at 644-3111.

Hunting permit applications accepted

Applications for public hunting permits on O.H. Ivie Reservoir Wildlife Management Areas are being accepted by mail beginning July 15 and continuing through Aug. 15 at the O.H. Ivie **Reservoir Field Office.**

Scifres of Wyoming, safety **Omar Stoutmire of Fresno** State, fullback Nicky Sualua of, Ohio State, and cornerbacks Lee Vaughn of Wyoming and Other rookies who signed Kenny Wheaton of Oregon.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You make an impact because you can think through abstract ideas. Others listen to you. The unexpected is likely with a long-term goal. A partner contributes to your search for information. Tonight: How about an adventure?****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Keep your meetings short, to ensure success. Others have a different way of looking at life. Discussion needs to be open. Analyze finances, and see if

you have the proper insurance coverage. Consider a work investment. Tonight: It could be romantic.****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Defer to others, and listen to their suggestions. You are a veritable storehouse of ideas. Unexpected news, however, could make your thinking chaotic. Creativity and a special relationship chime in, to help you find answers. Tonight: Be among the crowds.*****

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Focus on getting the job done and staying on course with goals. A financial proposition comes from out of the blue. Give it serious thought; it might have merit. A family member gives you input. Concentrate on one item at a time. Tonight: Head to the gym!***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Where there is an opportunity for playfulness, use it. Your delightful personality enriches others' lives. You might have a lot to do; still, take time for a loved one. Associates continue acting unpredictably. Tonight: Be a live wire.*****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Take action on a money matter. You want to invest more into your home or make your family life more comfortable. Gather feedback from those you trust. Sense of direction is imperative professionally; con-

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sider bringing home work. Tonight: Be a couch potato.**** LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You are energetic. How much you get done might even leave you in awe. Someone who pushes your buttons is likely to hear about it today. Restrain a child, who might be too big for his britches. Others seek you out: popularity soars. Tonight: Be where the fun is.*****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Money matters need your attention. You are unsure about what you want. A decision is frustrating; you could have difficulty working through anger. Count on the unexpected at home. You can deal with what is going on. Tonight: Balance the budget before making a decision.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You are personality-plus Your actions surprise others. Your ideas open minds and doors. A male friend helps you create more of what you want. Together, you are a force to reckon with. Be willing to change what isn't working. Tonight: A smile goes a long way.*****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Take a back seat, and think about what you want. So much is unexpected, you could be thrown. Batten down the hatches financially. A boss has

strong opinions; don't bother to challenge him. Be smart. Tonight: Stay in the limelight.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You are clear about what works with others. Your inventive, sometimes eccentric streak has you sleuthing out an unusual solution. Others will thank you for your discovery. Be willing to readjust plans to complete a key project. Tonight: Do what you think is fun!****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You are ready to throw in the towel, there is so much pressure at work. On top of that, a partner tells you exactly what is on his mind. Make discussions direct and revealing. Take the first step, and express some of your deeper feelings. Tonight: Others ask a lot!*** **BORN TODAY**

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Cozy arrangement provides not much comfort for widow

DEAR ABBY: My gentleman friend and I have been together for two years. We are both widowed and own our own homes,



science would bother me if I broke up with him.

He says he wants to get married, but will do nothing about having a prenuptial contract drawn up. My attorney says if we get married without a prenuptial contract, he could stand to get half of everything I have, but I could get nothing of his because all his assets are in trust.

I don't really want to get married, but I do feel that if he should get sick and I take care of him, I deserve to get SOME-THING. He has two sons and I have three.

He seems content to go on as things are, living in my home, with me paying most of the

DEAR ABBY: While visiting Paris recently, my purse was stolen off my shoulder in the Champs de Mars park. I gave chase, yelling at the top of my lungs, "Stop! Help! Call the police! Help! Help!"

Bravo to the three young men from Ohio, and my congratulations to their parents for raising such heroes. They tackled the thief and retrieved my purse. And bravo to Jessica from Connecticut, who went to the police station with me and made a positive ID of the mugger.

Bravo, bravo to the French police officers who took the time to drive me all around the park under the Eiffel Tower and escort me to the Metro to try to locate the mugger. Thanks to the cafe owner who stayed open late so my daughter and her children would have a safe place to wait for What an experience – and what a fortunate outcome! Life is good. — MARY A. PRYOR, SAN FRANCISCO **DEAR MARY:** Thanks for sharing your "All's well that ends well" experience. I love happy endings. Vive la France, and vive les tourists Americain! DEAR ABBY: I have lived in an upstairs apartment for seven years. It is convenient to where both my spouse and I work. The rent is affordable, and we have a good relationship with our landlord. The problem? Two years ago he rented the office directly downstairs to a woman who chain smokes. He told her when she rented it that he had a no-smoking policy. (I don't know if it was written into her lease or not.) She has ignored the no-smoking policy since day one. After four or five requests from me that she not smoke, she replied that I would "just have to open a window." Abby, opening a window does nothing. Our rugs and furniture stink. The clothes in our closet stink. Our throats tickle, our eyes burn, and I hate to think of the long-term effects on the health of our 3-year-old daughter. After the "just open a window" comment, I went to our landlord. He told her in no uncertain terms that she was not to smoke in the building. She stopped briefly, then started again. Back to the landlord I went. She stopped briefly once again, then started again. Back to the landlord again. Now, she simply denies that she's smoking (there's no doubt that she does), and I am tired of bothering our landlord. The building is very old and nothing short of demolition would keep the smell from drifting up here. The floors are hardwood. I love this place for its rustic charm, and have put a lot of work into making it a pleasant and comfortable home. Abby, does she have the right to smoke? Don't I have the right to keep my home smokefree? I am a happy person, but she's making my life miserable. FRUSTRATED IN ST.

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DEAR FRUSTRATED: If the non-smoking policy your landlord has been trying to enforce is part of the lease, then your neighbor does not have the right to smoke — she's in violation of the agreement, and the landlord can insist she move.

If it is not in the lease agreement, and the stench of stale smoke has reached a level you fear could harm your daughter, then you are the one who will have to move.

Your landlord would be wise to choose which tenant he wishes to keep before you make the decision for him.

DEAR ABBY: Last year, my daughter had a boyfriend living with her, using her car, etc. His favorite excuse was, "I have no money." He also was smart enough not to have any credit cards. My daughter paid for everything, or charged it on her credit cards. Dinners, clothes, concert tickets, his car repairs — it went on eight months. Then he left town with a good job offer. My daughter itemized all she had spent on him, which came to about \$3,000. Then she sent him the list. He wrote back saying he hadn't asked her for a thing! Did she learn her lesson? No, she's now in an identical relationship. She's one foolish person, thinking she has to buy men so they'll like her. I have talked myself blue in the face telling her that she can't afford all this generosity. I know she's responsible for her own actions, but in my day, the man paid for everything. Any hope for her? - FRUS TRATED MOM IN DENVER DEAR FRUSTRATED MOM Times have changed a bit since your day. Today, many couples share expenses instead of the man bearing the entire burden. Your daughter, however, has some serious self-esteem issues. Playing the role of "sugar momma" may foster dependence, but it won't buy love. She's making an investment that has a notoriously low return. The money would be far better spent on counseling. For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a businesssized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.) For Abby's favorite family recipes, send a long, selfaddressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet No. 1, P.O. Box 447. Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.) For Abby's favorite family recipes, send a long, selfaddressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet No. 1, P.O. Box 447. Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.) •1997 UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

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the house, and sometimes gasoline for my car. But I am unable to save much because I I am not happy with the way pay most of the bills.

Whenever we go anyplace, I drive because he doesn't drive very well. He calls his friends long-distance on my phone, saying he will reimburse me, but so far he never has. (I'm not sure if he's just cheap, or forgetful.)

Before I met him I was so lonely I was climbing the walls. When he came along, he filled a void in my life, but now I'm wondering if I wouldn't be better off without him.

He's not in the best of health and has no one to look after him, and I wonder if my con-

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bills while he saves his money. things are.

I have no one I can talk to about this, so I am asking you. What would you do if you were in my shoes? - NO NAME, PLEASE

DEAR NO NAME: Some things are worse than being lonely, and your situation appears to be one of them. If I were in your shoes, I would have a frank conversation with him, explaining your unhappiness, and insist that he pay his share of the bills. And I would not say "I do" until I had a prenuptial agreement in my safe-deposit box.

> CHURCH AND **CLUB** NEWS DEADLINES Church and club items are due

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Meeting TxDOT Route Study book to I-10/Amerilio North

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The Texas Department of

Transportation is hosting an open

Civic Center, 1501 6th Street, Lubbook, Texas. The open house

till be held from 6:00 pm to 7:00

pm and the public meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. This will be the final public meet-

Ing for the TxDOT Floute Study from Lubbook to Interstate 10, and from Amarilio north to the state

line. The purpose of the meeting will be to present the prioritized improvement listings within each transportation corridor and to

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and maps will be displayed and members of the study team will be available to discuss the route study

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Districts will also be in atten-

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Tesse Transportation Commission, in an effort to allow time for each public response, a limit of 3 min-uble ger person may be necessary. Responses will not be provided.

There will also be opportunities for discussions with TxDOT staff and she study team during the public

Written comments may be submit ted at the open house and public meeting, or mailed to the Tester. Department of Transportation. Attin: Maribei P. Chaves, P.E., Abliane District Engineer, P.O. Ben 160, Abliane, Tessa, 79604, up to 160 days following the public meet-ing date. Comments will also be accepted on the Result-Budy

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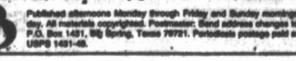








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In 1964, Sen. Barry M. Goldwater of Arizona was nominated for president at the Republican National Convention in San Francisco.

In 1971, President Nixon announced he would visit the People's Republic of China to seek a "normalization of relations."

In 1975, three American astronauts blasted off aboard an Apollo spaceship hours after two Soviet cosmonauts were launched aboard a Soyuz spacecraft for a mission that included a linkup of the two ships in orbit.

In 1976, a 36-hour kidnap ordeal began for 26 schoolchildren and their bus driver as they were abducted near Chowchilla, Calif., by three gunmen and imprisoned in an underground cell. The captives escaped unharmed.

In 1979, President Carter delivered his "malaise" speech in which he lamented what he called a "crisis of confidence" in America.

Ten years ago: Former National Security Adviser John Poindexter testified at the Iran-Contra hearings that he had never told President Reagan about using Iranian arms sales money for the Contras in order to protect the president from possible political embarrassment.

Five years ago: Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton claimed the Democratic presidential nomination at the party's convention in New York City.

One year ago: Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole picked New York congresswoman Susan Molinari to deliver the keynote address at the upcoming GOP convention. MSNBC, a 24-hour all-news network, made its debut on cable and the Internet.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Philip Carey is 72, Actor Alex Karras is 62. Actor Ken Kercheval is 62. Ohio Gov. George V. Voinovich is 61. Actor Patrick Wayne is 58. Actor Jan-Michael Vincent is 53. Rhythm-and-blues singer Millie Jackson is 53. Singer Linda Ronstadt is 51. Actor Terry O'Quinn is 45. Rock musician Joe Satriani is 41. Actor Willie Aames is 37. Actordirector Forest Whitaker is 36. Actress Lolita Davidovich is 36. Actress Brigitte Nielsen is 34. Rock musician Phillip Fisher (Fishbone) is 30.

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